

DEMOBEL

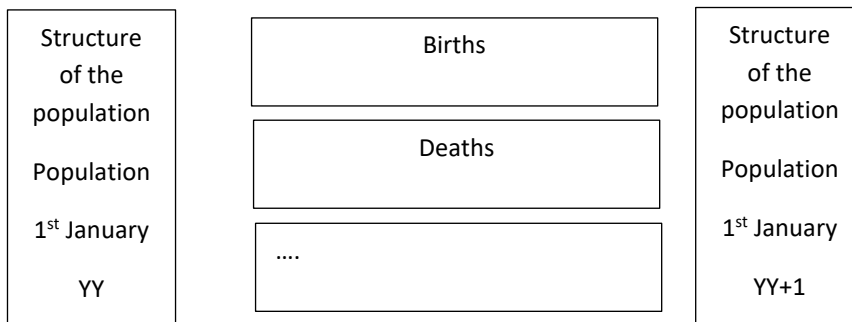
DEMOBEL : WHAT'S THAT ?

DEMOBEL is STATBEL's demographic database. DEMOBEL consists of dozens of files with demographic and other microdata supplemented with data from the census until 1981 included. Together, these files span almost 30 years of Belgium's demographic history. In order to give an overview of the demographic history of our country for the 1980s, aggregated data from STATBEL's archives have also been used.

STRUCTURE VERSUS POPULATION MOVEMENT

DEMOBEL is updated every year, and has both a structural and a dynamic component. The structural component concerns the **structure of the population**: size, gender and age distribution, nationalities... The structure of the population is calculated on an annual basis with 1st January as reference date.

The dynamic component, the **movement of the population**, concerns the births, the deaths, the various forms of migration, the changes of nationality and other demographic events which have a direct or indirect impact on the structure. The movement of the population is calculated over an entire year and forms the bridge between 2 populations.



DEMOBEL has a **harmonised basic structure**, but can be modularly extended to other socio-demographic information and socio-economic information.

EXTENDED WITH CENSUS

The **CENSUS** is an extension of DEMOBEL's structural component. It includes data about the education level, the labour market and housing. All information from the CENSUS and DEMOBEL can be fully integrated. Information from DEMOBEL are also integrated in other databases and social surveys.

Furthermore, DEMOBEL also has a clear geographical component. All demographic events can be located with x/y coordinates.

SOURCE

DEMOBEL has been developed based on the **National Register**. For more information on the National Register, please visit the website of <https://www.ibz.rn.fgov.be/fr/registre-national/>. DEMOBEL is the central source for demographic valuation based on data from the National Register.

DEMOBEL is a work in progress, as regards both the number of demographic events covered and the number of variables. STATBEL is working on further developments including a new household typology and further integration with the CENSUS.

DEMOBEL is available for scientific research on request <https://statbel.fgov.be/en/about-statbel/privacy/microdata-research>. An extended set of aggregated tables are available via our <https://statbel.fgov.be/en/themes/population> website and our open data section <https://statbel.fgov.be/en/open-data>. If you do not find the figures that you are looking for, you can ask for a tailor-made development at Demos@economie.fgov.be.