

2010 Everyone Counts!

THE CAYMAN ISLANDS 2010 POPULATION AND HOUSING CENSUS: PRELIMINARY REPORT

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1. INTRODUCTION

Data collection for the Cayman Islands 2010 Population and Housing Census was conducted over the scheduled six-week period starting Census Day, October 10, 2010.

Enumerators visited approximately 30,000 dwelling units during that period and were allowed an additional two weeks to revisit households where no contact was made. Some of the dwelling units were vacant units, vacation homes and short-term rental houses.

This preliminary report is based on the cover page of all Census questionnaires where a count of household members was recorded. In summary, there were 22,646 households whose members were counted during Census 2010.

2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

The preliminary results indicate that 54,878 residents were counted in the 2010 Census. This includes 481 persons that lived in institutions (prisons, dorms, retirement homes. etc.)

Table 1: Total Population, 2010 Census

Total Population	54,878		
Non-Institutional population	54,397		
Institutional population	481		

The non-institutional population was 54,397, with George Town accounting for the majority (50.9%), followed by West Bay (20.7%) and Bodden Town (19%).

Table 2: Total Non-Institutional Population by District and Sex, 2010 Census

							Sex Distribution	
	Total		Male		Female		Male	Female
	#	%	#	%	#	%	%	%
Total	54,397	100.0	26,899	100.0	27,498	100.0	49.4	50.6
District								
George Town	27,704	50.9	14,069	52.3	13,635	50	50.8	49.2
West Bay	11,269	20.7	5,500	20.4	5,769	21	48.8	51.2
Bodden Town	10,341	19.0	4,864	18.1	5,477	20	47.0	53.0
North Side	1,437	2.7	691	2.6	746	3	48.1	51.9
East End	1,369	2.5	675	2.5	694	3	49.3	50.7
Sister Islands	2,277	4.2	1,100	4.1	1,177	4	48.3	51.7

There were more females (50.6%) than males (49.4%) in the population, and this was evident in all districts except in George Town. In Bodden Town, the proportion of females was higher compared to any other district.

A comparison with the 1999 Census figures shows that the population increased by 15,377 persons or 39.4 percent, and grew at an average annual rate of three (3) per cent.

If the population were to continue to grow at this rate, it would double its size by the year 2033.

Table 3: Non-Institutional Population Change by District, 1999-2010

	Populat	tion	1999-2010 (Change	Ave. Annual	
	1999	2010	#	%	Growth Rate (%)	
Total	39,020	54,397	15,377	39.4	3.0	
District						
George Town	20,626	27,704	7,078	34	2.7	
West Bay	8,243	11,269	3,026	37	2.8	
Bodden Town	5,764	10,341	4,577	79	5.3	
North Side	1,079	1,437	358	33	2.6	
East End	1,371	1,369	-2.0	-0.1	-0.01	
Sister Islands	1,937	2,277	340	18	1.5	

Bodden Town experienced the highest growth during the inter-censal period, a 79.4% population increase at an average annual rate of 5.3%. This district has gradually increased its share of the population over the past 30 years, from 9.6% in the 1979 Census to 19.0% in the 2010 Census.

Table 4: Total Non-Institutional Population by District, 1979 - 2010 Censuses

	1979		1989		1999		2010	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total	16,677	-	25,355	100.0	39,020	0.0	54,397	0.0
District								
George Town	7,617	45.7	12,921	51.0	20,626	52.9	27,704	50.9
West Bay	3,947	23.7	5,632	22.2	8,243	21.1	11,269	20.7
Bodden Town	1,594	9.5	3,407	13.4	5,764	14.8	10,341	19.0
North Side	1,083	6.5	857	3.4	1,079	2.7	1,437	2.7
East End	759	4.6	1,064	4.2	1,371	3.5	1,369	2.5
Sister Islands	1,677	10.1	1,474	5.8	1,937	5.0	2,277	4.2

All the other districts have experienced a gradual decline in their share of the population over the past 30 years, except George Town, which had experienced gradual increase up to 1999. Although George Town's share decreased during the 1999/2010 period, it continues to maintain the biggest share of the population.

Concluding Note

The final Census report will be prepared after all information in the questionnaires is edited, verified for consistency, coded, scanned and processed for tabulation. The editing and verification phase is currently on-going. It is expected that the final report will be submitted to Cabinet by October 2011.