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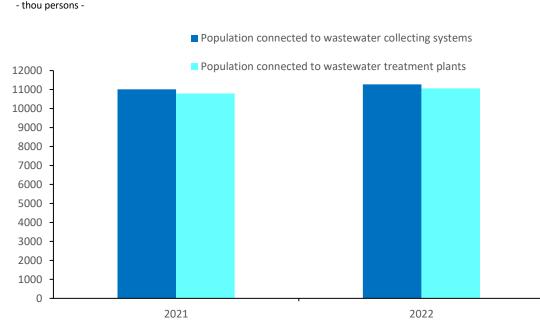
The population connected to wastewater collecting systems and wastewater treatment plants in 2022

- The population connected to wastewater collecting systems in 2022 accounted for 59.2% of Romania's usually resident population^{*)}
- The population connected to wastewater collecting systems with wastewater treatment plants accounted for 58.1% of Romania's usually resident population^{*)}

In 2022, there were 11,276,660 inhabitants connected to wastewater collecting systems, accounting for 59.2% of Romania's usually resident population, 264,473 persons more than in 2021.

As for wastewater treatment, the population connected to wastewater collecting systems with wastewater treatment plants amounted to 11,062,432 persons, accounting for 58.1% of Romania's usually resident population, 269,782 persons more than in 2021.

The increases were generated by the population's connection to newly built wastewater collecting networks and by the putting into operation of new wastewater treatment plants.



The population connected to wastewater collecting systems and wastewater treatment plants

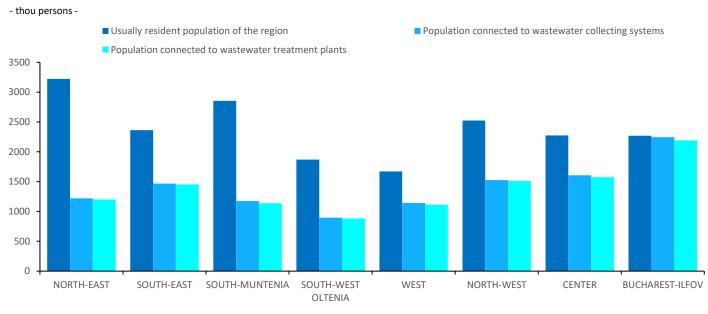
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^{*)} the usually resident population on January 1, 2022

At development region level, the highest weight of population connected to wastewater collecting systems in the total usually resident population was in the Bucharest-Ilfov region (99.0%), followed by the Center region (70.7%) and the West region (68.4%).

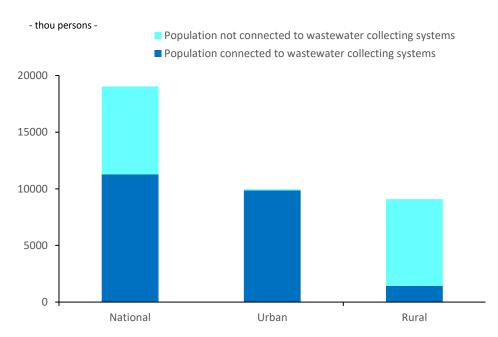
The lowest level of population connected to wastewater collecting systems was in the following development regions: North-East (37.9%), South-Muntenia (41.1%) and South-West Oltenia (47.9%).

The population connected to wastewater collecting systems and wastewater treatment plants, by development region, in 2022



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In 2022, in the urban area there were 9,845,613 persons connected to wastewater collecting systems, accounting for 98.9% of Romania's usually resident urban population, while in the rural area there were 1,431,047 persons who benefitted from wastewater collecting services, accounting for 15.8% of Romania's usually resident rural population.



The population connected to wastewater collecting systems, by area, in 2022

Additional information:

For an accurate interpretation of the indicators, kindly see the <u>Methodological explanations attached to the press</u> release on the homepage.

Additional information can be obtained by consulting the TEMPO online statistical database, <u>www.insse.ro</u>, and from the statistical publication "Water supply and wastewater discharge", date of issue December 12, 2023.

The next press release related to the population connected to wastewater collecting systems is to be issued in June 2024.

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