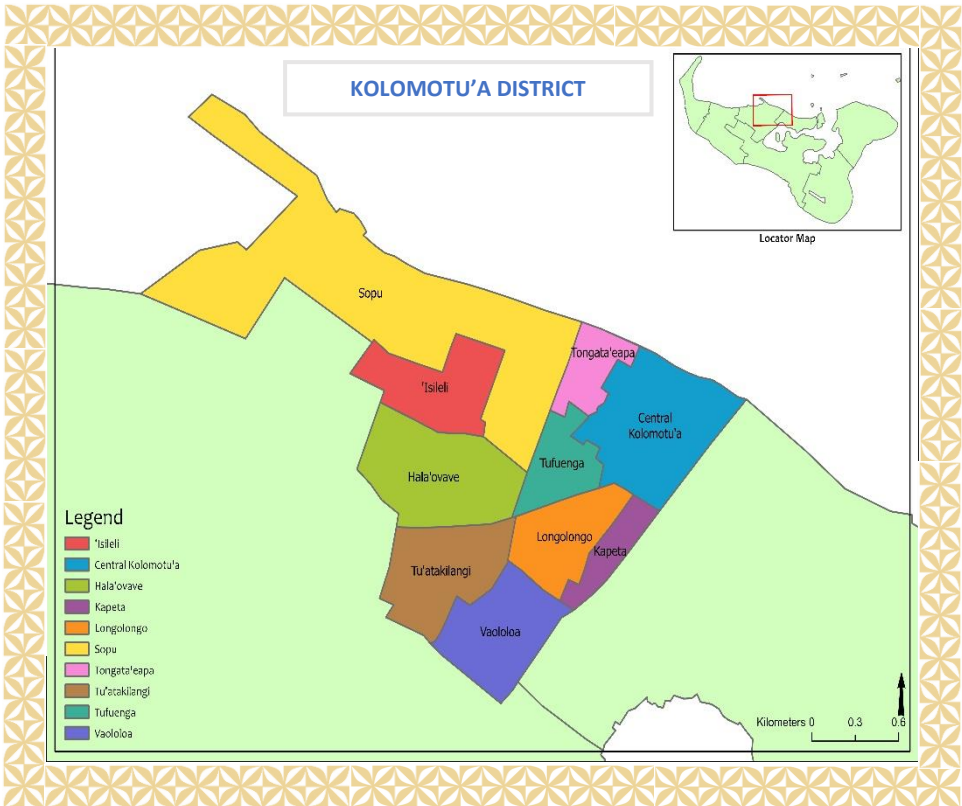




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Introduction

This Village Profile compiles essential insights drawn from your substantial contributions to the Tonga Statistics Department (TSD) during the latest Population and Housing Census in 2021. The information you provided holds significant value for both TSD and the Government of Tonga. This information proves highly useful for strategic planning, both on a global scale outlined by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and nationally as stated in Tonga's Strategic Development Framework (TSDF) II.

In addition, the information you shared has been vital in meeting the goals of the Statistics Department, which includes setting a **unique standard and ensuring the accuracy and reliability of information produced by the department**. Your contribution is truly appreciated and will play a key role in shaping the government policies and regulations for the country when needed.

VILLAGE PROFILE OF TUFUENGA

Name of Village	Tufuenga
Name of Division	Tongatapu
Name of Constituency	Tongatapu 1

People and their demographic situation.

The most valuable asset of a country is its people as they are the ones who contribute to the country's economic development. Consequently, information about people and their demographic situation is disseminated to ensure that everyone in this village possesses the same knowledge and understanding.

Table 1: Total population by gender and the Household private dwelling in 2021, 2016, 2011

1.1: Total population by gender	Number of persons		
	2021	2016	2011
Total	335	504	523
Male	159	170	252
Female	176	234	271
Sex ratio	90	115	93
1.2: Household Private Dwelling	Number of households		
Total	73		
Occupied Household	61		
Vacant Household	12		
Average member in households	5		

The total number of people who resided in this district in the Census of 2021 was a total of 335, reflecting a decrease of 169 individuals compared to the 2016 Census and a decrease of 188 from 2011 Census. Throughout these years, there were more females than males (Table 1.1).

There were a total number of 61 occupied households and 12 vacant households. On average, approximately 5 people resided in each household (Table 1.2).

Table 2: Total population by place of birth.

Place of birth	Number of persons
Total	335
Tufuenga	176
Elsewhere in Tonga	156
Overseas	3

Most of the population were born in Tufuenga with 176 individuals. On the other hand, 156 people were born elsewhere in Tonga, while 3 individuals were born overseas.

Table 3: Total population by marital status

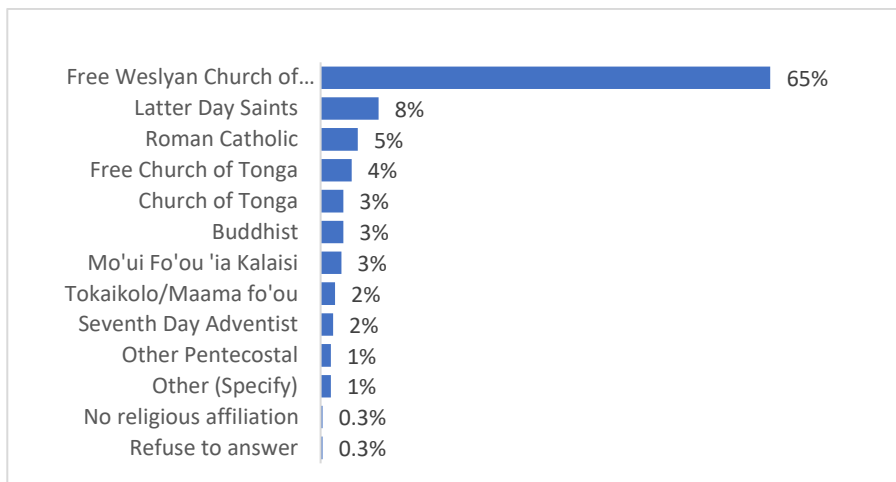
Marital status	Number of persons
Total	335
Never married.	208
Legal married	117
Widowed	6
Separated	-
Divorced	4
Defacto or marital union	-

Most of the population were not married (208), while 117 were legally married. The remaining individuals included 6 widowed and 4 divorced.

Table 4: Total population by religion

Religion	Number of persons
Total	335
Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga	217
Latter Day Saints	28
Roman Catholic	18
Free Church of Tonga	15
Church of Tonga	11
Buddhist	11
Mo'ui Fo'ou 'ia Kalaisi	10
Tokaikolo/Maama fo'ou	7
Seventh Day Adventist	6
Other Pentecostal	5
Other (Specify)	5
No religious affiliation	1
Refuse to answer	1

Figure 1: Percentage of the population of people and their religious beliefs/denominations.



The majority of the population belonged to the Free Wesleyan Church of Tonga, with a total of 217 people, while the second-largest group attended the Church of the Latter-Day Saints (28). The smallest number of people identified with the Other Pentecostal church and those in no religious affiliation.

Table 5: Total population by Age in 5-years age group.

Age group	Total	Male	Female
Total	335	159	176
Less than 1 year	5	2	3
1 – 4 years	37	21	16
5 – 9 years	42	23	19
10 – 14 years	35	14	21
15 – 19 years	38	19	19
20 – 24 years	30	11	19
25 – 29 years	22	10	12
30 – 34 years	17	5	12
35 – 39 years	23	11	12
40 – 44 years	17	9	8
45 – 49 years	13	7	6
50 – 54 years	19	8	11
55 – 59 years	12	7	5
60 – 64 years	8	4	4
65 – 69 years	8	3	5
70+ years	9	5	4

The majority included 42 children aged between 5 and 9, with more males than females. The minority comprised 5 children aged less than 1 year old. There were more males than females who had reached the age of 70 or older.

Table 6: Total population currently at school by age group.

Education: currently at school	Total	Male	Female
Total	117	54	63
5 – 9 years	40	22	18
10 – 14 years	34	14	20
15 – 19 years	32	15	17
20 – 24 years	8	2	6
25 – 29 years	1	-	1
30 – 34 years	1	-	1
35+ years	1	1	-

The majority of children enrolled in school, totaling 40, were aged 5 to 9, consisting of 22 boys and 18 girls. The smallest group still enrolled in school was composed of individuals aged 25 to 29, aged 30 to 34 and aged 35 and above, totaling each of 1 individual.

Table 7: Total population aged 10 and above, access to internet and the location of using the internet.

Access to internet	Total	Male	Female
Total	250	113	137
No	93	40	53
Yes	157	73	84
Location			
Home	151	70	81
Commercial internet access facility	1	-	1
Someone else's home	16	5	11
Workplace	34	20	14
At place of education	18	6	12
Other	-	-	-

A total of 157 individuals had access to the internet, primarily from home (151). The remaining population of 93 individuals did not have access to the internet.

Table 8: Total population aged 10 and above, access mobile phone, access mobile date and the purpose of mobile data.

Access mobile phone	Total	Male	Female
Total	250	113	137
No	88	40	48
Yes	162	73	89
Yes, only TCC.	82	40	42
Yes, only Digicel.	55	26	29
Yes, both TCC and Digicel	25	7	18
Access mobile data			
Total	162	73	89
No	14	6	8
Yes	148	67	81
Yes, only TCC.	78	37	41
Yes, only Digicel.	51	23	28
Yes, both TCC and Digicel	19	7	12
Purpose of mobile data			
Education	31	10	21
Social Media	149	71	78
Work/Business	46	25	21
Information Gathering	20	9	11
Communication	48	23	25
Entertainment	72	36	36
Shopping/Product information	6	2	4
Other internet purpose	-	-	-

A total of 162 individuals used mobile phones, with the majority, 78 individuals, accessing the internet using TCC company. Among these, 149 individuals used mobile phones to access the internet for social media purposes.

People with disabilities

The sustainable development goal and the government's national objectives aspire to raise awareness for vulnerable individuals, including those with disabilities or difficulties affecting their sight, hearing, mobility, memory, or hindering individual self-care and communication due to their unique circumstances. The aim is to ensure that these individuals do not feel isolated or marginalized.

Table 9: Total population with disability aged 2 and above.

Seeing	Total	Male	Female
No difficulty	269	127	142
Yes, some difficulties	21	8	13
Yes, a lot of difficulties	2	1	1
Cannot do at all.	-	-	-
Total	292	136	156
Hearing	Total	Male	Female
No difficulty	279	130	149
Yes, some difficulties	12	6	6
Yes, a lot of difficulties	1	-	1
Cannot do at all.	-	-	-
Total	292	136	156
Mobility	Total	Male	Female
No difficulty	276	128	148
Yes, some difficulties	11	7	4
Yes, a lot of difficulties	4	1	3
Cannot do at all.	1	-	1
Total	292	136	156
Memory	Total	Male	Female
No difficulty	286	132	154
Yes, some difficulties	4	2	2
Yes, a lot of difficulties	2	2	-
Cannot do at all.	-	-	-
Total	292	136	156
Self-care	Total	Male	Female
No difficulty	288	134	154
Yes, some difficulties	2	2	-
Yes, a lot of difficulties	1	-	1
Cannot do at all.	1	-	1
Total	292	136	156
Communication	Total	Male	Female
No difficulty	287	131	156
Yes, some difficulties	4	4	-
Yes, a lot of difficulties	1	1	-
Cannot do at all.	-	-	-
Total	292	136	156

Over 99% of the entire population was without disabilities in sight, walk, memory, hearing, communication, and self-care. Conversely, less than 1% of the population faced significant disability challenges, making them unable to perform basic activities.

Covid 19 Vaccination and the reason for not vaccinated.

Table 10: Covid Vaccination and reason for not vaccinated.

Covid 19 Vaccination	Total	Male	Female
Total	238	107	131
No	9	2	7
Yes, first dose.	69	36	33
Yes, second dose	160	69	91
Reason for not vaccinated			
Total	9	2	7
Vaccine not available	-	-	-
Concerned about possible side effects	1	1	-
I do not trust the vaccine	3	-	3
I generally do not believe in vaccines	1	-	1
I do not know if the vaccine will work	-	-	-
Not eligible for the vaccine	4	1	3
Refused to answer	-	-	-

The majority of people have received their second dose of the Covid-19 vaccine (160). However, 9 individuals remain unvaccinated, with 4 citing not eligible for the vaccine as their reason for not getting vaccinated.

People's habits

Table 11: Total population aged 10 and above, drinking Kava - Tonga.

Kava – Tonga	Total	Male	Female
Not drinking Kava-Tonga	192	57	135
Drinking Kava - Tonga	58	56	2
By 5 yrs Age group			
10 – 14 years	-	-	-
15 – 19 years	3	3	-
20 – 24 years	10	9	1
25 – 29 years	8	7	1
30 – 34 years	3	3	-
35+ years	34	34	-
How often			
Special occasions	21	20	1
Once a week	17	16	1
2-3 times per week	16	16	-
4-6 times per week	1	1	-
Every day/night	3	3	-

There were 58 consumers of Tongan Kava, with the majority being males (56). The predominant age group among Tongan Kava drinkers was 35 and above, with 21 individuals consuming it on a special occasion.

Table 12: Total population aged 10 and above, drinking alcohol.

Alcohol	Total	Male	Female
Not drinking alcohol	197	76	121
Drinking alcohol	53	37	16
By 5 yrs age group			
10 – 14 years	-	-	-
15 – 19 years	4	3	1
20 – 24 years	13	8	5
25 – 29 years	10	6	4
30 – 34 years	4	3	1
35+ years	22	17	5
How often			
Rarely 1-2 drinks per week	43	29	14
Occasionally 3-7 drinks per week.	6	4	2
Sometimes 8-14 drinks per week	3	3	-
Regularly 15-21 drinks per week	1	1	-
Frequently 22+ drinks per week	-	-	-

A total of 53 individuals consumed alcohol, with the majority being males (37). Among the alcohol drinkers, the predominant age group was 35 and above, and the majority reported having only 1 to 2 drinks per week (43).

Table 13: Total population aged 10 and above, smoking cigarette.

Smoking Cigarette	Total	Male	Female
Not smoking	201	77	124
Smoking	49	36	13
By 5 yrs Age group			
10 – 14 years	-	-	-
15 – 19 years	3	3	-
20 – 24 years	8	7	1
25 – 29 years	8	6	2
30 – 34 years	3	1	2
35+ years	27	19	8
How often			
Little 1 pack per week.	31	22	9
Occasional 5 cigarettes per day	15	11	4
Regular 1 pack per day	2	2	-
Heavy 1+ pack per day	1	1	-

A total of 49 individuals smoked cigarettes, with the majority being males (36). Among cigarette smokers, the predominant age group was 35 and above, with the majority smoking no more than 1 pack per week (31).

Table 14: Total population aged 10 and above, smoking Local Tongan tobacco.

Smoking Local Tongan Tobacco	Total	Male	Female
Not smoking local Tongan tobacco	211	80	131
Smoking local Tongan tobacco	39	33	6
By Age group			
10 – 14 years	-	-	-
15 – 19 years	1	1	-
20 – 24 years	6	6	-
25 – 29 years	7	6	1
30 – 34 years	4	3	1
35+ years	21	17	4
How often			
Little, 1-2 tobacco per day	22	17	5
Occasional, 5 tobacco per day	14	13	1
Regular, 10 tobacco per day	2	2	-
Heavy, 15 tobacco per day	1	1	-

A total of 39 individuals in the population smoked the local Tongan Tobacco, with the majority being males (33). Most of the smokers were 35 years and older, and they smoked little 1-2 tobacco products per day (22).

Electro vote registration

Table 15: Total population age 21 and above by electro vote and the reason for not registering for vote.

Electro vote	Total	Male	Female
Total	173	79	94
Register to vote	156	68	88
Not registered to vote	17	11	6
Refused to answer	-	-	-
Why not Registered			
Total	17	11	6
Was away overseas	1	1	-
Very old	2	1	1
Sick	2	2	-
Physically disabled	-	-	-
Not interested	4	3	1
Don't know where to register.	4	2	2
Don't know how.	-	-	-
Not a citizen	-	-	-
ID problem – missing none expired etc.	-	-	-
Name not on the list.	1	-	1
Busy	-	-	-
Late	3	2	1
Other reasons	-	-	-

A total of 156 people registered for the election, while 17 individuals were not registered, with 4 citing a lack of interest in voting and don't know where to register.

People and Employment

Table 16: Total Population aged 15 and above and their current activity.

Current Activity	Total	Male	Female
Total	215	99	116
Working for pay	71	41	30
Working in any kind of business activity	4	1	3
Working in own farming or gardening, raising animals or livestock, fishing and Handicrafts	9	6	3
Studying	44	18	26
Household duties	73	24	49
Working in family business without pay	1	1	-
Working apprentice, internship	2	1	1
Working voluntary without pay, community, charity work	2	2	-
Looking for work	1	-	1
Retired or pensioner (too old)	4	3	1
With long term illness, injury or disability	4	2	2

The majority of current activities are centered around household duties, involving 73 individuals, comprising 49 females and 24 males. The lowest participation is seen among those engaged in family business without pay and looking for work, totaling each 1 individual.

Table 17: Total employment and unemployment aged 15 and above.

Total employment and unemployment	Total	Male	Female
Employment	120	65	55
Unemployment	17	4	13
Percentage (%)	12.4	5.8	19.1

Out of the total population, 120 individuals aged 15 and above were employed, with only 17 people being unemployed. There was slightly a higher proportion of employed males than females.

Table 18: Youth employment and unemployment.

Youth employment and unemployment	Total	Male	Female
Youth employment	54	27	27
Youth unemployment	11	3	8
Percentage (%)	16.9	10.0	22.9

Out of the total population, 54 youths aged 15 -24 were employed, while only 11 youths were unemployed.

Table 19: Total Population aged 15 and above by their Occupation.

Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	75	43	32
Managers	7	6	1
Professionals	29	13	16
Technicians and Associate Professionals	8	7	1
Clerical support workers	4	2	2
Services and Sales workers	14	7	7
Skilled Agricultural, Forestry and Fishery workers	3	1	2
Craft and Related Trades Workers	6	4	2
Plant and Machine Operators and Assemblers	3	2	1
Elementary Occupations	1	1	-
Armed Forces Occupations	7	6	1

A majority of the population aged 15 and above, totaling 29, was employed in professionals occupations, with females dominating at 16, compared to 13 males.

Household characteristics

This information is about the standard of living in households within the village.

Table 20: Labour Mobility Scheme

Labour Mobility Scheme 2020 (age 15-64)	2020	2021
Total	14	61
No	11	47
Yes	3	14
Yes – Australia (SWP or PLS)	1	9
Yes- New Zealand (RSE)	2	3
Yes – Australia and New Zealand	-	2

Goals Achieved	No. of households
Purchase Land allotment	2
Built/ renovated home.	1
Purchase vehicles	7
Pay school tuition.	1
Started a business.	-
Provide for family daily needs.	4
Other	-
None	-

Social Problem (last 12 months)	No. of Households
Yes	-
No	3

In 2020, a total of 3 household members participated in the labour mobility scheme, and this number increased to 14 in 2021. The majority engaged in the Seasonal Worker Program (SWP) and the Pacific Labour Scheme (PLS) in Australia, achieved their goals in purchasing vehicles for their family's daily needs (7). Additionally, the majority of the households participating in the labour mobility scheme did not encounter social problems in the last 12 months, with no households experiencing such issues.

Table 21 : Main source of household income.

Main source of household income.	Number of households
Total	61
Regular salary	27
Income from own business	3
Sale of products	2
Rental income from land lease	3
Rental income from house rented out	1
Remittances from anyone not in household	24
Pension or retirement fund	1
None	-
Other	-

The majority of the households (27) relied on regular salary as their main source of income, while only 1 household derived their primary income from house rented out and pension or retirement fund, representing the least common type of primary income source.

Table 22: Household remittances and sources of remittances.

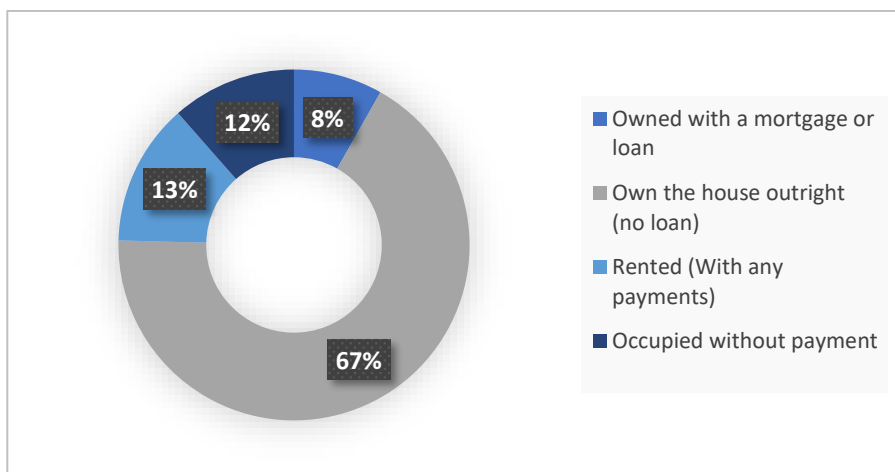
Household remittances	Number of households
Total	61
No receive remittances	29
Receive Remittances	32
Sources of Remittances	
From outside the country only	27
From both within and outside the country	-
From within the country only	5

Out of the total households, 32 received remittances, with the majority originating from overseas or outside the country (27). However, the smallest number of households receiving remittances came from within the country, with a total of 5.

Table 23: Total household by their land tenure.

Land Tenure	Number of households
Total	61
Owned by someone within the household with a mortgage or loan.	5
Owned by someone within the household without a mortgage or loan	41
Rented.	8
Occupied without payment.	7
Occupied without payment (from employer)	-

Figure 2: Percentage of household and their land tenure.



The majority of the households' dwelling, accounting for 67%, were owned by someone within the household without a mortgage or loan. In contrast, only 8% represented owned with a mortgage or loan.

Table 24: Total household by their construction material.

Material construct household	Floor	Roof	Wall
Total	61	61	61
Wood / Masonite	12	10	39
Metal / iron / aluminum	3	49	-
Concrete / cement/ bricks	46	1	22
Traditional materials	-	1	-
Other	-	-	-

The most commonly used construction materials for household dwellings were metal, iron, or aluminum for roofing, concrete, cement, or bricks for constructing the floor, and wood or Masonite for the walls.

Table 25: Total Households by source of drinking water.

Source of drinking water	Number of households
Total	61
Tap water supply	1
Own water tank	26
Neighbor/community water tank	6
Bottled water (purchased water)	27
Boiled water	1
Other	-

Most of the households relied on the bottled water (purchased water) as their main source of drinking water (27), followed by water from own water tank.

Table 26: Total households by type of toilet and the toilet location.

Type of toilet	Number of households
Total	61
Flush toilet	61
Manual toilet	-
Pit Latrine with slab.	-
Flush or pour-flush elsewhere.	-
Compositing toilet	-
No facilities or bush or field	-
Toilet location	Number of households
Total	61
In own dwelling	56
In own yard	5
Elsewhere	-

All of the households used a modern toilet (flush) which included 61 households, and these were located within their own dwelling (56).

Table 27: Total Households by energy used, source of cooking fuel and the cooking location.

Stove	Number of households
Total	61
Yes	61
No	-
Cooking fuel	Number of households
Total	61
Electricity	-
Propane gas	58
Biogas	2
Kerosene	-
Solar Power	-
Wood and coconut husks/shells	1
Other	-
Cooking location	Number of households
Total	61
Inside the dwelling – separate kitchen area	57
Inside the dwelling – no devoted kitchen	-
Outside – open cooking area	4
Outside – closed cooking area	-
Other	-

Most of the households used stoves (58), with propane gas as the main source of energy for cooking food (58). The majority of households have separate kitchen areas inside their dwelling (57). There are 2 households that use biogas as its main source of energy for cooking.

Table 28: Natural Disaster Emergency 72 hours bag

72 hrs. bag	Number of Household
Total	61
Yes	53

About 87% of the total households, or 53, had a natural disaster emergency bag designed to last for 72hrs or 3 days in the event of a disaster.

Table 29: Total Households by waste disposal.

Household waste disposal	Number of households.
Total	61
Personal bin - public collection	59
Personal bin – take to dump by yourself	2
Burn it	-
Compost	-
Bury in yard / bush.	-
Ocean or body of water	-
Private business collection	-

Most households utilized the government's waste authorities rubbish collection (59), while the fewest opted to dispose their rubbish as to take to dump by yourself (2).

Table 30: Household assets / Goods

Household Assets/ goods	Number of Household	% of the household
Total	61	100
Mobile phone	61	100
Stove	61	100
Washing Machine	56	92
Freezer	50	82
Refrigerator	46	75
Electric kettle	45	74
Television screen	43	70
Cars	41	67
Battery powered radio	39	64
CD/DVD players	38	62
Desktop/laptop computers	31	51
Van	31	51
Electric frying	28	46
Cement water tank	22	36
Tablets	21	34
Bicycles	18	30
Plastic water tank	18	30
Sewing machine	17	28
Landlines	12	20
Water heater	9	15
Generator	5	8
Truck	5	8
Air conditioner	2	3
Solar System	2	3

The three most common assets owned by households were mobile phones (100%), followed by stoves (100%) and washing machines (92%). The least common asset was air conditioner and solar system owned by only each 2 households.