



SPECIAL RELEASE

Highlights of Arakan's Cotabato Population based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH)

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Arakan's population was recorded at 50,558 persons

The Municipality of Arakan, Cotabato has a total population of 50,558 as of May 1, 2020 based on the result of the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH).

The 2020 population of the municipality is higher by 2,330 compared with the population of 48,228 in 2015, and 7,004 compared with the population of 43,554 in 2010. (*Table 1*)

Table 1. Population of Arakan, Cotabato
(Based on various Censuses)

Census Year	Reference Date	Population
2000	May 1, 2000	34,588
2010	May 1, 2010	43,554
2015	August 1, 2015	48,228
2020	May 1, 2020	50,558

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The municipality's population grew by 1.00 percent

Arakan, Cotabato population increased by 1.00 percent annually, on average, during the period 2015-2020. By comparison, the rate at which the province population grew during the period 2010-2015 was higher at 1.96 percent. (*Table 2*)

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate of Arakan
(Based on various Censuses)

Reference Date	Annual Population Growth Rate (PGR) (in percent)
2000-2010	2.33
2010-2015	1.96
2010-2020	1.50
2015-2020	1.00

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

If the municipality's current annual population growth rate (APGR) of 1.00 percent continues, the population of Arakan is expected to double in 70 years.

Greenfield ranked 1 as the most populous barangay in Arakan

Barangay Greenfield recorded the biggest population with 5,944 persons or 11.76 percent of the total population. This was followed by barangay Doroloman with 4,077 persons or 8.06 percent and barangay Malibatuan with 3,529 persons or 6.98 percent. (Table 3)

Table 3. Population of Arakan by Barangay
(Based on the 2010, 2015 and 2020 Census)

MUNICIPALITY/ BARANGAY	TOTAL POPULATION			APGR (in percent)	
	May 1, 2010	August 1, 2015	May 1, 2020	2010-2015	2015-2020
ARAKAN	43,554	48,228	50,558	1.96	1.00
Allab	639	694	787	1.58	2.68
Anapolon	793	813	852	0.48	0.99
Badiangon	2,237	2,011	2,092	-2.01	0.83
Binoongan	926	1,012	1,156	1.70	2.84
Dallag	1,342	1,365	1,601	0.32	3.41
Datu Ladayon	767	988	1,331	4.94	6.47
Datu Mantangkil	592	694	765	3.07	2.07
Doroloman	3,246	4,360	4,077	5.78	-1.40
Gambodes	566	713	800	4.49	2.45
Ganatan	2,343	2,499	2,995	1.23	3.88
Greenfield	5,083	5,506	5,944	1.53	1.62
Kabalantian	3,163	3,717	3,354	3.12	-2.14
Katipunan	482	614	737	4.71	3.92
Kinawayan	1,033	1,084	1,161	0.92	1.45
Kulaman Valley	849	936	1,086	1.87	3.18
Lanao Kuran	1,725	1,742	1,905	0.19	1.90
Libertad	1,159	1,218	1,347	0.95	2.14
Makalangot	1,689	1,701	1,710	0.13	0.11
Malibatuan	3,771	3,882	3,529	0.55	-1.99
Maria Caridad	598	690	805	2.76	3.30
Meocan	3,336	3,317	3,420	-0.11	0.65
Naje	1,078	1,301	1,335	3.64	0.54
Napalico	1,102	1,261	1,299	2.60	0.63
Salasang	1,227	1,474	1,525	3.55	0.72
San Miguel	594	1,009	1,072	10.61	1.28
Sto. Niño	1,392	1,570	1,662	2.32	1.21
Sumalili	599	630	732	0.96	3.21
Tumanding	1,223	1,427	1,479	2.98	0.76

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2010 Census of Population and Housing, 2015 Census of Population and Housing, 2020 Census of Population and Housing

Highlights of Arakan's Population based on the 2020 CPH

Barangay Sumalili was the smallest barangay in 2020, in terms of population size, with 732 persons. This population accounted for only 1.45 percent of the municipality's population.

Barangay Datu Ladayon was the fastest growing political subdivision in Arakan with an average PGR of 6.47 percent. Barangay Kabalantian, on the other hand, was the slowest with an annual PGR of -2.14 percent.

Barangay Greenfield in the Municipality of Arakan was the most populous barangay

There are 28 barangays in the municipality. The largest barangay in terms of population size is Greenfield (Poblacion) in the Municipality of Arakan with 5,944 persons. It was followed by barangay Doroloman with 4,077 persons and barangay Malibatuan with 3,529 persons. Other barangays posted a population size of more than two thousand persons, namely barangay Meocan with 3,420 persons, barangay Kabalantian with 3,354 persons, barangay Ganatan with 2,995 person and barangay Badiangon with 2,092 persons. (Table 4)

Table 4. Top 10 Most Populous Barangays in Arakan: 2020

BARANGAY	POPULATION
Greenfield	5,944
Doroloman	4,077
Malibatuan	3,529
Meocan	3,420
Kabalantian	3,354
Ganatan	2,995
Badiangon	2,092
Lanao Kuran	1,905
Makalangot	1,710
Sto. Nino	1,662

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Meanwhile, Sumalili was the smallest barangay in terms of population size with only (732 persons). It was followed by Katipunan (737 persons), Datu Mantangkil (765 persons) and Allab (787 persons). Other barangays that posted a population size of more than eight hundred person were Maria Caridad (805 persons), Anapolon (852 persons), San Miguel (1,072 persons), Kulaman Valley (1,086 persons) and Binoongan (1,156 persons). (Table 5)

Table 5. Top 10 Least Populous Barangays in Cotabato: 2020

BARANGAY	POPULATION
Sumalili	732
Katipunan	737
Datu Mantangkil	765
Allab	787
Gambodes	800
Maria Caridad	805
Anapolon	852
San Miguel	1,072
Kulaman Valley	1,086
Binoongan	1,156

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

TECHNICAL NOTES

- The 2020 CPH was undertaken by the Philippine Statistics Authority in September 2020 pursuant to Republic Act No. 10625, also known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013 and Batas Pambansa Bilang 72 further accorded the PSA the authority to conduct population censuses every ten (10) years beginning in 1980
- Information on the count of population were collected with 12:01 a.m. of May 1, 2020 as the census reference time and date.
- The 2020 CPH is the country’s 15th Census of Population and 7th Census of Housing since 1903.
- Doubling time is the amount of time it takes for a given quantity to double in size or value at a constant growth rate . We can find the doubling time for a population undergoing exponential growth by using the Rule of 70. To compute for doubling time, we divide 70 by the growth rate (r).
- His Excellency President Rodrigo R. Duterte declared as official fo all purposes the population counts by province, city/municipality and barangay, based on the 2020 CPH under Proclamation No. 1179 dated 06 July 2021. The population counts were based on census questionnaires accomplished by about 90,000 enumerators deployed during the nationwide census undertaking.
- The successful completion of the census-taking was made possible with the support of the local and national officials, government agencies, local government units, private and non-government organizations.



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