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Preface

The Statistical Yearbook offers a source of information for everyone who wishes to be informed about various topics regarding the social and economic situation of the different islands of the Netherlands Antilles.

More than ever the Central Bureau of Statistics realizes the importance of statistical data as an instrument for research, analysis and policy making.

We want to thank all contributors for providing us every time with the necessary figures for updating this publication.

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This issue of the Statistical Yearbook contains data collected up to December, 2007.

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Director

Explanation of Symbols

. = no information available
- = nil
0 or 0.0 = less than half of unit chosen
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General Introduction

Location

The Netherlands Antilles, forming part of the Caribbean Archipelago, consists of Curaçao and Bonaire (Leeward islands), Saba, Sint Eustatius and the southern part of Sint Maarten (Windward islands). The distinction between the Windward and Leeward islands dates back to the time of the transatlantic sailing and regards the location of the islands to the north-east trade winds. The Leeward islands are located at 12° N and between 68° and 70° W. They lie at a distance of 30 to 90 km from the coast of South America. The Windward islands lie at 18° N and 63° W. The distance between the Windward and Leeward islands is 900 km.

Short History

The Leeward islands were inhabited by the Arawacs and the Windward islands by the Caribs. The Windward islands were discovered in 1493. In 1499 the Leeward islands were discovered by the Spaniard Alonso de Ojeda.

Saba and Sint Eustatius were taken over by the Dutch in 1632, the Leeward islands in 1634 and the southern part of Sint Maarten in 1648. The first constitution of the Netherlands Antilles was enacted by the Dutch Parliament in 1865. This constitution has been revised several times. The most important revision was that of 1954, which resulted in the establishment of the so called "Statuut". This is the principal legal act within the Kingdom of the Netherlands, which regulates internal self-government for the islands of the Netherlands Antilles.

Actual Constitution

The Netherlands Antilles form an integral part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The Sovereign of the Kingdom is head of the State and is represented in the Netherlands Antilles by the Governor. The Governor with the legislative body called the "Staten", consisting of 22 members, form the legislative power. The Governor with the Council of Ministers form the Central Government, with executive power in internal affairs.

The executive power in external affairs rests with the Council of Ministers of the Kingdom. The Netherlands Antilles are represented in this Council by the Minister Plenipotentiary, who has full voting power.

Besides the central government each island has its executive Council, an Island Council and a Lieutenant-Governor.

Language

The language usually spoken on the Leeward islands is Papiamentu, which is a Creole one with elements of the African, Portuguese, Spanish, English and Dutch language.

On the Windward islands the language usually spoken is English.

The official language of the Netherlands Antilles is Dutch, although at different formal occasions the local language is being used.

Area and Climate

Introduction

This chapter starts with information about the area and the population density of each island of the Netherlands Antilles.

The islands of the Netherlands Antilles enjoy a mild tropical climate, fairly constant throughout the year. However, the climate of the semi-arid Leeward Islands - Bonaire and Curaçao - shows significant differences compared with the lush, greenery Windward Islands - Saba, St. Eustatius and St. Maarten - that are located within the Atlantic hurricane belt.

Therefore, tables 2-5 include data observed at Hato Airport, Curaçao, which may be considered representative for the Leeward Islands, as well as similar data observed at the Princess Juliana Airport, St. Maarten, which may be considered representative for the Windward Islands.

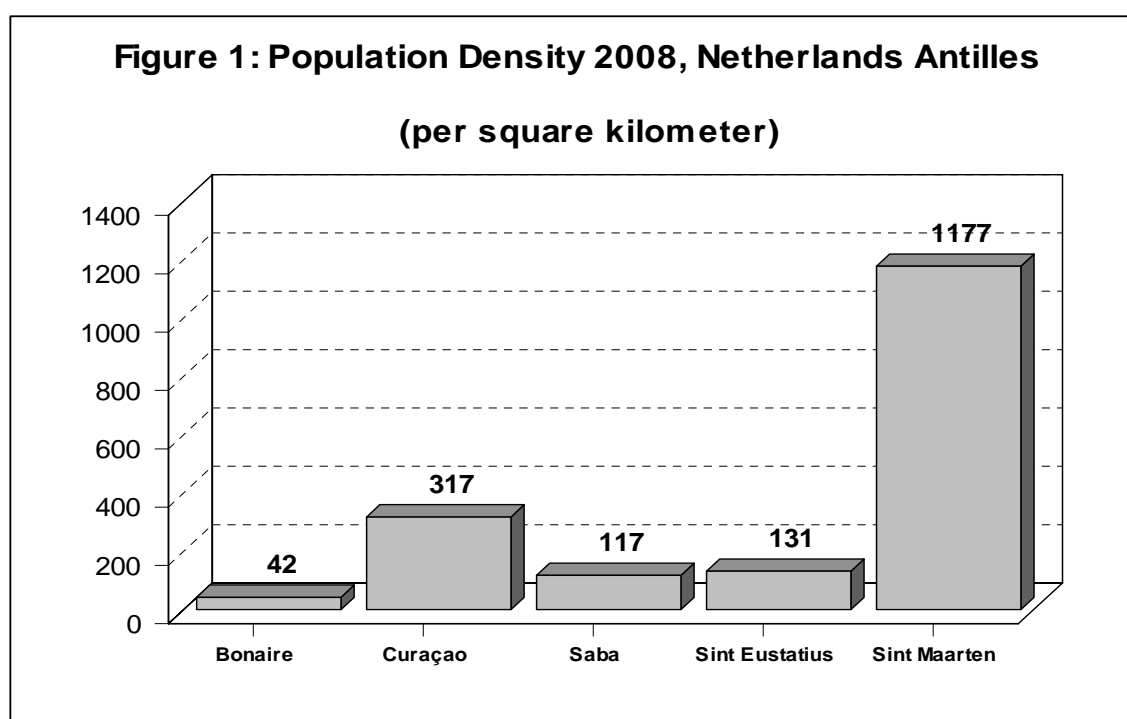
The observation series (temperature, rainfall, cloud coverage and sunshine, wind, atmospheric pressure and relative humidity) for the Leeward Islands date back to 1894 (regular rainfall observations started earlier in 1830). Similar observation series for the Windward Islands are available since 1907 (regular rainfall observations since 1879).

An organized meteorological service for the Netherlands West-Indies - at that time including Surinam - was founded in 1894, and in 1950 continued by the present Meteorological Service of the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba, a Central Government Agency under the authority of the Minister of Communications and Transport.

A. Area and Climate

1. Area, population density and capital			
	Area in square kilometers	Population Density per square kilometer,	Capital
		January 2008	
Netherlands Antilles	800	246	Willemstad
Leeward Islands			
Bonaire	288	42	Kralendijk
Curaçao	444	317	Willemstad
Windward Islands			
Saba	13	117	The Bottom
Sint Eustatius	21	131	Oranjestad
Sint Maarten	34	1177	Philipsburg

Source: Office of Land Registry, Island Civil Registry Offices and CBS



2. Temperature in degrees centigrade													
HATO AIRPORT, CURAÇAO													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average temperature 1)													
1971-2000 2)	26.5	26.6	27.1	27.6	28.2	28.5	28.4	28.7	28.9	28.5	28.0	27.1	27.8
2003	26.8	26.9	26.8	27.7	28.1	27.9	27.8	28.6	29.0	28.8	28.0	27.0	27.8
2004	26.1	26.4	26.7	27.5	27.8	28.0	27.9	28.5	28.8	28.2	27.0	26.7	27.5
2005	26.0	26.1	27.6	27.6	28.5	28.6	28.5	29.0	28.9	28.0	26.9	26.1	27.7
2006	25.9	26.0	26.7	27.7	28.5	28.7	28.3	28.7	29.1	29.0	28.4	27.6	27.9
2007	26.7	26.7	27.3	27.9	28.7	29.0	28.8	29.0	28.8	28.4	28.3	26.8	28.0
Absolute maximum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	32.8	33.2	33.0	34.7	35.8	37.5	35.0	37.4	38.3	36.0	35.6	33.3	38.3
2003	31.1	31.5	32.1	33.7	32.5	32.6	32.7	35.5	36.7	34.9	32.4	32.8	36.7
2004	31.0	30.7	31.3	32.8	32.3	32.6	32.7	34.5	36.1	33.9	32.7	30.3	36.1
2005	29.9	31.0	32.5	32.4	33.8	34.2	35.0	34.7	34.4	33.2	32.0	30.0	32.8
2006	30.7	30.8	30.8	33.4	36.1	34.7	34.5	34.5	35.8	34.4	33.3	32.3	33.4
2007	31.7	32.4	33.2	34.1	35.1	34.4	34.6	34.8	35.8	36.9	34.4	31.2	34.1
Absolute minimum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	20.3	20.6	21.0	22.0	21.6	22.6	22.4	21.3	21.7	21.9	22.2	21.1	20.3
2003	23.3	23.4	22.5	24.5	25.2	24.7	24.2	25.0	25.3	23.3	22.1	21.6	22.1
2004	21.5	22.2	21.8	23.5	22.6	24.6	24.3	24.5	23.0	22.1	23.1	22.2	21.5
2005	21.6	22.4	24.0	24.8	23.8	22.8	23.8	25.7	23.3	22.1	22.8	22.0	23.3
2006	22.7	22.0	23.2	23.4	25.1	22.4	23.4	25.2	24.3	23.3	24.9	23.5	23.6
2007	23.4	22.5	24.0	24.7	25.4	24.0	23.6	23.7	22.3	23.3	23.7	22.6	23.6
Average maximum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	29.7	30.0	30.5	31.1	31.6	32.0	31.9	32.4	32.6	31.9	31.1	30.1	31.2
2003	30.1	30.2	30.5	31.8	31.8	31.6	31.4	32.6	33.2	32.6	31.4	30.2	31.5
2004	29.6	29.9	30.1	31.1	31.2	31.3	31.7	32.4	32.9	31.8	29.8	29.5	30.9
2005	28.7	29.0	31.4	31.3	32.0	32.1	32.6	33.1	32.7	31.5	29.8	29.3	31.1
2006	29.0	29.4	30.0	31.2	32.5	32.6	32.3	32.6	33.0	32.7	31.8	30.9	31.5
2007	30.1	30.8	31.1	32.1	32.6	33.1	32.9	32.9	32.7	32.2	31.9	30.0	31.9
Average minimum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	24.3	24.4	24.8	25.5	26.3	26.4	26.1	26.3	26.5	26.2	25.6	24.8	25.6
2003	24.8	24.9	24.4	25.6	25.9	25.6	25.5	26.0	26.5	26.2	25.3	24.8	25.5
2004	23.6	23.9	24.4	25.3	25.5	25.9	25.5	26.1	26.0	25.3	25.0	24.4	25.1
2005	23.9	24.1	25.1	25.5	26.2	26.0	25.9	26.4	26.3	25.0	24.7	23.5	25.2
2006	23.8	23.7	24.8	24.8	26.0	26.2	25.7	26.3	26.4	26.6	26.2	25.3	25.5
2007	24.5	24.2	25.0	25.6	26.3	26.4	26.1	26.4	26.0	25.8	25.8	24.4	25.5
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													

A. Area and Climate

2. Temperature in degrees centigrade (continuation)													
PRINCESS JULIANA AIRPORT, SINT MAARTEN													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average temperature 1)													
1971-2000 2)	25.5	25.4	25.7	26.5	27.4	28.2	28.3	28.6	28.5	28.2	27.3	26.1	27.2
2003	25.6	25.6	26.0	26.4	27.2	27.6	28.1	28.5	28.8	28.2	26.6	25.7	27.0
2004	25.0	25.3	25.3	26.7	26.8	28.1	27.6	28.8	28.4	28.1	26.3	25.8	26.9
2005	24.8	24.4	25.9	27.2	27.8	28.5	28.6	28.5	29.1	27.8	26.6	25.5	27.1
2006	25.0	24.7	25.3	26.4	27.3	27.9	27.9	28.0	28.5	27.9	26.8	26.0	26.8
2007	24.9	25.5	25.6	26.6	27.8	28.3	28.3	28.2	28.2	27.3	26.8	25.7	26.9
Absolute maximum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	32.7	31.6	32.6	33.6	33.5	33.9	34.2	35.1	34.8	34.3	33.9	32.1	35.1
2003	30.1	30.2	30.3	30.9	31.0	31.7	32.1	32.7	33.1	32.3	31.3	30.1	33.1
2004	29.7	29.8	30.5	31.2	31.1	32.2	31.3	33.5	33.7	32.9	31.4	30.1	33.7
2005	29.2	29.6	30.7	31.7	33.0	32.8	33.2	32.4	33.2	31.8	31.0	29.9	31.5
2006	29.2	29.1	30.1	30.8	31.3	31.9	31.7	32.2	32.8	32.7	31.0	30.1	31.1
2007	29.5	30.2	30.1	31.5	32.2	32.4	32.8	32.3	32.5	31.4	31.0	30.0	31.3
Absolute minimum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	18.6	19.2	19.5	19.3	20.2	22.3	22.1	21.4	22.0	22.1	21.2	20.0	18.6
2003	21.3	20.8	21.1	20.1	22.6	22.4	23.2	24.4	23.4	23.1	21.5	20.6	22.0
2004	20.7	21.1	20.8	22.0	20.3	23.3	22.1	24.7	23.0	22.4	21.5	20.0	20.0
2005	20.5	18.8	19.1	22.0	23.1	23.4	23.2	23.8	24.4	21.8	21.6	20.3	21.8
2006	20.2	20.6	20.3	21.8	22.3	21.9	23.1	22.6	23.9	22.5	22.1	22.0	21.9
2007	20.3	21.1	21.3	19.8	22.6	24.2	22.9	23.4	22.0	21.8	21.0	21.6	21.8
Average maximum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	28.6	28.7	29.2	29.8	30.4	31.3	31.6	31.7	31.6	31.2	30.2	29.2	30.3
2003	28.9	28.8	29.3	29.4	30.3	30.6	31.3	31.7	32.0	31.4	29.2	28.6	30.1
2004	28.4	28.8	28.7	30.1	29.7	31.3	30.2	32.1	31.6	31.4	29.5	29.1	30.1
2005	28.1	27.8	29.4	30.3	31.2	31.5	31.9	31.7	32.2	30.5	29.9	28.9	30.3
2006	28.2	28.1	28.7	29.6	30.2	30.8	30.9	30.9	31.9	30.9	30.2	29.0	30.0
2007	28.4	29.0	28.8	29.9	30.9	31.4	31.4	31.2	31.4	30.0	30.0	28.6	30.1
Average minimum temperature													
1971-2000 2)	23.2	23.1	23.5	24.1	25.1	26.1	26.1	26.2	26.0	25.7	24.9	23.9	24.8
2003	23.1	23.1	23.5	23.5	24.9	25.4	25.8	25.9	26.3	25.6	24.2	23.7	24.6
2004	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2005	22.5	22.0	23.4	24.8	25.3	25.9	25.5	25.7	26.5	25.4	23.9	23.0	24.5
2006	22.4	22.3	22.8	23.9	25.2	25.4	25.3	25.4	25.8	25.5	24.2	24.0	24.4
2007	22.3	23.0	23.4	23.9	25.4	25.8	26.0	25.8	25.6	25.1	24.5	23.0	24.5
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													

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3. Precipitation													
HATO AIRPORT, CURAÇAO													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
(Total average) monthly rainfall (in mm)													
1971-2000 1)	45	26	14	20	20	19	40	42	49	84	97	100	553
2004	82	40	52	45	102	9	19	4	28	127	347	76	931
2005	108	26	0	1	88	91	9	1	58	123	230	107	842
2006	81	54	21	1	3	38	26	13	16	65	49	33	400
2007	47	21	0	2	1	10	38	63	94	99	52	125	552
Maximum precipitation in one day													
1971-2000 1)	35	36	40	69	78	37	69	95	70	106	118	95	118
2004	36	15	22	23	47	6	9	2	15	42	81	20	81
2005	20	7	0	1	35	53	3	1	27	41	60	32	60
2006	21	21	10	0	2	23	5	5	7	53	16	12	53
2007	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number of rain days 2)													
1971-2000 1)	9	5	3	3	2	3	6	5	5	7	10	12	70
2004	12	5	9	9	7	3	3	2	6	14	18	16	104
2005	19	8	0	0	7	6	3	1	4	10	16	13	87
2006	14	9	4	0	2	4	7	4	3	5	7	6	65
2007	12	4	0	1	1	3	5	2	7	10	8	20	73
PRINCESS JULIANA AIRPORT, SINT MAARTEN													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
(Total average) monthly rainfall (in mm)													
1971-2000 1)	66	51	45	64	93	62	72	99	140	113	149	94	1047
2004	65	63	99	17	166	52	184	46	148	111	274	79	1304
2005	101	29	15	122	104	153	212	221	74	220	107	66	1424
2006	145	36	34	75	259	152	125	187	75	361	138	85	1672
2007	78	53	169	27	75	73	112	97	158	266	48	133	1289
Maximum precipitation in one day													
1971-2000 1)	41	76	43	101	118	110	65	90	258	122	254	123	258
2004	11	16	31	6	40	18	25	8	35	39	114	16	114
2005	20	4	8	44	25	48	69	81	14	43	40	17	81
2006	48	7	16	17	78	33	31	40	30	193	26	10	193
2007	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Number of rain days 2)													
1971-2000 1)	12	9	9	12	10	8	12	14	14	14	15	13	142
2004	15	14	14	6	14	10	19	12	12	12	17	13	158
2005	18	9	4	5	12	11	19	22	12	20	16	14	162
2006	17	8	5	10	10	16	19	14	12	17	13	23	164
2007	12	10	9	3	11	9	16	12	16	14	11	22	145
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Climatological standard period, as available													
2) Days with 1,0 mm or more precipitation													

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4. Cloud Coverage and Duration of Sunshine													
HATO AIRPORT, CURAÇAO													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average cloud coverage (in %) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	38	39	41	50	52	51	47	45	48	51	48	44	46
2003	33	33	34	56	53	60	50	40	50	48	58	48	47
2004	44	39	42	56	64	56	51	44	55	59	59	44	51
2005	50	48	36	57	57	49	52	46	47	64	60	47	51
2006	49	42	53	56	49	46	54	46	43	52	46	44	48
2007	36	32	49	51	56	43	46	59	54	64	57	50	48
Average daily duration of sunshine (in hours and minutes)													
1961-1990 2)	8:17	8:36	8:58	8:32	8:23	8:54	9:07	9:33	8:47	8:26	7:59	7:55	8:27
2003	9:38	10:02	9:36	7:35	8:40	7:55	9:21	10:43	9:16	9:14	7:58	8:02	8:08
2004	8:01	9:20	9:20	8:46	7:15	9:02	9:44	9:57	8:53	8:20	5:23	8:08	8:30
2005	7:08	7:42	9:56	8:18	7:44	9:49	9:24	10:29	9:10	7:33	6:36	8:06	8:28
2006	7:42	9:06	8:00	8:12	9:48	9:42	8:54	9:46	9:36	8:00	9:00	8:54	8:48
2007	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
PRINCESS JULIANA AIRPORT, SINT MAARTEN													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average cloud coverage (in %) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	37	40	38	41	49	47	46	45	48	46	44	41	43
2003	36	41	38	50	51	62	54	47	51	45	60	51	49
2004	34	42	47	40	59	57	55	49	60	52	55	39	49
2005	52	44	38	46	55	61	56	53	49	63	45	44	51
2006	48	43	38	46	49	56	57	53	45	57	37	44	48
2007	36	38	52	40	51	45	48	55	53	59	40	45	42
Average daily duration of sunshine (in hours and minutes)													
1961-1990 2)	8:36	8:06	8:61	8:76	8:07	8:03	8:28	8:45	8:11	8:06	8:08	8:28	8:13
2003	8:38	8:51	8:49	8:02	9:00	6:48	8:40	8:54	9:08	8:29	6:11	7:05	9:25
2004	8:28	8:47	8:23	9:24	7:19	7:49	7:41	9:09	7:42	7:40	7:14	8:44	8:11
2005	7:12	7:40	9:28	9:09	7:37	7:36	8:09	8:44	8:50	6:23	8:30	7:57	8:12
2006	8:12	8:12	9:12	9:18	8:24	8:00	8:18	8:18	8:54	7:48	9:12	8:48	8:36
2007	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													

5. Wind, Air Pressure and Relative Humidity													
HATO AIRPORT, CURAÇAO													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average wind speed (10 m/s) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	6.8	7.0	7.0	6.9	7.0	7.5	7.0	6.7	6.2	5.6	5.8	6.4	6.6
2003	5.8	6.8	5.7	6.2	6.8	6.5	6.3	5.9	5.6	4.6	4.6	5.5	5.9
2004	5.0	6.2	6.4	5.7	6.0	6.7	5.7	6.1	4.9	4.1	5.0	4.8	5.6
2005	5.4	6.1	5.7	5.6	4.8	5.9	5.6	5.4	5.1	3.8	4.4	4.9	5.2
2006	5.8	6.2	6.2	5.0	5.8	6.4	5.8	5.8	5.4	4.6	5.0	5.6	5.6
2007	6.0	5.4	5.9	5.5	6.0	6.2	5.8	5.3	5.3	4.2	5.2	4.9	5.5
Maximum wind gust (in m/s)													
1971-2000 2)	19.5	19.5	20.0	19.5	19.0	20.0	25.7	21.1	24.7	22.1	22.6	23.1	25.7
2003	15.9	19.0	17.5	16.5	17.5	15.9	17.5	18.0	15.9	14.9	18.5	18.0	17.1
2004	17.5	18.0	19.5	15.4	16.5	17.5	15.4	18.5	15.4	16.5	17.5	14.9	16.9
2005	18.0	15.9	16.5	17.5	15.4	16.3	18.0	15.4	15.4	15.9	15.4	21.6	16.8
2006	16.5	17.0	15.9	15.9	18.0	18.5	18.5	15.4	17.5	16.4	14.9	16.5	18.5
2007	17.5	18.5	17.0	14.9	19.0	19.5	19.0	18.5	19.5	13.9	17.5	17.0	.
Average air pressure (in mb) 1)4)													
1971-2000 2)	1013	1014	1013	1012	1012	1013	1013	1013	1012	1010	1011	1013	1012
2003	1012	1014	1013	1012	1013	1014	1015	1014	1012	1011	1011	1013	1013
2004	1015	1015	1014	1013	1013	1015	1014	1014	1011	1012	1012	1013	1013
2005	1014	1014	1014	1012	1012	1012	1013	1013	1012	1011	1011	1014	1013
2006	1014	1015	1014	1012	1012	1013	1013	1012	1012	1010	1010	1013	1013
2007	1014	1014	1012	1012	1011	1013	1013	1011	1012	1010	1011	1013	1014
Average relative humidity (in %) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	77	77	76	77	77	77	78	77	78	79	80	79	78
2003	73	73	74	77	76	77	79	76	76	77	80	78	76
2004	78	76	78	78	79	77	79	77	80	83	86	85	80
2005	86	85	83	78	80	80	77	77	77	81	82	80	80
2006	82	77	79	77	80	75	78	78	80	80	82	82	79
2007	83	83	82	84	82	79	81	82	83	86	86	88	83
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													
3) In degrees true North													
4) Atmospheric pressure reduced to Mean Sea Level (MSL)													

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5. Wind, Air Pressure and Relative Humidity (cont.)													
PRINCESS JULIANA AIRPORT. SINT MAARTEN													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average wind speed (10 m/s) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.2	5.3	5.0	4.6	4.2	4.5	4.7	4.8
2003	3.8	5.0	4.1	4.3	4.6	5.5	6.0	4.7	4.0	3.1	3.9	4.4	4.5
2004	3.9	4.6	5.6	4.2	5.3	5.0	5.1	4.6	3.7	3.2	4.5	4.7	4.5
2005	5.2	4.9	3.6	3.6	3.3	4.0	4.5	3.4	2.8	4.1	4.1	5.5	4.1
2006	5.7	4.6	3.7	3.5	3.6	4.6	5.2	4.4	3.4	3.9	3.6	4.9	4.3
2007	4.4	3.8	4.5	3.8	4.0	4.7	5.0	4.9	3.8	3.9	4.0	5.2	4.3
Maximum wind gust (in m/s)													
1971-2000 2)	20.4	20.9	19.9	20.9	20.9	23.0	35.7	28.6	50.5	44.4	45.9	25.5	50.5
2003	14.9	18.5	14.9	22.1	14.4	17.5	20.0	17.6	15.4	19.0	17.5	15.9	17.3
2004	18.0	18.5	18.0	15.9	19.5	16.5	15.4	19.0	15.9	13.4	14.4	17.0	16.8
2005	20.0	17.0	13.9	14.4	14.4	15.3	19.5	15.4	12.3	19.5	17.5	17.0	16.0
2006	20.0	17.6	16.5	18.5	14.9	18.5	19.0	16.5	15.4	15.9	17.5	18.0	20.0
2007	17.0	15.4	15.9	13.9	13.4	15.4	20.0	24.2	17.0	18.0	15.4	17.5	.
Average air pressure (in mb) 1)3)													
1971-2000 2)	1017	1017	1016	1016	1016	1017	1017	1016	1015	1014	1014	1016	1016
2003	1018	1018	1017	1017	1018	1018	1018	1017	1015	1013	1014	1016	1017
2004	1017	1019	1018	1016	1017	1019	1017	1017	1014	1013	1014	1016	1016
2005	1017	1016	1017	1015	1015	1016	1017	1016	1014	1014	1014	1016	1016
2006	1017	1018	1017	1015	1016	1017	1018	1016	1015	1014	1014	1018	1016
2007	1018	1018	1017	1016	1016	1018	1018	1016	1015	1014	1015	1016	1016
Average relative humidity (in %) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	75	74	74	75	76	75	75	75	76	77	77	77	76
2003	71	68	66	69	67	67	67	69	69	71	78	76	70
2004	79	79	79	78	79	79	79	78	79	83	83	84	80
2005	85	85	69	71	71	71	70	71	71	74	73	69	73
2006	69	68	69	70	72	77	71	73	71	73	72	70	71
2007	69	70	70	69	70	68	68	69	70	73	68	72	70
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													
3) Atmospheric pressure reduced to Mean Sea Level (MSL)													

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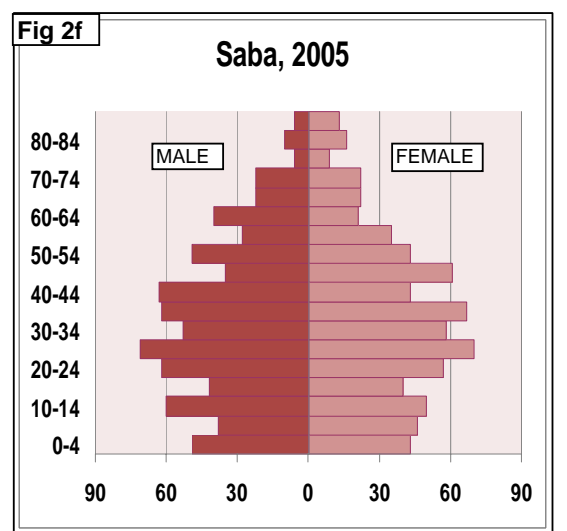
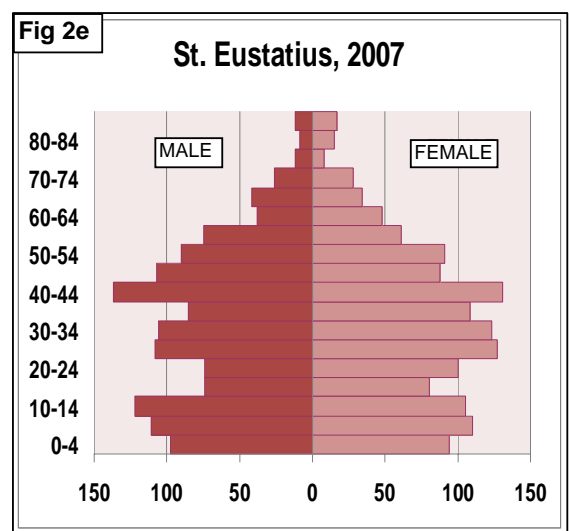
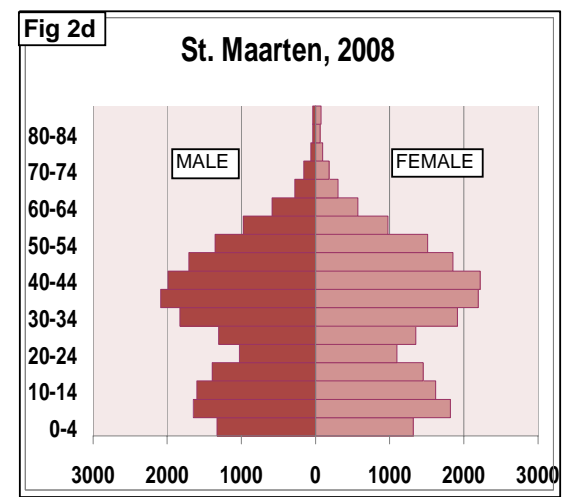
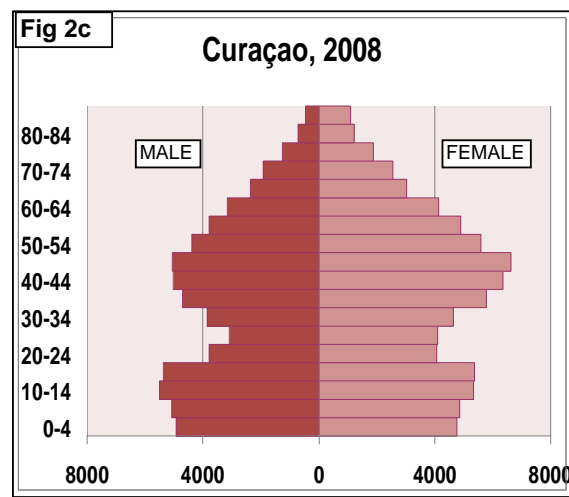
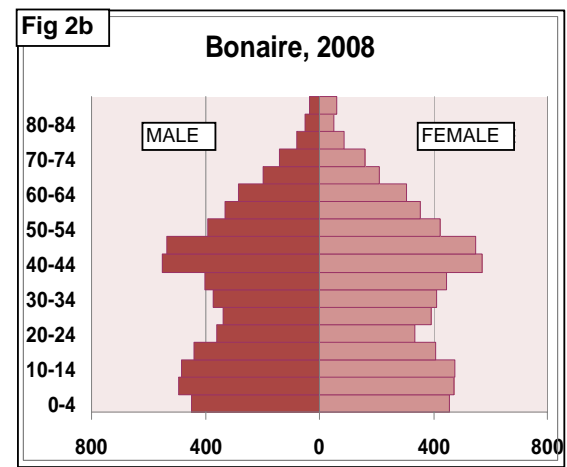
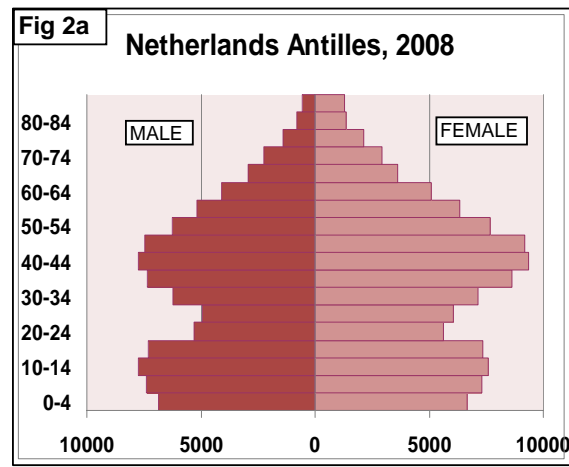
Population figures are compiled from two different sources. The continuous registration of births, deaths, immigration and emigration takes place at the island registry offices. These figures refer to the population that is registered. Other source of population figures are the population censuses. The last Census was held in 2001.

The census figures give the best approximation of the population of the Netherlands Antilles. The results of the census shows discrepancies in the population figures compared to the island registry offices.

In the publication of the Census 1981 an attempt was made to explain these differences. The main cause of the high population totals in the population registry is supposed to be the failure to correctly register the number of emigrants from the various islands.

In this chapter data are presented of the island registry offices. For population information of the Census 2001 you can consult the publication "Fourth Population and Housing Census Netherlands Antilles 2001 (Volume 1,2 and cd-rom), or you can visit our website www.cbs.an.

B. Population



B. Population

1. Population of the Netherlands Antilles, January 1						
	Inhabitants			Females per 1000 Males	Population growth	
	Total	Males	Females		Total	Growth (%) ³⁾
1998	194499	92489	102010	1103	-4893	-2.55
1999	189606	90017	99589	1106	-6860	-3.69
2000	182746	86308	96438	1117	-7042	-3.93
2001	175704	82610	93094	1127	-3118	-1.79
2002	172586	80884	91702	1134	4049	2.32
2003	176635	82752	93883	1135	2084	1.17
2004	178719	83303	95416	1145	4817	2.66
2005	183536	85504	98032	1147	5387	2.89
2006	188923	87896	101027	1149	4603	2.41
2007 ¹⁾	193526	90114	103412	1148	3658	1.87
2008 ²⁾	197184	91857	105327	1147	.	.

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates
1) Estimates for Saba were used
2) Estimates for Saba and St. Eustatius were used
3) Annual exponential growth rate

2. Population per Island, January 1						
	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire ¹⁾	Curaçao	Saba ¹⁾	St. Eustatius ¹⁾	St. Maarten ¹⁾
1998	194499	12938	147057	1404	2194	30906
1999	189606	12522	141932	1381	2194	31577
2000	182746	11561	136969	1367	2250	30599
2001	175704	10790	130822	1359	2293	30440
2002	172586	10173	126715	1446	2296	31956
2003	176635	9996	129665	1388	2399	33187
2004	178719	10018	130347	1424	2525	34405
2005	183536	10415	132847	1434	2584	36256
2006	188923	11136	136100	1471	2587	37629
2007	193526	11523	138890	1494	2694	38925
2008	197184	12103	140796	1524	2754	40007

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates
1) Up to 1980 Island Registry Office. From 1981 CBS estimates.

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3. Age Distribution Netherlands Antilles, January 1st									
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	6959	6741	13700	6852	6711	13563	6861	6677	13538
05 - 09	7080	6994	14074	7288	7176	14464	7391	7301	14692
10 - 14	7692	7668	15360	7811	7656	15467	7748	7579	15327
15 - 19	6873	6928	13801	7103	7194	14297	7328	7352	14679
20 - 24	4809	5351	10160	5140	5561	10701	5304	5642	10950
25 - 29	4873	5695	10568	4952	5865	10817	4926	6066	10992
30 - 34	6220	7336	13556	6211	7316	13527	6218	7145	13362
35 - 39	7102	8538	15640	7254	8557	15811	7330	8629	15959
40 - 44	7654	9288	16942	7678	9379	17057	7740	9342	17081
45 - 49	6911	8594	15505	7196	8928	16124	7466	9190	16656
50 - 54	5702	7162	12864	6018	7363	13381	6278	7675	13952
55 - 59	4948	5786	10734	5038	5989	11027	5196	6336	11533
60 - 64	3582	4337	7919	3850	4797	8647	4095	5095	9190
65 - 69	2737	3483	6220	2803	3508	6311	2917	3605	6522
70 - 74	2103	2658	4761	2215	2851	5066	2265	2944	5209
75 - 79	1333	1929	3262	1372	1987	3359	1420	2109	3529
80 - 84	783	1355	2138	800	1376	2176	821	1373	2194
85 and old	535	1184	1719	537	1202	1738	566	1278	1843
Total	87896	101027	188923	90114	103412	193526	91857	105327	197184

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

3a. Age Distribution Bonaire, January 1st									
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	477	459	936	447	459	906	450	456	906
05 - 09	469	436	905	482	445	927	493	472	965
10 - 14	469	498	967	486	519	1005	483	475	958
15 - 19	415	374	789	422	355	777	439	407	846
20 - 24	258	299	557	301	310	611	361	334	695
25 - 29	294	371	665	292	378	670	339	391	730
30 - 34	299	381	680	341	394	735	373	412	785
35 - 39	365	467	832	398	445	843	402	447	849
40 - 44	504	544	1048	490	566	1056	550	569	1119
45 - 49	436	499	935	503	517	1020	537	549	1086
50 - 54	376	355	731	376	378	754	393	423	816
55 - 59	307	337	644	320	331	651	330	353	683
60 - 64	236	224	460	267	287	554	285	307	592
65 - 69	172	214	386	177	202	379	198	210	408
70 - 74	131	125	256	126	155	281	141	159	300
75 - 79	82	73	155	90	69	159	79	87	166
80 - 84	46	58	104	52	61	113	52	52	104
85 and old	34	52	86	31	51	82	34	61	95
Total	5370	5766	11136	5601	5922	11523	5939	6164	12103

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

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3b. Age Distribution Curaçao, January 1 st									
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	5045	4785	9830	4952	4758	9710	4932	4766	9698
05 - 09	4792	4637	9429	4964	4754	9718	5089	4854	9943
10 - 14	5580	5421	11001	5613	5400	11013	5509	5323	10832
15 - 19	5090	5152	10242	5245	5321	10566	5375	5367	10742
20 - 24	3501	3903	7404	3759	4023	7782	3789	4058	7847
25 - 29	3024	3738	6762	3111	3940	7051	3099	4091	7190
30 - 34	3941	4843	8784	3848	4762	8610	3847	4652	8499
35 - 39	4566	5717	10283	4667	5775	10442	4693	5791	10484
40 - 44	5118	6545	11663	5093	6455	11548	5015	6368	11383
45 - 49	4789	6207	10996	4923	6507	11430	5059	6647	11706
50 - 54	3987	5386	9373	4200	5443	9643	4386	5592	9978
55 - 59	3690	4571	8261	3727	4687	8414	3775	4908	8683
60 - 64	2812	3598	6410	2980	3919	6899	3145	4140	7285
65 - 69	2276	2971	5247	2303	2980	5283	2375	3026	5401
70 - 74	1802	2333	4135	1892	2475	4367	1905	2558	4463
75 - 79	1179	1757	2936	1208	1808	3016	1253	1894	3147
80 - 84	686	1188	1874	700	1212	1912	716	1228	1944
85 and older	439	1031	1470	441	1045	1486	471	1100	1571
Total	62317	73783	136100	63626	75264	138890	64433	76363	140796

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

3c. Age Distribution Saba, January 1 st									
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	60	48	108	.	.	.	.	.	.
05 - 09	31	54	85	.	.	.	.	.	.
10 - 14	52	49	101	.	.	.	.	.	.
15 - 19	39	30	69	.	.	.	.	.	.
20 - 24	69	75	144	.	.	.	.	.	.
25 - 29	65	70	135	.	.	.	.	.	.
30 - 34	60	59	119	.	.	.	.	.	.
35 - 39	69	71	140	.	.	.	.	.	.
40 - 44	62	50	112	.	.	.	.	.	.
45 - 49	36	54	90	.	.	.	.	.	.
50 - 54	49	42	91	.	.	.	.	.	.
55 - 59	29	34	63	.	.	.	.	.	.
60 - 64	40	25	65	.	.	.	.	.	.
65 - 69	20	23	43	.	.	.	.	.	.
70 - 74	23	21	44	.	.	.	.	.	.
75 - 79	9	9	18	.	.	.	.	.	.
80 - 84	8	17	25	.	.	.	.	.	.
85 and older	6	13	19	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total	727	744	1471	737	757	1494	746	778	1524

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

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3d. Age Distribution St. Eustatius, January 1st									
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	102	91	193	98	94	192	.	.	.
05 - 09	104	99	203	111	110	221	.	.	.
10 - 14	122	107	229	122	105	227	.	.	.
15 - 19	68	80	148	74	80	154	.	.	.
20 - 24	76	99	175	74	100	174	.	.	.
25 - 29	98	105	203	108	127	235	.	.	.
30 - 34	97	130	227	106	123	229	.	.	.
35 - 39	98	120	218	85	108	193	.	.	.
40 - 44	124	110	234	137	131	268	.	.	.
45 - 49	109	82	191	107	88	195	.	.	.
50 - 54	84	90	174	90	91	181	.	.	.
55 - 59	63	49	112	75	61	136	.	.	.
60 - 64	40	43	83	38	48	86	.	.	.
65 - 69	40	36	76	42	34	76	.	.	.
70 - 74	24	22	46	26	28	54	.	.	.
75 - 79	12	8	20	12	8	20	.	.	.
80 - 84	12	14	26	9	15	24	.	.	.
85 and older	11	18	29	12	17	29	.	.	.
Total	1284	1303	2587	1326	1368	2694	1350	1404	2754

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

3e. Age Distribution St. Maarten, January 1st									
Age	2006			2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	1275	1358	2633	1296	1352	2648	1328	1311	2639
05 - 09	1684	1768	3452	1692	1820	3512	1647	1814	3461
10 - 14	1469	1593	3062	1551	1586	3137	1599	1624	3223
15 - 19	1261	1292	2553	1317	1396	2713	1386	1455	2841
20 - 24	905	975	1880	943	1058	2001	1026	1097	2123
25 - 29	1392	1411	2803	1368	1346	2714	1305	1355	2660
30 - 34	1823	1923	3746	1863	1976	3839	1830	1911	3741
35 - 39	2004	2163	4167	2031	2158	4189	2082	2200	4282
40 - 44	1846	2039	3885	1891	2167	4058	1987	2215	4202
45 - 49	1541	1752	3293	1625	1766	3391	1706	1849	3555
50 - 54	1206	1289	2495	1306	1407	2713	1358	1513	2871
55 - 59	859	795	1654	883	877	1760	976	973	1949
60 - 64	454	447	901	526	515	1041	586	569	1155
65 - 69	229	239	468	261	271	532	279	309	588
70 - 74	123	157	280	143	170	313	157	178	335
75 - 79	51	82	133	53	93	146	65	103	168
80 - 84	31	78	109	32	71	103	36	65	101
85 and older	45	70	115	43	72	115	36	77	113
Total	18198	19431	37629	18824	20101	38925	19389	20618	40007

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

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4. Life Expectancy of the Netherlands Antilles by age and sex, 1998-2002		
Age	Male	Female
0	72.1	78.7
5	67.8	74.5
10	63.0	69.5
15	58.0	64.6
20	53.3	59.7
25	48.7	54.9
30	44.2	50.1
35	39.5	45.3
40	34.9	40.6
50	26.2	31.3
60	18.5	22.8
70	12.1	15.0
80	7.0	8.7
90	4.4	4.7
100	2.3	2.1

5. Population change Netherlands Antilles (absolute figures)					
	Netherlands Antilles				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Live births	2488	2388	2553	2578	2554
Deaths	1374	1413	1304	1322	1337
Natural increase	1114	975	1249	1256	1217
Registered immigration ¹⁾	12235	8823	9541	8823	8530
Registered emigration ^{1) 2)}	11265	4981	5403	5476	6089
Net migration ²⁾	970	3842	4138	3347	2441
Total increase	2084	4817	5387	4603	3658

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates
¹⁾ excluding moves within the Netherlands Antilles ²⁾ including corrections

5a. Population change by island, 2007 (absolute figures)					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba ²⁾	St. Eustatius ³⁾	St. Maarten
Live births	180	1862	18	30	463
Deaths	77	1107	11	18	127
Natural increase	103	755	7	12	336
Registered immigration	1275	5736	324	236	1818
Registered emigration ¹⁾	800	4585	294	183	1074
Net migration ¹⁾	475	1151	30	53	744
Total increase	578	1906	37	65	1080

Source: Island Registry
¹⁾ including corrections ²⁾ figures are for 2005 ³⁾ figures are for 2006

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6. Vital Statistics (relative figures)									
	Netherlands Antilles			Bonaire			Curaçao		
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007
Live births									
- per 1000 women aged 15-44 yrs	60.2	59.8	57.8	76.1	72.7	70.3	63.2	62.4	61.4
- number of boys per 100 girls	102.1	103.8	101.3	86.5	92.4	122.2	105.9	104.8	98.7
- TFR (Total fertility rate)	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.0
Deaths									
- per 1000 inhabitants	7.0	6.8	6.8	5.6	4.8	6.4	8.1	8.0	7.9
- Infant mortality rate ¹⁾	10.2	15.5	12.9	.	22.6	16.7	10.8	15.5	12.9
- life expectancy at birth									
male	71.3	.	.	.	.	.	70.8	.	.
female	78.7	.	.	.	.	.	79.1	.	.
Males per 100 females	87.1	87.1	87.2	92.7	94.6	96.3	84.5	84.5	84.4
Marriages total	901	1104	.	60	70	76	623	780	950
Marriages per 1000 inhabitants	4.8	5.8	.	5.6	6.2	6.4	4.6	5.7	6.7
Divorces	534	491	.	39	31	48	382	354	367
Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates									
1) Under 1 year of age per 1000 live births									

6. Vital Statistics (relative figures) (continued)									
	Saba			St. Eustatius			St. Maarten		
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007
- per 1000 women aged 15-44 yrs	52.2	.	.	40.2	46.6	.	48.9	53.7	45.2
- number of boys per 100 girls	100.0	.	.	73.3	130.8	.	96.3	103.1	103.1
-TFR (Total fertility rate)	1.6	.	.	1.7	1.6	.	1.7	1.8	1.6
Deaths									
- per 1000 inhabitants	7.6	.	.	7.0	5.2	.	3.4	3.5	3.2
- Infant mortality rate ²⁾	12.7	13.3	13.0
- life expectancy at birth									
male	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
female	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Males per 100 females	99.0	97.4	95.9	98.9	96.9	96.2	93.9	93.6	94.0
Marriages total	10	.	.	12.0	18	.	221.0	236	202
Marriages per 1000 inhabitants	6.9	.	.	4.6	6.8	.	6.0	6.2	5.2
Divorces	8	.	.	10	4	.	103	102	112
Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates									
1) Under 1 year of age per 1000 live births									
Source: Island Registry and CBS									

7. Immigration by major sending countries			
	Registered immigration		
	2005	2006	2007
Netherlands Antilles ^{1) 2)}	9541	8823	8530
Netherlands	5579	4993	4526
Dominican Republic	617	713	646
Colombia	392	385	413
USA	452	377	378
India	244	269	240
Aruba	173	215	237
Bonaire	1259	1046	1275
Netherlands	657	422	404
USA	77	79	125
Peru	30	45	95
Colombia	26	51	67
Curacao	6392	6149	5736
Netherlands	4364	3943	3582
Dominican Republic	270	380	322
Colombia	322	307	297
Aruba	86	97	128
Venezuela	198	159	123
China	96	114	118
St. Maarten	2204	1964	1818
Netherlands	480	450	287
Dominican Republic	311	276	233
Guadeloupe	180	140	133
India	140	157	129
USA	80	94	125
Saba	324	.	.
USA	144	.	.
Canada	77	.	.
Netherlands	10	.	.
St. Eustatius	236	274	.
USA	77	99	.
Netherlands	68	41	.

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates
1) Excluding moves within the Netherlands Antilles
2) Estimates were used for Saba (2006 & 2007) and St. Eustatius (2007)

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8. Emigration by major receiving countries *			
	Registered emigration ¹⁾		
	2005	2006	2007
Netherlands Antilles ^{2) 3)}	5403	5476	6089
Netherlands	3280	3628	4172
Aruba	289	247	171
USA	301	167	132
Colombia	69	45	56
Bonaire	660	782	800
Netherlands	220	309	299
Aruba	85	61	28
USA	11	14	22
Curacao	3909	4120	4585
Netherlands	2683	2769	3207
Aruba	153	110	104
USA	40	44	67
St. Maarten	1178	1060	1074
Netherlands	349	350	359
Aruba	44	54	26
USA	96	22	10
Saba	294	.	.
USA	56	.	.
Canada	27	.	.
St. Eustatius	241	183	.
Netherlands	25	17	.
Aruba	7	10	.
USA	98	79	.
Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates			
* Emigration is likely to be underestimated due to underregistration of emigration			
1) Including corrections			
2) Excluding moves within the Netherlands Antilles			
3) Estimates were used for Saba (2006 & 2007) and St. Eustatius (2007)			

Public Health

Introduction

Health care is defined by the World Health Organization (W.H.O.) as a system of regulations and services created in order to promote health and to prevent and cure diseases. The development of a health care system is related to the social-economic situation and technology of the country.

Health statistics should focus on three main aspects:

- the state of health of the population
- the health care facilities (supply of material and financial means, and human resources)
- the health care services demanded from and provided by the health care system

This goes beyond what is presented in this publication. In this chapter about health statistics, different components are brought together as to give an overview of some sub fields of the health care area. The health statistics provided here regard:

- the state of health of the population
- health facilities (supply)
- preventive aspects concerning birth control

It is obvious that most of the data regard the supply of facilities to recipients. Data about the demand for health care are hardly available.

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1. Isolated Gastrointestinal Pathogens, Curaçao						
Isolated Pathogens	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Campylobacter						
jejuni	13	47	78	91	93	43
Salmonella						
B	36	15	24	29	26	22
C	81	16	30	43	39	37
D	15	16	9	10	38	29
E	3	4	0	6	4	1
Typhi	1	-	-	-	-	-
Other	13	10	58	22	14	18
Shigella						
boydii	-	-	-	-	-	-
dysenteriae	0	0	0	0	1	0
flexneri	18	20	20	24	11	8
sonnei	16	17	38	8	15	9
Yersinia						
enterocolitica	-	-	1	-	-	1
E.Coli						
157	-	-	-	-	1	-

Source: Epidemiology & Research Unit of the Medical & Public Health Service of Curaçao.

2. Cumulative registered known HIV-positives, Netherlands Antilles, 1985-2006						
	Neth. Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Male	988	15	654	4	7	308
Female	741	13	480	3	3	242
Total	1729	28	1134	7	10	550

Source: Epidemiology & Research Unit of the Medical & Public Health Service of Curaçao.

3. New registered known HIV-positives Netherlands Antilles 2006, by sex						
	Neth. Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Male	64	0	43	0	0	21
Female	42	1	28	0	0	13
Total	106	1	71	0	0	34

Source: Epidemiology & Research Unit of the Medical & Public Health Service of Curaçao.

4. New registered number of known HIV-positives, Netherlands Antilles, 1996-2006 per year of diagnosis by island.						
	Neth. Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
1996	79	2	45	0	0	32
1997	88	2	58	1	0	27
1998	84	0	63	0	0	21
1999	82	0	62	0	0	20
2000	89	5	67	0	0	17
2001	65	2	49	0	0	14
2002	109	1	80	0	3	25
2003	96	5	73	0	0	18
2004	102	2	70	2	0	28
2005	92	0	53	0	1	38
2006	106	1	71	0	0	34

Source: Epidemiology & Research Unit of the Medical & Public Health Service of Curaçao.

5. Cumulative known HIV-infected, 1985-2006 by age group and sex (Netherlands Antilles)			
Age group	Male	Female	Total
< 1	27	21	48
01-04	5	2	7
05-14	5	3	8
15-24	66	89	155
25-44	636	493	1129
45-64	229	123	352
65+	20	10	30
Total	988	741	1729

Source: Epidemiology & Research Unit of the Medical & Public Health Service of Curaçao.

6. Hospitals by Island and Number of Beds, per October 2001		
Hospitals	Category	Number of beds
Bonaire		
St. Franciscus Hospitaal	General hospital	40
Curaçao		
St. Elisabeth Hospitaal	General hospital	536
Antillean Adventist Hospital	General hospital	40
Kliniek Dr. J. Taams	Surgical clinic	45
Dr. D. Capriles Kliniek	Psychiatric hospital	200
Stichting Mgr. Verriet Instituut	Rehabilitation	12
	Handicapped child care	117
Kraamkliniek Rio Canario	Maternity clinic	17
Verpleeghuis Betèsda	Chronic Care Hospital	160
Brasami	Rehabilitation (Drug addiction)	63
Saba		
Mrs A.M. Edwards Medical Center	Medical Center	14
Sint Eustatius		
Queen Beatrix Medical Center	Medical Center	20
Sint Maarten		
St. Maarten Medical Center	General hospital	79
Total Netherlands Antilles		1343

Source: Department of Public Health and Environmental Hygiene

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7. Geriatric Homes, per October 2001	
Home	Number of beds
Bonaire	
Kas di Sosiego Bonaire	75
Curaçao	
Huize Welgelegen	170
Richardus Huis	70
Nos Lanterna	67
Bejaarden Centrum Dr. Hugenholtz	50
Nos Welita	52
Huize Zorg en Hoop	75
Kas di Ansiano Uni	41
Sint Maarten	
St. Martins Home	65
Saba	
Hon. Henry Carlyle Every Home for the Aged	22
Sint Eustatius	
Auxiliary Home	13
Total Netherlands Antilles	700
Source: Department of Public Health and Environmental Hygiene	

8. Pharmacies, Pharmacists and Physicians with Own Pharmacy, per December 31st, 2007						
	Neth. Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Pharmacies	47	3	32	-	-	12
Physicians with own pharmacy	-	-	1 ¹⁾	2 ²⁾	1 ³⁾	-
Health institutions with own pharmacy	6	1	5	-	-	-
1) one former ALM/DCA physician licensed to keep pharmacy Curaçao						
2) two physician licensed to keep pharmacy at the Queen Beatrix Medical Center Saba						
3) one physician licensed to keep pharmacy at the Mrs A.M. Edwards Med Center St Eux						
Source: Inspectorate of Public Health of the Netherlands Antilles Department Inspectorate of Pharmaceutical Affairs						

9. Number of Medical and Paramedic Practicing Professionals, per Oct. 2001						
	Neth. Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Total physicians	333	17	267	1	3	45
of which:						
Specialists	143	2	126	-	1	14
General practitioners	138	11	101	1	2	23
Paramedical professionals	216	19	175	1	1	20
Midwives	9	1	7	-	-	1
Dental professionals	60	2	53	-	-	5
Source: Department of Public Health and Environmental Hygiene						

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10. Specialists Registered by Their Specialization, per October 2001			
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
Total specialists	2	126	14
of which:			
Anesthesiologist	1	7	1
Bacteriologist	-	1	-
Cardiologist	-	5	-
Child Health Specialist	-	3	-
Dermatologist	-	3	-
Ear-, Nose- and Throat Physician	-	6	-
Gastro-entomologist	-	1	-
Gyneacologists - Obstetrician	-	9	3
Internist	-	13	3
Medical Officer	-	4	-
Neurologist	-	3	-
Neurosurgeon	-	1	-
Ophthalmologist	-	8	2
Orthopedist	-	7	-
Pathologist	-	3	-
Pediatrician	-	10	1
Psychiatrist	-	9	-
Plastic Surgeon	-	3	-
Pulmonologist	-	3	-
Radiologist	-	6	1
Radiotherapist	-	2	-
Rehabilitation Specialist	-	1	-
Sport Medicine Doctor	-	2	-
Social Medicine - Epidemiologist	-	2	-
Surgeon	1	11	3
Urologist	-	3	-
Other	-	40	-

Source: Department of Public Health and Environmental Hygiene

11. Nursing Personnel by Island. 2001					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Registered nurses	21	585	1	14	55
Practicing nurses	8	432	1	3	23
Operating assistant	-	35	-	-	6
Anesthetist assistant	-	12	-	-	2

Source: Department of Public Health and Environmental Hygiene

12. Number of Contraceptive Methods given by the Foundation for the Promotion of Responsible Parenthood, 2007			
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
Contraceptive pills, cycles (ORALS)	400	9261	5525
Condoms	0	14575	100
3-months injectable	40	1327	62
IUD, TCU 380A	21	226	0

Source: Foundation for Promotion of Responsible Parenthood-Curaçao

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13. Population by Perception of Health, Census 2001.					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Very good	3929	42156	503	886	12409
Good	5981	67751	570	1048	14955
Reasonable	1342	17241	230	317	2863
Bad/Very bad	216	3324	37	35	327
Unknown	13	137	9	6	40
Total	10791	130627	1349	2292	30594

14. Population by Type of Insurance, Census 2001.					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
PP-card	1400	25787	57	284	1155
SVB	5062	45708	349	857	11899
BZV	2181	16935	447	172	2171
ZOG	204	4358	25	71	541
Insurance by employer	243	10201	16	202	944
Private insurance	1195	13660	116	208	3412
Other type of insurance	207	3907	176	133	1234
Not insured	299	10071	163	365	9238
Total	10791	130627	1349	2292	30594

15. Population by Type of Disability, Census 2001.					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Blindness	5	104	1		21
Inpaired sighted	277	3123	54	83	773
Deafness	6	65	3	3	22
Hard of hearing	82	1031	30	11	79
Physical	112	1808	15	27	276
Mental	17	596	-	2	28
Other	173	2438	11	19	175
Multiple	174	2990	28	31	151
Total	846	12155	142	176	1525

16. Population by most Common Diseases, Census 2001.					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
High blood pressure	498	7003	90	85	1223
Diabetes	352	4961	47	126	767
Glaucoma	112	1850	10	12	132
Asthma Chronic Bronchitis	271	4049	43	67	553
Heart problem	187	2476	56	32	224
Consequence heart attack	21	420	8	4	27
Kidney problem	49	618	5	18	93
Total	1490	21377	259	344	3019

Housing

Introduction

This chapter deals with various aspects of housing.

There are tables on:

- Index of production of construction blocks and sand
- Building permits and building completed
- The dwelling stock
- And various other information of the living accommodations on the island during the Census 2001

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1. Volume Index Production Construction Blocks and Sand, Curaçao (1986 = 100)						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Construction blocks	157	166	170	188	226	262
Sand	158	137	147	147	151	190

Source: Curaçao Mining Company
1) November not included

2. Building Permits, Buildings Completed and Estimated Construction Value, Curaçao						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Building permits:						
- requested	717	774	817	898	1122	1154
- issued	588	664	694	852	1132	1046
of which for dwellings	221	252	304	377	491	452
Buildings completed:						
Total	676	649	504	1002	982	978
of which dwellings	386	258	244	623	470	503
Estimated construction value x NAf. 1000	98206	129476	130156	153143	362755	317876

Source: Department for Geographic Planning and Housing

3. Building Permits and Estimated Construction Value, Bonaire						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Building permits:						
- issued	137	166	185	244	317	393
of which for dwellings	51	62	83	113	151	195
Estimated construction value x NAf. 1000	22806	23839	39838	65079	94394	132042

Source: Department for Geographic Planning and Housing

4. Dwellings in Property, on Loan and Rented, Census 2001.					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
In property:					
on own land	574	10513	260	269	2247
on long lease land	1348	11766	20	114	1313
on rented land	254	7061	3	10	399
On loan without payment	76	1059	9	39	138
Rented:					
from a foundation	478	4612	19	94	689
from a private owner	940	7922	249	362	6809

5. Dwellings by Building Period and Quality (rel. figures), Census 2001					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Before 1940	1.8	0.8	1.6	3.0	1.3
Appropriate	1.8	0.8	1.6	2.4	1.2
Bad	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1
Very bad/unknown	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0
1940 - 1959	12.4	9.0	14.9	9.1	0.9
Appropriate	10.7	7.4	12.9	5.6	0.7
Bad	1.4	1.2	1.6	2.8	0.2
Very bad/unknown	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.0
1960 - 1969	9.5	17.5	7.1	5.7	1.9
Appropriate	8.5	16.2	5.7	4.1	1.4
Bad	0.8	0.9	1.1	0.8	0.3
Very bad/unknown	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.8	0.2
1970 - 1979	9.0	12.7	8.9	11.5	4.8
Appropriate	8.6	11.9	8.3	9.3	4.0
Bad	0.3	0.6	0.5	1.6	0.5
Very bad/unknown	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.6	0.3
1980 - 1984	13.9	18.2	14.7	17.0	14.9
Appropriate	13.4	17.5	13.7	15.8	13.2
Bad	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.3	1.2
Very bad/unknown	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.9	0.5
After 1985	52.2	40.4	45.2	48.7	72.9
Appropriate	51.1	38.9	43.2	45.2	61.6
Bad	0.7	1.0	0.6	2.4	8.5
Very bad/unknown	0.4	0.5	1.4	1.1	2.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Appropriate	94.9	93.5	90.6	86.5	84.5
Bad	3.5	4.3	4.3	8.2	11.2
Very bad/unknown	1.6	2.2	5.1	5.3	4.3

D. Housing

6. Living Accommodations by Number of Bedrooms (rel. figures), Census 2001					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
1	9.8	8.7	27.0	26.9	42.1
2	29.8	24.9	36.1	28.3	28.6
3	48.7	50.6	27.0	34.5	19.3
4+	11.4	15.3	8.7	9.3	7.0
None/Unknown	0.3	0.5	1.2	1.0	3.0
total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

7. Living Accommodations by Number of Persons (rel. figures), Census 2001					
number of persons	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
1	20.6	20.6	33.5	33.8	29.8
2	25.5	25.2	30.3	25.8	25.7
3	20.6	20.1	14.9	16.1	18.8
4	18.2	17.8	12.2	12.5	14.0
5	8.1	8.9	6.0	6.8	7.1
6+	7.0	7.4	3.0	5.1	4.5
total	100	100	100	100	100

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

8. Living Accommodations by Kind of Water Supply (rel. figures), Census 2001					
kind of water supply	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
1 water distribution	97.7	97.8	0.2	0.6	88.8
2 cistern/groundwater	0.3	0.1	97.2	93.9	2.4
3 combination of 1 and 2	0.5	0.8	0.2	0.0	5.3
4 pails/water distribution truck	1.0	0.5	1.6	3.0	2.2
5 other/unknown	0.5	0.8	0.8	2.5	1.3
6 total	100	100	100	100	100

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

9. Living Accommodations by Kind of Electricity Supply (rel. figures), Census 2001					
kind of electricity supply	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
1 distribution system	96.7	97.8	97.5	96	97.2
2 own generation	1.8	0.1	0.0	1.0	0.5
3 combination of 1 and 2	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.6	0.6
4 none/unknown	1.5	2.1	0.7	1.4	1.7
total	100	100	100	100	100

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

D. Housing

10. Households with Some Provisions and Consumer Goods (relative)					
percentage of households with	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
refrigerator	97	97	97	95	96
deep freezer	20	21	27	28	14
washing machine	87	87	68	79	76
telephone	53	76	78	57	44
tv	94	96	90	92	92
video recorder	46	60	43	50	60
cable tv/blackbox	73	31	79	79	69
personal computer	29	33	38	25	25
internet connection	16	21	26	14	15
airconditioning	40	38	23	23	22

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

11. Living Accommodations by Ownership (relative figures)					
ownership	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
self owned					
on own property	15.6	24.4	46.1	29.8	19.2
property in long lease	36.7	27.3	3.6	12.6	11.2
on rented property	6.9	16.4	0.5	1.1	3.4
on loan, free of charge	2.0	2.4	1.6	4.3	1.2
rented					
furnished	1.3	10.7	3.4	10.4	5.9
unfurnished	25.6	18.3	44.1	40.1	58
unknown	0.2	0.5	0.7	1.6	1.1
total	100	100	100	100	100

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

12. Rented Living Accommodations by Monthly Rent (relative figures)					
monthly rent (in NAf.)	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
001 - 149	15.4	31.7	2.6	13.8	4.2
150 - 299	28.1	13	4.9	12.7	20.2
300 - 499	19.2	16.8	14.9	18.6	24.8
500 - 699	15.7	13.5	11.2	20.4	16.6
700 - 1199	13.2	11.9	35.1	21.3	20.3
1200 - 1999	3.6	4.1	13.8	2.9	6.0
2000 and more	1.7	3.2	2.6	1.1	3.4
unknown	3.1	5.8	14.9	9.2	4.5
total	100	100	100	100	100

Source: Population and Housing Census 2001

Politics

Introduction ¹

On 29 December 1954, the Netherlands Antilles became an integral part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands but are fully autonomous in internal affairs, and constitutionally equal with the Netherlands and Aruba.

The Sovereignty of the Kingdom of the Netherlands lies with the Head of State, (the Queen of the Netherlands). In the Netherlands Antilles the head of the State is represented by a Governor. The executive power of the Netherlands Antilles in internal affairs rests with the Governor and the Council of Ministers, who together form the Government.

The Council of Ministers are responsible to a unicameral legislature (States) consisting of 22 members (14 from Curacao, 3 from Bonaire, 3 from Sint Maarten, and 1 each from Saba and Sint Eustatius) elected by universal suffrage.

The executive power in external affairs is vested in the Council of Ministers of the Kingdom in the Netherlands, in which a Minister Plenipotentiary represents the Netherlands Antilles with full voting power.

The Netherlands Antilles consists of five islands, of which each island is autonomous as regarding it's internal affairs. A Lieutenant Governor and an Executive Council administer each island.

¹ Source: The Statesman's Yearbook 1997-1998
Statistical Yearbook 2008

1. Results of the Elections for the Parliament of the Netherlands Antilles				
	Number of votes	Number of seats	Number of votes	Number of seats
	2002		2006	
Netherlands Antilles		22		22
Bonaire				
electorate	.	3	8340	3
number of valid votes	5893			
POB	104	-		
PDB	2084	1	2947	1
UPB	2882	2	3678	2
PABOSO	823	-		
Curaçao				
electorate	111136	14	111790	14
number of valid votes	67151		70508	
DP	1903	-	2638	-
PNP	10706	3	7768	2
FOL	18383	5	9582	2
MAN	4174	-	13123	3
PAN	117	-		
PAR	16443	4	18187	5
PLKP	9695	2	4293	
C-'93	2382	-		
ORDU	2969	-		
P-100	273	-	99	-
BBB	106	-		
LNPA			3851	-
Ban Vota			484	-
MODPOR			242	-
PAPPS			185	-
E Mayoria Opshon D-C			41	-
Forsa Korsow			6658	2
Pueblo Soberano			3357	-
Sint Maarten				
electorate	.	3		3
number of valid votes	8096			
DP	4225	2		
NDP	42	-		
NA	3829	1		
Saba				
electorate	1058	1		1
number of valid votes				
WIPM	380	-		
SDLM	678	1		
SLP				
Sint Eustatius				
electorate	1392	1		1
number of valid votes	979			
SEA	139	-		
DP	149	-		
PLP	346	-		

Source: Election Head Offices of the different islands

2. Results of the Elections for the Island Councils				
	Number of seats	Number of votes	Number of seats	Number of votes
	2003		2007	
Bonaire				
electorate	7699	9	8670	9
number of valid votes	5866		7154	
POB	202	-		
UPB	2967	5	3664	5
PDB	1725	3		
PABOSO	420	-		
PRO	650	-	583	-
PHH	18	-		
ALERTA			52	-
PADB			2855	4
Curaçao				
electorate	109629	21	111790	21
number of valid votes	67173		70508	
DP	2519	-	3813	1
NVP	7153	2	7562	2
FOL	22745	8	7647	2
MAN	6274	2	13976	5
PAR	13710	5	20861	7
PLKP	8785	3	1226	-
ORDU	2168	-		
LPNA	3819	1	6305	2
MSL			1031	-
UPN			1660	-
PS			5513	1
FK			4932	1
Sint Maarten				
electorate	11055	11	18035	11
number of valid votes			10598	
DP	4919	6	4152	6
SAPP	206	-	257	
NPP	378	-		
PPLP	96	-	75	
SLM				
D'99				
PPA	1158	-	1738	
NDP	21	-		
NA			4338	5
FP			38	
Sint Eustatius				
electorate	.	5		5
number of valid votes				
DP	471	3		
SEA	160	-		
SAM	107	-		
PLP	348	2		
PNDP	22	-		
Saba				
electorate	.	5		5
number of valid votes				
WIPM	298	3		
SUDP	232	2		
DPS				
SLP	100	-		

Source: Election Head Offices of the different islands

Education

Introduction

The statistical information on education contains data on:

- the enrollment of pupils/students in the different types of education
- the material means (schools/institutions)
- the human resources (teachers)
- the number of students that have graduated

The figures in this publication regard only full-time regular education. That is, educational programs in which pupils/students take a fixed number of lessons at a day school or institution during a week and for a complete academic year.

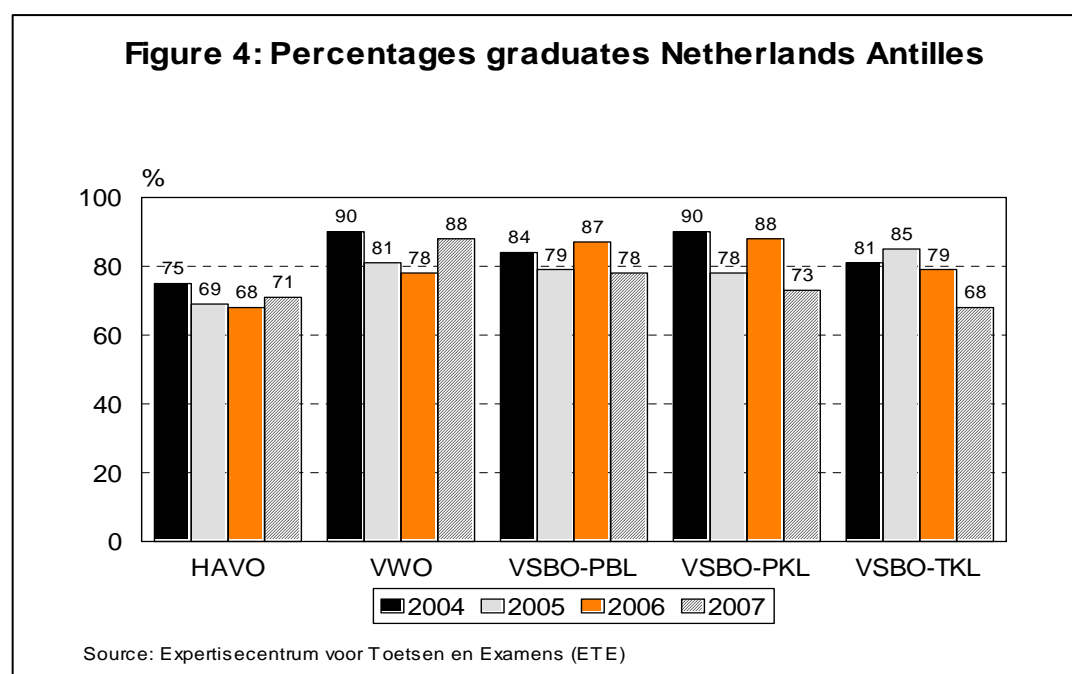
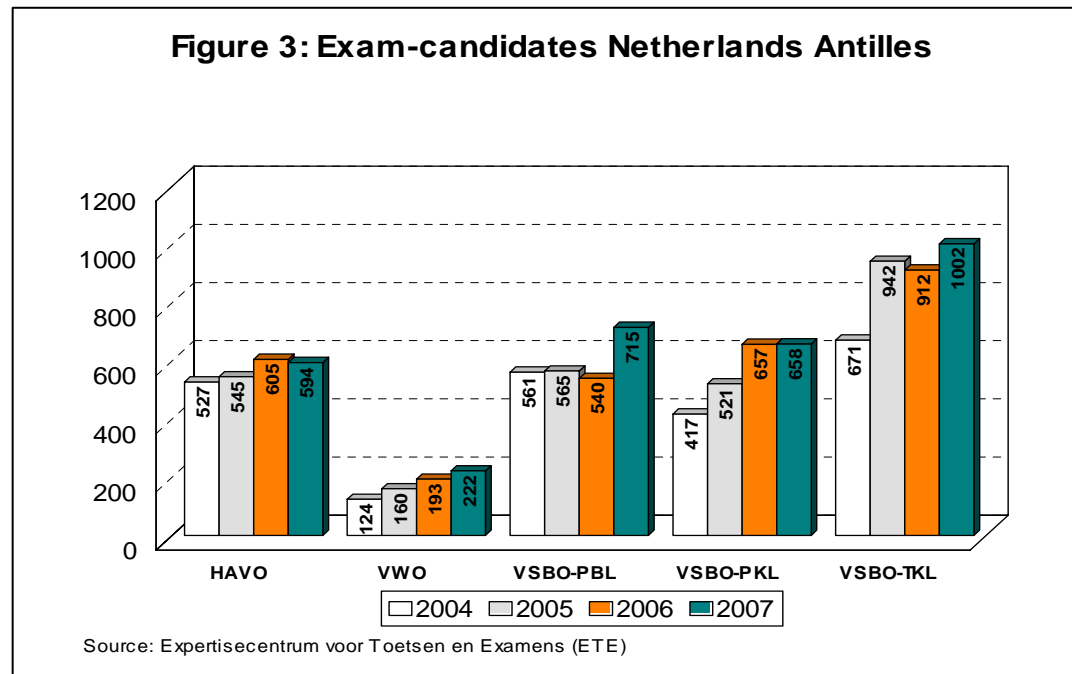
In table 1 the participation of the pupils/students at the different levels of education and the supply of material facilities and human resources are presented for each island. Should an educational facility not exist in one island, students may enroll in an educational program in one of the other islands.

Table 2, 3 and 4 give information on the number of students that have graduated from high school, vocational education and university.

Important to mention is that the last ten years different innovations in the field of education were introduced. It started in 1998 with the introduction of the Basisvorming (Basic Secondary Education) which covers the first two years of secondary education. Next followed the introduction of HAVO/VWO nieuwe stijl (the renewed Senior High school) where students have to choose profiles which fit their interests and future plans. In 2002 the concept of Funderend Onderwijs (Foundation Based Education) was introduced. The former kindergarten and primary education were merged into one system. This system consists of two cycles: the first cycle is meant for children age 4 to 8 and the second cycle for children age 9 to 12. Foundation Based Education is in the process of introduction and has not been fully implemented yet. After Foundation Based Education children enroll in Basic Secondary Education. In 2002 VSBO (Preparatory Secondary Vocational Education) replaced the MAVO and BVO (Secondary Education) and is functioning as a preparatory school for the SBO (Senior Secondary Vocational Education). The latter was introduced in 2004 as a replacement for the MBO (Senior Secondary Vocational Education).

As a consequence of the many changes in the educational sector it is not always possible to present statistical information on education in a consistent manner.

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F. Education

1. Full-time, General, Vocational and Special Education, Netherlands Antilles					
Academic year	2006-2007				
	School	Pupils			Teachers
		Male	Female	Total	
Bonaire					
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	5	914	865	1779	
Special Primary Education	1	51	13	64	
<i>Total teachers FBE and Special Primary Education</i>					85
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO, HAVO 1,2)	1	199	218	417	
Senior High School (HAVO 3,4,5)	1	63	76	139	
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	1	400	435	835	
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)	1	42	79	121	
Special Secondary Education (AGO)	1	40	14	54	
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>					91
Curaçao					
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	104	9644	9241	18885	
Special Primary Education	18	774	321	1095	
<i>Total teachers FBE and Special Primary Education</i>					974
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO 1,2)	20	1759	1683	3442	
Basic Secondary Education (HAVO 1,2)	3	280	419	699	
Senior High School (HAVO/VWO 3,4,5,6)	3	495	861	1356	
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	20	1946	2140	4086	
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)	5	1306	2131	3437	
Special Secondary Education (AGO, VSO, PBO)	5	565	387	952	
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>					520
Teachers Training College (APK)	1	15	148	163	
University of the Neth. Antilles 1)	1			1954	
Faculty of Law		86	211	297	
Faculty of Social & Economic Studies		302	694	996	
Technical Faculty		375	99	474	
General Faculty		27	211	238	
<i>Total teachers University</i>					40
Saba					
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	1	69	87	156	
<i>Total teachers FBE</i>					18
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO, CXC 1,2)	1	30	24	54	
English Language Sec. School (CXC 3,4,5)	1	17	23	40	
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	1	8	3	11	
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>					17
Medical University 1)	1	170	154	324	
<i>Total teachers University</i>					28
Source: The Island Departments of Education, the Central Department of Education, Schoolboards and Schools					
Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here.					
1) Degree Students per first semester					

F. Education

1a. Full-time, General, Vocational and Special Education, Neth. Antilles (continued)					
Academic year	2006-2007				
	School	Pupils			Teachers
Male		Female	Total		
Sint Eustatius					
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	4	203	119	322	26
<i>FBE total teachers</i>					
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO, HAVO 1,2)	1	64	47	111	16
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	1	38	47	85	
Senior High School (HAVO 3,4,5)	1	6	6	12	
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>					
Medical University 1)	1	61	53	114	20
<i>Total teachers University</i>					
Sint Maarten					
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	17	2422	2391	4813	.
Special Primary Education	1	88	37	125	
<i>Total teachers FBE and Special Primary Education</i>					
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO 1,2)	3	412	447	859	.
Basic Secondary Education (HAVO 1,2)	1	38	69	107	
Senior High School (HAVO/VWO 3,4,5,6)	1	76	161	237	
English Language Sec. School (CXC)	2	302	452	754	.
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	3	404	425	829	
Special Secondary Education (PBO)	1	169	47	216	
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>					
University of Sint Maarten 1)	1	57	149	206	40
<i>Total teachers University</i>					
Source: The Island Departments of Education, the Central Department of Education, Schoolboards and Schools					
Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here.					
1) Degree Students per first semester					

2. Secondary Education Graduates (full-time education)		
	2006-2007	
Bonaire		
Senior High School (HAVO)	31	94%
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	99	63%
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)	.	.
Curaçao		
Senior High School (HAVO)	353	70%
Senior High School (VWO)	182	90%
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	1422	76%
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)		
Saba		
English Language Sec. School(CXC)	7	100%
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	-	-
Sint Eustatius		
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	22	50%
Sint Maarten		
Senior High School (HAVO)	38	66%
Senior High School (VWO)	14	74%
English Language Sec. School(CXC)	.	.
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	187	57%
Percentages are based on candidates who participated in the exams		
Source: The Island Departments of Education, the Central Department of Education, School boards and Schools		

3. University of the Netherlands Antilles Graduates			
	2005	2006	2007
Faculty of Law	22	20	19
Male	4	5	5
Female	18	15	14
Faculty Social Econ. Studies	16	30	29
Male	1	7	6
Female	15	23	23
Technical Faculty	23	20	20
Male	15	17	10
Female	8	3	10
General Faculty		9	29
Male		2	2
Female		7	27
Total	61	86	97
Male	20	32	23
Female	41	54	74

4. University of Sint Maarten Graduates			
	2005	2006	2007
A.A. Gneral Liberal Arts Program	13	14	6
Male	2	1	1
Female	11	13	5
A.A. Business Program	15	16	12
Male	9	3	4
Female	6	13	8
A.A. Computer Science Program		1	-
Male		-	-
Female		1	-
B.A. Education Program	2	6	6
Male	-	-	-
Female	2	6	6
Bachelor of Business	2	4	4
Male	-	-	-
Female	2	4	4
Total	32	41	28
Male	11	4	5
Female	21	37	23

Labour

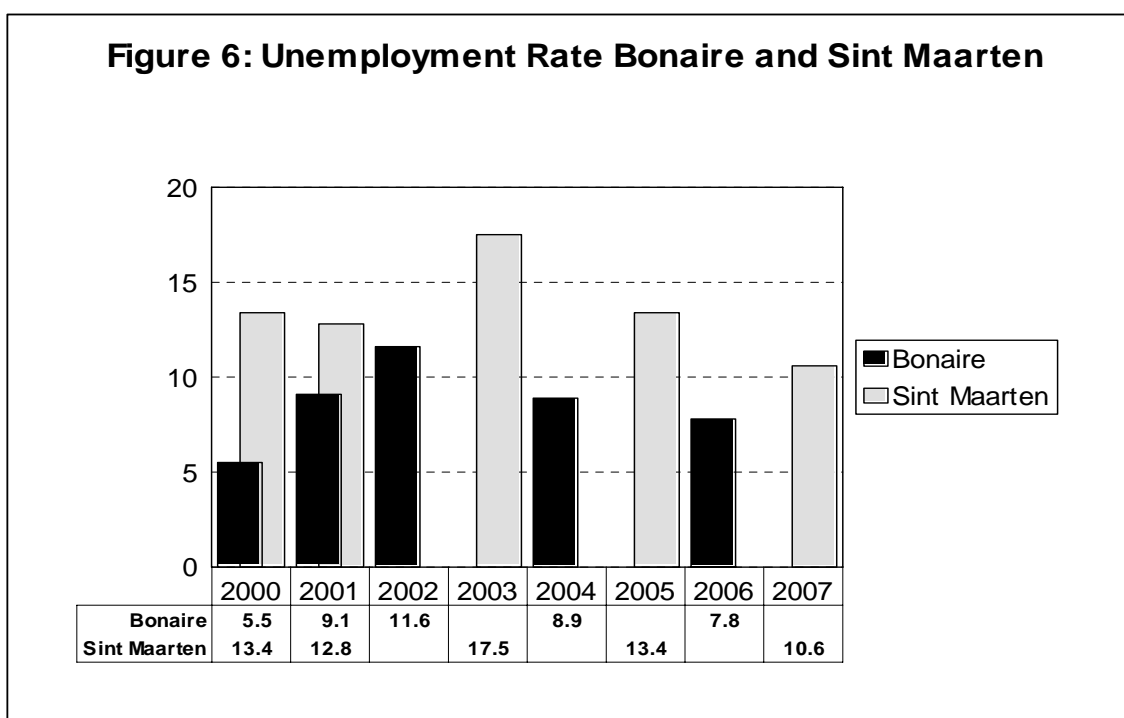
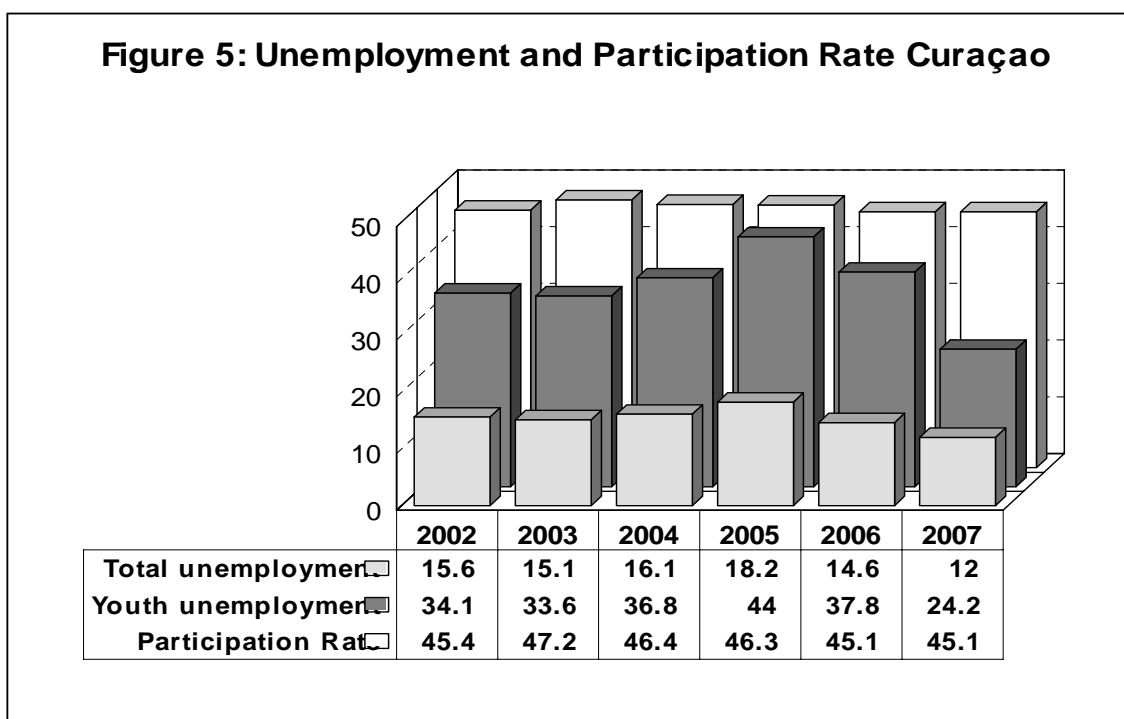
Introduction

This chapter presents labor market data for the Netherlands Antilles and the distinctive islands. The data is taken from different sources, of which the most important ones are the Population and Housing Census and the Labour Force Sample Surveys.

The Census of 2001 serves as a benchmark for sample surveys such as the Labour Force Sample Survey.

CBS conducts every year a labour Force Survey on Curaçao and every other year on the islands of Bonaire and St. Maarten.

Data on wage costs are derived from the 2005 National Accounts Survey . Additional information on labour market issues originates from the Department of Labour and Social Affairs, the Curaçao Labour Office, and the Government Mediator.



1. Employed Population by Economic Activity, Bonaire			
	2002	2004	2006
Agriculture/Fishery/Mining	72	69	79
Manufacturing	176	157	172
Electricity/Gas/Water	81	80	92
Construction	393	462	577
Wholesale/Retail	668	698	832
Hotels/Restaurants	731	763	908
Transport/Storage	291	346	433
Financial intermediation	139	141	166
Real estate, renting	292	298	351
Public administration/Social services	573	621	751
Education	162	197	249
Health/Social work	314	336	404
Other community services	337	377	462
Private households	97	93	106
Extra territories	8	23	65
Total	4334	4661	5647

Source: CBS Labour Force Survey
Note: To minimize the effects of sampling errors, figures are calculated as 3-year moving averages.

1a. Employed Population by Economic Activity, Curaçao			
	2005	2006	2007
Agriculture/fishery	451	520	682
Mining and quarrying	65	65	65
Manufacturing	3447	3541	3563
Electricity/Gas/Water	814	794	822
Construction	3534	3867	4157
Wholesale/Retail	9659	9494	9559
Hotels/Restaurants	4069	4174	4358
Transport/Storage	3143	3124	3226
Financial intermediation	3674	3881	3976
Real estate, renting	4989	5167	5504
Public administration/Social services	4449	4761	5156
Education	2310	2569	2690
Health/Social work	4340	4435	4561
Other community	3930	3557	3389
Private households	2358	2033	1998
Extra territories	110	68	73
Total	51342	52050	53779

Source: CBS Labour Force Survey
Note: To minimize the effects of sampling errors, figures are calculated as 3-year moving averages.

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1b. Employed Population by Economic Activity, St. Maarten			
	2003	2005	2007
Agriculture/Fishery/Mining	160	191	227
Manufacturing	529	582	622
Electricity/Gas/Water	253	267	285
Construction	1512	1847	2248
Wholesale/Retail	3226	3605	4315
Hotels/Restaurants	2563	2625	2876
Transport/Storage	1375	1578	1784
Financial intermediation	466	504	604
Real estate, renting	1441	1763	2034
Public administration/Social services	1128	1356	1658
Education	630	628	782
Health/Social work	450	468	573
Other community	1602	1733	1893
Private households	700	709	685
Extra territories	164	218	183
Total	16200	18072	20770

Source: CBS Labour Force Survey
1) excluding population in institutions

2. Population and Economically Active Population Curaçao			
	2005	2006	2007
1. Employed population	51343	52050	53779
2. Unemployed population	11392	8931	7346
3. Economically active population	62735	60981	61125
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	18.2	14.6	12.0
5. Youth unemployment rate	44.0	37.8	24.2
6. Total population 1)	135474	135250	135513
7. Participation rate (3/6 x 100) (%)	46.3	45.1	45.1

Source: CBS Labour Force Survey
1) excluding population in institutions

2a. Population and Economically Active Population Curaçao by sex						
	2006			2007		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Employed population	26002	26048	52050	26478	27301	53779
2. Unemployed population	3323	5608	8931	2913	4433	7346
3. Economically active pop.	29325	31656	60981	29391	31734	61125
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	11.3	17.7	14.6	9.9	14.0	12.0
5. Total population 1)	61658	73592	135250	61742	73771	135513
6. Participationrate(3/5x100)(%)	47.6	43.0	45.1	47.6	43.0	45.1

Source: CBS Labour Force Survey
1) excluding population in institutions

3. Population and Economically Active Population Bonaire				
	2000	2002	2004	2006
1. Employed population	5488	4334	4661	5647
2. Unemployed population	322	571	456	481
3. Economically active population	5810	4905	5117	6128
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	5.5	11.6	8.9	7.8
5. Youth unemployment rate	15.3	31.5	25.2	20.5
6. Total population 1)	11113	9928	10432	11793
7. Participation rate (3/6 x 100) (%)	52.3	49.4	49.1	52.0
Source: CBS Labour Force Survey				
1) excluding population in institutions				

3a. Population and Economically Active Population Bonaire by sex						
	2004			2006		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Employed population	2266	2395	4661	2941	2706	5647
2. Unemployed population	205	251	456	205	276	481
3. Economically active pop.	2471	2646	5117	3146	2982	6128
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	8.4	9.6	8.9	6.5	9.3	7.8
5. Total population 1)	4999	5437	10436	5733	6060	11793
6. Participationrate(3/5x100)(%)	49.5	48.7	49.1	54.9	49.2	52.0
Source: CBS Labour Force Survey						
1) excluding population in institutions						

4. Population and Economically Active Population Sint Maarten				
	2001 2)	2003	2005	2007
1. Employed population	15413	16200	18073	20720
2. Unemployed population	2271	3433	2798	2446
3. Economically active population	17684	19633	20871	23166
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	12.8	17.5	13.4	10.6
5. Youth unemployment rate	25.3	31.9	30.4	26.0
6. Total population 1)	30369	33317	35910	39011
7. Participation rate (3/6 x 100) (%)	58.2	58.9	58.1	59.4
Source: CBS Labour Force Survey				
1) excluding population in institutions				
2) Population and Housing Census 2001				

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4a. Population and Economically Active Population Sint Maarten by sex						
	2005			2007		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Employed population	9714	8359	18073	11310	9410	20720
2. Unemployed population	1194	1604	2798	935	1511	2446
3. Economically active population	10908	9963	20871	12245	10921	23166
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	10.9	16.1	13.4	7.6	13.8	10.6
5. Total population 1)	17303	18607	35910	18834	20177	39011
6. Participationrate(3/5x100)(%)	63.0	53.5	58.1	65.0	54.1	53.1

Source: CBS Labour Force Survey
1) excluding population in institutions

5. Population and Economically Active Population Saba 2) and Sint Eustatius 2)						
	Saba			Sint Eustatius		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Employed population	329	269	598	576	462	1038
2. Unemployed population	17	22	39	44	52	96
3. Economically active population	346	391	637	620	514	1134
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	4.8	7.8	6.2	6.7	10.2	8.3
6. Total population 1)	678	671	1349	1138	1154	2292
7. Participationrate(3/5x100)(%)	69.6	63.2	66.5	82.3	68.4	75.3

1) Excluding population in institutions
2) Population and Housing Census 2001

6. Employed Population by Level of Education					
	Bonaire 3)	Curaçao1)	Sint Maarten1)	Saba 2)	Sint Eustatius 2)
	Elementary education	588	4794	4859	134	228
Secondary education 1st stage	2197	22128	7853	210	408
Secondary education 2nd stage	1806	16177	5352	124	209
Higher education	1056	10680	2656	88	165
Not reported				33	28
Total	5647	53779	20720	589	1038

Source: 1) CBS Labour Force Sample Survey, 2007
2) Population and Housing Census 2001
3) CBS Labour Force Sample Survey, 2006

7. Employed Population by Gross Monthly Income, Bonaire						
	2004			2006		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
500 or less	92	215	307	61	215	276
501 - 1000	104	370	474	166	318	484
1001 - 1500	492	558	1050	512	699	1211
1501 - 2000	484	322	806	533	400	933
2001 - 2500	298	313	611	458	308	766
2501 - 3000	172	201	373	253	191	444
3001 - 5000	369	255	624	625	449	1074
5000 plus	166	87	253	333	126	459
Unknown	89	74	163			
Total	2266	2395	4661	2941	2706	5647

Source: CBS Labour Force Sample Survey

8. Employed Population by Gross Monthly Income, Curaçao						
	2006			2007		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
500 or less	1076	1908	2984	922	2072	2994
501 - 1000	2350	5060	7410	2356	3982	6338
1001 - 1500	5357	5295	10652	5406	6294	11700
1501 - 2000	4175	2798	6973	3813	3035	6848
2001 - 2500	2430	2221	4651	2914	2677	5591
2501 - 3000	1990	2207	4197	1954	2005	3959
3001 - 5000	4967	4857	9824	5281	4708	9989
5000 plus	3657	1702	5359	3832	2528	6360
Total	26002	26048	52050	26478	27301	53779

Source: CBS Labour Force Sample Survey

9. Employed Population by Gross Monthly Income, Sint Maarten						
	2005			2007		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
500 or less	233	413	646	96	406	502
501 - 1000	538	1156	1694	309	1347	1656
1001 - 2000	3821	3443	7264	4113	3812	7925
2001 - 2500	1437	902	2339	1736	807	2543
2501 - 3000	974	670	1644	1515	654	2169
3001 - 5000	1377	1353	2730	2379	1846	4225
5000 plus	1045	275	1320	1162	538	1700
Unknown	289	147	436			
Total	9714	8359	18073	11310	9410	20720

Source: CBS Labour Force Sample Survey

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10. Employed Population by Status in Employment and Sex									
	Bonaire 1)			Curaçao 2)			Sint Maarten 2)		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Employer/Own account worker	437	222	659	4420	1785	6205	1479	653	2132
Permanent service	1659	1743	3402	15481	18457	33938	7451	6722	14173
Temporary service	243	140	383	1630	1754	3384	937	795	1732
Casual jobs	296	165	461	3110	2836	5946	576	255	831
Contract	275	348	623	1733	2228	3961	715	765	1480
Other	22	73	95	104	241	345	152	220	372
Unknown	9	15	24						
Total	2941	2706	5647	26478	27301	53779	11310	9410	20720

Source: 1) CBS Labour Force Survey, 2006
2) CBS Labour Force Survey, 2007

11. Unemployed Population by Age and sex									
	Bonaire 1)			Curaçao 2)			Sint Maarten 2)		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
15 - 24	85	143	228	678	578	1256	235	332	567
25 - 44	99	118	217	1387	2596	3983	416	829	1245
45 and older	21	15	36	848	1259	2107	284	350	634
Total	205	276	481	2913	4433	7346	935	1511	2446

Source: 1) CBS Labour Force Survey, 2006
2) CBS Labour Force Survey, 2007

12. Unemployed Population by Level of Education and Sex									
Level of education	Bonaire 1)			Curaçao 2)			Sint Maarten 2)		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Elementary education	12	24	36	2389	2406	4795	322	530	852
Secondary education 1st stage	136	146	282	11003	11125	22128	432	517	949
Secondary 2nd stage +	47	61	108	13086	13770	26856	181	464	645
Unknown	10	45	55						
Total	205	276	481	26478	27301	53779	935	1511	2446

Source: 1) CBS Labour Force Survey, 2006
2) CBS Labour Force Survey, 2007

13. Persons Employed by the Governments, December 31					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Central government	3683	3548	.	.	.
Island government Bonaire	568	569	541	531	.
Island government Curaçao 1)	1447	1542	1570	1622	1649
Island government Saba	.	.	.	.	.
Island government Sint Eustatius	.	.	.	.	.
Island government Sint Maarten	996	1082	1119	1276	1299
Source: Department of Finance of Central and Island Governments					
1) Personell department of Island Government					

14. Labour Conflicts, Curaçao					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Number of meetings with government	318	130	210	186	171
Number of work stoppages	26	19	19	29	43
Number of working days lost due to stoppages	2200	1770	1700	.	.
Number of collective labour agreements	89	89	108	91	93
Source: Government Labour Mediator					

15. Number of applications for discharge					
	workers				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Bonaire	22	42	4	10	6
Curaçao	310	382	476	506	470
Windward Islands	198	185	215	124	109
Source: Department of Labour and social affairs					

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16. Average Wage-costs per Employee by Industry, 2005				
Industry	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
	x1000 NafI			
Agriculture and mining	29.7	39.8	29.4	23.1
Manufacturing	42.2	26.9	44.5	36.5
Electricity, gas and water	94.9	89.4	92.8	103.1
Construction	36.8	20.5	41.0	34.6
Trade	34.0	28.4	33.6	36.2
Hotels and restaurants	26.4	25.3	24.0	29.8
Transport and communication 1)	71.7	70.3	76.5	62.2
Financial services 2)	97.6	58.5	97.9	99.7
Business services 3)	41.2	33.5	42.9	38.3
Education private	44.9	0.0	47.7	44.9
Health and social work	55.7	42.2	57.2	55.7
Other community, social and personel services activities 4)	34.7	32.0	37.2	30.2
Total	43.5	34.1	46.3	39.1

Source: National Accounts Survey 2005

1) Excl. taxi's and buses
 2) Excl. commercial banks, life insurance Co and pension funds
 3) Excl. owner occupied dwellings
 4) Excl. paid domestic personnel

17. Average Wage-costs per Employee by Legal Status of the Business, 2005				
Legal status	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
	x1000 NafI			
Limited liability company	47.0	44.2	47.8	45.0
Private limited liability company	39.1	31.9	38.3	65.2
Individual proprietorship	22.5	14.6	23.1	19.4
Foundation	49.3	37.3	51.4	37.2
Common partnership	93.3	89.0	94.3	90.3
Other	97.4	88.3	81.8	142.5
Total	47.7	39.5	48.1	48.4

Source: National Accounts Survey 2005

18. Average Wage-costs per Employee by Company size, 2005						
Company size	Number of employees	Turnover in mln Naf	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
			x1000 NafI			
Micro	<5	<0.5	29.6	20.2	30.5	31.0
Small	5-<10	<0.5	26.8	28.3	29.1	24.0
Medium 1)	10-<50	0.5-<5	42.2	35.7	42.9	43.0
Large	>50	>5	52.4	45.6	52.2	53.6
Total			47.7	39.5	48.1	48.4

Source: National Accounts Survey 2005

1) Medium also includes companies that are either small or large on one condition only.

Establishments and Enterprises

Introduction

The tables presented in this chapter include data of the enterprises registered by the Chamber of Commerce.

It includes data of:

- new registered companies
- cancelled companies
- companies by legal status

I. Establishments and Enterprises

1. Registered Companies, Curaçao					
New registrations	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Offshore Companies	579	520	582	573	631
Local Companies	1833	1931	1775	1964	1968
Total	2412	2451	2357	2537	2599
Cancellations					
Offshore Companies	944	1130	753	812	799
Local Companies	1127	1552	1449	1819	1804
Total	2071	2682	2202	2631	2603
Registered Companies per Dec, 31					
Offshore Companies	17224	16135	15444	14776	14191
Local Companies	15217	15693	16114	16371	16642
Total	32441	31828	31558	31147	30833

Source: Chamber of Commerce and Industry

2. Companies by Legal Status, Curaçao					
Legal status	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Individual proprietorship	7429	7530	7624	7586	7530
Open partnership (V.O.F)	261	255	255	252	248
Limited partnership (C.V.)	184	168	164	160	163
Common partnership	11	11	16	18	17
Limited Liability Company (N.V.)	23275	22492	21923	21261	20609
Cooperatives	30	30	29	30	29
Association or Foundation	24	22	24	26	34
Dutch Private Company (B.V.)	755	679	593	573	552
Other legal entities	213	178	188	179	169
Private Limited Liability Company (BVNA)	259	463	742	1062	1482
Total	32441	31828	31558	31147	30833

Source: Chamber of Commerce and Industry

3. Pronounced Bankruptcies, Curaçao					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Pronounced	9	14	11	6	12

Source: Chamber of Commerce and Industry

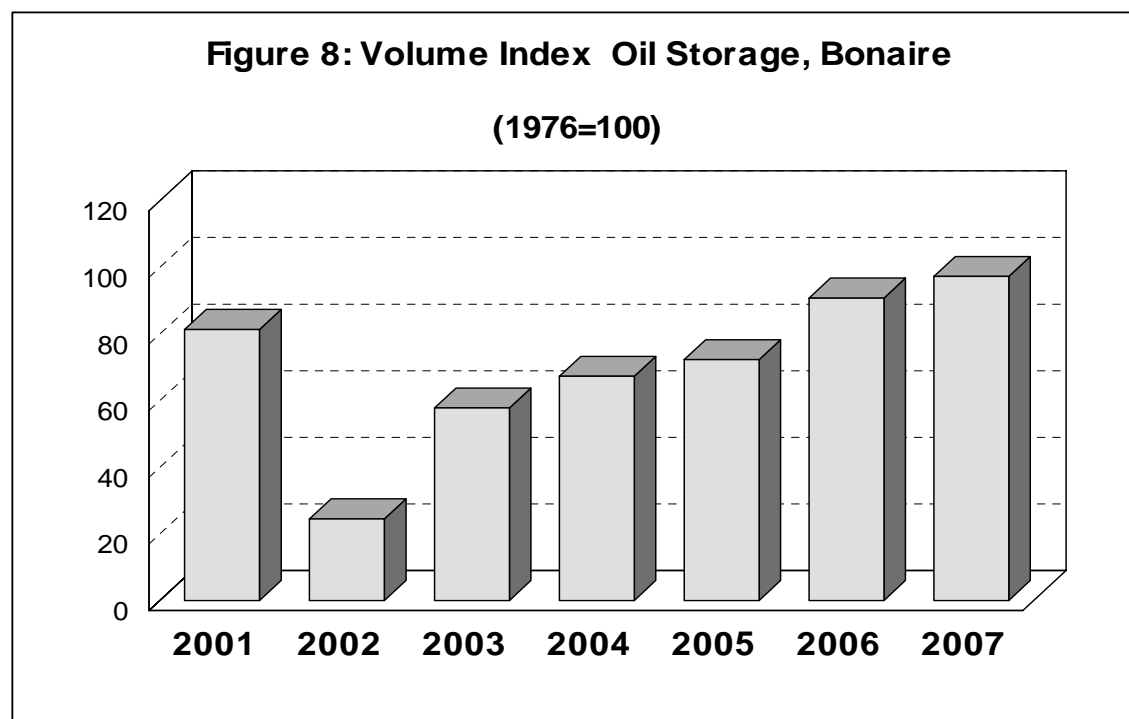
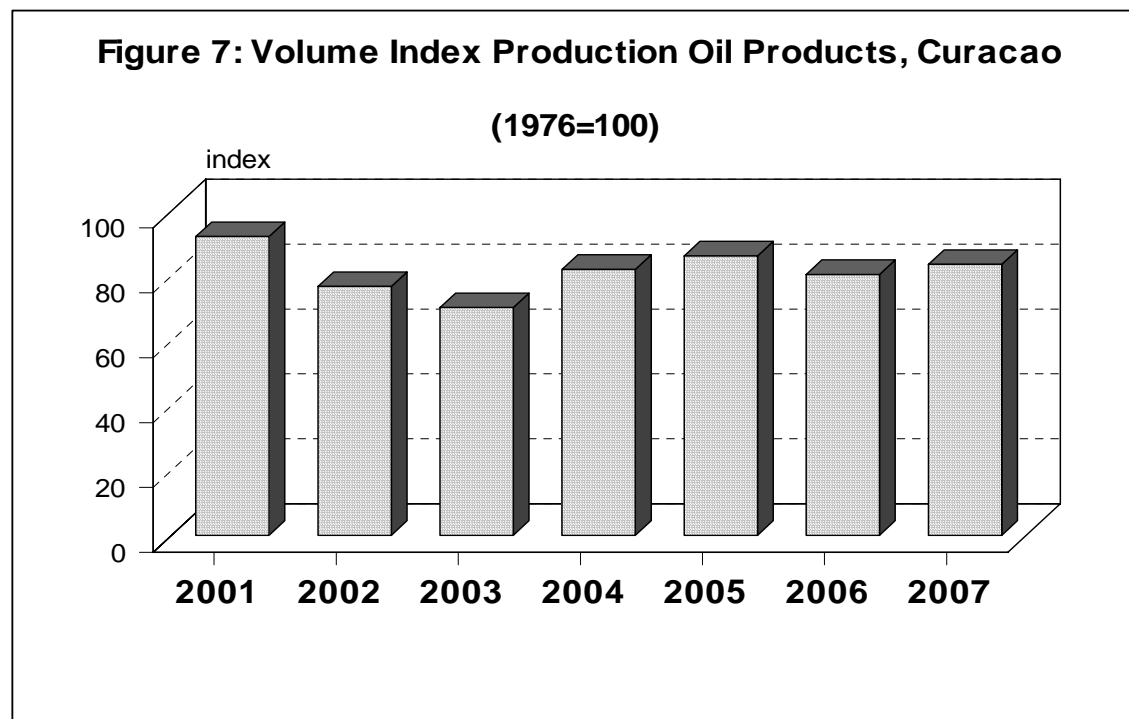
Utility/Manufacturing

Introduction

The figures in this chapter cover:

- the production of electricity
- the production of water
- volume index of production of oil products
- man hours sold, Curaçao dry dock

K. Utility/Manufacturing



K. Utility/Manufacturing

1. Electricity Production per Island (mln kWh)					
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
2001	72.7	756.9	6.2	8.7	250.8
2002	67.8	766.7	.	.	.
2003	74.6	814.7	6.7	9.5	275.0
2004	78.0	831.6	6.9	9.9	283.5
2005	77.4	848.5	7.5	10.3	304.3
2006	73.2	835.8	7.7	10.5	318.9
2007	74.0	844.3	8.1	11.3	344.6

Source: Water and Power Company of the islands

2. Water Production (1000 m ³)			
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Sint Maarten
2001	906	14271	3284
2002	946	14571	3331
2003	978	14276	3583
2004	985	14224	3864
2005	1023	13005	4128
2006	1032	13042	4333
2007	1100	13683	4589

Source: Water and Power Company of the islands

3. Volume Index of Production of Oil Products, Curaçao and Oil Storage Curaçao and Bonaire (1976 = 100)			
	Production of Oil and oil products Curaçao	Oil Storage	
		Curaçao	Bonaire
2001	92.1	2.6	81.4
2002	76.7	2.1	24.5
2003	70.2	3.2	57.8
2004	82.0	3.7	67.3
2005	86.1	1.8	72.3
2006	80.4	1.8	90.8
2007	83.5	7.2	97.3

Source: Oil Refinery Company, Curaçao Oil Terminal and Bonaire Petroleum Corporation

4. Curaçao Drydock, Manhours Sold (x 1000)	
2001	931
2002	833
2003	604
2004	830
2005	920
2006	1064
2007	1052

Source: Curaçao Drydock Company

Foreign Trade

Introduction

Trade statistics are economic statistics, which serve a variety of needs. The trade flow of goods is analyzed using various adopted commodity classifications, which have different levels of detail and classification criteria.

The foreign trade statistics of the Netherlands Antilles are compiled as secondary statistics derived mainly from customs documents. Import statistics cover all goods cleared through customs for home use from abroad or from national free zone. Export statistics cover all goods of national origin to be dispatched to another country. This coverage is consistent with the so-called "Special Trade System".

For various reason certain goods, such as monetary gold, are excluded from the foreign trade statistics according to the United Nations recommendations. All movements of goods in free circulation between Curaçao and Bonaire are excluded. One has to bear in mind, however, that a portion of the foreign trade of Bonaire goes through Curaçao and is therefore also excluded. The islands of St. Maarten, St. Eustatius, and Saba are free ports. For these three islands no information is collected with the exception of the exports between Curaçao, Bonaire, and St. Maarten.

The commodity classifications for both the import and export trade statistics are based on the Standards International Trade Classification (Revised 3).

The valuation of commodities is based on C.I.F. (Cost of Insurance and Freight) for imports and F.O.B. (Free on Board) for exports.

This chapter deals with trade statistics over the period of 2004 through 2006. Table 1 provides general overview of the import and export data. Tables 2 and 3 provide the import and export data segmented by commodity. In tables 4 and 5 the import and export segmented by commodity of the Curaçao free zone are shown.

M. Foreign Trade

1. Total Imports and Exports (Oil Not Included)						
	2005		2006		2007	
	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire
mln Naf						
Imports (cif)	1475	126	1713	108	1908	153
of which:						
Capital goods	172	13	176	12	216	18
Consumer goods	93	5	144	5	138	10
Exports (fob)	140	23	212	19	189	19
of which:						
Capital goods	13	2	18	3	9	0
Consumer goods	10	0	51	0	32	0
1) BEC: Capital goods (except transport equipment)						
2) BEC: Consumer goods nes - Durable						
Source: Trade Statistics CBS						

2. Imports by Commodity (Oil Not Included)						
	2005		2006		2007	
	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire
mln Naf						
SITC-Sections 1)						
0. Food and live animals	300	13	324	13	361	17
1. Beverages and tobacco	49	4	60	5	65	5
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	18	1	23	3	25	4
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	7	0	8	0	9	0
5. Chemical products	192	5	197	6	236	7
6. Manufactured goods	195	15	239	17	268	25
7. Machinery and transport eq.	435	72	511	46	569	69
8. Miscellaneous, other art.	254	14	318	15	349	22
9. Commodities not classified	23	3	33	3	26	3
TOTAL	1475	126	1713	108	1908	153
1) Standard International Trade Classification - Revised						
Source: Trade Statistics CBS						

3. Exports by Commodity (Oil Not Included)						
	2005		2006		2007	
	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire
mln Naf						
SITC-Sections 1)						
0. Food and live animals	43	0	39	1	55	0
1. Beverages and tobacco	4	0	3	0	5	0
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	3	18	3	9	1	13
4. Animal and vegetable oils and facts	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Chemical products	13	0	14	0	14	0
6. Manufactured goods	6	0	20	0	14	1
7. Machinery and transport eq.	34	3	52	8	36	4
8. Miscellaneous, other art.	26	0	62	0	48	0
9. Commodities not classified	11	1	19	1	16	1
TOTAL	140	23	212	19	189	19
1) Standard International Trade Classification - Revised						
Source: Trade Statistics CBS						

4. Imports Freezone Curaçao (Oil Not Included)				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
SITC-Sections 1)	mIn Naf			
0. Food and live animals	3	0	0	0
1. Beverages and tobacco	33	39	61	69
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	1	0	1	1
4. Animal and vegetable oils, and fats	0	0	0	0
5. Chemical products	52	56	54	42
6. Manufactured goods	26	27	20	23
7. Machinery and transport equipment	128	150	197	312
8. Miscellaneous articles	446	505	565	480
9. Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	0	0	37	195
TOTAL	689	778	935	1122
1) Standard International Trade Classification - Revised				
Source: Trade Statistics CBS				

5. Exports Freezone Curaçao (Oil Not Included)				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
SITC-Sections 1)	mIn Naf			
0. Food and live animals	10	16	19	20
1. Beverages and tobacco	35	53	67	79
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	6	2	2	2
4. Animal and vegetable oils, and fats	0	0	0	0
5. Chemical products	58	70	68	54
6. Manufactured goods	31	59	31	42
7. Machinery and transport equipment	111	152	219	282
8. Miscellaneous articles	380	557	504	421
9. Commodities and transactions n.e.c.	116	64	77	241
TOTAL	746	974	988	1141
1) Standard International Trade Classification - Revised				
Source: Trade Statistics CBS				

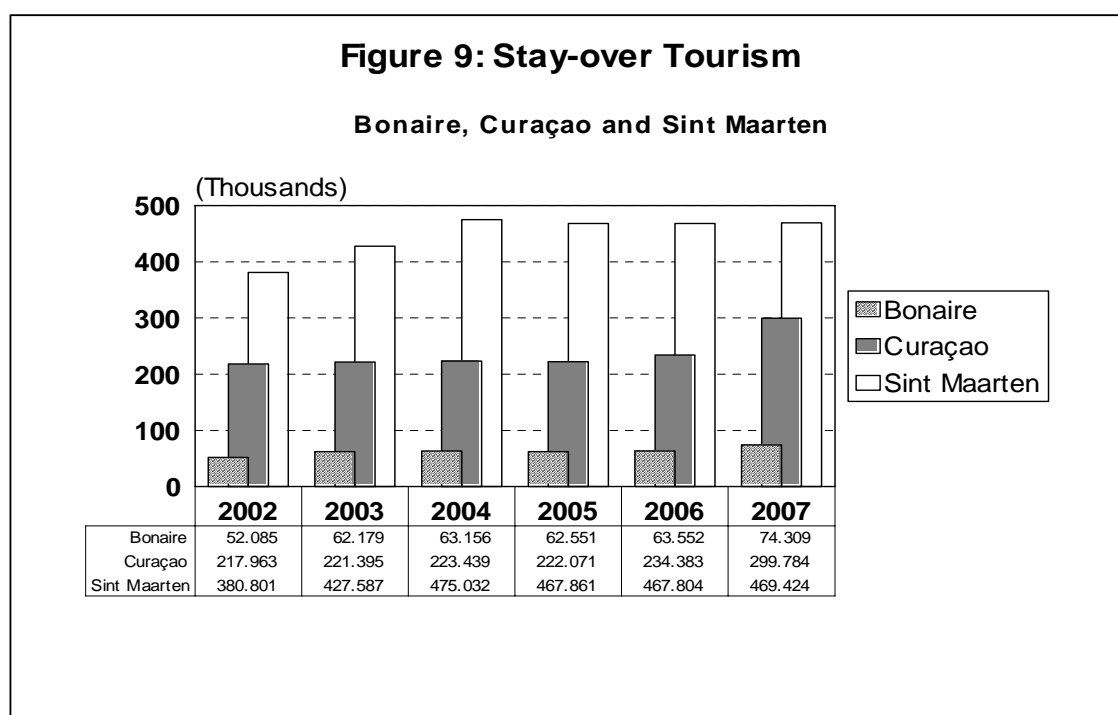
Transport and Communication

Introduction

This chapter deals with various aspects of transport and communications. It includes:

- car registration
- driver licenses issued
- tourism statistics
- household with telephone, internet connections

N. Transport and Communication



N. Transport and Communication

1. Number of Motor Vehicles Registered 1), December 31					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Bonaire					
Passenger cars	3951	4139	.	.	4847
Motor lorries and pick-ups	1947	2115	.	.	2923
Motor buses	22	24	.	.	31
Taxis	28	27	.	.	28
Motorcycles, incl.mopeds	457	461	.	.	401
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	388	389	.	.	400
Curaçao					
Passenger cars	53259	60590	64931	67328	70515
Motor lorries and pick-ups	11713	12785	13578	14565	15066
Motor buses	445	438	486	493	435
Taxis	199	191	186	194	192
Other cars	166	207	299		285
Motorcycles, incl.mopeds	891	1037	1166	1365	1531
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	409	456	483	491	501
Sint Maarten					
Passenger cars	.	.			
Motor lorries and pick-ups	.	.	2324	2335	2780
Motor buses	.	.	181	184	197
Taxis	.	.	222	228	227
Other cars	.	.			
Motorcycles, incl.mopeds	.	.	380	630	636
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	.	.			
Source: Collector's offices of the Island Governments					
1) Excluding motor vehicles owned by the government					

2. Road Accidents, Curaçao					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Number of accidents, total	7207	7876	8507	8480	7210
Number of victims, total	205	235	226	399	356
of which killed	26	30	16	25	23
severely injured	.	51	52	95	.
slightly injured	.	184	174	304	.
Source: Police Force of the Netherlands Antilles					

N. Transport and Communication

3. Number of Driver Licenses Issued, Curaçao					
	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
Newly issued/renewed	13820	12951	14533	18907	6079
Duplicated	1647	1368	278	265	468
International	689	702	527	443	337

Source: Security and Control Service of Curaçao

4. Number of Driver Licenses Examinations, Curaçao						
	2001		2002		2003	
	Passed	Failed	Passed	Failed	Passed	Failed
Theoretical examination	2979	1169	3208	1415	3628	1352
Practical examination	2844	1388	2926	1547	3112	1525
Category A	217	31	285	40	268	49
Category B	2196	1299	2284	1474	2507	1434
Category C,D,E	431	58	357	33	337	42

Source: Security and Control Service of Curaçao

5. Harbour Statistics					
		2004	2005	2006	2007
Bonaire					
Ships piloted into port		711	664	634	729
number of ships	of which: tankers	185	203	220	262
	cruise ship	78	91	78	97
	others	448	370	336	370
Tonnage (1000 GRT)		13344	15375	17398	21123
of which:	tankers	9722	12034	13290	15438
	others	3622	3341	4108	5685
Curaçao					
Ships piloted into port		2787	2826	2889	3038
number of ships	of which: tankers	950	907	920	1030
	cruise ship	162	204	205	257
	others	1675	1715	1764	1751
tonnage (1000 GRT)		41785	46554	48584	55554
of which:	tankers	24090	25830	25234	30917
	others	17695	20724	23350	24637
Container movements					
BOXES		52452	56451	56304	60465
of which:	transshipments	6426	9192	7777	10032
	TEUS (1)	82087	89229	90759	97271
of which:	transshipments	9294	13100	11999	15727
	Bunker sales				
of which:	fuel (100 barrels)	728	728	781	
	water (m3)	37143	51242	66063	86626

Source: Harbour Offices of the Islands

1) International standard unit of measurement

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6. Landings of Aircrafts					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Bonaire					
Commercial landings	15649	13737	13577	13872	12969
Non-commercial landings	2546	2185	2323	2140	2280
Total	18195	15922	15900	16012	15249
Curaçao					
Commercial landings	18075	16334	16476	16453	19034
Non-commercial landings	1621	1511	2137	2033	1726
Total	19696	17845	18673	28486	20760
Sint Maarten					
Commercial landings	55289	60427	64913	72437	60918
General landings	12280	13141	14577	13494	14086
Military landings	69	62	114	142	51
Total	67638	73630	79604	86073	75055

Source: International Airports on the islands

7. Passengers Traveling by Air			
	2007		
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Sint Maarten
Passengers travelling by air			
arrived or departed	513948	1132575	1646277
in transit	187907	138959	137097

Source: Migration authorities/International airports

N. Transport and Communication

8. Stay-over Tourism 1)					
Number of persons					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Bonaire					
Total	62179	63156	62550	63552	74309
of which from:					
USA	25449	26623	25363	26790	32085
Europe	29079	27973	30066	28202	31427
South America	3470	3537	3152	3631	4559
Number of nights	574102	577997	586973	621207	695638
Curaçao					
Total	221395	223439	222071	234383	299784
of which from:					
North America & Canada	44932	48394	51733	56099	54012
South and Centr. America	39707	41518	39203	38157	81338
Caribbean	41155	38961	32406	32265	38971
Europe	91384	89752	94923	104232	121429
Other	4217	4814	3806	3630	4034
Number of nights	1918304	1938580	1959759	2155853	2560281
Sint Maarten					
Total	427587	475032	467861	467804	469424
of which from:					
USA	222247	251155	246858	246064	253831
Canada	29545	31667	34506	30646	32350
South and Centr. America	9313	10512	10051	12706	14020
Caribbean	39913	44907	40426	39034	35209
The Netherlands	12918	15554	15441	15842	16889
Other	113651	121237	120579	123512	117125
Source: Tourism Offices					
1) Visitors staying longer than 24 hours					

9. Hotel Occupancy Rate					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Curaçao	62.3	69.3	75.1	81.5	83.4
Sint Maarten	61.0	59.0	58.0	66.0	.
Bonaire	65.0	62.0	64.0	66.0	78.0
Source: Curaçao Hotel and Tourism Association & Tourism Association of Sint Maarten					

10. Cruise Tourism					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Bonaire					
Ships	72	79	89	78	97
Tourists	44601	53343	40077	61844	97635
Curaçao					
Ships	196	161	200	205	255
Tourists	278378	227534	275957	321551	340907
Sint Maarten					
Ships	597	666	641	609	614
Tourists	1171734	1348450	1488461	1421645	1421906
Source: Tourism Offices					

N. Transport and Communication

11. Number of Visits to Free Zone Curaçao by Nationality				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
Guyana	2141	2107	1788	1841
Haiti	3761	3403	4267	4242
Jamaica	9715	10978	9563	11331
Dominican Republic	3062	3991	3287	3498
Trinidad	6303	6017	5983	6655
Venezuela	3098	3379	3056	11182
Other	6000	6516	7448	10927
TOTAL	34080	36391	35392	49676

Source: Curaçao Industrial and International Trade Development Company NV
1) excl. Antillean residents

12. Letters Received by Region of Origin, Netherlands Antilles (x kg)				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
North America	33186	34325	32508	34307
South and Central America	2403	1881	1692	1568
Europe	67448	37753	32211	25616
The Netherlands	31451	76525	78314	76975
Caribbean	4416	7516	6086	8219
Other	2981	1417	1651	1762
TOTAL	141885	159417	152462	148447

Source: Post Office

13. Letters sent by Region of Destination, Netherlands Antilles (x kg)				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
North America	6086	7371	9419	20584
South and Central America	9732	2904	3499	3341
Europe				
The Netherlands	2355	15073	17050	6024
Rest of Europe	12621	2916	5232	15930
Caribbean	65805	54629	47210	44857
Netherlands Antilles				
Other	9337	80	6	.
TOTAL	105936	82973	82416	90736

Source: Post Office

N. Transport and Communication

14. Fixed and Mobile Telephone Connections		
	Fixed telephone connections	mobile telephone connections
Bonaire	5109	9376
Curaçao	79356	166690
Saba	739	1174
Sint Eustatius	850	2371
Sint Maarten	132286	70161

15. Radio and Television, December 2007						
	Cable	Broadcast	Broadcast	Radio transmitters		
	Television	Television	Television	AM	FM	Short
	Stations	Stations	Repeaters			Wave
Bonaire	2		1	1	8	1
Curaçao	1	3	2	1	28	
Saba	1				1	
Sint Eustatius	1				1	
Sint Maarten	2	2		1	9	

Source: Bureau Telecommunication & Post

16. Households with Television/Cable, Census 2001				
	Television		Cable	
	absolute	relative	absolute	relative
Bonaire	3456	94	2611	71
Curaçao	41435	96	11222	26
Saba	507	90	446	79
Sint Eustatius	831	92	695	77
Sint Maarten	10788	92	7856	67

17. Households with Internet connection and computer, Census 2001				
	Internet		Computer	
	absolute	relative	absolute	relative
Bonaire	588	16	1066	29
Curaçao	9064	21	14243	33
Saba	147	26	214	38
Sint Eustatius	126	14	226	25
Sint Maarten	1759	15	2932	25

Money and Banking

Introduction

This chapter focuses on financial institutions, their activities and their products.

It contains data of:

- total liquid assets
- official gold and foreign exchange reserves
- condensed balance sheet of the bank of the Netherlands Antilles
- consolidated balance sheet of commercial banks

O. Money and Banking

1. Total Liquid Assets 1), December 31st						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	mln.Naf.					
Money:						
Coins and notes with the public	235.2	232.9	231.3	239.9	263.7	304.4
Demand deposits held by the public	1019.6	989.3	1050.7	1188.0	1246.7	1441.5
Subtotal	1254.8	1222.2	1282.0	1427.9	1510.4	1745.9
Near money:						
Time-deposits	1324.0	1501.4	1790.5	1947.3	2152.2	2254.3
Savings	955.6	1066.2	1122.8	1202.1	1296.8	1530.5
Subtotal	2279.6	2567.6	2913.3	3149.4	3449.0	3784.8
Total liquid assets	3534.4	3789.8	4195.3	4577.3	4959.4	5530.7
Source: Central Bank						
1) Excl. foreign currency holdings in hands of the public						

2. Official Gold and Foreign Exchange Reserves and Net Foreign Assets in the Netherlands Antilles, December 31st						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	mln.Naf.					
Monetary authorities:						
Gold	138.9	237.0	271.7	305.5	365.8	437.6
Foreign exchange Bank N.A (net)	716.3	668.3	744.0	815.6	1308.2	1847.5
Subtotal	855.2	905.3	1015.7	1121.1	1674.0	2285.1
Short term foreign liabilities	2.2	0.8	0.4	3.2	422.1	664.5
Commercial banks:						
Net foreign asset	320.5	456.3	446.3	510.0	520.5	501.0
International monetary reserves	1173.5	1360.8	1461.6	1627.9	1772.4	2121.6
Source: Central Bank						

3. Condensed Balance Sheet of the Bank of the Netherlands						
Antilles, December 31st						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Assets:	mln Naf					
Domestic:						
Coins and notes	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1
Claims on Government	143.5	110.6	211.4	204.8	230.3	170.5
Claims on private sector	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other domestic assets	171.1	172.5	172.8	181.8	193.0	198.7
Foreign:						
Gold	138.9	237.0	271.7	305.5	365.8	437.6
Claims on non-residents	716.3	668.3	744.0	815.6	1308.2	1847.5
Total	1169.9	1188.5	1400.1	1507.9	2097.5	2654.4
Liabilities						
Domestic:						
Banknotes issued	284.4	275.6	272.4	283.9	310.9	366.4
Government	123.7	97.0	119.0	45.0	17.7	18.7
Demand deposits (banks & priv.sector)	23.5	66.2	69.3	99.2	80.1	94.1
Time deposits of residents	514.0	426.0	573.8	661.2	769.1	918.4
Capital and reserves	141.4	240.2	274.7	308.4	369.8	442.8
Other domestic liabilities	80.7	82.7	90.5	107.0	127.8	149.5
Foreign:						
Foreign liabilities	2.2	0.8	0.4	3.2	422.1	664.5
Total	1169.9	1188.5	1400.1	1507.9	2097.5	2654.4

Source: Central Bank

4. Consolidated Balance Sheet of Commercial Banks, December 31st						
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Assets:	mln Naf					
Domestic:						
Cash and balance with the Bank of the Netherlands Antilles and GiroSystem Curaçao	596.3	557.7	644.5	628.4	737.2	826.1
Claims on domestic banks	105.5	91.5	151.4	123.2	94.5	115.4
Government 1)	410.4	489.5	620.0	603.4	456.5	641.2
Private sector	2641.4	2696.2	2958.1	3362.7	3809.8	4274.6
Special domestic loans	40.4	40.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other domestic assets	249.0	245.8	270.8	260.3	437.9	466.1
Claims on non-residents	1168.3	1270.1	1359.6	1961.9	2089.7	2083.8
Total	5211.1	5391.2	6004.4	6939.9	7625.6	8407.2
Liabilities						
Domestic:						
Central Government	39.3	34.9	45.8	51.6	76.2	127.9
Island Government	64.5	25.1	72.6	68.9	54.1	70.0
Banks	151.0	110.1	194.7	137.7	116.0	140.3
Private sector						
Demand deposits	1246.3	1288.3	1346.6	1471.1	1693.7	1954.5
Time deposits	1324.0	1501.4	1742.5	1865.3	1981.2	2012.5
Savings	955.6	1066.2	1122.8	1202.1	1296.7	1530.5
Capital and reserves	421.7	394.3	481.7	547.4	670.6	756.0
Other domestic liabilities	120.7	116.7	84.4	143.9	167.9	232.7
Foreign liabilities	888.2	854.2	913.3	1451.9	1569.2	1582.8
Total	5211.3	5391.2	6004.4	6939.9	7625.6	8407.2

Source: Central Bank

National Accounts

Introduction

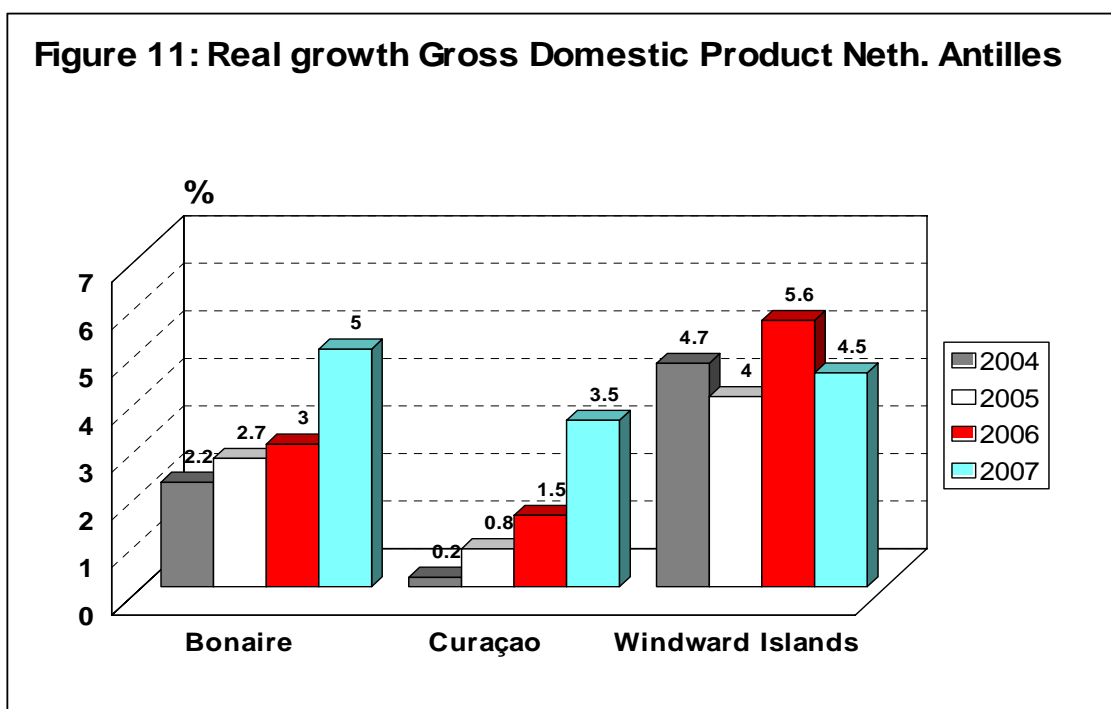
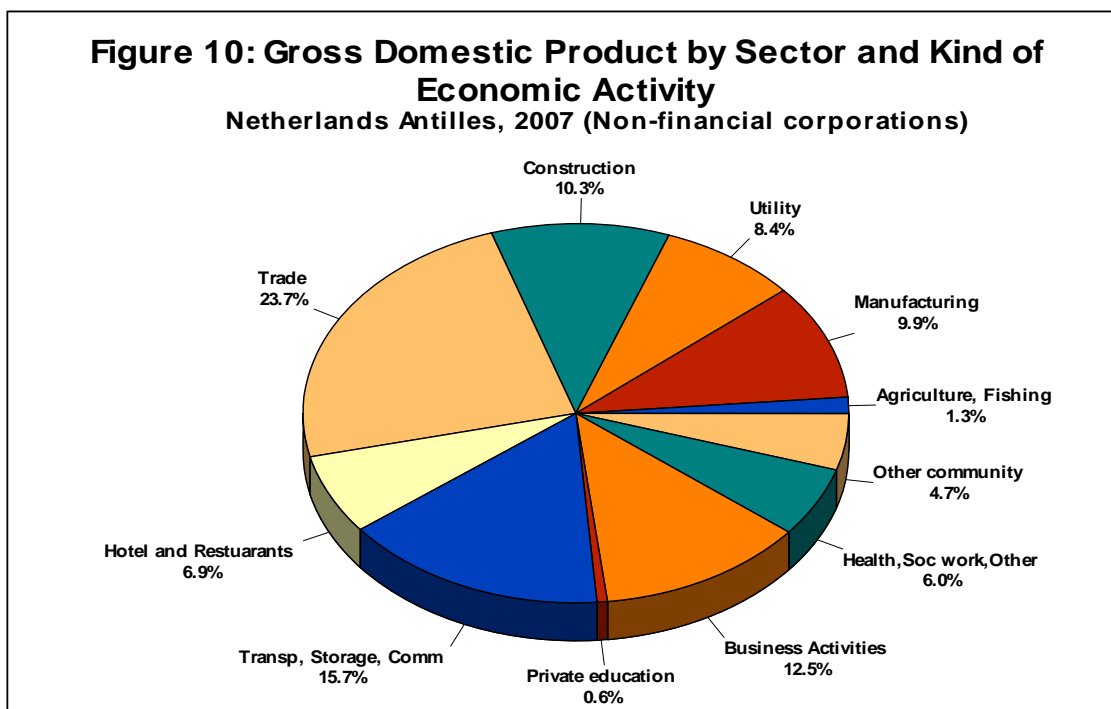
Economic activities in a country are characterized by numerous transactions between different sectors, namely the government, the financial and non-financial sector, the household sector, the non-profit institutions and the rest of the world. In order to understand this complex economic process, it is important to have an adequate system. National accounts provide this insight for they give an overview of the economic process in a certain year. This overview is based on an international system of definitions and classifications, the System of National Accounts.

In 1993 the revised version of the System of National Accounts namely the System of National Accounts 1993 (SNA93) was introduced and published as a joint production of the United Nations, the International Monetary Fund, the Commission of the European Communities, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, and the World Bank.

The SNA93 is an improvement compared to the previous version (SNA68) in terms of updating, clarification, simplification and harmonization. It provides a comprehensive, consistent and flexible set of macro-economic accounts, which can be used for economic analysis and policy purposes. This System was recommended for use to all member states, also for comparability purposes.

The SNA93 provides a comprehensive accounting framework within which economic data can be compiled and presented in a format that is designed for purposes of economic analysis, decision taking and policy-making. Since the accounts are usually compiled for a couple of years, they can also be used for analyzing economic developments over time.

The compilation of national accounts in the Netherlands Antilles is momentarily in a transition phase. Given the comprehensiveness and complexity of the System, it was decided to gradually update all tables and publications according to the System of National Accounts 1993



1. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Netherlands Antilles.					
		2004	2005	2006	2007
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	31.7	34.6	39.8	48.3
D	Manufacturing	300.4	322.8	338.1	355.4
E	Electricity, gas and water	255.4	276.6	282.7	300.6
F	Construction	273.5	305.5	336.1	370.3
G	Trade	648.1	721.0	760.5	852.0
H	Hotels and restaurants	207.7	218.1	228.5	247.9
I	Transport, storage and communications	485.2	520.2	541.9	564.5
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	372.5	394.9	421.9	449.2
M	Education private	20.7	20.7	21.2	22.7
N	Health and social work	184.7	192.4	202.3	215.7
O	Other community, social and personal	204.7	151.5	159.6	168.4
	Gross value added, marketprices	2984.6	3158.2	3332.6	3594.8
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	808.0	874.3	926.7	985.1
	Gross value added, marketprices	808.0	874.3	926.7	985.1
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.4			
I	Transport, storage and communications	16.4			
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	2.0			
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	453.5			
M	Education	179.1			
N	Health and social work	77.5			
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	61.9			
	Gross value added, marketprices	790.7	809.6	853.0	873.1
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	1.0			
D	Manufacturing	0.6			
F	Construction	1.5			
G	Trade	6.8			
H	Hotels and restaurants	2.7			
I	Transport, storage and communications	27.3			
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	467.7			
N	Health and social work	2.5			
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	30.6			
P	Private households	21.8			
	Gross value added, marketprices	562.6	570.9	579.7	615.5
	Total Gross Value Added, marketprices	5145.9	5413.0	5692.0	6068.5
	Plus: Taxes less subsidies on products	553.6	562.3	589.3	610.4
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	123.1	132.5	140.6	149.4
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	5576.5	5842.8	6140.6	6529.5
	Nominal GDP Growth	2.8	4.8	5.1	6.3
	Inflation	1.6	3.8	2.9	2.8
	Real GDP Growth	1.2	1.1	2.3	3.8

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2. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Bonaire					
		2004	2005	2006	2007
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	8.9	8.9	8.7	11.1
D	Manufacturing	8.8	8.1	8.7	9.2
E	Electricity, gas and water	16.1	21.5	20.7	22.0
F	Construction	12.5	12.8	14.1	14.8
G	Trade	33.3	35.8	38.7	41.5
H	Hotels and restaurants	30.6	31.4	34.5	38.0
I	Transport, storage and communications	43.9	43.2	44.8	48.7
K	Real estate, renting, business activities	16.1	16.4	17.0	18.2
M	Education private				
N	Health and social work, other services	15.3	16.0	16.7	19.0
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	18.7	19.7	21.3	23.8
	Gross value added, marketprices	204.2	213.8	225.2	246.4
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	19.0	20.5	21.8	23.1
	Gross value added, marketprices	19.0	20.5	21.8	23.1
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.0			
I	Transport, storage and communications	2.7			
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	0.1			
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	26.2			
M	Education	2.7			
N	Health and social work	3.8			
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	2.6			
	Gross value added, marketprices	38.1	38.4	37.9	41.5
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.0			
D	Manufacturing	0.1			
F	Construction	0.0			
G	Trade	0.1			
H	Hotels and restaurants	-0.5			
I	Transport, storage and communications	1.3			
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	29.1			
N	Health and social work	0.1			
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	6.9			
P	Private households	0.6			
	Gross value added, marketprices	37.7	37.5	39.0	40.0
	Total GrossValue Added, market prices	299.0	310.2	323.9	351.0
	Plus: Taxes less subsidies on products	33.2	35.4	36.3	30.8
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	5.4	5.8	6.1	6.6
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	326.8	339.9	354.0	375.3
	Nominal GDP Growth	4.0	4.0	4.2	6.0
	Inflation	1.8	1.3	1.3	1.3
	Real GDP Growth	2.2	2.7	3.0	5.0

3. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Curaçao					
		2004	2005	2006	2007
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	18.7	21.2	25.0	30.1
D	Manufacturing	261.5	283.7	297.4	311.9
E	Electricity, gas and water	180.1	187.0	190.8	203.0
F	Construction	163.1	181.3	193.1	208.0
G	Trade	401.6	445.3	470.7	534.4
H	Hotels and restaurants	90.3	99.2	105.4	117.5
I	Transport, storage and communications	326.9	356.8	369.5	386.6
K	Real estate, renting, business activities	273.4	291.3	307.9	328.1
M	Education private	13.5	13.5	13.5	14.4
N	Health and social work	148.6	154.2	161.2	170.6
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	119.9	63.7	64.6	69.6
	Gross value added, marketprices	1997.4	2097.3	2199.1	2374.3
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	705.7	762.1	806.8	855.1
	Gross value added, marketprices	705.7	762.1	806.8	855.1
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.4			
I	Transport, storage and communications	10.9			
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	1.9			
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	332.4			
M	Education	169.2			
N	Health and social work	63.8			
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	38.5			
	Gross value added, marketprices (SNA93)	617.0	631.2	657.2	669.2
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
ABC	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.8			
D	Manufacturing	0.4			
F	Construction	1.0			
G	Trade	6.4			
H	Hotels and restaurants	2.9			
I	Transport, storage and communications	16.0			
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	304.9			
N	Health and social work	1.9			
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	19.3			
P	Private households	13.7			
	Gross value added, marketprices	367.3	371.0	372.4	396.8
	Total Gross Value Added, market prices	3687.4	3861.6	4035.5	4295.4
	Plus: Taxes less subsidies on products	428.0	432.3	452.7	475.4
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	90.9	100.0	105.9	112.2
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	4024.5	4193.9	4382.4	4658.6
	Nominal GDP Growth	1.6	4.2	4.5	6.3
	Inflation	1.4	3.4	3.1	3.0
	Real GDP Growth	0.2	0.8	1.5	3.5

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4. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Sint Maarten					
		2004	2005	2006	2007
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	3.9	4.1	5.7	6.6
D	Manufacturing	30.3	28.9	29.9	31.9
E	Electricity, gas and water	59.6	63.4	66.3	70.4
F	Construction	98.6	103.8	120.0	137.3
G	Trade	153.5	223.5	234.0	258.7
H	Hotels and restaurants	87.4	81.4	82.5	86.0
I	Transport, storage and communications	115.2	112.0	118.9	120.4
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	83.6	81.2	90.3	95.8
M	Education private	7.2	6.7	7.2	7.7
N	Health and social work	20.9	20.7	22.7	24.3
O	Other community, social and personal service act.	66.5	63.4	68.6	69.8
	Gross value added, marketprices	726.9	789.1	846.1	908.9
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	81.2	89.5	95.7	104.4
	Gross value added, marketprices	81.2	89.5	95.7	104.4
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.0	0.0		
I	Transport, storage and communications	1.8	1.9		
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	0.0	0.0		
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	60.0	63.1		
M	Education	4.6	4.8		
N	Health and social work	6.3	6.6		
O	Other community, social and personal service act.	13.2	13.9		
	Gross value added, marketprices	85.8	90.2	101.8	101.1
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.2	0.2		
D	Manufacturing	0.1	0.1		
F	Construction	0.4	0.4		
G	Trade	0.3	0.3		
H	Hotels and restaurants	0.3	0.3		
I	Transport, storage and communications	9.4	9.7		
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	124.1	128.9		
N	Health and social work	0.5	0.5		
O	Other community, social and personal service act.	4.1	4.2		
P	Private households	6.9	7.2		
	Gross value added, marketprices	146.3	151.9	157.4	167.1
	Total Gross Value Added, market prices	1040.2	1120.8	1201.1	1281.5
	Plus: Taxes less subsidies on products	79.4	81.3	86.2	89.6
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	26.8	26.8	28.6	30.6
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	1092.8	1175.3	1258.7	1340.5
	Nominal GDP Growth	6.3	7.5	7.1	6.5
	Inflation	2.1	3.1	2.3	2.3
	Real GDP Growth	4.5	4.8	5.2	4.5

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5. Product, income, savings and net lending, Netherlands Antilles				
	2001	2002	2003	2004
	mIn ANG			
Output	9107.7	9246.6	9410.7	9544.1
Less: financial intermediation serv. indirectly measured	127.9	111.2	110.2	123.1
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	507.4	525.1	517.8	553.6
Less: Intermediate consumption	4277.4	4406.7	4392.8	4398.2
Gross Domestic Product	5209.7	5253.8	5425.5	5576.5
Primary income paid to abroad	185.7	162.9	161.0	169.6
Primary income received from abroad	150.0	161.6	173.8	188.2
Net factor income paid to abroad	35.7	1.3	-12.8	-18.6
Gross National Income	5245.5	5255.2	5412.7	5557.9
Current transfers paid to abroad	378.7	646.4	706.4	557.3
Current transfers received from abroad	345.6	417.9	455.5	417.4
Net current transfers paid to abroad	33.1	228.5	250.9	139.9
Gross National Disposable Income	5278.6	5483.7	5663.6	5697.8
Final consumption	3923.5	3915.3	4095.4	4196.2
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	2782.4	2846.9	2945.9	3066.0
Government (incl. Social security)	1141.1	1068.4	1149.6	1130.1
Gross savings	1355.1	1568.4	1568.2	1501.6
Net savings	522.6	820.0	804.0	743.5
Gross fixed capital formation	1516.8	1550.3	1528.8	1569.7
Consumption of fixed capital	-832.5	-748.4	-764.2	-758.1
Changes in inventories	107.3	123.8	37.4	134.6
Acquisitions less disposals of land	54.7	6.1	15.8	9.0
Capital transfers received	292.5	235.7	311.0	393.6
Capital transfers paid	238.4	181.1	248.4	250.5
Net capital transfers received	54.1	54.6	62.6	143.1
Net lending from abroad	-214.9	-51.0	64.6	-59.7
Gross National Income, market prices	5245.5	5255.2	5412.7	5557.9
Net national income, market prices	4413.0	4506.8	4648.5	4799.7
Mid year population (x1000)	179.2	174.1	174.6	178.7
Per capita Gross National Income, market prices (ANG)	29267.5	30176.9	30998.9	31105.0
Per capita Net National Income, market prices (ANG)	24622.6	25879.3	26622.3	26862.1
Other taxes on production	46.2	36.4	32.5	31.4
Other subsidies on production	42.7	36.4	35.4	43.1
Depreciation	832.5	748.4	764.2	758.1
Net national income, basic prices	4416.5	4506.7	4645.7	4788.0
Per capita Net National Income, basic prices (ANG)	24642.3	25879.3	26606.1	26796.6

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6. Product, income, savings and net lending, Bonaire				
	2001	2002	2003	2004
	mln ANG			
Output	508.1	483.8	499.9	491.6
Less: financial intermediation serv. indirectly measured	3.0	2.4	4.8	5.4
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	28.9	27.6	31.7	33.2
Less: Intermediate consumption	231.8	206.4	212.5	192.6
Gross Domestic Product	302.2	302.7	314.3	326.8
Primary income paid to abroad	18.7	0.7	0.4	0.6
Primary income received from abroad	12.2	0.6	0.0	0.1
Net factor income paid to abroad	6.5	0.1	0.4	0.5
Gross National Income	308.7	302.7	314.7	327.3
Current transfers paid to abroad	24.9	15.6	23.1	0.1
Current transfers received from abroad	20.3	18.9	20.1	0.0
Net current transfers paid to abroad	4.6	-3.3	3.0	0.0
Gross National Disposable Income	313.3	299.4	317.7	327.3
Final consumption	174.1	160.3	155.9	158.6
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	116.1	106.6	98.8	99.5
Government (incl. Social security)	58.0	53.7	57.1	59.1
Gross savings	139.2	139.2	161.8	168.8
Net savings	90.6	95.9	121.6	125.6
Gross fixed capital formation	64.6	63.1	65.0	66.5
Consumption of fixed capital	-48.6	-43.2	-40.2	-43.1
Changes in inventories	-13.1	-12.1	-16.1	-18.8
Acquisitions less disposals of land	3.2	0.0	0.2	0.1
Capital transfers received	5.1	2.4	9.2	9.6
Capital transfers paid	5.1	2.4	9.2	4.1
Net capital transfers received	0.0	0.0	0.0	5.4
Net lending from abroad	87.7	88.1	112.9	126.5
Gross National Income, market prices	308.7	302.7	314.7	327.3
Net national income, market prices	260.1	259.5	274.5	284.2
Mid year population (x1000)	11.2	10.5	10.1	10.1
Per capita Gross National Income, market prices (ANG)	27624.1	28883.7	31206.9	32345.9
Per capita Net National Income, market prices (ANG)	23276.2	24757.7	27222.9	28083.4
Other taxes on production	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Other subsidies on production	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Depreciation	48.6	43.2	40.2	43.1
Net national income, basic prices	261.9	261.3	276.3	286.0
Per capita Net National Income, basic prices (ANG)	23438.4	24930.6	27402.6	28262.6

P. National Accounts

7. Product, income, savings and net lending, Curaçao				
	2001	2002	2003	2004
	mln ANG			
Output	6454.9	6638.7	6582.6	6576.6
Less: financial intermediation serv. indirectly measured	99.4	87.8	85.8	90.9
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	405.1	425.9	411.2	428.0
Less: Intermediate consumption	2920.2	3107.4	2946.8	2889.3
Gross Domestic Product	3840.4	3869.4	3961.3	4024.5
Primary income paid to abroad	92.9	159.3	157.9	160.2
Primary income received from abroad	85.0	107.6	118.5	126.9
Net factor income paid to abroad	7.8	51.7	39.4	33.3
Gross National Income	3848.2	3921.1	4000.7	4057.8
Current transfers paid to abroad	269.8	534.8	578.0	418.9
Current transfers received from abroad	251.0	287.7	322.1	262.4
Net current transfers paid to abroad	18.8	247.1	255.9	156.4
Gross National Disposable Income	3867.0	4168.2	4256.6	4214.2
Final consumption	3156.8	3103.5	3243.2	3367.2
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	2264.0	2293.2	2369.2	2523.2
Government (incl. Social security)	892.8	810.3	874.0	844.0
Gross savings	710.2	1064.7	1013.4	847.0
Net savings	76.9	515.8	439.7	290.6
Gross fixed capital formation	1202.9	1234.8	1199.8	1223.7
Consumption of fixed capital	-633.2	-548.9	-573.7	-556.4
Changes in inventories	77.6	45.3	-37.8	59.4
Acquisitions less disposals of land	16.9	3.7	2.0	8.9
Capital transfers received	272.2	227.0	266.1	358.3
Capital transfers paid	215.9	172.4	213.5	219.7
Net capital transfers received	56.3	54.6	52.5	138.6
Net lending from abroad	-154.0	-160.7	-96.1	-297.5
Gross National Income, market prices	3848.2	3291.1	4000.7	4057.8
Net national income, market prices	3214.9	3372.2	3427.0	3501.4
Mid year population (x1000)	133.9	128.8	128.2	131.5
Per capita Gross National Income, market prices (ANG)	28740.2	30451.0	31209.2	30855.8
Per capita Net National Income, market prices (ANG)	24010.8	26188.3	26733.5	26625.1
Other taxes on production	30.6	20.8	20.3	19.2
Other subsidies on production	40.7	34.4	33.4	41.1
Depreciation	633.2	548.9	573.7	556.4
Net national income, basic prices	3204.9	3358.6	3413.9	3479.5
Per capita Net National Income, basic prices (ANG)	23935.5	26082.6	26631.7	26458.4

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8. Product, income, savings and net lending, Windwards Islands				
	2001	2002	2003	2004
	mln ANG			
Output	2144.6	2124.1	2328.2	2475.9
Less: financial intermediation serv. indirectly measured	25.5	21.1	19.7	26.8
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	73.4	71.7	74.9	92.4
Less: Intermediate consumption	1125.4	1093.0	1233.5	1316.3
Gross Domestic Product	1067.2	1081.7	1149.9	1225.2
Primary income paid to abroad	74.1	2.9	2.7	8.8
Primary income received from abroad	52.7	53.3	55.3	61.2
Net factor income paid to abroad	21.4	-50.4	-52.6	-52.4
Gross National Income	1088.6	1031.3	1097.3	1172.8
Current transfers paid to abroad	84.1	96.0	105.3	138.4
Current transfers received from abroad	74.3	111.3	113.3	155.0
Net current transfers paid to abroad	9.7	-15.3	-8.0	-16.6
Gross National Disposable Income	1098.3	1016.0	1089.3	1156.2
Final consumption	592.6	651.5	696.3	670.4
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	402.3	447.1	477.9	443.4
Government (incl. Social security)	190.3	204.4	218.4	227.0
Gross savings	505.7	364.5	393.0	485.9
Net savings	355.0	208.3	242.7	327.2
Gross fixed capital formation	249.3	252.3	264.0	279.6
Consumption of fixed capital	-150.6	-156.3	-150.3	-158.6
Changes in inventories	42.8	90.6	91.3	94.0
Acquisitions less disposals of land	34.6	2.5	13.6	0.0
Capital transfers received	15.3	6.4	35.7	25.7
Capital transfers paid	17.4	6.4	25.7	26.6
Net capital transfers received	-2.2	0.0	10.1	-1.0
Net lending from abroad	211.3	21.6	47.8	111.3
Gross National Income, market prices	1088.6	1031.3	1097.3	1172.8
Net national income, market prices	937.9	875.0	947.0	1014.2
Mid year population (x1000)	34.2	34.9	36.3	37.1
Per capita Gross National Income, market prices (ANG)	31872.4	29554.0	30199.4	31650.4
Per capita Net National Income, market prices (ANG)	27461.7	25076.1	26063.2	27369.5
Other taxes on production	11.8	11.8	8.4	8.4
Other subsidies on production	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Depreciation	150.6	156.3	150.3	158.6
Net national income, basic prices	949.7	886.8	955.4	1022.6
Per capita Net National Income, basic prices (ANG)	27806.8	25413.9	26294.6	27596.4

Balance of Payments

Introduction

This chapter focuses on the balance of payments as produced by the Central Bank of the Netherlands Antilles.

Q. Balance of Payments

1. Balance of Payments Netherlands Antilles: Transaction Basis					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	Mln. Naf.				
TRADE BALANCE	-1866.4	-2150.9	-2402.4	-2711.2	3341.3
MERCHANDISE EXPORTS	768.6	933.1	1088.4	1243.5	1210.9
-Oil Products	11.0	29.5	36.8	23.9	6.6
-Other Products	757.6	903.6	1051.6	1219.6	1204.3
MERCANDISE IMPORTS	2635.0	3084.0	3490.7	3954.7	4552.2
-Oil Products	273.0	367.3	567.7	686.6	866.0
-Other Products	2362.0	2716.7	2923.0	3268.1	3686.2
SERVICE BALANCE	1670.0	1927.5	2042.6	2206.5	2321.8
TRANSPORTATION: debit	234.3	220.7	226.9	236.2	259.3
-Passenger	117.0	61.7	12.6	8.7	10.7
-Freight	4.8	2.7	1.8	1.9	3.2
-Other	112.5	156.5	212.5	225.7	245.4
TRANSPORTATION: credit	123.9	139.5	153.3	148.5	164.4
-Passenger	34.2	38.4	55.2	39.6	36.0
-Freight	66.7	78.3	89.4	101.6	116.5
-Other	23.1	22.8	8.7	7.3	11.8
TRAVEL: debit	1530.8	1676.1	1771.2	1824.6	1966.0
TRAVEL: credit	552.5	502.3	471.3	504.0	557.9
OTHER SERVICES: debit	1263.3	1327.9	1358.4	1503.3	1533.2
-Communication	16.7	34.6	22.4	19.7	26.6
-Construction	31.8	28.1	39.7	63.6	90.7
-Int.fin& buss.sector	409.9	434.8	396.7	405.2	354.9
-Computer and Information services	2.5	4.6	3.1	6.2	7.4
-Refining fee	356.3	310.5	345.6	422.4	476.4
-Other services	352.5	432.8	449.9	487.5	485.4
-Government services n.l.e.	93.7	82.6	100.8	98.7	91.9
OTHER SERVICES: credit	682.0	655.4	689.2	705.1	714.4
-Communication	30.0	27.2	36.3	41.6	36.5
-Construction	27.9	16.0	59.7	63.1	92.8
-Int.fin & buss.sector	157.6	150.0	136.3	148.7	135.4
-Computer and Information services	16.5	16.0	25.0	23.1	27.2
-Other services	431.4	421.0	416.6	411.8	407.2
-Government services n.l.e.	18.6	25.3	15.4	16.7	15.2
INCOME BALANCE:	-12.5	-29.6	-27.0	-1.9	18.4
LABOUR INCOME: debit	10.0	6.9	17.0	31.2	51.5
LABOUR INCOME: credit	61.3	62.7	75.3	68.0	78.2
INVESTMENT INCOME: debit	151.4	151.5	173.2	214.1	263.4
Direct investment income	27.8	49.1	28.5	55.7	31.5
Portfolio investment income	95.3	67.1	81.1	79.6	128.8
Other investment income	28.3	35.3	63.6	78.9	103.1
INVESTMENT INCOME: credit	112.5	125.3	141.8	179.3	218.2
Direct investment income	39.9	48.9	52.9	87.7	108.0
Portfolio investment income	45.1	37.3	39.3	38.0	56.6
Other investment income	27.5	39.2	49.6	53.6	53.6
CURRENT TRANSFERS BALANCE	213.2	97.9	197.5	41.0	-54.3
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: debit	155.2	126.3	317.1	153.0	85.3
-Taxes	121.8	100.1	291.5	127.2	66.1
-Other government transfers	33.4	26.2	25.6	25.8	19.2
OTHER SECTORS: debit	555.1	452.2	425.9	435.6	445.4
-Workers' remittances	1.4	1.8	1.8	0.8	1.0
-Other current transfers	553.7	450.4	424.0	434.9	444.4
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: credit	20.6	16.1	33.9	22.2	26.7
OTHER SECTORS: credit	476.5	464.4	511.6	525.4	558.3
-Workers remittance	32.3	29.6	29.6	37.6	42.5
-Other current transfers	444.2	434.9	482.0	487.8	515.7

Source: Central Bank

Q. Balance of Payments

2. Balance of Payments Netherlands Antilles: Transaction Basis. (cont.)					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
	Mln. Naf.				
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	46.8	142.1	171.2	179.4	217.5
CAPITAL TRANSFERS	46.0	142.1	171.2	179.4	217.5
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: debit	54.3	142.6	172.1	181.3	219.1
-Development aid	54.3	142.6	172.0	181.3	219.1
OTHERS SECTORS: debit	3.6	1.0	-	2.2	6.7
-Migrants Tranfers	2.7	0.8	-	2.2	5.6
-Other capital transfers	0.9	-	-	-	1.0
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: credit	-	-	-	-	-
OTHERS SECTORS: credit	11.9	1.5	0.9	4.1	8.2
-Migrants transfer	11.4	1.4	0.9	3.9	8.2
-Other capital transfer	0.5	0.1	-	0.2	-
AQUISTION/DISPOSAL OF NON-PRODUCED NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS 1)	0.8	-	-	-	-
TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSEST: debit	0.8	-	-	-	-
TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSEST: credit	-	-	-	-	-
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET)	-59.6	-60.9	-38.6	222.3	690.6
DIRECT INVESTMENT					
-Direct investment abroad	1.0	-39.6	-117.0	101.3	5.9
-Direct investment in NA	19.5	38.9	74.9	-39.3	414.9
PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT					
Assets	-2.3	-168.5	-45.5	117.5	129.0
-Equity securities	-56.9	-24.3	-4.2	-22.4	128.2
-debt securities	54.6	-144.2	-41.3	139.9	-0.9
Liabilities	8.9	166.9	2.8	-15.9	-17.1
-Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-
-Debt securities	8.9	166.9	2.8	-15.9	-17.1
OTHER INVESTMENT					
Assets	-67.9	-35.6	72.3	346.0	765.6
-Trade credit	-62.5	-64.0	-101.0	-87.3	312.0
-Loans	-4.3	6.6	0.2	15.7	39.1
-Currency depositis	-26.6	-17.5	162.6	282.5	126.1
-Other assests	25.5	39.3	10.4	135.0	288.5
Liabilities	70.3	43.1	106.4	-0.4	-72.4
-Trade credit	174.1	104.9	128.7	29.8	-106.0
-Loans	-59.2	-149.1	-93.0	-159.8	-2.7
-Currency deposits	-	-	-	-	-
-Other liabilities	-44.6	87.2	70.6	129.7	36.3
RESERVES ASSETS 2)	-89.2	-66.1	-132.5	-84.2	277.3
Monetary gold	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign exchange	-89.2	-66.1	-132.5	-84.2	-277.3
-Central Bank	46.6	-76.1	-68.8	-73.7	-296.8
-Deposits Money Banks	-135.6	10.0	-63.7	-10.5	19.5
Other claims	-	-	-	-	-
NET ERRORS AND OMMISIONS	8.5	73.9	56.7	63.8	147.3
Source: Central Bank					
Notes:					
1) Comprises transactions associated with tangible assets that may be used or needed for production of goods and services but have not themselves been produced (e.g. land) and transactions associated with non-produced intangible assets (e.g. patents, copy)					
2) Figures may not add up due to roundings					
3) "Taxes" are tax receipts of the island Governments from the International sector					
4) "Other government transfers" contains among others civil expenditure by the Dutch Government in the Netherlands Antilles					

Public Finance

Introduction

The data presented in this chapter are collected from Government budgets. The figures contain data of the income from direct and indirect taxes.

R. Public Finance

1. Income from Direct Taxes (x mln Naf)					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
A. Direct Taxes					
Bonaire					
Taxes on income	26.7	28.9	30.2	.	.
Wage tax	22.6	23.8	23.5	.	.
Income tax	-0.4	-0.1	0.4	.	.
Profit tax	4.4	5.3	6.3	.	.
Other current taxes	2.0	2.1	2.5	.	.
Total current taxes on income and wealth	28.7	31.0	32.7	.	.
Curaçao 1)					
Taxes on income	561.1	581.2	598.2	582.4	606.6
Wage tax	397.2	414.4	399.3	420.7	431.9
Income tax	-9.7	4.2	8.5	-0.1	2.0
Profit tax	173.6	162.6	190.4	161.8	172.7
of which:internat financial sector	67.6	75.3	96.8	53.7	89.7
Other current taxes	26.0	25.1	21.8	24.6	26.8
Total current taxes on income and wealth	587.1	606.3	619.9	606.9	633.4
Sint Maarten					
Wage tax	89.6	.	.	.	.
Income tax	6.3	.	.	.	.
Profit tax	9.0	.	.	.	.
Total current taxes on income and wealth	104.9	.	.	.	.
St. Eustatius					
- wage tax	0.8	1.2	.	.	.
- income tax	0.0	0.0	.	.	.
- profit tax	5.5	6.7	.	.	.
Total	6.3	7.9	.	.	.
Saba					
- wage tax	1.5	3.4	2.7	.	.
- income tax	0.1	0.0	0.0	.	.
- profit tax	0.3	0.6	0.7	.	.
Total	1.9	4.0	3.4	.	.
Source: Government budgets (amounts collected) + Quarterly Bulletins Central Bank of the Antilles					
¹⁾ Data from 2002 are preliminaries. Source:Central Bank of the Antilles					

2. Income from indirect Taxes (x mln)					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
B. Indirect taxes					
Central Government					
Import duties	118.8	126.0	130.2	143.3	165.5
Special import duties on gasoline	82.6	81.1	80.5	79.2	86.1
Excise on spirits	12.6	12.3	12.1	12.0	11.6
Excise on tobacco articles	11.7	10.9	11.0	11.1	13.0
Excise on beer	14.1	11.5	12.0	14.4	14.0
Stamp duties	6.4	7.7	7.6	6.7	7.4
Exchange commission	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Registration duties 1)	10.9	21.4	17.4	15.4	10.8
Transfer tax	16.2	20.0	26.5	33.5	43.3
ABB/OB	259.1	283.5	307.6	329.3	356.8
Total	532.4	574.4	604.9	644.9	708.5
St. Eustatius (x1000)					
Motor-vehicle tax	278.9	273.3	.	.	.
Lodging tax	16.4	9.1	.	.	.
Tax on rental cars	2.1	3.2	.	.	.
Licence tax	148.3	171.0	.	.	.
Total	445.7	456.5	.	.	.
Curacao					
Motor-vehicle tax	32.6	31.4	27.2	30.7	33.5
Land tax	9.7	10.0	6.7	11.0	34.4
Lodging tax	1.2	4.1	2.6	3.0	3.8
Usage tax	2.3	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.6
Licence tax	2.3	4.4	8.7	6.9	2.8
Other	8.6	8.6	8.9	8.8	8.8
Total	56.6	59.8	55.1	61.2	84.0
St. Maarten					
Motor-vehicle tax	4.6	.	.	.	.
Lodging tax	1.6	.	.	.	.
Tax on rental cars	0.8	.	.	.	.
Licence for lotteries and games of hazard	8.0	.	.	.	.
Time share tax	4.1	.	.	.	.
Other	6.2	.	.	.	.
Total	25.3	.	.	.	.
Saba (x1000)					
Motor-vehicle tax	142.9	190.6	165.4	.	.
Lodging tax	49.5	55.4	68.3	.	.
Tax on rental cars	0.0	0.0	0.0	.	.
Licence tax	146.0	125.8	157.6	.	.
Total	338.4	371.7	391.3	.	.
Bonaire					
Motor-vehicle tax	2.5	2.7	3.1	3.3	3.4
Lodging tax	3.5	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5
Tax on rental cars	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8
Land tax	4.7	3.4	1.2	1.0	1.6
Licence tax	1.7	1.4	1.5	2.2	2.6
Total	13.0	11.4	9.7	10.5	12.0
Source: Government budgets (amounts collected) + Quarterly Bulletins Central Bank of the Antilles					
¹⁾ Including registration duties for packed medicine.					

Prices

Introduction

Prices of goods and services are constantly subject to change for various reasons. Price indices aim at providing a summary overview of these price changes. The Consumer Price Index reflects the changes in the prices of a basket of goods and services as consumed by family households in a certain base period. The Consumer Price Index is widely used as an indicator of inflationary trends in the economy and serves as a cost-of-living index.

The first Consumer Price Indices were calculated back in 1949 for Curaçao and Aruba. The first modern Consumer Price Index was computed in 1975 after completion of the first general household expenditure survey in the Netherlands Antilles in 1974. The household survey has been the base for calculating the consumer price indices ever since.

At present, the Central Bureau of Statistics calculates Consumer Price Indices based on the latest household expenditure survey in 2004/2005 for Curaçao, Bonaire and St. Maarten separately.

Although price series based on the entire population (all households) are calculated and published, the Central Bureau of Statistics can calculate, upon request, special series of Consumer Price Indices.

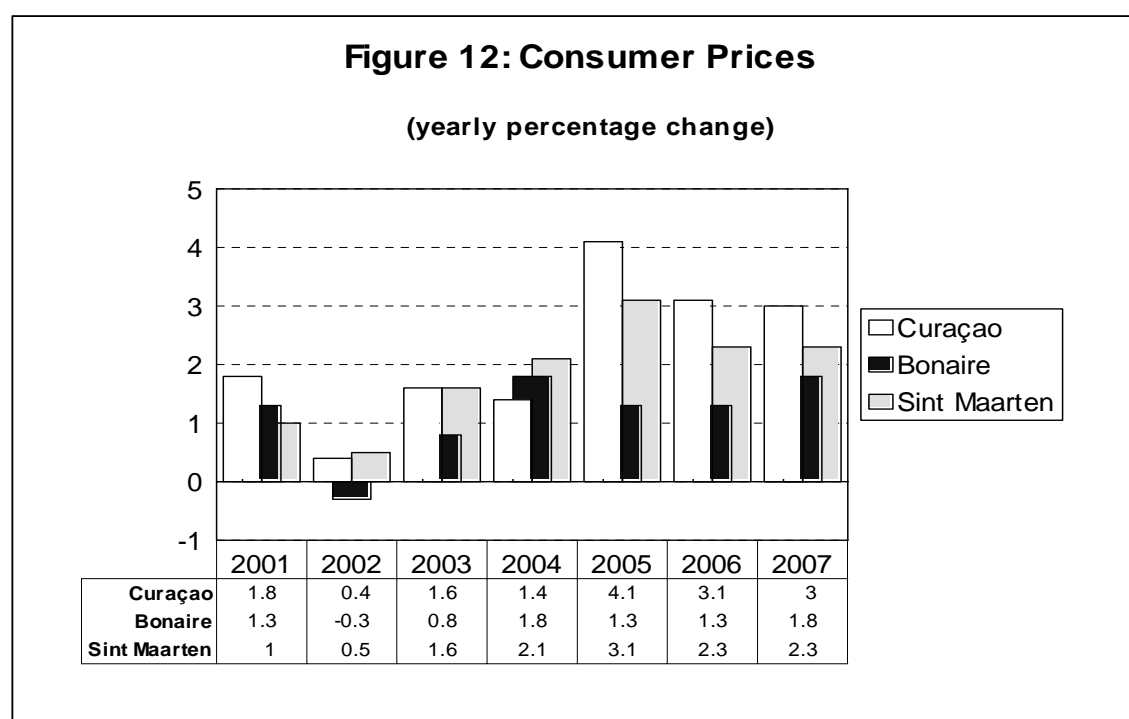
At this moment, requests for series on households with a household income below and above the median income will be honored.

Table 1 presents historical series for Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten respectively. These figures comprise end-of-year indices. All other tables present annual averages of consumer price indices.

Price movements in a whole year are best described by annual averages.

Comparison of annual averages also gives a better indication of the long-term development of prices than comparison of monthly figures.

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1a. End-of-year consumer price index and annual change since 1970: Curaçao										
Series for total population (where applicable)										
Price index series										
Period	Jan '58 = 100	Dec '70 = 100	Apr '75 = 100	Oct '82 = 100	Dec '84 = 100	Oct '90 = 100	Feb '96 = 100	Oct '06 = 100	Chained to Jan '58 = 100	Change (%)
Dec 1970	128.2	100.0							128.2	
Dec 1971		104.4							133.8	4.4
Dec 1972		108.1							138.6	3.5
Dec 1973		122.2							156.7	13.0
Dec 1974		147.7							189.4	20.9
Dec 1975		163.2	104.0						209.2	10.5
Dec 1976			108.6						218.4	4.4
Dec 1977			115.4						232.1	6.3
Dec 1978			126.6						254.7	9.7
Dec 1979			142.0						285.6	12.2
Dec 1980			164.7						331.3	16.0
Dec 1981			178.8						359.6	8.6
Dec 1982			187.2	100.0					376.5	4.7
Dec 1983				102.2					384.8	2.2
Dec 1984				104.0	100.0				391.6	1.8
Dec 1985					100.3				392.8	0.3
Dec 1986					103.3				404.5	3.0
Dec 1987					105.8				414.3	2.4
Dec 1988					109.3				428.0	3.3
Dec 1989					113.7				445.3	4.0
Dec 1990					119.4	100.6			467.6	5.0
Dec 1991						102.3			475.5	1.7
Dec 1992						103.8			482.5	1.5
Dec 1993						106.4			494.6	2.5
Dec 1994						108.2			503.0	1.7
Dec 1995						111.6			518.8	3.1
Dec 1996						116.9	103.8		543.3	4.7
Dec 1997							105.0		549.6	1.2
Dec 1998							106.0		554.8	1.0
Dec 1999							109.6		573.7	3.4
Dec 2000							113.8		595.6	3.8
Dec 2001							114.5		599.3	0.6
Dec 2002							116.9		611.9	2.1
Dec 2003							117.1		613.2	0.2
Dec 2004							119.7		626.3	2.1
Dec 2005							125.6		657.4	5.0
Dec 2006							128.3	100.3	671.7	2.2
Dec 2007								104.4	699.2	4.1

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1b. End-of-year consumer price index and annual change since 1970: Bonaire									
Series for total population (where applicable)									
Price index series									
Period	Nov '70 = 100	Apr '75 = 100	Oct '82 = 100	Dec '84 = 100	Oct '90 = 100	Feb '96 = 100	Oct '06 = 100	Chained to Nov '70 = 100	Change (%)
Dec 1972	109.6							109.6	
Dec 1973	121.9							121.9	11.2
Dec 1974	147.1							147.1	20.7
Dec 1975	164.9	104.0						164.9	12.1
Dec 1976		108.6						172.2	4.4
Dec 1977		115.4						183.0	6.3
Dec 1978		126.6						200.8	9.7
Dec 1979		142.0						225.2	12.2
Dec 1980		164.7						261.2	16.0
Dec 1981		178.8						283.6	8.6
Dec 1982		187.2	100.0					296.9	4.7
Dec 1983			102.2					303.4	2.2
Dec 1984			104.0	100.0				308.8	1.8
Dec 1985				100.3				309.7	0.3
Dec 1986				103.3				319.0	3.0
Dec 1987				105.8				326.7	2.4
Dec 1988				109.3				337.5	3.3
Dec 1989				113.7				351.1	4.0
Dec 1990				119.4	100.6			368.7	5.0
Dec 1991					103.0			377.5	2.4
Dec 1992					105.0			384.8	1.9
Dec 1993					107.1			392.5	2.0
Dec 1994					110.3			404.3	3.0
Dec 1995					112.6			412.7	2.1
Dec 1996					117.0	103.2		428.9	3.9
Dec 1997						103.9		431.8	0.7
Dec 1998						106.9		444.3	2.9
Dec 1999						111.8		464.7	4.6
Dec 2000						113.6		472.2	1.6
Dec 2001						115.3		479.2	1.5
Dec 2002						114.4		475.5	-0.8
Dec 2003						116.0		482.1	1.4
Dec 2004						118.3		491.7	2.0
Dec 2005						119.4		496.3	0.9
Dec 2006						121.3	100.2	504.3	1.6
Dec 2007							103.0	518.4	2.8

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1c. End-of-year consumer price index and annual change since 1970: Sint Maarten								
Series for total population (where applicable)								
Price index series								
Period	May '71 = 100	Apr '75 = 100	Oct '82 = 100	Oct '90 = 100	Feb '96 = 100	Oct '06 = 100	Chained to May '71 = 100	Change (%)
Nov 1971	102.2						102.2	
Nov 1972	107.0						107.0	4.7
Nov 1973	122.6						122.6	14.6
Nov 1974	150.7						150.7	22.9
Nov 1975	162.8	103.8					162.8	8.0
Nov 1976		105.4					165.3	1.5
Dec 1977		111.1					174.2	5.4
Dec 1978		117.9					184.9	6.1
Dec 1979		127.6					200.1	8.2
Dec 1980		144.6					226.7	13.3
Dec 1981		154.1					241.6	6.6
Dec 1982		156.4	99.8				245.2	1.5
Dec 1983			100.9				247.9	1.1
Dec 1984			101.3				248.9	0.4
Dec 1985			102.6				252.1	1.3
Dec 1986			106.5				261.7	3.8
Dec 1987			109.5				269.0	2.8
Dec 1988			113.4				278.6	3.6
Dec 1989			117.2				288.0	3.4
Dec 1990			122.6	100.1			301.3	4.6
Dec 1991				102.2			307.6	2.1
Dec 1992				103.9			312.7	1.7
Dec 1993				105.6			317.8	1.6
Dec 1994				107.7			324.2	2.0
Dec 1995				110.6			332.9	2.7
Dec 1996				113.6	101.9		342.0	2.7
Dec 1997					104.7		351.4	2.7
Dec 1998					107.9		362.1	3.1
Dec 1999					109.4		367.1	1.4
Dec 2000					109.3		366.8	-0.1
Dec 2001					110.6		371.2	1.2
Dec 2002					110.8		371.8	0.2
Dec 2003					112.9		378.9	1.9
Dec 2004					116.5		391.0	3.2
Dec 2005					120.7		405.1	3.6
Dec 2006					121.1	100.1	406.5	0.3
Dec 2007						104.5	424.4	4.4

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2. Annual consumer price index and inflation rates for the Netherlands Antilles since 1970								
Series for total population, price index numbers based on October 2006 = 100								
Netherlands Antilles			Bonaire		Curaçao		Sint Maarten	
weight			6.0%		72.2%		21.8%	
Year	CPI ¹⁾	Inflation (%)	CPI ¹⁾	Inflation (%)	CPI ¹⁾	Inflation (%)	CPI ¹⁾	Inflation (%)
1970	.	.	.	.	18.8	.	.	.
1971	.	.	.	.	19.5	4.0	.	.
1972	.	.	.	.	20.3	4.1	26.0	.
1973	23.5	.	22.8	.	22.0	8.1	28.5	9.8
1974	28.2	20.2	26.9	17.9	26.3	19.5	34.9	22.4
1975	32.4	14.8	31.7	17.9	30.4	15.6	39.2	12.2
1976	33.9	4.9	33.5	5.7	32.0	5.3	40.6	3.7
1977	35.5	4.7	35.3	5.4	33.7	5.4	41.7	2.8
1978	38.3	7.7	38.2	8.2	36.5	8.2	44.3	6.2
1979	42.2	10.3	42.6	11.4	40.6	11.4	47.4	7.0
1980	48.1	13.9	48.8	14.6	46.5	14.6	53.1	11.9
1981	53.6	11.5	54.8	12.2	52.2	12.2	58.0	9.3
1982	56.6	5.5	58.1	6.1	55.4	6.1	60.0	3.5
1983	58.0	2.5	59.8	2.8	57.0	2.8	60.8	1.2
1984	59.1	1.9	61.0	2.1	58.2	2.1	61.6	1.3
1985	59.2	0.2	61.3	0.4	58.4	0.4	61.3	-0.4
1986	60.2	1.6	62.1	1.3	59.2	1.3	63.2	3.0
1987	62.5	3.8	64.4	3.8	61.4	3.8	65.5	3.8
1988	64.3	2.8	66.1	2.6	63.0	2.6	67.9	3.6
1989	66.7	3.7	68.7	3.9	65.4	3.9	70.1	3.3
1990	69.1	3.7	71.2	3.8	67.9	3.8	72.7	3.6
1991	71.8	3.9	74.1	4.0	70.6	4.0	75.2	3.5
1992	72.9	1.5	75.5	1.9	71.6	1.4	76.6	1.9
1993	74.2	1.8	77.2	2.2	73.0	2.1	77.4	1.0
1994	75.6	1.9	79.4	2.9	74.3	1.8	79.0	2.1
1995	77.8	2.8	81.3	2.3	76.4	2.8	81.3	3.0
1996	80.3	3.3	83.5	2.7	79.2	3.6	83.3	2.4
1997	82.9	3.2	85.5	2.5	81.8	3.3	85.9	3.2
1998	84.0	1.4	86.9	1.6	82.7	1.1	87.7	2.1
1999	84.8	0.9	89.8	3.4	83.0	0.4	89.5	2.0
2000	88.6	4.5	93.4	4.0	87.8	5.8	89.9	0.5
2001	90.0	1.6	94.6	1.3	89.4	1.8	90.8	1.0
2002	90.4	0.4	94.3	-0.3	89.8	0.4	91.3	0.5
2003	91.8	1.6	95.1	0.8	91.2	1.6	92.8	1.6
2004	93.2	1.6	96.9	1.8	92.5	1.4	94.8	2.1
2005	96.7	3.7	98.2	1.3	96.3	4.1	97.7	3.1
2006	99.4	2.8	99.4	1.3	99.3	3.1	100.0	2.3
2007	102.2	2.8	101.2	1.8	102.3	3.0	102.3	2.3

¹⁾ 12-month average

3. Curaçao Consumer Price Index: annual average and inflation		
(October 2006=100)		
	Consumer price index	Inflation percentage
1996	79.2	3.6
1997	81.8	3.3
1998	82.7	1.1
1999	83.0	0.4
2000	87.8	5.8
2001	89.4	1.8
2002	89.8	0.4
2003	91.2	1.6
2004	92.5	1.4
2005	96.3	4.1
2006	99.3	3.1
2007	102.3	3.0

4. Bonaire Consumer Price Index: annual average and inflation		
(October 2006=100)		
	Consumer price index	Inflation percentage
1996	83.5	2.7
1997	85.5	2.5
1998	86.9	1.6
1999	89.8	3.4
2000	93.4	4.0
2001	94.6	1.3
2002	94.3	-0.3
2003	95.1	0.8
2004	96.9	1.8
2005	98.2	1.3
2006	99.4	1.3
2007	101.2	1.8

5. Sint Maarten Consumer Price Index: annual average and inflation		
(October 2006=100)		
	Consumer price index	Inflation percentage
1996	83.3	2.4
1997	85.9	3.2
1998	87.7	2.1
1999	89.5	2.0
2000	89.9	0.5
2001	90.8	1.0
2002	91.3	0.5
2003	92.8	1.6
2004	94.8	2.1
2005	97.7	3.1
2006	100.0	2.3
2007	102.3	2.3

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6. Annual consumer price index numbers by expenditure category since 2001: Curaçao					
Series for total population, price index numbers based on October 2006 = 100					
Expenditure category	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL	91.2	92.5	96.3	99.3	102.3
FOOD	80.0	83.8	90.0	97.2	105.9
Cereal products	92.3	94.2	96.4	99.1	104.9
Meat and fish	79.5	84.9	90.9	98.3	109.0
Fats and cooking oils	90.1	88.9	95.0	98.7	107.5
Dairy products (except butter)	81.0	83.8	91.5	98.2	113.9
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	64.0	70.0	81.0	93.5	104.5
Sugar and chocolate	76.5	82.0	88.1	95.4	98.5
Prepared food	93.7	95.0	97.2	99.6	103.6
Outdoor consumption	93.9	94.9	97.0	99.6	103.6
Food n.e.s.	85.3	87.2	91.5	97.9	105.2
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	92.4	91.9	94.9	98.8	102.1
Beverages	91.3	90.3	94.0	98.6	102.1
Tobacco	97.1	98.6	98.7	99.6	101.5
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	100.5	100.3	99.7	100.1	101.1
Clothing	99.1	98.6	99.6	100.2	100.9
Footwear	107.9	108.9	100.5	100.0	101.8
HOUSING	90.3	91.7	97.0	99.6	102.0
Dwelling costs	93.5	95.4	97.3	99.3	101.7
Energy expenses	82.0	82.3	96.2	100.0	102.7
Maintenance of dwelling	92.5	94.4	96.6	99.5	104.0
Garden maintenance	92.0	95.2	96.8	99.3	102.7
Water	86.5	86.5	96.7	100.0	100.9
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	91.4	91.8	97.2	99.6	102.0
Furniture and illumination	87.2	87.1	101.0	100.6	101.4
Upholstery and dwelling textile	106.0	106.6	98.9	99.2	101.1
Household appliances and tools	92.8	89.8	94.1	99.0	101.0
Household articles	96.5	96.5	98.0	100.1	102.4
Household expenses n.e.s.	97.7	96.5	95.4	98.7	101.7
Domestic services	80.8	84.2	95.8	99.7	103.1
Household furnishing n.e.s.	94.2	95.7	97.6	99.5	102.8
MEDICAL CARE	96.5	97.6	99.2	99.9	100.7
Medical care	96.5	97.6	99.2	99.9	100.7
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	94.7	95.1	97.8	100.1	102.1
Transport vehicles in ownership ¹⁾	98.1	98.4	98.1	99.8	104.4
Expenses for own transport vehicles ¹⁾	86.7	88.6	95.9	100.0	102.7
Transport services	98.5	98.6	99.1	100.0	100.5
Communication	112.8	108.2	102.5	101.1	100.0
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	99.0	99.3	99.5	99.8	100.7
Recreation	101.5	101.2	100.3	100.0	100.1
Entertainment and culture	94.6	95.3	97.2	99.1	101.5
Books etc.	93.4	94.9	97.8	99.5	101.0
Education	98.4	98.9	99.8	100.0	101.0
Hobby articles	94.2	94.9	94.9	97.0	104.4
MISCELLANEOUS	95.5	96.0	97.5	99.7	101.4
Personal body care	97.0	97.0	97.7	99.5	101.5
Insurances	98.5	98.2	98.7	100.0	100.5
Commodities and services n.e.s.	93.3	94.6	96.8	99.6	102.2
¹⁾ Not for business use					

7. Annual consumer price index numbers by expenditure category since 2001: Bonaire					
Series for total population, price index numbers based on October 2006 = 100					
Expenditure category	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL	95.1	96.9	98.2	99.4	101.2
FOOD	86.6	90.9	94.7	97.9	102.5
Cereal products	95.1	95.5	96.9	98.9	102.6
Meat and fish	76.8	88.1	98.3	100.1	103.7
Fats and cooking oils	88.1	97.2	105.5	102.1	103.8
Dairy products (except butter)	84.6	83.8	85.8	95.5	103.8
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	82.5	88.6	88.9	93.6	104.3
Sugar and chocolate	88.0	78.9	81.1	92.7	101.4
Prepared food	97.3	97.4	98.8	99.8	101.0
Outdoor consumption	97.4	97.6	98.2	99.3	102.0
Food n.e.s.	88.5	91.3	95.9	99.6	100.6
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	103.0	104.3	99.6	100.4	100.6
Beverages	104.0	105.3	99.4	100.5	100.5
Tobacco	98.6	99.7	100.0	100.0	100.9
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	99.9	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.1
Clothing	99.7	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.2
Footwear	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.4
HOUSING	94.5	96.1	97.9	99.5	101.4
Dwelling costs	92.4	94.6	97.0	99.3	101.7
Energy expenses	98.2	98.5	99.4	100.0	101.1
Maintenance of dwelling	97.9	98.7	99.2	99.8	101.9
Garden maintenance	97.0	98.0	98.8	99.6	101.2
Water	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	94.6	95.1	98.0	100.2	101.1
Furniture and illumination	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.9	98.5
Upholstery and dwelling textile	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.5
Household appliances and tools	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	102.6
Household articles	96.9	97.7	104.1	102.0	101.2
Household expenses n.e.s.	92.4	90.4	90.6	100.3	101.6
Domestic services	82.4	87.0	98.3	99.8	101.3
Household furnishing n.e.s.	99.5	99.7	99.8	100.0	101.0
MEDICAL CARE	96.7	97.8	98.5	99.8	100.0
Medical care	96.7	97.9	98.5	99.8	100.0
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	100.2	101.3	100.7	100.0	100.9
Transport vehicles in ownership ¹⁾	99.5	99.2	99.2	100.0	100.7
Expenses for own transport vehicles ¹⁾	94.7	98.9	100.0	100.0	102.4
Transport services	99.9	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Communication	108.0	108.0	104.3	100.0	100.4
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	99.8	99.9	99.9	100.0	100.3
Recreation	99.9	99.9	99.9	100.0	100.1
Entertainment and culture	96.5	97.8	98.7	99.6	100.8
Books etc.	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1	101.1
Education	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.4
Hobby articles	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	102.5
MISCELLANEOUS	96.1	97.2	98.3	99.7	101.0
Personal body care	92.3	95.1	96.9	99.5	102.6
Insurances	97.1	97.1	98.3	99.9	100.0
Commodities and services n.e.s.	98.3	98.9	99.4	99.9	101.2
¹⁾ Not for business use					

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8. Annual consumer price index numbers by expenditure category since 2001: Sint Maarten					
Series for total population, price index numbers based on October 2006 = 100					
Expenditure category	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL	92.8	94.8	97.7	100.0	102.3
FOOD	87.5	89.0	95.3	99.0	101.7
Cereal products	94.9	95.2	98.5	99.7	101.1
Meat and fish	82.8	84.3	92.9	98.6	101.0
Fats and cooking oils	82.2	86.9	98.8	101.0	106.7
Dairy products (except butter)	83.2	85.2	90.8	98.7	102.4
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	82.2	84.8	96.4	99.1	101.5
Sugar and chocolate	77.0	79.1	82.7	93.7	99.9
Prepared food	92.8	92.9	94.0	95.8	101.6
Outdoor consumption	97.0	97.1	97.9	98.6	100.3
Food n.e.s.	91.9	92.4	93.5	96.2	103.1
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	97.2	96.7	98.4	100.1	100.5
Beverages	98.5	97.7	98.7	100.3	100.5
Tobacco	78.7	81.8	93.9	97.8	100.5
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	103.3	103.3	101.7	100.1	100.7
Clothing	104.2	104.2	102.1	100.1	101.1
Footwear	99.8	99.8	100.3	100.0	99.0
HOUSING	92.0	95.5	98.4	100.6	104.3
Dwelling costs	92.0	94.7	97.0	99.3	101.7
Energy expenses	90.6	100.7	109.5	110.9	118.8
Maintenance of dwelling	88.9	90.0	91.4	95.9	101.7
Garden maintenance	88.7	92.3	95.0	98.7	101.5
Water	99.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	94.6	95.2	98.0	99.8	102.2
Furniture and illumination	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Upholstery and dwelling textile	100.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.8
Household appliances and tools	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1	100.4
Household articles	95.9	94.4	97.0	99.4	100.6
Household expenses n.e.s.	92.3	92.4	95.4	98.6	104.1
Domestic services	87.8	90.4	97.1	101.5	113.5
Household furnishing n.e.s.	95.3	96.3	98.3	99.7	100.4
MEDICAL CARE	102.0	101.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Medical care	102.0	101.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	89.6	92.5	96.1	99.6	101.0
Transport vehicles in ownership ¹⁾	88.4	92.9	93.9	99.3	102.0
Expenses for own transport vehicles ¹⁾	79.1	83.1	94.5	99.4	102.3
Transport services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Communication	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.7
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	97.2	97.4	98.2	99.6	100.3
Recreation	100.0	100.1	99.9	100.0	99.7
Entertainment and culture	96.9	97.1	98.7	100.0	101.9
Books etc.	99.4	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.9
Education	90.7	90.7	93.9	98.7	100.9
Hobby articles	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
MISCELLANEOUS	97.3	97.9	99.1	99.9	100.7
Personal body care	99.5	99.4	99.6	99.9	100.4
Insurances	98.3	98.3	99.3	100.0	100.5
Commodities and services n.e.s.	95.3	96.8	98.6	99.9	101.3
¹⁾ Not for business use					

Social Affairs

Introduction

The statistical data on social affairs give an indication of the way in which people are accommodated within the social security system of the Netherlands Antilles.

Within the social security system each family is guaranteed at least a minimum of resources to meet his basic needs.

There are different governmental services which provide income security and social need facilities, directed towards particular target groups.

In table 1 and 2 the various social securities are described in terms of number of premiums received, amounts paid out, and persons receiving social securities by the Social Security Bank. The elderly, the widows and orphans, and also employed people working in the private sector make use of the social securities.

At the age of 60 residents of the Netherlands Antilles can apply the General Old Age Insurance (AOV). The employed population in the private sector falls under the health Insurance until a certain maximum of income. However, all employees in this sector are covered by an Accident Insurance. In 1996 the following developments occurred in the social security system of the Netherlands Antilles. Employees' family members are also insured for health expenses. Women have received an independent right to an old age pension. Men are currently also receiving a widower's pension.

Table 3 shows the level of minimum wages per hour for the five islands.

Within the scope of income security services different financial assistance facilities exist. Financial benefits are supplied to those individuals who are most in need of support, i.e. the unemployed. They receive a welfare benefit ("onderstand") and free medical assistance ("P.P.-kaarten"). (Tables 4 - 7)

Tables 8, 9 and 10 show the amount of assigned requests for free legal assistance ("KRB").

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1. Social Securities (x 1000 Naf.)					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
General Old Age Insurance					
premium received	194681	187942	204778	221100	278451
amount paid	196901	206910	218627	237845	294922
General Widow's and Orphans Ins.					
premium received	19468	18794	20478	22112	24214
amount paid	13465	13437	13895	15032	18200
Accident Insurance					
premium received	20479	18415	19874	22805	24813
amount paid	3850	3713	4290	4869	5147
of which sickness benefits	3737	3623	4149	4817	5103
medical costs	114	90	141	52	44
Illness Insurance					
premium received	131366	143282	151150	160230	173537
amount paid	134169	141574	143703	153279	169804
of which sickness benefits	14001	14008	15612	17042	18353
medical cost	120169	127566	128091	136237	151451

Source: Social Security Bank (SVB)

2. Number of persons receiving social securities					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
General Old Age Insurance	37168	38860	39446	40321	42580
General Widow's and Orphans Insurance	4257	4326	4254	3807	3786
Illness Insurance	104164	94445	94543	100360	106559

Source: Social Security Bank (SVB)

3. Minimum Wages per hour in Naf. 1), per September 1st, 2008	
All Categories	
Bonaire	6.27
Curaçao	7.30
Saba	6.26
Sint Eustatius	5.95
Sint Maarten	7.96

Source: Directorate of Labor and Social Affairs

1) Valid for workers of 21 years and older. For the age group of 16-20 years a youth minimum wage is applicable for each specific age: 16/17:65%; age18:75%; age19:85% and age 20: 90% of the indicated minimum age

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4. Welfare Benefits ("Onderstand") in Curaçao		
	Number of persons December	Total amount paid x 1000 Naf.
1997	8649	34425
1998	8848	32687
1999	8484	32541
2000	8288	31837
2001	7669	30392
2002	6721	26049
2003	6723	23988
2004	6940	24551
2005	7190	25319
2006	7199	26073
2007	7002	28038

Source: Social Affairs Service Curaçao

5. Maximum Welfare Benefits per Month in Curaçao				
	Married Couple	Concubinage	Single	Children
1982-1990	412.80	412.80	242.80	32.00
1997	487.50	487.50	281.67	32.00
1998	487.50	487.50	281.67	32.00
1999	487.50	487.50	281.67	32.00
2000	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2001	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2002	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2003	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2004	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2005	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2006	511.88	511.88	295.75	36.40
2007	519.80	519.80	300.30	40.00

Source: Social Affairs Service Curaçao

6. Number of Persons Receiving Free Medical Assistance ("PP Cards")				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
Curaçao	33533	35045	33531	32476
Bonaire	1300	1793	.	1498
Saba	103	.	121	2
Sint Eustatius	14	125	15	12
Sint Maarten	.	1398	715	.

Source: Social Affairs Service Curaçao

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7. Welfare Benefits and Free Medical Assistance in Bonaire, Saba, Sint Eustatius and Sint Maarten, 2007				
	Bonaire	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Number of persons receiving welfare benefits	377	32	22	.
Total amount paid (x1000NAf.)	1704	54	49	.
Minimum welfare benefit (Naf) 1)	130	27	40	.
Maximum Welfare benefit (Naf) 1)	702	846	250	.
Source: Social Affairs Services of the islands				
1) per month				

8. Number of requests for Free Legal Assistance, Curaçao					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Divorce	117	104	132	128	152
Labour conflict	85	48	56	74	63
Other civil cases	239	176	200	219	235
Total	441	328	388	421	450
Source: Directorate of Labour Affairs					

9. Number of requests for Free Legal Assistance, Bonaire					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Divorce	20	32	23	42	28
Labour conflict	22	29	32	52	36
Other civil cases	75	71	62	98	83
Registered criminal cases	.	16	14	10	10
Total	137	148	131	202	157
Source: Directorate of Labour Affairs					

10. Number of requests for Free Legal Assistance, Sint Maarten					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Divorce	55	47	43	31	41
Labour conflict	108	91	95	110	112
Other civil cases	158	93	108	103	85
Criminal cases	187	78	125	132	106
Picket	.	199	350	296	262
Total	508	508	721	672	606
Source: Directorate of Labour Affairs					

Justice and Security

Introduction

The criminal justice system consists of several institutions; the police, public prosecutor, the courts, prison and the non-custodial institutions.

Besides there are institutions like the Guardianship Board that takes care of cases concerning guardianship, alimony, ect.

The data presented in this publication do not reflect the existing bodies in the field of crime and justice.

The crime statistics cover the crimes reported by the police.

About the crimes reported to the police it must be said that the statistics do not include figures from all the departments. Statistics about e.g. drugs and traffic offences are not included.

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1. Number of crimes reported to the police, Curaçao						
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Offences against public morals	93	44	70	72	70	53
Offences against life	120	60	92	112	88	115
Larceny	462	144	55	73	77	42
Robbery and housebreak-ins	935	327	190	132	127	40
Assault	914	238	92	92	114	68
Malicious damage	0	1	0	0	0	133
Embezzlement	65	26	16	13	14	39
Swindling and forgery	69	33	22	21	17	129
Receiving	205	56	26	24	21	59
Marauding	0	0	0	1	2	104
Other crimes	484	149	105	160	120	70

Source: Police Force of Curaçao

2. Number of crimes reported to the police, Bonaire and Sint Maarten						
	Bonaire (1)			St. Maarten (2)		
	2003	2004	2006	2003	2004	2005
Extortion (incl.with use of fire arms)			1	22	21	30
Threat (with use of fire arms)	1	1	7	81	124	137
Incendiarism		1	3	2	5	
Theft with violence		9	14	165	201	226
Qualified theft		5	2	1086	573	1046
Theft from car						
Stock theft						
Murder/Homiced		2		15	11	5
Theft	10	5	1	397	394	489
Abuse	4	1		111	121	
Receiving						
Import false money				1		
Abuse with weapon	4	10	5	97	103	
Public violence		2		18	22	39
Swindling		3	1	15	27	23
Murder/Homicide attempt		14	8	2	11	9
Forgery				4	4	
Vandalism	1			106	115	155
Embezzlement	1			17	19	17
Fire arm decree		3	1	13		
Arm decree		.		1		
Offences against morality	11	4	2	19	52	26
Other crimes	35	68	50	23	21	21

Source:

1) Police Force of Bonaire

2) Police Force of St.Maarten

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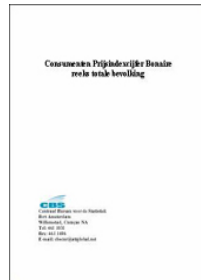
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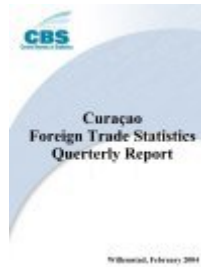
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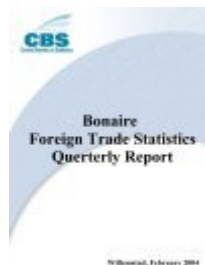


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Curaçao Foreign Trade Statistics Annual Report 2007



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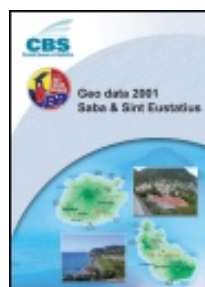
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Geo data 2001 Saba & Sint Eustatius



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Publication date: 10/9/2007

This is the first thematic publication, based on geographical data of Sint Eustatius and Saba. It is based on the results of the Census 2001. This publication presents spatial data on the level of neighbourhoods for Sint Eustatius and on the level of zones for Saba.

First results Labour Force Survey Sint Maarten 2007



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Document type: government publication

Publication date: 10/8/2007

Contains results of the Labour Force Survey of Sint Maarten held in 2007.

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Price: Naf. 15 (\$ 8)

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Document type: government publication

Publication date: 10/8/2007

Voornaamste Resultaten Vacatureonderzoek 2006 Sint Maarten (Job Vacancy Survey)



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Results of Vacancy Survey held in November of 2006 on the islands of Bonaire, Curacao and Sint Maarten.



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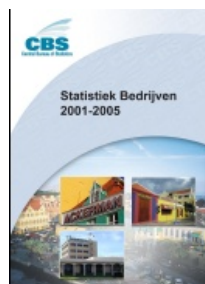
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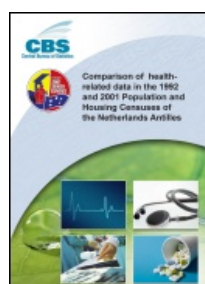
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Statistics of the Business Sector . Contains Information of the enterprises of the islands of the Netherlands Antilles.

Comparison of health related data in the 1992 and 2001 Population and housing Censuses of the Netherlands Antilles



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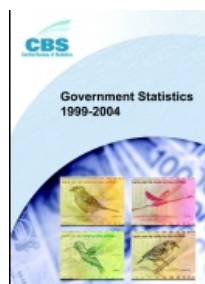
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This publication is the second report of an extended analysis of the health and disability census data. The first publication "Extended Analysis of Health and Disability" analyzed the 2001 Cenus data and this second publication compares health-related data between the two most recent censuses, the censuses of 1992 and 2001.

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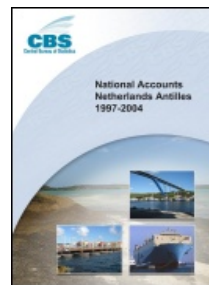
The purpose of this publication is to give a view of the performance of the government sector of both the island Government Curacao and the Central Government of the Netherlands Antilles.

Statistical Orientation Netherlands Antilles 2008



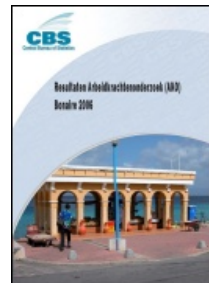
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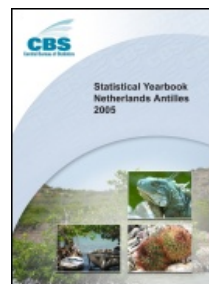
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This publications contains the results of the Labour Force Survey held in Bonaire in the months of September October 2006

Results of Labour Force Survey of Curaçao 2007/Resultaten Arbeidskrachtenonderzoek Curaçao 2007 (In Dutch)



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This publication contains results of the Labour survey of Curaçao held in September October of 2006

Statistical Yearbook of the Netherlands Antilles 2008



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De structuur van de intermediaire kosten van bedrijven 2002



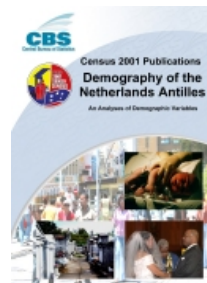
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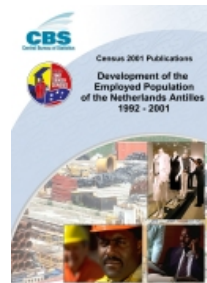
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CBS held in October 2004 a survey of the perception of corruption among the population of the island of Bonaire and Curaçao.

Demography of the Netherlands Antilles : an analysis of demographic variables (Census 2001 Publications)



Price: Naf. 40 (\$ 25)
Frequency: occasionally
Document type: government publication
Publication date: 10/13/2005
This publication aims at describing the demographic characteristics of the population of the Netherlands Antilles as measured by the Census 2001.

Development of the employed population of the Netherlands Antilles 1992-2001 (Census 2001 Publications)



Price: Naf. 40 (\$ 25)
Frequency: occasionally
Document type: government publication
Publication date: 10/13/2005
This publication is the results of analyses of the development of the employed population of the Netherlands Antilles between 1992-2001, based on the results of the Fourth Population and Housing Census, which CBS conducted in January 2001.

Censusatlas 2001 Sint Maarten, Netherlands Antilles



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Frequency: occasionally
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In this publication the census data regarding the socio-economic and living conditions of the population, living on the Dutch side of the island of Sint Maarten are spatially displayed.

Huishoudens met zorgbehoevende kinderen : een vergelijking tussen een- en twee-oudergezinnen Bonaire, Curaçao, St. Maarten



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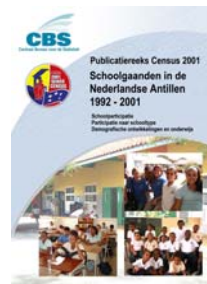
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This publication analysis the differences between households with one or two head of household.

Schoolgaanden in de Nederlandse Antillen 1992-2001



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Publication date: 6/26/2005

This publication is the second in a serie of publications of census and education in the Netherlands Antilles. Different aspects of the school attending population is analyze in this publication.

De Huishoudsituatie van schoolgaande jongeren : Publicatiereeks Census 2001



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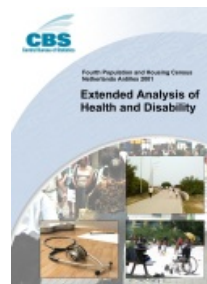
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Document type: government publication

Publication date: 1/31/2005

This publication describes the household situation of the school going population in the islands of the Netherlands Antilles during the Census of 2001.

Extended Analysis of Health and Disability : Census 2001



Price: Naf. 25 (\$ 20)

Frequency: occasionally

Document type: government publication

Publication date: 11/11/2004

The information presented in this report represents an extended analysis of health-related data presented in the publication "Fourth Population and Housing Census Netherlands Antilles 2002, Volume two: Selected Tables"

Leefsituatie in enkele achterstandsbuurtten van Curaçao : historische achtergronden en statistische feiten



Price: Naf. 25 (\$ 20)

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In this publication the figures of Census 2001 are being used to illustrate the social-economic situation of some neighbourhoods in Curaçao.

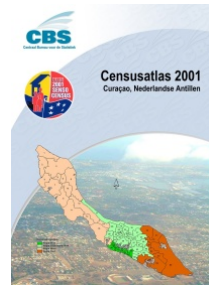
Huishoudens in de Nederlandse Antillen : publicatiereeks Census 2001



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Document type: government publication
Publication date: 4/27/2004

The main purpose of this publication is to illustrate the characteristics of the households of the Netherlands Antilles (islands separately) during the Census of 2001.

Censusatlas 2001 Curaçao, Nederlandse Antillen



Price: Naf. 50 (\$ 40)
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Document type: government publication
Publication date: 3/18/2004

In this publication the data of the Census held in 2001 is presented on the level of 65 zones for Curaçao. An cd with maps are included.

Recente Nationale Rekeningen: de economie van Bonaire, Curaçao en St.Maarten in 2002



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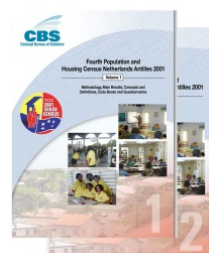
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Fourth population and Housing Census Netherlands Antilles 2001 vol 1 and CD-Rom



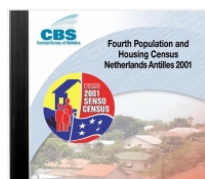
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Business Census 1998 (First results) (In Dutch)



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