

Bulgaria

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Data Source

Data: © Michael Bauer Research GmbH 2025 based on © National Statistical Institute, Eurostat.

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

Settlement Points: The settlement points were created using the 2023 European Commission Global Human Settlement Layer (GHSL). More information about the data can be found here: <https://ghslsys.jrc.ec.europa.eu>. The data was verified using Esri imagery and Michael Bauer Research 2022 population.

Dataset Information

Bulgaria	
3 Letter ISO Country code	BGR
Currency	Bulgarian lev
3 Letter Currency code	BGN
Number of attributes available	119
Number of geography levels	9

Geography Levels

Esri Geography Name	Local Geography Name	Feature Count
Country	Bulgaria	1
NUTS 1	NUTS 1	2
NUTS 2	NUTS 2	6
Postcodes1	Poshtenski Kodove1	9
Regions	Oblasti	28
NUTS 3	NUTS 3	28
Postcodes2	Poshtenski Kodove2	89
Municipalities	Obshtini	265
Postcodes4	Poshtenski Kodove	4611

Data Apportionment Settings

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Threshold Upper Bound	Aggregation Method	Level of Geography
150 km	Block Apportion	BG.Postcodes4
more	Centroids In Polygon	BG.Postcodes4

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Change Summary

Changes to geography level names

Former Geography Level Name	New Geography Level Name	Change Details
	NUTS 1	New geography level
	NUTS 2	New geography level
	NUTS 3	New geography level

New Attributes

Attribute Name	Alias Name	Category
EDUC01_CY	2025 Pop 7+/Edu: Primary Level or Below	Education
EDUC02_CY	2025 Pop 7+/Edu: Lower Secondary	Education
EDUC03_CY	2025 Pop 7+/Edu: Upper Secondary	Education
EDUC04_CY	2025 Pop 7+/Edu: Tertiary	Education
EDUC_BASE	2025 Education Attainment Base	Education

Attributes no longer available

None.

Change Notes

Market Data are now projections for 2025 (previously 2024). Unemployed Population is shown for 2024 (previously 2023). Population projections at the national level declined by 0.56% compared to former estimates; this difference is attributed to updates to Eurostat data based on input data from the National Statistical Institute Bulgaria. The Purchasing Power and Consumer Spending projections in national currency for 2025 show an upward trend due to inflation and a revision of economic data. Please note that the deviations observed in the values for product groups CS13 to CS16 this year are due to a redefinition of these categories. Due to these changes, comparisons with the last edition are not possible in these groups.

Other Data Notes

For reasons of data privacy, in areas with fewer than 10 inhabitants, all data except Population and Household numbers are anonymized. For these areas, all variables simultaneously referring to currency and population are based on the national average and all other variables are set to zero. For Postal Codes, Households are based on the household size of the respective Obshtini. Age, Gender, and Education are based on the distribution of the respective Obshtini. Unemployed Population is based on per capita values of the respective Obshtini. Sofia is shown based on the respective Sectors of Sofia for Households, Age, Gender, and Unemployed Population.