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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.

On the website of CBS (www.cbs.an) you can find more information and statistics.

This issue of the Statistical Yearbook contains data collected up to December, 2008.

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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.

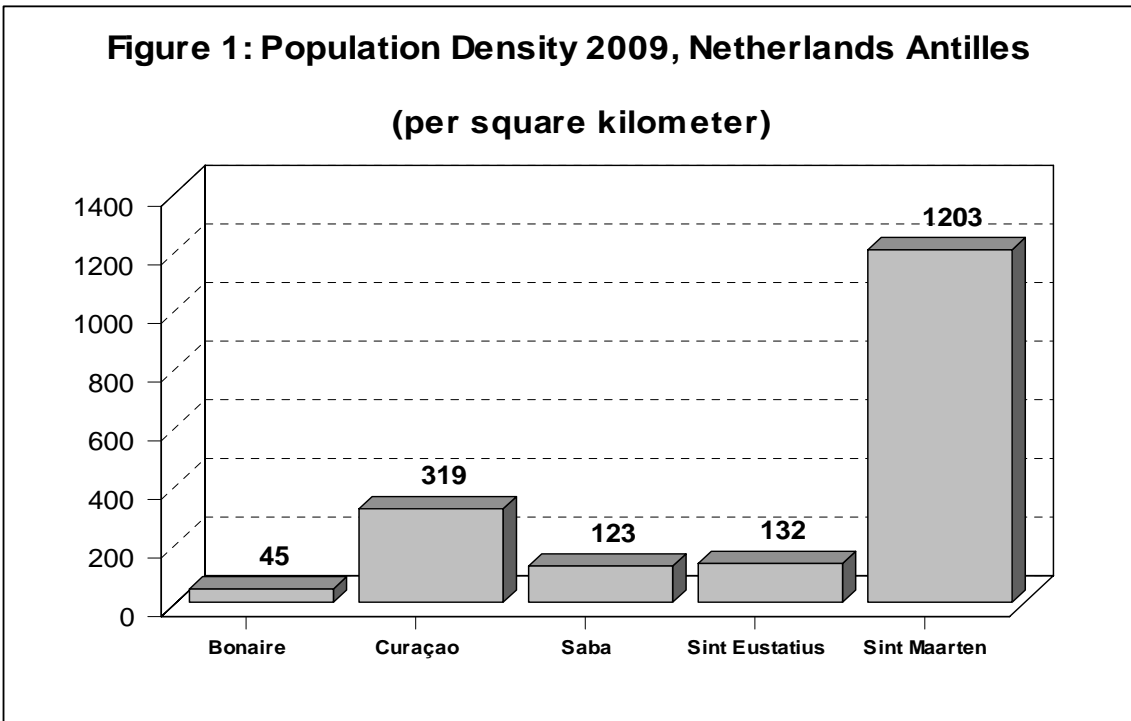
Therefore, tables 2-5 include data observed at Hato Airport, Curaçao, which may be considered representative for the Leeward Islands, as well as similar data observed at the Princess Juliana Airport, St. Maarten, which may be considered representative for the Windward Islands.

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.

1. Area, population density and capital			
	Area in square kilometers	Population Density per square kilometer,	Capital
		January 2009	
Netherlands Antilles	800	250	Willemstad
Leeward Islands			
Bonaire	288	45	Kralendijk
Curaçao	444	319	Willemstad
Windward Islands			
Saba	13	123	The Bottom
Sint Eustatius	21	132	Oranjestad
Sint Maarten	34	1203	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
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
2008	26.6	26.6	26.7	27.4	27.9	28.2	28.3	29.0	29.2	27.8	27.3	26.5	27.6
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
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	35.0
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	36.1
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	36.9
2008	31.0	31.6	32.0	33.1	33.2	33.5	33.4	34.7	35.9	33.4	31.9	30.7	35.9
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
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	21.6
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	22.0
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	22.3
2008	21.7	21.4	22.8	23.8	24.2	24.5	22.3	23.7	23.2	23.2	23.7	21.7	21.4
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
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
2008	30.1	30.5	30.7	31.4	31.8	32.0	32.2	32.9	33.3	31.0	30.0	29.3	31.3
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
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
2008	24.1	24.3	24.2	25.1	25.5	26.0	25.7	26.2	26.4	25.2	25.1	24.3	25.2
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													

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
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
2008	24.7	24.4	24.5	25.3	26.9	27.8	28.3	28.1	28.0	27.5	27.0	.	.
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
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	33.2
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	32.8
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	32.8
2008	28.9	28.4	28.7	30.1	30.9	31.9	32.3	32.4	32.3	32.3	31.5	.	.
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
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	18.8
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	20.2
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	19.8
2008	20.0	19.1	20.1	20.3	20.4	23.0	23.9	24.2	22.6	22.5	23.9	.	.
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
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
2008	28.0	27.5	27.9	28.3	30.0	30.9	31.4	26.8	31.0	31.2	30.6	.	.
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
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
2008	22.1	22.0	22.1	22.7	24.5	25.6	25.7	25.9	25.5	24.8	24.8	.	.
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Average of daily 24 hourly observations													
2) Climatologically standard period, as available													

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
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
2008	38	23	38	20	5	18	49	68	36	211	193	79	778
Maximum precipitation in one day													
1971-2000 1)	35	36	40	69	78	37	69	95	70	106	118	95	118
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	15	10	0	2	1	6	14	42	54	32	16	23	54
2008	9	9	23	19	4	9	13	30	14	51	52	13	52
Number of rain days 2)													
1971-2000 1)	9	5	3	3	2	3	6	5	5	7	10	12	70
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
2008	7	6	2	1	2	3	9	8	5	14	14	14	85
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
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
2008	88	89	46	46	33	80	91	233	258	244	97	.	.
Maximum precipitation in one day													
1971-2000 1)	41	76	43	101	118	110	65	90	258	122	254	123	258
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	17	14	65	14	36	27	30	17	55	77	14	16	77
2008	20	14	12	19	15	31	25	91	54	139	46	.	.
Number of rain days 2)													
1971-2000 1)	12	9	9	12	10	8	12	14	14	14	15	13	142
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
2008	14	18	12	2	9	9	9	16	19	15	9	.	.
Source: Meteorological Service - Netherlands Antilles and Aruba													
1) Climatological standard period, as available													
2) Days with 1,0 mm or more precipitation													

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
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
2008	39	37	48	58	54	59	51	49	52	60	60	44	51
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
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	8:52	9:06	8:14	8:29	8:09	10:04	9:22	8:34	8:46	7:08	8:30	6:58	8:31
2008	9:01	9:40	9:33	8:52	9:12	8:11	9:08	9:35	9:08	6:34	6:48	7:52	8:37
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
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
2008	41	43	45	43	46	56	45	52	66	60	43	40	48
Average daily duration of sunshine (in hours and minutes)													
1961-1990 2)	8:36	8:06	9:01	9:16	8:07	8:03	8:28	8:45	8:11	8:06	8:08	8:28	8:13
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	9:09	9:15	.	8:40	8:26	8:56	8:25	8:09	8:49	7:19	9:16	8:57	.
2008	8:23	9:01	8:30	9:07	8:38	8:02	9:02	8:20	7:32	7:32	8:38	.	.
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
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
2008	5.6	6.1	6.0	6.0	5.8	6.0	5.3	4.6	3.9	4.3	4.4	5.5	5.3
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
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	19.5
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	21.6
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	19.5
2008	15.3	14.5	15.3	15.8	15.8	17.9	16.8	17.3	14.3	19.9	17.3	20.9	20.9
Average air pressure (in mb) 1)4)													
1971-2000 2)	1013	1014	1013	1012	1012	1013	1013	1013	1012	1010	1011	1013	1012
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
2008	1014	1015	1014	1012	1012	1013	1013	1011	1011	1011	1011	1013	1013
Average relative humidity (in %) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	77	77	76	77	77	77	78	77	78	79	80	79	78
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
2008	87	88	89	87	83	76	75	74	75	80	80	78	81
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
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
2008	4.2	5.7	5.0	5.3	4.2	4.8	4.9	4.4	3.6	3.7	4.2	.	.
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
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	19.5
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	20.0
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	24.2
2008	16.3	17.9	15.8	19.4	14.8	17.9	17.3	15.8	16.3	33.7	16.3	.	.
Average air pressure (in mb) 1)3)													
1971-2000 2)	1017	1017	1016	1016	1016	1017	1017	1016	1015	1014	1014	1016	1016
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
2008	1017	1019	1018	1017	1016	1018	1017	1014	1014	1014	1014	.	.
Average relative humidity (in %) 1)													
1971-2000 2)	75	74	74	75	76	75	75	75	76	77	77	77	76
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
2008	68	67	66	67	67	68	68	73	73	70	69	.	.
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)													

Population

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

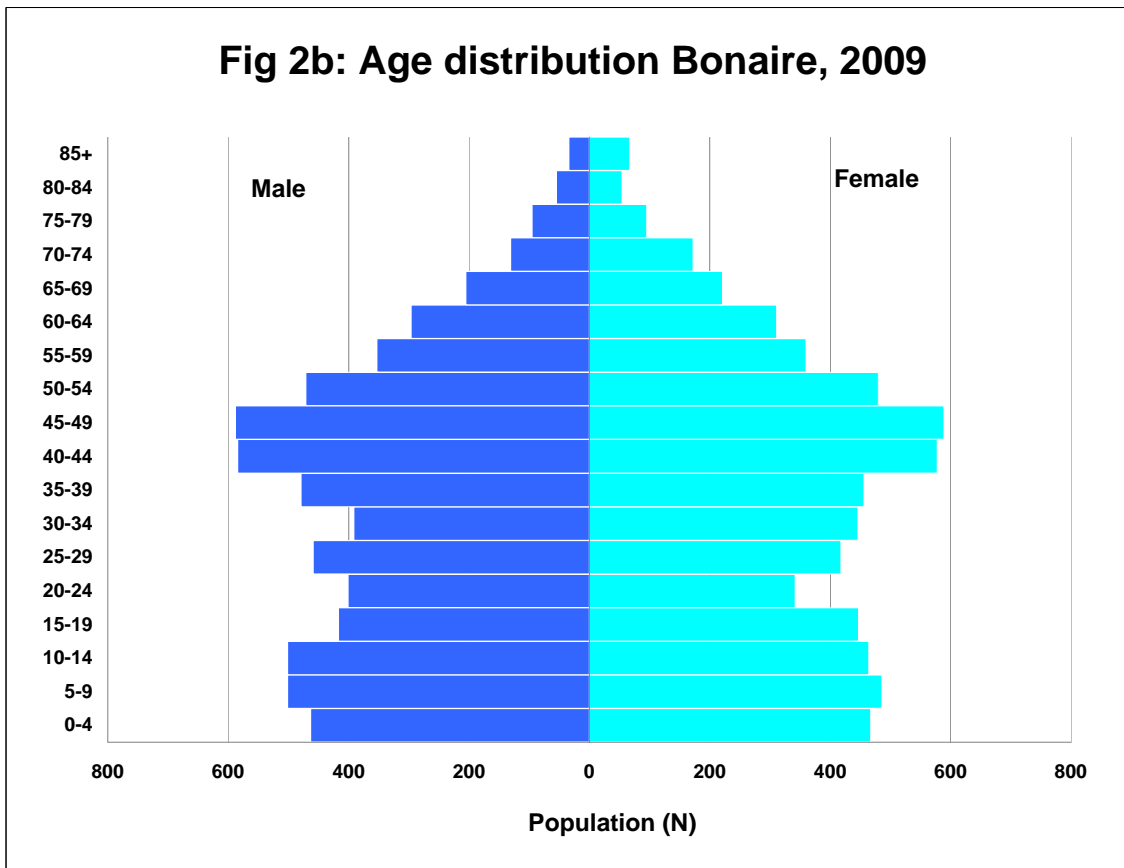
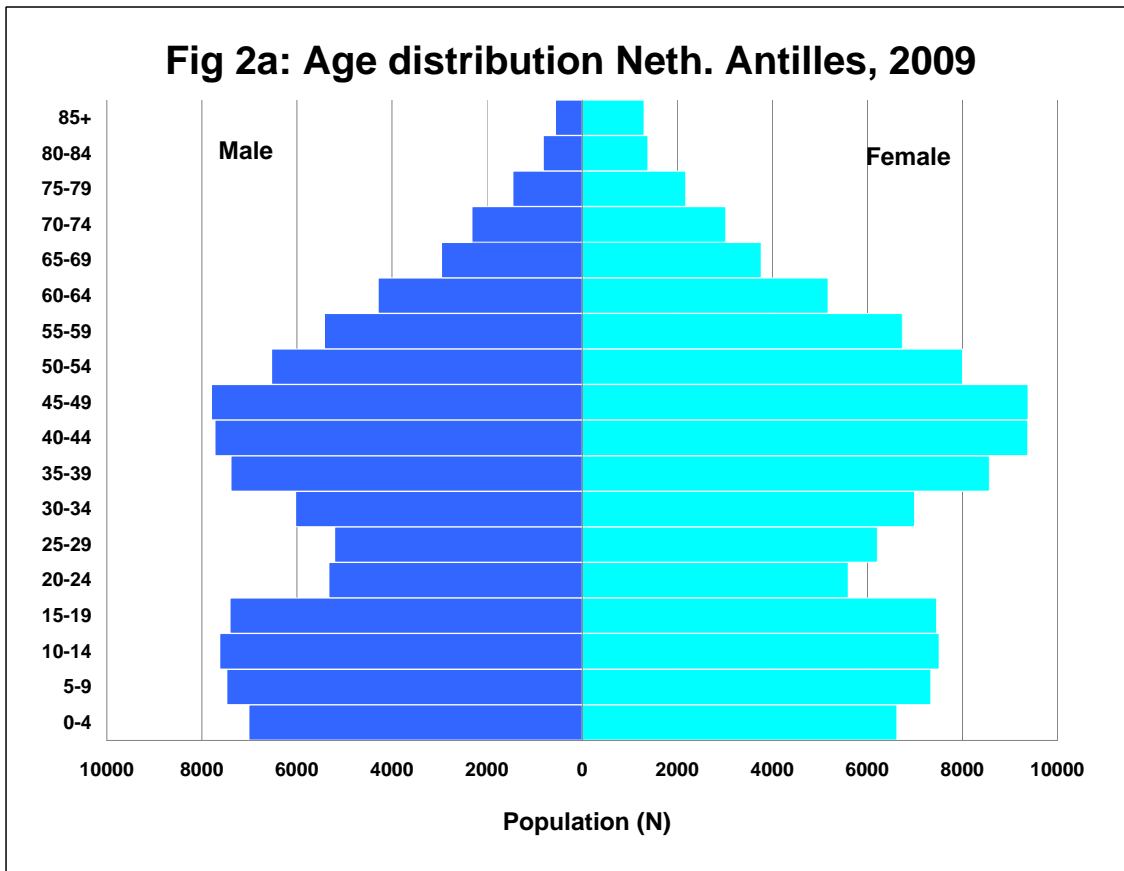


Fig 2c: Age distribution Curaçao, 2009

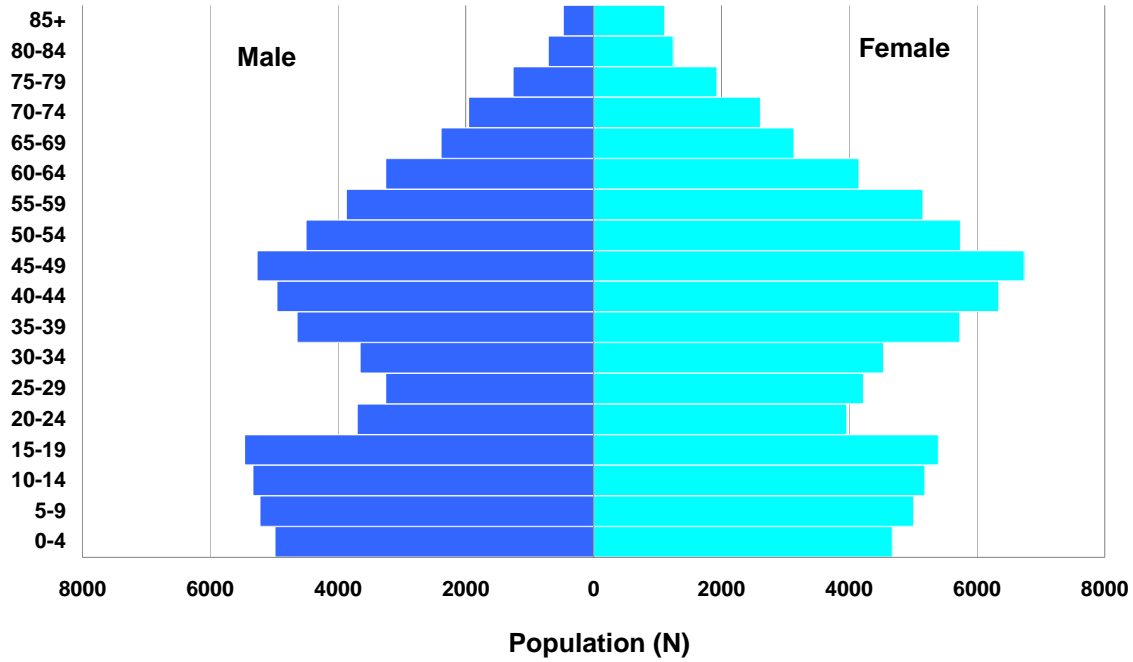
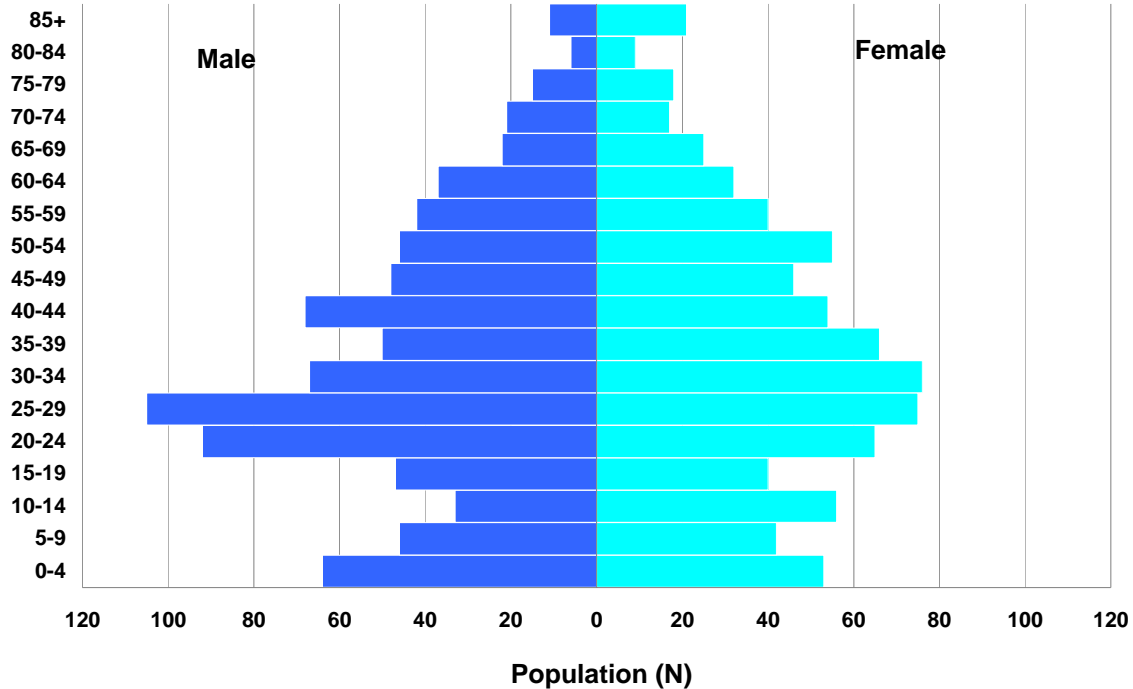
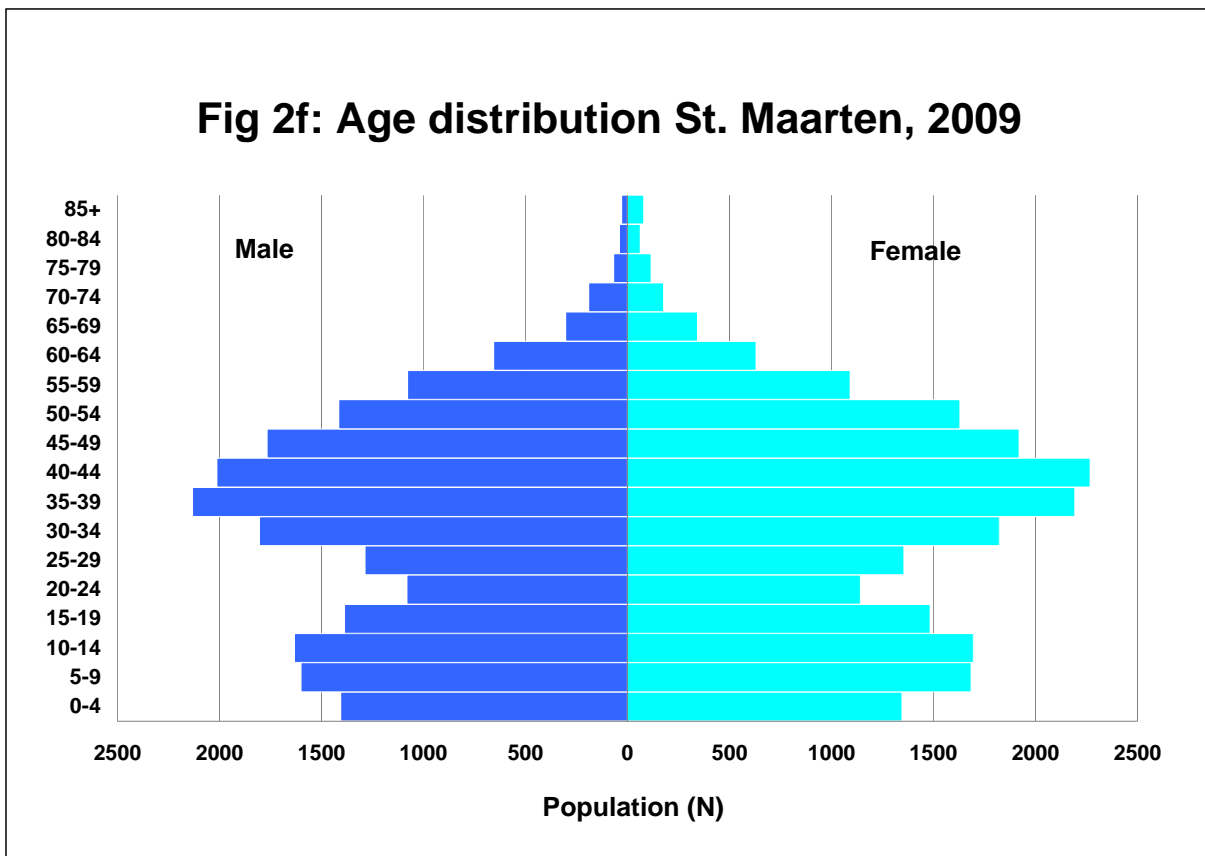
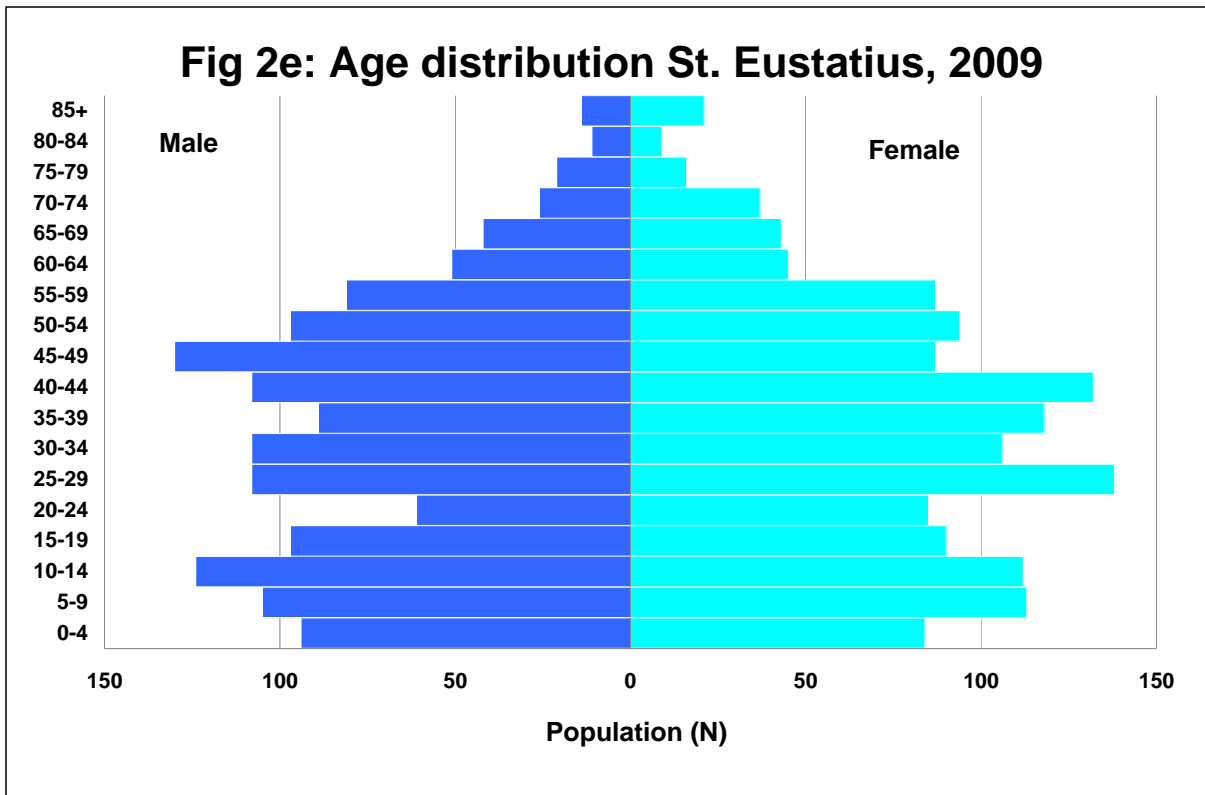


Fig 2d: Age distribution Saba, 2009



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	4629	2.42
2007	193552	90140	103412	1147	3620	1.85
2008 ¹⁾	197172	91865	105307	1146	2757	1.39
2009 ²⁾	199929	93340	106589	1142		

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

2. Population per Island, January 1						
	Netherlands	Bonaire ¹⁾	Curaçao	Saba ¹⁾	St.	St. Maarten ¹⁾
	Antilles				Eustatius 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	193552	11515	138894	1522	2694	38927
2008	197172	12093	140794	1537	2739	40009
2009	199929	12877	141766	1601	2768	40917

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 1 st									
Age	2007			2008 ¹⁾			2009 ¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	6856	6717	13573	6870	6687	13558	7010	6624	13635
05 - 09	7290	7184	14474	7394	7302	14696	7474	7337	14811
10 - 14	7811	7657	15468	7748	7583	15331	7621	7511	15132
15 - 19	7102	7191	14293	7329	7352	14681	7408	7455	14863
20 - 24	5149	5563	10712	5312	5646	10958	5331	5600	10931
25 - 29	4972	5860	10832	4955	6050	11005	5209	6209	11418
30 - 34	6213	7326	13539	6219	7159	13378	6025	6991	13016
35 - 39	7247	8553	15800	7318	8625	15943	7391	8564	15955
40 - 44	7677	9382	17059	7732	9340	17072	7728	9374	17102
45 - 49	7200	8926	16126	7464	9194	16658	7798	9381	17179
50 - 54	6018	7359	13377	6274	7659	13933	6530	7998	14528
55 - 59	5043	5988	11031	5198	6337	11535	5421	6736	12157
60 - 64	3847	4793	8640	4096	5092	9188	4290	5172	9462
65 - 69	2803	3513	6316	2913	3607	6520	2960	3768	6728
70 - 74	2212	2852	5064	2259	2946	5205	2321	3017	5338
75 - 79	1368	1986	3354	1417	2109	3526	1458	2177	3635
80 - 84	798	1368	2166	818	1364	2182	819	1381	2200
85 and older	533	1195	1728	562	1270	1832	560	1305	1865
Total	90139	103413	193552	91863	105309	197172	93339	106587	199926

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

1) Deaths by age missing for Saba (2008) and St. Eustatius (2008-2009); only total number of deaths has been estimated and included in total population

3a. Age Distribution Bonaire, January 1 st									
Age	2007			2008			2009		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	443	455	898	444	451	895	463	467	930
05 - 09	482	445	927	493	472	965	501	486	987
10 - 14	486	519	1005	483	475	958	501	464	965
15 - 19	422	355	777	439	407	846	417	447	864
20 - 24	301	310	611	361	334	695	401	342	743
25 - 29	292	378	670	339	391	730	459	418	877
30 - 34	341	394	735	373	412	785	391	446	837
35 - 39	398	445	843	402	447	849	479	456	935
40 - 44	490	566	1056	550	570	1120	584	578	1162
45 - 49	503	517	1020	537	549	1086	588	589	1177
50 - 54	376	378	754	393	423	816	471	480	951
55 - 59	320	331	651	330	353	683	353	360	713
60 - 64	267	287	554	285	307	592	296	311	607
65 - 69	177	202	379	198	210	408	205	221	426
70 - 74	126	155	281	141	159	300	131	172	303
75 - 79	90	69	159	79	87	166	95	95	190
80 - 84	52	61	113	52	52	104	55	54	109
85 and older	31	51	82	34	61	95	34	67	101
Total	5597	5918	11515	5933	6160	12093	6424	6453	12877

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

3b. Age Distribution Curaçao, January 1 st									
Age	2007			2008			2009		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	4957	4763	9720	4946	4773	9719	4984	4675	9659
05 - 09	4967	4758	9725	5093	4857	9950	5223	5011	10234
10 - 14	5612	5400	11012	5511	5322	10833	5331	5184	10515
15 - 19	5245	5322	10567	5375	5369	10744	5461	5395	10856
20 - 24	3755	4024	7779	3785	4057	7842	3697	3966	7663
25 - 29	3116	3944	7060	3103	4095	7198	3251	4223	7474
30 - 34	3849	4768	8617	3845	4657	8502	3655	4540	8195
35 - 39	4667	5777	10444	4691	5796	10487	4641	5732	10373
40 - 44	5094	6459	11553	5011	6370	11381	4955	6342	11297
45 - 49	4926	6506	11432	5058	6650	11708	5266	6740	12006
50 - 54	4196	5438	9634	4379	5583	9962	4501	5739	10240
55 - 59	3725	4685	8410	3773	4906	8679	3868	5157	9025
60 - 64	2978	3915	6893	3145	4137	7282	3251	4153	7404
65 - 69	2302	2982	5284	2373	3026	5399	2388	3135	5523
70 - 74	1892	2473	4365	1904	2557	4461	1954	2614	4568
75 - 79	1206	1807	3013	1251	1894	3145	1259	1932	3191
80 - 84	699	1209	1908	715	1224	1939	708	1246	1954
85 and older	439	1039	1478	469	1094	1563	473	1116	1589
Total	63625	75269	138894	64427	76367	140794	64866	76900	141766

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

3c. Age Distribution Saba, January 1 st									
Age	2007			2008 ¹⁾			2009 ¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	62	52	114	58	59	117	64	53	117
05 - 09	38	51	89	47	43	90	46	42	88
10 - 14	40	47	87	32	57	89	33	56	89
15 - 19	44	38	82	45	36	81	47	40	87
20 - 24	76	71	147	73	65	138	92	65	157
25 - 29	88	66	154	97	71	168	105	75	180
30 - 34	54	65	119	59	71	130	67	76	143
35 - 39	66	65	131	64	66	130	50	66	116
40 - 44	65	59	124	57	56	113	68	54	122
45 - 49	39	49	88	45	50	95	48	46	94
50 - 54	50	45	95	48	47	95	46	55	101
55 - 59	40	34	74	40	33	73	42	40	82
60 - 64	38	28	66	39	31	70	37	32	69
65 - 69	21	24	45	20	23	43	22	25	47
70 - 74	25	24	49	28	21	49	21	17	38
75 - 79	7	9	16	10	12	22	15	18	33
80 - 84	6	12	18	5	11	16	6	9	15
85 and older	8	16	24	10	20	30	11	21	32
Total	767	755	1522	771	766	1537	815	786	1601

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

1) Deaths by age missing for 2008; only total number of deaths has been estimated and included in total population. Therefore discrepancies occur between sum of age groups and total population.

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3d. Age Distribution St. Eustatius, January 1 st									
Age	2007			2008 ¹⁾			2009 ¹⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	98	93	191	94	91	186	94	84	179
05 - 09	111	110	221	114	116	230	105	113	218
10 - 14	122	105	227	123	105	228	124	112	236
15 - 19	74	80	154	84	85	169	97	90	187
20 - 24	74	100	174	67	93	160	61	85	146
25 - 29	108	126	234	111	138	249	108	138	246
30 - 34	106	123	229	112	108	220	108	106	214
35 - 39	85	108	193	79	116	195	89	118	207
40 - 44	137	131	268	127	129	256	108	132	240
45 - 49	107	88	195	118	96	214	130	87	217
50 - 54	90	91	181	96	93	189	97	94	191
55 - 59	75	61	136	79	72	151	81	87	168
60 - 64	38	48	86	41	48	89	51	45	96
65 - 69	42	34	76	43	39	82	42	43	85
70 - 74	26	30	56	29	31	60	26	37	63
75 - 79	12	8	20	12	13	25	21	16	37
80 - 84	9	15	24	10	12	22	11	9	20
85 and older	12	17	29	13	18	31	14	21	35
Total	1326	1368	2694	1343	1396	2739	1358	1410	2768

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

1) Deaths by age missing; only total number of deaths has been estimated and included in total population. Therefore discrepancies occur between sum of age groups and total population.

3e. Age Distribution St. Maarten, January 1 st									
Age	2007			2008			2009		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
00 - 04	1296	1354	2650	1328	1313	2641	1405	1345	2750
05 - 09	1692	1820	3512	1647	1814	3461	1599	1685	3284
10 - 14	1551	1586	3137	1599	1624	3223	1632	1695	3327
15 - 19	1317	1396	2713	1386	1455	2841	1386	1483	2869
20 - 24	943	1058	2001	1026	1097	2123	1080	1142	2222
25 - 29	1368	1346	2714	1305	1355	2660	1286	1355	2641
30 - 34	1863	1976	3839	1830	1911	3741	1804	1823	3627
35 - 39	2031	2158	4189	2082	2200	4282	2132	2192	4324
40 - 44	1891	2167	4058	1987	2215	4202	2013	2268	4281
45 - 49	1625	1766	3391	1706	1849	3555	1766	1919	3685
50 - 54	1306	1407	2713	1358	1513	2871	1415	1630	3045
55 - 59	883	877	1760	976	973	1949	1077	1092	2169
60 - 64	526	515	1041	586	569	1155	655	631	1286
65 - 69	261	271	532	279	309	588	303	344	647
70 - 74	143	170	313	157	178	335	189	177	366
75 - 79	53	93	146	65	103	168	68	116	184
80 - 84	32	71	103	36	65	101	39	63	102
85 and older	43	72	115	36	77	113	28	80	108
Total	18824	20103	38927	19389	20620	40009	19877	21040	40917

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

4. Life Expectancy of the Netherlands Antilles by age and sex ¹⁾						
Age	2004-2006		2005-2007		2006-2008	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
0	72.3	79.2	72.9	79.8	72.9	80.1
5	68.3	75.1	69.0	76.0	68.9	76.1
10	63.3	70.1	64.1	71.0	63.9	71.1
15	58.4	65.1	59.2	66.0	59.0	66.1
20	53.7	60.2	54.4	61.1	54.2	61.2
25	49.3	55.3	50.1	56.2	49.8	56.4
30	44.7	50.6	45.4	51.3	45.1	51.5
35	40.2	45.7	40.8	46.4	40.4	46.6
40	35.7	40.9	36.1	41.6	35.7	41.8
45	31.1	36.2	31.5	36.9	31.2	37.1
50	26.8	31.7	27.2	32.3	26.8	32.5
55	22.6	27.3	23.0	27.9	22.7	28.0
60	18.7	23.1	19.0	23.6	18.7	23.7
65	15.3	19.1	15.5	19.5	15.1	19.6
70	12.1	15.3	12.3	15.7	12.0	15.8
75	9.3	12.0	9.6	12.2	9.3	12.4
80	7.1	9.2	7.3	9.4	7.1	9.4
85	5.3	6.7	5.4	6.9	5.3	6.9

Source: CBS Estimates

1) Life expectancies calculated by raw abridged life tables

4a. Population change Netherlands Antilles (absolute figures)

	Netherlands Antilles				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Live births	2388	2553	2611	2559	2765
Deaths	1413	1304	1327	1339	1453
Natural increase	975	1249	1284	1220	1312
Registered immigration ¹⁾	8823	9541	8884	8478	8133
Registered emigration ^{1) 2)}	4981	5403	5539	6078	6688
Net migration ²⁾	3842	4138	3345	2400	1445
Total increase	4817	5387	4629	3620	2757

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates

1) excluding moves within the Netherlands Antilles

2) including corrections

4b. Population change by island, 2008 (absolute figures)

	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	St. Eustatius ²⁾	St. Maarten
Live births	194	2001	15	29	526
Deaths	67	1209	9	14	152
Natural increase	127	792	6	15	374
Registered immigration	1538	5212	337	273	1763
Registered emigration ¹⁾	883	5032	282	183	1230
Net migration ¹⁾	655	180	55	90	533
Total increase	782	972	61	105	907

Source: Island Registry

1) including corrections

2) figures are for 2006

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5. Vital Statistics (relative figures)									
	Netherlands Antilles			Bonaire			Curaçao		
	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008	2006	2007	2008
Live births									
- per 1000 women aged 15-44 y	60.5	57.9	62.6	69	69.1	72.2	62.4	61.6	66.3
- number of boys per 100 girls	103.7	101.6	113.5	90.9	121.3	118	104.7	99.1	111.3
- TFR (Total fertility rate)	2.01	1.88	2.06	2.41	2.43	2.49	2.09	2.04	2.2
Deaths									
- per 1000 inhabitants	6.9	6.8	7.3	4.8	6.4	5.2	8	7.9	8.5
- Infant mortality rate ¹⁾	15.3	12.9	6.1	23.8	16.9	-	15.5	12.8	6.5
- life expectancy at birth ²⁾									
male	72.2	72.9	72.8	.	.	.	71.6	72.4	72.2
female	79.1	79.7	79.9	.	.	.	79	79.5	79.6
Males per 100 females	87.2	87.2	84.4	94.6	96.3	99.6	84.5	84.4	84.4
Marriages total	1104	.	.	70	76	71	780	950	829
Marriages per 1000 inhabitants	5.8	.	.	6.2	6.4	5.7	5.7	6.8	5.9
Divorces	491	.	.	31	48	37	354	367	397
Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates									
1) Under 1 year of age per 1000 live births									
2) Values are for the periods 2004-2006, 2005-2007 and 2006-2008 respectively									

5. Vital Statistics (relative figures) (continued)									
	Saba			St. Eustatius			St. Maarten		
	2006	2007	2008	2005	2006	2007	2006	2007	2008
Live births									
- per 1000 women aged 15-44 y	59.2	.	39.9	44.6	45	.	53.7	45.2	51.3
- number of boys per 100 girls	90.9	.	275	73.3	141.7	.	103.1	103.5	118.3
-TFR (Total fertility rate) ²⁾³⁾	1.61	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	.	1.78	1.54	1.75
Deaths									
- per 1000 inhabitants	9.9	.	5.6	7	5.2	.	3.5	3.2	3.7
- Infant mortality rate ¹⁾	-	.	-	-	-	.	13.3	13	7.6
- life expectancy at birth									
male	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
female	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Males per 100 females	101.6	.	103.7	98.4	96.9	.	93.6	94	94.5
Marriages total	12	.	9	12	18	.	236	202	232
Marriages per 1000 inhabitants	8	.	5.7	4.6	6.8	.	6.2	5.1	5.7
Divorces	5	.	5	10	4	.	102	112	108
Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates									
1) Under 1 year of age per 1000 live births									
2) TFR Saba respectively for periods 2002-2006, 2003-2007 and 2004-2008 (births 2007 estimated)									
3) TFR St. Eustatius for period 2002-2006									

7a. Immigration by major sending countries				
		Registered immigration		
		2006	2007	2008
Netherlands Antilles ^{1) 2)}				
	Netherlands	4870	4342	4242
	Dominican Republic	698	624	507
	Colombia	377	388	365
	USA	528	565	567
	India	269	234	147
	Aruba	207	231	269
Bonaire		1044	1269	1538
	Netherlands	422	404	459
	USA	79	125	107
	Peru	45	95	135
	Aruba	44	53	102
Curacao		6144	5726	5212
	Netherlands	3939	3579	3360
	Dominican Republic	380	322	224
	Colombia	307	297	255
	Aruba	96	128	125
	Venezuela	159	123	105
	China	114	118	71
St. Maarten		1964	1818	1763
	Netherlands	450	287	353
	Dominican Republic	276	233	186
	Guadeloupe	140	133	120
	India	157	129	78
	Guyana	59	98	118
Saba		350	.	337
	USA	161	.	145
	Canada	75	.	86
	Netherlands	18	.	13
St. Eustatius		274	.	.
	USA	99	.	.
	Netherlands	41	.	.
Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates				
1) Excluding moves within the Netherlands Antilles				
2) Estimates were used for Saba (2007) and St. Eustatius (2007 & 2008)				

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7b. Emigration by major receiving countries *			
	Registered emigration ¹⁾		
	2006	2007	2008
Netherlands Antilles ^{2) 3)}	5539	6078	6688
Netherlands	3454	3895	4600
Aruba	236	167	225
USA	218	274	279
Colombia	43	51	35
Bonaire	778	791	883
Netherlands	308	299	321
Aruba	61	28	45
USA	14	22	18
Curacao	4112	4587	5032
Netherlands	2762	3203	3735
Aruba	110	103	96
USA	44	67	50
St. Maarten	1054	1071	1230
Netherlands	349	358	506
Aruba	54	26	74
USA	22	10	12
Saba	306	.	282
USA	59	.	101
Canada	38	.	48
St. Eustatius	183	.	.
Netherlands	17	.	.
Aruba	10	.	.
USA	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 (2007) and St. Eustatius (2007 & 2008)

7c. Registered inter-island moves, 2008 ¹⁾								
To	From							total
	Curacao	Bonaire	Sint Maarten	Sint Eustatius	Saba	Island unknown		
Curacao		201	104	21	4	35	365	
Bonaire	151		6	6	3	140	306	
Sint Maarten	64	2		31	16	63	176	
Sint Eustatius ²⁾	5	-	11		3	36	55	
Saba	4	2	27	5		4	42	
Island unknown	.	.	.	.	.
total	224	205	148	63	26	278	944	

Source: Island Registry and CBS estimates
1) Numbers represent registered immigrations
2) No data available; estimates have been used.

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	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Campylobacter						
jejuni	47	78	91	93	43	74
Salmonella						
B	15	24	29	26	22	17
C	16	30	43	39	37	22
D	16	9	10	38	29	21
E	4	0	6	4	1	0
Typhi	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	10	58	22	14	18	21
Shigella						
boydii	-	-	-	-	-	-
dysenteriae	0	0	0	1	0	0
flexneri	20	20	24	11	8	11
sonnei	17	38	8	15	9	38
Yersinia						
enterocolitica	-	1	-	-	1	-
E.Coli						
O157	-	-	-	1	-	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

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, 2008						
	Neth. Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Pharmacies	48	3	33	-	-	12
Physicians with own pharmacy	3	-	-	2	1	-
Health institutions with own pharmacy	4	1	3	-	-	-
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						

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, 2008			
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
Contraceptive pills, cycles (ORALS)	141	7624	5700
Condoms	1734	11946	432
3-months injectable	25	1301	100
IUD, TCU 380A	0	209	2
Source: Foundation for Promotion of Responsible Parenthood-Curaçao			

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

1. Volume Index Production Construction Blocks and Sand, Curaçao (1986 = 100)						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Construction blocks	166	170	188	226	262	307
Sand	137	147	147	151	190	214
Source: Curaçao Mining Company						

2. Building Permits, Buildings Completed and Estimated Construction Value, Curaçao						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Building permits:						
- requested	774	817	898	1122	1154	1282
- issued	664	694	852	1132	1046	1156
of which for dwellings	252	304	377	491	452	563
Buildings completed:						
Total	649	504	1002	982	978	712
of which dwellings	258	244	623	470	503	261
Estimated construction value x NAf. 1000	129476	130156	153143	362755	317876	441814
Source: Department for Geographic Planning and Housing						

3. Building Permits and Estimated Construction Value, Bonaire						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Building permits:						
- issued	166	185	244	317	393	510
of which for dwellings	62	83	113	151	195	234
Estimated construction value x NAf. 1000	23839	39838	65079	94394	132042	270824
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

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

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 2009

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

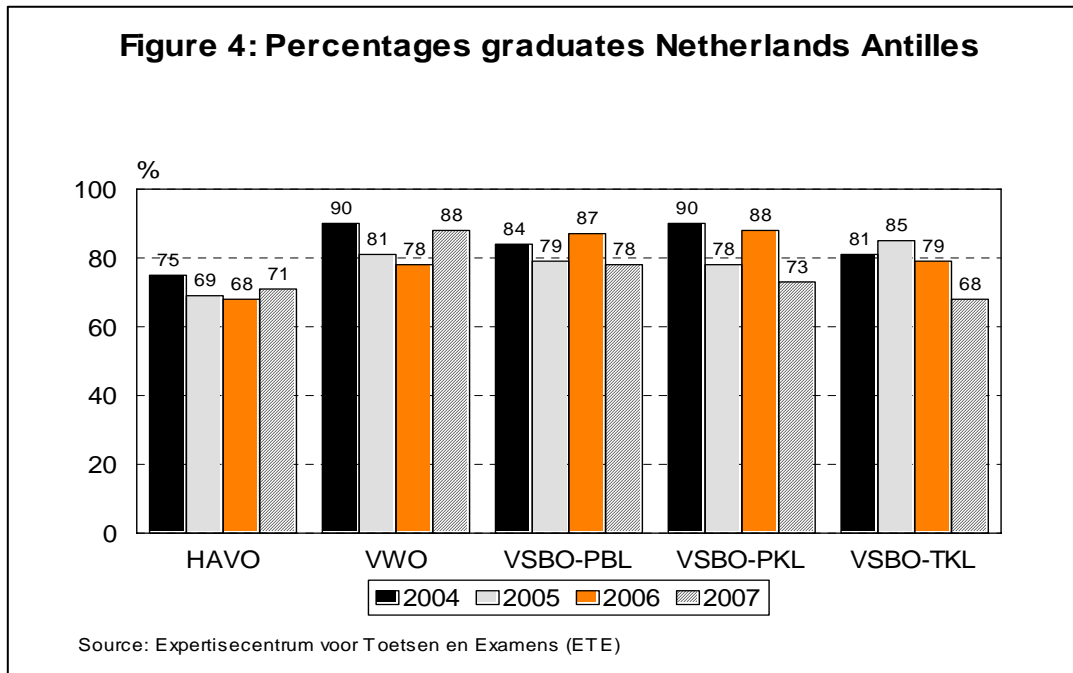
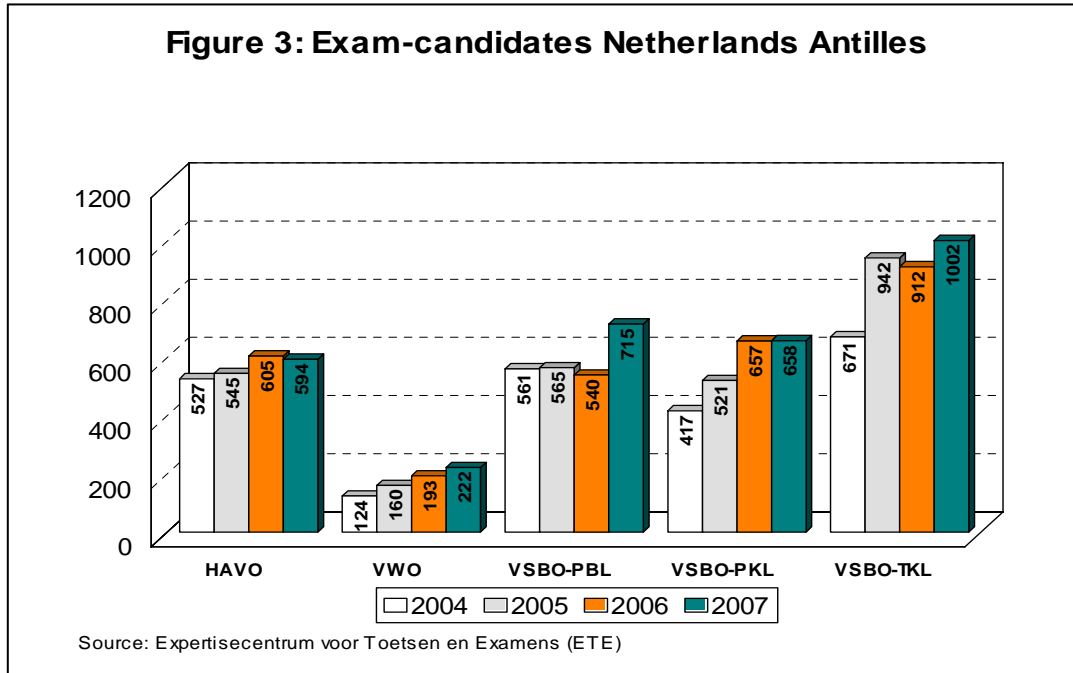
The figures in this publication regard only full-time regular education. That is, educational programs in which pupils/students take a fixed number of lessons at a day school or institution during a week and for a complete academic year.

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.



1. Full-time, General, Vocational and Special Education, Netherlands Antilles				
Academic year	2007-2008			
	School	Pupils			Teachers
Male		Female	Total	
Bonaire				
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	5			
Special Primary Education	1			
<i>Total teachers FBE and Special Primary Education</i>				
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO, HAVO 1,2)	1			
Senior High School (HAVO 3,4,5)	1			
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	1			
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)	1			
Special Secondary Education (AGO)	1			
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>				
Curaçao				
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	104	9038	8711	17749
Special Primary Education	18	825	373	1198
<i>Total teachers FBE and Special Primary Education</i>				
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO 1,2)	20	1914	1827	3741
Basic Secondary Education (HAVO 1,2)	3	389	571	960
Senior High School (HAVO/VWO 3,4,5,6)	3	901	1499	2400
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	20	2103	2091	4194
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)	5	1302	2064	3366
Special Secondary Education (AGO, VSO, PBO)	5	528	260	788
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>				
Teachers Training College (APK)	1	11	127	138
University of the Neth. Antilles 1)	1	796	1242	2038
Faculty of Law		79	165	244
Faculty of Social & Economic Studies		324	731	1055
Technical Faculty		367	90	457
General Faculty		26	256	282
<i>Total teachers University</i>				67
Saba				
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	1			
<i>Total teachers FBE</i>				
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO, CXC 1,2)	1	21	21	42
English Language Sec. School (CXC 3,4,5)	1	35	27	62
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	1	2	1	3
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>				
Medical University 1)	1	179	238	417
<i>Total teachers University</i>				17
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			
<i>FBE total teachers</i>				
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO, HAVO 1,2)	1			
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	1			
Senior High School (HAVO 3,4,5)	1			
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>				
Medical University 1)	1			
<i>Total teachers University</i>				
Sint Maarten				
Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	17			
Special Primary Education	1			
<i>Total teachers FBE and Special Primary Education</i>				
Basic Secondary Education (VSBO 1,2)	3			
Basic Secondary Education (HAVO 1,2)	1			
Senior High School (HAVO/VWO 3,4,5,6)	1			
English Language Sec. School (CXC)	2			
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO 3,4)	3			
Special Secondary Education (PBO)	1			
<i>Total teachers Secondary Education</i>				
University of Sint Maarten 1)	1	64	153	217
<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)		
	2007-2008	
Bonaire		
Senior High School (HAVO)	21	81%
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	137	78%
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)	.	.
Curaçao		
Senior High School (HAVO)	418	67%
Senior High School (VWO)	172	86%
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	1422	74%
Senior Secondary Vocational Education (SBO)		
Saba		
English Language Sec. School(CXC)	22	
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	-	-
Sint Eustatius		
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	32	63%
Sint Maarten		
Senior High School (HAVO)	45	76%
Senior High School (VWO)	17	85%
English Language Sec. School(CXC)	.	.
Preparatory Sec. Vocational Education (VSBO)	234	75%
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			
	2006	2007	2008
Faculty of Law	20	19	23
Male	5	5	8
Female	15	14	15
Faculty Social Econ. Studies	30	29	39
Male	7	6	14
Female	23	23	25
Technical Faculty	20	20	28
Male	17	10	22
Female	3	10	6
General Faculty	9	29	26
Male	2	2	1
Female	7	27	25
Total	86	97	116
Male	32	23	45
Female	54	74	71
Source: University of the Netherlands Antilles			

4. University of Sint Maarten Graduates			
	2006	2007	2008
A.A. General Liberal Arts Program	14	6	13
Male	1	1	3
Female	13	5	10
A.A. Business Program	16	12	19
Male	3	4	3
Female	13	8	16
A.A. Computer Science Program	1	-	-
Male	-	-	-
Female	1	-	-
B.A. Education Program	6	6	9
Male	-	-	1
Female	6	6	8
Bachelor of Business Administration	4	4	4
Male	-	-	1
Female	4	4	3
M.A. Education			9
Male			3
Female			6
Total	41	28	54
Male	4	5	11
Female	37	23	43
Source: University of Sint Maarten			

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.

Figure 5: Unemployment and Participation Rate Curaçao

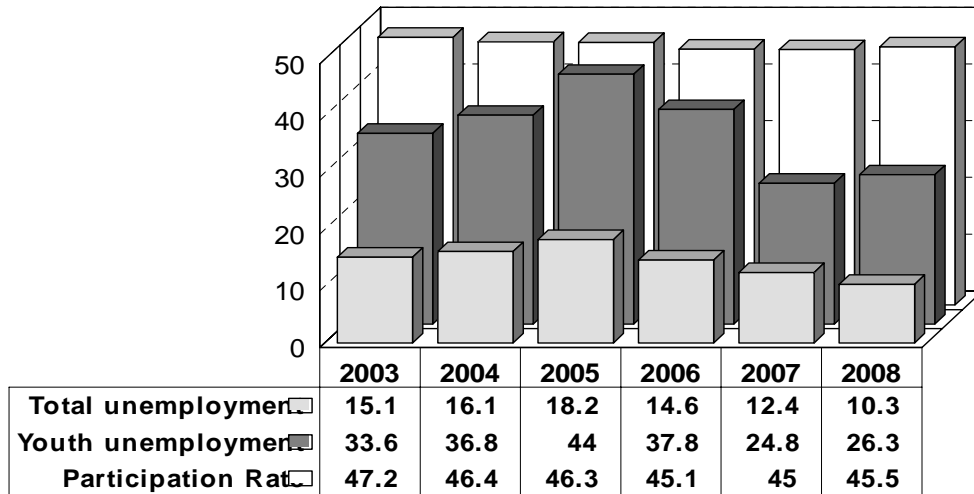
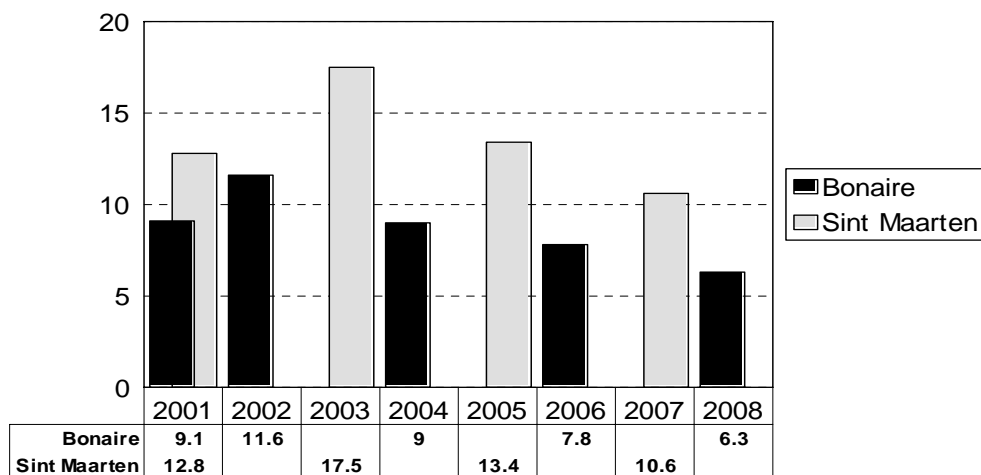


Figure 6: Unemployment Rate Bonaire and Sint Maarten



1. Employed Population by Economic Activity, Bonaire			
	2004	2006	2008
Agriculture/Fishery/Mining	68	79	90
Manufacturing	159	176	181
Electricity/Gas/Water	78	76	79
Construction	455	665	847
Wholesale/Retail	709	806	854
Hotels/Restaurants	769	918	1021
Transport/Storage	345	423	512
Financial intermediation	141	175	189
Real estate, renting	294	418	492
Public administration/Social services	621	721	784
Education	194	263	327
Health/Social work	345	402	424
Other community services	377	424	491
Private households	91	76	85
Extra territories	15	24	31
Total	4661	5646	6407

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			
	2006	2007	2008
Agriculture/fishery	549	696	661
Mining and quarrying	64	66	66
Manufacturing	3537	3582	3958
Electricity/Gas/Water	802	823	839
Construction	3900	4189	4691
Wholesale/Retail	9482	9607	9718
Hotels/Restaurants	4171	4383	4546
Transport/Storage	3120	3242	3885
Financial intermediation	3877	3997	4194
Real estate, renting	5159	5528	5929
Public administration/Social services	4753	5178	5093
Education	2564	2700	2730
Health/Social work	4424	4576	4631
Other community	3551	3404	3529
Private households	2026	2002	2008
Extra territories	71	76	57
Total	52050	54049	56535

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

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			
	2006	2007	2008
1. Employed population	52050	54049	56535
2. Unemployed population	8931	7659	6486
3. Economically active population	60981	61708	63021
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	14.6	12.4	10.3
5. Youth unemployment rate	37.8	24.8	26.3
6. Total population ¹⁾	135250	137124	138642
7. Participation rate (3/6 x 100) (%)	45.1	45.0	45.5

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

2a. Population and Economically Active Population Curaçao by sex						
	2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Employed population	26674	27375	54049	28358	28177	56535
2. Unemployed population	3044	4615	7659	2483	4003	6486
3. Economically active pop.	29718	31990	61708	30841	32180	63021
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100)(%)	10.2	14.4	12.4	8.1	12.4	10.3
5. Total population ¹⁾	62468	74656	137124	63091	75551	138642
6. Participationrate (3/5x100)(%)	47.6	42.8	45.0	48.9	42.6	45.5

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

3. Population and Economically Active Population Bonaire				
	2002	2004	2006	2008
1. Employed population	4334	4661	5647	6408
2. Unemployed population	571	460	481	433
3. Economically active population	4905	5121	6128	6841
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100) (%)	11.6	9.0	7.8	6.3
5. Youth unemployment rate	31.5	25.2	20.5	11.5
6. Total population ¹⁾	9928	10436	11793	12631
7. Participation rate (3/6 x 100) (%)	49.4	44.7	52.0	54.2
Source: CBS Labour Force Survey				
1) excluding population in institutions				

3a. Population and Economically Active Population Bonaire by sex						
	2006			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1. Employed population	2941	2706	5647	3510	2898	6408
2. Unemployed population	205	276	481	232	201	433
3. Economically active pop.	3146	2982	6128	3742	3099	6841
4. Unemployment rate (2/3 x 100)(%)	6.5	9.3	7.8	6.2	6.5	6.3
5. Total population ¹⁾	5733	6060	11793	6273	6358	12631
6. Participationrate (3/5x100)(%)	54.9	49.2	52.0	59.6	48.7	54.2
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				

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	59.4

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 ¹⁾	Curaçao ¹⁾	Sint Maarten ¹⁾	Saba ²⁾	Sint Eustatius ²⁾
Elementary education	469	4658	4859	134	228
Secondary education 1st stage	2817	22264	7853	210	408
Secondary education 2nd stage	1619	16838	5352	124	209
Higher education	916	12705	2656	88	165
Unknown	587	70		33	28
Total	6408	56535	20720	589	1038

Source: ¹⁾ CBS Labour Force Sample Survey, 2008
²⁾ Population and Housing Census 2001

7. Employed Population by Gross Monthly Income, Bonaire						
	2006			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
500 or less	61	215	276	58	98	156
501 - 1000	166	318	484	231	415	646
1001 - 1500	512	699	1211	451	766	1217
1501 - 2000	533	400	933	933	512	1445
2001 - 2500	458	308	766	535	263	798
2501 - 3000	253	191	444	367	247	614
3001 - 5000	625	449	1074	509	403	912
5000 plus	333	126	459	426	194	620
Unknown						
Total	2941	2706	5647	3510	2898	6408

Source: CBS Labour Force Sample Survey

8. Employed Population by Gross Monthly Income, Curaçao						
	2007			2008		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
500 or less	926	2070	2996	1533	2282	3815
501 - 1000	2370	3984	6354	2429	3859	6288
1001 - 1500	5451	6333	11784	5346	6964	12310
1501 - 2000	3852	3050	6902	3725	3513	7238
2001 - 2500	2941	2686	5627	2660	1989	4649
2501 - 3000	1967	2008	3975	2334	2415	4749
3001 - 5000	5322	4715	10037	5062	4551	9613
5000 plus	3845	2529	6374	5269	2604	7873
Total	26674	27375	54049	28358	28177	56535

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	240	421	661	96	406	502
501 - 1000	554	1177	1731	309	1347	1656
1001 - 2000	2033	2329	4362	4113	3812	7925
2001 - 2500	1905	1176	3081	1736	807	2543
2501 - 3000	1481	918	2399	1515	654	2169
3001 - 5000	1004	682	1686	2379	1846	4225
5000 plus	1420	1377	2797	1162	538	1700
Unknown	1077	279	1356			
Total	9714	8359	18073	11310	9410	20720

Source: CBS Labour Force Sample Survey

10. Employed Population by Status in Employment and Sex									
	Bonaire ¹⁾			Curaçao ¹⁾			Sint Maarten ²⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Employer/Own account worker	581	309	890	4634	1713	6347	1479	653	2132
Permanent service	1828	1833	3661	16320	19039	35359	7451	6722	14173
Temporary service	380	260	640	1632	2071	3703	937	795	1732
Casual jobs	240	126	366	3899	2691	6590	576	255	831
Contract	430	319	749	1648	2329	3977	715	765	1480
Other	51	51	102	225	334	559	152	220	372
Unknown									
Total	3510	2898	6408	28358	28177	56535	11310	9410	20720

Source: ¹⁾ CBS Labour Force Survey, 2008
²⁾ CBS Labour Force Survey, 2007

11. Unemployed Population by Age and sex									
	Bonaire ¹⁾			Curaçao ¹⁾			Sint Maarten ²⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
15 - 24	58	44	102	653	784	1437	235	332	567
25 - 44	97	108	205	1172	2316	3488	416	829	1245
45 and older	77	49	126	658	903	1561	284	350	634
Total	232	201	433	2483	4003	6486	935	1511	2446

Source: ¹⁾ CBS Labour Force Survey, 2008
²⁾ CBS Labour Force Survey, 2007

12. Unemployed Population by Level of Education and Sex									
Level of education	Bonaire ¹⁾			Curaçao ¹⁾			Sint Maarten ²⁾		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Elementary education	38	21	59	462	507	969	322	530	852
Secondary education 1st stage	154	147	301	1282	2128	3410	432	517	949
Secondary 2nd stage +	40	33	73	739	1368	2107	181	464	645
Unknown									
Total	232	201	433	2483	4003	6486	935	1511	2446

Source: ¹⁾ CBS Labour Force Survey, 2008
²⁾ CBS Labour Force Survey, 2007

13. Persons Employed by the Governments, December 31					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Central government	3548	3510	3392	3313	3207
Island government Bonaire	569	541	531	.	507
Island government Curaçao ¹⁾	1542	1570	1622	1649	1558
Island government Sint Maarten	1082	1119	1276	1299	1122
Source: Department of Finance of Central and Island Governments					
¹⁾ Personell department of Island Government					

14. Labour Conflicts, Curaçao					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of meetings with government	130	210	186	171	263
Number of work stoppages	19	19	29	43	22
Number of working days lost due to stoppages	1770	1700	2716	4664	4418 ¹⁾
Number of collective labour agreements	89	108	91	93	95
Source: Government Labour Mediator					
¹⁾ Estimated					

15. Number of applications for discharge					
	workers				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Bonaire	42	4	10	6	5
Curaçao	382	476	506	470	350
Windward Islands	185	215	124	109	130
Source: Department of Labour and social affairs					

16. Average Wage-costs per Employee by Industry, 2006				
Industry	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
	x1000 NafI			
Agriculture and mining	32.0	50.0	29.7	25.2
Manufacturing	38.1	23.8	39.8	35.1
Electricity, gas and water	100.4	90.6	92.7	127.2
Construction	39.3	23.8	42.1	38.4
Trade	35.0	32.5	33.9	38.0
Hotels and restaurants	28.0	26.3	25.9	31.2
Transport and communication ¹⁾	69.0	69.5	75.2	57.9
Financial services ²⁾	97.3	89.2	96.9	102.4
Business services ³⁾	42.1	36.2	39.9	48.8
Education private	52.0	0.0	53.3	50.4
Health and social work	55.7	31.5	57.5	62.7
Other community, social and personel services activities ⁴⁾	35.6	31.1	38.3	31.2
Total	44.2	35.0	45.9	42.4
Source: National Accounts Survey 2006				
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, 2006				
Legal status	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
	x1000 NafI			
Limited liability company	47.0	42.7	47.0	48.1
Private limited liability company	40.3	35.1	39.3	57.0
Individual proprietorship	20.3	16.0	20.6	17.1
Foundation	48.6	38.2	49.8	46.9
Common partnership	94.7	109.3	90.9	127.9
Other	92.0	93.7	88.7	98.1
Total	47.4	44.2	47.0	49.7
Source: National Accounts Survey 2006				

18. Average Wage-costs per Employee by Company size, 2006						
Company size	Number of employees	Turnover in mln NafI	Netherlands Antilles	Bonaire	Curaçao	Windward Islands
			x1000 NafI			
Micro	<5	<0.5	28.1	31.6	29.1	23.9
Small	5-<10	<0.5	25.3	34.3	24.6	25.4
Medium ¹⁾	10-<50	0.5-<5	40.4	34.1	40.3	43.1
Large	>50	>5	55.7	49.1	55.5	57.8
Total			47.3	40.1	47.3	49.7
Source: National Accounts Survey 2006						
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	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Offshore Companies	520	582	573	631	632
Local Companies	1931	1775	1964	1968	2089
Total	2451	2357	2537	2599	2721
Cancellations					
Offshore Companies	1130	753	812	799	643
Local Companies	1552	1449	1819	1804	2128
Total	2682	2202	2631	2603	2771
Registered Companies per Dec, 31					
Offshore Companies	16135	15444	14776	14191	13870
Local Companies	15693	16114	16371	16642	16642
Total	31828	31558	31147	30833	30512
Source: Chamber of Commerce and Industry					

2. Companies by Legal Status, Curaçao					
Legal status	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Individual proprietorship	7530	7624	7586	7530	7095
Open partnership (V.O.F)	255	255	252	248	214
Limited partnership (C.V.)	168	164	160	163	162
Common partnership	11	16	18	17	19
Limited Liability Company (N.V.)	22492	21923	21261	20609	20186
Cooperatives	30	29	30	29	26
Association or Foundation	22	24	26	34	34
Dutch Private Company (B.V.)	679	593	573	552	548
Other legal entities	178	188	179	169	176
Private Limited Liability Company (BVNA)	463	742	1062	1482	2052
Total	31828	31558	31147	30833	30512
Source: Chamber of Commerce and Industry					

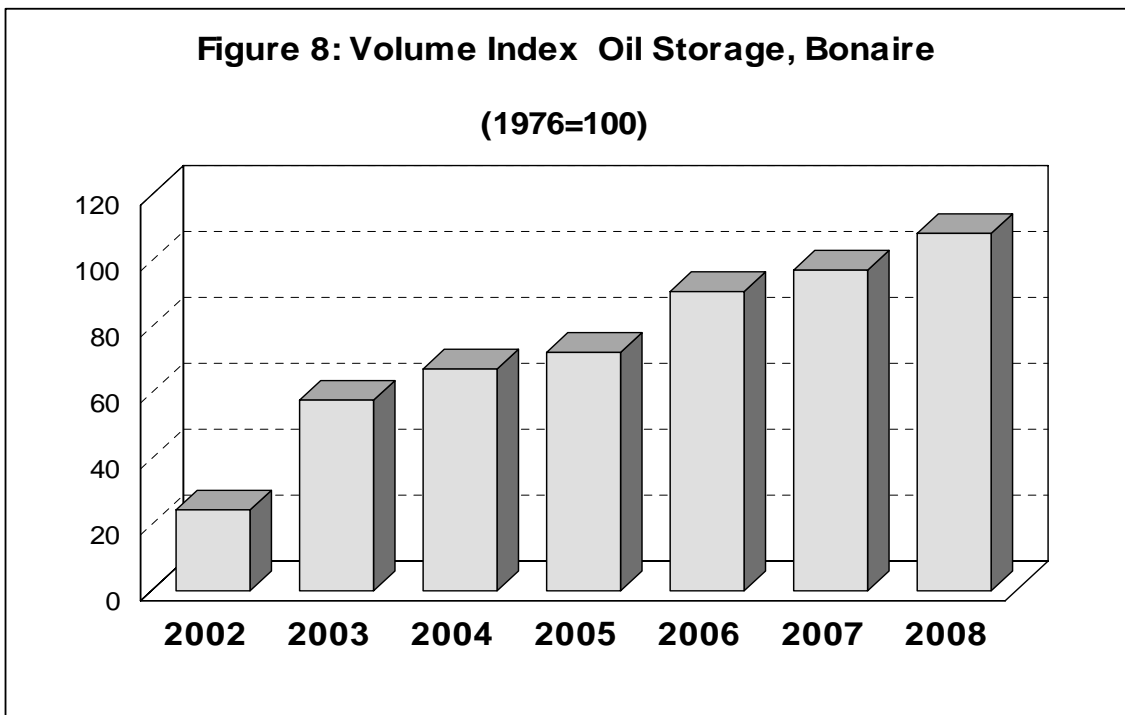
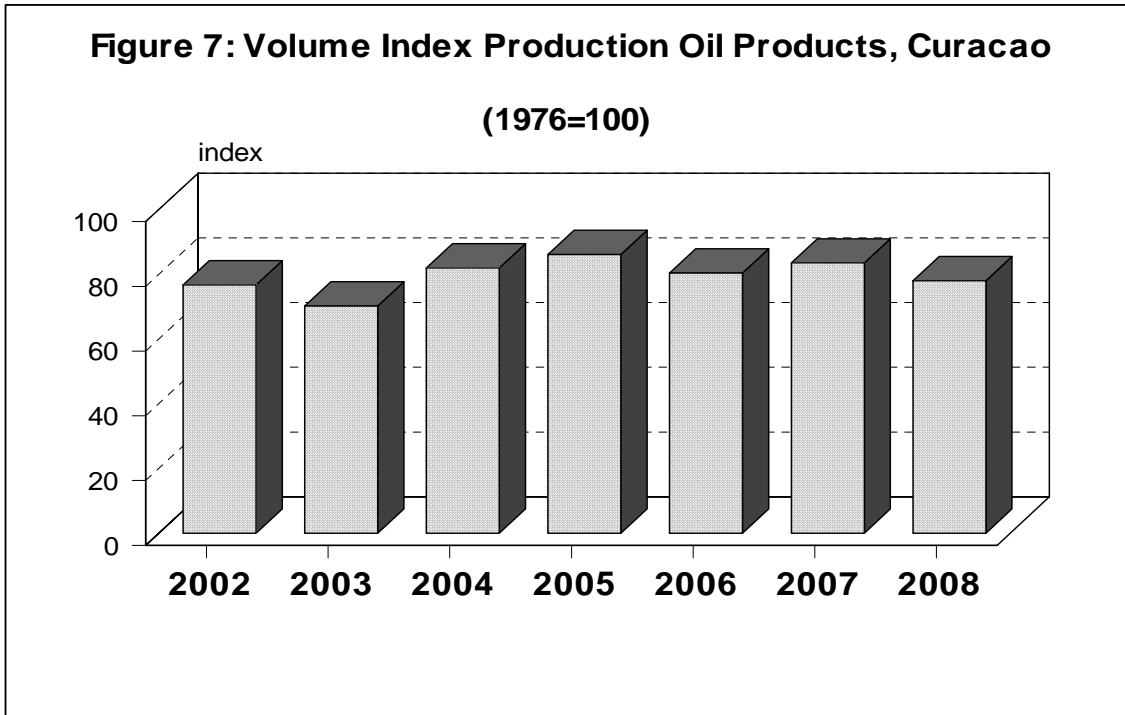
3. Pronounced Bankruptcies, Curaçao					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Pronounced	14	11	6	12	7
Source: Chamber of Commerce and Industry					

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



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
2008	72.1	836.9	7.7	11.1	341.3

Source: Water and Power Company of the islands

2. Water Production (1000 m³)			
	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
2008	1131	13609	4836

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
2008	78.0	10.5	108.4

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
2008	1044

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 2006 through 2008. 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)						
	2006		2007		2008	
	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire
	mln Naf					
Imports (cif)	1713	107	1908	153	2398	174
of which:						
Capital goods	269	19	331	30	448	34
Consumer goods	419	15	463	24	586	25
Exports (fob)	211	19	189	19	245	19
of which:						
Capital goods	27	3	17	1	28	2
Consumer goods	64	0	49	0	46	1
1) BEC: Capital goods (except transport equipment)						
2) BEC: Consumer goods nes						
Source: Trade Statistics CBS						

2. Imports by Commodity (Oil Not Included)						
	2006		2007		2008	
	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire
	mln Naf					
SITC-Sections 1)						
0. Food and live animals	324	13	361	17	415	19
1. Beverages and tobacco	60	5	65	5	76	6
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	23	2	25	4	29	4
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	8	0	9	0	12	0
5. Chemical products	197	6	236	7	289	8
6. Manufactured goods	239	17	268	25	344	32
7. Machinery and transport eq.	511	46	569	69	756	75
8. Miscellaneous, other art.	318	15	349	22	452	24
9. Commodities not classified	33	3	26	3	26	5
TOTAL	1713	107	1908	153	2398	174
1) Standard International Trade Classification - Revised						
Source: Trade Statistics CBS						

3. Exports by Commodity (Oil Not Included)						
	2006		2007		2008	
	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire	Curaçao	Bonaire
	mln Naf					
SITC-Sections 1)						
0. Food and live animals	38	1	55	0	67	0
1. Beverages and tobacco	3	0	5	0	5	0
2. Crude materials, inedible, except fuels	3	9	1	13	3	14
4. Animal and vegetable oils and fats	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Chemical products	14	0	14	0	18	0
6. Manufactured goods	20	0	14	1	16	1
7. Machinery and transport eq.	52	8	36	4	84	4
8. Miscellaneous, other art.	62	0	48	0	40	0
9. Commodities not classified	19	1	16	1	14	1
TOTAL	211	19	189	19	245	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

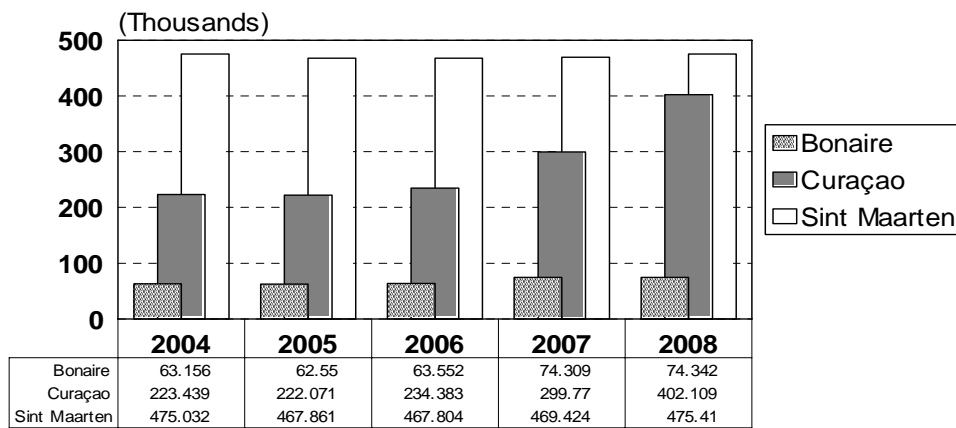
Introduction

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

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

Figure 9: Stay-over Tourism

Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten



1. Number of Motor Vehicles Registered 1), December 31					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Bonaire					
Passenger cars	4139	4165	4775	5207	5761
Motor lorries and pick-ups	2115	2246	2477	2567	3053
Motor buses	24	24	20	20	21
Taxis	27	28	24	27	30
Motorcycles, incl.mopeds	461	503	513	457	703
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	397	374	415	431	448
Curaçao					
Passenger cars	60590	64931	67328	70515	76520
Motor lorries and pick-ups	12785	13578	14565	15066	15405
Motor buses	438	486	493	435	439
Taxis	191	186	194	192	190
Other cars	207	299		285	296
Motorcycles, incl.mopeds	1037	1166	1365	1531	1754
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	456	477	485	501	540
Sint Maarten					
Passenger cars	.	13887	15210	15860	17882
Motor lorries and pick-ups	.	2324	2335	2780	2950
Motor buses	.	181	184	197	135
Taxis	.	222	228	227	249
Rental cars	.	1952	2418	2205	2496
Motorcycles, incl.mopeds	.	380	630	636	828
Number of passenger cars per 1000 inhabitants	.	369	391	396	437
Source: Collector's offices of the Island Governments					
1) Excluding motor vehicles owned by the government					

2. Road Accidents, Curaçao					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of accidents, total	7876	8507	8480	7210	10370
Number of victims					
of which killed	30	16	25	23	18
hospitalised	194	160	243	268	259
not hospitalised	1033	739	794	717	699
Source: Safety first association, Curaçao					

N. Transport and Communication

3. Number of Driver Licenses Issued, Curaçao				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Newly issued	2415	2545	2739	2559
Duplicated	631	713	821	1036
International	300	330	296	338
Renewed	3540	8195	14456	13233

Source: Security and Control Service of Curaçao

4. Number of Driver Licenses Examinations, Curaçao				
	2006		2007	
	Passed	Failed	Passed	Failed
Theoretical examination	.	.	.	.
Practical examination	2913	2087	3240	2401
Category A	283	71	329	84
Category B	2497	2016	2746	2318
Category C,D,E	417	70	494	83

Source: Security and Control Service of Curaçao

5. Harbour Statistics				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Bonaire				
Ships piloted into port	664	634	729	.
number of ships				
of which: tankers	203	220	262	.
cruise ship	91	78	97	.
others	370	336	370	.
Tonnage (1000 GRT)	15375	17398	21123	.
of which: tankers	12034	13290	15438	.
others	3341	4108	5685	.
Curaçao				
Ships piloted into port	2826	2889	3039	3145
number of ships				
of which: tankers	907	920	1030	1188
cruise ship	204	205	257	215
others	1715	1764	1752	1742
tonnage (1000 GRT)	46554	48584	55554	62387
of which: tankers	25830	25234	30917	36690
others	20724	23350	24637	25697
Container movements				
BOXES	56451	56304	60465	62920
of which: transshipments	9192	7777	10032	8768
TEUS (1)	89229	90759	97271	102082
of which: transshipments	13100	11999	15727	13707
Bunker sales				
of which: fuel (100 barrels	728	781	.	.
water (m3)	51242	66063	86626	80321

Source: Harbour Offices of the Islands

1) International standard unit of measurement

6. Landings of Aircrafts					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Bonaire					
Commercial landings	13737	13577	13872	12969	14843
Non-commercial landings	2185	2323	2140	2280	2065
Total	15922	15900	16012	15249	16908
Curaçao					
Commercial landings	16334	16476	16453	19034	18461
Non-commercial landings	1511	2137	2033	1726	3912
Total	17845	18673	28486	20760	22373
Sint Maarten					
Commercial landings	64485	69388	70274	65147	62757
General landings	8953	9051	8598	9571	9108
Military landings	62	114	142	51	71
Total	73500	78553	79014	74769	71936
Source: International Airports on the islands					

7. Passengers Traveling by Air			
	2008		
	Bonaire	Curaçao	Sint Maarten
Passengers travelling by air			
arrived or departed	342788	1370992	1539738
in transit	144424	92783	175249
Total	487212	1463775	1714987
Source: Migration authorities/International airports			

8. Stay-over Tourism 1)					
Number of persons					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Bonaire					
Total	63156	62550	63552	74309	74342
of which from:					
USA	27798	26520	28301	33801	34291
Europe	27973	30066	28202	31427	30768
South America	3537	3152	3631	4559	4730
Number of nights	577997	586973	621207	732274	694237
Curaçao					
Total	223439	222071	234383	299770	402109
of which from:					
North America & Canada	48394	51733	56099	54000	51871
South and Centr. America	41518	39203	38157	81336	168042
Caribbean	38961	32406	32265	38971	40314
Europe	89752	94923	104232	121429	134235
Other	4814	3806	3630	4034	7647
Number of nights	1938580	1959759	2155853	2560281	2978335
Sint Maarten					
Total	475032	467861	467804	469424	475410
of which from:					
USA	251155	246858	246064	253831	257912
Canada	31667	34506	30646	32350	34055
South and Centr. America	10512	10051	12706	14020	12894
Caribbean	44907	40426	39034	35209	31152
The Netherlands	15554	15441	15842	16889	18282
Other	121237	120579	123512	117125	121115
Source: Tourism Offices					
1) Visitors staying longer than 24 hours					

9. Hotel Occupancy Rate					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Curaçao	69.3	75.1	81.5	83.4	85.0
Sint Maarten	59.0	58.0	66.0	52.4	58.3
Bonaire	62.0	64.0	66.0	78.0	.
Source: Curaçao Hotel and Tourism Association & Tourism Association of Sint Maarten					

10. Cruise Tourism					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Bonaire					
Ships	79	89	78	97	92
Tourists	53343	40077	61844	97635	175702
Curaçao					
Ships	161	200	205	255	210
Tourists	227534	275957	321551	340907	334391
Sint Maarten					
Ships	666	641	609	614	518
Tourists	1348450	1488461	1421645	1421906	1345812
Source: Tourism Offices					

11. Number of Visits to Free Zone Curaçao by Nationality				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Guyana	2107	1788	1841	1451
Haiti	3403	4267	4242	3738
Jamaica	10978	9563	11331	9638
Dominican Republic	3991	3287	3498	2621
Trinidad & Tobago	6017	5983	6655	4653
Venezuela	3379	3056	11182	20850
Other	6516	7448	10927	11504
TOTAL	36391	35392	49676	54455
Source: Curaçao Industrial and International Trade Development Company NV				

12. Letters Received by Region of Origin, Netherlands Antilles (x kg)				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
North America	34325	32508	34307	23254
South and Central America	1881	1692	1568	1604
Europe	37753	32211	25616	26891
The Netherlands	76525	78314	76975	69207
Caribbean	7516	6086	8219	8695
Other	1417	1651	1762	1685
TOTAL	159417	152462	148447	131336
Source: New Postal Services N.A.				

13. Letters sent by Region of Destination, Netherlands Antilles (x kg)				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
North America	7371	9419	20584	36193
South and Central America	2904	3499	3341	3464
Europe				
The Netherlands	15073	17050	6024	5823
Rest of Europe	2916	5232	15930	14522
Caribbean	54629	47210	44857	60721
Other	80	6	.	.
TOTAL	82973	82416	90736	120723
Source: New Postal Services N.A.				

N. Transport and Communication

14. Fixed and Mobile Telephone Connections, December 2008		
	Fixed telephone connections	mobile telephone connections
Bonaire	5867	9234
Curaçao	81255	177967
Saba	709	1174 ¹⁾
Sint Eustatius	850	2386
Sint Maarten	12779	68749

1) 2007

15. Radio and Television, December 2008						
	Cable Television Stations	Broadcast Television Stations	Broadcast Television Repeaters	Radio transmitters		
				AM	FM	Short 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						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	min.Naf.					
Money:						
Coins and notes with the public	232.9	231.3	239.9	263.7	304.4	315.1
Demand deposits held by the public	989.3	1050.7	1188.0	1246.7	1441.5	1923.3
Subtotal	1222.2	1282.0	1427.9	1510.4	1745.9	2238.4
Near money:						
Time-deposits	1501.4	1790.5	1947.3	2152.2	2254.3	2241.4
Savings	1066.2	1122.8	1202.1	1296.8	1530.5	1720.0
Subtotal	2567.6	2913.3	3149.4	3449.0	3784.8	3961.4
Total liquid assets	3789.8	4195.3	4577.3	4959.4	5530.7	6199.8
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						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	min.Naf.					
Monetary authorities:						
Gold	237.0	271.7	305.5	365.8	437.6	544.9
Foreign exchange Bank N.A (net)	668.3	744.0	815.6	1308.2	1847.5	2497.0
Subtotal	905.3	1015.7	1121.1	1674.0	2285.1	3041.9
Short term foreign liabilities	0.8	0.4	3.2	422.1	664.5	1031.2
Commercial banks:						
Net foreign asset	456.3	446.3	510.0	520.5	501.0	589.9
International monetary reserves	1360.8	1461.6	1627.9	1772.4	2121.6	2600.6
Source: Central Bank						

3. Condensed Balance Sheet of the Bank of the Netherlands						
Antilles, December 31st						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Assets:	mln Naf					
Domestic:						
Coins and notes	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
Claims on Government	110.6	211.4	204.8	230.3	170.5	265.4
Claims on private sector	-	-	-	-	-	-
other domestic assets	172.5	172.8	181.8	193.0	198.7	196.2
Foreign:						
Gold	237.0	271.7	305.5	365.8	437.6	544.9
Claims on non-residents	668.3	744.0	815.6	1308.2	1847.5	2497.0
Total	1188.5	1400.1	1507.9	2097.5	2654.4	3503.6
Liabilities						
Domestic:						
Banknotes issued	275.6	272.4	283.9	310.9	366.4	383.4
Government	97.0	119.0	45.0	17.7	18.7	104.7
Demand deposits (banks & priv.sector)	66.2	69.3	99.2	80.1	94.1	423.0
Time deposits of residents	426.0	573.8	661.2	769.1	918.4	858.8
Capital and reserves	240.2	274.7	308.4	369.8	442.8	549.9
Other domestic liabilities	82.7	90.5	107.0	127.8	149.5	152.6
Foreign:						
Foreign liabilities	0.8	0.4	3.2	422.1	664.5	1031.2
Total	1188.5	1400.1	1507.9	2097.5	2654.4	3503.6
Source: Central Bank						

4. Consolidated Balance Sheet of Commercial Banks, December 31st						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Assets:	mln Naf					
Domestic:						
Cash and balance with the Bank of the Netherlands Antilles and GiroSystem Curaçao	557.7	644.5	628.4	737.2	826.1	1025.9
Claims on domestic banks	91.5	151.4	123.2	94.4	115.4	124.2
Government 1)	489.5	620.1	603.4	456.7	641.2	722.2
Private sector	2696.2	2958.1	3362.7	3809.8	4274.6	4783.7
Special domestic loans	40.4	-	-	-	-	-
Other domestic assets	245.8	270.8	260.3	437.9	466.1	534.7
Claims on non-residents	1270.1	1359.6	1961.9	2089.7	2083.8	2856.7
Total	5391.2	6004.4	6939.9	7625.6	8407.2	10047.4
Liabilities						
Domestic:						
Central Government	34.9	45.8	51.6	76.2	127.9	131.9
Island Government	25.1	72.6	68.9	54.1	70.0	83.9
Banks	110.1	194.7	137.7	116.0	140.3	168.7
Private sector						
Demand deposits	1288.3	1346.6	1471.1	1693.7	1954.5	2258.0
Time deposits	1501.4	1742.5	1865.3	1981.2	2012.5	2205.6
Savings	1066.2	1122.8	1202.1	1296.8	1530.5	1720.0
Capital and reserves	394.3	481.8	547.4	670.6	756.0	1027.5
Other domestic liabilities	116.7	84.4	143.9	167.9	232.7	185.0
Foreign liabilities	854.2	913.3	1451.9	1569.2	1582.8	2266.8
Total	5391.2	6004.4	6939.9	7625.6	8407.2	10047.4
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

Figure 10: Gross Domestic Product by Sector and Kind of Economic Activity
 Netherlands Antilles, 2008 (Non-financial corporations)

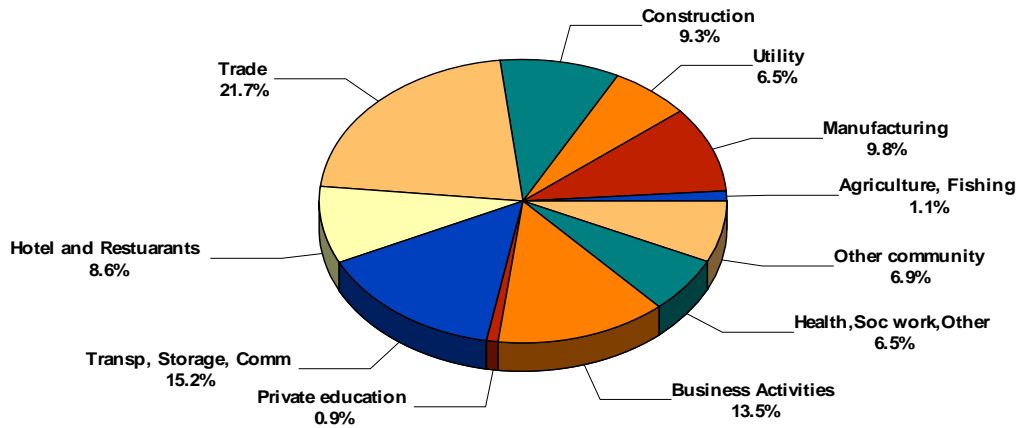
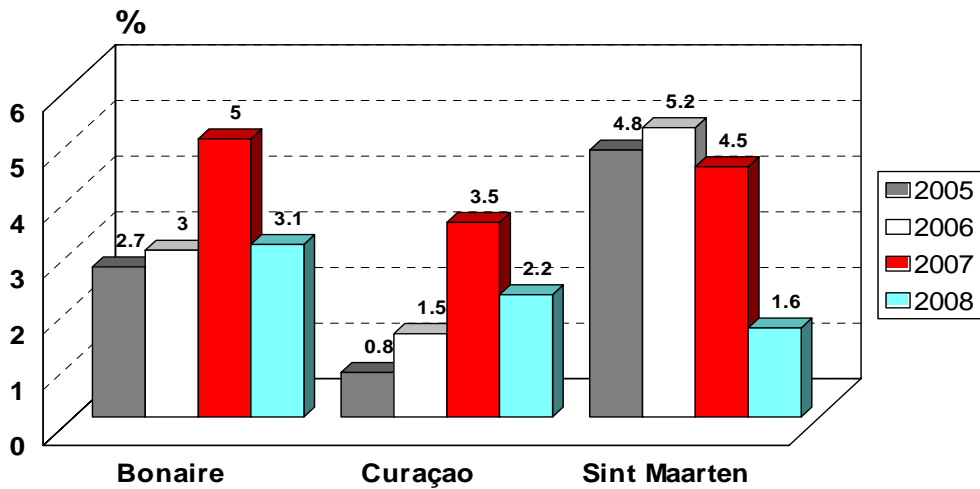


Figure 11: Real growth Gross Domestic Product Neth. Antilles



1. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Netherlands Antilles.					
		2005	2006	2007	2008
		mln NAf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	41.5	33.5	39.4	41.9
D	Manufacturing	290.1	366.6	381.6	391.2
E	Electricity, gas and water	232.9	223.7	238.8	258.2
F	Construction	321.6	309.5	334.9	369.4
G	Trade	687.3	736.9	796.4	863.3
H	Hotels and restaurants	236.6	282.7	297.3	344.1
I	Transport,storage and communications	482.9	518.9	548.2	606.2
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	407.6	467.9	500.1	539.8
M	Education private	30.1	32.6	34.8	37.3
N	Health and social work	207.7	225.3	238.8	257.4
O	Other community, social and personal	223.4	231.8	250.3	275.2
	Gross value added, marketprices	3161.9	3429.5	3660.6	3983.9
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	1060.5	994.9	1050.3	1145.4
	Gross value added, marketprices	1060.5	994.9	1050.3	1145.4
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1
I	Transport,storage and communications	18.3	18.7	19.9	20.2
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	4.5	4.9	4.8	4.8
L	Public administration and defence;compulsory social security	441.9	460.6	482.1	498.5
M	Education	86.0	96.3	98.7	105.8
N	Health and social work	77.1	78.9	78.5	80.9
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	75.0	76.6	77.5	79.4
	Gross value added, marketprices	703.7	736.7	762.6	790.6
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.4	1.1	1.5	
D	Manufacturing	0.2	0.5	0.5	
F	Construction	1.2	2.4	2.0	
G	Trade	11.4	14.4	13.0	
H	Hotels and restaurants	1.6	5.7	5.5	
I	Transport,storage and communications	27.2	27.2	27.2	
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	456.7	482.0	499.1	
N	Health and social work	2.0	2.3	2.2	
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	27.8	27.2	25.4	
P	Private households	19.0	19.0	19.0	
	Gross value added, marketprices	547.6	581.9	595.4	642.7
	Total Gross Value Added, marketprices	5473.6	5743.1	6069.0	6562.6
	Plus:Taxes less subsidies on products	514.5	553.1	637.8	699.2
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	133.2	142.0	169.2	184.5
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	5854.9	6154.1	6537.6	7077.2
	Nominal GDP Growth	5.4	5.1	6.2	8.3
	Inflation	3.8	2.9	2.8	6.3
	Real GDP Growth	1.7	2.4	3.7	2.1

2. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Bonaire					
		2005	2006	2007	2008
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	13.1	6.9	8.3	8.1
D	Manufacturing	4.5	4.7	5.0	5.5
E	Electricity, gas and water	11.5	11.8	12.6	14.9
F	Construction	11.7	14.8	15.6	18.1
G	Trade	30.6	33.8	35.6	37.9
H	Hotels and restaurants	25.9	29.0	31.6	36.0
I	Transport, storage and communications	49.9	55.2	58.6	64.6
K	Real estate, renting, business activities	15.8	20.1	21.5	23.6
M	Education private	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
N	Health and social work, other services	12.5	11.4	12.9	13.9
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	14.4	15.1	17.0	19.4
	Gross value added, marketprices	190.0	202.9	218.6	242.0
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	22.7	23.8	25.1	27.3
	Gross value added, marketprices	22.7	23.8	25.1	27.3
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
I	Transport, storage and communications	3.2	2.8	3.3	3.3
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	40.5	36.7	39.6	44.4
M	Education	3.3	3.1	3.6	3.5
N	Health and social work	5.7	4.5	4.4	4.3
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.7
	Gross value added, marketprices	56.6	51.1	54.8	59.5
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.0	0.0	0.0	
D	Manufacturing	0.0	0.1	0.1	
F	Construction	0.1	0.1	0.1	
G	Trade	0.0	0.1	0.1	
H	Hotels and restaurants	0.0	0.0	0.0	
I	Transport, storage and communications	1.3	1.3	1.3	
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	30.4	31.6	31.5	
N	Health and social work	0.1	0.1	0.1	
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	7.5	9.0	7.5	
P	Private households	0.5	0.5	0.5	
	Gross value added, marketprices	39.9	42.7	41.1	45.3
	Total Gross Value Added, market prices	309.3	320.5	339.6	374.1
	Plus: Taxes less subsidies on products	35.7	39.4	43.5	43.5
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	7.2	7.9	8.3	9.1
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	337.8	352.0	374.7	408.4
	Nominal GDP Growth	3.9	4.2	6.5	9.0
	Inflation	1.3	1.3	1.8	6.2
	Real GDP Growth	2.7	3.0	5.0	3.1

3. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Curaçao					
		2005	2006	2007	2008
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	23.7	21.5	25.9	28.5
D	Manufacturing	259.5	340.0	353.3	362.5
E	Electricity, gas and water	170.9	161.5	171.8	184.6
F	Construction	204.0	210.2	226.4	254.6
G	Trade	451.3	471.2	511.5	558.5
H	Hotels and restaurants	118.3	125.3	135.9	154.4
I	Transport, storage and communications	299.6	332.8	351.5	384.9
K	Real estate, renting, business activities	294.6	319.9	337.7	372.6
M	Education private	15.9	21.5	22.9	24.4
N	Health and social work	169.0	182.0	190.8	204.4
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	152.6	166.1	178.9	199.9
	Gross value added, marketprices	2159.3	2351.9	2506.5	2729.2
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	921.8	851.8	895.2	976.2
	Gross value added, marketprices	921.8	851.8	895.2	976.2
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1
I	Transport, storage and communications	12.1	12.6	13.2	13.5
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	4.2	4.6	4.5	4.5
L	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	301.0	312.6	328.1	339.0
M	Education	75.3	84.7	86.6	93.6
N	Health and social work	62.1	64.5	64.1	66.5
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	48.3	47.2	47.5	49.4
	Gross value added, marketprices (SNA93)	503.8	526.9	545.1	567.6
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
ABC	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.2	0.8	1.1	
D	Manufacturing	0.2	0.4	0.4	
F	Construction	0.6	1.8	1.4	
G	Trade	10.8	13.4	12.0	
H	Hotels and restaurants	0.6	4.6	4.5	
I	Transport, storage and communications	15.9	16.0	16.0	
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	287.8	307.1	324.1	
N	Health and social work	1.4	1.7	1.6	
O	Other community, social and personal serv. act.	15.8	13.6	13.3	
P	Private households	12.1	12.1	12.1	
	Gross value added, marketprices	345.5	371.4	386.6	426.5
	Total Gross Value Added, market prices	3930.4	4102.0	4333.3	4699.5
	Plus: Taxes less subsidies on products	365.3	393.2	462.0	522.4
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measured	96.8	105.6	129.8	141.6
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	4198.9	4389.6	4665.5	5080.4
	Nominal GDP Growth	4.9	4.5	6.3	8.9
	Inflation	4.1	3.1	3.0	6.9
	Real GDP Growth	0.8	1.5	3.5	2.2

4. Gross Domestic Product by sector and industry, Sint Maarten					
		2005	2006	2007	2008
		mln Naf			
Non-financial corporations					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	4.1	5.7	5.9	6.1
D	Manufacturing	28.9	29.9	31.9	31.6
E	Electricity, gas and water	63.4	66.3	71.6	77.2
F	Construction	103.8	120.0	132.0	137.4
G	Trade	223.5	237.5	255.3	273.4
H	Hotels and restaurants	81.4	82.5	83.3	98.6
I	Transport,storage and communications	112.0	118.9	125.5	142.4
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	81.2	90.3	98.6	100.4
M	Education private	6.7	7.2	7.7	8.3
N	Health and social work	20.7	22.7	24.9	27.8
O	Other community, social and personal serv.	63.4	68.6	73.9	75.9
	Gross value added, marketprices	789.1	849.6	910.6	979.1
Financial corporations					
J	Financial intermediation	89.5	95.7	104.4	114.8
	Gross value added, marketprices	89.5	95.7	104.4	114.8
Government incl. Social security					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
I	Transport,storage and communications	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.1
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
L	Public administration and defence;compulsor social security	63.1	68.8	70.7	71.0
M	Education	4.8	5.2	5.4	5.4
N	Health and social work	6.6	7.2	7.4	7.4
O	Other community, social and personal serv.	13.9	15.1	15.6	15.6
	Gross value added, marketprices	90.2	98.3	101.1	101.6
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households					
A+B+C	Agriculture, fishing and mining	0.2	0.2	0.2	
D	Manufacturing	0.1	0.1	0.1	
F	Construction	0.4	0.4	0.4	
G	Trade	0.3	0.3	0.3	
H	Hotels and restaurants	0.3	0.3	0.3	
I	Transport,storage and communications	9.7	10.1	10.5	
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	128.9	133.6	138.9	
N	Health and social work	0.5	0.5	0.5	
O	Other community, social and personal serv.	4.2	4.4	4.6	
P	Private households	7.2	7.5	7.8	
	Gross value added, marketprices	151.9	157.4	163.7	166.8
	Total Gross Value Added, market prices	1120.8	1201.1	1279.8	1362.3
	Plus:Taxes less subsidies on products	81.3	86.2	91.4	93.9
	Minus: finan. Intermediation indirectly measu	26.8	28.6	30.6	33.7
	Gross Domestic Product, market prices	1175.3	1258.7	1340.5	1422.5
	Nominal GDP Growth	7.5	7.1	6.5	6.1
	Inflation	3.1	2.3	2.3	4.6
	Real GDP Growth	4.8	5.2	4.5	1.6

5. Product, income, savings and net lending, Netherlands Antilles					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Output	9149.4	9340.3	9649.2	10460.7	11139.0
Less: financial intermediation service indirectly measured	111.2	110.2	123.1	133.2	142.0
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	474.8	477.4	477.0	514.5	553.1
Less: Intermediate consumption	4260.7	4302.3	4447.7	4987.1	5396.0
Gross Domestic Product	5252.3	5405.2	5555.4	5854.9	6154.1
Primary income paid to abroad	163.4	161.2	158.4	190.3	243.4
Primary income received from abroad	163.9	173.8	188.2	198.9	229.2
Net factor income paid to abroad	-0.5	-12.6	-29.8	-8.6	14.2
Gross National Income	5251.8	5392.5	5525.6	5846.3	6168.3
Current transfers paid to abroad	685.6	722.8	586.8	756.8	606.9
Current transfers received from abroad	459.3	497.1	480.6	545.6	547.7
Net current transfers paid to abroad	226.3	225.7	106.2	211.2	59.2
Gross National Disposable Income	5478.1	5618.3	5631.8	6057.6	6227.5
Final consumption	3913.2	4024.4	4283.1	4548.9	4825.9
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	2995.4	3050.0	3241.4	3429.9	3673.8
Government (incl. Social security)	917.8	974.4	1041.7	1119.0	1152.1
Gross savings	1564.9	1593.9	1348.7	1508.7	1401.6
Net savings	895.8	902.0	645.7	822.9	716.1
Gross fixed capital formation	1595.3	1605.6	1635.0	1691.0	1822.9
Consumption of fixed capital	-669.1	-691.8	-703.1	-685.8	-685.5
Changes in inventories	-40.6	-29.2	-137.1	-24.7	9.7
Acquisitions less disposals of land	6.7	16.0	-5.8	32.7	47.0
Capital transfers received	308.8	331.1	388.5	417.3	433.2
Capital transfers paid	254.2	268.5	245.4	244.3	249.9
Net capital transfers received	54.6	62.6	143.1	173.0	183.3
Net lending from abroad	64.8	80.1	-6.1	15.4	-247.7
Gross National Income, market prices	5251.8	5392.5	5525.6	5846.3	6168.3
Net national income, market prices	4582.7	4700.7	4822.5	5160.6	5482.9
Mid year population (x1000)	174.6	177.7	181.1	186.2	191.2
Per capita Gross National Inc, market prices (ANG)	30077.2	30350.2	30506.7	31393.1	32257.1
Per capita Net National Inc, market prices (ANG)	26245.2	26456.4	26625.1	27710.8	28672.5
Other taxes on production	57.7	65.6	62.8	53.3	62.7
Other subsidies on production	84.9	88.8	132.2	117.9	116.8
Depreciation	669.1	691.8	703.1	685.8	685.5
Net national income, basic prices	4555.4	4677.6	4753.2	5096.0	5428.8
Per capita Net Nat Inc, basic prices (ANG)	26089.1	26326.3	26242.0	27363.9	28389.5

6. Product, income, savings and net lending, Bonaire					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Output	493.5	512.7	536.2	610.3	629.5
Less: financial intermediation services indirectly measured	2.4	4.8	5.4	7.2	7.9
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	24.0	29.9	31.2	35.7	39.4
Less: Intermediate consumption	213.2	225.0	236.9	301.0	308.9
Gross Domestic Product	301.9	312.8	325.1	337.8	352.0
Primary income paid to abroad	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.7
Primary income received from abroad	0.4	0.3	0.5	1.8	3.2
Net factor income paid to abroad	-0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-1.5	-2.5
Gross National Income	301.6	312.7	324.7	336.3	349.5
Current transfers paid to abroad	16.9	20.1	3.8	25.8	10.4
Current transfers received from abroad	18.4	20.1	4.5	14.9	10.5
Net current transfers paid to abroad	-1.5	0.0	-0.7	10.9	-0.1
Gross National Disposable Income	300.1	312.6	323.9	347.2	349.4
Final consumption	200.8	211.4	207.8	224.2	222.4
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	129.7	131.3	134.3	135.2	137.8
Government (incl. Social security)	71.1	80.2	73.5	89.0	84.5
Gross savings	99.3	101.2	116.2	123.1	127.0
Net savings	56.6	59.5	68.1	71.2	68.5
Gross fixed capital formation	68.6	77.4	92.5	85.6	87.1
Consumption of fixed capital	-42.8	-41.7	-48.1	-51.9	-58.5
Changes in inventories	-41.8	-52.8	-58.1	-64.3	-27.4
Acquisitions less disposals of land	0.0	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1
Capital transfers received	4.9	9.1	13.4	14.4	18.1
Capital transfers paid	4.9	9.2	8.0	7.8	11.2
Net capital transfers received	0.0	0.0	5.4	6.5	6.9
Net lending from abroad	72.5	76.5	87.2	108.3	74.2
Gross National Income, market prices	301.6	312.7	324.7	336.3	349.5
Net national income, market prices	258.9	271.0	276.6	284.4	291.0
Mid year population (x1000)	10.1	10.0	10.2	10.8	11.3
Per capita Gross National Inc, market prices (ANG)	29908.4	31244.5	31779.5	31211.6	30850.0
Per capita Net National Inc, market prices (ANG)	25669.2	27081.0	27073.9	26397.2	25684.7
Other taxes on production	4.2	7.8	6.7	5.1	6.8
Other subsidies on production	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.6	4.9
Depreciation	42.8	41.7	48.1	51.9	58.5
Net national income, basic prices	258.6	274.5	278.5	285.0	292.9
Per capita Net Nat Inc, basic prices (ANG)	25646.1	27428.9	27261.5	26444.7	25856.0

7. Product, income, savings and net lending, Curaçao					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Output	6483.2	6471.2	6607.3	7032.4	7503.6
Less: financial intermediation services indirectly measured	87.8	85.8	90.9	96.8	105.6
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	379.8	367.3	348.2	365.3	393.2
Less: Intermediate consumption	2907.5	2811.0	2860.0	3102.0	3401.6
Gross Domestic Product	3867.8	3941.8	4004.5	4198.9	4389.6
Primary income paid to abroad	159.8	159.1	156.3	182.6	231.0
Primary income received from abroad	104.2	115.8	119.7	113.6	149.7
Net factor income paid to abroad	55.6	43.3	36.6	69.0	81.3
Gross National Income	3923.3	3985.1	4041.1	4267.9	4470.9
Current transfers paid to abroad	562.6	592.2	445.1	590.0	435.3
Current transfers received from abroad	317.6	336.8	303.8	344.3	329.0
Net current transfers paid to abroad	245.0	255.4	141.3	245.7	106.3
Gross National Disposable Income	4168.3	4240.5	4182.5	4513.7	4577.2
Final consumption	2956.2	3052.8	3228.7	3455.1	3680.3
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	2348.4	2391.2	2542.2	2707.9	2918.0
Government (incl. Social security)	607.7	661.6	686.5	747.3	762.3
Gross savings	1212.1	1187.7	953.8	1058.5	896.8
Net savings	742.3	688.4	463.2	585.3	420.2
Gross fixed capital formation	1299.7	1274.2	1296.6	1347.3	1453.1
Consumption of fixed capital	-469.8	-499.2	-490.5	-473.2	-476.7
Changes in inventories	78.0	75.0	45.1	20.3	-109.2
Acquisitions less disposals of land	4.3	2.3	-6.0	28.9	26.4
Capital transfers received	297.7	298.7	364.9	392.7	404.8
Capital transfers paid	243.1	246.2	226.3	226.2	226.3
Net capital transfers received	54.6	52.5	138.6	166.5	178.5
Net lending from abroad	-111.0	-109.0	-249.3	-142.6	-268.6
Gross National Income, market prices	3923.3	3985.1	4041.1	4267.9	4470.9
Net national income, market prices	3453.5	3485.9	3550.6	3794.7	3994.2
Mid year population (x1000)	128.2	130.0	131.6	134.5	137.5
Per capita Gross National Inc, market prices (ANG)	30605.5	30653.3	30708.3	31738.1	32516.8
Per capita Net National Inc, market prices (ANG)	26940.8	26813.1	26980.9	28218.9	29050.1
Other taxes on production	40.2	45.6	43.9	36.0	43.7
Other subsidies on production	80.5	84.4	127.4	113.3	111.9
Depreciation	469.8	499.2	490.5	473.2	476.7
Net national income, basic prices	3413.2	3447.1	3467.1	3717.4	3926.0
Per capita Net Nat Inc, basic prices (ANG)	26626.4	26515.1	26346.4	27644.1	28553.7

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8. Product, income, savings and net lending, Windwards Islands					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Output	2172.7	2356.4	2505.7	2818.0	3006.0
Less: financial intermediation services indirectly measured	21.1	19.7	26.8	29.2	28.5
Plus: taxes less subsidies on products	71.0	80.2	97.6	113.4	120.5
Less: Intermediate consumption	1140.0	1266.3	1350.7	1584.1	1685.5
Gross Domestic Product	1082.7	1150.6	1225.8	1318.2	1412.6
Primary income paid to abroad	3.5	1.9	2.0	7.4	11.7
Primary income received from abroad	59.3	57.7	68.0	83.5	76.3
Net factor income paid to abroad	-55.8	-55.8	-66.0	-76.1	-64.6
Gross National Income	1026.9	1094.8	1159.8	1242.1	1347.9
Current transfers paid to abroad	106.1	110.6	137.9	141.0	161.2
Current transfers received from abroad	123.3	140.2	172.3	186.4	208.2
Net current transfers paid to abroad	-17.2	-29.6	-34.4	-45.4	-47.0
Gross National Disposable Income	1009.7	1065.2	1125.4	1196.7	1301.0
Final consumption	756.2	760.1	846.6	869.6	923.2
Households & Non-profit institutions serving households	517.3	527.5	564.9	586.8	618.0
Government (incl. Social security)	238.9	232.6	281.8	282.8	305.3
Gross savings	253.5	305.0	278.8	327.1	377.7
Net savings	96.9	154.1	114.3	166.5	227.5
Gross fixed capital formation	227.0	253.9	246.0	258.0	282.7
Consumption of fixed capital	-156.6	-150.9	-164.5	-160.6	-150.3
Changes in inventories	-76.8	-51.4	-124.1	19.3	146.3
Acquisitions less disposals of land	2.5	13.6	-0.2	3.7	20.5
Capital transfers received	6.1	23.2	10.2	10.2	10.2
Capital transfers paid	6.1	13.1	11.2	10.2	12.3
Net capital transfers received	0.0	10.1	-1.0	0.0	-2.1
Net lending from abroad	103.2	112.6	156.0	49.8	-53.3
Gross National Income, market prices	1026.9	1094.8	1159.8	1242.1	1347.9
Net national income, market prices	870.3	943.8	995.3	1081.4	1197.6
Mid year population (x1000)	36.3	37.7	39.3	41.0	42.4
Per capita Gross National Inc, market prices (ANG)	28259.9	29066.7	29501.0	30309.0	31777.4
Per capita Net National Inc, market prices (ANG)	23951.1	25059.2	25317.4	26389.0	28234.3
Other taxes on production	13.3	12.2	12.2	12.2	12.2
Other subsidies on production	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Depreciation	156.6	150.9	164.5	160.6	150.3
Net national income, basic prices	883.6	956.0	1007.5	1093.6	1209.8
Per capita Net Nat Inc, basic prices (ANG)	24316.5	25381.8	25627.6	26686.4	28521.9

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					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	Mln. Naf.				
TRADE BALANCE	-2150.9	-2402.4	-2711.2	-3351.6	-3563.2
MERCHANDISE EXPORTS	933.1	1088.4	1243.5	1210.8	1948.3
-Oil Products	29.5	36.8	23.9	6.6	6.8
-Other Products	903.6	1051.6	1219.6	1204.2	1941.5
MERCANDISE IMPORTS	3084.0	3490.7	3954.7	4562.4	5511.5
-Oil Products	367.3	567.7	686.6	876.2	1447.3
-Other Products	2716.7	2923.0	3268.1	3686.2	4064.2
SERVICE BALANCE	1927.5	2042.6	2206.5	2329.0	2118.2
TRANSPORTATION: debit	220.7	226.9	236.2	258.4	254.0
-Passenger	61.7	12.6	8.7	10.4	17.4
-Freight	2.7	1.8	1.9	3.2	5.5
-Other	156.5	212.5	225.7	244.8	231.1
TRANSPORTATION: credit	139.5	153.3	148.5	164.6	211.9
-Passenger	38.4	55.2	39.6	36.1	47.2
-Freight	78.3	89.4	101.6	116.7	141.3
-Other	22.8	8.7	7.3	11.8	23.4
TRAVEL: debit	1676.1	1771.2	1824.6	1966.0	2081.2
TRAVEL: credit	502.3	471.3	504.0	528.8	535.2
OTHER SERVICES: debit	1327.9	1358.4	1503.3	1532.1	1342.9
-Communication	34.6	22.4	19.7	26.6	43.9
-Construction	28.1	39.7	63.6	91.4	98.2
-Int.fin& buss.sector	434.8	396.7	405.2	353.6	302.9
-Computer and Information services	4.6	3.1	6.2	7.4	10.5
-Refining fee	310.5	345.6	422.4	476.4	355.4
-Other services	432.8	449.9	487.5	486.0	482.6
-Government services n.l.e.	82.6	100.8	98.7	90.6	49.4
OTHER SERVICES: credit	655.4	689.2	705.1	734.0	812.8
-Communication	27.2	36.3	41.6	37.0	59.1
-Construction	16.0	59.7	63.1	92.8	155.0
-Int.fin & buss.sector	150.0	136.3	148.7	135.4	116.2
-Computer and Information services	16.0	25.0	23.1	27.2	37.4
-Other services	421.0	416.6	411.8	426.3	434.3
-Government services n.l.e.	25.3	15.4	16.7	15.2	10.9
INCOME BALANCE:	-29.6	-27.0	-1.9	5.2	-74.0
LABOUR INCOME: debit	6.9	17.0	31.2	38.6	49.2
LABOUR INCOME: credit	62.7	75.3	68.0	78.2	84.9
INVESTMENT INCOME: debit	151.5	173.2	214.1	266.1	200.7
Direct investment income	49.1	28.5	55.7	34.5	38.5
Portfolio investment income	67.1	81.1	79.6	128.8	85.1
Other investment income	35.3	63.6	78.9	102.9	77.2
INVESTMENT INCOME: credit	125.3	141.8	179.3	221.3	239.1
Direct investment income	48.9	52.9	87.7	110.2	109.5
Portfolio investment income	37.3	39.3	38.0	56.6	77.8
Other investment income	39.2	49.6	53.6	54.5	51.9
CURRENT TRANSFERS BALANCE	97.9	197.5	41.0	-45.6	-42.0
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: debit	126.3	317.1	153.0	93.8	164.3
-Taxes	100.1	291.5	127.2	66.1	109.7
-Other government transfers	26.2	25.6	25.8	27.7	54.5
OTHER SECTORS: debit	452.2	425.9	435.6	445.5	505.6
-Workers' remittances	1.8	1.8	0.8	1.0	1.2
-Other current transfers	450.4	424.0	434.9	444.5	504.3
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: credit	16.1	33.9	22.2	26.8	27.3
OTHER SECTORS: credit	464.4	511.6	525.4	558.2	684.5
-Workers remittance	29.6	29.6	37.6	42.5	82.3
-Other current transfers	434.9	482.0	487.8	515.6	602.2

Source: Central Bank

2. Balance of Payments Netherlands Antilles: Transaction Basis. (cont.)					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
	Mln. Naf.				
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	142.1	171.2	179.4	218.7	244.9
CAPITAL TRANSFERS	142.1	171.2	179.4	218.7	244.9
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: debit	142.6	172.1	181.3	219.0	231.6
-Development aid	142.6	172.0	181.3	219.0	227.6
OTHERS SECTORS: debit	1.0	-	2.2	7.9	14.5
-Migrants Tranfers	0.8	-	2.2	5.6	6.7
-Other capital transfers	-	-	-	2.3	7.8
GENERAL GOVERNMENT: credit	-	-	-	-	-
OTHERS SECTORS: credit	1.5	0.9	4.1	8.2	1.2
-Migrants transfer	1.4	0.9	3.9	8.2	1.2
-Other capital transfer	0.1	-	0.2	-	-
AQUISITION/DISPOSAL OF NON-PRODUCED NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS 1)	-	-	-	-	-
TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSEST: debit	-	-	-	-	-
TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSEST: credit	-	-	-	-	-
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT (NET)	-60.9	-38.6	222.3	705.0	1214.0
DIRECT INVESTMENT					
-Direct investment abroad	-39.6	-117.0	101.3	5.9	-27.0
-Direct investment in NA	38.9	74.9	-39.3	419.4	476.1
PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT					
Assets	-168.5	-45.5	117.5	-129.2	-85.3
-Equity securities	-24.3	-4.2	-22.4	-128.2	10.7
-debt securities	-144.2	-41.3	139.9	-1.0	-96.0
Liabilities	166.9	2.8	-15.9	-20.1	-41.3
-Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-
-Debt securities	166.9	2.8	-15.9	-20.1	-41.3
OTHER INVESTMENT					
Assets	-35.6	72.3	346.0	730.1	1265.6
-Trade credit	-64.0	-101.0	-87.3	312.5	260.5
-Loans	6.6	0.2	15.7	39.1	9.8
-Currency depositis	-17.5	162.6	282.5	109.3	582.7
-Other assests	39.3	10.4	135.0	269.2	412.5
Liabilities	43.1	106.4	-0.4	-23.8	-2.5
-Trade credit	104.9	128.7	29.8	-64.7	3.3
-Loans	-149.1	-93.0	-159.8	1.1	-89.7
-Currency deposits	-	-	-	-	-
-Other liabilities	87.2	70.6	129.7	39.8	83.9
RESERVES ASSETS 2)	-66.1	-132.5	-84.2	-277.3	-371.6
Monetary gold	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign exchange	-66.1	-132.5	-84.2	-277.3	-371.6
-Central Bank	-76.1	-68.8	-73.7	-296.8	-282.8
-Deposits Money Banks	10.0	-63.7	-10.5	19.5	-88.8
Other claims	-	-	-	-	-
NET ERRORS AND OMMISIONS	73.9	56.7	63.8	139.2	102.0
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.

1. Income from Direct Taxes (x mln Naf)					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
A. Direct Taxes					
Bonaire					
Taxes on income	28.9	30.2	36.2	39.4	.
Wage tax	23.8	23.5	23.2	23.5	.
Income tax	-0.1	0.4	1.1	3.0	.
Profit tax	5.3	6.3	11.8	12.9	.
Other current taxes	2.1	2.5	2.2	2.3	.
Total current taxes on income and wealth	31.0	32.7	38.4	41.7	.
Curaçao 1)					
Taxes on income	581.2	598.2	582.4	617.2	675.3
Wage tax	414.4	399.3	420.7	431.9	463.9
Income tax	4.2	8.5	-0.1	2.0	6.1
Profit tax	162.6	190.4	161.8	183.4	205.3
of which:internat financial sector	75.3	96.8	53.7	51.8	109.7
Other current taxes	25.1	21.8	24.6	26.8	28.1
Total current taxes on income and wealth	606.3	619.9	606.9	644.0	703.4
Sint Maarten					
Wage tax	98.8	101.1	.	.	.
Income tax	1.8	0.6	.	.	.
Profit tax	14.0	20.3	.	.	.
Total current taxes on income and wealth	114.6	122.1	.	.	.
St. Eustatius					
- wage tax	6.7	7.1	7.4	9.3	.
- income tax	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.0	.
- profit tax	1.2	0.9	8.2	1.8	.
Total	7.9	8.0	15.6	11.0	.
Saba					
- wage tax	3.4	2.7	3.4	3.3	.
- income tax	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1	.
- profit tax	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.5	.
Total	4.0	3.4	4.1	3.9	.
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)					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
B. Indirect taxes					
Central Government					
Import duties	126.0	130.2	143.3	165.5	182.3
Special import duties on gasoline	81.1	80.5	79.2	86.1	83.1
Excise on spirits	12.3	12.1	12.0	11.6	13.6
Excise on tobacco articles	10.9	11.0	11.1	13.0	12.0
Excise on beer	11.5	12.0	14.4	14.0	15.4
Stamp duties	7.7	7.6	6.7	7.4	7.7
Exchange commission	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Registration duties 1)	21.4	17.4	15.4	10.8	13.7
Transfer tax	20.0	26.5	33.5	43.3	50.1
ABB/OB	283.5	307.6	329.3	356.8	356.8
Total	574.4	604.9	644.9	708.5	734.7
St. Eustatius (x1000)					
Motor-vehicle tax	273.3	257.2	311.5	378.5	.
Lodging tax	9.1	19.8	108.3	54.6	.
Tax on rental cars	3.2	2.5	3.4	3.7	.
Licence tax	171.0	173.9	610.5	286.6	.
Total	456.5	453.4	1,033.6	723.4	.
Curacao					
Motor-vehicle tax	31.4	27.2	30.7	33.5	35.2
Land tax	10.0	6.7	11.0	34.4	29.2
Lodging tax	4.1	2.6	3.0	3.8	4.8
Usage tax	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.4
Licence tax	4.4	4.4	6.9	2.8	9.6
Other	8.6	8.5	8.5	8.4	8.6
Total	59.8	50.4	60.9	83.6	87.9
St. Maarten					
Motor-vehicle tax	5.9	7.3	.	.	.
Lodging tax	2.9	3.1	.	.	.
Tax on rental cars	1.2	1.3	.	.	.
Licence for lotteries and games of hazard	7.0	7.3	.	.	.
Time share tax	4.7	4.7	.	.	.
Other	7.0	9.2	.	.	.
Total	28.7	32.9	.	.	.
Saba (x1000)					
Motor-vehicle tax	190.6	165.4	180.5	168.7	.
Lodging tax	55.4	68.3	79.0	96.1	.
Tax on rental cars	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	.
Licence tax	125.8	157.6	106.8	129.3	.
Total	371.7	391.3	366.3	394.2	.
Bonaire					
Motor-vehicle tax	2.7	3.1	3.3	3.4	.
Lodging tax	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	.
Tax on rental cars	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.8	.
Land tax	3.4	1.2	1.0	1.6	.
Licence tax	1.4	1.5	2.2	2.6	.
Total	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.

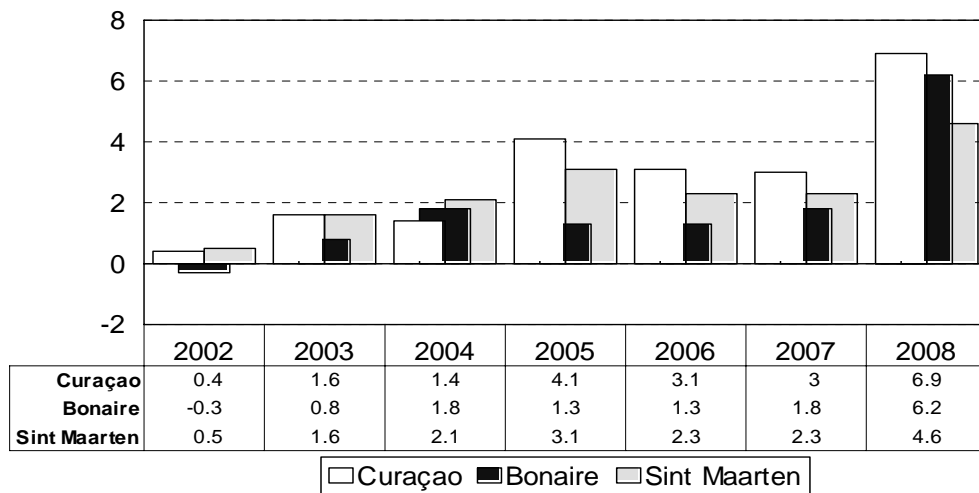
Table 1 presents historical series for Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten respectively. These figures comprise end-of-year indices. All other tables present annual averages of consumer price indices.

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.

Figure 12: Consumer Prices

(Inflation rates)



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		612.9	0.2
Dec 2004							119.7		626.5	2.2
Dec 2005							125.6		657.4	4.9
Dec 2006							128.3	100.3	671.4	2.1
Dec 2007								104.4	698.9	4.1
Dec 2008								112.6	753.8	7.9

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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
Dec 2008							111.0	557.7	7.6

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
Dec 2008						104.1	422.7	-0.4

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	34.0	4.9	33.5	5.7	32.0	5.3	40.6	3.7
1977	35.6	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	46.6	14.6	53.1	11.9
1981	53.7	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	59.3	0.2	61.3	0.4	58.5	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	65.5	3.9	70.1	3.3
1990	69.2	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	74.3	1.8	77.2	2.2	73.1	2.1	77.4	1.0
1994	75.7	1.9	79.4	2.9	74.4	1.8	79.0	2.1
1995	77.8	2.8	81.3	2.3	76.5	2.8	81.3	3.0
1996	80.4	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	84.1	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	87.9	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	93.3	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	99.5	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
2008	108.7	6.3	107.5	6.2	109.3	6.9	107.0	4.6

¹⁾ 12-month average

3. 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	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
TOTAL	92.5	96.3	99.3	102.3	109.3
FOOD	83.8	90.0	97.2	105.9	125.4
Cereal products	94.2	96.4	99.1	104.9	120.1
Meat and fish	84.9	90.9	98.3	109.0	130.2
Fats and cooking oils	88.9	95.0	98.7	107.5	148.5
Dairy products (except butter)	83.8	91.5	98.2	113.9	177.3
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	70.0	81.0	93.5	104.5	121.9
Sugar and chocolate	82.0	88.1	95.4	98.5	107.3
Prepared food	95.0	97.2	99.6	103.6	110.4
Outdoor consumption	94.9	97.0	99.6	103.6	116.1
Food n.e.s.	87.2	91.5	97.9	105.2	118.0
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	91.9	94.9	98.8	102.1	108.4
Beverages	90.3	94.0	98.6	102.1	108.0
Tobacco	98.6	98.7	99.6	101.5	111.3
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	100.3	99.7	100.1	101.1	103.2
Clothing	98.6	99.6	100.2	100.9	102.8
Footwear	108.9	100.5	100.0	101.8	105.2
HOUSING	91.7	97.0	99.6	102.0	107.4
Dwelling costs	95.4	97.3	99.3	101.7	104.1
Energy expenses	82.3	96.2	100.0	102.7	118.8
Maintenance of dwelling	94.4	96.6	99.5	104.0	111.3
Garden maintenance	95.2	96.8	99.3	102.7	108.7
Water	86.5	96.7	100.0	100.9	101.8
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	91.8	97.2	99.6	102.0	108.5
Furniture and illumination	87.1	101.0	100.6	101.4	108.0
Upholstery and dwelling textile	106.6	98.9	99.2	101.1	105.5
Household appliances and tools	89.8	94.1	99.0	101.0	103.9
Household articles	96.5	98.0	100.1	102.4	108.1
Household expenses n.e.s.	96.5	95.4	98.7	101.7	108.4
Domestic services	84.2	95.8	99.7	103.1	113.3
Household furnishing n.e.s.	95.7	97.6	99.5	102.8	109.7
MEDICAL CARE	97.6	99.2	99.9	100.7	103.3
Medical care	97.6	99.2	99.9	100.7	103.3
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	95.1	97.8	100.1	102.1	110.0
Transport vehicles in ownership ¹⁾	98.4	98.1	99.8	104.4	107.0
Expenses for own transport vehicles ¹⁾	88.6	95.9	100.0	102.7	123.9
Transport services	98.6	99.1	100.0	100.5	101.9
Communication	108.2	102.5	101.1	100.0	100.3
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	99.3	99.5	99.8	100.7	103.2
Recreation	101.2	100.3	100.0	100.1	101.4
Entertainment and culture	95.3	97.2	99.1	101.5	106.1
Books etc.	94.9	97.8	99.5	101.0	103.3
Education	98.9	99.8	100.0	101.0	103.5
Hobby articles	94.9	94.9	97.0	104.4	122.3
MISCELLANEOUS	96.0	97.5	99.7	101.4	104.0
Personal body care	97.0	97.7	99.5	101.5	103.2
Insurances	98.2	98.7	100.0	100.5	100.5
Commodities and services n.e.s.	94.6	96.8	99.6	102.2	108.4

¹⁾ Not for business use

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4. 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	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
TOTAL	96.9	98.2	99.4	101.2	107.5
FOOD	90.9	94.7	97.9	102.5	118.5
Cereal products	95.5	96.9	98.9	102.6	118.2
Meat and fish	88.1	98.3	100.1	103.7	120.4
Fats and cooking oils	97.2	105.5	102.1	103.8	136.2
Dairy products (except butter)	83.8	85.8	95.5	103.8	145.6
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	88.6	88.9	93.6	104.3	121.1
Sugar and chocolate	78.9	81.1	92.7	101.4	111.6
Prepared food	97.4	98.8	99.8	101.0	106.9
Outdoor consumption	97.6	98.2	99.3	102.0	114.8
Food n.e.s.	91.3	95.9	99.6	100.6	113.7
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	104.3	99.6	100.4	100.6	109.3
Beverages	105.3	99.4	100.5	100.5	109.5
Tobacco	99.7	100.0	100.0	100.9	107.8
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	100.1	100.1	100.0	100.1	100.2
Clothing	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.2	101.2
Footwear	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.4	95.9
HOUSING	96.1	97.9	99.5	101.4	108.7
Dwelling costs	94.6	97.0	99.3	101.7	104.1
Energy expenses	98.5	99.4	100.0	101.1	125.7
Maintenance of dwelling	98.7	99.2	99.8	101.9	107.9
Garden maintenance	98.0	98.8	99.6	101.2	108.5
Water	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	95.1	98.0	100.2	101.1	107.4
Furniture and illumination	100.0	100.0	99.9	98.5	99.5
Upholstery and dwelling textile	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.5	107.7
Household appliances and tools	100.0	100.0	100.0	102.6	109.6
Household articles	97.7	104.1	102.0	101.2	115.1
Household expenses n.e.s.	90.4	90.6	100.3	101.6	111.2
Domestic services	87.0	98.3	99.8	101.3	105.4
Household furnishing n.e.s.	99.7	99.8	100.0	101.0	107.0
MEDICAL CARE	97.8	98.5	99.8	100.0	102.1
Medical care	97.9	98.5	99.8	100.0	102.1
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	101.3	100.7	100.0	100.9	105.2
Transport vehicles in ownership ¹⁾	99.2	99.2	100.0	100.7	100.7
Expenses for own transport vehicles ¹⁾	98.9	100.0	100.0	102.4	116.7
Transport services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Communication	108.0	104.3	100.0	100.4	100.6
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	99.9	99.9	100.0	100.3	101.4
Recreation	99.9	99.9	100.0	100.1	99.5
Entertainment and culture	97.8	98.7	99.6	100.8	105.1
Books etc.	100.0	100.0	100.1	101.1	106.5
Education	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.4	103.2
Hobby articles	100.0	100.0	100.0	102.5	103.5
MISCELLANEOUS	97.2	98.3	99.7	101.0	104.0
Personal body care	95.1	96.9	99.5	102.6	106.4
Insurances	97.1	98.3	99.9	100.0	100.0
Commodities and services n.e.s.	98.9	99.4	99.9	101.2	106.7
¹⁾ Not for business use					

5. 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	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
TOTAL	94.8	97.7	100.0	102.3	107.0
FOOD	89.0	95.3	99.0	101.7	115.6
Cereal products	95.2	98.5	99.7	101.1	118.3
Meat and fish	84.3	92.9	98.6	101.0	113.3
Fats and cooking oils	86.9	98.8	101.0	106.7	132.4
Dairy products (except butter)	85.2	90.8	98.7	102.4	127.4
Potatoes, vegetables and fruits	84.8	96.4	99.1	101.5	113.3
Sugar and chocolate	79.1	82.7	93.7	99.9	105.8
Prepared food	92.9	94.0	95.8	101.6	112.2
Outdoor consumption	97.1	97.9	98.6	100.3	109.2
Food n.e.s.	92.4	93.5	96.2	103.1	115.3
BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO	96.7	98.4	100.1	100.5	107.6
Beverages	97.7	98.7	100.3	100.5	107.6
Tobacco	81.8	93.9	97.8	100.5	111.3
CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR	103.3	101.7	100.1	100.7	102.5
Clothing	104.2	102.1	100.1	101.1	102.7
Footwear	99.8	100.3	100.0	99.0	101.8
HOUSING	95.5	98.4	100.6	104.3	110.1
Dwelling costs	94.7	97.0	99.3	101.7	104.1
Energy expenses	100.7	109.5	110.9	118.8	143.6
Maintenance of dwelling	90.0	91.4	95.9	101.7	104.9
Garden maintenance	92.3	95.0	98.7	101.5	105.4
Water	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
HOUSEHOLD FURNISHING AND APPLIANCES	95.2	98.0	99.8	102.2	104.6
Furniture and illumination	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.6
Upholstery and dwelling textile	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.8	99.2
Household appliances and tools	100.0	100.0	100.1	100.4	98.8
Household articles	94.4	97.0	99.4	100.6	105.1
Household expenses n.e.s.	92.4	95.4	98.6	104.1	114.2
Domestic services	90.4	97.1	101.5	113.5	117.9
Household furnishing n.e.s.	96.3	98.3	99.7	100.4	104.1
MEDICAL CARE	101.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1
Medical care	101.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.1
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION	92.5	96.1	99.6	101.0	103.3
Transport vehicles in ownership ¹⁾	92.9	93.9	99.3	102.0	103.8
Expenses for own transport vehicles ¹⁾	83.1	94.5	99.4	102.3	110.4
Transport services	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Communication	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.7	99.0
RECREATION AND EDUCATION	97.4	98.2	99.6	100.3	100.1
Recreation	100.1	99.9	100.0	99.7	96.6
Entertainment and culture	97.1	98.7	100.0	101.9	105.7
Books etc.	100.0	100.0	100.0	99.9	107.2
Education	90.7	93.9	98.7	100.9	102.5
Hobby articles	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	101.7
MISCELLANEOUS	97.9	99.1	99.9	100.7	102.8
Personal body care	99.4	99.6	99.9	100.4	101.2
Insurances	98.3	99.3	100.0	100.5	100.5
Commodities and services n.e.s.	96.8	98.6	99.9	101.3	106.6

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.)					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
General Old Age Insurance					
premium received	187942	204778	221100	278451	365784
amount paid	206910	218627	237845	294922	316346
General Widow's and Orphans Ins.					
premium received	18794	20478	22112	24214	28137
amount paid	13437	13895	15032	18200	18503
Accident Insurance					
premium received	18415	19874	22805	24813	26538
amount paid	3713	4290	4869	5147	4825
of which sickness benefits	3623	4149	4817	5103	4808
medical costs	90	141	52	44	17
Illness Insurance					
premium received	143282	151150	160230	173537	189306
amount paid	141574	143703	153279	169804	193917
of which sickness benefits	14008	15612	17042	18353	21121
medical cost	127566	128091	136237	151451	172796
Source: Social Security Bank (SVB)					

2. Number of persons receiving social securities					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
General Old Age Insurance	38860	39446	40321	42580	44775
General Widow's and Orphans Insurance	4326	4254	3807	3786	3734
Illness Insurance	94445	94543	100360	106559	111598
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	

4. Welfare Benefits ("Onderstand") in Curaçao		
	Number of persons December	Total amount paid x 1000 Naf.
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
2008	6612	27539

Source: Social Affairs Service Curaçao

5. Maximum Welfare Benefits per Month in Curaçao				
	Married Couple	Concubinage	Single	Children
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
2008	545.80	545.80	315.32	42.00

Source: Social Affairs Service Curaçao

6. Number of Persons Receiving Free Medical Assistance ("PP Cards")				
	2005	2006	2007	2008
Curaçao	35045	33531	32476	34808
Bonaire	1793	.	1498	1586
Saba	.	121	2	5
Sint Eustatius	125	15	12	3
Sint Maarten	1398	715	.	.

Source: Social Affairs Service Curaçao

7. Welfare Benefits and Free Medical Assistance in Bonaire, Saba, Sint Eustatius and Sint Maarten, 2008				
	Bonaire	Saba	Sint Eustatius	Sint Maarten
Number of persons receiving welfare benefits	320	40	23	.
Total amount paid (x1000NAf.)	1547	123	.	.
Minimum welfare benefit (Naf) 1)	259	27	40	.
Maximum Welfare benefit (Naf) 1)	810	846	250	.
Source: Social Affairs Services of the islands				
1) per month				

8. Number of Requests for Free Legal Assistance, Curaçao					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Divorce	104	132	128	152	142
Labour conflict	48	56	74	63	64
Other civil cases	176	200	219	235	260
Total	328	388	421	450	466
Source: Directorate of Labour Affairs					

9. Number of Requests for Free Legal Assistance, Bonaire					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Divorce	32	23	42	28	27
Labour conflict	29	32	52	36	26
Other civil cases	71	62	98	83	86
Registered criminal cases	16	14	10	10	1
Total	148	131	202	157	140
Source: Directorate of Labour Affairs					

10. Number of Requests for Free Legal Assistance, Sint Maarten					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Divorce	47	43	31	41	35
Labour conflict	91	95	110	112	119
Other civil cases	93	108	103	85	80
Criminal cases	78	125	132	106	178
Picket	199	350	296	262	351
Total	508	721	672	606	763
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.

Besides the police figures this section contains tables presenting some results of the victim survey held in the past years, of which the most recent one was in 2008.

Although more people have been victimized during the years, the experience for Bonaire and Curaçao is of a less recent nature. Theft characterizes crime in Bonaire, Curacao and Sint Maarten. In Curaçao the percentage of victims that did report a crime, remained more or less the same. For Bonaire and Sint Maarten the percentage has dropped, compared to the last survey.

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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	2004	2005	2006
Extortion (incl.with use of fire arms)			1	21	30	
Threat (with use of fire arms)	1	1	7	124	137	148
Incendiarism		1	3	5	6	6
Theft with violence		9	14	222	256	258
Qualified theft		5	2	967	1046	985
Theft from car				159	276	353
Stock theft						
Murder/Homiced		2		11	10	18
Theft	10	5	1	394	489	441
Abuse	4	1		121	112	160
Receiving						
Import false money						
Abuse with weapon	4	10	5	103	89	119
Public violence		2		22	39	44
Swindling		3	1	27	23	32
Murder/Homicide attempt		14	8	11	9	7
Forgery				4		
Vandalism	1			115	155	151
Embezzlement	1			19	17	20
Fire arm decree		3	1			
Arm decree		.				
Offences against morality	11	4	2	52	26	44
Other crimes	35	68	50	21	21	8

Source:
1) Police Force of Bonaire
2) Police Force of St.Maarten

3. Victim of a crime ever, and in 1 year				
	%			
	1995		2008	
	ever	in 1 year	ever	in 1 year
Bonaire	58.4	36.0	71.5	26.9
Curaçao	71.0	39.0	80.1	26.3
	1992		2008	
Sint Maarten	46.7	24.3	71.6	27.5

Source: Victims Survey 2008

4. Willingness of victims to report crime				
	%			
	1995		2008	
	did report	did not report	did report	did not report
Bonaire	50	50	39	61
Curaçao	45	55	46	54
	1992		2008	
Sint Maarten	41	59	31	69

Source: Victims Survey 2008

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5. Victim of a crime ever (1981-2008) Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten

	%											
	Bonaire				Curaçao				Sint Maarten			
	1981	1992	1995	2008	1981	1992	1995	2008	1981	1992	1995	2008
Theft of the car	3.3	1.7	0.7	7.0	3.6	3.4	7.9	11.8	-	2.0		13.1
Theft from car/or car parts	6.7	8.7	9.4	18.3	18.4	19.5	27.2	30.5	22.7	9.0		21.8
Car vandalism			6.0	14.5			11.3	14.1				11.7
Burglary	5.2	16.0	16.8	24.1	18.3	29.0	33.5	27.3	12.5	21.0		16.6
Intent of burglary			14.8	11.6			14.7	13.5				
Theft from garden/porch/yard		20.0	18.1	19.8		20.8	26.2	21.6		13.0		13.4
Robbery (with violence) and personal theft	12.3	12.3	10.7	14.3	10.2	8.7	15.5	13.5	8.7	9.9		14.0
Vandalism	2.1	1.7	6.0	8.2	8.4	7.5	7.8	8.8	1.9	5.8		4.0
Assault/threat			8.1	8.2			7.1	6.5				8.2
Hit and run	2.1	1.7	5.4	5.6	3.4	4.6	5.8	5.3	2.9	5.0		7.2
Other crime	1.0	-	0.7	3.4	2.1	-	1.5	2.5	2.9	-		1.8

Source: Victims Survey 2008

6. Victim of a crime in 1 year Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten

	%											
	Bonaire				Curaçao				Sint Maarten			
	80/81	91/92	1995	07/08	80/81	91/92	1995	07/08	80/81	91/92	1995	07/08
Theft of the car	-	0.0	-	1.2	1.2	1.4	1.2	1.5	-	0.5		4.9
Theft from car/or car parts	3.3	2.6	4.7	6.5	9.1	8.0	9.0	7.1	7.6	4.6		9.1
Car vandalism			3.4	5.3			3.9	3.7				7.2
Burglary	3.1	5.2	5.4	6.0	7.3	9.0	8.9	5.7	5.8	8.3		5.6
Intent of burglary			10.1	2.9			5.4	4.0				3.7
Theft from garden/porch/yard		8.7	8.1	7.6		8.8	10.0	6.7		6.6		6.8
Robbery (with violence) and personal theft	6.2	5.2	4.1	4.5	4.4	2.6	4.4	3.4	5.8	3.6		5.1
Vandalism	-	0.9	2.0	3.0	3.1	3.4	2.6	2.4	-	2.8		2.2
Assault/threat			4.0	3.5			3.3	1.9				3.7
Hit and run	-	0.9	2.8	1.7	0.8	1.0	1.9	1.6	-	1.6		2.9
Other crime	1.0		0.7	1.3	2.1	0.6	0.4	0.9	2.9	0.5		0.9

Source: Victims Survey 2008

7. Willingness of victims to report crime per type of crime Bonaire, Curaçao and Sint Maarten

	%					
	Bonaire		Curaçao		Sint Maarten	
	1995	2008	1995	2008	1995	2008
Theft of the car	100.0	92.9	94.9	94.8	81.8	90.0
Theft from car/or car parts	38.5	43.1	38.8	49.0	35.3	44.4
Car vandalism	37.5	38.4	29.9	47.3		50.0
Burglary	87.0	73.1	72.1	79.0	60.2	63.3
Intent of burglary	45.0	38.6	31.1	34.5		28.6
Theft from garden/porch/yard	40.7	27.8	13.6	18.8	13.7	17.6
Robbery (with violence) and personal theft	46.2	43.6	29.1	65.0	46.4	37.9
Vandalism	12.5	44.4	38.1	37.2	33.3	29.6
Assault/threat	50.0	54.8	48.8	63.8	27.8	35.7
Hit and run	75.0	59.5	64.0	63.8	35.7	59.9
Other crime	100.0	57.7	52.0	71.4	50.0	64.4

Source: Victims Survey 2008

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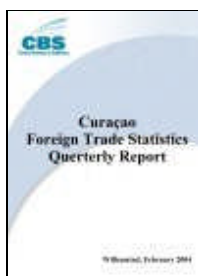
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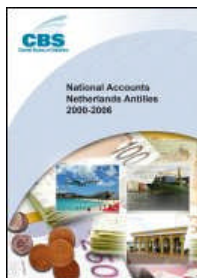
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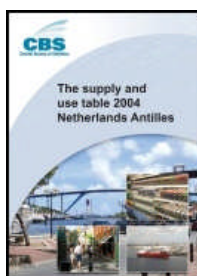
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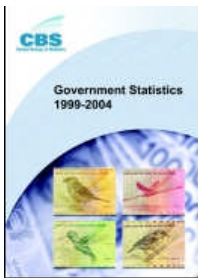
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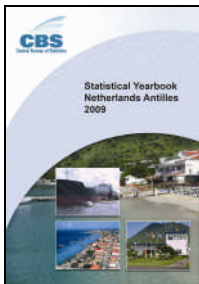
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