ADMINISTRATIVE-TERRITORIAL AND TERRITORIAL DIVISION OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA - 2025

As of 31 December 2025, the territory of the Republic of Bulgaria was administratively divided into 28 administrative districts and 265 municipalities, within which there were 3 041 individual mayoralties. In addition, the municipality of Sofia and the cities of Plovdiv and Varna were subdivided into composite territorial administration units (quarters): the capital municipality (Stolichna) - into 24 quarters, Plovdiv - into 6 quarters, Varna - into 5 quarters.

As of 31 December 2025, there were 5 256 settlements in the Republic of Bulgaria, of which 257 towns and 4 999 villages, while the settlement formations were 168 (including 8 of national and 160 of local importance).

According to the requirements of the Classification of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) applied by the European Union, the territory of the country is divided into statistical regions with 3 hierarchical levels.

The upper two levels: NUTS1 - statistical zones, and NUTS2 - statistical regions, are not considered as administrative-territorial units, while the level NUTS3 - districts, is defined as an administrative-territorial level, which corresponds to the 28 administrative districts. NUTS3 regions and the 28 administrative districts have the same names.

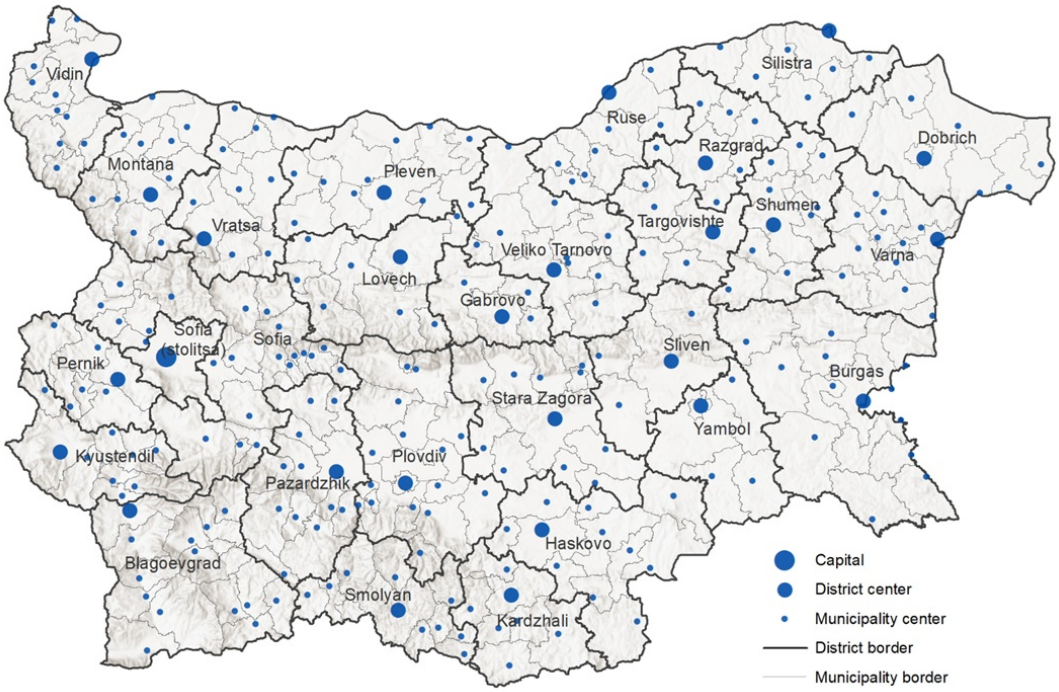
Amendments to the Unified classifier of administrative-territorial and territorial units (EKATTE) during the period from 1 January to 31.12.2025:

- *By Decision No. 510 of November 14, 2024, the Municipal Council of Sliven, Sliven district, creates a new settlement entity of local importance - the resort 'Daulite', in the territory of the city of Sliven, Sliven municipality, Sliven district (SG, issue 52 of 27.06.2025);*
- *By Decision No. 511 of November 14, 2024, the municipal Council of Sliven, Sliven district, creates a new settlement entity of local importance - the resort 'Karandila', in the territory of the city of Sliven, Sliven municipality, Sliven district (SG, issue 52 of 27.06.2025);*
- *By decree of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria, published in the SG, issue 112 of 19.12.2025, the village of Stefan Stambolovo (UCATTU - 17467), Polski Trambesh municipality, Veliko Tarnovo district, was renamed the village of Gradina (UCATTU - 17467).*

1. **Administrative districts in the Republic of Bulgaria as of the end of 2025**

The average area of a single administrative district in the Republic of Bulgaria was 3 964 sq. kilometres. The largest administrative districts by territory were Burgas, Sofia, Blagoevgrad and Plovdiv, while the smallest were Pernik, Gabrovo and Sofia (stolitsa). The smallest district in terms of territory - Sofia (stolitsa), was also the largest by population with 1 303 813 inhabitants and the only one with more than 1 000 000 inhabitants. The smallest administrative district by population was Vidin, with 69 465 inhabitants.

Figure 1. Administrative districts in the Republic of Bulgaria as of the end of 2025



2. **Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025**

On the other hand, the smallest municipality in the country is Chelopech (Sofia district). Also, 10 other municipalities have a territory of less than 100 sq. km - Nikolaevo (Stara Zagora district), Yambol, Anton (Sofia district), Chavdar (Sofia district), Dolna Banya (Sofia district), Stamboliyski (Plovdiv district), Beloslav (Varna district), Sopot (Plovdiv district), Krichim (Plovdiv district) and Perushtitsa (Plovdiv district).

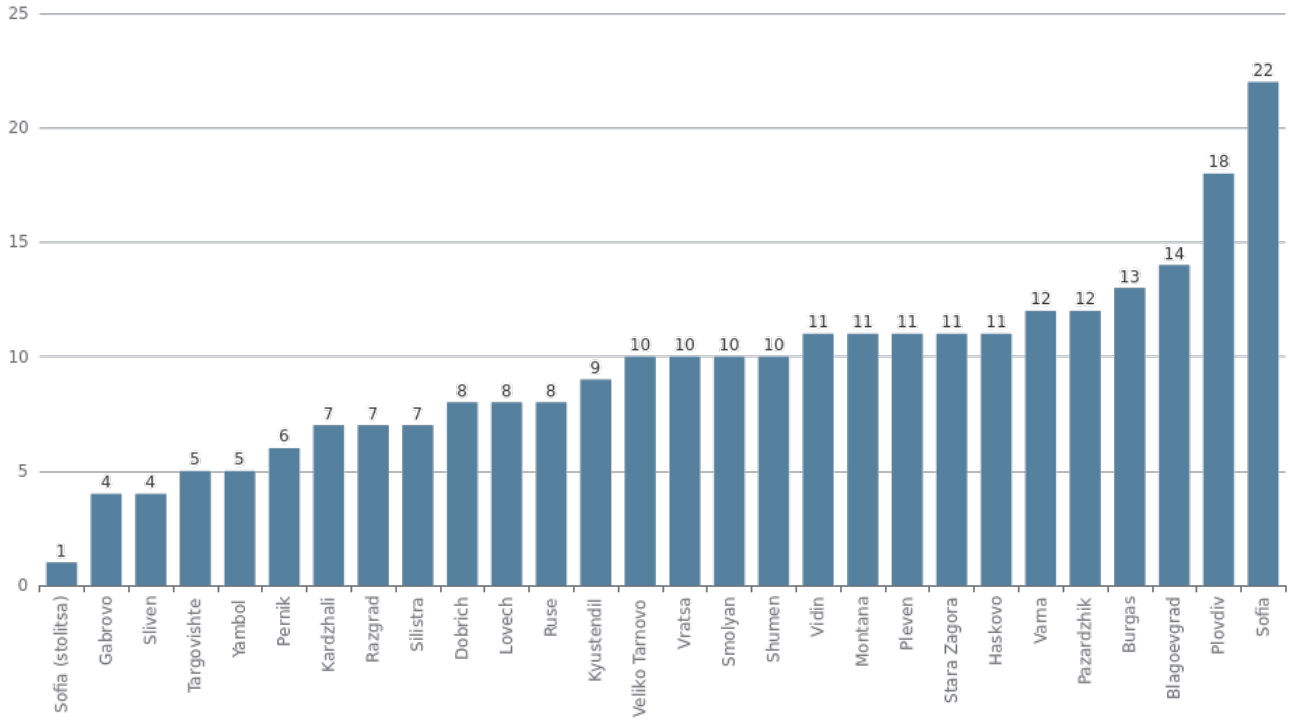
At the end of 2025, 147 out of the total 265 municipalities in the country had a population of below 10 000 inhabitants. The share of their population was just 12.5% of the total country's population. The smallest municipality was Treklyano (Kyustendil district) with 495 inhabitants, followed by Boynitsa municipality (Vidin district) with a population of 694.

The largest municipality in Bulgaria by population size was Stolichna municipality. Another group of 7 municipalities had a population above 100 000 inhabitants - Plovdiv, Varna, Burgas, Stara Zagora, Ruse, Sliven and Pleven. The share of the population in these 8 municipalities represents 41.4% of the total country's population.

On average, the area of one municipality in Bulgaria is 419 sq. kilometres. The largest municipality by area is the municipality of Sliven. Besides Sliven, there are only 7 more municipalities with a territory above 1 000 sq. km - Stolichna, Dobrich-selska, Tundzha (Yambol district), Samokov (Sofia district), Sredets (Burgas district), Stara Zagora and Karlovo (Plovdiv district).

On the territory of 9 municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria - Plovdiv, Dobrich, Yambol, Krichim, Perushtitsa, Koprivshtitsa, Chelopech, Anton and Chavdar - there is only one settlement, which is also the municipal centre.

Figure 2. Distribution of the municipalities by districts as of 31.12.2025



3. **Composite territorial administration units (quarters):**

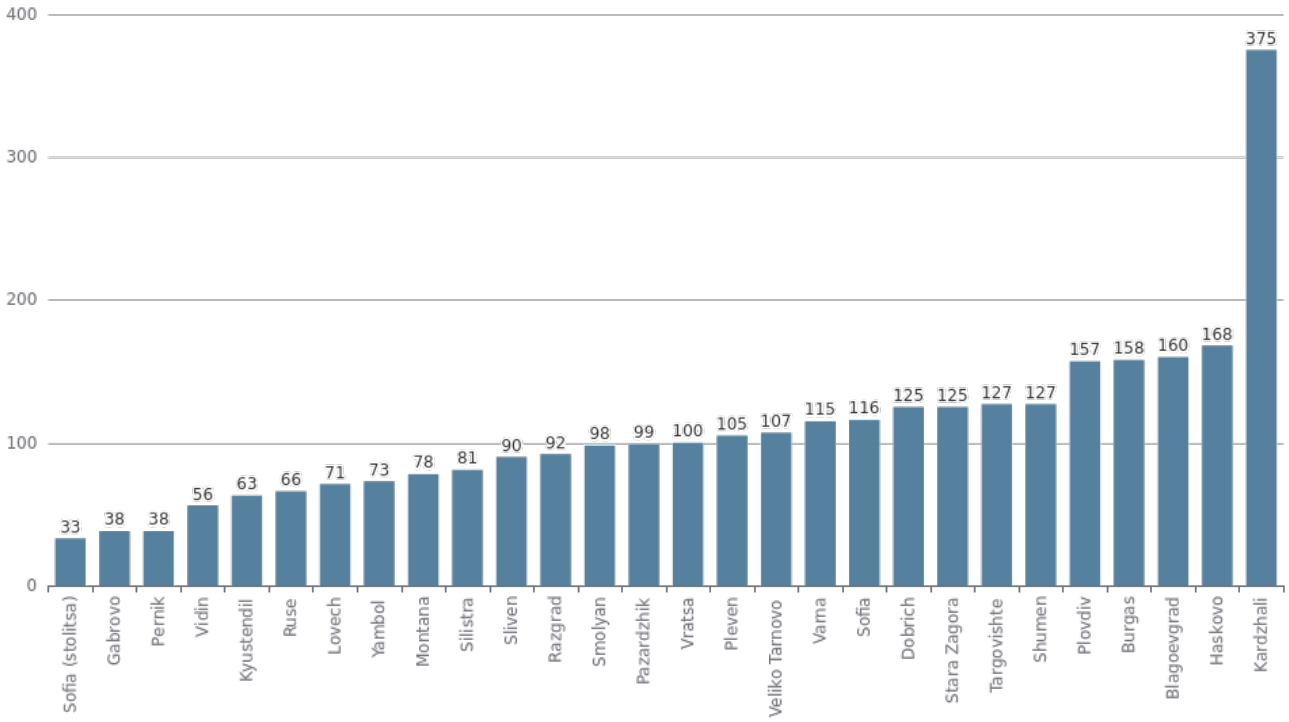
- Quarters - 35 (in Stolichna municipality and in the cities of Plovdiv and Varna);
- Mayoralties - 3.

The population of the capital municipality (Stolichna) is unevenly distributed across its quarters. By the end of 2025, two of them - Mladost and Lyulin, were home to 15.5% of the population of Stolichna municipality, with over 100 000 people living in each of these quarters. The smallest quarter in Stolichna Municipality was Bankya, with a population of 11 414 people, or 0.9% of the municipality's population.

The population of the city of Plovdiv was spread more evenly by quarters, with 11.1% for the Zapaden and 22.5% for the Yuzhen quarter.

The population distribution in the quarters of the city of Varna ranged from 7.0% for the Asparuhovo quarter to 32.7% for the Primorski - the only quarter of Varna with a population of over 100 000 people.

Figure 3. Distribution of the mayoralties by districts as of 31.12.2025



4. **Territorial units in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025:**

- Settlements - 5 256 (incl. 257 towns and 4 999 villages);
- Settlement formations - 168 (incl. 8 of national and 160 of regional/local importance).

At the end of 2025, there were 192 settlements without population. The highest number of settlements without population was in the districts of Veliko Tarnovo (63), Gabrovo (60), Blagoevgrad (9), Kardzhali (9), Kyustendil (9), Sofia (9), Smolyan (8), Stara Zagora (7) and Haskovo (7). In 1 280 villages, or 24.4% of the settlements, the population number was between 1 and 49 persons. There were six towns with population of more than 100 thousand persons, and 35.8% of the country's population lives there.

Figure 4. Distribution of the towns by districts as of 31.12.2025

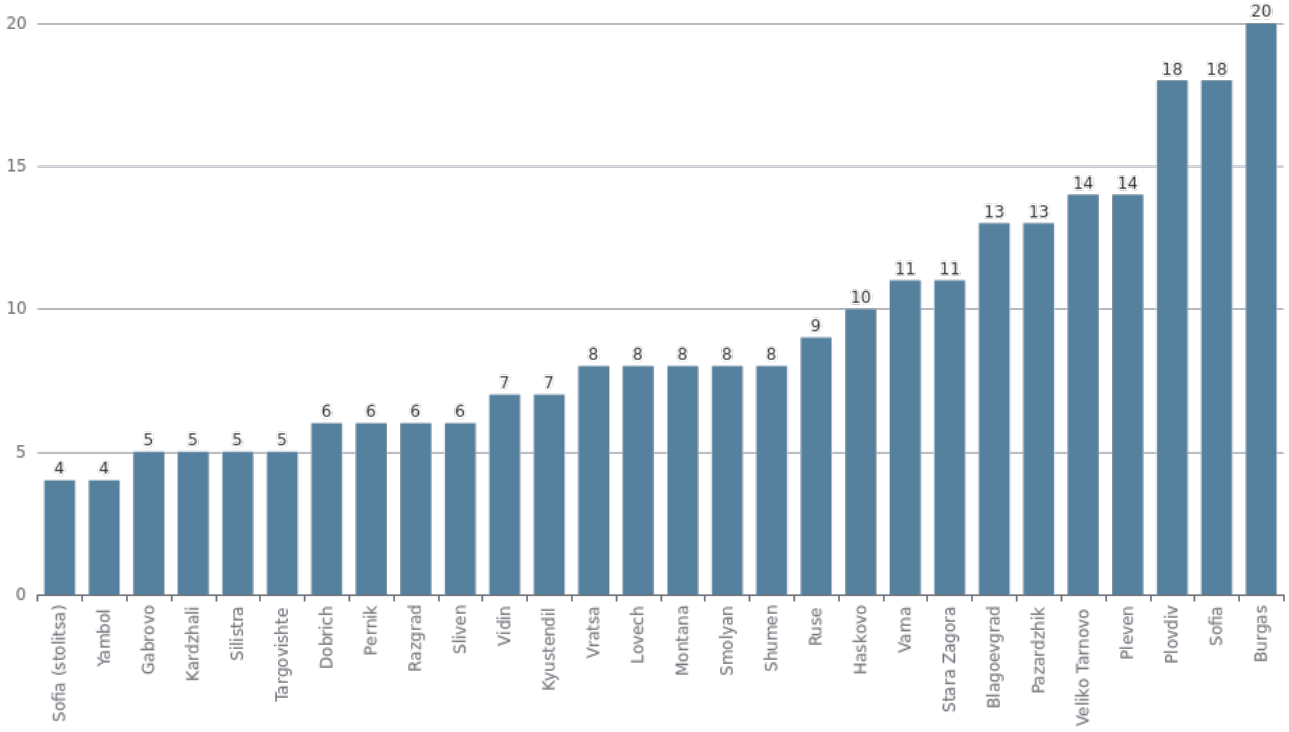
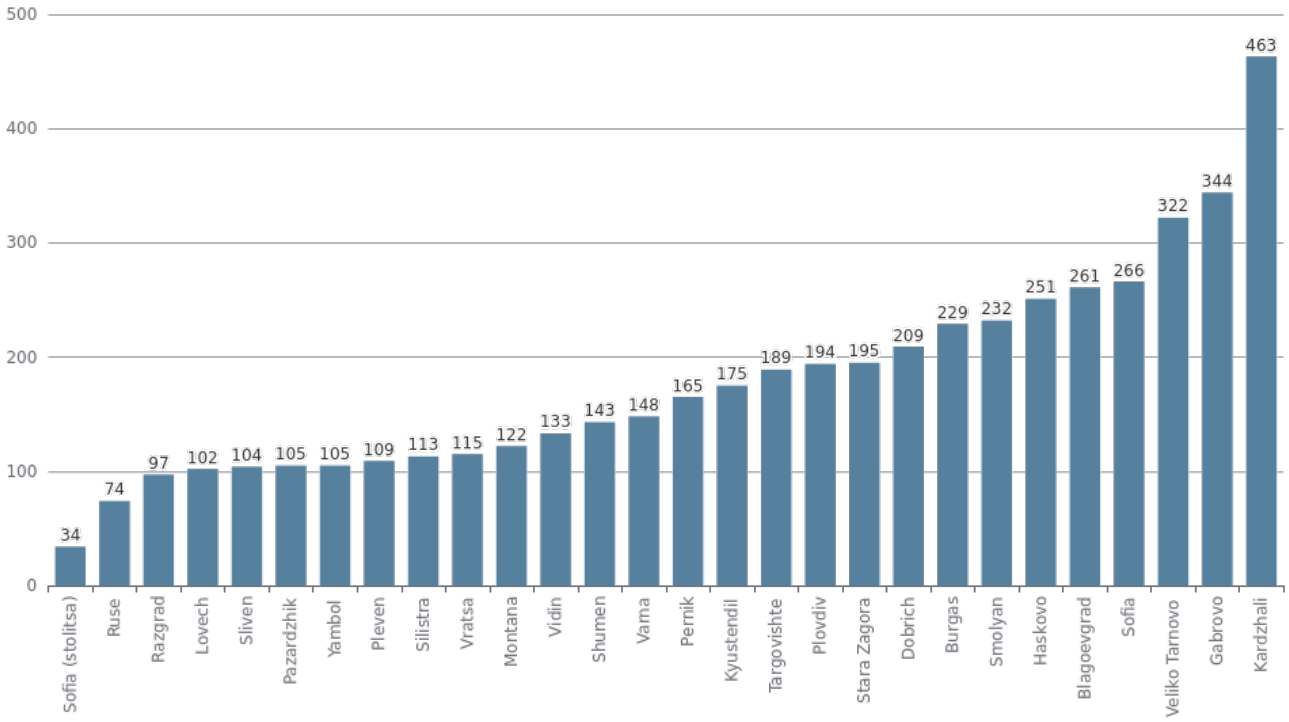


Figure 5. Distribution of the villages by districts as of 31.12.2025

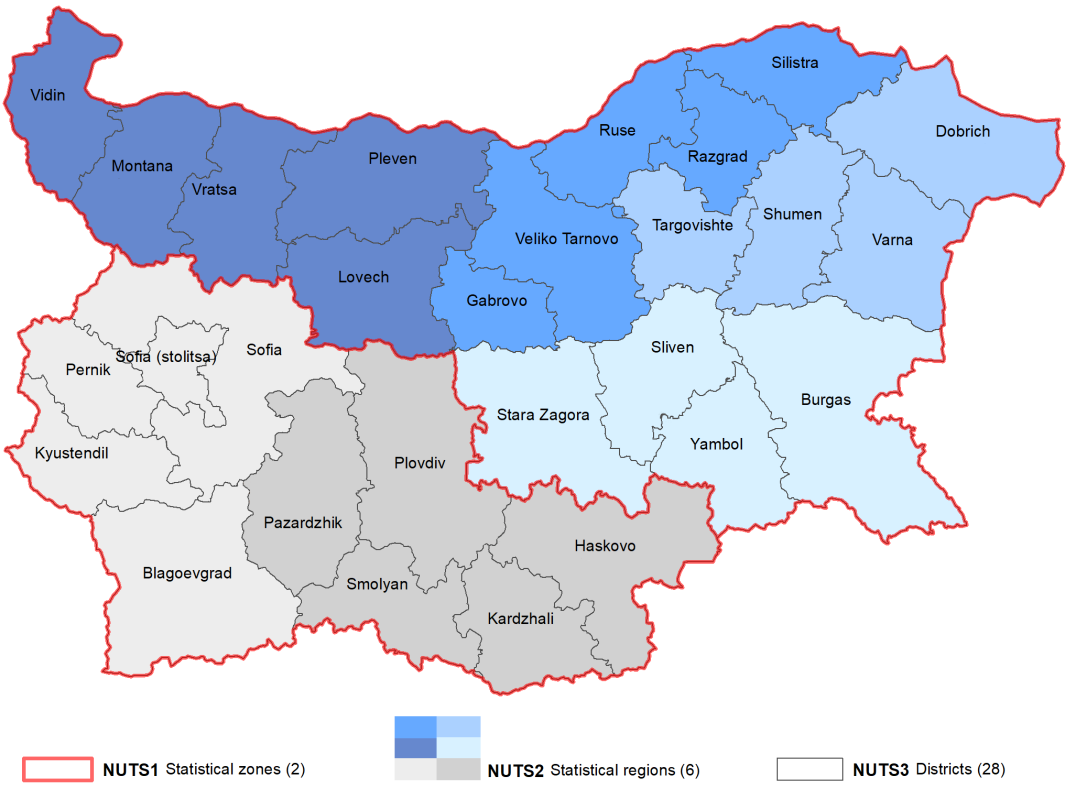


5. **Territorial Units for Statistics as of 31.12. 2025**

   According to the requirements of the common Classification of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) applied by the European Union, the following levels have been defined**:**

- NUTS0 - the country level;
- NUTS1 - 2 statistical zones;
- NUTS2 - 6 statistical regions;
- NUTS3 - 28 districts.

Figure 6. Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) in the Republic of Bulgaria



Methodological notes

Definitions

The district shall consist of one or more neighbouring municipalities. The territory of the district shall consist of the territory of the municipalities included into it. The name of the district shall be the name of the settlement, which is its administrative centre (Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act, Art. 4).

The municipality consists of one or more neighbouring settlements. The territory of the municipality shall consist of the territories of the settlements included into it. The name of the municipality shall be the name of the settlement, which is its administrative centre (Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act, Art. 7).

A mayoralty is a settlement with a population of over 100 people with a permanent address (Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act, Art. 14). The territory of the mayoralty is the territory of the settlement. The name of the mayoralty shall be the name of the settlement, which is its administrative centre. (Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act, Art. 15).

A settlement is a historically and functionally separated territory, defined by the presence of a permanent resident population, a built-up area or a built-up area and land-use area and the required social and engineering infrastructure. The settlements are specified as towns and villages and shall be subject to registration in the Unified classifier of administrative-territorial and territorial units.

A settlement formation is a territory outside the built-up areas of existing settlements that does not have a permanent resident population and has specific functions, determined by its construction boundaries. The settlement formations are of national and local importance. The Council of Ministers shall determine the settlement formations of national importance.

Data sources

Data source for the administrative-territorial division of the country is the National Register of the Settlements, maintained by NSI: https://www.nsi.bg/nrnm/.

Data source for the territory in sq. km is the National Agency for Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre.

The source of data on population numbers is the Information System Demography of NSI.

Computation methods

The number of administrative-territorial and territorial units is calculated based on the data in the National Register of the Settlements as of 31 December of the reference year. The data is entered into the Register after the promulgation of a decree by the President of the Republic of Bulgaria related to administrative-territorial changes in the country.

The population density is calculated by the total area of the territorial administration units and the population number as of 31 December 2024.

Territory by sq. km is calculated based on the digital cadastral map as of 31.12.2023 using GIS tools and the BGS2005 UTM35N coordinate system.

The population number as of 31 December is calculated based on the population data for the previous year, adjusted by the data on the natural population change and the net migration during the reference year.

More data on population numbers and structures are available here: https://www.nsi.bg/en/statistical-data/142.

Legal basis

Article 135 of the Constitution of the Republic of Bulgaria (SG, No. 56/1991) determines that the territory of the country is divided into municipalities and districts.

In 1991, The Law on Local Self-Government and Local Administration (SG, No. 77/1991) determines the rules to be used by the citizens to solve different issues through the local authorities.

In 1995, the Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act was adopted, which regulates the public relationships connected with local self-government and local administration (SG, No. 63/1995).

The territorial division of the capital municipality and of the cities with a population over 300 000 is established by the Law on the Administrative Division of Sofia Municipality and Large Cities (SG, No. 66/1995). It also provides the names and the boundaries of the quarters of Sofia municipality, the cities of Plovdiv and Varna.

The territory of the country is divided into 28 districts (according to the amendment of the Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act, SG, No. 154/1998). The borders and their administrative centres have been approved by Decree № 1 of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria (SG, No. 2/1999) following the proposal of the Council of Ministers.

The text of Art. 12 of the Law on Local Self-Government and Local Administration was amended in 2006 as follows: ‘The name of the municipality is the name of the settlement, which is its administrative centre, except for the municipalities as found by the law, where the administrative centres are settlements outside their territory, shared as such with other municipalities’. In addition to the case of Dobrich-selska (with administrative centre Dobrich), this applies also to 3 other municipalities in the country - Maritsa, Rodopi (with administrative centre Plovdiv), and Tundzha (with administrative centre Yambol).

As defined by the Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act (Art. 37), NSI maintains the Unified Classifier of Administrative-Territorial and Territorial Units (UCATTU) and the National Register of Settlements. The content of the UCATTU and the Register, as well as the corresponding criteria and indicators, are approved by the Council of Ministers based on the proposal of the NSI and the other stakeholders.

The content of the UCATTU was approved by Decision № 565 of the Council of Ministers of 10 August 1999 (SG, No. 73/1999) and it

covers all administrative-territorial and territorial units defined by the Territorial Administration of the Republic of Bulgaria Act. Each of them has an identification code in UCATTU.

The content of the National Register of the Settlements was approved by Decision № 695 of Council of Ministers, taken on 29 September 2006. The National Register of the Settlements aims to monitor the development and changes in the administrative-territorial and territorial units (establishing, merging, division, accession, closing down).

Regulation (EC) № 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and the Council establishing a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) was adopted of 26 May 2003. The purpose of the Regulation is to enable the collection, compilation and dissemination of harmonised regional statistics in the Community. Following the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union in 2007, Regulation (EC) № 176/2008 of the European Parliament and the Council amended the Annexes to Regulation № 1059/2003 of 20 February 2008 with the new Member States.

More information on the NUTS is available on the website of NSI.

Annex

Table 1. Population, territory and administrative-territorial and territorial units in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025*

EKATTE	Districts	Population - number	Territory - sq. km.	Municipalities - number	Mayoralties - number	Towns - number	Villages - number
BG	**Bulgaria**	**6 423 207**	**110 997**	**265**	**3 041**	**257**	**4 999**
BLG	Blagoevgrad	285 644	6 459	14	160	13	261
BGS	Burgas	391 500	7 742	13	158	20	229
VAR	Varna	440 532	3 819	12	115	11	148
VTR	Veliko Tarnovo	198 803	4 659	10	107	14	322
VID	Vidin	69 465	3 039	11	56	7	133
VRC	Vratsa	144 502	3 623	10	100	8	115
GAB	Gabrovo	92 722	2 022	4	38	5	344
DOB	Dobrich	143 858	4 714	8	125	6	209
KRZ	Kardzhali	152 028	3 211	7	375	5	463
KNL	Kyustendil	104 740	3 059	9	63	7	175
LOV	Lovech	109 446	4 135	8	71	8	102
MON	Montana	110 970	3 637	11	78	8	122
PAZ	Pazardzhik	221 176	4 458	12	99	13	105
PER	Pernik	108 871	2 397	6	38	6	165
PVN	Pleven	212 890	4 653	11	105	14	109
PDV	Plovdiv	638 290	5 961	18	157	18	194
RAZ	Razgrad	98 083	2 412	7	92	6	97
RSE	Ruse	184 251	2 859	8	66	9	74
SLS	Silistra	92 365	2 845	7	81	5	113
SLV	Sliven	168 267	3 542	4	90	6	104
SML	Smolyan	88 816	3 205	10	98	8	232
SFO	Sofia	222 946	7 071	22	116	18	266
SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)	1 303 813	1 343	1	33	4	34
SZR	Stara Zagora	286 722	5 148	11	125	11	195
TGV	Targovishte	93 633	2 708	5	127	5	189
HKV	Haskovo	205 702	5 530	11	168	10	251
SHU	Shumen	148 601	3 393	10	127	8	143
JAM	Yambol	104 571	3 353	5	73	4	105

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* EKATTE - Unified classifier of administrative-territorial and territorial units (UCATTU); territory is calculated based on the digital cadastral map of the country as of 31.12.2024; the number of villages includes Rila monastery (Kyustendil district) and Klisura monastery (Montana district), which have settlement status.

Table 2. Municipalities with population over 30 000 in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025

EKATTE	Municipality	Population - number	EKATTE	District
SOF46	Stolichna	1 303 813	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
PDV22	Plovdiv	333 994	PDV	Plovdiv
VAR06	Varna	331 260	VAR	Varna
BGS04	Burgas	195 912	BGS	Burgas
SZR31	Stara Zagora	141 748	SZR	Stara Zagora
RSE27	Ruse	136 112	RSE	Ruse
SLV20	Sliven	109 879	SLV	Sliven
PVN24	Pleven	108 440	PVN	Pleven
PAZ19	Pazardzhik	87 766	PAZ	Pazardzhik
PER32	Pernik	80 576	PER	Pernik
HKV34	Haskovo	78 235	HKV	Haskovo
SHU30	Shumen	77 095	SHU	Shumen
VTR04	Veliko Tarnovo	77 067	VTR	Veliko Tarnovo
BLG03	Blagoevgrad	70 708	BLG	Blagoevgrad
DOB28	Dobrich	68 573	DOB	Dobrich
KRZ16	Kardzhali	67 238	KRZ	Kardzhali
SZR12	Kazanlak	62 923	SZR	Stara Zagora
JAM26	Yambol	58 997	JAM	Yambol
VRC10	Vratsa	58 721	VRC	Vratsa
PDV01	Asenovgrad	56 647	PDV	Plovdiv
GAB05	Gabrovo	48 879	GAB	Gabrovo
TGV35	Targovishte	47 496	TGV	Targovishte
KNL29	Kyustendil	46 391	KNL	Kyustendil
BLG33	Petrich	45 755	BLG	Blagoevgrad
PDV13	Karlovo	44 470	PDV	Plovdiv
VID09	Vidin	44 089	VID	Vidin
MON29	Montana	42 776	MON	Montana
HKV09	Dimitrovgrad	41 858	HKV	Haskovo
RAZ26	Razgrad	41 510	RAZ	Razgrad
SLS31	Silistra	38 980	SLS	Silistra
BGS15	Nesebar	36 656	BGS	Burgas
VTR06	Gorna Oryahovitsa	35 866	VTR	Veliko Tarnovo
LOV18	Lovech	35 792	LOV	Lovech
KNL48	Dupnitsa	35 547	KNL	Kyustendil
BLG40	Sandanski	34 243	BLG	Blagoevgrad
SFO39	Samokov	33 375	SFO	Sofia
PDV26	Rodopi	32 446	PDV	Plovdiv
PAZ08	Velingrad	31 928	PAZ	Pazardzhik

EKATTE	Municipality	Population - number	EKATTE	District
SML31	Smolyan	31 514	SML	Smolyan
PDV17	Maritsa	31 043	PDV	Plovdiv
SFO07	Botevgrad	30 040	SFO	Sofia

Table 3. Quarters in Stolichna Municipality as of 31.12.2025*			
EKATTE	**Quarter**	**Population - number**	**%**
68134-01	Sredets	24 641	1.9
68134-02	Krasno selo	77 300	6
68134-03	Vazrazhdane	36 476	2.8
68134-04	Oborishte	27 809	2.1
68134-05	Serdika	41 004	3.2
68134-06	Poduyane	68 072	5.3
68134-07	Slatina	62 157	4.8
68134-08	Izgrev	31 332	2.4
68134-09	Lozenets	57 492	4.4
68134-10	Triaditsa	69 163	5.3
68134-11	Krasna polyana	50 708	3.9
68134-12	Ilinden	28 798	2.2
68134-13	Nadezhda	63 487	4.9
68134-14	Iskar	58 120	4.5
68134-15	Mladost	100 723	7.8
68134-16	Studentski	71 226	5.5
68134-17	Vitosha	74 888	5.8
68134-18	Ovcha kupel	54 902	4.2
68134-19	Lyulin	100 473	7.8
68134-20	Vrabnitsa	41 941	3.2
68134-21	Novi Iskar	26 798	2.1
68134-22	Kremikovtsi	21 216	1.6
68134-23	Pancharevo	26 308	2
68134-24	Bankya	11 414	0.9

* As of 31.12.2025, 6.0% (77 365 persons) of the total population of the municipality were not assigned to any of the quarters due to incorrect or incomplete address information.

Table 4. Quarters in the city of Plovdiv as of 31.12.2025*			
EKATTE	**Quarter**	**Population - number**	**%**
56784-01	Tsentralen	67 004	20.3
56784-02	Iztochen	41 077	12.5
56784-03	Zapaden	36 708	11.1
56784-04	Severen	46 928	14.2
56784-05	Yuzhen	74 155	22.5
56784-06	Trakia	53 065	16.1

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* As of 31.12.2025, 4.6% (15 057 persons) of the total population of the city of Plovdiv were not assigned to any of the quarters due to incorrect or incomplete address information.

Table 5. Quarters in the city of Varna as of 31.12.2025*			
EKATTE	**Quarter**	**Population - number**	**%**
10135-01	Odesos	68 552	21.5
10135-02	Primorski	104 302	32.7
10135-03	Mladost	74 541	23.4
10135-04	Vladislav Varnenchik	35 286	11.1
10135-05	Asparuhovo	22 312	7

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* As of 31.12.2025, 5.6% (17 690 persons) of the total population of the city of Varna were not assigned to any of the quarters due to incorrect or incomplete address information.

Table 6. Towns with population over 20 000 in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025

№	EKATTE	Town	Population - number	EKATTE	Municipality	EKATTE	District
1	68134	Sofia	1213134	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
2	56784	Plovdiv	333994	PDV22	Plovdiv	PDV	Plovdiv
3	10135	Varna	322683	VAR06	Varna	VAR	Varna
4	07079	Burgas	189086	BGS04	Burgas	BGS	Burgas
5	68850	Stara Zagora	120976	SZR31	Stara Zagora	SZR	Stara Zagora
6	63427	Ruse	120282	RSE27	Ruse	RSE	Ruse
7	56722	Pleven	88058	PVN24	Pleven	PVN	Pleven
8	67338	Sliven	77832	SLV20	Sliven	SLV	Sliven
9	72624	Dobrich	68573	DOB28	Dobrich	DOB	Dobrich
10	83510	Shumen	66399	SHU30	Shumen	SHU	Shumen
11	55871	Pernik	65317	PER32	Pernik	PER	Pernik
12	04279	Blagoevgrad	64171	BLG03	Blagoevgrad	BLG	Blagoevgrad
13	77195	Haskovo	62923	HKV34	Haskovo	HKV	Haskovo
14	10447	Veliko Tarnovo	60067	VTR04	Veliko Tarnovo	VTR	Veliko Tarnovo
15	87374	Yambol	58997	JAM26	Yambol	JAM	Yambol
16	55155	Pazardzhik	53693	PAZ19	Pazardzhik	PAZ	Pazardzhik
17	12259	Vratsa	47874	VRC10	Vratsa	VRC	Vratsa
18	00702	Asenovgrad	45271	PDV01	Asenovgrad	PDV	Plovdiv
19	14218	Gabrovo	43229	GAB05	Gabrovo	GAB	Gabrovo
20	40909	Kardzhali	42250	KRZ16	Kardzhali	KRZ	Kardzhali
21	35167	Kazanlak	41260	SZR12	Kazanlak	SZR	Stara Zagora
22	48489	Montana	34614	MON29	Montana	MON	Montana
23	41112	Kyustendil	34063	KNL29	Kyustendil	KNL	Kyustendil
24	10971	Vidin	33127	VID09	Vidin	VID	Vidin
25	73626	Targovishte	32524	TGV35	Targovishte	TGV	Targovishte
26	21052	Dimitrovgrad	29835	HKV09	Dimitrovgrad	HKV	Haskovo
27	61710	Razgrad	27517	RAZ26	Razgrad	RAZ	Razgrad
28	43952	Lovech	26693	LOV18	Lovech	LOV	Lovech
29	66425	Silistra	26470	SLS31	Silistra	SLS	Silistra
30	68789	Dupnitsa	26108	KNL48	Dupnitsa	KNL	Kyustendil
31	56126	Petrich	25888	BLG33	Petrich	BLG	Blagoevgrad
32	16359	Gorna Oryahovitsa	24768	VTR06	Gorna Oryahovitsa	VTR	Veliko Tarnovo
33	67653	Smolyan	24028	SML31	Smolyan	SML	Smolyan
34	65231	Samokov	23741	SFO39	Samokov	SFO	Sofia
35	65334	Sandanski	23334	BLG40	Sandanski	BLG	Blagoevgrad

Table 7. Villages with population over 3 000 in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025

№	EKATTE	Villages	Population - number	EKATTE	Municipality	EKATTE	Districts
1	44063	Lozen	6671	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
2	04234	Bistritsa	6076	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
3	00895	Aydemir	5003	SLS31	Silistra	SLS	Silistra
4	35239	Kazichene	4831	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
5	23234	Draginovo	4672	PAZ08	Velingrad	PAZ	Pazardzhik
6	62949	Rozino	4305	PDV13	Karlovo	PDV	Plovdiv
7	11394	Vladaya	4185	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
8	73242	Trud	4017	PDV17	Maritsa	PDV	Plovdiv
9	61056	Ravda	3781	BGS15	Nesebar	BGS	Burgas
10	03620	Belozem	3736	PDV25	Rakovski	PDV	Plovdiv
11	78029	Tsalapitsa	3668	PDV26	Rodopi	PDV	Plovdiv
12	47295	Markovo	3663	PDV26	Rodopi	PDV	Plovdiv
13	59032	Parvenets	3498	PDV26	Rodopi	PDV	Plovdiv
14	52012	Novi han	3453	SFO17	Elin Pelin	SFO	Sofia
15	72816	Topolchane	3411	SLV20	Sliven	SLV	Sliven
16	55419	Pancharevo	3304	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)
17	06306	Breznitsa	3287	BLG11	Gotse Delchev	BLG	Blagoevgrad
18	12283	Vrachesh	3177	SFO07	Botevgrad	SFO	Sofia
19	17436	Gradets	3164	SLV11	Kotel	SLV	Sliven
20	18490	Elin Pelin	3146	SFO17	Elin Pelin	SFO	Sofia
21	41143	Kalipetrovo	3145	SLS31	Silistra	SLS	Silistra
22	06999	Bukovlak	3138	PVN24	Pleven	PVN	Pleven
23	38916	Kostenets	3128	SFO25	Kostenets	SFO	Sofia
24	62858	Rogosh	3098	PDV17	Maritsa	PDV	Plovdiv
25	12084	Voluyak	3089	SOF46	Stolichna	SOF	Sofia (stolitsa)

Table 8. Settlement formations of national importance in the Republic of Bulgaria as of 31.12.2025*

EKATTE	Settlement formation	EKATTE	Municipality	EKATTE	District
94015	Resort 'Zlatni pyasatsi'	VAR06	Varna	VAR	Varna
94040	Resort 'Sv. sv. Konstantin i Elena'	VAR06	Varna	VAR	Varna
99958	Resort 'Albena'	DOB03	Balchik	DOB	Dobrich
98212	Resort 'Slanchev bryag'	BGS15	Nesebar	BGS	Burgas
94085	Resort 'IYC - Primorsko'	BGS27	Primorsko	BGS	Burgas
98260	Holiday village 'Dyuni'	BGS21	Sozopol	BGS	Burgas
98226	Resort 'Borovets'	SFO39	Samokov	SFO	Sofia
98230	Resort 'Pamporovo'	SML38	Chepelare	SML	Smolyan
98230	Resort 'Pamporovo'	SML31	Smolyan	SML	Smolyan

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* IYC - International Youth Center.

Table 9. Population by Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) as of 31.12.2025

Code	Level	NUTS	Population - number	%	Territory - sq. km.
BG	**NUTS0**	**Bulgaria**	**6 423 207**	**100**	**110 997**
BG3	NUTS1	Severna i Yugoiztochna Bulgaria	3 091 181	48.1	68 302
BG31	NUTS2	Severozapaden	647 273	10.1	19 086
BG311	NUTS3	Vidin	69 465	1.1	3 039
BG313	NUTS3	Vratsa	144 502	2.2	3 623
BG315	NUTS3	Lovech	109 446	1.7	4 135
BG312	NUTS3	Montana	110 970	1.7	3 637
BG314	NUTS3	Pleven	212 890	3.3	4 653
BG32	NUTS2	Severen tsentralen	666 224	10.4	14 797
BG321	NUTS3	Veliko Tarnovo	198 803	3.1	4 659
BG322	NUTS3	Gabrovo	92 722	1.4	2 022
BG324	NUTS3	Razgrad	98 083	1.5	2 412
BG323	NUTS3	Ruse	184 251	2.9	2 859
BG325	NUTS3	Silistra	92 365	1.4	2 845
BG33	NUTS2	Severoiztochen	826 624	12.9	14 634
BG331	NUTS3	Varna	440 532	6.9	3 819
BG332	NUTS3	Dobrich	143 858	2.2	4 714
BG334	NUTS3	Targovishte	93 633	1.5	2 708
BG333	NUTS3	Shumen	148 601	2.3	3 393
BG34	NUTS2	Yugoiztochen	951 060	14.8	19 784
BG341	NUTS3	Burgas	391 500	6.1	7 742
BG342	NUTS3	Sliven	168 267	2.6	3 542
BG344	NUTS3	Stara Zagora	286 722	4.5	5 148
BG343	NUTS3	Yambol	104 571	1.6	3 353
BG4	NUTS1	Yugozapadna i Yuzhna tsentralna Bulgaria	3 332 026	51.9	42 695
BG41	NUTS2	Yugozapaden	2 026 014	31.5	20 330
BG413	NUTS3	Blagoevgrad	285 644	4.4	6 459
BG415	NUTS3	Kyustendil	104 740	1.6	3 059
BG414	NUTS3	Pernik	108 871	1.7	2 397
BG412	NUTS3	Sofia	222 946	3.5	7 071
BG411	NUTS3	Sofia (stolitsa)	1 303 813	20.3	1 343
BG42	NUTS2	Yuzhen tsentralen	1 306 012	20.3	22 365
BG425	NUTS3	Kardzhali	152 028	2.4	3 211
BG423	NUTS3	Pazardzhik	221 176	3.4	4 458
BG421	NUTS3	Plovdiv	638 290	9.9	5 961
BG424	NUTS3	Smolyan	88 816	1.4	3 205
BG422	NUTS3	Haskovo	205 702	3.2	5 530