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# Accra

## RESILIENCE STRATEGY

Accra Metropolitan Assembly



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RESILIENT

CITIES

# ACCRA BY THE NUMBERS

## Population & Migration



Accra's 1.6 million population represents 42% of the total population of the Greater Accra Region.

**2m**  
An estimated 2 million people commute into Accra everyday

**47%**  
of the population are migrants (born outside the Accra Metropolitan Area)

**51 people/hectare**  
Accra is sprawling; Density in Accra declined from 98 people/hectare in 1991 to 51 people/hectare in 2014

## Informal sector



**82.9%**  
of women work in the informal economy

**64.7%**  
of men work in the informal economy

At a national scale, the biggest sectors of informal non-agricultural urban work are:

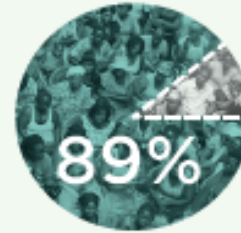


trade, accounting

manufacturing, accounting

non-domestic private services, accounting

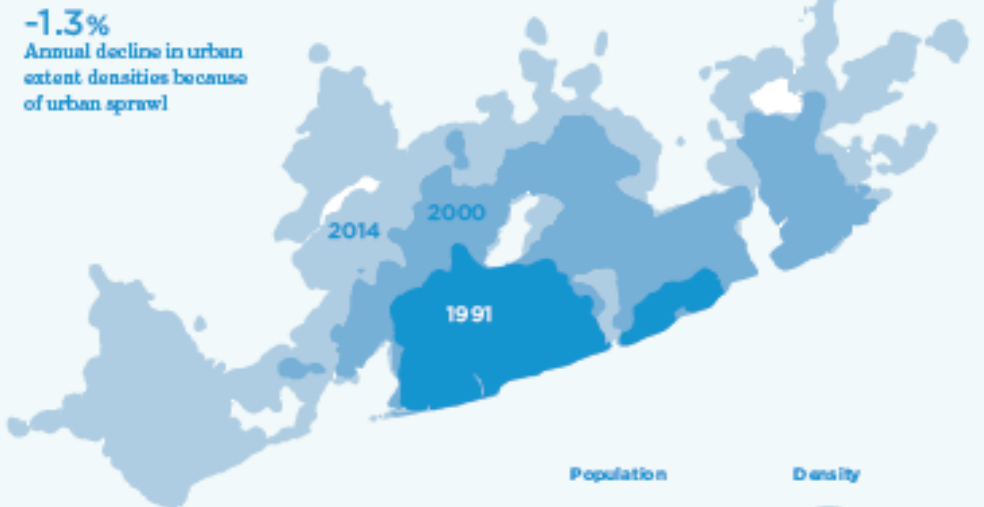
## Economy, Employment & Education



89% of the population within the AMA can read and write in one or more languages. This compares to 71.5% nationally.



70% of the population in Accra is economically active. This is on par with the national rate.



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## An Integrated Approach to Infrastructure Planning and Service Provision

GOALS

Upgrade transport and trading infrastructure to ensure systems are safe, robust, and inclusive

Design and adapt infrastructure to maximize co-benefits and simultaneously address Accra's flooding, waste, sanitation, and climate challenges

Incentivise energy efficient and renewable energy generation to promote a sustainable energy future that accommodates climate and population pressures



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## Optimize New and Existing Resources with Accountability and Transparency

GOALS

Improve the use of data for sound long-term integrated planning and reflective decision-making

Foster better citizen engagement to improve collaboration and increase trust between citizens and City Authorities

Improve AMA capacity to better enforce regulations and provide services to Accra's residents



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## Embrace Informality's Contributions to Resilience Building

GOALS

Improve the quality of life for citizens working in the informal sector and/or living in informal settlements

Facilitate robust integration between the formal and informal sectors for improved economic, social, and environmental benefits

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