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2018 CENSUS & LABOUR FORCE SURVEY MAIN FINDINGS

Population and Demographic Characteristics

- 1. The total enumerated population size both institutional and non-institutional of Montserrat as at September 22, 2018 was **4,649** persons **2,289** males and **2,360** females. Comparative figures for 2011 were: **4,922** persons, **2,546** males and **2,376** females respectively.
- 2. The Overall Sex Ratio changed from **1.07** in 2011 to **0.97** in 2018.
- 3. **41%** of households in Montserrat were headed by females in 2018. In 2011, this figure was **38%**.
- 4. In 2011, the median age of the population was **37.7** years. In 2018, this increased to **40** years.

Housing and Sanitation

- 1. As in 2011, houses made of Concrete/Concrete Blocks in 2018 accounted for the largest share **(75.2%)** of the housing stock in Montserrat **71.0%** in 2011.
- 2. The main source of Drinking Water in Montserrat is Publicly Piped into the Dwellings. In 2011, **95.7%** of households used this source and in 2018 it increased to **97.7%**.
- 3. In 2018, **36%** of householders owned their dwelling unit outright and another **18.2%** had a mortgage. Comparative figures for 2011 were **36.7%** and **15.8%** respectively.
- 4. **97.9%** of households in 2018 used either Flush Toilets to Septic Tank or to Sewer. In 2011, the corresponding figure was **95.8%**.
- **5.** In 2018, **98.3%** of households used Public Electricity as their main source of lighting. In 2011, the corresponding figure was **97.3%**.
- 6. Ownership of a Refrigerator in 2018 was **95.3%** and **91.7%** in 2011; and use of Mobile Telephone increased from **82.3%** in 2011 to **90.2%**

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in 2018; ownership of a computer or laptop also increased slightly from 49.7% to 51.8% of households and internet access leaped from 41.3% in 2011 to 68% in 2018.

Education

- 1. Of the population 15 years and over of Montserrat in 2018, **1.5%** had completed no formal level of Education. This figure was **1.3%** in 2011.
- 2. **15.7%** of the population 15 years and over had completed Primary level of formal education only. In 2011 the comparative figure was **22.8%**.
- 3. In 2018, of the population 20 years and over, **31.2%** completed Secondary level of education only, whereas this figure was **24.7%** in 2011.
- 4. Of those 25 years and over in 2018, **20.7%** had completed tertiary level of education compared with **17.2%** in 2011.

International Migration

- 1. In 2018, **63%** of the population of Montserrat were Montserratians citizens and in 2011 this figure was **72%**.
- 2. **56.2%** of the Montserratian population were born in Montserrat in 2018, whereas the comparable figure for 2011 was **61.1%**.

Economic Activity

- 1. The Dependency Ratio for the country in 2018 was **51 persons** for every 100 persons. In 2011 it was **50 persons** for every 100 persons.
- 2. Labour Force Participation Rate increased from **85.1%** in 2011 to **89.4%** in 2018.

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- 3. The absolute number of persons Employed in 2018 was **2,527** compared with **2,540** in 2011.
- 4. The absolute number of persons Unemployed in 2018 was **176** compared with **178** in 2011.
- 5. The absolute size of the Labour Force in 2018 was $\mathbf{2,703}$ and $\mathbf{2,718}$ in 2011.
- 6. In 2018, the Unemployment Rate for the total population was **6.5%** and the comparative figure for 2011 was **6.6%**. Among the male population it was **7.2%** in 2018 compare to **8.6%** in 2011. Among females, it was **5.8%** in 2018 and **4.1%** in 2011.
- 7. Youth (age 15 to 24 years) Unemployment Rate in 2018 was **11.8%** compared to **16.9%** in 2011.