

## 11. POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS

## 11.01

## Population Growth

Year	Resident Population <sup>1</sup>	Annual Increase <sup>2</sup>	Caymanian	Non-Caymanian	Caymanian (%)	Non-Caymanian (%)
<b>EARLIER YEARS CENSUS</b>						
1802	933					
1891	4,322	1.7				
1911 <sup>R</sup>	5,564	1.3				
1921	5,270	0.5				
1931	5,930	1.2				
1943	6,690	1.0				
1960	8,511	1.4				
1970	10,068	1.7				
1979	16,677	5.8				
1989	25,335	4.3				
1999	39,410	4.5				
<b>END YEAR ESTIMATES</b>						
1979	17,018	5.8	13,502	3,516	79	21
1980	17,757	4.3	13,761	3,996	77	23
1981	18,575	4.6	14,031	4,544	76	24
1982	18,889	1.7	14,423	4,466	76	24
1983	19,794	4.8	14,885	4,909	75	25
1984	20,540	3.8	15,221	5,319	74	26
1985	21,104	2.7	15,527	5,577	74	26
1986	21,545	2.1	15,876	5,669	74	26
1987	22,986	6.7	16,289	6,697	71	29
1988	24,353	5.9	16,700	7,653	69	31
1989	25,695	5.5	17,118	8,577	67	33
1990	26,969	5.0	17,654	9,315	65	35
1991	28,039	4.0	18,253	9,786	65	35
1992	29,308	4.5	18,652	10,656	64	36
1993	30,719	4.8	19,487	11,232	63	37
1994	31,931	3.9	20,035	11,896	63	37
1995	33,332	4.4	20,666	12,666	62	38
1996	35,200	5.6	20,768	13,785	59	39
1997	36,600	4.0	21,228	15,372	58	42
1998	38,400	4.9	21,120	17,280	55	45
1999 <sup>R</sup>	39,600	3.1	20,988	18,612	53	47
2000 <sup>R</sup>	40,800	3.0	21,624	19,176	53	47
2001	41,900	2.7	22,207	19,693	53	47
2002	43,004	2.6	24,892	18,112	58	42
2003	44,144	2.7	26,087	18,057	59	41
2004*	36,340	(17.7)	22,131	14,209	61	39
2005**	52,465	44.4	31,787	20,679	61	39
2006	53,172	1.3	32,265	20,907	61	39

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup> Residents only, visitors from overseas are excluded.

<sup>2</sup> Annual average rate of increase between censuses and change over previous year for annual estimates.

\* End of year estimate includes Grand Cayman (Post Ivan) and Cayman Brac estimate. The drop in population level is related to the temporary relocation of residents abroad in the aftermath of hurricane Ivan.

\*\* The sharp increase in population is related to the return of residents who left after hurricane Ivan, and the increase in the labor force needed for the reconstruction of the country.

Source: Economics and Statistics Office

**11.02 Births and Resident Deaths**

Year	Mid-Year Population ('000) <sup>1</sup>	Births		Deaths <sup>5</sup>	
		Number <sup>2</sup>	Rate <sup>3</sup>	Number <sup>4</sup>	Rate <sup>3</sup>
1975	14.1	327	23.2	77	5.5
1976					
1977		270			
1978		273			
1979	16.3	289	17.7		
1980	17.4	326	18.7	96	5.5
1981	18.2	347	19.1	97	5.3
1982	18.7	339	18.1	95	5.1
1983	19.3	387	20.1	95	4.9
1984	20.2	414	20.5	108	5.3
1985	20.8	367	17.6	116	5.6
1986	21.3	360	16.9	129	6.0
1987	22.3	359	16.1	103	4.6
1988	23.7	380	16.1	110	4.6
1989	25.0	438	17.5	113	4.5
1990	26.3	490	18.6	107	4.1
1991	27.5	500	18.2	113	4.1
1992	28.7	520	18.1	116	4.0
1993	30.0	528	17.6	119	4.0
1994	31.3	531	17.0	124	4.0
1995	32.6	485	14.9	110	3.4
1996	34.3	560	16.3	125	3.6
1997	35.9	572	15.9	123	3.4
1998	38.1	545	14.3	117	3.1
1999	39.0	604	15.5	128	3.3
2000	40.2	619	15.4	137	3.4
2001	41.4	622	15.0	132	3.2
2002	42.5	583	13.7	120	2.8
2003	43.6	623	14.3	153	3.5
2004	44.2	611	13.8	196	4.4
2005	48.4	699	14.5	170	3.5
2006	52.0	710	13.7	182	3.5

**Notes**

- <sup>1</sup> Residents only, including those with work permits.
- <sup>2</sup> Resident births and deaths outside of the Islands are excluded from these figures.
- <sup>3</sup> Rates are expressed as per thousand of the mid-year population.
- <sup>4</sup> From 1980 visitors deaths were excluded from number of deaths.
- <sup>5</sup> From 1997 figures on deaths include all three Islands

Source: Registrar of Companies and the Economics and Statistics Office

**11.03 Resident Marriages and Divorces**

Year	Marriages	Divorces Granted <sup>1</sup>	Divorces Filed
1970	85		
1975	101		
1980	181		
1985	176		
1987	279		80
1988	254		102
1989	267	76	140
1990	274	110	131
1991	279	153	38
1992	261	71	121
1993	245	77	164
1994	237	69	149
1995	289	26	140
1996	300	34	144
1997	310	40	151
1998	300	76	168
1999	375	64	156
2000 <sup>R</sup>	414		161
2001	341		170
2002	321		193
2003	344		175
2004 <sup>R</sup>	337		171
2005 <sup>R</sup>	418	145	140
2006 <sup>R</sup>	529	158	123

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup> Some data for divorces granted were not accessible after 1999.

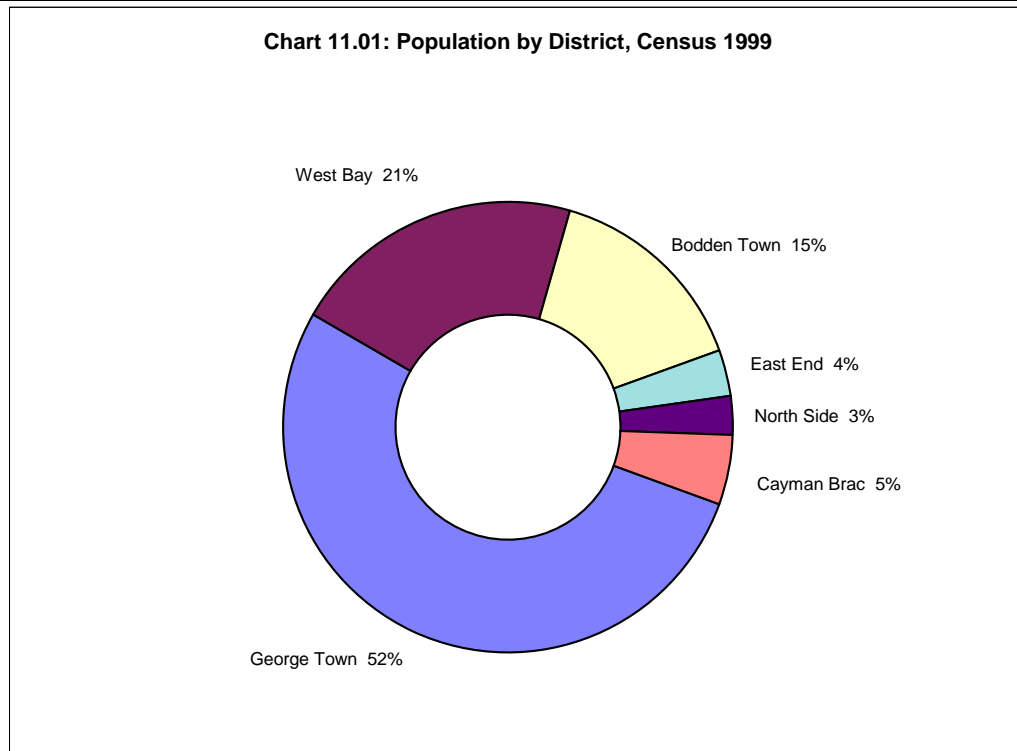
Source: Registrar of Companies and Judicial Department

## 11.04

## Census Population by District

District	1970		1979		1989		1999	
	Total	Percentage of Population	Total	Percentage of Population	Total	Percentage of Population	Total	Percentage of Population
George Town	3,812	37.9	7,617	45.7	12,921	51.0	20,626	52.9
West Bay	2,720	27.0	3,947	23.7	5,632	22.2	8,243	21.1
Bodden Town	976	9.7	1,594	9.5	3,407	13.4	5,764	14.8
East End	736	7.3	1,083	6.5	1,064	4.2	1,371	3.5
North Side	515	5.1	759	4.6	857	3.4	1,079	2.8
Cayman Brac	1,289	12.8	1,603	9.6	1,441	5.7	1,822	4.7
Little Cayman	20	0.2	74	0.4	33	0.1	115	0.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,068</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>16,677</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>25,335</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>39,020</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Chart 11.01: Population by District, Census 1999



Source: Population Census, Economics and Statistics Office

## 11.05

## Census Counts and Growth Rates by Locality

District	1979	1989	1999	Annual % growth*		Percentage growth	
				79 - 89	89 - 99	79 - 89	89 - 99
<b>Cayman Islands</b>	16,677	25,355	39,020	4.3	4.4	52.0	53.9
<b>George Town</b>	7,617	12,921	20,626	5.4	4.8	69.6	59.6
Gov. House - Pageant Beach	368	1,230		12.8		234.2	
North and Central	2,908	3,313		1.3		13.9	
South West	2,401	4,053		5.4		68.8	
S. Sound and East to Spots	1,940	4,325		8.3		122.9	
<b>West Bay</b>	3,947	5,632	8,243	3.6	3.9	42.7	46.4
North	2,167	3,080		3.6		42.1	
South West	1,439	1,967		3.2		36.7	
Boggy Sand Rd. to Gov. House	341	585		5.5		71.6	
<b>Bodden Town</b>	1,594	3,407	5,764	7.9	5.4	113.7	69.2
Savannah/Newlands to Pedro	660	2,171		12.6		228.9	
Bodden Town to Breakers	934	1,236		2.8		32.3	
<b>East End</b>	1,083	1,064	1,371	(0.2)	2.6	(1.8)	28.9
<b>North Side</b>	759	857	1,079	1.2	2.3	12.9	25.9
Kai to Brinkleys	103	88		(1.6)		(14.6)	
Brinkleys to North Side	335	278		(1.8)		(17.0)	
Old Man Bay & Frank Sound Rd.	321	491		4.3		53.0	
<b>Sister Islands</b>	1,677	1,474	1,937	(1.3)	2.8	(12.1)	31.4
Spot Bay to Watering Place	789	611		(2.5)		(22.6)	
Tibbetts Turn to White Bay	637	652		0.2		2.4	
West End and South Coast	177	178		0.1		0.6	
Little Cayman	74	33	115	(7.8)	13.3	(55.4)	248.5

**Note**

\* Annual % growth is calculated using the formula for geometric growth

Source: Population Census, Economics and Statistics Office

**11.06 Population Distribution by Age, Census Years**

Age Group	1970		1979		1989		1999	
	Census Count	Percent of Pop.	Census Count	Percent of Pop.	Census Count	Percent of Pop.	Census Count	Percent of Pop.
< 5	1,383	13.7	1,468	8.8	2,017	8.0	2,740	7.0
5 - 9	1,349	13.4	1,766	10.6	1,925	7.6	2,713	7.0
10 - 14	1,150	11.4	1,620	9.7	1,816	7.2	2,147	5.5
15 - 19	959	9.5	1,600	9.6	2,053	8.1	1,950	5.0
20 - 24	661	6.6	1,533	9.2	2,274	9.0	2,393	6.1
25 - 29	651	6.5	1,449	8.7	2,867	11.3	4,361	11.2
30 - 34	621	6.2	1,328	8.0	2,711	10.7	4,895	12.5
35 - 39	558	5.5	1,055	6.3	2,357	9.3	4,543	11.6
40 - 44	498	4.9	1,031	6.2	1,717	6.8	3,585	9.2
45 - 49	402	4.0	846	5.1	1,327	5.2	2,944	7.5
50 - 54	390	3.9	758	4.5	1,126	4.4	2,091	5.4
55 - 59	372	3.7	584	3.5	878	3.5	1,356	3.5
60 - 64	316	3.1	476	2.9	686	2.7	1,038	2.7
65 - 69	252	2.5	439	2.6	521	2.1	797	2.0
70 - 74	205	2.0	299	1.8	412	1.6	563	1.4
75 - 79	138	1.4	213	1.3	307	1.2	377	1.0
80 - 84	94	0.9	118	0.7	191	0.8	255	0.7
85 - 89	69	0.7	94	0.6	170	0.7	202	0.5
NS	-	-	-	-	-	-	70	0.2
<b>All</b>	<b>10,068</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>16,677</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>25,355</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>39,020</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: Population Census, Economics and Statistics Office

**11.07 Population Density**

Island	Area Sq. miles	1989 Census		1999 Census	
		Population	Density <sup>1</sup>	Population	Density <sup>1</sup>
Grand Cayman	76	23,881	314	39,410	519
Cayman Brac	15	1,441	96	1,822	121
Little Cayman	11	33	3	115	10
<b>Total</b>	102	25,355	249	41,347	405

**Notes** <sup>1</sup> Population density is measured as persons per square mile.

**11.08 Population by Age and Sex**

	1989 Census			1999* Census		
	All	Males	Females	All	Males	Females
<b>Cayman Islands</b>						
All Ages	25,355	12,372	12,983	39,020	19,032	19,988
Under 15	5,758	2,900	2,858	7,599	3,831	3,768
15 - 29	7,194	3,528	3,666	8,705	4,217	4,488
30 - 49	8,112	3,934	4,178	15,967	7,703	8,264
50 - 64	2,690	1,344	1,346	4,485	2,268	2,217
65 or over	1,601	666	935	2,194	979	1,215
NS				70	34	36
<b>Grand Cayman</b>						
All Ages	23,881	11,654	12,227	37,083	18,090	18,993
Under 15	5,430	2,732	2,698	7,243	3,654	3,589
15 - 29	6,873	3,373	3,500	8,368	4,033	4,335
30 - 49	7,735	3,762	3,973	15,280	7,394	7,886
50 - 64	2,445	1,216	1,229	4,209	2,135	2,074
65 or over	1,398	571	827	1,913	840	1,073
NS				70	34	36
<b>Sister Islands</b>						
All Ages	1,474	718	756	1,937	942	995
Under 15	328	168	160	356	177	179
15 - 29	321	155	166	337	184	153
30 - 49	377	172	205	687	309	378
50 - 64	245	128	117	276	133	143
65 or over	203	95	108	281	139	142

Note: Non -institutionalised population. There were 390 persons in institutions.

Source: Population Census, Economics and Statistics Office