

# 13 DEMOGRAPHIC FACTS ABOUT BULGARIA



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Population:  
7,021,110 (2018 est.)  
country comparison to the world: 103

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Ethnic groups:  
Bulgarian 76.9%, Turkish 8%, Romani 4.4%,  
other 0.7% (including Russian, Armenian,  
and Vlach), other (unknown) 10%



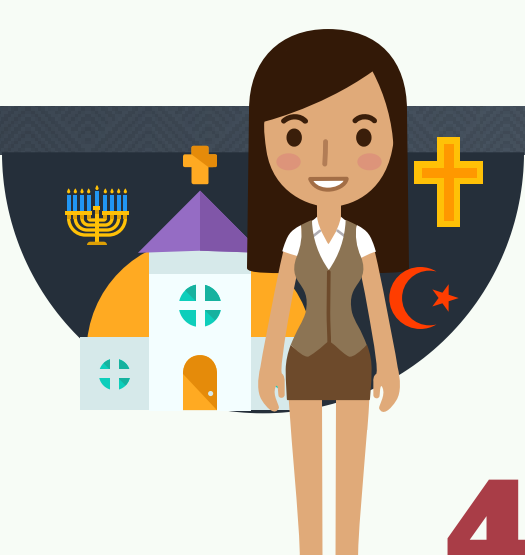
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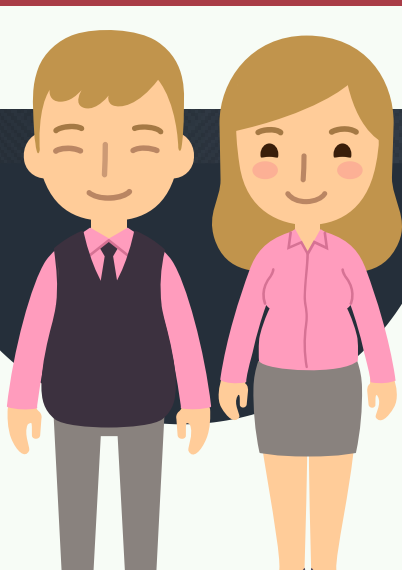
Languages:  
Bulgarian (official) 76.8%, Turkish 8.2%,  
Romani 3.8%, other 0.7%, unspecified  
10.5%

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Religions:  
Eastern Orthodox 59.4%, Muslim 7.8%,  
other (including Catholic, Protestant,  
Armenian Apostolic Orthodox, and  
Jewish) 1.7%, none 3.7%, unspecified 27.4%



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Median Age: 42.7 years  
male: 40.9 years  
female: 44.7 years (2017 est.)  
country comparison to the world: 21

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Population growth rate:  
-0.61% (2017 est.)  
country comparison to the  
world: 226



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Birth rate:  
8.7 births/1,000 population (2017 est.)  
country comparison to the world: 212

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Death rate:  
14.5 deaths/1,000 population (2017 est.)  
country comparison to the world: 3



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Net migration rate:  
-0.3 migrant(s)/1,000 population (2017  
est.)  
country comparison to the world: 114

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Urbanization:  
urban population: 75% of total  
population (2018)  
rate of urbanization: -0.22% annual  
rate of change (2015-20 est.)



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Life expectancy at birth:  
total population: 74.7 years  
male: 71.4 years  
female: 78.2 years (2017 est.)



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Literacy:  
definition: age 15 and over can  
read and write  
total population: 98.4%



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Citizenship:  
citizenship by birth: No  
citizenship by descent only: at least one  
parent must be a citizen of Bulgaria  
Dual citizenship recognized: yes  
residency requirement for  
naturalization: 5 years

