

CABO VERDE

RIBEIRA GRANDE

NDPBA MUNICIPAL PROFILE



CABO VERDE RIBEIRA GRANDE

ISLAND: SANTO ANTAO

Area: 167 km²

The municipality of Ribeira Grande is located in the northern part of Santo Antão Island, the westernmost and second-largest island of Cabo Verde, and the largest of the Barlavento Islands group. Ribeira Grande borders the municipalities of Porto Novo to the south and Paul to the southeast and occupies approximately 21% of the island's land area. Ribeira Grande is characterized by deep valleys and well-defined hydrographic basins and takes its name from the Ribeira Grande Valley. While the



diverse landscape, including the Moroços Natural Park, presents a rich tourism potential, the main economic activities are limited forms of agriculture, livestock, and fishing. The steep topography presents challenges to development, especially with regard to infrastructure, housing, irrigation, and transportation. Private sector investment remains limited with a low concentration of capital and the low valuation of human resources.

RISK AND VULNERABILITY

COMPONENT SCORE



MULTI-HAZARD RISK (MHR) - Low

Score: 0.447 • Rank: 14/22



RESILIENCE (R) - Moderate

Score: 0.558 • Rank: 9/22



MULTI-HAZARD EXPOSURE (MHE) - High

Score: 0.458 • Rank: 7/22



VULNERABILITY (V) - Low

Score: 0.406 • Rank: 16/22



COPING CAPACITY (CC) - High

Score: 0.521 • Rank: 8/22



Population (2020 projected)

15.444



Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)

19.8



Poverty rate

25.9%



Population with access to improved water

97.1%



Average years of schooling

7.2



MULTI-HAZARD EXPOSURE (MHE)

RANK: 7 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES

SCORE: 0.458



ESTIMATED POPULATION AND CAPITAL EXPOSED TO EACH HAZARD:



Drought

84.5%

13,294

\$127.4 Million

Critical Infrastructure Exposed:

94.0%



Flood

6.6%

1,033

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Critical Infrastructure Exposed:

10.0%



Earthquake Induced Landslide

9.9%

1.557

\$28.1 Million

Critical Infrastructure Exposed:

22.0%



Precipitation Induced Landslide

37.1%

5,844

\$44.9 Million

Critical Infrastructure Exposed:

37.0%



Volcano

0.0%

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Critical Infrastructure Exposed:

0.0%



Forest Fire

23.5%

3.702

\$147.6 Million

Critical Infrastructure Exposed:

20.0%



VULNERABILITY (V)

RANK: 16 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

SCORE: 0.406

Vulnerability in Ribeira Grande is primarily driven by Information Access Vulnerability and Economic Constraints. The bar charts indicate the socioeconomic themes contributing to the overall Vulnerability score.



Environmental Stress

0 RANK: 17/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

0.46Livestock
Density per
Hectare

26.2% Households Using Firewood as Cooking Fuel **0.1%**Loss in Tree
Cover (2001 to 2020)



Vulnerable Health Status

1 SCORE: 0.438 RANK: 12/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

19.8
Infant Mortality
Rate (per 1,000
live births)

11.6% Disabled Population

25.0 TB Prevalence per 100k Persons O.O
HIV Incidence per 100K
Persons



Clean Water Vulnerability

1 SCORE: 0.249 RANK: 15/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

14.5 Average Time to Collect Water for Household Use

89.3% Households with Access to Wastewater Services **97.1%**Population with Access to Improved Water



Information Access Vulnerability

0 SCORE: 0.622 RANK: 7/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

83.0% Adult Literacy Rate **7.2**Average Years of Schooling

78.2%Households with Television

58.0%Households with radio

24.1%
Households
with Internet access



Economic Constraints

1 SCORE: 0.537 RANK: 11/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

0.56Age dependency ratio

0.39 Gini index

9.3%Unemployment Rate

25.9%Poverty rate

8.7%Households owning a vehicle

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Gender Inequality

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SCORE: 0.367 RANK: 14/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

41.2%Female Seats
Municipal City
Council

0.63Female to male labor participants

1.07
Parity in Secondary
Education Enrollment

Population Pressures

1 SCORE: 0.405 RANK: 15/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

-1.82%
Average annual population change

Net Migration Rate (per 1,000 persons)

-18.48

22.07 Youth Bulge



COPING CAPACITY (CC)

RANK: 8 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

SCORE: 0.521

Ribeira Grande exhibits weaker Coping Capacity in the areas of Economic Capacity and Transportation Capacity. The bar charts indicate the socioeconomic themes contributing to the overall Coping Capacity score.



Economic Capacity

5.83

RANK: 11/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

148,448

Financial Service Economic Activity Rate Locations per 10k Persons

Avg Annual Expenditures per Capita CVE

SCORE: 0.414



Governance

Population Properly

Disposing Waste

41.09%

65%

SCORE: 0.634 228.89

RANK: 10/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

66.0%

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



Environmental Capacity

SCORE: 0 **RANK: 13/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED**

0.00%

Protected Area



Infrastructure Capacity

RANK: 4/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED SCORE: 0.690



Health Care Capacity SCORE: 0.825 RANK: 1/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

8.40

21.59

99.5%

0.65

Physicians per 10k

Nurses per 10k Persons

Pct Under 1yr Fully Vaccinated Hospitals per 10k persons



Transportation Capacity

SCORE: 0.610 RANK: 8/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

3.02

17.31

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



Communications Capacity SCORE: 0.624 RANK: 5/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

44.4%

66.2%

Households with Fixed Phones

Population with Mobile Phone



Energy Capacity SCORE: 0.649 RANK: 10/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

93.3%

70.8%

Households with Access to Electricity

Households with Access to Gas



Emergency Services Capacity SCORE: 0.743 RANK: 5/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

6.71

6.05

19.43

Average Distance to Hospital (km)

Average Distance to Police Station (km)

Firefighters per 10.000 Persons

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RESILIENCE (R)

RANK: 9 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

SCORE: 0.558

Ribeira Grande's score and ranking are due to Low Vulnerability combined with High Coping Capacity scores.

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



Information Access Vulnerability



Economic Constraints



Economic Capacity



Transportation Capacity



HAZARD-SPECIFIC RISK (HSR)

Precipitation Induced
Landslide

Precipitation Induced
Landslide

RANK: 5/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED
SCORE: 0.277

RANK: 2/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED
SCORE: 0.294

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SCORE: 0.294

RANK: 5/22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED
SCORE: 0.276



Forest Fire

RANK: 10 / 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

SCORE: 0.205



RANK: 6/ 22 MUNICIPALITIES ASSESSED

SCORE: 0



MULTI-HAZARD RISK (MHR)

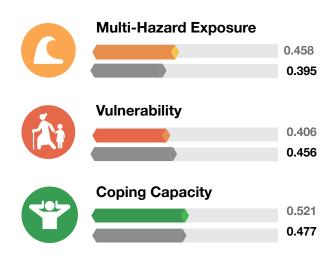
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RANK WITHIN MUNICIPALITIES Score: 0.447

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

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





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RIBEIRA GRANDE RECOMMENDATIONS

Information Access Vulnerability

Ranking 7th highest for overall Information Access Vulnerability, Ribeira Grande has the lowest percentage of households with access to the internet (24%). 83% of the adult population is literate, and 78.2% of households have a television.

Implement community outreach and education programs focused on hazard awareness, disaster preparedness, and health and safety practices to build community resilience. Include information and resources for audiences requiring special considerations such as the very young, elderly, and disabled populations. Boost public-private collaboration and coordination to ensure that hazard warning information is accessible and disseminated as broadly as possible through multiple communications channels.

Work with communities to better understand the underlying factors that represent barriers to education and literacy. Focus efforts on providing programs to increase school attendance and completion of secondary education. Address disparities in information access resulting from related economic constraints.

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Economic Constraints

Ranking 11th highest for Economic Constraints, Ribeira Grande's score is driven by having the 5th highest age dependency ratio.

More than half of the population (0.56) is under the age of 15 and over 64 years of age and therefore dependent upon the working age population (ages 15 to 64).

Strengthen collaboration between social service entities, private sector organizations and NGOs to coordinate poverty reduction efforts and delivery of services. Strengthen social assistance programs that provide benefits for elderly, low income, and single-parent households.

Assess disaster response and recovery plans to ensure that economically vulnerable and dependent populations are identified, as poor populations are more likely to be severely impacted by disasters and have slower recovery times. In addition, elderly populations and families with young children may need additional support to accommodate special needs during evacuation and in shelters.

RIBEIRA GRANDE RECOMMENDATIONS



Economic Capacity

Ribeira Grande's overall Economic Capacity ranking is constrained by having the 3rd lowest economic activity rate in the country, with just over 41% of persons over the age of 15 being active in the workforce. Given Ribeira Grande's economic constraints, low labor participation may reduce economic protection and inhibit the municipality's ability to quickly mobilize financial assets during a disaster.

While Ribeira Grande's economy is driven primarily by agriculture and fishing, the diverse landscape presents potential to develop tourism. Private sector investments in the municipality are relatively low. Invest in human capital by increasing access to vocational, technical, and entrepreneurial training to diversify the local economy and directly support labor market needs in the municipality. Expanding local economic opportunities will bolster labor participation and employment, supporting increased household incomes.

Continue to support environmental protections while investing in infrastructure enhancements to encourage and expand tourism in the municipality. Ensure that new development is sustainable and does not contribute to environmental stress or increase hazard exposure.



Transportation Capacity

While Ribeira Grande has the 3rd highest road density in the country, it has the 9th greatest average distance to a port or airport facility in the country (over 17 km).

Ribeira Grande ranks 7th highest in Cabo Verde for overall Multihazard Exposure, with significant exposure to drought, forest fires, landslides, and flooding. Limited transportation networks hamper timely evacuations and delay response and recovery activities. Damaged roads, seaports and airports can further postpone delivery and transport of much needed relief supplies and delay recovery processes.

Secure investments for continued expansion and maintenance of transportation networks. Explore public-private partnerships to improve and maintain the quality of existing transportation infrastructure and increase connectivity between islands and municipalities. By bolstering transportation capacity, Ribeira Grande will have the added benefit of supporting sustainable economic growth through greater accessibility of goods and services. Protect investments and service provision by implementing mitigation strategies (e.g., storm water drainage, erosion prevention) to reduce hazard impacts. Evacuation routes and emergency response plans should be adapted as construction and maintenance are planned and implemented.

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