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**NDPBA MUNICIPAL PROFILE** 



# CABO VERDE BOA VISTA

**ISLAND: BOA VISTA** 

Area: 631 km<sup>2</sup>

Boa Vista (beautiful view) municipality encompasses the entire island of Boa Vista, part of the Barlavento Islands group and the easternmost and third-largest island of Cabo Verde after Santo Antão and Santiago. It is closest to the African continent with 450 km distance to Senegal. The capital, Sal Rei is on the north-western part of the island. Terrain is generally flat with a desert (Deserto de Viana) and dune fields. The highest point of the island is 387 m. It is a tourist island with the longest beaches of Cabo Verde,



some of which are nesting areas for sea turtles and birds. Boa Vista has two main hydrographic basins. Concelho da Boa Vista consists of two parishes subdivided into nine population zones. While most of the population lives in Sal Rei, Boa Vista is the least-densely populated island in the archipelago. The international airport opened in 2007 has allowed tourism, the primary economic driver, to flourish. Many residents work in the hotels, tourist shops, and as taxi drivers. While there is no municipal sewage system, hotels have their own wastewater treatment plants. Healthcare capacity is limited in Boa Vista, as there is just one hospital with around 30 beds.

#### **RISK AND VULNERABILITY**

#### **COMPONENT SCORE**



**MULTI-HAZARD RISK (MHR) - Very Low** 

Score: 0.343 • Rank: 20/22



**RESILIENCE (R) - Very High** 

Score: 0.602 • Rank: 4/22



**MULTI-HAZARD EXPOSURE (MHE) - Very Low** 

Score: 0.232 • Rank: 19/22



**VULNERABILITY (V) - Low** 

Score: 0.417 • Rank: 15/22



**COPING CAPACITY (CC) - Very High** 

Score: 0.621 • Rank: 3/22



Population (2020 projected)

19,879



Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)

12.2



**Poverty rate** 

3.7%



Population with access to improved water

70.7%



Average years of schooling

7.2



# **MULTI-HAZARD EXPOSURE (MHE)**

**RANK: 19 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES** 

**SCORE: 0.232** 



#### **ESTIMATED POPULATION AND CAPITAL EXPOSED TO EACH HAZARD:**



Drought

99.9%

**4** 19,013

\$36.2 Million

**Critical Infrastructure Exposed:** 

100.0%



Flood

1.4%

**262** 

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**Critical Infrastructure Exposed:** 

11.0%



**Earthquake Induced Landslide** 

0.1%

**4** 19

\$12,100

**Critical Infrastructure Exposed:** 

21.0%



**Precipitation Induced Landslide** 

0.0%

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**Critical Infrastructure Exposed:** 

33.0%



Volcano

0.0%

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**Critical Infrastructure Exposed:** 

0.0%



Forest Fire

**å** 1,172

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**Critical Infrastructure Exposed:** 

17.0%



# **VULNERABILITY (V)**

**RANK: 15 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

**SCORE: 0.417** 

Vulnerability in Boa Vista is primarily driven by Population Pressures and Vulnerable Health Status. The bar charts indicate the socioeconomic themes contributing to the overall Vulnerability score.



#### **Environmental Stress**

1 SCORE: 0.342 RANK: 9/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

**0.18**Livestock
Density per
Hectare

0.0% Households Using Firewood as Cooking Fuel **82.4%**Loss in Tree
Cover (2001 to 2020)



#### **Vulnerable Health Status**

1 SCORE: 0.622 RANK: 5/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

12.2 Infant Mortality Rate (per 1,000

live births)

12.2%
Disabled
Population

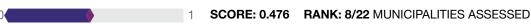
TB Prevalence per 100k Persons

56.0

39.5
HIV Incidence per 100K
Persons



#### **Clean Water Vulnerability**



14.9
Average Time to
Collect Water for
Household Use

84.4% Households with Access to Wastewater Services 70.7%
Population with
Access to Improved
Water



#### **Information Access Vulnerability**

0 1 SCORE: 0.293 RANK: 20/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

97.1% Adult Literacy Rate **7.2**Average Years of Schooling

90.0% Households with Television

50.7% Households with radio 61.7%
Households
with Internet access



#### **Economic Constraints**

1 SCORE: 0.264 RANK: 21/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

**0.38**Age dependency ratio

**0.37** Gini index **9.2%**Unemployment Rate

**3.7%**Poverty rate

9.6%
Households owning a vehicle

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#### **Gender Inequality**

**RANK: 21/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

**RANK: 2/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

**38.5%**Female Seats
Municipal City
Council

**0.91**Female to male labor participants

1.14
Parity in Secondary
Education Enrollment

**SCORE: 0.258** 

SCORE: 0.667

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#### **Population Pressures**

11.70% 84.7

Average annual population change

Net Migration Rate (per 1,000 persons) 15.66 Youth Bulge

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# **COPING CAPACITY (CC)**

**RANK: 3 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

SCORE: 0.621

**RANK: 1/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

**RANK: 7/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

Boa Vista exhibits weaker Coping Capacity in the areas of Emergency Service Capacity and Health Care Capacity. The bar charts indicate the socioeconomic themes contributing to the overall Coping Capacity score.



#### **Economic Capacity**

2.52

Financial Service Economic Activity Rate Locations per 10k

Persons

265,406 Avg Annual Expenditures per Capita CVE

**SCORE: 0.776** 

**SCORE: 0.660** 

62.0%

#### Governance

Disposing Waste

75.82%

100%

342.8 Population Properly

Voter Participation Crimes Reported per Rate in Local 10k persons Elections



#### **Environmental Capacity**

**SCORE: 0.390 RANK: 9/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

1.78% Protected Area



#### **Infrastructure Capacity**

**RANK: 11/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED SCORE: 0.504** 



**Health Care Capacity SCORE: 0.397 RANK: 14/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

3.22 Physicians per 10k

Nurses per 10k Persons

7.72

Pct Under

100.0% 0

Hospitals per 1yr Fully 10k persons Vaccinated



**Transportation Capacity** 

**SCORE: 0.477 RANK: 16/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

0.67 5.83

Road density Average Distance to (km per sq. km) Port Facility (km)



**Communications Capacity SCORE: 0.714 RANK: 1/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

18.1% 85.9%

Households with Fixed Phones Population with Mobile Phone



**Energy Capacity SCORE: 0.936 RANK: 1/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

96.6% 97.0%

Households with Access to Electricity Households with Access to Gas



**Emergency Services Capacity** SCORE: 0.000 RANK: 22/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

72.44

55.18 1.51

Average Distance to Hospital (km)

Average Distance to Police Station (km)

Firefighters per 10.000 Persons

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# **RESILIENCE (R)**

**RANK: 4 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

**SCORE: 0.602** 

Boa Vista's score and ranking are due to Low Vulnerability combined with Very High Coping Capacity scores.

#### Below are the four thematic areas with the weakest relative scores:







**Vulnerable Health** 



**Emergency Service** Capacity



**Health Care** Capacity



# **HAZARD-SPECIFIC RISK (HSR)**

**Drought** 

**RANK: 14 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

SCORE: 0.287



**Flood** 

**RANK: 8 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

SCORE: 0.117



**Earthquake Induced** Landslide

**RANK: 13/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

SCORE: 0.111



**Precipitation Induced** 

Landslide

**RANK: 16/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

**SCORE: 0.075** 



**Forest Fire** 

RANK: 20 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

SCORE: 0.053



Volcano

**RANK: 6/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED** 

SCORE: 0



# **MULTI-HAZARD RISK (MHR)**



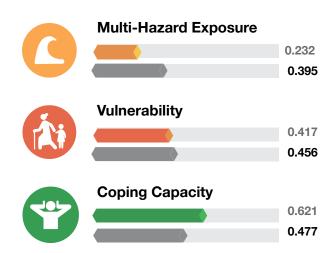
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RANK WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES Score: 0.343

Boa Vista's score and ranking are due to Very Low Multi-hazard Exposure combined with Low Vulnerability and Very High Coping Capacity scores.

Multi-hazard risk component scores compared to overall average country scores:





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### **BOA VISTA RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **Population Pressures**

Ranking 2nd for overall Population Pressures, Boa Vista has the highest net migration rate (84.7 per 1,000 persons) and the highest average annual population change (11.7%) between 2010 and 2020. Boa Vista is the least densely populated municipality in Cabo Verde, but population is increasing rapidly. Actively monitor population growth and strengthen short- and long-term development planning through multi-stakeholder engagement. Increase oversight in planning processes to anticipate the needs of the growing population and encourage equitable distribution of services and infrastructure – including housing, transportation, health care, water, and energy.

Boa Vista is susceptible to multiple hazards, including drought, forest fires, and floods. Enforce building codes and environmental protections to ensure sustainable development. Conduct hazard exposure assessments to mitigate potential adverse impacts on the population, economy, and environment.

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#### **Vulnerable Health Status**

Ranking 5th for overall Vulnerable Health Status, Boa Vista has the highest tuberculosis (TB) prevalence (56 per 100,000 persons) in the country. In addition, the infant mortality rate is 12.23 deaths per 1,000 live births, HIV incidence is 39.5 per 100,000 persons, and 12% of the population is disabled.

Increase investments in community health education and outreach, including best practices for reducing communicable disease transmission, promoting reproductive health, and expanding education and delivery of pre- and ante-natal care for pregnant women. Additionally, ensure that WASH infrastructure meets the needs of the expanding population to help mitigate the impact of communicable diseases.

Ensure that disaster management, evacuation, and shelter plans include special considerations for people with chronic conditions, disabilities, and mobility challenges. Consider additional precautions needed to prevent transmission of COVID-19 among vulnerable populations in shelters

## **BOA VISTA RECOMMENDATIONS**



#### **Emergency Service Capacity**

Though Boa Vista ranks very high in its overall Coping Capacity and Resilience, the municipality has the lowest relative ranking for Emergency Services Capacity in Cabo Verde. Findings show that Boa Vista has the greatest average distance to hospitals (72.44 km) and police stations (55.18 km) from populated areas, and the fewest number of firefighters (1.51 per 10,000 persons).

Population pressures in Boa Vista necessitate expansion of emergency service capacities in the municipality to meet the needs of a growing population. Work to increase training and employment opportunities in health care, police force, and fire services in the municipality. Simultaneously, engage community training programs to develop strong community emergency response teams (CERTs) to increase emergency service capacity. Engage with international donors to procure firefighting equipment and ensure that firefighters are thoroughly trained in its function and use.

Ensure that training and exercises are regularly conducted in Boa Vista to assess preparedness for prevalent hazards likely to affect the municipality. Include all municipal stakeholders (police, fire services, regional disaster management, health sector, and community members) in the process, and use lessons learned to inform disaster planning.

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#### **Health Care Capacity**

Boa Vista ranks 9th lowest for overall Health Care Capacity, driven by a lack of available hospital services and relatively limited numbers of health care personnel per 10,000 persons (3.22 physicians and 7.72 nurses per 10,000).

The population in Boa Vista is growing, and so will the need to expand health care capacity in the municipality. With limited access to healthcare, limited hospital beds and medical staff, the municipality is not equipped to handle disease outbreaks and mass casualty events.

Partner with private hospitals and NGOs to increase the number of hospital beds and medical staff available in the case of an emergency. Ensure that access to care is equitable and continues to expand to keep up with the demands of the growing population, while also reducing existing vulnerable health status.

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