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The following metadata describes the contents of SouthSudan\_AnnualCountyPopulation\_20082020.zip For questions about this work, or the Spatial Data Center at Drew University, please refer to the contact information here.

Many thanks,

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## South Sudan, County Populations 2008-2020

Source: The Republic of South Sudan, National Bureau of Statistics

The National Bureau of Statistics estimated county populations in South Sudan, for 2008-2015. The report, with the links included below, was published in 2014.

URL: <a href="http://www.ssnbss.org/sites/default/files/2016-08/population-projections">http://www.ssnbss.org/sites/default/files/2016-08/population-projections</a> for south sudan by county by sex 2008 2015.pdf

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The National Bureau of Statistics also projected county populations in South Sudan, for 2015-2020. The report, with the links included below, was published in 2014.

URL: http://www.ssnbss.org/home/document/census/population-projections-for-south-sudan-by-county-by-sex-from-2008-2015

Report URL: <a href="http://www.ssnbss.org/sites/default/files/2016-08/population-projections-for-south-sudan-by-payam-2015-2020.pdf">http://www.ssnbss.org/sites/default/files/2016-08/population-projections-for-south-sudan-by-payam-2015-2020.pdf</a>

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Data from reports were entered into Excel and joined to the Admin2 boundaries for South Sudan, obtained from the Humanitarian Data Exchange:

https://data.humdata.org/dataset/south-sudan-administrative-boundaries

The joined data set was saved as SouthSudan\_AnnualCountyPopulation.shp, zipped and included here. The metadata the boundary file inherits the metadata of ssd\_admbnda\_adm2\_200k\_ssnbs\_20160801.zip with the additional attributes listed below.

## **ATTRIBUTES:**

SS2008: Total County Population, Estimated for 2008 SS2009: Total County Population, Estimated for 2009 SS2010: Total County Population, Estimated for 2010 SS2011: Total County Population, Estimated for 2011 SS2012: Total County Population, Estimated for 2012 SS2013: Total County Population, Estimated for 2013 SS2014: Total County Population, Estimated for 2014 SS2015: Total County Population, Estimated for 2015 SS2016: Total County Population, Estimated for 2016 SS2017: Total County Population, Estimated for 2017

SS2018: Total County Population, Estimated for 2018 SS2019: Total County Population, Estimated for 2019 SS2020: Total County Population, Estimated for 2020

Although the original sources overlap for year 2015, I chose to include only the 2015 from the 2008-2015 estimates. There were two discrepancies in the 2015 county estimates from the two sources. First, in the 2015-2020 estimates, Ayod County and Akobo County are given the same values for each year. In the 2008-2015 estimates, values for these two counties differed. It should be noted that the counties are quite similar in population size. Second, the 2015-2020 estimates create values for a new county: Akoka County. This county is not included in the administrative shapefiles from the United Nations. The 2015-2020 National Bureau of Statistics document explains that Akoka County values are 20.5% of the Baliet County values. I edited the 2015-2020 Baliet County values to reconstitute the population lost to Akoka County. This required dividing the annual population estimates for Baliet County by 0.795.

## South Sudan County Population Estimates: A Comparison of 2008 and 2020 Projections



