

Supporting the 2030 round of population and housing censuses: a Latin American and Caribbean outlook

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Supporting the 2030 round in LAC: planning, organization and management

- Strengthen the **institutional and organizational structure of NSOs** to cope with a highly complex project
- Census as a **permanent organizational structure**: maintain trained human capital so as not to start from scratch
- Establish a **Project Management Office (PMO)** from the outset, with specialized professionals responsible for the overall management, metrics and documentation of the census project
- Improve **planning of technical and operational processes** of the census, especially when mixed enumeration methods are to be used

Supporting the 2030 round in LAC: where to invest

- **Technological infrastructure and information security.** This includes exploiting the full technological potential offered by CAPI, CAWI and possibly artificial intelligence to improve coverage, data quality and dissemination
- **Cartographic updating processes** with a pre-census of persons and dwellings, creating a unique identifier of dwellings
- **Capacity building** within NSOs in **data processing tools** (e.g. REDATAM) and the **anonymization of the final database**
- **Robust development of mixed training systems** (face-to-face and virtual) making adaptations for the new learning spaces
- **Administrative records**, especially civil registration and vital statistics

Supporting the 2030 round in LAC: administrative records

- Strengthen the steering role of NSOs in the NSS to improve the use of **administrative records as input to field-based censuses**
- Plan early for the use of **administrative records** as inputs to the census process. This implies starting now to improve administrative registries
- Move **gradually** towards register-based censuses

Supporting the 2030 round in LAC: documentation

- Thorough **documentation of the census process** (pre-census, census and post-census)
- Systematize **lessons learned** and **innovations**, identify **areas for improvement**
- Capitalize on knowledge and experience: **rethink the innovations and changes** to be implemented in the 2030 round in light of lessons learned and **new social and technological realities**

Manage funds or mechanisms for early translation
of **Revision 4** of the **UN Principles & Recommendations** into **Spanish**

DOCUMENTOS DE PROYECTOS

Lineamientos generales para la captura de datos censales

Revisión de métodos con miras a la ronda de censos de 2020

Grupo de Trabajo sobre Censos de la Conferencia Estadística de las Américas



DOCUMENTOS DE PROYECTOS

Recomendaciones para los censos de población y vivienda en América Latina

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ECLAC Methodologies

Methods for measuring internal migration and its sociodemographic effects, focusing on use of censuses and migration matrices



<https://www.cepal.org/en/subtopics/population-and-housing-censuses>