

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN

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The National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) is delighted to present the official Results of the modelled Population Estimation Survey 2021(PES 2021).

The Population Estimation Survey 2021 was conducted from 28th May to 15th June, 2021 in the ten (10) states and three Administrative Areas. The Survey is to provide accurate population estimates and other demographic and socio- economic characteristics of the inhabitants.

The Population Estimation Survey (PES 2021) counted all people who were present within the boundaries of South Sudan during the reference night.

The counting was done in the selected sites within the Ten (10) states and the three (3) administrative Areas, based on the satellite imagery. The Population Estimation Survey includes Internal Displaced Persons (IDPs/POCs) and excludes South Sudanese Refugees as well as foreign Refugees inside South Sudan.

The Survey results will be used for development Planning, decision –making and provision of services; monitoring the performance of National Development strategy as well as the sustainable Development Goals; drafting policy briefs for policy makers; and reference points for research

In September 2022, the Economic Cluster, chaired by His Excellency the Vice President of the Republic of South Sudan and Chairman of Economic Cluster, approved the modelled Population Estimation Results and passed the same to Council of Ministers.

On March 10, 2023, the National Council of Ministers, chaired by His Excellency the President of the Republic of South Sudan, endorsed and approved the final Population Estimation Survey 2021 Results.

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On April 6, 2023, the Hon Minister of Finance & Planning, formally and officially launched the modelled Population Estimation Survey Results.

Note: The Survey Results will not be used for Elections.

- 12,444,018 people were estimated in South Sudan's population Estimation Survey 2021.
- Warrap State has the largest population in South Sudan with 2.6 million estimated;
- Abyei Administrative Area has the smallest population with 133,958 estimated

State/Administrative Area	Modelled Population Estimates
Upper Nile	790,147
Jonglei	791,105
Unity	892,780
Western Bahr El Ghazal	562,555
Northern Bahr el Ghazal	1,924,342
Warrap	2,639,484
Lakes	1,265,473
Central Equatoria	1,324,521
Eastern Equatoria	981,902
Western Equatoria	663,233
Greater Pibor Administrative Area	240,102
Ruweng Administrative Area	234,416
Abyei Administrative Area	133,958
Total	12,444,018

In terms of sex disaggregation, the estimates indicate that there are 6,582,929 (52.9 %) Females and 5,861,089 (47.1%) Males.

The Population Estimation Survey indicates the South Sudan has a young population of 70.6% under the age of 30 years old; Working Age Population (15-64) at 52.2% and Non-working Age Population (0-14 and 65 and above) constituting 47.7%. This sex and age structure implies that South Sudan needs to make more investments in building productive skills of women and young people if the country is to benefit from the demographic dividends.

Next steps after approval and launch

- Data Analysis
- Compilation of thematic reports and user cases
- Compilation of the main report, publication and dissemination of PES 2021 in ten States and three Administrative Areas.

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