

2011 Census of Population, Households and Dwellings in the Republic of Serbia

Book 2: Age and Sex

In the book "Age and Sex" the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia publishes the final results of the 2011 Census of Population, Households and Dwellings¹ on the population of the Republic of Serbia according to age and sex. The data are shown by five-year age groups.

In the period between the two censuses, there was a decrease in the total population by 4.15% which is primarily the consequence of the negative natural birth-rate and the migration of our citizens abroad. The average age of the total population was increased by two years. If we look population age by sex, women are on an average somewhat less than three years older than men.

Population by sex and average age, according to the 2002 and 2011 censuses

	Total population		Average age (years)	
	2002	2011	2002	2011
Republic of Serbia	7498001	7186862	40.2	42.2
Male	3645930	3499176	39.0	40.9
Female	3852071	3687686	41.5	43.5

The lowest average age has the population in the municipalities of Tutin (32.1), Novi Pazar (33.5) and Sjenica (37.0), while the highest average age has the population in Crna Trava (53.7), Gadžin Han (52.5) and Svrlijig (50.6).

The share of persons aged 65 years and over in the total population of the Republic of Serbia is 17.4%, while the share of the younger than 15 is 14.3% which shows that we are in an advanced phase of demographic aging. The least favourable situation is in the South and East Serbia region where almost every fifth person is more than 64 years old.

Number of residents according to large age groups, by regions, the 2011 Census

	Number of residents	Average age (years)	0–14		15–64		65 and more	
			total	%	total	%	total	%
Republic of Serbia	7186862	42.2	1025278	14.27	4911268	68.34	1250316	17.40
Belgrade region	1659440	41.8	232730	14.02	1154948	69.60	271762	16.38
Vojvodina region	1937809	41.8	277470	14.36	1337801	69.25	316538	16.39
Sumadija and West Serbia region	2031697	42.3	298485	14.69	1374202	67.64	359010	17.67
South and East Serbia region	1563916	43.3	216593	13.85	1044317	66.78	303006	19.37
Kosovo and Metohia region

Approximately 1000 settlements in the Republic of Serbia have less than 100 residents (almost every fifth settlement). The highest concentration of these settlements is in the South and East Serbia region where every third settlement has less than 100 residents.

¹ The 2011 Census was not carried out on the territory of the AP Kosovo and Metohia, while the coverage of the census units in the municipalities of Presevo and Bujanovac was incomplete owing to the boycott by the majority of the Albanian ethnic community.