

Time Series

Census 2022



Province

Eastern Cape (EC)



District



Municipality



## Province ► Eastern Cape

Population

7 230 204



The Eastern Cape is home to over 7.2 million people. Over 85% of the population in the province is black African, 7.6% is coloured, 5.6% is white and Indian/Asian comprises less than half a percentage of the population in the province. The most spoken languages in the province are isiXhosa, English and Afrikaans. The Eastern Cape is known for its rugged coastline, scenic mountains and wildlife reserves including the Addo Elephant park, which is located in Gqeberha (formerly Port Elizabeth), the most populous city in the province. The economy of the Eastern Cape is largely based on agricultural activities, manufacturing, and tourism. The province is the birthplace of some of the most recognisable South Africans, including Nelson Mandela, Thabo Mbeki, Steve Biko and Desmond Tutu.

## Data View

Total Population

Alfred Nzo	936462
Amathole	871601
Buffalo City	975255
Chris Hani	828387
Joe Gqabi	393048
Nelson Mandela Bay	1190496
O.R. Tambo	1501702
Sarah Baartman	533253

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**TOTAL POPULATION**  
**7 230 204****MALE**  
**47,4%** **FEMALE**  
**52,6%****EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION**  
**ATTENDANCE (5-24 YEARS)**  
**77,3%****HOUSEHOLDS IN FORMAL DWELLINGS**  
**83,6%****ACCESS TO PIPED WATER IN THE**  
**DWELLING**  
**49,5%**

# Key Statistics

Name	2022	2011
Total population	7 230 204	6 562 053
Young children (0-14 years)	29,3%	33,0%
Working age population (15-64 years)	62,5%	60,2%
Elderly (65+ years)	8,2%	6,7%
Dependency ratio	60,0	66,0
Sex ratio	90,0	89,0
No schooling (20+ years)	7,2%	10,5%
Higher education (20+ years)	10,0%	8,5%
Number of households	1 838 960	1 687 343
Average household size	3,9	3,9
Formal dwellings	83,6%	63,2%

Ranking (Province)	Total population	
Name	Population size	Rank
Gauteng	15 099 422	1
KwaZulu-Natal	12 423 907	2
Western Cape	7 433 020	3
Eastern Cape	7 230 204	4
Limpopo	6 572 721	5
Mpumalanga	5 143 324	6
North West	3 804 548	7
Free State	2 964 412	8
Northern Cape	1 355 945	9

Flush toilets connected to sewerage	58,7%	43,0%
Weekly refuse disposal service	53,3%	41,0%
Access to piped water in the dwelling	49,5%	32,8%
Electricity for lighting	94,5%	75,0%

## Population


Sex

Sex & age group

Population group

Graph

**Data**

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Name	Frequency	%
BLACK AFRICAN	6 189 075	85,7%
COLOURED	547 741	7,6%
INDIAN/ASIAN	37 568	0,5%
WHITE	403 061	5,6%
OTHER	48 339	0,7%

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## Education

Attendance at an educational institution (5-24 years)

Highest level of education (20+ years)

Graph

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**Name**

**Frequency**

**%**

Yes

1 957 613

77,3%

No

574 760

22,7%

## Household Living Conditions

Main Toilet Facilities


Refuse Disposal

Energy For Cooking

Energy For Lighting

Graph

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Name	Frequency	%
Formal dwelling	1 536 520	83,6%
Traditional dwelling	215 428	11,7%
Informal dwelling	80 669	4,4%
Other	6 343	0,3%