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## Highlights of Population in the Province of Davao de Oro based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH)

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### Davao de Oro population was recorded at 767,547 persons

The total population of Davao de Oro Province as of May 1, 2020 was 767,547 based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH). It accounted for about 14.64 percent of the Davao Region population in 2020.

The population of the Province for the year 2020 is higher by 31,440 persons compared with the population of 736,107 in 2015; by 80,352 persons compared with the population of 687,195 in 2010; and by 187,303 persons compared with the population of 580,244 in 2000. (see *Table 1*)

**Table 1. Total Population of Davao de Oro Province**

(Based on the 2000, 2010, 2015, and 2020 Census)

Census Year	Reference Date	Population
2000	1 May 2000	580,244
2010	1 May 2010	687,195
2015	1 August 2015	736,107
2020	1 May 2020	767,547

Source: *Philippine Statistics Authority*

### The province's population grew by 0.88 percent

The total population of Davao de Oro increased by 0.88 percent annually, on average, during the period of 2015 to 2020. By comparison, the rate at which the province's population grew during the period of 2010 to 2015 was higher at 1.32 percent (see *Table 2*)

If the province's current annual population growth rate (APGR) of 0.88 percent continues, the population of Davao de Oro is expected to double in 79.21 years.



**Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate of Davao de Oro**  
(Based on 2000, 2010, 2015, and 2020 Censuses)

Reference Period	Annual Population Growth Rate (in percent)
2000-2010	1.71
2010-2015	1.32
2010-2020	1.11
2015-2020	0.88

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

**Municipality of Monkayo consistently has the biggest population provincialwide**

Davao de Oro has 11 municipalities. In 2020, Monkayo had the biggest population with 93,937 persons residing in the municipality or contributed 12.24 percent out of the total population of the province, followed by Pantukan with 90,786 persons or 11.83 percent and Compostela with 89,884 persons or 11.71 percent, respectively. (see Table 3)

**Table 3. Population of Davao de Oro by Municipality**  
(Based on the 2000, 2010, 2015, and 2020 Censuses)

Municipality	Total Population			
	1 May 2000	1 May 2010	1 August 2015	1 May 2020
Compostela	61,667	81,934	87,474	89,884
Laak (San Vicente)	59,450	70,856	73,874	79,744
Mabini (Doña Alicia)	32,058	36,807	41,102	43,552
Maco	65,181	72,235	81,277	83,237
Maragusan (San Mariano)	45,937	55,503	60,842	64,412
Mawab	32,003	35,698	37,065	39,631
Monkayo	85,830	94,827	94,908	93,937
Montevista	33,225	39,602	43,706	46,558
Nabunturan (Capital)	60,543	73,196	82,234	84,340
New Bataan	42,549	47,470	47,726	51,466
Pantukan	61,801	79,067	85,899	90,786

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



The municipality of Mawab had the smallest population size with 39,631 persons or accounted for only 5.16 percent of the province population, followed by Mabini with 43,552 persons or 5.67 percent and Montevista with 46,558 persons or 6.07 percent.

### Laak is the fastest growing municipality

The municipality of Laak was the fastest growing municipality in the province with an average annual population growth rate (PGR) of 1.62 percent during the period of 2015 to 2020. It was followed by New Bataan with a PGR of 1.60 percent, and Mawab with 1.42 percent. On the other hand, the Municipality of Maco was the slowest growing municipality with a PGR of 0.50 percent only. Additionally, the Municipality of Monkayo posted a negative PGR of 0.22 percent among the 11 municipalities of the province. (see *Table 4*)

**Table 4. Annual Population Growth Rate of Davao de Oro by Municipality**  
(Based on the 2000, 2010, 2015, and 2020 Censuses)

Municipality	Population Growth Rate ( <i>in percent</i> )			
	2000-2010	2010-2020	2010-2015	2015-2020
Compostela	2.88	0.93	1.25	0.57
Laak (San Vicente)	1.77	1.19	0.80	1.62
Mabini (Doña Alicia)	1.39	1.70	2.12	1.23
Maco	1.03	1.43	2.27	0.50
Maragusan (San Mariano)	1.91	1.50	1.76	1.21
Mawab	1.10	1.05	0.72	1.42
Monkayo	1.00	-0.09	0.02	-0.22
Montevista	1.77	1.63	1.89	1.34
Nabunturan (Capital)	1.91	1.43	2.24	0.53
New Bataan	1.10	0.81	0.10	1.60
Pantukan	2.49	1.39	1.59	1.17

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

### Barangay Kingking in the Municipality of Pantukan was the largest barangay

There are 237 barangays in the province. The largest barangay in terms of population size is Kingking (Pob.) in the Municipality of Pantukan with 29,317 persons. It was followed by Barangay Poblacion in Compostela, with 22,193 persons and Barangay Poblacion in Monkayo with 20,435 persons. (See Table 5)

**Table 5. Top 10 Most Populous Barangays in Davao de Oro: 2020**

Municipality	Barangay	Population
Pantukan	Kingking (Pob.)	29,317
Compostela	Poblacion	22,193
Monkayo	Poblacion	20,435
Nabunturan	Poblacion	16,552
Maragusan	Maragusan (Pob.)	15,488
Pantukan	Napnapan	12,529
Mawab	Poblacion	11,423
Compostela	Maparat	11,281
New Bataan	Cabinuangan (Pob.)	11,018
Pantukan	Magnaga	10,766

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Meanwhile, Barangay Mabugnao in Maragusan was the smallest barangay in terms of population size with 406 persons. It was followed by Barangay Anitap in Laak with 481 persons and Barangay Pagsabangan in New Bataan with 506 persons. (See Table 6)

**Table 6. Top 10 Least Populous Barangays in Davao de Oro: 2020**

Municipality	Barangay	Population
Maragusan	Mabugnao	406
Laak	Anitap	481
New Bataan	Pagsabangan	506
Maco	New Barili	570
Maco	Manipongol	578
Maco	Sangab	583
Nabunturan	Sasa	619
Nabunturan	New Daus	633
Nabunturan	San Vicente	636
Maco	Mapaang	640

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



### Compostela is the most densely populated municipality

The three biggest municipalities in Davao de Oro in terms of land area were Laak with 768 square kilometers, followed by Monkayo with 609.61 square kilometers, and New Bataan with 554.17 square kilometers. Mawab was the smallest with a land area of 136.10 square kilometers.

By municipality, Compostela was the most densely populated with a population density of 313 persons per square kilometer, followed by Nabunturan with 312 persons per square kilometer, and Mawab with 291 persons per square kilometer.

The most sparsely populated municipality in 2020 was New Bataan with a population density of 93 persons per square kilometer, followed by Laak with 104 persons per square kilometer, and Mabini with 109 persons per square kilometer.

**Table 7. Total Population, Land Area, and Population Density by Municipality:  
Davao de Oro Province, 2020**

Municipality	Total Population	Land Area (sq. km.)	Population Density (persons per sq. km.)
Compostela	89,884	287.00	313
Laak (San Vicente)	79,744	768.00	104
Mabini (Doña Alicia)	43,552	400.00	109
Maco	83,237	342.23	243
Maragusan (San Mariano)	64,412	394.27	163
Mawab	39,631	136.10	291
Monkayo	93,937	609.61	154
Montevista	46,558	265.60	175
Nabunturan (Capital)	84,340	270.00	312
New Bataan	51,466	554.17	93
Pantukan	90,786	533.11	170

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Land Management Bureau



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### 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 B.P. Blg. 72 further accorded the PSA the authority to conduct population censuses every ten (10) years beginning in 1980.
- Information on the count of the 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 for 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 taking.
- 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.

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