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# STATISTICAL NEWS

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## **Provisional Results - 2007 Population and Housing Census**

A total of 827,900 residents were enumerated in the 2007 Population Census, an increase of 52,823 over the 1996 count.

The ethnic breakdown was as follows; Fijians 473,983, Indians 311,591 and Other Races 42,326.

There were 421,086 persons in the urban areas and 406,814 in the rural areas.

Compared to the 1996 Population Count the;

- Fijian population increased by 80,408.
- Indian population decreased by 27,227.
- urban population increased by 61,591.
- Fijian population in the urban areas increased by 49,427.
- Rural population decreased by 8,768.
- Population of the Northern and Eastern Divisions decreased by 8,909 and 1,696 respectively.
- Indian population in the rural areas of Fiji decreased by 36,708.
- Population of the Central and Western Divisions increased by 43,236 and 20,192 respectively.

Table 1 on the following page provides information on population distribution by Division, Urban and Rural sector, ethnicity and comparative figures with the 1996 Population Census.

Further details of the provisional results will be released on 6 November 2007.

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Census Commissioner**

## 2007 Population and Housing Census Provisional Count

**Table 1: Population by Ethnicity, Division, Urban and Rural, 1996 and 2007**

Division	Sector	1996				2007				Change			
		Total	Fijian	Indian	Others	Total	Fijian	Indian	Others	Total	Fijian	Indian	Others
Northern	Urban	30,051	7,946	20,572	1,533	35,832	13,715	20,383	1,734	5,781	5,769	(189)	201
	Rural	109,465	56,994	45,916	6,555	94,775	59,101	31,458	4,216	(14,690)	2,107	(14,458)	(2,339)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>139,516</b>	<b>64,940</b>	<b>66,488</b>	<b>8,088</b>	<b>130,607</b>	<b>72,816</b>	<b>51,841</b>	<b>5,950</b>	<b>(8,909)</b>	<b>7,876</b>	<b>(14,647)</b>	<b>(2,138)</b>
Eastern	Urban	3,746	2,673	405	668	4,290	3,197	382	711	544	524	(23)	43
	Rural	37,024	33,629	290	3,105	34,784	32,212	190	2,382	(2,240)	(1,417)	(100)	(723)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>40,770</b>	<b>36,302</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>3,773</b>	<b>39,074</b>	<b>35,409</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>(1,696)</b>	<b>(893)</b>	<b>(123)</b>	<b>(680)</b>
Central	Urban	214,628	108,671	84,475	21,482	247,141	132,916	91,212	23,013	32,513	24,245	6,737	1,531
	Rural	82,979	67,207	14,185	1,587	93,702	80,599	11,587	1,516	10,723	13,392	(2,598)	(71)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>297,607</b>	<b>175,878</b>	<b>98,660</b>	<b>23,069</b>	<b>340,843</b>	<b>213,515</b>	<b>102,799</b>	<b>24,529</b>	<b>43,236</b>	<b>37,637</b>	<b>4,139</b>	<b>1,460</b>
West	Urban	111,070	42,045	62,583	6,442	133,823	60,934	65,539	7,350	22,753	18,889	2,956	908
	Rural	186,114	74,410	110,392	1,312	183,553	91,309	90,840	1,404	(2,561)	16,899	(19,552)	92
	<b>Total</b>	<b>297,184</b>	<b>116,455</b>	<b>172,975</b>	<b>7,754</b>	<b>317,376</b>	<b>152,243</b>	<b>156,379</b>	<b>8,754</b>	<b>20,192</b>	<b>35,788</b>	<b>(16,596)</b>	<b>1,000</b>
Total Fiji	Urban	359,495	161,335	168,035	30,125	421,086	210,762	177,516	32,808	61,591	49,427	9,481	2,683
	Rural	415,582	232,240	170,783	12,559	406,814	263,221	134,075	9,518	(8,768)	30,981	(36,708)	(3,041)
	<b>Total Fiji</b>	<b>775,077</b>	<b>393,575</b>	<b>338,818</b>	<b>42,684</b>	<b>827,900</b>	<b>473,983</b>	<b>311,591</b>	<b>42,326</b>	<b>52,823</b>	<b>80,408</b>	<b>(27,227)</b>	<b>(358)</b>