

United Nations Statistics Division: Demographic Yearbook
Questionnaire on Metadata for Population and Housing Census

Reporting country: **CYPRUS**

Population census date: **1.10.2021**

Housing census date: **1.10.2021**

A. General population census information

1. Census - taking methodological approaches

<p>(1) Traditional census - full field enumeration</p> <p>If yes, please circle the mode of data collection among options (a) to (f) listed below:</p> <p>(a) paper questionnaire only</p> <p>(b) paper questionnaire and tablet computers</p> <p>(c) tablet computers only</p> <p>(d) tablet computers and internet</p> <p>(e) internet and paper questionnaires</p> <p>(f) other (please describe)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>(2) Combined census</p> <p>If yes, please circle the method of census taking among the options (a) to (c) listed below:</p> <p>(a) register(s)* and ad-hoc surveys</p> <p>(b) register(s)* and existing surveys</p> <p>(c) other (please describe)</p> <p style="color: blue;">approximately 80% of the population were fully enumerated using tablet computers and paper questionnaires, whereas the remaining population was covered using administrative sources.</p> <p>*Please list the register or registers that are used.</p> <p style="color: blue;">The main registers used included the Health Insurance Organization Beneficiaries data base, the</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Births Register, the Deaths Register as well as the Population Register.	
(3) Fully register based census	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) Rolling census	<input type="checkbox"/>
(5) Other, please specify	

2. Type of population count and coverage

Type of population count	
(a) Present / de facto population	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) Usual resident population	✓
(c) Other, please specify	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Geospatial information for this census

- (a) Is this census a geospatial census? **Yes.**
- (b) If Yes, is it polygon or point-based? **Both polygons (districts, municipalities/communities, quarters, postal codes, enumeration blocks) and geographical coordinates were used.**
- (c) Describe the enumeration units: **The entire Government-controlled area of Cyprus was delimited in clear geographical boundaries, respecting the official geographical boundaries (district, municipalities and communities and quarters). A further delimitation took place in smaller areas called enumeration blocks (of area ≤ 1 km² in urban areas). With the latter, a better organisation of the Census was achieved. Moreover, the collection of data to a very detailed geographical level was made possible, so that an accurate reference to each geographical subdivision could be made.**
- (d) Are there gaps or overlaps in enumeration units? **No.**

4. Please specify whether the following population groups were enumerated in the census:

Population group	Included	Excluded	Not applicable
(a) Nomads and persons living in areas to which access is difficult	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) Civilian residents temporarily absent from the country	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Civilian foreigners who do not cross a border daily and are in the country temporarily	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) Refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced persons, provided that they meet the criteria for usual residence in the country, i.e. that	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

they have been residing or intend to reside in the country for at least 12 months			
(e) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located outside the country	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(f) Foreign military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located in the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(g) Civilian foreigners who cross a border daily to work in the country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
(h) Civilian residents who cross a border daily to work in another country	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
(i) Merchant seafarers and fishers resident in the country but at sea at the time of the census	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(j) Homeless or roofless persons, vagrants and persons with no concept of usual residence	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(k) Persons living in buildings with restricted access	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(l) Stateless persons	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. In case the enumeration was performed according to the ‘usual resident population’ concept, please complete the following additional table.

For each of the population groups listed in the following table, please indicate whether they were included, excluded, or not applicable in the usual resident population count.

Population group	Included	Excluded	Not applicable
(a) Persons found at the moment of enumeration that cannot identify their place of usual residence, such as those who move often;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) National military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families, located outside the country;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Foreign persons working for international organizations (not including foreign diplomats or military forces), provided that they meet the criteria for usual residence in the country;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(d) Merchant seafarers and fishers usually resident in the country but at sea at the time of the census (including those who have no place of residence other than their quarters aboard ship);	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) Persons who may be illegal, irregular or undocumented migrants, as well as asylum seekers and persons who have applied for or been granted refugee status or similar types of international protections, provided that they meet the criteria for usual residence in the country;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(f) Persons who cross a frontier daily or weekly to work or study in another country, provided that they meet the criteria for usual residence in the country;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(g) Children born in the 12 months before the census reference time and whose families are usually resident in the country at the census reference time;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(h) Persons of minor age studying abroad for one year or more to attain the primary or secondary level of education, regardless of the frequency of return to the family home located within the country. If the person is also working abroad, the same rules for cross-border workers apply;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(i) Persons who regularly live in more than one country during a year, if they are present in the country at the moment of the enumeration. It depends on the length of time spent in each location: if Cyprus is the country where they live for the major part of the year, irrespective of whether they are present in the	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

country at the Census reference date, they are included in the usual resident population count of Cyprus.			
(j) Foreign military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families, located in the country, regardless of their place of usual residence;	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(k) Persons of minor age attending the primary or secondary level of education whose family home is located abroad, regardless of the duration of their stay. However, if these persons are also working in the country, then the identification of the place of usual residence follows the same rules as for cross-border workers;	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(l) Third-level students who are absent from the country for one year or more;	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(m) Persons who regularly live in more than one country during a year, if they are not present in the country at the moment of the enumeration. It depends on the length of time spent in each location: if Cyprus is the country where they live for the major part of the year, irrespective of whether they are present in the country at the Census reference date, they are included in the usual resident population count of Cyprus.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

6. Estimated census coverage: No under-coverage or over-coverage

Estimated coverage:	Both sexes	Male	Female
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(a) Census under-enumeration / omissions (specify unit: <input type="text"/>)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
(b) Census over-enumeration / erroneous inclusions and duplications (specify unit: <input type="text"/>)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
(c) Net coverage error (specify unit: <input type="text"/>)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
(d) Net coverage error rate			

Base denominator for computing net coverage error rate is:	
(a) Enumerated population	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) Estimated “complete” population	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>

Method(s) used in estimating coverage error:	
(a) Post Enumeration Survey (PES)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date conducted: <input type="text"/>	
Size of sample (specify unit: <input type="text"/>)	
For total area: <input type="text"/>	
For urban areas: <input type="text"/>	
For rural areas: <input type="text"/>	
Population groups excluded: <input type="text"/>	
(b) Demographic analysis, please specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Other methods, please specify: <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. Definition of urban/rural

The definition of urban areas for this census is:

The definition of urban areas is based on the guidelines provided by the Department of Town Planning and Housing of the Ministry of Interior. Alternatively, the Degree of Urbanization Classification (of Eurostat) will be used in the analysis.

The definition of rural areas for this census is:

The definition of rural areas is based on the guidelines provided by the Department of Town Planning and Housing (DTPH) of the Ministry of Interior. Alternatively, the Degree of Urbanization Classification (of Eurostat) will be used in the analysis.

8. Definition of cities

The definition of a city proper for this census is:



The definition of urban agglomeration for this census is:

The agglomeration of the municipalities/communities defined as “urban” in each district, constitutes the urban agglomeration.

9. Definition of locality

The definition of a locality for this census is:

The municipalities and communities are the administrative units that constitute the local government in Cyprus, hence locality is defined as the LAU2 level or the municipality and community.

10. Definition of literacy

The definition of “literate” and “illiterate” for this census is:

“Literate” is considered the person who can both read and write (in the language that s/he knows), in other words someone who can read and write simple sentences (in the language that s/he knows). “Illiterate” is a person who can neither read nor write (in any language). Furthermore, if the respondent can only read but not write, s/he is also considered to be illiterate.

11. Educational attainment

Do you follow the International Standard Classification for Education (ISCED) for tabulating the population by educational attainment?

Yes.

If yes, which revision? [ISCED 2011](#).

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data according to ISCED? Please specify revision number.

[Not applicable](#).

If no, please point out the major deviations from ISCED. Please specify revision number.

B. Economic characteristics

12. Activity status / labour force status

What is the lower age limit for the collection of information on activity status in this census?

15 years of age.

Is there a maximum age limit for collection of information on activity status for this census?

No.

What reference period do you use to establish the activity status (labour force status) of a person?

The week preceding that of the census interview.

13. Please specify whether the groups of persons listed in the following table are included or excluded in the 'in employment' category in your census, by marking the appropriate box below.

	Included	Excluded	Not applicable
(a) Persons with a job for pay or profit who, during the reference period, were on training or skills enhancement activities required by their job or for another job in the same economic unit;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) Apprentices, interns or trainees who work for pay in cash or in kind;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) Persons who work for pay or profit through employment promotion programs;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) Persons who work in their own economic units to produce goods intended <i>mainly</i> for sale or barter, even if part of the output is consumed by the household or family;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) Persons with seasonal jobs during the off season, if they continue to perform some	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

tasks and duties of the job, excluding, however, fulfilment of legal or administrative obligations (for example pay taxes);			
(f) Regular members of the armed forces and persons on military or alternative civilian service who perform this work for pay in cash or in kind;	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(g) Apprentices, interns and trainees who work <i>without</i> pay in cash or in kind (that is, unpaid trainee work); This category includes unpaid family workers (working in a family business)	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(h) Participants in skills training or retraining schemes within employment promotion programs, when <i>not</i> engaged in the production process of an economic unit;	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(i) Persons who are required to perform work as a condition of continued receipt of a government social benefit such as unemployment insurance;	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓
(j) Persons with seasonal jobs during the off season, if they <i>cease</i> to perform the tasks and duties of the job; “Regular” workers in seasonal jobs (i.e., persons who retain a right to return to the same economic unit during the in-season) who were interviewed during the off-season, were included in the employed population. On the contrary, those who were not considered “regular workers” in seasonal jobs (i.e., who did not retain a right to return to the same economic unit during the in-season) and were interviewed during the off-season, were excluded from the employed population.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(k) Persons who retain a right to return to the same economic unit but who were absent (for reasons such as parental leave, educational leave, care for others, other personal reasons,	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>

temporary lay-off, suspension of work), when the total duration of the absence exceeds the specified threshold or if the test of receipt of remuneration is not fulfilled;			
(l) Persons on indefinite lay-off who do not have an assurance of return to employment with the same economic unit;	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(m) Persons who work to produce goods intended <i>mainly</i> or <i>exclusively</i> for consumption or use by the household or family, even if a surplus or part of the output is sold or bartered (that is, own-use production of goods;	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(n) Household members who provide <i>unpaid</i> services for consumption or use by their household (that is, own-use provision of services);	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
(o) Persons who work voluntarily and <i>without</i> pay to produce goods or services through or for other economic units, including market, non-market units and households (that is, volunteer work).	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. Status in Employment

Based on the International Standard Classification of Status in Employment (ICSE-93), the status in employment may be classified as follows:

- (a) Employees;
- (b) Self-employed:
 - i. Employers;
 - ii. Own-account workers;
 - iii. Members of producers' cooperatives;
 - iv. Contributing family workers;
- (c) Persons not classifiable by status.

Do you follow the above structure, for the classification of the Status in Employment in your country?

Yes, except for category (b)(iii): Members of producers' cooperatives. This response category does not appear separately on our census questionnaire. However, a response category "Other", which is an open-ended response category, is included in our questionnaire, to cover any responses not included in the response categories mentioned.

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data according to the above structure?

Yes. Please refer to the answer to the previous question.

If no, please point out the major deviations from ICSE-93.

15. Occupation

Do you follow the International Standard Classification for Occupations (ISCO) for tabulating the employed population by occupation?

Yes, we are using the ISCO classification.

If yes, which revision? ISCO 2008.

If any other or national classification is used, are you able to provide data according to ISCO? Please specify revision number.

Not applicable.

If no, point out the major deviations from ISCO. Please specify revision number.

16. Industry

Do you follow the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC) for tabulating the employed population by industry?

No.

If yes, which revision?

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data according to ISIC? Please specify revision number.

We are using the NACE Rev. 2. At the 2-digit level, the two classifications are identical.

If no, please point out the major deviations from ISIC. Please specify revision number.

[Please refer to the previous answer.](#)

C. Household characteristics

17. Definitions

General definition of a household for this census is:

A private household is either

(a) a one-person household, that is a person who lives alone in a separate housing unit but does not join with any of the other occupants of the housing unit to form part of a multi-person household, or

(b) A multi-person household, that is a group of two or more persons who combine to occupy the whole or part of a housing unit and to provide themselves with food and possibly other essentials for living. Members of the group may pool their incomes to a greater or lesser extent.

General definition of a family nucleus for this census is:

A '*family nucleus*' is defined as two or more persons who live in the same household and who are related as marital, registered, or consensual union (that is, cohabiting) partners of either opposite or same sex, or as parent and child. Thus, a family comprises a couple without children, or a couple with one or more children, or a lone parent with one or more children.

18. Head of household / reference person of household

Which one among the following options was used to determine the relationships between household members?

Please select one.

- a) Head of household
- ✓ b) Reference person
- c) Other; please describe

Regarding your answer to the previous question, please provide the definition of head of household or reference person that was used in the Census.

The reference person is the household member designated by the other household members as reference person. Usually, but not necessarily, if the household is comprised of the parents and children, the reference person is the father. If the household is comprised of persons not related with family ties, the reference person is considered the economically active household member, male or female. If, however, more than one or all the household members are economically active, then the reference person could be the oldest member of the household. In general, however, the household members were given the option to choose the member who would be designated as reference person.

D. Housing census characteristics

19. Housing information

The general definition applied in this census for housing unit is:

A “housing unit” is a separate and independent place of residence intended for habitation by a household, or one not intended for habitation but used as a usual residence by a household at the census reference time.

The general definition applied in this census for conventional dwelling is:

Conventional dwellings are structurally separate and independent premises at fixed locations which are designed for permanent human habitation and are, at the census reference date, used as a residence, or are vacant, or are reserved for seasonal or secondary use.

Are vacant units included in the enumerated conventional dwellings?

Yes, they are included.

The general definition applied in this census for room is:

A room is defined as a space in a housing unit which is at least 2 meters high and has an area of at least 4 square meters. Normal bedrooms, living rooms, dining rooms, kitchens, habitable basements and attics, servants’ rooms and other separate spaces used or intended for habitation all count as rooms if they correspond to the above definition.

20. Definition of cities

(as referred to in the Housing Census Questionnaire: City Data)

General definition of a city in the reporting country for this census is:

The agglomeration of the municipalities/communities defined as “urban” in each district, constitute the city limits in each case.

City 1 (Capital City) – Territory refers to:

Lefkosia urban area.

City 2 – Territory refers to:

Lemesos urban area.

City 3 – Territory refers to:

Larnaka urban area.

City 4 – Territory refers to:

Pafos urban area.

E. Bibliography of Population and Housing Statistics

Please list publications that contain results of your latest population census and your latest housing census:

<https://www.cystat.gov.cy/en/PressRelease?id=71235>

<https://cystatdb20.cystat.gov.cy/en/cystatdb>.

https://library.cystat.gov.cy/Infographics/Census%202021_Infographics_EN_090824.pdf.