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Rebased Population Estimates and Vital Statistics for January 1, 2025

The Department of Statistics (STAT) has published its latest population estimates for Sint Maarten. The figures are built from vital statistics: the counts of births, deaths, and registered arrivals and departures supplied by the Civil Registry Department. They give an up-to-date picture of how the population is changing.

Following the 2022 Population and Housing Census, the estimates have been brought into line with the total population counted in that census. Anchoring the series to this census figure, in keeping with international statistical practice, ensures the estimates rest on the most reliable measure of the population available and sharpens the trends they describe. As part of this update, the Civil Registry revised its vital statistics for earlier years, so the population estimates for those years have been revised as well.

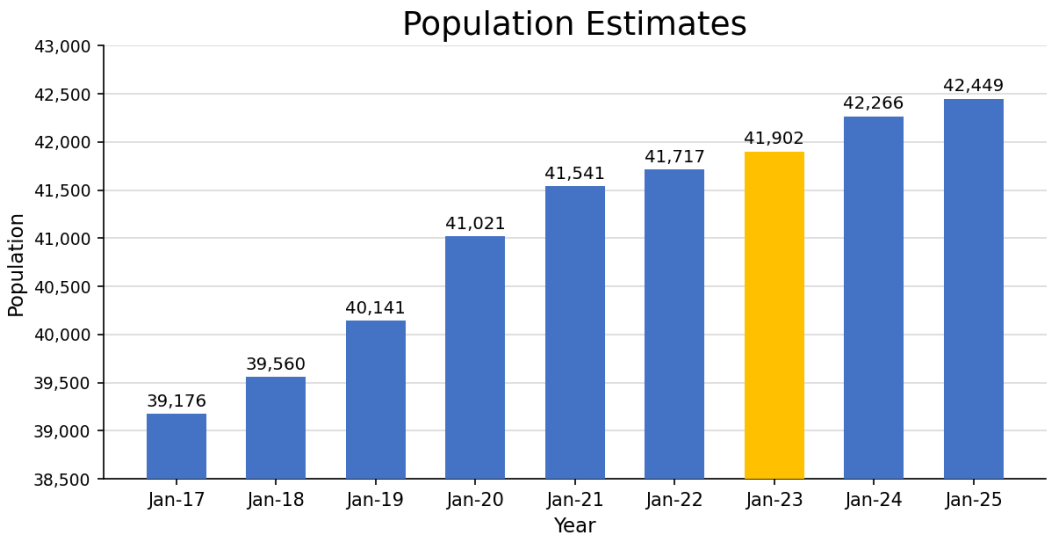
On 1 January 2025, Sint Maarten's population is estimated at 42,449, about 0.4% higher than a year earlier. Of this growth, roughly 48% came from net migration, that is, more people moving in than moving out, and 52% from natural increase, that is, more births than deaths. These movements reflect the continued change within our community.

STAT remains dedicated to providing dependable and timely demographic information that supports sound, evidence-based decisions. Estimates such as these help government, businesses, and the public understand how the population is developing and plan for the island's future.

Vital Statistics	Jan-17	Jan-18	Jan-19	Jan-20	Jan-21	Jan-22	Jan-23	Jan-24	Jan-25
Population (estimates)	39,176	39,560	40,141	41,021	41,541	41,717	41,902	42,266	42,449
Births	436	432	409	413	374	348	360	339	
Deaths	174	167	192	236	251	252	238	244	
Natural Increases	262	265	217	177	123	96	122	95	
Immigrants	1,214	1,273	1,379	868	827	958	1,200	1,022	
Emigrants	1,092	957	716	525	774	869	958	934	
Census benchmark							**41,902**		
Net migration	122	316	663	343	53	89	242	88	
Total Growth	384	581	880	520	176	185	364	183	
Development		1.0%	1.5%	2.2%	1.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.9%	0.4%

Source: Civil Registry Department and STAT estimates

The January 2023 estimate is benchmarked to the 2022 Population and Housing Census count of 41,902 (highlighted); all other years are calculated from it using the vital statistics above.



Note to readers

These figures incorporate revised vital statistics from the Civil Registry Department and are aligned to the 2022 Population and Housing Census. As a result, the figures published today may differ from those issued in earlier releases. The estimate for 1 January 2025 is based on the most recent vital statistics and may be revised as late registrations are processed.