

Benin

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Data Source

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Boundaries: © Michael Bauer Research GmbH, Nuremberg, Germany, 2025.

Settlement Points: These settlement points were created using the European Commission Global Human Settlement Layer (GHSL), 100 meter resolution 2025 Estimated Population Raster Layer. The points were verified using the latest Esri imagery. More information about the data can be found here: <https://ghslsys.jrc.ec.europa.eu>.

Dataset Information

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3 Letter ISO Country code	BEN
Currency	West African CFA franc
3 Letter Currency code	XOF
Number of attributes available	27
Number of geography levels	3

Geography Levels

Esri Geography Name	Local Geography Name	Feature Count
Country	Bénin	1
Departments	Départements	12
Municipalities	Communes	77

Data Apportionment Settings

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Threshold Upper Bound	Aggregation Method	Level of Geography
150 km	Block Apportion	BJ.Municipalities
more	Centroids In Polygon	BJ.Municipalities

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Change Summary

Changes to geography level names

Former geography level name	New geography level name	Change reason
	Municipalities	New geography level
Communes		No longer available

New Attributes

None.

Attributes no longer available

None.

Change Notes

Market Data are now projections for 2025 (previously 2023). The Purchasing Power projection in national currency for 2025 shows a significant upward trend due to economic growth.

No changes were made to these settlement points since the last MBR release.

Other Data Notes

None.