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The objectives of this study were to assess the knowledge and awareness about population development of Subdistrict Administration Organization Committee (SAOC). The data were collected by means of questionnaire interviewing 318 SAOCs. The data were analysed by descriptive statistics : percentage, means of Variances.

The results revealed that the SAOC. had knowledge and awareness of population development at the medium level. Factors of age, marital status, educational level, perception of information, knowledge of role performance and size of village were significantly related to the knowledge of population development of SAOC at .01, .01, .01, .05, and .05 levels, respectively. Factors of education, knowledge of role performance and size of village were significantly related to the awareness of population development at .01, .05 and .05 levels, respectively. The suggestion from this study is that SAOC should be trained in knowledge and understanding of population development. The population development information should be provided by means of accessible media and preparation of a population development hand book for SAOC. The research results should be useful in population development planning.