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Population in Brief is an annual publication providing key updates and trends on Singapore's population.

Its goal is to promote understanding of the factors that contribute to a sustainable population in Singapore. A sustainable population is one that is balanced across the three pillars of a **strong and cohesive society** with Singaporeans at its heart, a **dynamic and vibrant economy** to provide good jobs and opportunities for Singaporeans, and a **high quality living environment**.

Key highlights of the past year:



In 2018, there were 23,632 citizen marriages, compared to the 24,417 citizen marriages in 2017. Over the last five years (2014 to 2018), there were about 24,000 citizen marriages on average each year, higher than the average of 21,900 each year in the previous five years (2009 to 2013).



There were 32,413 citizen births in 2018, compared to the 32,356 citizen births in 2017. Over the last five years (2014 to 2018), there were about 33,000 citizen births on average each year, higher than the average of 31,400 each year in the previous five years (2009 to 2013). The resident total fertility rate fell from 1.16 in 2017 to 1.14 in 2018.



The citizen population grew by 0.8%, to reach 3.50 million citizens as of Jun 2019. The citizen population continues to age, with 16.0% aged 65 and above compared with 15.2% last year. The permanent resident population remained relatively stable at 0.53 million as of Jun 2019.



The non-resident population grew by 2.0%, to reach 1.68 million as of Jun 2019. This was mainly attributed to foreign employment growth due to sustained growth in Services and the turnaround in Construction. By pass type, foreign employment growth was mainly driven by an increase in Work Permit Holders.



Overall, Singapore's total population stands at 5.70 million as of Jun 2019. The total population grew by 1.2% from Jun 2018 to Jun 2019.

KEY INDICATORS



| OVERALL POPULATION ('000) | JUN 2018 | JUN 2019 |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Citizen population | 3,471.9 | 3,500.9 |
| Permanent resident (PR) population | 522.3 | 525.3 |
| Resident population | 3,994.3 | 4,026.2 |
| Non-resident population | 1,644.4 | 1,677.4 |
| Total population | 5,638.7 | 5,703.6 |
| AGE PROFILE OF CITIZENS | JUN 2018 | JUN 2019 |
| Proportion aged 65 and above (%) | 15.2 | 16.0 |
| Citizen median age (years) | 41.7 | 42.0 |
| MARRIAGE & PARENTHOOD | | |
| | 2017 | 2018 |
| Number of marriages involving at least one citizen | 24,417 | 23,632 |
| Citizen births | 32,356 | 32,413 |
| Resident total fertility rate ¹ | 1.16 | 1.14 |
| | 2009 - 2013 | 2014 - 2018 |
| Number of marriages involving at least one citizen, five-year average (to nearest hundred) | 21,900 | 24,000 |
| Number of citizen births, five-year average (to nearest hundred) | 31,400 | 33,000 |

Note: The reference period for all data above is as of Jun of the year, except for Marriage & Parenthood data which are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec). Source: Department of Statistics, Immigration & Checkpoints Authority

¹ Total fertility rate refers to the average number of live-births each female would have during her reproductive years (15 – 49 years old) if she were subject to the prevailing age specific fertility rates in the population in the given year.



OVERALL POPULATION

There were 3.50 million Singapore citizens as of Jun 2019. Together with 0.53 million permanent residents (PRs), there were 4.03 million residents. Non-residents totalled 1.68 million, and include dependants, international students, and individuals who are here to work. Overall, Singapore's total population stood at 5.70 million.

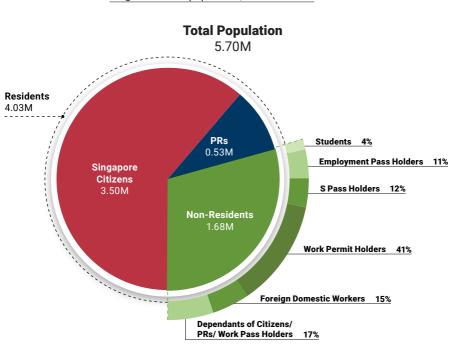
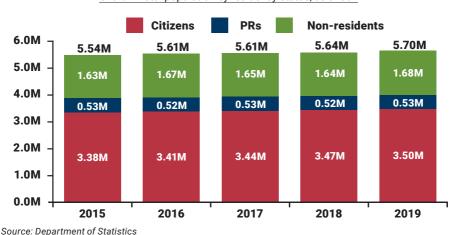


Diagram 1: Total population, as of Jun 2019²

Source: Department of Statistics, Ministry of Manpower Numbers may not sum up due to rounding.

² The figures are based on stock numbers as of end Jun 2019.

<u>Work Permit Holders</u> are mostly in occupations which face difficulties hiring Singaporeans (e.g. construction workers). <u>S Pass Holders</u> are workers providing mid-level and technical skills to fill jobs with local shortfall. <u>Employment Pass Holders</u> work in managerial, executive, or specialised jobs. The citizen population grew by 0.8% over the past year due to citizen births and immigration. The PR population remained relatively stable (Chart 1).

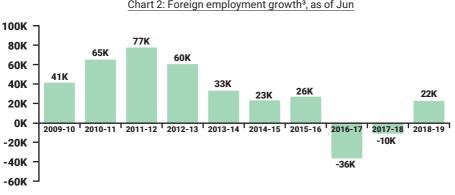


Stable Growth in Citizen Population; Stable PR Population Size

Chart 1: Total population by residency status, as of Jun

Numbers may not sum up due to rounding.

The non-resident population grew by 2.0%, to reach 1.68 million as of Jun 2019. There was an increase in foreign employment over the past year (Chart 2). This was mainly attributed to sustained growth in Services and the turnaround in Construction. By pass type, foreign employment growth was mainly driven by an increase in the number of Work Permit Holders.



Increase in Foreign Employment from Jun 2018 to Jun 2019

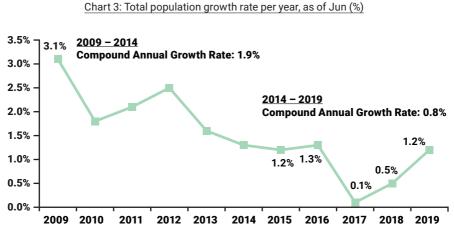
Chart 2: Foreign employment growth³, as of Jun

Source: Ministry of Manpower

³ Foreign domestic workers are excluded in the figures.

Singapore's total population grew by 1.2% from Jun 2018 to Jun 2019. Overall, total population growth rate over the past five years was slower compared to the previous five-year period (Chart 3).

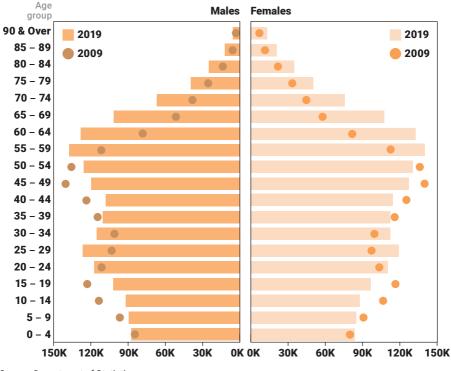
Slower Total Population Growth Rate from 2014-2019, Compared to Previous Five-Year Period



Source: Department of Statistics



With increasing life expectancy and low fertility rates, the proportion of our citizen population aged 65 years and above is rising⁴, and at a faster pace compared to the last decade. Large cohorts of "baby boomers"⁵ have begun entering the post-65 age range (Chart 4).



Large Cohorts of Baby Boomers Entering Post-65 Age Range

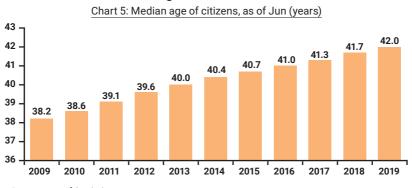
Chart 4: Age profile of citizen population, as of Jun

Source: Department of Statistics

⁴ The benchmark of 65 years aligns with international statistical definitions.

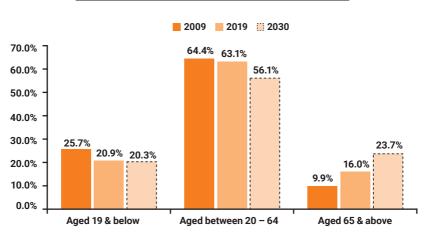
 $^{^5}$ For this publication, "baby boomers" are defined as those born from 1950 to 1964. As such, they would be aged between 45 - 59 in 2009, and 55 - 69 in 2019.

Between 2018 and 2019, the median age of the citizen population rose from 41.7 years to 42.0 years (Chart 5).



Median Age of Citizens Increased

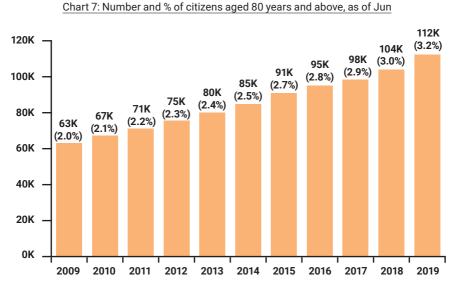
Currently, 63.1% of citizens are aged 20-64 years. This has decreased from 64.4% in 2009, and is projected to decrease further to about 56.1% in 2030. Conversely, the proportion of citizens aged 65 and above has increased from 9.9% in 2009 to 16.0% in 2019. This number is projected to increase to about 23.7% in 2030 (Chart 6).



Fewer Citizens in Age Band of 20-64 Years, More Citizens Aged 65 and Above Chart 6: Citizen population by broad age groups, as of Jun

Source: Department of Statistics

The number of citizens aged 80 and above has also almost doubled over the last decade (Chart 7).

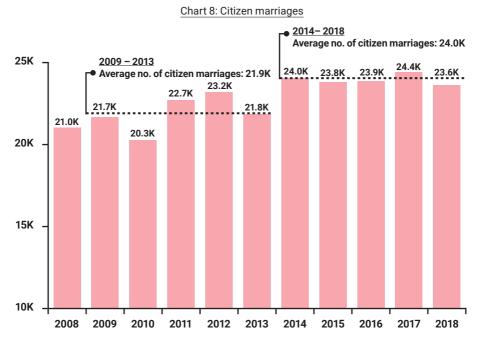


More Citizens Aged 80 and Above

MARRIAGE & PARENTHOOD

There were 23,632 citizen marriages⁶ in 2018, compared to 24,417 citizen marriages in 2017. Over the last five years (2014 to 2018), there were about 24,000 citizen marriages on average each year, higher than the average of 21,900 each year in the previous five years (2009 to 2013, <u>Chart 8</u>). The median age at first marriage in 2018 was 29.9 years for citizen grooms and 28.2 years for citizen brides, similar to the previous five years.

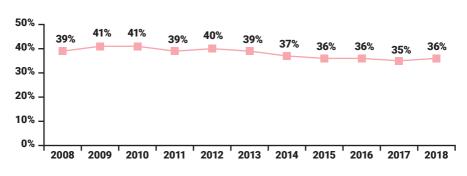
More Citizen Marriages Each Year on Average Between 2014-2018, Compared to Previous Five-Year Period



Source: Department of Statistics The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).

⁶ Citizen marriages refer to marriages involving at least one citizen.

More than 1 in 3 citizen marriages last year involved transnational⁷ couples (<u>Chart 9</u>). About 1 in 5 citizen marriages last year were inter-ethnic⁸ (Chart 10).





Source: Department of Statistics The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).

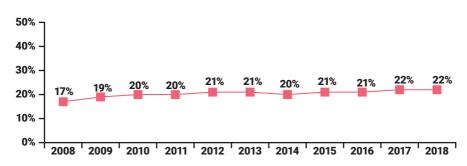


Chart 10: Inter-ethnic marriages as a proportion of citizen marriages

Source: Department of Statistics

The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).

⁷ Transnational marriages refer to marriages involving one citizen and one non-citizen (i.e. permanent resident or non-resident).

⁸ Inter-ethnic marriages refer to marriages between persons of different races.

There were 32,413 citizen births⁹ in 2018, compared to 32,356 in 2017. Over the last five years (2014 to 2018), there were about 33,000 citizen births on average each year, higher than the average of 31,400 each year in the previous five years (2009 to 2013, <u>Chart 11</u>). The median age of citizen mothers at first birth was 30.4 years in 2018. This remains similar to the median age of 30.3 years in 2017.

More Citizen Births Each Year on Average Between 2014-2018, Compared to the Previous Five-Year Period

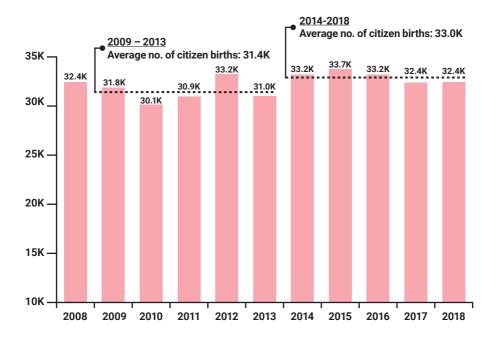
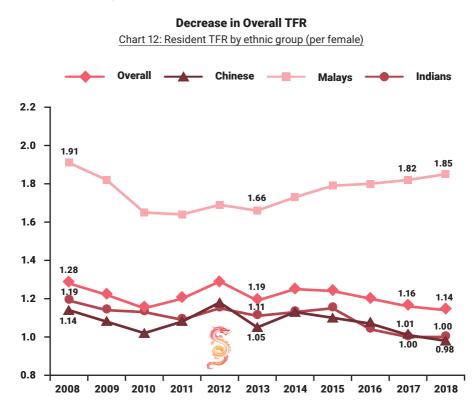


Chart 11: Citizen births

Source: Immigration & Checkpoints Authority The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).

⁹ Citizen births refer to babies born to at least one citizen parent.

The resident total fertility rate (TFR)¹⁰ decreased from 1.16 in 2017 to 1.14 in 2018 (<u>Chart</u> <u>12</u>). This is due partly to a larger cohort of young Singaporeans (aged 20-30 in 2018) – many of whom are children of baby boomers – who are entering the peak childbearing ages, but have not yet had children.



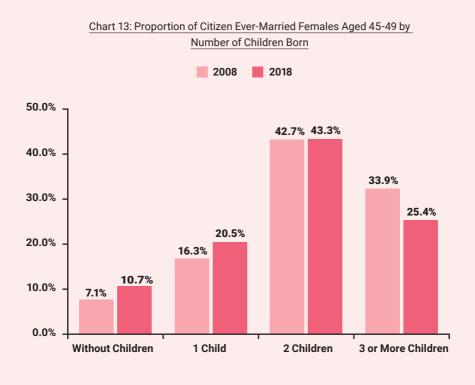
Source: Department of Statistics

Note: 2012 was the Year of the Dragon (Chinese Zodiac). The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).

¹⁰ Total fertility rate refers to the average number of live-births each female would have during her reproductive years (15 – 49 years old) if she were subject to the prevailing age-specific fertility rates in the population in the given year.

Citizen ever-married females have fewer children on average compared to a decade ago, but most still have two or more children

In both 2008 and 2018, most citizen ever-married females¹¹ had two or more children. The proportion of citizen ever-married females with two children remained stable at more than 4 in 10 (<u>Chart 13</u>). Over the same period, the proportion with three or more children fell from about one third to one quarter, while the proportions without children and with one child increased. In 2018, citizen ever-married females aged 45-49 had an average of 1.91 children, down from 2.14 children in 2008.



Source: Department of Statistics The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).

¹¹ "Ever-married females" refer to females who are married, widowed, divorced, or separated.

IMMIGRATION & CITIZENS BY DESCENT

Immigration helps to moderate the impact of ageing and low birth rates in our citizen population, and keeps it from shrinking over the longer term. Similar to past years, Singapore grants between 15,000 and 25,000 new citizenships annually, to individuals who are committed to making Singapore their home. They either share family ties with Singaporeans, or have studied, worked or lived here for some time.

Permanent residence is an intermediate step by which individuals may take up citizenship in Singapore. Since the tightening of the immigration framework in late 2009, we have accepted about 30,000 new PRs a year. This keeps the PR population size stable, and provides a pool of candidates who may be suitable for citizenship. The majority of our PRs are aged between 25-59 years (Chart 14).

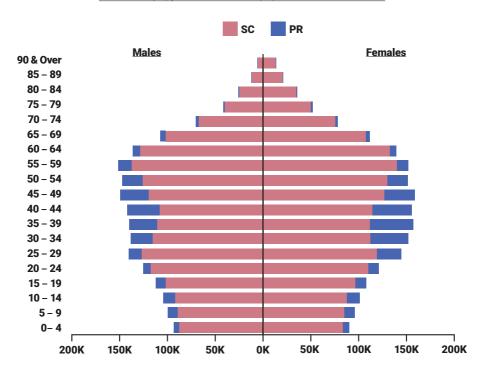


Chart 14: Age pyramid of resident population, as of Jun 2019

In 2018, 22,550 individuals were granted Singapore Citizenship (SC) and 32,710 individuals were granted PR. The number of SCs granted includes citizenships granted to children born overseas to Singaporean parents ("citizens by descent"). Last year, such children made up 1,576 or 7% of the new SCs granted (Chart 15).

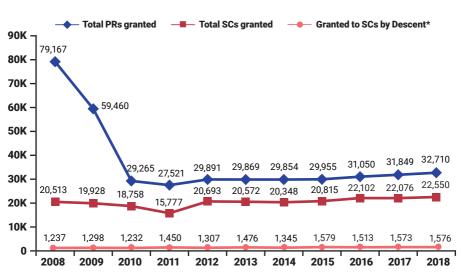


Chart 15: Number of SCs and PRs granted

*This is a subset of the total SCs granted each year. It refers to SCs granted to children born overseas to Singaporean parents.

Source: Immigration & Checkpoints Authority The figures are based on the full calendar year (Jan to Dec).



DETAILED STATISTICAL TABLES



Table 1: Total population, as of Jun ('000)

| | 2009 | 2014 | 2018 | 2019 |
|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Residents of which: | 3,733.9 | 3,870.7 | 3,994.3 | 4,026.2 |
| Citizens | 3,200.7 | 3,343.0 | 3,471.9 | 3,500.9 |
| PRs | 533.2 | 527.7 | 522.3 | 525.3 |
| Non-residents | 1,253.7 | 1,599.0 | 1,644.4 | 1,677.4 |
| Total | 4,987.6 | 5,469.7 | 5,638.7 | 5,703.6 |

Table 2: Singapore citizens by age group, ethnic group and gender, Jun 2019

| Age | | Total | | | Chinese | | | Malays | | | Indians | | | Others | |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| Group (Years) | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females |
| | | | | | | | Number ('000) | r ('000) | | | | | | | |
| Total | 3,500.9 | 1,734.9 | 1,766.0 | 2,661.0 | 1,313.3 | 1,347.7 | 525.1 | 264.3 | 260.8 | 261.4 | 131.5 | 129.8 | 53.5 | 25.8 | 27.7 |
| 0 - 4 | 173.0 | 88.7 | 84.3 | 117.9 | 60.5 | 57.4 | 37.2 | 19.1 | 18.1 | 12.8 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 5.2 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| 5 - 9 | 176.2 | 90.6 | 85.6 | 126.5 | 65.3 | 61.2 | 31.0 | 15.9 | 15.1 | 13.5 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 5.2 | 2.6 | 2.7 |
| 10 - 14 | 181.5 | 93.0 | 88.5 | 128.4 | 66.0 | 62.4 | 32.5 | 16.7 | 15.8 | 15.9 | 8.0 | 7.9 | 4.7 | 2.3 | 2.4 |
| 15 – 19 | 200.4 | 103.3 | 97.1 | 140.1 | 72.3 | 67.8 | 38.3 | 19.8 | 18.5 | 17.8 | 9.1 | 8.7 | 4.2 | 2.1 | 2.1 |
| 20 - 24 | 229.9 | 119.1 | 110.8 | 162.4 | 84.2 | 78.2 | 44.3 | 22.9 | 21.4 | 19.3 | 9.9 | 9.4 | 4.0 | 2.1 | 1.9 |
| 25 – 29 | 248.6 | 128.5 | 120.0 | 176.0 | 91.3 | 84.8 | 48.7 | 25.0 | 23.7 | 20.3 | 10.3 | 10.0 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 1.6 |
| 30 - 34 | 230.1 | 117.1 | 113.1 | 167.0 | 85.0 | 82.0 | 41.6 | 21.3 | 20.4 | 18.2 | 9.2 | 8.9 | 3.3 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| 35 – 39 | 225.0 | 112.1 | 112.9 | 171.0 | 84.9 | 86.1 | 33.9 | 17.4 | 16.5 | 17.0 | 8.5 | 8.5 | 3.1 | 1.3 | 1.9 |
| 40 - 44 | 224.6 | 109.6 | 115.0 | 178.9 | 86.9 | 92.1 | 26.5 | 13.3 | 13.2 | 16.2 | 8.1 | 8.1 | 3.0 | 1.3 | 1.7 |
| 45 - 49 | 249.4 | 121.5 | 127.9 | 197.1 | 95.2 | 102.0 | 29.9 | 14.9 | 15.0 | 19.0 | 9.8 | 9.1 | 3.4 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
| 50 - 54 | 258.9 | 127.5 | 131.4 | 197.4 | 96.6 | 100.8 | 37.5 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 20.7 | 10.9 | 9.8 | 3.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 |
| 55 - 59 | 280.4 | 139.4 | 141.0 | 215.1 | 106.7 | 108.4 | 40.9 | 20.5 | 20.5 | 21.3 | 10.8 | 10.5 | 3.0 | 1.4 | 1.6 |
| 60 - 64 | 263.9 | 130.2 | 133.7 | 211.0 | 103.9 | 107.1 | 32.4 | 16.0 | 16.4 | 18.0 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 2.5 | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| 62 - 69 | 211.5 | 103.2 | 108.3 | 174.6 | 85.5 | 89.1 | 22.1 | 10.5 | 11.6 | 13.1 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| 70 - 74 | 144.3 | 68.0 | 76.3 | 122.2 | 57.8 | 64.4 | 12.7 | 5.9 | 6.8 | 8.2 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 75 - 79 | 90.8 | 40.2 | 50.6 | 78.9 | 35.1 | 43.8 | 6.9 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 4.4 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| 80 - 84 | 60.2 | 25.1 | 35.1 | 51.6 | 21.6 | 29.9 | 5.0 | 2.1 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 0.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| 85 - 89 | 33.1 | 12.1 | 21.0 | 28.3 | 10.1 | 18.2 | 2.6 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.8 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| 90 & above | 19.0 | 5.7 | 13.4 | 16.6 | 4.5 | 12.1 | 1:1 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 |

Table 3: Ethnic mix of citizen population, as of Jun (%)

| | 2009 | 2014 | 2018 | 2019 |
|---------|------|------|------|------|
| Chinese | 76.2 | 76.2 | 76.1 | 76.0 |
| Malay | 15.1 | 15.0 | 15.0 | 15.0 |
| Indian | 7.4 | 7.4 | 7.5 | 7.5 |
| Others | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.5 |

Source: Department of Statistics

Table 4: Overseas Singaporean population¹², as of Jun

| Year | Number of Overseas Singaporeans |
|------|---------------------------------|
| 2009 | 180,700 |
| 2010 | 184,400 |
| 2011 | 192,200 |
| 2012 | 200,000 |
| 2013 | 207,000 |
| 2014 | 212,200 |
| 2015 | 212,500 |
| 2016 | 213,400 |
| 2017 | 214,700 |
| 2018 | 216,400 |
| 2019 | 217,200 |

Source: Department of Statistics

Table 5: Old-age support ratio, as of Jun

(persons aged 20-64 years per person aged 65 years & above)

| | 2009 | 2014 | 2018 | 2019 | 2030 (Projected) |
|-------------------------|------------|------|------|------|---------------------|
| Residents | 7.5 | 6.0 | 4.8 | 4.5 | 2.7 |
| Citizens | 6.5 | 5.2 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 2.4 |
| Source: Department of S | Statistics | | | | |

Source: Department of Statistics

¹² Defined as Singapore citizens with a registered foreign address or who are away for a cumulative period of at least six months in the past 12 months prior to the reference date (i.e. Jun each year). This would include frequent travellers who have their usual residence (venue of residence for a period of at least 12 months) in Singapore but travel overseas for the greater part of the reference period.

Table 6: Median age, as of Jun (years)

| | 2009 | 2014 | 2018 | 2019 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|
| Residents | 36.9 | 39.3 | 40.8 | 41.1 |
| Citizens | 38.2 | 40.4 | 41.7 | 42.0 |

Source: Department of Statistics

Table 7: Proportion of singles among citizen males / femalesaged 25 - 49 years by age group, as of Jun (%)

| | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|------|--|--|--|--|
| Proportion of singles among citizens males by age group | | | | | | | | |
| 25 – 29 years | 78.0 | 83.9 | 80.7 | 80.6 | | | | |
| 30 – 34 years | 40.8 | 44.9 | 40.5 | 43.6 | | | | |
| 35 – 39 years | 23.3 | 26.5 | 24.2 | 23.5 | | | | |
| 40 – 44 years | 16.6 | 18.2 | 17.0 | 18.7 | | | | |
| 45 – 49 years | 13.9 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 14.8 | | | | |
| Proportion of sin | ngles among cit | izen females by | age group | | | | | |
| 25 – 29 years | 60.9 | 69.8 | 68.1 | 69.4 | | | | |
| 30 – 34 years | 29.9 | 33.5 | 32.8 | 32.3 | | | | |
| 35 – 39 years | 18.2 | 22.6 | 20.8 | 20.4 | | | | |
| 40 – 44 years | 13.9 | 16.5 | 18.1 | 17.7 | | | | |
| 45 - 49 years | 12.5 | 14.9 | 15.9 | 14.5 | | | | |

| Age group (years) / Highest | 20 | 08 | 2013 | | 2018 | |
|---|-------|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|
| qualification attained | Males | Females | Males | Females | Males | Females |
| Aged 30 - 39 | 31.4 | 23.7 | 35.8 | 27.8 | 33.3 | 26.0 |
| Below Secondary | 38.8 | 16.3 | 41.7 | 15.6 | 42.8 | 19.1 |
| Secondary | 30.5 | 16.0 | 33.8 | 19.6 | 35.2 | 15.6 |
| Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) | 27.4 | 20.7 | 36.0 | 27.1 | 29.5 | 26.1 |
| Diploma & Professional Qualification | 30.9 | 23.6 | 36.3 | 26.7 | 33.7 | 23.0 |
| University | 30.7 | 32.5 | 34.6 | 32.7 | 32.6 | 29.9 |
| Aged 40 - 49 | 15.1 | 13.2 | 15.7 | 15.7 | 16.7 | 16.0 |
| Below Secondary | 21.0 | 8.5 | 22.9 | 10.9 | 26.3 | 9.6 |
| Secondary | 12.5 | 12.0 | 15.7 | 12.3 | 16.4 | 12.0 |
| Post-Secondary (Non-Tertiary) | 15.9 | 15.6 | 14.5 | 16.7 | 18.9 | 15.5 |
| Diploma & Professional Qualification | 10.4 | 16.3 | 12.0 | 18.7 | 16.7 | 16.4 |
| University | 11.3 | 24.0 | 13.3 | 21.1 | 14.0 | 20.3 |

Table 8: Proportion of singles among citizens by age group, gender and highest qualification attained, as of Jun¹³ (%)

¹³ Data by highest qualification attained pertain to citizens who are not attending educational institutions as full-time students. The data include those who are upgrading their qualifications through part-time courses while working.

| Grooms | Brides | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|--|--------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total number of marriages | | 24,596 | 26,254 | 28,212 | 27,007 |
| Citizen | Citizen | 12,906 | 13,276 | 15,981 | 15,241 |
| Citizen | PR | 1,345 | 1,348 | 1,467 | 1,395 |
| PR | Citizen | 714 | 678 | 667 | 684 |
| Citizen | Non-resident | 5,015 | 5,007 | 4,663 | 4,650 |
| Non-resident | Citizen | 1,062 | 1,533 | 1,639 | 1,662 |
| PR | PR | 842 | 660 | 583 | 515 |
| PR | Non-resident | 1,035 | 933 | 765 | 703 |
| Non-resident | PR | 580 | 603 | 583 | 542 |
| Non-resident | on-resident Non-resident | | 2,216 | 1,864 | 1,615 |
| Citizen marriages (i.e. marriages involving at least one citizen) | | 21,042 | 21,842 | 24,417 | 23,632 |

Table 9: Number of marriages by residency status of grooms and brides

Source: Department of Statistics

<u>Table 10: General marriage rates</u> (per 1,000 unmarried males / females aged 15 – 49 years)

| | | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|-----------|---------|------|------|------|------|
| Desidente | Males | 43.5 | 40.5 | 45.7 | 43.3 |
| Residents | Females | 39.6 | 36.9 | 42.8 | 40.8 |
| | Males | 41.8 | 39.3 | 45.6 | 43.3 |
| Citizens | Females | 37.0 | 35.5 | 42.2 | 40.4 |

Source: Department of Statistics

Table 11: Median age at first marriage (years)

| | | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|-----------|---------|------|------|------|------|
| Decidente | Males | 29.7 | 30.2 | 29.9 | 30.0 |
| Residents | Females | 27.3 | 28.1 | 28.2 | 28.3 |
| Males | Males | 29.7 | 30.1 | 29.8 | 29.9 |
| Citizens | Females | 27.1 | 27.8 | 28.1 | 28.2 |

Table 12: Origins of non-citizen spouses married to citizens (for marriages in stated year)

| | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total | 8,136 | 8,566 | 8,436 | 8,391 |
| Non-citizen Brides | 6,360 | 6,355 | 6,130 | 6,045 |
| Asia | 6,160 | 6,212 | 5,927 | 5,836 |
| Non-Asia of which: | 200 | 143 | 203 | 209 |
| North America* | 19 | 20 | 45 | 46 |
| Europe | 40 | 41 | 74 | 62 |
| Oceania* | 27 | 25 | 30 | 37 |
| Others | 114 | 57 | 54 | 64 |
| Non-citizen Grooms | 1,776 | 2,211 | 2,306 | 2,346 |
| Asia | 1,226 | 1,470 | 1,550 | 1,551 |
| Non-Asia of which: | 550 | 741 | 756 | 795 |
| North America* | 102 | 137 | 119 | 110 |
| Europe | 264 | 378 | 409 | 419 |
| Oceania* | 84 | 130 | 99 | 137 |
| Others | 100 | 96 | 129 | 129 |

*"North America" consists of United States of America and Canada. "Oceania" consists of Australia, New Zealand, and Papua New Guinea.

| | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|-----------|------|------|------|------|
| Residents | 29.7 | 30.5 | 30.7 | 30.7 |
| Citizens | 29.4 | 30.2 | 30.3 | 30.4 |

Table 13: Median age of mothers at first birth by residency status of mothers (years)

Source: Immigration & Checkpoints Authority

Table 14: Average number of children born to ever-married females aged 30 – 49 years by residency status of females, as of Jun (per ever-married female)

| | 20 | 08 | 2013 | | 2017 | | 2018 | |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 |
| Residents | 1.52 | 2.06 | 1.44 | 1.92 | 1.44 | 1.84 | 1.45 | 1.81 |
| Citizens | 1.58 | 2.11 | 1.48 | 1.98 | 1.46 | 1.90 | 1.48 | 1.86 |

Source: Department of Statistics

Table 15: Proportion of ever-married females aged 30 – 49 years who are without children by residency status of females, as of Jun (%)

| | 20 | 08 | 2013 | | 2017 | | 2018 | |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 | 30 - 39 | 40 - 49 |
| Residents | 19.3 | 8.2 | 19.9 | 10.0 | 21.4 | 11.0 | 20.9 | 12.0 |
| Citizens | 19.2 | 7.7 | 21.4 | 9.6 | 22.6 | 10.9 | 21.7 | 11.9 |

| Birth Order | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Total births | 39,826 | 39,720 | 39,615 | 39,039 |
| Resident births | 37,277 | 35,681 | 35,444 | 35,040 |
| First | 17,675 | 17,176 | 16,352 | 16,178 |
| Second | 12,938 | 12,484 | 12,688 | 12,397 |
| Third | 4,708 | 4,268 | 4,380 | 4,441 |
| Fourth | 1,412 | 1,211 | 1,306 | 1,362 |
| Fifth & over | 544 | 542 | 718 | 662 |
| Citizen births | 32,423 | 31,017 | 32,356 | 32,413 |
| First | 15,129 | 14,832 | 14,814 | 14,928 |
| Second | 11,101 | 10,608 | 11,481 | 11,344 |
| Third | 4,302 | 3,887 | 4,102 | 4,166 |
| Fourth | 1,364 | 1,154 | 1,255 | 1,322 |
| Fifth & over | 527 | 536 | 704 | 653 |

Source: Immigration & Checkpoints Authority

Table 17: Resident total fertility rate by ethnic group (per female)

| | 2008 | 2013 | 2017 | 2018 |
|---------|------|------|------|------|
| Overall | 1.28 | 1.19 | 1.16 | 1.14 |
| Chinese | 1.14 | 1.05 | 1.01 | 0.98 |
| Malays | 1.91 | 1.66 | 1.82 | 1.85 |
| Indians | 1.19 | 1.11 | 1.00 | 1.00 |

¹⁴ Citizen births refer to births born to at least one citizen parent. Resident births refer to births born to at least one citizen or PR parent.

| | New Permanent Residents | New Citizens | |
|--|-------------------------|--------------|--|
| Total | 32,710 | 22,550 | |
| By age group (%) | | | |
| Above 40 years | 7.0 | 22.2 | |
| 31 - 40 years | 25.3 | 26.1 | |
| 21 - 30 years | 38.3 | 13.9 | |
| 20 years and below | 29.5 | 37.8 | |
| By highest qualification attained among those aged 20 & over (%) | | | |
| Post-secondary | 82.2 | 78.4 | |
| Secondary and below | 17.8 | 21.6 | |
| By region of origin (%) | | | |
| Southeast Asian Countries | 62.5 | 61.6 | |
| Other Asian countries | 31.2 | 32.4 | |
| Others | 6.3 | 6.0 | |

Table 18: Profile of SCs and PRs granted in 2018

Source: Immigration & Checkpoints Authority

List of Relevant Publications:

| Singapore Department of Statistics | | |
|--|--|--|
| Population Trends 2019 | | |
| Census of Population 2010 | | |
| General Household Survey 2015 | | |
| Statistics on Marriages & Divorces 2018 | | |
| Monthly Digest of Statistics | | |
| Singapore in Figures 2019 | | |
| Yearbook of Statistics 2019 | | |
| Immigration & Checkpoints Authority | | |
| Report on Registration of Births & Deaths 2018 | | |
| Singapore Demographic Bulletin | | |
| Ministry of Manpower | | |
| Statement on Labour Market Developments in 1H 2019 | | |
| Manpower Statistics in Brief 2019 | | |

For more information, you may visit the following websites:

| Strategy Group, Prime Minister's Office | www.strategygroup.gov.sg |
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| Singapore Department of Statistics | www.singstat.gov.sg |
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