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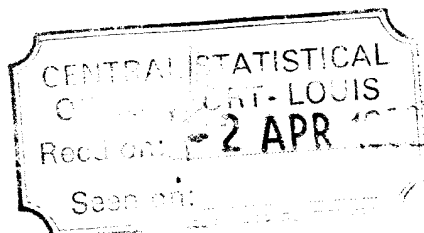
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PROVISIONAL FIGURES OF POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS

STATE OF MAURITIUS, DECEMBER 1991

N O T E S

1. Sex ratio : The number of males to every 100 females
2. Natural increase : The excess of births over deaths
3. Crude birth rate : The number of live births in a year per 1,000 mid-year population
4. Crude death rate : The number of deaths in a year per 1,000 mid-year population
5. Infant mortality rate : The number of deaths in a year of an infant aged under one year per 1,000 live-births during the year
6. Still birth rate : The number of still births in a year per 1,000 total births (live births and still births) during the year
7. Marriage rate : The number of persons married in a year per 1,000 mid-year population
8. Divorce rate : The number of persons divorced in a year per 1,000 mid-year population

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Note

All estimates of the population in this economic indicator are based on the 1990 population census data, adjusted for under-enumeration of young children.

Prior to 1990, censuses were taken on a "de facto" basis, which counts all persons present in a household or institution on Census night. This method is simple and reduces the risk of omissions and double counts, but it includes non-residents present on census night and excludes residents who were away. For the 1990 census, a series of questions were asked which allow a count of the resident population to be made by excluding foreign visitors and including residents who were temporarily away on census night. This resident population base is expected to be more realistic than the "de facto" base of past years and has therefore been used for making post-censal population estimates after 1990. It may be noted that the 1990 census count of residents was 1,056,827 as compared to a "present" population count of 1,055,523.

1. Population estimates as at 31st December, 1991

The resident population of the State of Mauritius was estimated at 1,078,070 as at the end of 1991 as compared to 1,065,990 in the corresponding period of 1990. The population growth rate in 1991 was therefore around 1.1 per cent.

The population density was 528 persons per square kilometre for the State and 560 for the Island of Mauritius taken separately (Table 1). The density of the State of Mauritius, which is one of the highest in the world, has continued to increase as shown in Table 2.

The overall sex ratio for the State of Mauritius was slightly above that for 1990 i.e. 99.9 males per 100 females for 1991 as against 99.8 in 1990 (Table 2).

2. Components of population growth during the year

Any population grows by way of two components - natural increase (the excess of live births over deaths) and net migration. Table 3 shows that natural increase added some 15,170 persons to the resident population of the state. However the excess of departures over arrivals for residents was 3,090 during the year. Both components together led to an increase of 12,080 persons or nearly 1.1 per cent during the year 1991.

3. Population estimates by age-group and sex

Table 4 gives the mid-year population estimates by age-group and sex for 1990 and 1991. These estimates are essential to calculate various demographic rates either for the population as a whole or for specific age-sex groups.

The percentage of the population aged 0-14 years decreased from 29.8 in 1990 to 29.5 in 1991 while the population aged 65 years and above rose slightly from 5.4 per cent to 5.6 per cent during the same interval. Thus the dependency ratio (which is the child population aged 0-14 and the population aged 65 and above per 1,000 population aged 15-64) decreased slightly from 542 in 1990 to 541 in 1991.

4. Vital statistics and rates

Table 5 shows the vital statistics and rates by district for the year 1991. It also compares the 1991 national rates with those of 1990. Live births, deaths, infant deaths, still births and marriages by district and month of registration are shown in Tables 6,7,8,9 and 10 respectively.

4.1 Live births

In 1991, 22,197 live births were registered - almost 2 per cent less than the corresponding figure (22,602) of 1990. The crude birth rate was 20.7 live births per 1,000 mid-year population, some 3 per cent lower than the rate of 21.3 in 1990. The general fertility rate (the number of live births to 1,000 women aged 15-49 years) also fell by 3 per cent - from 78.2 in 1990 to 75.7 in 1991.

4.2 Deaths

A total of 7,027 deaths was registered in 1991 - almost the same as in 1990 (7,031). The crude death rate was therefore again 6.6 deaths per 1,000 mid-year population in 1991.

4.3 Infant deaths

Deaths of children under 1 year of age (infant deaths) numbered 413 in 1991, down by 11 per cent from 462 in 1990. The infant mortality rate fell from 20.4 infant deaths per 1,000 live births in 1990 to 18.6 in 1991, a decline of nearly 9 per cent.

4.4 Still births

There were 400 still births in 1991, nearly 10 per cent more than in 1990 (365). The 1991 still birth rate was 17.7 per 1,000 total births (i.e. live as well as still births), some 11 per cent more than the rate of 15.9 in 1990.

4.5 Marriages

The total number of marriages registered in 1991 was 11,295, 1 per cent less than the 11,425 marriages registered in 1990. The marriage rate (expressed as the number of persons getting married during a year per 1,000 mid-year population) was 21.1 in 1991, 2 per cent lower than the rate of 21.6 in 1990.

5. Divorces

The number of divorce cases filed in 1991 was 1,018 as compared to 1,046 in 1990. However, in 1991 more divorce cases were disposed of - 899 as against 692 in 1990. The total number of divorces granted was 707 in 1991 against 549 in 1990, that is an increase of nearly 29 per cent. The crude divorce rate (defined as the number of persons getting divorced during a year per 1,000 mid-year population) attained 1.3 in 1991 from 1.0 in 1990.

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Table 1 - Estimated end of year resident population

State of Mauritius, 1991						
Island	B. sexes	Male	Female	Sex Ratio	Area (km ²)	Density per km ²
Mauritius	1,043,521	521,522	521,999	99.9	1,864.8	560
Rodrigues	34,381	17,152	17,229	99.6	104.0	331
Other	170	90	80	112.5	71.2	2
State	1,078,072	538,764	539,308	99.9	2,040.0	528

Table 2 - Estimated mid year and end of year resident population

	Mid year		End of year	
	1990	1991	1990	1991
Population :				
B. sexes	1,058,942	1,070,298	1,065,988	1,078,072
Male	529,180	534,415	532,503	538,764
Female	529,762	535,883	533,485	539,308
Sex ratio	99.9	99.7	99.8	99.9
Density / km ²	519	525	523	528

Table 3 - Components of population growth - State of Mauritius, 1991^{1/}

Components of population growth	1991
Resident population 1st Jan 1991	1,065,818
Live births	22,197
Deaths	7,027
Natural increase	+15,170
Arrival of residents	67,471
Departure of residents	70,557
Net migration	-3,086
Resident population 31st Dec 1991	1,077,902

^{1/}excluding other islands (Agalega and St Brandon) where 167 residents were enumerated at the 1990 Census

Table 4 - Mid year resident population estimates by age group and sex
 State of Mauritius, 1990 and 1991

Age group (Years)	30th June 1990			30th June 1991		
	Male	Female	B.Sexes Number %	Male	Female	B.Sexes Number %
0	10,725	10,376	21,101 2.0	11,046	10,771	21,817 2.0
1 - 4	39,280	38,097	77,377 7.3	40,241	39,574	79,815 7.5
5 - 9	52,651	51,201	103,852 9.8	50,088	48,475	98,563 9.2
10 - 14	57,174	56,106	113,280 10.7	58,642	57,112	115,754 10.8
15 - 19	49,241	47,968	97,209 9.2	49,854	48,764	98,618 9.2
20 - 24	52,429	50,242	102,671 9.7	49,518	47,595	97,113 9.1
25 - 29	53,692	51,897	105,589 10.0	54,956	52,995	107,951 10.1
30 - 34	47,717	45,879	93,596 8.8	47,997	46,840	94,837 8.9
35 - 39	41,286	39,928	81,214 7.7	41,295	39,969	81,264 7.6
40 - 44	30,128	30,311	60,439 5.7	34,045	33,524	67,569 6.3
45 - 49	21,909	22,804	44,713 4.2	22,779	23,578	46,357 4.3
50 - 54	18,463	19,578	38,041 3.6	18,377	19,418	37,795 3.5
55 - 59	15,689	16,476	32,165 3.0	16,003	17,133	33,136 3.1
60 - 64	14,759	16,089	30,848 2.9	14,286	15,493	29,779 2.8
65 - 69	11,302	12,953	24,255 2.3	12,168	14,029	26,197 2.4
70 - 74	6,480	8,270	14,750 1.4	6,668	8,712	15,380 1.4
75 - 79	3,904	6,072	9,976 0.9	3,934	6,216	10,150 1.0
80 - 84	1,566	3,210	4,776 0.5	1,703	3,324	5,027 0.5
85 +	694	2,229	2,923 0.3	725	2,281	3,006 0.3
All ages	529,089	529,686	1,058,775 100.0	534,325	535,803	1,070,128 100.0

^{1/} adjusted for underenumeration of young children ^{2/} excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 5 - Vital statistics and rates - State of Mauritius^{1/}, 1990 and 1991

DISTRICT	POPULATION		LIVE BIRTHS		DEATHS		INFANT DEATHS		STILL BIRTHS		MARRIAGES	
	Mid-year	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	
P. Louis	133,676	3,043	22.8	1,099	8.2	72	23.7	67	21.5	1,107	16.6	
Pampl	103,522	2,214	21.4	676	6.5	47	21.2	49	21.7	973	18.8	
R. Remp	87,984	1,837	20.9	516	5.9	22	12.0	36	19.2	1,237	28.1	
Flacq	113,916	2,336	20.5	653	5.7	41	17.6	50	21.0	1,626	28.5	
G. Port	97,842	2,172	22.2	658	6.7	49	22.6	38	17.2	1,115	22.8	
Savanne	61,569	1,357	22.0	429	7.0	28	20.6	30	21.6	779	25.3	
P. Wilhems	326,119	6,466	19.8	2,170	6.7	92	14.2	90	13.7	3,293	20.2	
Moka	66,225	1,041	15.7	364	5.5	20	19.2	14	13.3	633	19.1	
B. River	44,954	970	21.6	250	5.6	17	17.5	12	12.2	383	17.0	
Rodrigues	34,321	761	22.2	212	6.2	25	32.9	14	18.1	149	8.7	
Mauritius :												
1991	1,070,128	22,197	20.7	7,027	6.6	413	18.6	400	17.7	11,295	21.1	
1990	1,058,775	22,602	21.3	7,031	6.6	462	20.4	365	15.9	11,425	21.6	

^{1/} excluding Agalega and St Brandon

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Table 6 - Live births registered by district and month - State of Mauritius, 1991
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DISTRICT	M O N T H												YEAR
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
P.Louis	305	240	162	282	275	282	303	242	254	244	227	227	3,043
Pampl	183	171	198	187	198	162	197	179	189	217	148	185	2,214
R.Remp	136	124	150	123	177	165	174	167	154	188	144	135	1,837
Flaccq	187	186	195	204	207	185	208	201	190	233	164	176	2,336
G.Port	172	158	168	188	170	164	198	204	205	178	188	179	2,172
Savanne	117	83	111	113	114	109	153	96	120	113	113	115	1,357
P.Wilhems	559	469	489	558	583	503	610	581	546	562	508	498	6,466
Moka	86	85	48	87	110	77	101	99	75	100	83	90	1,041
B.River	101	79	67	87	103	58	113	75	74	74	57	82	970
Rodrigues	55	64	67	76	57	60	79	63	69	55	47	69	761
Mauritius	1,901	1,659	1,655	1,905	1,994	1,765	2,136	1,907	1,876	1,964	1,679	1,756	22,197

1/ excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 7 - Deaths registered by district and month - State of Mauritius, 1991

DISTRICT	M O N T H												YEAR
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
P. Louis	107	85	87	76	81	92	112	98	93	84	71	113	1,099
Pamp. l.	51	52	46	56	74	55	66	64	48	64	44	56	676
R. Remp	34	41	37	43	38	46	56	47	40	45	47	42	516
Flacq	55	54	56	42	49	57	68	75	68	40	49	40	653
G. Port	67	46	53	56	62	55	63	58	45	49	43	61	658
Savanne	36	32	34	29	42	26	41	47	35	33	36	38	429
P. Williams	175	141	172	166	206	160	211	235	185	189	169	161	2,170
Moka	35	22	24	25	29	32	35	32	35	31	34	30	364
B. River	9	25	24	15	21	24	27	22	34	19	14	16	250
Rodrigues	11	16	24	27	18	24	28	14	9	22	8	11	212
Mauritius	580	514	557	535	620	571	707	692	592	576	515	568	7,027

1/ excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 8 - Infant deaths registered by district and month - State of Mauritius, 1991

DISTRICT	M O N T H												YEAR
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
P.Louis	7	8	5	10	5	8	4	7	6	4	3	5	72
Pampl	4	8	1	5	8	4	2	2	1	5	1	6	47
R.Remp	1	2	2	1	3	3	2	2	2	1	3	0	22
Flacq	3	7	1	2	4	5	4	6	2	1	3	3	41
G.Port	5	2	5	6	2	4	4	1	4	6	2	8	49
Savanne	2	1	1	2	5	4	4	3	2	1	2	1	28
P.Wilhems	9	8	12	15	8	4	5	11	2	7	6	5	92
Moka	0	1	4	2	1	2	1	2	0	2	3	2	20
B.River	0	1	1	3	1	1	2	2	1	2	0	3	17
Rodrigues	3	3	2	2	3	2	5	0	1	3	0	1	25
Mauritius	34	41	34	48	40	37	33	36	21	32	23	34	413

1/ excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 9 - Still births registered by district and month - State of Mauritius^{1/}, 1991

DISTRICT	M C N T H												YEAR
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
P. Louis	9	4	6	5	6	4	9	4	3	10	2	5	67
Pamp1	5	4	2	3	9	4	3	5	4	2	4	4	49
R. Remp	6	6	1	5	2	1	3	3	4	2	1	2	36
Flacq	3	7	4	2	7	5	2	7	3	5	3	2	50
G. Port	4	6	2	6	3	3	3	2	0	6	1	2	38
Savanne	5	1	3	1	3	1	3	4	3	3	1	2	30
P. Wilhems	7	5	7	5	9	6	11	6	6	12	6	10	90
Moka	0	1	1	0	0	3	3	2	2	0	1	1	14
B. River	1	0	2	1	1	2	0	2	0	1	2	0	12
Rodrigues	0	0	3	1	6	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	14
Mauritius	40	34	31	29	46	29	39	36	26	41	21	28	400

^{1/} excluding Agalega and St Brandon

Table 10 - Marriages registered by district and month - State of Mauritius, 1991

DISTRICT	M O N T H												YEAR
	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
P.Louis	81	49	86	85	84	107	108	115	111	75	96	110	1,107
Pampl	60	43	55	79	101	107	71	86	85	75	112	99	973
R.Remp	63	89	93	108	100	107	106	121	95	102	135	118	1,237
Flacq	108	97	102	124	166	145	137	132	115	160	167	173	1,626
G.Port	91	67	81	98	90	88	94	92	66	112	113	123	1,115
Savanne	70	48	49	63	65	57	54	62	52	81	77	101	779
P.Wilhems	214	193	189	251	267	304	288	323	271	281	343	369	3,293
Moka	40	34	37	39	66	50	57	63	45	57	67	78	633
B.River	23	27	28	27	41	35	30	32	33	38	39	30	383
Rodrigues	1	12	14	13	12	9	9	7	13	19	20	20	149
Mauritius	751	659	734	887	992	1,009	954	1,033	886	1,000	1,169	1,221	11,295

1/ excluding Aagelega and St Brandon