



2.5.1. Administrative division and population estimates

Tartous governorate is divided into six administrative districts, namely Banyas (Baniyas), Dreikish, Qadmous, Safita, Sheikh Badr and Tartous, which are further divided into a total of 27 sub-districts.[703](#) Its capital is the city of Tartous.[704](#) As of April 2026, the population of Tartous governorate was at 1 261 868 including residents, IDPs, and returnees from abroad, according to IOM estimates.[705](#)

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