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Highlights of Davao del Sur Population (Based on the results of 2015 Census of Population)

-) The population of Davao del Sur as of August 1, 2015 was 632,588 based on 2015 Census of Population (POPCEN 2015)
-) The 2015 population is higher by 57,678 compared with the population of 574,910 of 2010, and by 128,299 compared with the population of 504,289 in 2000. Refer to Table 1.

Table 1. Population of Davao del Sur

(Based on 2000, 2010, 2015 Censuses)

Census Year	Census Reference Date	Population
2000	May 1, 2000	504,289
2010	May 1, 2010	574,910
2015	August 1, 2015	632,588

-) The population of Davao del Sur increased by 1.84 percent annually, on the average, during the period 2010 to 2015. By comparison, the rate at which the province's population grew during the period 2000 to 2010 was higher at 1.32 percent increase.

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate of Davao del Norte

(Based on the 2000, 2010, and 2015 Censuses)

Reference Period	Annual Population Growth Rate (in percent)
2010-2015	1.84
2000-2010	1.32

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If the current annual growth rate of the province continues, the population of Davao del Sur was expected to double in 38.06 years.

- J One in every four persons in the province is residing in the City of Digos, the provincial capital. The city posted a population of 169,393 persons in 2015 which accounted for about 26.8% of the province's population.
- J Davao del Sur has one (1) city and 9 municipalities. City of Digos had the largest population among other municipalities with 169,393 persons, followed by Municipality of Santa Cruz with 90,987 persons and Municipality of Bansalan with 60,440 persons.

Table 3. Population of Davao del Sur by City/Municipalities

(Based on 2000, 2010, and 2015 Censuses)

City/Municipalities	Total Population			Population Growth Rate (in percent)
	CENSAL YEARS			
	2000	2010	2015	
BANSALAN	51,781	56,496	60,440	1.29
CITY OF DIGOS (Capital)	125,171	149,891	169,393	2.36
HAGONOY	43,871	49,107	53,309	1.58
KIBLAWAN	41,275	44,618	48,897	1.76
MAGSAYSAY	43,172	49,141	53,876	1.77
MALALAG	33,334	35,295	38,731	1.79
MATANAO	46,916	51,382	56,755	1.91
PADADA	24,112	25,724	26,587	0.63
SANTA CRUZ	67,317	81,093	90,987	2.22
SULOP	27,340	32,163	33,613	0.84

- J The Municipality of Padada was the smallest municipality in 2015, in terms of population size, with 26,587 persons.
- J The City of Digos was the fastest growing political subdivision with an average annual population growth rate (PGR) of 2.36 percent during the period of 2010 to 2015. It was followed by the Municipality of Santa Cruz with PGR of 2.22 percent. Municipality of Padada on the other hand was the slowest with an annual PGR of 0.63 percent only.

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) There are 232 barangays in the province. The largest barangay in terms of population size is Aplaya in the City of Digos with 18,485 persons. It was followed by Zone 3 (Pob.) in the City of Digos with 17,885 persons and Tres de Mayo in the the City of Digos with 16,595 persons. Six other barangays posted a population of more than fifteen thousand persons. See Table 4.

Table 4. Top Ten Most Populous Barangays in Davao del Sur.

Rank	Barangay	City/Municipality	Population
1	Aplaya	Digos City	18,485
2	Zone 3 (Pob.)	Digos City	17,885
3	Tres De Mayo	Digos City	16,595
4	San Miguel (Odaca)	Digos City	15,422
5	Zone 1 (Pob.)	Digos City	15,023
6	Astorga	Santa Cruz	12,041
7	Kapatagan (Rizal)	Digos City	11,982
8	Zone III (Pob.)	Santa Cruz	11,148
9	Guihing	Hagonoy	10,845
10	Poblacion Dos	Bansalan	9,031

) Lapla in the Municipality of Sulop was the smallest barangay in terms of population size with 199 persons. It was followed by Kibongbong (261) and Bagong Silang in Municipality of Kiblawan. Seven other barangays posted a population size of less than 600 persons. See Table 5.

Table 5. Barangays with less than 600 population.

Rank	Barangay	City/Municipality	Population
1	Lapla	Sulop	199
2	Kibongbong	Kiblawan	261
3	Bagong Silang	Kiblawan	362
4	Carre	Sulop	382
5	Abnate	Kiblawan	408
6	Bonifacio	Bansalan	410
7	Clib	Sulop	421
8	Bagumbayan	Matanao	507
9	Saub	Matanao	528
10	Lapu-Lapu (Lapla)	Malalag	572

- J The POPCEN 2015 was undertaken by the Philippine Statistics Authority in August 2015 pursuant to Republic Act No. 10625, also known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013 and Executive Order No. 352 – Designation of Statistical Activities That Will Generate Critical Data for Decision-Making of the Government and Private Sector, which stipulated the conduct of a mid-decade census primarily to update the population count in all barangays nationwide.
- J Information on the count of the population were collected with 12:01 A.M. of August 1, 2015 as the census reference time and date.
- J His Excellency President Benigno S. Aquino III declared as official for all purposes the population counts by province, city/municipality, and barangay, based on the POPCEN 2015 under Proclamation No. 1269 dated 18 May 2016. The population counts were based on census questionnaires accomplished by about 90,000 enumerators deployed during the nationwide census taking.
- J The successful completion of the census-taking was made possible with the support of the local and national officials, government agencies, local government units, media, private agencies, and non-government organizations.