

NETHERLA

NDS ANTILLES

CAPITAL:..... Willemstad

AREA AND CLIMATE

Area..... 800 km²

Average temperature 2007 in degrees-centigrade

Leeward Islands 28.0
Windward Islands 26.9

Precipitation 2007 in millimeters

Leeward Islands 552
Max. monthly precipitation in December 125
Min. monthly precipitation in March 0

Windward Islands 1,289
Max. monthly precipitation in October 266
Min. monthly precipitation in April 27

Sunshine in 2007 (yearly average between 6.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m.)

Leeward Islands 70.1 %
Windward Islands 70.6 %

Average wind speed 2007

Leeward Islands 5.5 m/s
Windward Islands 4.3 m/s

POPULATION

Total population per December 2007 197,184
Population density 246
Population growth, 2007 1.9 %

Age distribution per December 2006

		%
- under 20 year.....	57,749	30.1
- 20-64 years.....	115,732	60.3
- 65 years and over.....	18,299	9.6

Households per December 2007..... 76,171

Life expectancy at birth (period 1998-2002)

Male	72.1
Female	78.7

VITAL STATISTICS

		Per 1000 inhabitants
Live births (2007).....	2,554	13
Deaths (2007).....	1,337	7
Marriages (2007).....	1,256	6
Divorces (2007).....	539	3

PUBLIC HEALTH

Hospital beds 2001.....	1,343	7
Physicians 2001.....	333	2

Dentists 2001	60	0.3
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LIVING ACCOMODATIONS FACILITIES (Census 2001)

		%
Telephone Connections	44	
Portable Telephones	43	
Television.....	92	
Personal Computer	25	
Internet Connection	15	

EDUCATION 1)

Literacy rate (Census 2001).....	3.6 %
Drop-out rate (Census 2001).....	42.0 %

Students (full-time education, 2006/2007)

- Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	25,955
- Special Primary Education	1,284
- Special Secondary Education	1,222
- Secondary Education	14,073
- Senior Secondary Education	3,558
- Teacher Training College (APK).....	163
- University of the Netherlands Antilles	1,954
- University of Sint Maarten	206

1) Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here

LABOUR

(census 2001)

	total	male	female
economically active population	81,558	41,588	39,970
employed	69,682	36,400	33,282
unemployed	11,876	5,188	6,688
unemployment rate	14.6%	12.5%	16.8%

Employment per sector (Census 2001)

		%
- agriculture, fishing and mining.....	572	0.8
- manufacturing	4,619	6.6
- electricity, gas and water	1,131	1.6
- construction.....	5,335	7.7
- trade, restaurants and hotels.....	19,002	27.3
- transport, storage and communication.....	5,410	7.8
- banking, insurance and business services	10,103	14.5
- other services.....	23,510	33.7
Total.....	69,682	100.0

TRADE

Foreign trade (2007; NAf. mln) Curaçao and Bonaire

- imports, excl. oil and oil products	2,048
- exports, excl. oil and oil products	208

PRODUCTION

Electricity production, 2007 (mln. KWh).....	1,282
Water production, 2007 (x1000 M3).....	19,372

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT

Passenger cars registered, Curaçao and Bonaire, 2007	75,362
Ships piloted into ports, Curaçao and Bonaire (2007)	
-number	3,767
-tonnage (x1000 grt.).....	61,929

TOURISM

Stay-over tourism, Curaçao, Bonaire and St. Maarten, 2007 (x1000)	
- number of tourists	844
Cruise tourists, Curaçao, Bonaire and St. Maarten , 2007 (x1000).....	1,860
Cruise ships, Curaçao, Bonaire and St. Maarten, 2007.....	966

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Domestic product by sector and by kind of economic activity, Neth. Antilles (2007); (market prices)

Enterprises:		mIn Naf
ISIC	Kind of economic activity	
ABC	Agriculture, fishing and mining	48.3
D	Manufacturing.....	355.4
E	Electricity, gas and water	300.6
F	Construction	370.3
G	Trade.....	852.0
H	Hotels and restaurants.....	247.9
I	Transport, storage and communication	564.5
J	Financial intermediation	985.1
K	Real estate, renting, business activities	449.2
M	Education private	22.7
N+O	Health, social work and other services.....	383.9
	Value added, gross, market prices	4579.9

Government incl. Social Security

Value added, gross, market prices 778.3

Total Value Added, gross, market prices 5,239.1

Taxes less subsidies on products 549.0

Domestic Product gross, market prices 5,665.0

MONEY AND BANKING

Exchange rate since May 1987 to date: US\$ 1.00 =NAf. 1.78

Net international reserves (December, 2007; NAf mln)..... 2,122

Domestic money supply (December, 2007; NAf. mln)..... 3,962

Total money supply (December, 2007; NAf. mln)..... 6,083

MONEY AND BANKING (cont.)

Savings (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	1,531
Demand deposits (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	1,994
Time deposits (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	2,254
Total private sector deposits (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	5,498
Business loans (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	2,965
Mortgages (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	1,497
Consumer loans (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	1,188
Total loans to private sector (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	4,275
Loans to government (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	-
Total domestic loans (December, 2007; NAf. mln).....	4,275
Government bonds, effective yield (December, 2007).....	7.5 %

PUBLIC FINANCE

Total tax revenues (2007; NAf. mln).....	1,438
- indirect tax revenues (2007; NAf. mln).....	709
- direct tax revenues (2007; NAf. mln).....	770

BONAIRE

CAPITAL: Kralendijk

AREA AND CLIMATE

Area 288 km²

Precipitation 2007 in millimeters 405

 Max. Monthly precipitation was in December 91

POPULATION

 Total population per December 2007 12,103

 Population density 42

 Population growth, 2007 5.0 %

Age distribution per December 2007 %

 - Under 20 years 3,675 30.3

 - 20-64 years 7,355 60.8

 - 65 years and over 1,073 8.9

Households per December 2007 4,940

VITAL STATISTICS

**per 1000
inhabitants**

 Live births (2007) 180 15

 Deaths (2007) 77 6

 Marriages (2007) 76 6

 Divorces (2007) 48 4

 Registered arrivals (2007) 1,275 105

 Registered departures (2007) 800 66

PUBLIC HEALTH

 Hospital beds (2001) 40 4.0

 Physicians (2001) 17 1.7

 Dentists (2001) 2 0.2

LIVING ACCOMODATIONS FACILITIES (Census 2001) %

 Telephone Connections 53

 Portable Telephones 63

 Television 94

 Personal Computer 29

 Internet Connection 16

EDUCATION 1)

 Literacy rate (Census 2001) 3.3 %

 Drop-out rate (Census 2001) 39.7 %

 Students (full-time education, 2006/2007) 3,409

 - Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2 1,779

 - Special Primary Education 64

 - Basic Secondary Education 417

 - Secondary Education 974

 - Senior Secondary Vocational Education 121

 - Special Secondary Education 54

1) Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here

LABOUR

(Labour Force Sample Survey 2006)

	total	male	female
economically active population	6,128	3,146	2,982
employed	5,647	2,941	2,706
unemployed	481	205	276
unemployment rate	7.8%	6.5%	9.3%

Employment per sector, 2006 (3-year moving average)

		%
- agriculture, fishing, and mining.....	79	1.4
- manufacturing	172	3.0
- electricity, gas and water	92	1.6
- construction.....	577	10.2
- Trade, restaurants and hotels.....	1,740	30.8
- transport, storage and communication.....	433	7.7
- banking, insurance and business services	517	9.2
- other services.....	2,037	36.1
Total.....	5,647	100.0

Minimum wages (per September 1st, 2008, hourly: Naf)

- All categories	6.27
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TRADE

Foreign trade (2007; Naf mln.)

- imports, total	153
- exports, total	19

PRODUCTION

Electricity production,2007 (mln kWh)	74
Water production, 2007 (x1000 M3).....	1,100
Buildings completed 2007	393
- of which dwellings	195
Estimated construction value (Naf. 1000).....	132,042

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT

Passenger cars registered (2007).....	4,847
Ships piloted into ports (2007)	
- number	729
- tonnage (x1000 grt).....	15,249
Landings of aircrafts (2007)	16,012
Passenger arrivals and departures by air, 2007 x1000).....	514

TOURISM

Stay-over tourism (x1000)	
- number of tourists, 2007	74
- number of nights, 2007	696
Cruise tourists, 2007 (x1000)	98

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Domestic product by sector and by kind of economic activity, Bonaire (2007); (market prices)

Enterprises:		mln Naf
ISIC	Kind of economic activity	
ABC	Agriculture, fishing and mining	11.1
D	Manufacturing.....	9.2
E	Electricity, gas and water	22.0
F	Construction	14.8
G	Trade.....	41.5
H	Hotels and restaurants.....	38.0
I	Transport, storage and communication	48.7
J	Financial intermediation	23.1
K+M	Real estate, renting, business activities and Education private	18.2
N+O	Health, social work and other services.....	42.8
Value added, gross, market prices		269.5
Government incl. Social Security		
Value added, gross, market prices		37.9
Total Value Added, gross, market prices		323.9
Taxes less subsidies on products		36.3
Domestic Product gross, market prices		354.0

PRICES

Price index numbers of the household consumption, average of 12 months

base October 2006 =100

- 2003	95.1	0.8
- 2004	96.9	1.8
- 2005	98.2	1.3
- 2006	99.4	1.3
- 2007	101.2	1.8

CURAÇAO

CAPITAL: Willemstad

AREA AND CLIMATE

Area 444 km²

Average temperature 2007 in degrees centigrade:..... 28.0

Precipitation 2007 in millimeters 552

Max. monthly precipitation was in December 125

Min. monthly precipitation was in March 0

Sunshine in 2007

(yearly average between (6.00 am and 6.00 pm):..... 70.1 %

Average wind speed 2007 5.5 m/s

POPULATION

Total population per December 2007 140,796

Population density 317

Population growth, 2007 1.4 %

Age distribution per December 2007 %

- under 20 years 41,215 29.3

- 20-64 years 83,055 60.0

- 65 years and over..... 16,526 11.7

Households per December 2007..... 53,580

VITAL STATISTICS

**per 1000
inhabitants**

Live births (2007) 1,862 13

Deaths (2007)..... 1,107 8

Marriages (2007) 950 7

Divorces (2007) 367 31

Registered departures (2007)..... 4,585 33

PUBLIC HEALTH

Hospital beds (2001) 1,190 9

Physicians (2001) 267 2

Dental professionals (2001) 53 0.4

LIVING ACCOMODATIONS FACILITIES (Census 2001) %

Telephone Connections 76

Portable Telephones 61

Television..... 96

Personal Computer..... 33

Internet Connection 21

EDUCATION 1)

Literacy rate (Census 2001).....	3.6 %
Drop-out rate (Census 2001).....	41.8 %
Students (full-time education, 2006/2007)	36,069
- Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	18,885
- Special Primary Education	1,095
- Basic Secondary Education	4,141
- Secondary Education	5,442
- Senior Secondary Vocational Education.....	3,437
- Special Secondary Education	952
- Teacher Training College (APK).....	163
- University of the Netherlands Antilles	1,954

1) Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here

LABOUR

(Labor Force Sample Survey 2007)

	total	male	female
economically active population	61,125	29,391	31,734
employed	53,779	26,478	27,301
unemployed	7,346	2,913	4,433
unemployment rate	12.0%	9.9%	14.0%

Employment per sector 2007 (3-year moving average)

		%
- agriculture, fishing and mining	747	1.4
- manufacturing.....	3,563	6.6
- electricity, gas and water	822	1.5
- construction.....	4,157	7.7
- trade, restaurants and hotels.....	13,917	26.0
- transport, storage and communication.....	3,226	6.0
- banking, insurance and business services	9,480	17.6
- other services.....	17,867	33.2
Total.....	53,779	100.0

Minimum wages (per September 1st 2008, hourly: NAF)

- All categories	7.30
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TRADE

Foreign trade (2007: NAF. mln)

- imports, excl. oil and oil products	1,895
- exports, excl. oil and oil products.....	189

PRODUCTION

Construction industry (2007)

Buildings completed.....	978
of which dwellings	503
Estimated construction value of buildings (NAF. 1000)	317,876
Electricity production 2007 (mln. kWh)	844
Water production 2007 (x1000 M3)	13,683

TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT

Passenger cars registered (2007)	70,515
Ships piloted into ports (2007)	
- number	3,038
- tonnage (x1000 grt).....	55,554
Containers movement TEUS (2007).....	97,271
Landings of aircrafts (2007)	20,760
Passenger arrivals and departures by air, 2007 (x1000)	1,133

TOURISM

Stay-over tourism, 2007 (x1000)	
- number of tourists	300
- number of nights	2,560
Cruise tourists, 2007 (x1000)	341
Hotel occupancy rate (2007)	83.4

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Domestic product by sector and by kind of economic activity, Curaçao (2007); (market prices)

Enterprises:		mln Naf
ISIC	Kind of economic activity	
ABC	Agriculture, fishing and mining	30.1
D	Manufacturing.....	311.9
E	Electricity, gas and water	203.0
F	Construction	208.0
G	Trade.....	534.4
H	Hotels and restaurants.....	117.5
I	Transport, storage and communication	386.6
J	Financial intermediation.....	855.1
K	Real estate, renting, business activities and other services	328.1
M	Education Private.....	14.4
N	Health and social work.....	170.6
O	Other community, social and personal service activities	69.6
	Value added, gross, market prices	3,229.4
Government incl. Social Security		
	Value added, gross, market prices	63.2
	Total Value Added, gross, market prices	3,861,6
	Taxes less subsidies on products	432,3
	Domestic Product gross, market prices	4,193.9

PRICES

Price index numbers of the household consumption, average of 12 months

base October 2006 =100		%
- 2003	91.2	1.6
- 2004	92.5	1.4
- 2005	96.3	4.1
- 2006	99.3	3.1
- 2007	102.3	3.0

SABA

CAPITAL: The Bottom

AREA AND CLIMATE

Area 13 km²

Precipitation 2007 in millimeters 1,062

Max. monthly precipitation was in October 299

POPULATION

Total population per December 2008 1,601

Population density 123

Population growth, 2008 4.2 %

Age distribution per December 2008 %

- under 20 years 23.7

- 20-64 years 66.1

- 65 years and over 10.2

Households per 1st January 2008 493

VITAL STATISTICS

	per 1000 inhabitants
Live births (2008)	15 9
Deaths (2008)	9 6
Marriages (2008)	9 6
Divorces (2008)	5 3
Registered immigration (2008)	337 209
Registered emigration (2008)	282 124

PUBLIC HEALTH

Hospital beds 2001 14 10

Physicians 2001 1 1

Dentists 2001 0 0

LIVING ACCOMODATIONS FACILITIES (Census 2001)

Telephone Connections 78 %

Portable Telephones 21

Television 90

Personal Computer 38

Internet Connection 26

EDUCATION 1)

Literacy rate (Census 2001) 3.3 %

Drop-out rate (Census 2001) 51.0 %

Students (full-time education, 2006/2007) 585

Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2 156

Basic Secondary Education 54

Secondary Education 51

Medical University 324

1) Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here

LABOUR (Census 2001)

	total	male	female
economically active population	637	346	291
employed	598	329	269
unemployed	39	17	22
unemployment rate	6.1%	4.9%	7.6%

Employment per sector (Census 2001)

		%
- agriculture, fishing and mining.....	16	2.7
- manufacturing	11	1.8
- electricity, gas and water	11	1.8
- construction.....	75	12.5
- trade, restaurants and hotels.....	144	24.1
- transport, storage and communication.....	35	5.9
- banking, insurance and business services	30	5.0
- other services.....	276	46.2
Total.....	598	100.0

Minimum wages (per September 1st 2008, hourly: Naf)

- All categories	6.26
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PRODUCTION

Electricity production, 2008 (mln. kWh).....	7.7
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NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Gross Domestic Product (mln Naf)	2002	2003	2004
	32.2	33.6	35.9

ST. EUSTATIUS

CAPITAL: Oranjestad

AREA AND CLIMATE

Area 21 km²

Precipitation 2007 in millimeters 686

Max. monthly precipitation was in December 126

POPULATION

Total population per December 2008 2,768

Population density 132

Population growth 2008 1.1 %

Age distribution per December 2008 %

under 20 years 29.5

20-64 years 63.0

65 years and over 7.5

Households per 1st January 2008 939

VITAL STATISTICS

		per 1000 inhabitants
Live births (2008)	29	12
Deaths (2008)	14	7
Marriages (2006)	18	7
Divorces (2006)	4	2
Registered immigration (2008)	273	91
Registered emigration (2008)	183	71

PUBLIC HEALTH

Hospital beds 2001 20 9

Physicians 2001 3 1

Dentists 2001 0 0

LIVING ACCOMODATIONS FACILITIES (Census 2001)

Telephone Connections 57 %

Portable Telephones 16

Television 92

Personal Computer 25

Internet Connection 14

EDUCATION 1)

Literacy rate (Census 2001) 2.2 %

Drop-out rate (Census 2001) 46.4 %

Students (full-time education, 200/2007) 644

Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2 322

Basic Secondary Education 111

Secondary Education 97

Medical University 114

1) Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here

LABOUR**(Census 2001)**

	total	male	female
economically active population	1134	620	514
employed	1038	576	462
unemployed	96	44	52
unemployment rate	8.5%	7.1%	10.1%

Employment per sector (Census 2001)

		%
-agriculture, fishing and mining.....	14	1.3
-manufacturing	31	3.0
-electricity, gas and water	14	1.3
-construction.....	102	9.8
-trade, restaurants and hotels.....	299	28.8
-transport, storage and communication.....	69	6.7
-banking, insurance and business services	87	8.4
-other services.....	422	40.7
Total.....	1,038	100.0

Minimum wages (per September 1st 2008, hourly: Naf)

- All categories	5.95
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PRODUCTION

Electricity production 2008 (mln. kWh).....	11.1
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NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Gross Domestic Product (mln Naf)	2002	2003	2004
	81.3	88.7	96.4

ST. MAARTEN

CAPITAL: Philipsburg

AREA AND CLIMATE

Area 34 km²

Average temperature 2007 in degrees-centigrade 26.9

Precipitation 2007 in millimeters 1,289

Max. monthly precipitation was in October 266

Sunshine in 2007

(yearly average between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm) 70.6 %

Average wind speed 2007 4.3 m/s

POPULATION

Total population per December 2007 40,007

Population density 1,177

Population growth, 2007 2.8 %

Age distribution per December 2007

- under 20 years 12,164 30.4 %

- 20-64 years 26,538 66.3

- 65 years an over 1,305 3.3

Households per December 2007 16,219

VITAL STATISTICS

**per 1000
inhabitants**

Live births (2007) 463 12

Deaths (2007) 127 3

Marriages (2007) 202 5

Divorces (2007) 112 3

Registered arrivals (2007) 1,818 45

Registered departures (2007) 1,074 27

PUBLIC HEALTH

Hospital beds (2001) 79 2.5

Physicians (2001) 45 1.4

Dentists (2001) 5 0.2

LIVING ACCOMODATIONS FACILITIES (Census 2001)

%

Telephone Connections 44

Portable Telephones 43

Television 92

Personal Computer 25

Internet Connection 15

PRODUCTION

Electricity production, 2007 (mln. kWh)	344.6
Water production, 2007 (x1000 M3)	4,589

EDUCATION 1)

Literacy rate (Census 2001).....	4.2 %
Drop-out rate (Census 2001).....	42.9 %

Students (full-time education, 2006/2007)	8,146
- Foundation Based Education cycle 1+2	4,813
- Special Primary Education	125
- Basic Secondary Education	966
- Secondary Education	1,820
- Special Secondary Education	216
- University of Sint Maarten	206

1) Note: Education not subsidized by the Governments is not mentioned here

LABOUR (Labour Force sample survey 2007)

	total	male	female
economically active population	23,166	12,245	10,921
employed	20,720	11,310	9,410
unemployed	2,446	935	1,511
unemployment rate	10.6%	7.6%	13.8%

Employment per sector, 2007 (3-year moving average)

		%
- agriculture, fishing and mining.....	227	1.1
- manufacturing	622	3.0
- electricity, gas and water	285	1.4
- construction.....	2,248	10.8
- trade, restaurants and hotels.....	7,191	34.6
- transport, storage and communication.....	1,784	8.6
- banking, insurance and business services	2,638	12.7
- other services.....	5,775	27.8
Total.....	20,770	100.0

Minimum wages (1 January 2007, hourly: NAF)

- All categories	7.96
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TOURISM

Stay-over tourism, 2007 (x1000)	
- number of tourists	469
- Cruise tourists, 2007 (x1000)	1,422

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

Domestic product by sector and by kind of economic activity, Windward Islands (2007); (market prices)

Enterprises:		mIn Naf
ISIC	Kind of economic activity	
ABC	Agriculture, fishing and mining	6.8
D	Manufacturing	31.9
E	Electricity, gas and water	70.4
F	Construction	137.3
G	Trade	258.7
H	Hotels and restaurants	86.0
I	Transport, storage and communication	120.4
J	Financial intermediation	104.4
K	Real estate, renting and business activities	95.8
M	Education private	7.7
N	Health and social work	24.3
O	Other community, social and personal activities	69.8
Value added, gross, market prices		1013.3
Government incl. Social Security		
Value added, gross, market prices		133.9
Total Value Added, gross, market prices		1,241.2
Taxes less subsidies on products		94.6
Domestic Product gross, market prices		1,309.0

PRICES

Price index numbers of the household consumption, average of 12 months

base October 2006 =100		%
- 2003	92.8	1.6
- 2004	94.8	2.1
- 2005	97.7	3.1
- 2006	100.0	2.3
- 2007	102.3	2.3