**INDICATOR 2: Population Change Index, 1975–2015**

**File name: Pop\_Chg\_Ind\_1975-2015**

* Coordinate Reference Systems: WGS 84 / UTM zone 34N (EPSG:32634)
* Spatial resolution: 250 m × 250 m
* Max: 1.25866e+06
* Min: 0
* No Data: –99999
* Unit: %

**Description of Indicator:** The Population Change Index directly shows how much, as a percentage, the population has decreased or increased in a certain area. In this regard, this indicator is most often used to monitor the depopulation process and to assess its dynamics. It was calculated as a ratio of population count in 2015 and population count in 1975 and multiplied by 100. The values under 100 indicate population decline and above 100 population growth.

**Source data for Indicator calculation**

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| **Type of data** | **Source** |
| Population count\* | [GHS-POP R2019A dataset—GHS population grid multitemporal [European Commission, Joint Research Center, 2019], datasets for 1975 and 2015](https://data.jrc.ec.europa.eu/dataset/0c6b9751-a71f-4062-830b-43c9f432370f) |

\* Population data for municipalites Preševo and Bujanovac are not included in datasets. Accordingly, the indicator values within these aministrative units are missing.