



Marriages and divorces in Montenegro, 2011

In Montenegro, it was 3 528 marriages, and 471 divorces, in 2011.

Marriage rate (number of marriages per 1 000 inhabitants) was 5.7, and rate of divorce (number of divorces per 1 000 inhabitants) was 0.8. On 1 000 marriages it were 133.5 divorce.

The number of marriages in 2011, is lower than in 2010 for 4.0%.

The number of divorces in 2011 is lower than in 2010 for 9.4%.

The average age of groom for the first marriage in 2011 is 31.1 and bride 27.1.

- *93.2% (3 288) of groom and 94.8% (3 344) of bride get first marriage*
- *6.2% (219) of groom, and 4.9% (172) of bride get second marriage*
- *0.6% (21) of groom and 0.3% (12) of bride get third and over marriage*

Average age of husband at the moment of divorces in 2011 is 39.4, and wife 34.8.

In average, duration of marriages which are divorced in 2011 is ten years.

- *From the total number of divorces 4.2% was divorced in first year of marriages,*
- *1 to 4 years is duration 28.7% of divorcess,*
- *after 20 years 17,2% of marriages divorced.*

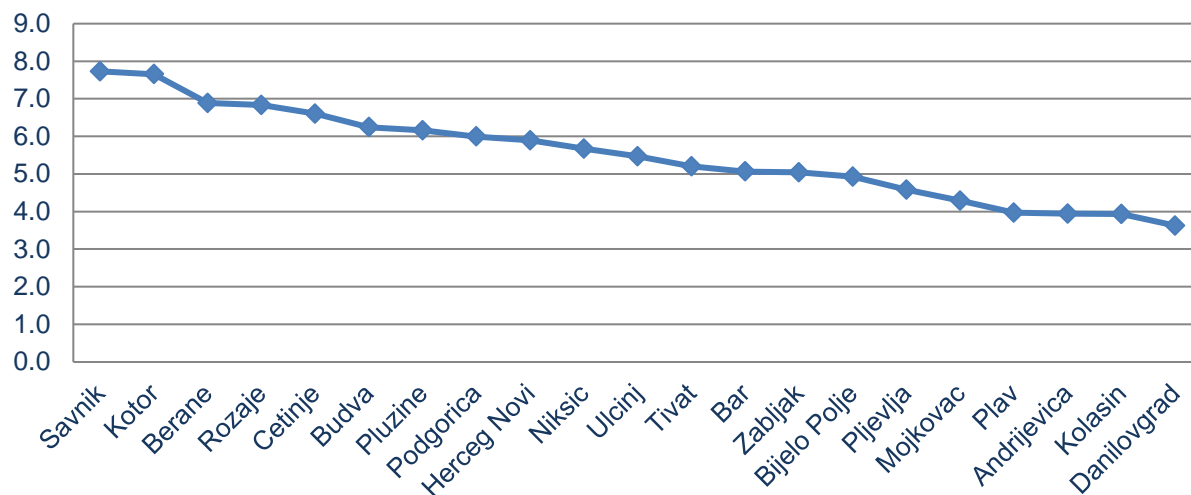
In 35.9% of divorces has no dependent children, in 51.0% has one or two children, and 13.1% has three or more children.

From the total number of divorced with dependet children (302) in 79.5% cases children entrusted to the care to wife-mother. Husband was entrusted children from 16.9% divorce. Together, husband and wife was entrusted children from 2.3% divorce and to other persons and institutions it was entrusted children from 1.3% divorces.

Table1. Marriages and divorces, Montenegro 2011

	1960	1980	2000	2009	2010	2011
Marriages	3 387	4429	2866	3829	3675	3528
Divorces	399	259	435	456	520	471
on 1000 inhabitants						
Marriages	7.3	7.6	6.0	6.1	5.9	5.7
Divorces	0.9	0.4	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7
Number of divorces on 1000 marriages	118.0	58.0	113.0	119.1	142.1	133.5
Average age of first marriages						
Bride	22.0	23.1	25.9	26.4	26.7	27.1
Groom	26.7	28.8	29.9	30.6	30.8	31.1

Graph 1. Rate of marriage (on 1000 inhabitants) by municipalities, 2011



The biggest rate of marriage (on 1 000 inhabitants) is in Kotor and Savnik, while the smallest is in Danilovgrad.

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Sources of data

Data on marriages collected by municipality local offices, in accordance with the Law of statistics. Data on divorces collected in courts with jurisdiction over the divorce.

Coverage and comparability

Data on marriages and divorces are collected and processed in accordance with the definition of the total population, according to the international (UN, Eurostat). According to this definition, data on marriages and divorces are processed since 2005. In comparisons of data should take into account the changing definition of the total population.

According to the regulations on keeping registers cases of marriage should be entered in the Register of the area in which they occurred, regardless of whether people live in this area or not. In the analysis of statistical research is done regrouping, so the results reported by residence, and divorces in the last place of common residence.

The statistics of marriages each unit of observation is lawful marriage, and the statistics of divorces every marriage is a final judgment of a competent court divorced.

Definitions and explanations

Marriage is regulated by the law of husband and wife.

Divorces is the final judgment of a competent court terminated marriage.

Marital status is characteristic for which is taken into account only the legal marital status. This means the married / married persons who considered only the events in the observed occurrence was in a marriage concluded in accordance with legal provisions, and are considered in the divorced person whose marriage is legally dissolved.

Age is expressed in completed years of age. Calculated on the basis of date of birth of persons and the date when the case occurred. In most tables age was reported in the five-year age groups

Marriage rate is the number of marriages per 1 000 inhabitants.

The rate of divorce is the number of divorces per 1 000 marriages.

Divorce rate is of divorces per 1 000 inhabitants.

Legal basis

Data on related statistics are collected in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics and the system of official statistics ("Off. Gazette of Montenegro", no. 18/12 of 30.03.2012 and the Annual Plan of statistical survey ("Off. Gazette of Montenegro", no. 53 / 11 of 11.11.2011).

ublished and printed by the Statistical Office of Montenegro (MONSTAT)
81000 Podgorica, IV Proleterske br. 2, phone (+382) 20 230-811, faks (+382) 20 230-814

Release prepared by:
Sonja Jovanovic
contact@monstat.org