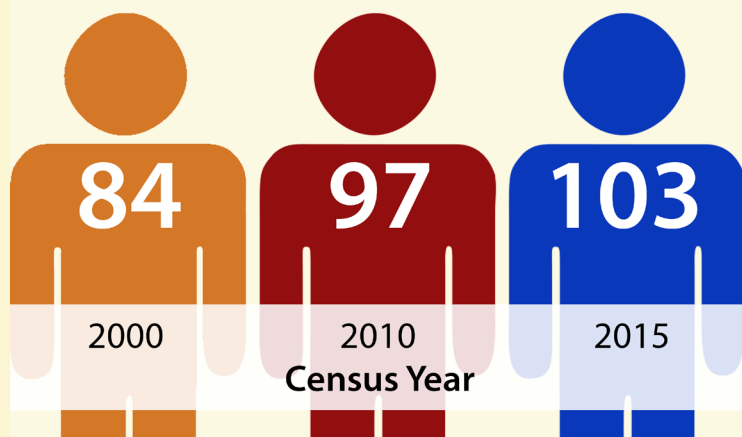


POPULATION DENSITY INCREASED BY SIX (6) PERSONS PER SQUARE KILOMETER IN ARMM (2015 Census of Population)

ARMM Population Density



The population of ARMM as of August 1, 2015 was 3,781,387 based on the 2015 Census of Population. In a total land area of 36,650.95 square kilometers, the population density or the average number of persons per square kilometer was 103. This figure represented an increase of 6 persons per square kilometer from 97 per square kilometer in 2010. In 2000, there were 84 persons per square kilometer.

Table 1. Population, Land Area and Population Density in ARMM by Province, 2015

AREA	POPULATION	LAND AREA	POPULATION DENSITY
ARMM	3,781,387	36,650.95	103
Basilan	346,579	3,453.42	100
Lanao del Sur	1,045,429	15,055.51	69
Maguindanao	1,173,933	9,968.31	118
Sulu	824,731	4,547.16	181
Tawi-Tawi	390,715	3,626.55	108

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Jolo, Sulu was the most densely populated municipality in ARMM; Bumbaran, Lanao del Sur was the most sparse

Among the region's 116 municipalities, Jolo, Sulu was the most densely populated municipality with 993 residents per square kilometer of land. It was followed by Indanan, also in Sulu, with 794 persons per square kilometer.

Sibutu in Tawi-Tawi with 537 persons per square kilometer, Maimbung in Sulu with 489 per square kilometer, and Saudi-Ampatuan in Maguindanao with 439 square kilometer, respectively, ranked third, fourth and fifth in terms of population density.

Table 2. Ten (10) Most Densely Populated Municipalities in ARMM, 2015

RANK	MUNICIPALITY	PROVINCE	POPULATION DENSITY
1	Jolo	Sulu	993
2	Indanan	Sulu	794
3	Sibutu	Tawi-Tawi	537
4	Maimbung	Sulu	489
5	Saudi-Ampatuan	Maguindanao	439
6	Tabuan-Lasa	Basilan	434
7	Rajah Buayan	Maguindanao	329
8	Datu Anggal Mditmbang	Maguindanao	292
9	Mamasapano	Maguindanao	291
10	Bongao	Tawi-Tawi	275

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Bumbaran in Lanao del Sur was the most sparsely populated municipality with a population density of 19 persons per square kilometer. Among the top 10 sparsely populated municipalities, 90 percent were from the province of Lanao del Sur.

Table 3. Ten (10) Most Sparsely Populated Municipalities in ARMM, 2015

RANK	MUNICIPALITY	PROVINCE	POPULATION DENSITY
1	Bumbaran	Lanao de Sur	19
2	Tagoloan II	Lanao de Sur	23
3	Madamba	Lanao de Sur	26
4	Madalum	Lanao de Sur	27
5	Bubong	Lanao de Sur	28
6	Mulondo	Lanao de Sur	35
7	Tuburan	Basilan	37
8	Maguing	Lanao de Sur	40
9	Bacolod-Kalawi	Lanao de Sur	42
10	Ditsaan-Ramain	Lanao de Sur	42

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority