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Population Estimates and Vital Statistics 2022 and 2023

The population of a country is one of the most important factors that shape the country's political, economic, and social development. It refers to the total number of people living within the territorial boundaries of a country. The population of a country is a dynamic concept, as it is constantly changing due to vital statistics. Understanding the population of a country is critical for government officials, researchers, and policymakers to plan and implement programs and policies that promote sustainable and equitable development.

Vital statistics refer to the records of births, deaths, marriages, and divorces that occur within a population. These statistics are used to estimate the size, structure, and growth rate of a population. Birth and death records provide information on the number of new-borns and deaths occurring in a specific area. Immigration and emigration records allow researchers to study contribution to a population. These records are the basis for calculating population estimates through various methods such as demographic analysis and extrapolation. Accurate vital statistics are integral to measuring the demographic and economic growth of a country.

The population figures are compiled from both the 2011 Population Census and the data provided from the population registry of the Civil Registry Department.

As per the latest estimates, the population of Sint Maarten is 42,938. In the table below, an estimate is given of the population numbers as per the beginning of the year from 2016 tot 2023. Since 2011, the numbers below are based on annual mutation (i.e. number of births, deaths, registered immigration, and emigration). The population figure will be updated based on the population count of the 2022 Population Census.

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Population	39411	40535	40614	41177	42044	42577	42759	42938
estimates								
Total Live Births	458	363	412	398	423	370	348	
Total Deaths	160	172	165	194	233	241	258	
Natural	298	191	247	204	190	129	90	
Increase								
Immigrants	1648	964	1273	1379	868	827	958	
Emigrants	822	1078	957	716	525	774	869	
Net migration	826	-114	316	663	343	53	89	
Total growth	1125	79	563	867	533	182	179	

