

# Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of January 1, 2026

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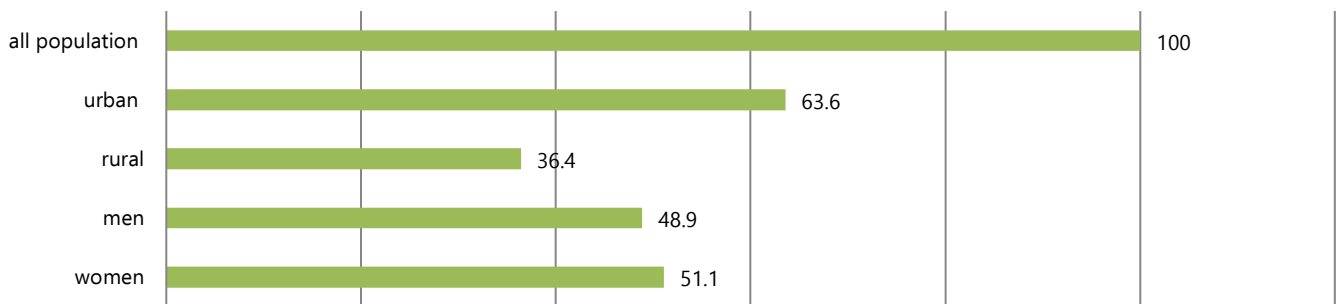
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## 1. Key points

- All population – 20495975 people;
- Urban – 13029803 people;
- Rural – 7466172 people;
- Men – 10018735 people;
- Women – 10477240 people.

Population by gender and type of locality as of January 1, 2026

people, in percentage

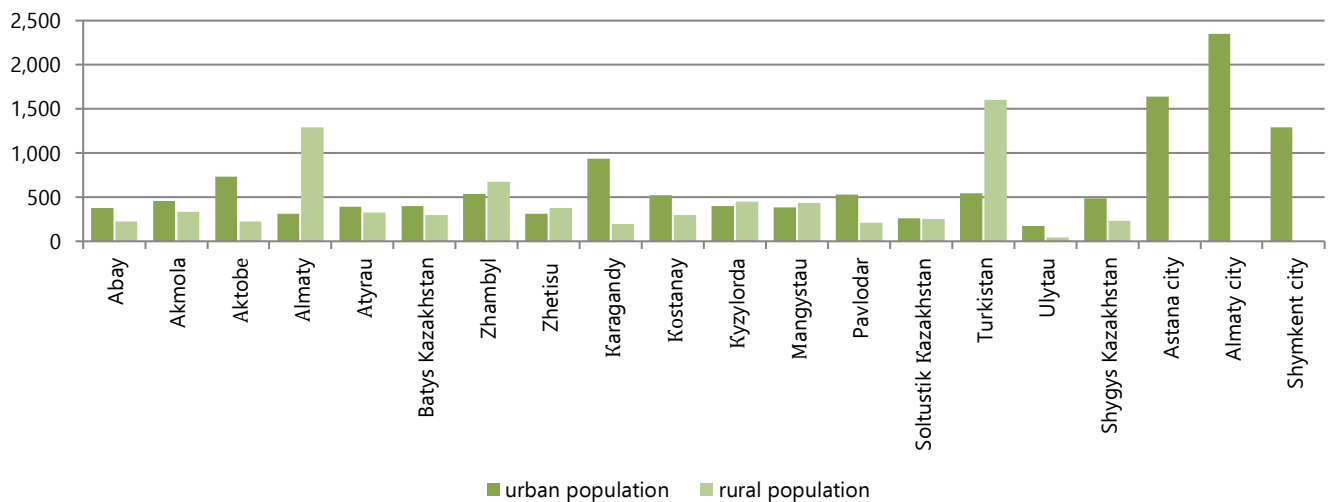


## Spreadsheets

[Population as of January 1, 2025](#)

Population by region

thousands of people



The share of urban population is highest in Karagandy (82.5%), Ulytau (79.5%) and Aktobe (76.3%), and least in Almaty (19.3%), Turkistan (25.4%) and Zhambyl (44.3%) regions.

## 2. Dynamic tables

by years:

[Population](#)

[Average annual number](#)

[Population by single year of age](#)

by month:

[Population](#)

## 3. Glossary

Population – the number of people living in a given area at a given time;

Total population growth (decrease) is the algebraic sum of natural growth(decrease)and migration growth(decrease) of the population;

Migration increase (decrease) of the population – the difference between the number of arrivals over a certain period to the territory of the region and the number of departures outside it;

Natural population growth (decrease) – the difference between the number of live births and the number of deaths over a certain period.

## 4. Methodological explanations

Population – the number of people living in a given area at a given time. Current estimates at the beginning of the year are calculated based on the results of the last population census, to which the numbers of those born and those who arrived for permanent residence in this territory are added annually and the numbers of those who died and left for permanent residence from this territory are subtracted. Current estimates of the population over the past years are updated based on the results of the next census.

Calculations of the total population are made in Kazakhstan as a whole and its separate administrative-territorial units (urban settlements, urban areas, administrative districts). The calculations take into account the increase or decrease in the population of individual territories as a result of changes in their borders, as well as changes in the number of urban and rural populations as a result of administrative and territorial transformations.

The population is divided into urban and rural populations. Urban population – the population living in urban settlements. Urban settlements include cities of republican, regional and district significance, as well as settlements located on the territory of their administrative subordination. Rural population – the population living in rural areas. Localities that are not classified as urban are considered rural.

## 5. Useful links

[Methodology for calculating indicators of population size and structure](#)

[Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan by gender and age groups, Quality report](#)

[Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan by individual ethnic groups, Quality report](#)

[Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Quality Report](#)

[Population of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Information and analytical system «Taldau»](#)

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