

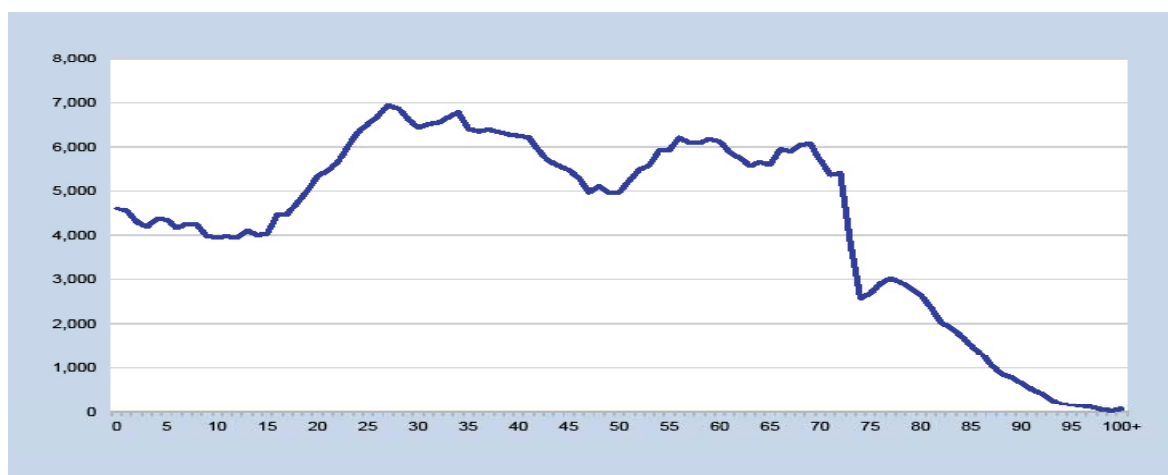
The estimated total population of Malta and Gozo at the end of 2016 stood at 440,433, up by 1.4 per cent when compared to 2015.

World Population Day: 11 July 2017

Persons under 18 made up 17.2 per cent of the total population, while a further 19.4 per cent were aged 65 and over. Of these, 2,642 persons - 1,836 females and 806 males - were over 89 (Table 2). The population increase was mainly due to net migration (immigration less emigration) (Table 3). The population of Malta accounts for 0.1 per cent of the total population of the EU (Table 4).

Live births registered during 2016 increased by 2.3 per cent over the previous year (Table 5). During 2016, 150 babies, or 3.3 per cent, were born to teenage mothers. On the other hand, 64.2 per cent of babies were born to mothers aged between 25 and 34 (Table 6). Of the 3,342 deaths registered during 2016, 62.8 per cent were persons aged over 74 years (Table 7).

Chart 1. Total population by single years of age: 2016



There were 3,034 marriages occurring in 2016 which were registered in Malta and Gozo. Civil marriages accounted for 53.7 per cent of the total marriages occurring in 2016, an increase of 9.9 per cent over the previous year (Table 9). From the total marriages registered, 19.9 per cent were between spouses aged 25-29. 30.5 per cent of grooms were between the ages of 25 and 29 while a further 29.9 per cent were aged between 30 and 34. On the other hand, 38.8 per cent of brides were between 25 and 29 years old and a further 23.9 per cent were between the ages of 30 and 34 (Table 10) ■

Main points:

- The estimated resident population for Malta and Gozo at the end of 2016 stood at 440,433.
- The Maltese population constitutes 0.1% of the EU population.
- Migration increased the population by 4,876 persons during 2016, 4 times more than the contribution of natural increase.
- There were 4,527 births registered in Malta and Gozo during 2016 – 642 more births when compared to 10 years ago.
- 3,342 deaths were registered in Malta and Gozo during 2016 – approximately 7 deaths for every 1,000 persons.
- 3,034 marriages occurring in 2016 were registered in Malta and Gozo, with the majority of the spouses aged between 25 and 34 years at the time of marriage.

Chart 2. End-of-year total population estimates: 2005-2016

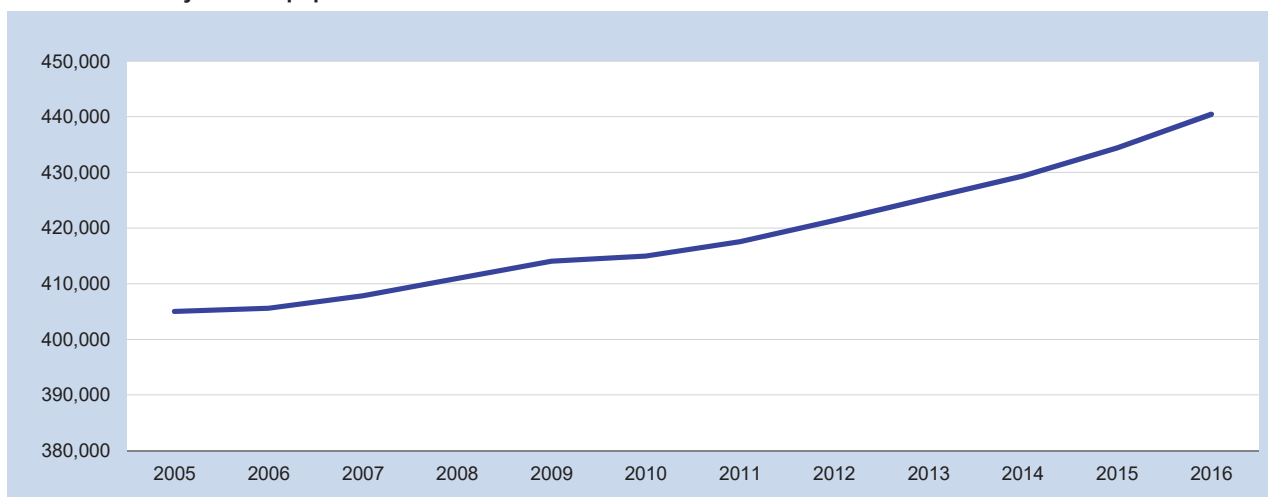


Table 1. End-of-year total population estimates: 2005-2016

Year	Males	Females	Total
2005*	200,838	204,161	404,999
2006	201,519	204,097	405,616
2007	202,734	205,098	407,832
2008	204,607	206,319	410,926
2009	206,203	207,824	414,027
2010	206,405	208,584	414,989
2011*	207,695	209,851	417,546
2012	209,880	211,484	421,364
2013	212,424	212,960	425,384
2014	214,735	214,609	429,344
2015	217,569	216,834	434,403
2016	220,914	219,519	440,433

* Based on Census taken in year

Chart 3. Total population by age group and gender as on 31 December 2016

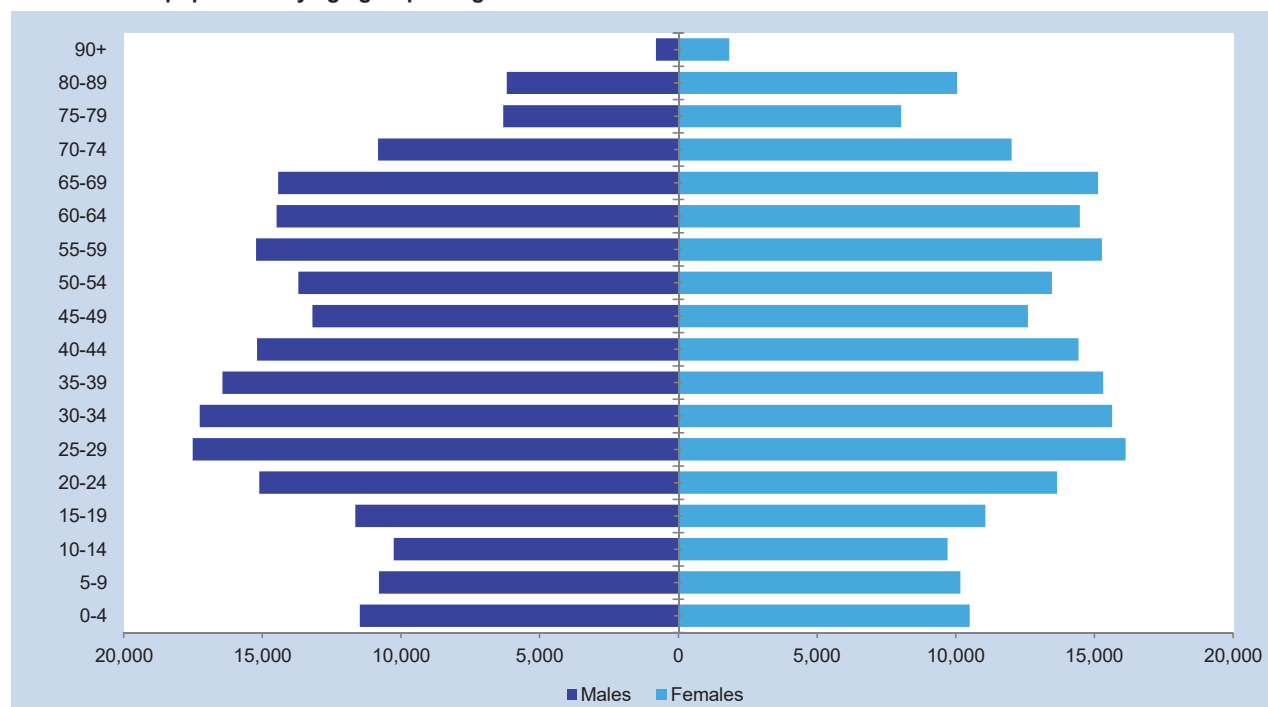


Table 2. Total population by single years of age as on 31 December 2016

Age group/ Single years	Males	Females	Total	Age group/ Single years	Males	Females	Total
0-9	22,280	20,671	42,951	50-59	28,935	28,751	57,686
Less than 1	2,433	2,173	4,606	50	2,512	2,459	4,971
1	2,306	2,241	4,547	51	2,632	2,598	5,230
2	2,287	2,008	4,295	52	2,781	2,694	5,475
3	2,196	1,990	4,186	53	2,809	2,762	5,571
4	2,267	2,090	4,357	54	2,975	2,963	5,938
5	2,203	2,144	4,347	55	3,009	2,923	5,932
6	2,105	2,048	4,153	56	3,113	3,096	6,209
7	2,190	2,062	4,252	57	3,005	3,083	6,088
8	2,196	2,037	4,233	58	3,019	3,076	6,095
9	2,097	1,878	3,975	59	3,080	3,097	6,177
10-19	21,918	20,777	42,695	60-69	28,920	29,600	58,520
10	2,077	1,874	3,951	60	3,072	3,050	6,122
11	2,042	1,931	3,973	61	2,999	2,884	5,883
12	2,017	1,925	3,942	62	2,886	2,870	5,756
13	2,046	2,063	4,109	63	2,763	2,790	5,553
14	2,083	1,918	4,001	64	2,770	2,875	5,645
15	2,070	1,969	4,039	65	2,720	2,861	5,581
16	2,210	2,244	4,454	66	2,945	3,008	5,953
17	2,278	2,191	4,469	67	2,921	2,985	5,906
18	2,451	2,298	4,749	68	2,933	3,106	6,039
19	2,644	2,364	5,008	69	2,911	3,171	6,082
20-29	32,626	29,784	62,410	70-79	17,150	20,053	37,203
20	2,824	2,510	5,334	70	2,704	2,989	5,693
21	2,887	2,568	5,455	71	2,573	2,787	5,360
22	2,959	2,681	5,640	72	2,610	2,795	5,405
23	3,136	2,877	6,013	73	1,743	2,074	3,817
24	3,302	3,023	6,325	74	1,201	1,374	2,575
25	3,411	3,099	6,510	75	1,204	1,488	2,692
26	3,504	3,181	6,685	76	1,299	1,612	2,911
27	3,537	3,414	6,951	77	1,337	1,679	3,016
28	3,597	3,279	6,876	78	1,280	1,649	2,929
29	3,469	3,152	6,621	79	1,199	1,606	2,805
30-39	33,708	30,962	64,670	80-89	6,188	10,051	16,239
30	3,428	3,003	6,431	80	1,153	1,502	2,655
31	3,462	3,050	6,512	81	958	1,396	2,354
32	3,443	3,093	6,536	82	819	1,204	2,023
33	3,469	3,191	6,660	83	723	1,186	1,909
34	3,463	3,308	6,771	84	633	1,099	1,732
35	3,313	3,092	6,405	85	530	989	1,519
36	3,310	3,039	6,349	86	452	876	1,328
37	3,285	3,104	6,389	87	353	711	1,064
38	3,269	3,069	6,338	88	310	561	871
39	3,266	3,013	6,279	89	257	527	784
40-49	28,383	27,034	55,417	90+	806	1,836	2,642
40	3,188	3,061	6,249				
41	3,233	2,979	6,212	Total	220,914	219,519	440,433
42	3,070	2,856	5,926				
43	2,873	2,796	5,669				
44	2,828	2,733	5,561				
45	2,807	2,658	5,465				
46	2,731	2,558	5,289				
47	2,562	2,414	4,976				
48	2,608	2,506	5,114				
49	2,483	2,473	4,956				

Note: Figures are based on Census of Population and Housing 2011.

Table 3. Composition of population change: 2016

	Males	Females	Total
Population end 2015	217,569	216,834	434,403
+ Births*	2,365	2,111	4,476
+ Adoptions (foreign)	11	9	20
- Deaths	1,644	1,698	3,342
Sub-total	218,301	217,256	435,557
Migration flows:			
+ Immigration of Maltese nationals	707	669	1,376
- Emigration of Maltese nationals	592	366	958
+ Immigration of Other EU nationals	5,021	3,146	8,167
- Emigration of Other EU nationals	3,673	2,628	6,301
+ Immigration of Third-country nationals	3,742	2,967	6,709
- Emigration of Third-country nationals	2,592	1,525	4,117
Population end 2016	220,914	219,519	440,433

* Birth figures refer to babies born to mothers who are resident of Malta

Table 4. Total population figures in the EU

	Population as at 01.01.2017	Percentage share in EU population
EU	511,805.1	100.0
Austria	8,772.9	1.7
Belgium	11,365.8	2.2
Bulgaria	7,101.9	1.4
Croatia	4,154.2	0.8
Cyprus	854.8	0.2
Czech Republic	10,578.8	2.1
Denmark	5,748.8	1.1
Estonia	1,315.6	0.3
Finland	5,503.3	1.1
France	67,024.5	13.1
Germany*	82,800.0	16.2
Greece*	10,757.3	2.1
Hungary	9,797.6	1.9
Ireland*	4,774.8	0.9
Italy	60,589.4	11.8
Latvia	1,950.1	0.4
Lithuania	2,847.9	0.6
Luxembourg	590.7	0.1
Malta	440.4	0.1
Netherlands	17,081.5	3.3
Poland	37,973.0	7.4
Portugal*	10,309.6	2.0
Romania*	19,638.3	3.8
Slovakia	5,435.3	1.1
Slovenia	2,065.9	0.4
Spain	46,529.0	9.1
Sweden	9,995.2	2.0
United Kingdom*	65,808.6	12.9

Source: Eurostat

Note: All data are provisional

* Data are estimated

Table 5. Registered live births by region of registration: 2005-2016

Year	MALTA			Malta		Gozo and Comino	
	Total	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
2005	3,858	1,984	1,874	1,842	1,733	142	141
2006	3,885	2,039	1,846	1,884	1,715	155	131
2007	3,871	2,036	1,835	1,894	1,717	142	118
2008*	4,126	2,151	1,975	1,990	1,836	160	137
2009	4,143	2,146	1,997	2,032	1,869	114	128
2010	4,008	2,056	1,952	1,904	1,817	152	135
2011	4,283	2,182	2,101	2,044	1,960	138	141
2012	4,231	2,191	2,040	2,038	1,914	153	126
2013	4,127	2,160	1,967	2,012	1,848	148	119
2014	4,311	2,286	2,025	2,140	1,896	146	129
2015	4,424	2,258	2,166	2,102	2,033	156	133
2016	4,527	2,384	2,143	2,235	1,981	149	162

* Total births include three with unspecified localities

Chart 4. Registered live births: 2005-2016

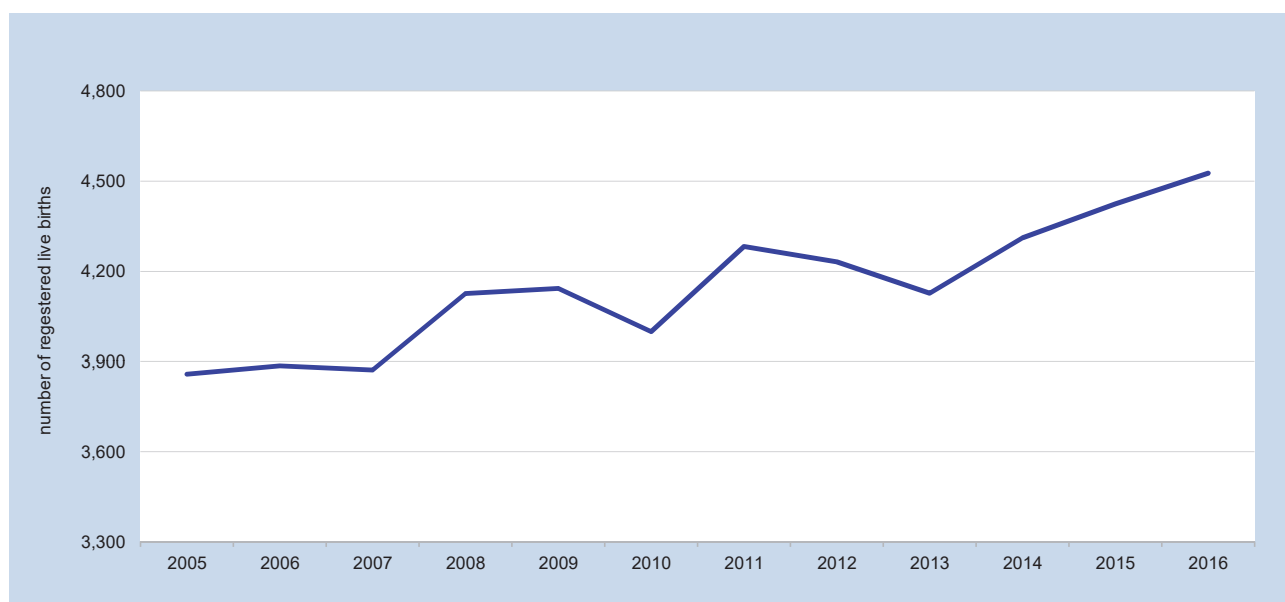


Table 6. Registered live births by age group of mother/father: 2016

Ages	Age group of mother		Age group of father	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
All ages	2,384	2,143	2,384	2,143
Under 20	79	71	15	15
20-24	263	244	132	110
25-29	706	589	447	398
30-34	825	788	836	733
35-39	434	376	550	537
40-44	74	69	231	187
45-49	3	6	44	55
50-54	-	-	14	16
55-59	-	-	10	4
60+	-	-	5	4
Unspecified	-	-	100	84

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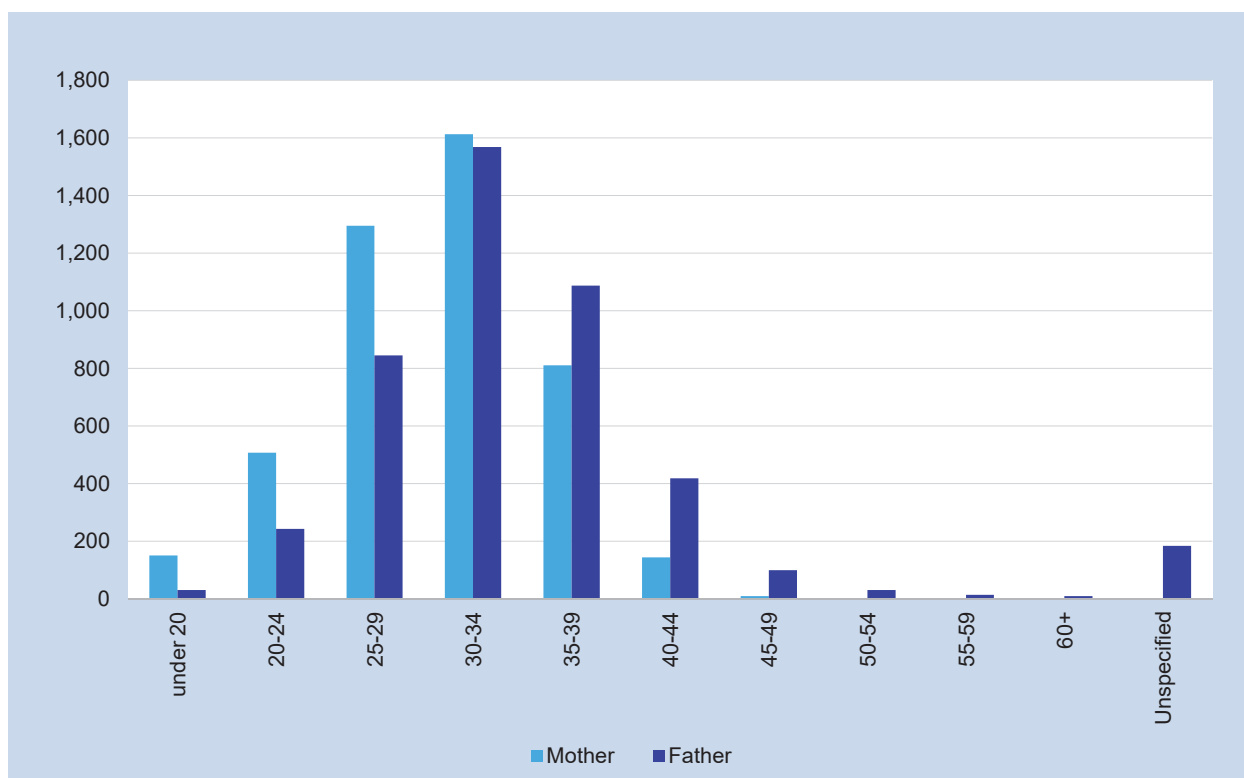


Table 7. Deaths by age reached at last birthday: 2005-2016

Year	Age												Total
	Under 1	1-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+	
Males													
2005	13	2	-	2	8	9	21	21	72	198	374	857	1,577
2006	10	1	-	3	7	12	17	38	95	202	393	889	1,667
2007	9	1	1	3	7	16	28	35	77	211	368	854	1,610
2008	22	5	-	2	3	6	29	36	97	260	336	872	1,668
2009	11	1	1	2	6	11	27	28	71	222	352	940	1,672
2010	13	2	-	2	5	9	23	37	77	221	328	772	1,489
2011	13	-	1	-	9	7	22	29	82	219	371	911	1,664
2012	11	1	1	1	1	7	24	37	77	231	364	991	1,746
2013	14	1	-	1	3	10	13	29	72	212	375	906	1,636
2014	11	1	1	3	4	6	22	35	73	195	395	909	1,655
2015	16	3	-	2	4	4	23	26	69	223	374	988	1,732
2016	20	1	1	-	4	3	16	37	88	191	394	889	1,644
Females													
2005	9	4	4	1	2	2	4	17	63	126	237	1,086	1,555
2006	4	3	-	3	2	1	6	17	52	135	258	1,068	1,549
2007	16	-	1	2	1	1	6	19	51	142	250	1,012	1,501
2008	12	1	1	1	1	3	7	11	50	145	251	1,092	1,575
2009	11	2	1	2	2	4	15	10	52	136	217	1,097	1,549
2010	9	2	-	3	1	3	4	11	49	131	235	1,073	1,521
2011	14	3	1	1	2	1	13	19	46	124	228	1,151	1,603
2012	11	2	-	2	2	1	14	18	55	137	233	1,197	1,672
2013	13	1	-	-	2	5	4	10	40	110	217	1,198	1,600
2014	10	1	-	1	2	1	7	17	27	133	249	1,167	1,615
2015	9	1	2	1	2	6	7	13	36	120	261	1,252	1,710
2016	13	1	-	1	4	2	6	20	45	118	279	1,209	1,698
Total													
2005	22	6	4	3	10	11	25	38	135	324	611	1,943	3,132
2006	14	4	-	6	9	13	23	55	147	337	651	1,957	3,216
2007	25	1	2	5	8	17	34	54	128	353	618	1,866	3,111
2008	34	6	1	3	4	9	36	47	147	405	587	1,964	3,243
2009	22	3	2	4	8	15	42	38	123	358	569	2,037	3,221
2010	22	4	-	5	6	12	27	48	126	352	563	1,845	3,010
2011	27	3	2	1	11	8	35	48	128	343	599	2,062	3,267
2012	22	3	1	3	3	8	38	55	132	368	597	2,188	3,418
2013	27	2	-	1	5	15	17	39	112	322	592	2,104	3,236
2014	21	2	1	4	6	7	29	52	100	328	644	2,076	3,270
2015	25	4	2	3	6	10	30	39	105	343	635	2,240	3,442
2016	33	2	1	1	8	5	22	57	133	309	673	2,098	3,342

Chart 6. Deaths by age reached at last birthday: 2005-2016

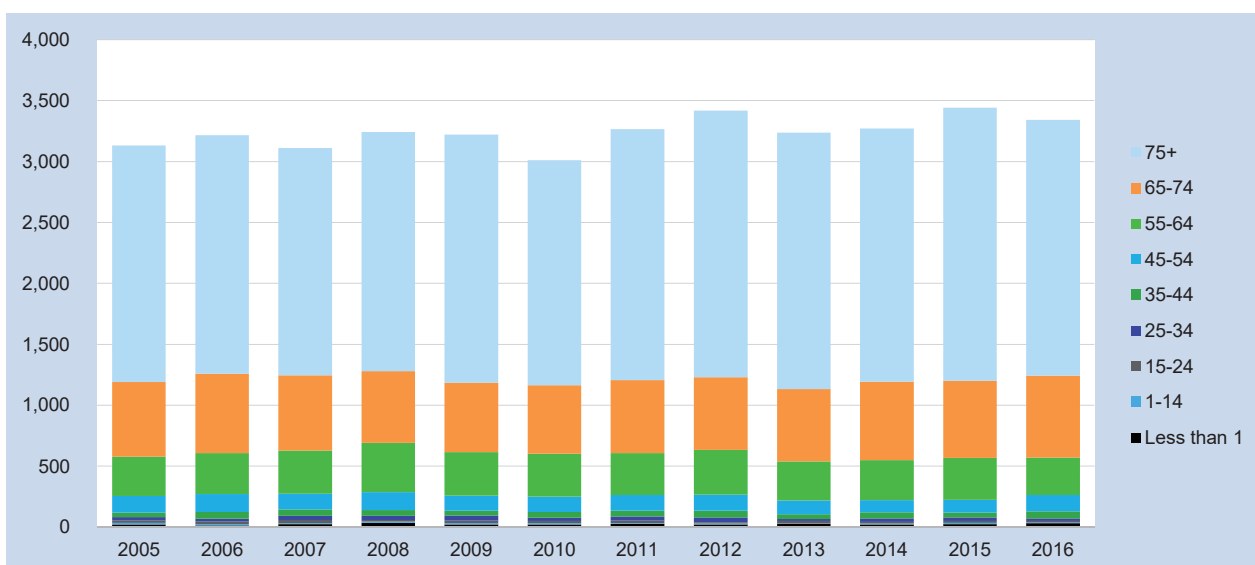


Table 8. Natural change of the EU population: 2016

EU Member State	Absolute number in 1 000		
	Live births	Deaths	Natural change
EU	5,114.1	5,130.0	-15.9
Austria	87.7	80.7	7
Belgium	121.9	108.1	13.8
Bulgaria	65.0	107.6	-42.6
Croatia	37.5	51.5	-14
Cyprus	9.5	5.5	4
Czech Republic	112.7	107.8	4.9
Denmark	61.6	52.8	8.8
Estonia	14.1	15.4	-1.3
Finland	52.8	53.9	-1.1
France	785.7	587.1	198.6
Germany*	770.0	920.0	-150
Greece*	92.8	118.8	-26
Hungary	95.4	127.1	-31.7
Ireland*	63.9	30.4	33.5
Italy	473.4	615.3	-141.8
Latvia	22.0	28.6	-6.6
Lithuania	30.6	41.1	-10.5
Luxembourg	6.1	4.0	2.1
Malta	4.5	3.3	1.1
Netherlands	172.5	149.0	23.5
Poland	382.3	388.0	-5.8
Portugal*	87.1	110.5	-23.4
Romania*	188.4	256.5	-68.1
Slovakia	57.6	52.4	5.2
Slovenia	20.3	19.7	0.7
Spain	406.6	406.8	-0.3
Sweden	117.4	91.0	26.4
United Kingdom*	774.8	597.2	177.6

Source: Eurostat

Note: All data are provisional

* Data are estimated

Table 9. Registered marriages¹ in Malta and Gozo by type and year of marriage: 2005-2016

Year	MALTA	Malta	Gozo and Comino	of which: Civil marriages	Crude marriage rate*
2005	2,374	2,216	158	779	5.9
2006	2,536	2,352	184	859	6.3
2007	2,479	2,326	153	867	6.1
2008	2,482	2,289	193	840	6.1
2009	2,353	2,158	195	832	5.7
2010	2,596	2,356	240	847	6.3
2011	2,562	2,377	185	965	6.2
2012	2,823	2,612	211	1,170	6.7
2013	2,578	2,405	173	1,199	6.1
2014	2,871	2,651	220	1,388	6.7
2015	3,002	2,790	212	1,481	7.0
2016	3,034	2,826	208	1,628	6.9

*Number of marriages per 1,000 persons in total mid-year population

¹Includes marriages among foreigners

Chart 7. Registered marriages in Malta and Gozo by type and year of marriage: 2005-2016

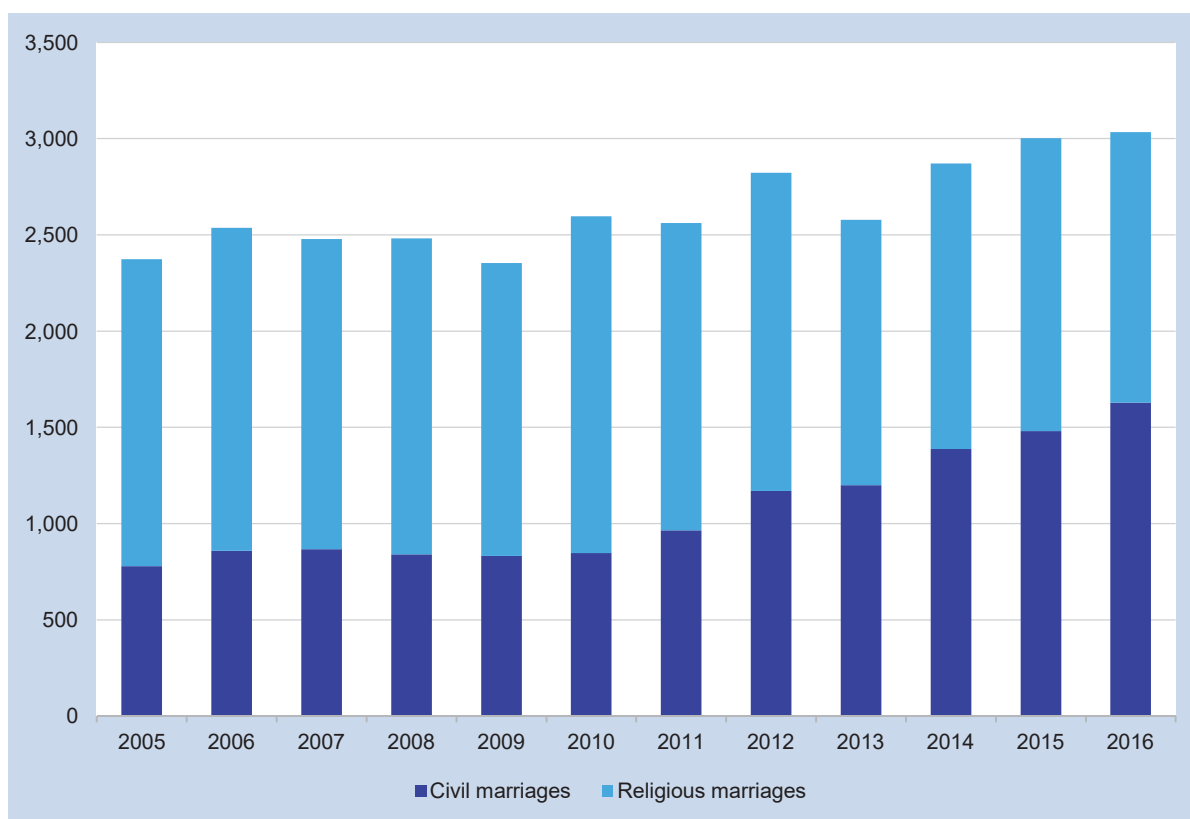


Table 10. Registered Marriages in Malta by year of Marriage and by age group of spouses: 2016

Age group of bride	Age group of groom											Total		
	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65+		Unspecified	
16-19	1	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
20-24	2	76	200	64	14	3	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	362
25-29	-	42	603	396	106	20	7	2	-	1	-	-	-	1,177
30-34	-	8	91	372	178	46	23	5	-	2	-	-	-	725
35-39	-	2	24	62	112	75	31	9	6	4	1	1	-	327
40-44	-	1	2	8	24	36	45	22	9	2	3	-	-	152
45-49	-	1	1	2	8	12	36	29	13	9	5	-	-	116
50-54	-	-	1	-	5	4	11	26	21	7	10	-	-	85
55-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	8	14	9	11	-	-	43
60-64	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	7	-	-	18
65+	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	15	-	-	17
Unspecified	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3
Total	3	134	925	907	447	197	156	103	65	44	52	1	1	3,034

Methodological Notes

1. All population components are based on definitions provided for in the European Regulation (EU) No. 1260/2013 on European demographic statistics.
2. All migration components are based on definitions provided for in the European Regulation (EU) No. 862/2007 on Community statistics on migration and international protection.

3. Definitions

- **Civil marriages:** all non-religious marriages that are recognised by Maltese law.
- **Crude marriage rate:** total number of marriages per thousand mid-year population.
- **Emigration:** the action by which a natural person leaves his or her usual residence in the territory of the Member State for a period that is, or is expected to last, a minimum of 12 months. This figure is measured by summing up the counts of all employment termination forms which ended during the reference year; residence permit holders who fail to extend their permits during the reference year, together with their dependants; resettled or repatriated asylum seekers who were previously given protection and other Maltese emigrants (i.e. persons who leave the country for a period of at least 12 months).
- **Immigration:** the action by which a natural person establishes his or her usual residence in a territory of a State for a period that is, or is expected to last, a minimum of 12 months. This figure is measured by summing up the count of all new employment engagement forms and residence permit holders, their dependants, asylum seekers under protection, returned migrants and new adoptions of children from foreign countries.
- **Mid-year population:** Total and Maltese mid-year population is calculated by averaging start-of-the-year and end-year population estimates.
- **Natural increase:** The difference between the number of live births and the number of deaths during a reference year.
- **Total population:** all persons residing in Malta. The total population at the end of year t , is computed using the equation $P_t = P_{t-1} + B_t - D_t + I_t - E_t$, where:
 - P_t is the total resident population at the end of year t ,
 - P_{t-1} is the total resident population at the end of year $t-1$,
 - B_t is the total number of births born to mothers resident in Malta registered during year t ,
 - D_t is the total number of deaths of persons resident in Malta registered during year t ,
 - I_t is the total immigration of both Maltese and foreign nationals registered during year t who immigrated with the intention to live in Malta for a period of at least 12 months.
 - E_t is the total emigration of both Maltese and foreign nationals resident in Malta registered during year t who leave the country for a period of at least 12 months.
- **Live births resident in Malta:** all babies whose parent(s) is(are) resident in Malta at the time of birth. Therefore the definition excludes babies born to mothers who are resident abroad.
- **Total registered live births:** all births registered in Malta and Gozo by Maltese and foreign parents. Still births are excluded.
- **Total registered marriages:** all marriages registered in Malta and Gozo. These include marriages between non-resident foreign spouses.
- **Total deaths:** all registered Maltese and foreign deaths in Malta and Gozo. These counts exclude deaths of tourists, but include Maltese residents who die abroad and whose death is subsequently registered in Malta. This definition excludes still births.
- **Third Country National:** any person who is not a citizen of the European Union.
- **Usual residence:** refers to the place where a person normally spends the daily period of rest, regardless of temporary absences for purposes of recreation, holidays, visits to friends and relatives, business, medical treatment or religious pilgrimage. Usual residents of a specific geographical area are:
 - i those who have lived in their place of usual residence for a continuous period of at least 12 months before the reference time; or
 - ii those who arrived in their place of usual residence during the 12 months before the reference time with the intention of staying there for at least one year.
- **Usually resident population:** refers to all persons who have their usual residence in a Member State at the reference time.

4. Sources:

- Demographic data in this release is based on records held by the Public Registry and the Directorate of Health Information and Research.
- Migration data is based on relevant administrative records and on estimates based on auxiliary information and access to administrative records as shown in the table below:

Entity	Data flows	Data records
National Statistics Office (NSO)	Immigration of Maltese Nationals	Decennial Census of Population and Housing
		Ongoing frontier survey: TOURSTAT
	Emigration of Maltese Nationals	Ongoing frontier survey: TOURSTAT
Employment and Training Corporation (Jobsplus)	Migration Flows of European Union Nationals	Employment engagement and termination forms
Office of the Refugee Commissioner	Migration flows of Third-Country Nationals	Asylum records
Third-Country Nationals Unit		Resettlements and repatriations
Citizenship and Expatriates Affairs		Residence permits database

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