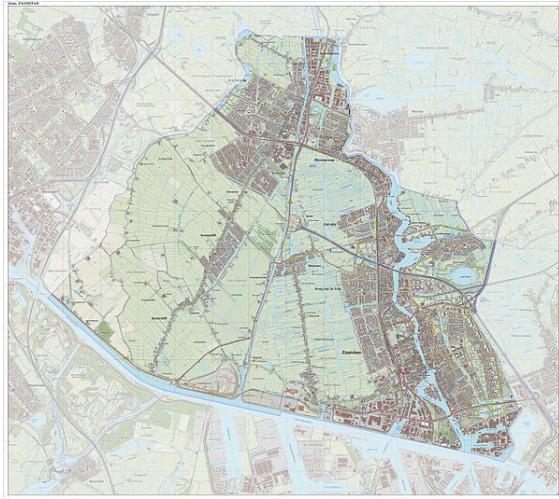# Zaanstad

Dutch Topographic map of Zaanstad, Sept. 2014

Zaanstad [ˈzaːnstɑt] is a municipality in the Netherlands, in the province of North Holland, situated northwest of Amsterdam. Its main town is Zaandam. It is part of the conurbation and metropolitan area of Amsterdam. It had a population of 151,109 in 2014

1 Population centres

The municipality of Zaanstad is also mainly a conurbation itself and consists of the following cities, towns, villages and/or districts: Assendelft, Koog aan de Zaan, Krommenie, Westzaan, Wormerveer, Zaandam, Zaandijk. However, being surrounded by countryside and due to its relatively protracted shape that follows the river Zaan, a rural atmosphere is always nearby.

2 Railway Stations in the Zaanstad Area

- Koog Bloemwijk railway station
- Koog-Zaandijk railway station
- Krommenie-Assendelft railway station
- Wormerveer railway station
- Zaandam railway station
- Zaandam Kogerveld railway station

3 Local government

The municipal council of Zaanstad consists of 39 seats, which are divided as follows:[5]

PvdA (8 seats), VVD (7), ZOG (4), SP (3), GroenLinks (3), D66 (3), CDA (2), TROTS (2), ROSA (2), ChristenUnie (1), Democratisch Zaanstad (1), POV (1), PvdIJ (1), Dissels (1).

4 Notable tourist attractions

- Zaans Museum
- Zaanse Schans
- Czar Peter House

5 International relations

See also: List of twin towns and sister cities in The Netherlands

5.1 Twin towns — sister cities

Zaanstad is twinned with:

- Marino, Italy
- Pančevo, Serbia
- Zwickau, Germany

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