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Özalp History:

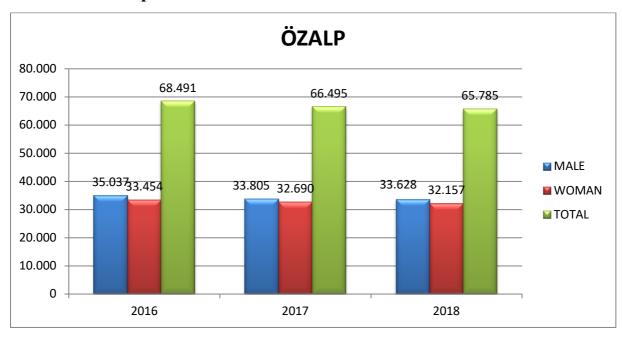
Özalp district was founded in 1869 under the name of Mahmudiye in the present Saray district center. In 1948, it was moved to the present day Özalp center and turned into a district center. Urartians, Persians, Byzantines, Seljuks, Sökmen, Karakoyunlu and Akkoyunlu have established dominance in the region at different times. Özalp, whose former name was Mahmudiye, later called Saray, was connected to the Hakkâri sanjak in 1869 and an accident occurred. Özalp name Kazım Karabekir 's rescued here as a result of his surname (Kazım Özalp) Özalp name is given.

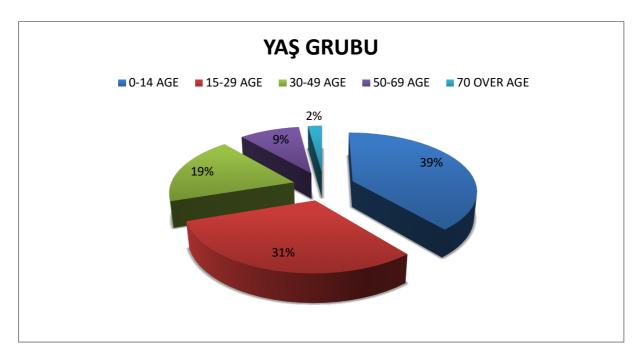
Özalp Geography:

Located 45 km from the Iranian border, Özalp is located in the Upper Murat section of the Eastern Anatolia Region. The altitude is 2100 meters. The distance of the district to Van is 64 km. Iran and Saray district to the east, Van to the west, Gürpınar to the south, Muradiye and Çaldıran districts to the north. Total area is 2380 km². The railway connecting Van province to Iran passes through Özalp district.

The district has a continental climate. Winters are cold and hard. Summers are hot and dry. Precipitation is usually in the form of snow. In the spring, rains occur.

District Population Structure:





According to the 2018 address-based population registration system, the total population of the district was calculated as 65.785. 51% of the total population is male and 49% is female. 70% of the total population is under 30 years of age. In terms of total population, the district is the 5th largest district of Van. Town population decreased compared to the previous year.

Özalp Education:

There are 25.776 students in the district according to the data of the Directorate of National Education. This shows that 35% of the total population is students.

According to District National Education data;

• Number of schools: 91

• Number of classrooms: 569

• Number of teachers: 741

In the number of students per classroom;

• Primary Education: 49

• Secondary education: 32

• Vocational and Technical Education: 24.

There is also a university affiliated to Yüzüncü Yıl University in the district.

District Economy:

The basis of the district economy is based on animal husbandry. Both livestock trade and animal products are sold. Border trade has also developed in the district where agricultural activities are carried out. There are small commercial enterprises in the district center.

The fact that the district is a border neighbor to Iran has improved border trade. Kapikoy border gate can be reached from this district. Border trade in border villages contributes greatly to the village population.

Agriculture and Livestock:

The basis of the district's economy is livestock. Agricultural activities are carried out but this is usually done within the framework of subsistence economy.

Agriculture:

Total Area	Cereals and	Fallow Area	Vegetable	Fruits Beverage
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Agriculture did not show much development due to its geographical structure and climatic conditions. Agricultural products are mostly on cereals.

Total processed area in the district is 305,304 decares. 175,191 decare of the total area is left fallow. Although animal husbandry is dense, the area of forage crops is lower.

In 2018 in the district of Özalp;

Cereals and Other Crop Production:

Name of the product	Planted	Harvested Area	Yield (Kg/	Production
	Area	(Decare)	Decare)	(Ton)
	(Decare)			
Wheat	115779	115779	169	19592
Barley	857	857	221	189
Chickpea	130	130	100	13
Potato	45	45	2333	105
Clover	35120	35120	2200	77264
sainfoin	23200	23200	2000	46400
Corn	60	60	3500	210

Fruit Production:

Name of the	Bulk Fruit	Number of	Number of	Yield (Kg /	Production
product	Area	Fruit Trees	Trees	Fruits A.S)	(Ton)
	(Decare)		Without		
			Fruit		
Apricot	20	90	45	33	3

Within the scope of agricultural tools usage;

• Tractor: 511

• Combine harvester: 3

• Other Tools and Machines: 2354

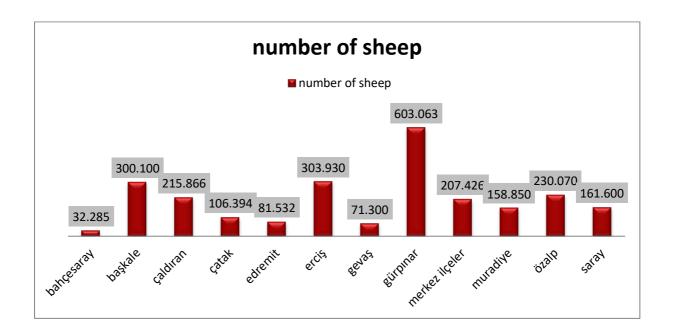
Farming:

Livestock is the main source of livelihood of the district. Ovine and bovine animals are concentrated. While livestock sales are mostly made, animal products are sold to companies in Van province.

Number of Cattle	Number of sheep	Number of Goats	Milk Production
8.903	230.077	6.568	19.017

According to the 2015 data, there are 8,903 cattle, 230,077 sheep and 6,568 goats in the district. A total of 19,017 tons of milk were produced from cattle and ovine.

Count of Sheep:



According to 2018 data, the district is among the districts producing the most milk with 19,017 tons in milk production. As the yield obtained from animal products increases, it will make a great contribution to the district economy and people.

Featured in Özalp:

- Ovine and bovine potential,
- ❖ Agricultural production,
- Border trade,
- Developing undergrowth agriculture,

Investment Areas in Özalp:

- ❖ All investments related to animal husbandry,
- Tourism investments,
- Investments in border trade,
- All investments related to industrial enterprises due to the proximity of the district to the border,
- Investments in agricultural products,

Things to do in Özalp:

- Improving the existing transportation roads,
- To carry out modern studies to protect and increase the number of sheep and cattle potentials,
- Providing necessary state support to animal breeders,
- Providing necessary training to animal producers,

- Establishment of modern facilities for processing and placing animal products on the market,
- Establishing unions and associations for the protection of the rights of animal breeders,
- Opening of new lands to increase agricultural production,
- Providing necessary support to agricultural producers,
- * Establishment of a small industrial site,
- * To support the opening of civil society organizations,
- Making necessary economic initiatives to prevent migration from the district,
- * Restoring historical touristic buildings and gaining them to tourism.



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