

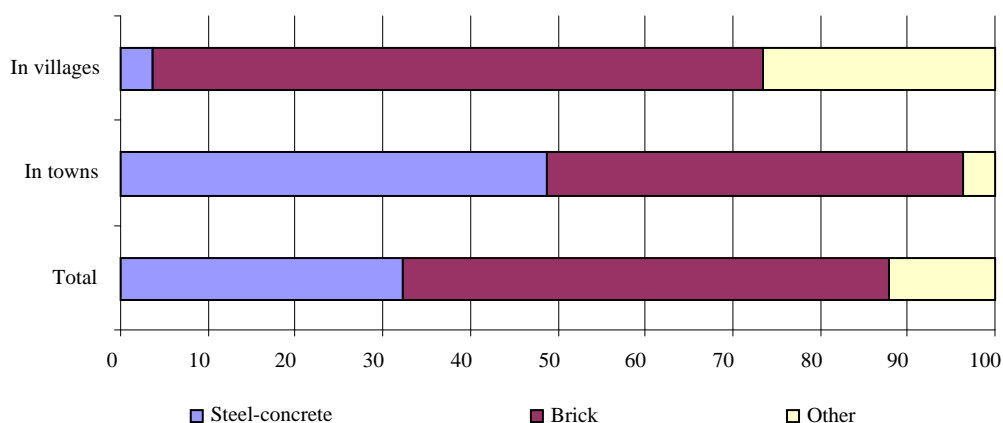


HOUSING STOCK AS OF 31.12.2008

In 2008 the housing fund in Bulgaria consisted of 2 134 thousand residential buildings and increased by 0.1% in comparison with 2007. Total in the country were registered 3 767 thousand dwellings, 63.5 % of them were located in the towns and 36.5% in the villages.

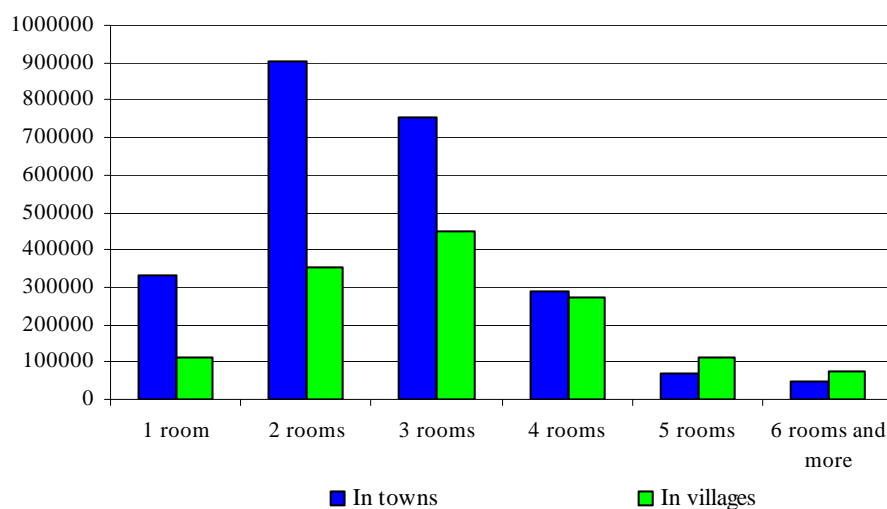
By the end of the year 2008 steel-concrete buildings in the country were 103 thousands with 1 217 thousands dwellings, brick ones - 1578 thousands with 2097 thousand dwellings and 453.4 thousands dwellings were situated in 452.9 thousands buildings with other structure (Annex 1). The 48.8% of dwellings in the towns were situated in steel-concrete buildings, 47.5% - in brick ones and 3.7% in others. At the same time 69.8% of the dwellings in the villages were in brick buildings, 26.5% - in others and 3.7% - in steel-concrete buildings only.

Dwellings by structure of building in 2008 - %



More of the dwellings in the country were with two and three rooms - 65.3 % of all dwellings, followed by dwellings with four or more rooms - 23.0% and one-room dwellings - 11.7% (Annex 2). In 2008 the greatest share of dwellings in the villages was with four or more rooms - 33.5%, while in the towns - 17.0%. The average number of rooms in a dwelling in the villages was 3.2 and 2.6 in the towns.

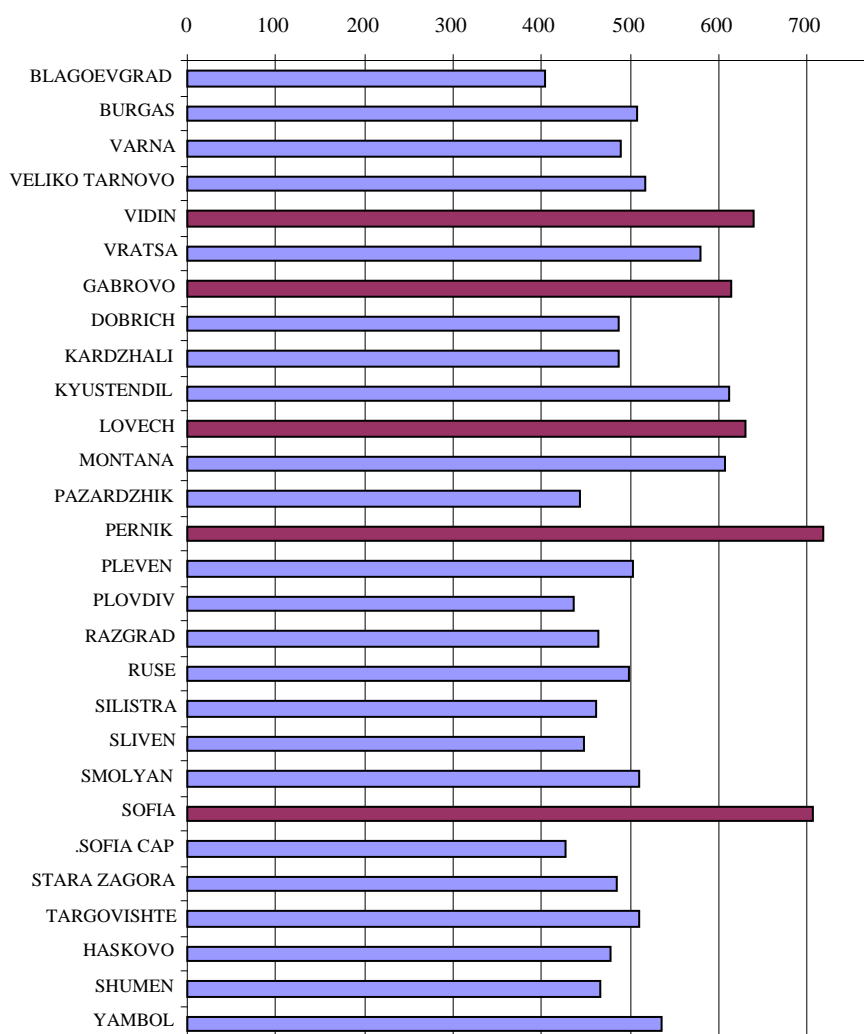
Dwellings by size of building in 2008



The indicator of provision of dwellings per 1000 citizens in villages increased by 1.8% as compared to the previous years, while in the towns by 0.7%.

In 2008 the most of the dwellings per 1 000 persons of population were recorded in Pernik – 718, Sofia - 707, Vidin - 640, Lovech - 630 and 614 - Gabrovo districts.

Dwellings per 1000 persons of the population by districts in 2008



The highest average number of the persons to a dwelling in 2008 was reported in the towns in districts Blagoevgrad - 2.6, Plovdiv - 2.5, Pazardzhik - 2.4, Sofia (capital) - 2.4 and in the villages in districts Blagoevgrad and Razgrad - respectively 2.3 and 2.2, while the lowest - in the villages of the district Pernik (0.7).

In 2008 the total floor space of dwellings was 240 706 thousand square meters and increased by 0.7% in comparison with 2007, the increase in the towns was 0.9% and in the villages - 0.2% (Annex 3). The most useful floor space per capita was registered in district Pernik - 42.9 sq. m, followed by Vidin - 42.4 sq.m, Sofia - 41.4 sq. m, Lovech - 39.9 sq. m, Montana - 38.2 sq. meters.

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The data on dwelling stock as of 31.12.2008 are obtained on the basis of results from the Census of dwelling stock on 1st March, 2001 and accumulation of the number of new constructed dwellings and deduction of the number of destroyed dwellings during the period from 1st March, 2001 to 31st December, 2008.

Steel-concrete buildings are those of which that the carrier and the floor constructions are built of steel-concrete and the walls are made of panels, brick masonry or other materials.

Solid structures are those of which the carrier walls are of brick and stone masonry and the belts, the beams and the floor construction are made of steel-concrete but have no steel-concrete columns. The buildings that the floor elements are precast reinforced concrete units also refer to the solid structures.

In the group of “**other buildings**” are included the structures that are built of stones, sun-dried brick, wood and other materials.

The dwelling is separate and detached according to the construction place, which by initial building or after reconstruction is suitable for living, has one or several rooms (housing or service) and has one or several separate exits to a generally accessible part (stairs, yard or straight to the street), irrespective of whether a kitchen has been built.

A dwelling is also an every single dwelling (a room), which is not connected with other rooms, has a separate exit to a generally accessible part (stairs, yard or straight to the street), and is used as a kitchen and a place for living at one and the same time or only for living.

Living floor space is the floor area of living rooms, bedrooms, recesses for sleeping, dining-rooms, the rooms for day-stay, cabinets and libraries of scientists, drawing-rooms.

Service floor space is the floor area of the rooms and kitchens with less than 4 square meters floor area, vestibules with a portal or an other screen, corridors, bathrooms, toilets, larders, hanging closets, other service rooms such as drying-rooms, laundries or balconies not depending on their area.

RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS BY STRUCTURE OF BUILDING AS OF 31.12.2008

Districts	Residential buildings- Total	Residential buildings by structure of building		
		Steel-concrete	Solid structure	Others
TOTAL	2133672	102516	1578287	452869
BLAGOEVGRAD	79503	5613	61451	12439
BURGAS	99866	9050	80892	9924
VARNA	96840	5749	72988	18103
VELIKO TARNOVO	91905	5068	66593	20244
VIDIN	58896	903	44639	13354
VRATSA	96313	1402	86286	8625
GABROVO	45596	2200	33119	10277
DOBRICH	60886	1767	44491	14628
KARDZHALI	52422	1142	19962	31318
KYUSTENDIL	62768	2798	47323	12647
LOVECH	79115	1737	66005	11373
MONTANA	86286	1927	63525	20834
PAZARDZHIK	88203	4482	68974	14747
PERNIK	64957	5967	46281	12709
PLEVEN	108125	2190	96072	9863
PLOVDIV	149104	9048	101133	38923
RAZGRAD	44866	741	34997	9128
RUSE	67173	3461	54049	9663
SILISTRA	41447	929	24822	15696
SLIVEN	60685	1817	46813	12055
SMOLYAN	35627	2586	14855	18186
SOFIA	149924	6763	118990	24171
SOFIA CAP.	97883	13548	79664	4671
STARA ZAGORA	90004	3327	55841	30836
TARGOVISHTTE	45832	2485	24103	19244
HASKOVO	75456	2625	52996	19835
SHUMEN	56624	1664	31790	23170
YAMBOL	47366	1527	39633	6206

DWELLINGS BY DISTRICTS AS OF 31.12.2008

Districts	Dwellings- total	Dwellings by size						Dwellings per 1000 persons of the population	Average number of persons per dwellings
		1room	2 room	3 room	4 room	5 room	6 rooms and more		
TOTAL	3767081	439479	1255177	1204835	560385	184117	123088	495	2.02
In towns	2391516	329583	902283	753464	288378	70682	47126	442	2.26
In villages	1375565	109896	352894	451371	272007	113435	75962	625	1.60
BLAGOEVGRAD	132551	14973	38483	39445	21354	10612	7684	403	2.48
In towns	73810	9160	23084	24384	11291	3706	2185	382	2.62
In villages	58741	5813	15399	15061	10063	6906	5499	433	2.31
BURGAS	213543	23703	81320	66820	27047	8082	6571	507	1.97
In towns	144128	16308	60195	44373	16590	3691	2971	480	2.08
In villages	69415	7395	21125	22447	10457	4391	3600	577	1.73
VARNA	226577	26135	81834	76330	29867	6652	5759	489	2.04
In towns	176378	22674	66835	58544	20968	3725	3632	467	2.14
In villages	50199	3461	14999	17786	8899	2927	2127	584	1.71
VELIKO TARNOVO	143540	11053	39841	47509	32568	9246	3323	517	1.93
In towns	81333	8871	27684	23801	15917	3750	1310	434	2.31
In villages	62207	2182	12157	23708	16651	5496	2013	691	1.45
VIDIN	70549	6271	20056	22358	12858	5240	3766	640	1.56
In towns	32353	3991	11804	9828	4202	1512	1016	480	2.08
In villages	38196	2280	8252	12530	8656	3728	2750	889	1.13
VRATSA	115732	15086	37820	36213	16767	6269	3577	580	1.73
In towns	60028	11289	23984	16624	5365	1670	1096	524	1.91
In villages	55704	3797	13836	19589	11402	4599	2481	655	1.53
GABROVO	80935	8993	25316	26248	14898	3790	1690	614	1.63
In towns	53768	7282	18942	16241	8834	1728	741	509	1.96
In villages	27167	1711	6374	10007	6064	2062	949	1033	0.97
DOBRICH	98299	8349	29997	37971	16193	3648	2141	488	2.05
In towns	58567	6397	21163	18829	9130	1798	1250	435	2.30
In villages	39732	1952	8834	19142	7063	1850	891	593	1.69
KARDZHALI	76117	5369	18840	21237	16242	5899	8530	488	2.05
In towns	28534	3494	11262	8228	3466	945	1139	439	2.28
In villages	47583	1875	7578	13009	12776	4954	7391	523	1.91
KYUSTENDIL	90144	11897	31909	27942	11435	4073	2888	611	1.64
In towns	45203	6097	16599	14933	5070	1431	1073	454	2.20
In villages	44941	5800	15310	13009	6365	2642	1815	937	1.07
LOVECH	96731	10436	28447	31192	16797	6409	3450	630	1.59
In towns	47622	5780	16622	15091	6717	2204	1208	503	1.99
In villages	49109	4656	11825	16101	10080	4205	2242	836	1.20
MONTANA	96256	11261	27170	30685	17342	6486	3312	608	1.64
In towns	49172	7002	17002	14678	6853	2280	1357	492	2.03
In villages	47084	4259	10168	16007	10489	4206	1955	806	1.24
PAZARDZHIK	129408	14804	41035	39191	20923	7620	5835	442	2.26
In towns	75933	8421	25537	23905	11454	3678	2938	419	2.39
In villages	53475	6383	15498	15286	9469	3942	2897	481	2.08
PERNIK	98731	13986	39663	26936	10820	4676	2650	718	1.39
In towns	51219	8359	22828	13712	3603	1669	1048	491	2.04
In villages	47512	5627	16835	13224	7217	3007	1602	1438	0.70

DWELLINGS BY DISTRICTS AS OF 31.12.2008

(Continued and end)

Districts	Dwellings- total	Dwellings by size						Dwellings per 1000 persons of the population	Average number of persons per dwellings
		1room	2 room	3 room	4 room	5 room	6 rooms and more		
PLEVEN	148204	12870	45054	50469	25995	9004	4812	504	1.99
In towns	88160	10717	34488	27826	10199	3079	1851	458	2.18
In villages	60044	2153	10566	22643	15796	5925	2961	590	1.70
PLOVDIV	306301	31288	95064	103615	49665	14674	11995	435	2.30
In towns	210367	24949	69351	73607	31466	6383	4611	402	2.49
In villages	95934	6339	25713	30008	18199	8291	7384	530	1.89
RAZGRAD	62307	3672	16940	19487	13236	5590	3382	463	2.16
In towns	29215	2655	11342	8502	4512	1423	781	470	2.13
In villages	33092	1017	5598	10985	8724	4167	2601	458	2.18
RUSE	125006	14501	42631	41133	17423	6299	3019	498	2.01
In towns	86476	13008	34966	27396	7738	2249	1119	455	2.20
In villages	38530	1493	7665	13737	9685	4050	1900	628	1.59
SILISTRA	59538	4412	15076	19388	12633	4981	3048	461	2.17
In towns	26873	3042	9480	8188	4333	1105	725	462	2.17
In villages	32665	1370	5596	11200	8300	3876	2323	461	2.17
SLIVEN	92265	11900	32266	26138	13931	5052	2978	447	2.24
In towns	59462	8952	24190	14758	7962	2304	1296	437	2.29
In villages	32803	2948	8076	11380	5969	2748	1682	465	2.15
SMOLYAN	64429	7944	20378	18992	10024	3931	3160	509	1.96
In towns	31435	4250	10762	9681	4338	1294	1110	458	2.18
In villages	32994	3694	9616	9311	5686	2637	2050	569	1.76
SOFIA	179695	24417	62377	50228	25654	10576	6443	707	1.41
In towns	69250	9642	24996	19631	9091	3685	2205	455	2.20
In villages	110445	14775	37381	30597	16563	6891	4238	1082	0.92
SOFIA CAP.	531595	93424	215487	171316	37814	7871	5683	426	2.35
In towns	497144	87831	204626	162168	32712	5851	3956	418	2.39
In villages	34451	5593	10861	9148	5102	2020	1727	600	1.67
STARA ZAGORA	171475	17432	57383	56447	29430	6549	4234	485	2.06
In towns	106206	12312	38301	34928	16598	2387	1680	437	2.29
In villages	65269	5120	19082	21519	12832	4162	2554	590	1.70
TARGOVISHTE	66888	4845	19936	23477	12730	3977	1923	510	1.96
In towns	32771	3358	12061	9910	5428	1199	815	491	2.04
In villages	34117	1487	7875	13567	7302	2778	1108	529	1.89
HASKOVO	123660	11265	35312	42771	20534	7638	6140	477	2.09
In towns	79184	9562	26541	25892	11277	3413	2499	436	2.29
In villages	44476	1703	8771	16879	9257	4225	3641	575	1.74
SHUMEN	91187	10710	27312	27738	17498	5037	2892	466	2.14
In towns	52381	7992	17341	14677	9665	1678	1028	428	2.33
In villages	38806	2718	9971	13061	7833	3359	1864	530	1.89
YAMBOL	75418	8483	28230	23559	8707	4236	2203	536	1.87
In towns	44544	6188	20297	13129	3599	845	486	464	2.16
In villages	30874	2295	7933	10430	5108	3391	1717	691	1.45

DWELLINGS FLOOR SPACE BY DISTRICTS AS OF 31.12.2008

Districts	Dwellings - number	Useful floor space - sq. m		Useful floor space per capita	Living floor space per capita	Average useful floor space per dwelling
		Total	Of which: living floor space			
TOTAL	3767081	240706921	154795060	31.64	20.35	63.90
in towns	2391516	154921329	96622403	28.65	17.87	64.78
in villages	1375565	85785592	58172657	39.00	26.45	62.36
BLAGOEVGRAD	132551	8824652	5727357	26.84	17.42	66.58
In towns	73810	5070117	3181980	26.24	16.47	68.69
In villages	58741	3754535	2545377	27.70	18.78	63.92
BURGAS	213543	13391753	8654793	31.82	20.57	62.71
In towns	144128	9411936	5928854	31.33	19.73	65.30
In villages	69415	3979817	2725939	33.06	22.64	57.33
VARNA	226577	14405298	9159278	31.10	19.77	63.58
In towns	176378	11471316	7086696	30.40	18.78	65.04
In villages	50199	2933982	2072582	34.14	24.12	58.45
VELIKO TARNOVO	143540	9223427	5744497	33.24	20.70	64.26
In towns	81333	5346314	3271505	28.51	17.44	65.73
In villages	62207	3877113	2472992	43.09	27.48	62.33
VIDIN	70549	4680314	3078127	42.43	27.90	66.34
In towns	32353	2206355	1363276	32.77	20.25	68.20
In villages	38196	2473959	1714851	57.57	39.90	64.77
VRATSA	115732	7150514	4582813	35.81	22.95	61.79
In towns	60028	3629919	2245781	31.67	19.59	60.47
In villages	55704	3520595	2337032	41.38	27.47	63.20
GABROVO	80935	4925293	3102286	37.34	23.52	60.85
In towns	53768	3303080	2055577	31.28	19.46	61.43
In villages	27167	1622213	1046709	61.67	39.79	59.71
DOBRICH	98299	6292577	4200521	31.23	20.85	64.01
In towns	58567	3963985	2511628	29.46	18.67	67.68
In villages	39732	2328592	1688893	34.78	25.22	58.61
KARDZHALI	76117	5581740	3617106	35.78	23.19	73.33
In towns	28534	1915802	1177102	29.48	18.11	67.14
In villages	47583	3665938	2440004	40.28	26.81	77.04
KYUSTENDIL	90144	5462700	3563626	37.03	24.16	60.60
In towns	45203	2911527	1827760	29.24	18.35	64.41
In villages	44941	2551173	1735866	53.21	36.20	56.77
LOVECH	96731	6117644	3956371	39.86	25.78	63.24
In towns	47622	3089775	1939046	32.62	20.47	64.88
In villages	49109	3027869	2017325	51.55	34.34	61.66
MONTANA	96256	6044307	3912978	38.18	24.72	62.79
In towns	49172	3139621	1965455	31.44	19.68	63.85
In villages	47084	2904686	1947523	49.70	33.33	61.69
PAZARDZHIK	129408	8225177	5437079	28.12	18.59	63.56
In towns	75933	4972936	3229749	27.42	17.81	65.49
In villages	53475	3252241	2207330	29.26	19.86	60.82
PERNIK	98731	5899070	3831718	42.92	27.88	59.75
In towns	51219	3175073	1942977	30.41	18.61	61.99
In villages	47512	2723997	1888741	82.45	57.17	57.33

DWELLINGS FLOOR SPACE BY DISTRICTS AS OF 31.12.2008

(Continued and end)

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		Total	Of which: living floor space			
PLEVEN	148204	9766584	6252497	33.19	21.25	65.90
In towns	88160	5675920	3522104	29.49	18.30	64.38
In villages	60044	4090664	2730393	40.17	26.81	68.13
PLOVDIV	306301	19986864	13097220	28.39	18.60	65.25
In towns	210367	13755297	8856718	26.31	16.94	65.39
In villages	95934	6231567	4240502	34.40	23.41	64.96
RAZGRAD	62307	4073403	2729914	30.29	20.30	65.38
In towns	29215	1892890	1205775	30.42	19.38	64.79
In villages	33092	2180513	1524139	30.17	21.09	65.89
RUSE	125006	7803576	4898227	31.06	19.50	62.43
In towns	86476	5337640	3268448	28.11	17.21	61.72
In villages	38530	2465936	1629779	40.18	26.56	64.00
SILISTRA	59538	3885146	2638492	30.09	20.43	65.25
In towns	26873	1672682	1083853	28.73	18.62	62.24
In villages	32665	2212464	1554639	31.20	21.93	67.73
SLIVEN	92265	5763395	3726276	27.90	18.04	62.47
In towns	59462	3670029	2341902	26.97	17.21	61.72
In villages	32803	2093366	1384374	29.70	19.64	63.82
SMOLYAN	64429	3997200	2530187	31.59	20.00	62.04
In towns	31435	2022567	1263903	29.49	18.43	64.34
In villages	32994	1974633	1266284	34.08	21.85	59.85
SOFIA	179695	10519527	7118790	41.38	28.00	58.54
In towns	69250	4363293	2807035	28.68	18.45	63.01
In villages	110445	6156234	4311755	60.32	42.25	55.74
SOFIA CAP.	531595	34761728	21282772	27.87	17.07	65.39
In towns	497144	32540122	19722661	27.35	16.58	65.45
In villages	34451	2221606	1560111	38.67	27.15	64.49
STARA ZAGORA	171475	10955944	7021493	30.99	19.86	63.89
In towns	106206	6900765	4286074	28.42	17.65	64.98
In villages	65269	4055179	2735419	36.63	24.71	62.13
TARGOVISHTTE	66888	4283514	2757074	32.64	21.01	64.04
In towns	32771	2139229	1350973	32.08	20.26	65.28
In villages	34117	2144285	1406101	33.22	21.79	62.85
HASKOVO	123660	8332914	5438553	32.17	21.00	67.39
In towns	79184	5259985	3364494	28.95	18.52	66.43
In villages	44476	3072929	2074059	39.73	26.82	69.09
SHUMEN	91187	5811476	3772628	29.73	19.30	63.73
In towns	52381	3380619	2123406	27.64	17.36	64.54
In villages	38806	2430857	1649222	33.22	22.53	62.64
YAMBOL	75418	4541184	2962387	32.28	21.06	60.21
In towns	44544	2702535	1697671	28.15	17.68	60.67
In villages	30874	1838649	1264716	41.17	28.32	59.55