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Highlights of the Results of the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH)

The population of Sultan Kudarat Province as of 01 May 2020 is 854,052 based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH). This accounts for about 17.42 percent of the 4,901,486 population of SOCCSKSARGEN Region, and about 0.78 percent of the country's population of 109,035,343 in 2020.

Table 1. Total Population Based on Various Censuses:Sultan Kudarat Province Census Years 2000, 2010, 2015 and 2020

Total Population	Census Reference Date	Census Year
<u>586,505</u>	May 1, 2000	2000
747,087	May 1, 2010	2010
812,095	August 1, 2015	2015
854,052	May 1, 2020	2020

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The total population of the province in 2020 is higher by 41,957 persons from its population of 812,095 in 2015 and 106,965 more than its population of 747,087 in 2010. Moreover, it is higher by 267,547 persons compared to its population of 586,505 in 2000. (Table 1)

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate Based on Various Censuses: Sultan Kudarat Province: Census Years 2000-2010, 2010-2015 and 2015-2020

Intercensal Period	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)
2000 to 2010	2.45
2010 to 2015	1.60
2015 to 2020	1.07

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 2 shows that the population of the province is steadily increasing but at a slower pace. The population of the province increases by 1.07 percent annually from 2015 to

2020. The rate at which the population grew during the period 2015-2020 was lower compared to its PGR of 1.60 percent during the period 2010-2015.

Table 3. Total Population by City/Municipality Based on Various Censuses: Sultan Kudarat Province, Census Years 2000, 2010, 2015 and 2020

Municipality/Highly Hybeniand City		Total Po	<u>pulation</u>	
Municipality/Highly Urbanized City	2000	2010	2015	2020
Bagumbayan	53,444	63,700	67,061	68,947
Columbio	21,698	27,440	33,258	33,527
Esperanza	47,578	63,207	66,095	74,696
Isulan (Capital)	73,129	86,602	90,682	97,490
Kalamansig	44,645	46,408	49,059	50,900
Lebak	70,899	83,280	88,868	91,344
Lutayan	40,881	56,179	63,029	65,644
Lambayong (Mariano Marcos)	51,192	65,557	77,013	79,739
Palimbang	43,742	83,265	90,424	92,828
President Quirino	32,721	38,753	41,408	42,244
City of Tacurong	76,354	89,188	98,316	109,319
Sen. Ninoy Aquino	30,222	43,508	46,882	47,374

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 4. Top Five Most Populous City/ Municipalities: Sultan Kudarat Province, Census Year 2020

Rank	City/Municipality	Total Population
1	City of Tacurong	109,319
2	Isulan (Capital)	97,490
3	Palimbang	92,828
4	Lebak	91,344
5	Lambayong	79,736

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

Among the 11 municipalities and 1 city of the province, the City of Tacurong had the biggest population in 2020 with 109,319 persons, followed by Isulan (Provincial Capital) with 97,490 and Palimbang with 92,828. Columbio had the smallest population with 33,527 persons in 2020. (Tables 3 and 4)

Table 5. Top Five Least Populous City/ Municipalities: Sultan Kudarat Province, Census Year 2020

Rank	City/Municipality	Total Population
1	Columbio	33,527
2	Pres. Quirino	42,244
3	Sen. Ninoy Aquino	47,374
4	Kalamansig	50,900
5	Lutayan	65,644

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

The municipality of Columbio is the least populous municipality in Sultan Kudarat Province with 33,527 persons. It was followed by President Quirino with 42,244 persons and Sen. Ninoy Aguino with 47, 374 persons. (Table 5)

Table 6. Annual Population Growth Rate by City/ Municipality Based on Various Censuses: Sultan Kudarat Province, Census Periods 2000-2010, 2010-2015 and 2015-2020

Municipality/ Clty	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)		
	2000 - 2010	2010 - 2015	2015 - 2020
Bagumbayan	1.77	0.98	0.59
Columbio	2.37	3.73	0.17
Esperanza	2.88	0.85	2.61
Isulan (Capital)	1.70	0.88	1.53
Kalamansig	0.39	1.06	0.78
Lebak	1.62	1.24	0.58
Lutayan	3.23	2.21	0.86
Lambayong (Mariano Marcos)	2.50	3.11	0.73
Palimbang	6.65	1.58	0.55
President Quirino	1.71	1.27	0.42
City of Tacurong	1.56	1.87	2.26
Sen. Ninoy Aquino	3.71	1.43	0.22

Esperanza is the fastest growing municipality in the province with an annual population growth rate (PGR) of 2.61 percent from 2015 to 2020, followed by the City of Tacurong with a PGR of 2.26 percent and Isulan with a PGR of 1.53 percent. Columbio posted the lowest PGR of 0.17 percent during same period. (Table 6)

Table 7. Top Ten Most Populous Barangays: Sultan Kudarat Province, Census Year 2020

Rank	Barangay	City/Municipality	Total Population
1	Kalawag II (Pob.)	Isulan	16,769
2	Poblacion	Tacurong	15,696
3	San Pablo	Tacurong	14,733
4	Poblacion	Lambayong	12,193
5	New Isabela	Tacurong	11,818
6	Lutayan Proper	Lutayan	10,850
7	Kalawag I	Isulan	10,568
8	Laguilayan	Isulan	10,466
9	Salumping	Esperanza	9,374
10	Tamnag (Pob.)	Lutayan	9,073

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

Of the 249 barangays in Sultan Kudarat, the barangay with the largest population size is Barangay Kalawag II of Isulan with 16,769 persons. It was followed by Barangay Poblacion of the City of Tacurong with 15,696 persons and Barangay San Pablo of the City of Tacurong with 14,733 persons. (Table 7)

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