



Third Expert Group Meeting on the Revision of the Principles and Recommendations for Population and Housing Censuses

4 - 6 September 2024

9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

New York

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Provisional Work Programme

Time	Topic
DAY 1 - Wednesday, 4 September 2024	
09:00 - 10:00	<p>Session 1 - Opening and administrative matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Opening remarks, review of the programme of work, and expected outcomes of the meeting (UNSD, UNFPA) – Introduction of members of the Expert Group (All) – Overview of the programme of work – Logistical matters – Group photo
10:00 – 11:00	<p>Session 2 – Review of Part One of the P&R</p> <p>The session will review and discuss Part One of the P&R which contains guidance and elaborations on themes related to key census features, census methodologies, and the relationship between the population and housing census to other types of censuses and data sources, including administrative data. The session will also review topics related to methods for estimating population for areas not enumerated in the census as well as strategies for producing more frequent population and housing statistics. The Expert Group is expected to make recommendations for <u>further</u> revisions based on discussions and feedback. While all topics are open for discussion, a particular focus will be placed on reviewing newly introduced or substantially revised items, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Relationship between the population census and/or housing census and administrative data sources – Integration of census data with geospatial information and other data sources – Census methodology – Methods for estimating population for areas not enumerated in the census – Strategies for producing more frequent population and housing statistics <p>Additionally, experts are encouraged to suggest items from Part One of the P&R that have been carried over from older revisions and are up for potential deletion, if any.</p> <p><u>Chair</u>: Netherlands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussants: Indonesia, Italy, Oman, Poland, Qatar, UAE, ESCAP – Presentation: Brazil (Integration of census data with geospatial information) – General discussion (All)
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 - 12:30	Session 2 – Review of Part One of the P&R (continued)

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12:30 - 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 - 15:30	<p>Session 3 – Review of Part Two of the P&R</p> <p>The session will review and discuss Part Two of the P&R containing guidance and elaborations on themes related to census planning, organizing and management. The session will also review the strategic objectives of censuses as well as project management, including emergency preparedness, risk management and contingency planning. The Expert Group is expected to make recommendations for <u>further</u> revisions based on discussions and feedback. While all topics are open for discussion, a particular focus will be placed on reviewing newly introduced or substantially revised items, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Census planning – Resource mobilization – Project management – Emergency preparedness, risk management and contingency planning – Roles and responsibilities of key stakeholders in the census process – User consultation, communication, and publicity – Innovation to optimize census processes <p>Additionally, experts are encouraged to suggest items from Part Two of the P&R that have been carried over from older revisions and are up for potential deletion, if any.</p> <p><u>Chair</u>: Canada</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussants: Dominican Republic, India, Ireland, USA, UNFPA-ASRO, UNFPA-ESARO, World Bank – Presentation: UNECLAC (Innovation to optimize census processes) – General discussion (All)
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00 – 17:00	<p>Session 4 – Review of Part Three of the P&R</p> <p>The session will review and discuss Part Three of the P&R providing guidance and elaborations related to census data collection and processing, the use of geospatial information in census operations, and census data dissemination and utilization. The Expert Group is expected to make recommendations for <u>further</u> revisions based on discussions and feedback. While all topics are open for discussion, a particular focus will be placed on reviewing newly introduced or substantially revised items, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Geospatial information and mapping – Multi-mode data collection – Security during data collection – Use of technology (during data collection) – Use of administrative data during data processing (for field-based censuses) – Security during data processing – Developing a dissemination strategy – Metadata: Geospatial metadata – Geographic products: Grid based census outputs and innovative geospatial products <p>Additionally, experts are encouraged to suggest items from Part Three of the P&R that have been carried over from older revisions and are up for potential deletion, if any.</p> <p><u>Chair</u>: South Africa</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussants: Brazil, Kenya, Malaysia, United Kingdom, Uruguay, USA, East African Community, European Commission, World Bank, UNSD - Presentation: Uruguay (Use of administrative data during data processing) - General discussion (All)
DAY 2 - Thursday, 5 September 2024	
09:00 - 11:00	<p>Session 4 – Review of Part Three of the P&R (continued)</p> <p>Session 5 – Review of Part Four of the P&R</p> <p>The session will review and discuss guidance and elaborations on themes related to quality assurance, quality indicators, and quality assessments. The Expert Group is expected to make recommendations for <u>further</u> revisions based on discussions and feedback. While all topics are open for discussion, a particular focus will be placed on reviewing newly introduced or substantially revised items, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Other international tools and references (linkages to other quality frameworks and tools) - Quality improvement and the census: Geospatial information and mapping - Quality improvement and the census: Development of the data capture system - Quality improvement and the census: Processing - Quality improvement and the census: Analysis - Measuring the quality of data derived from administrative sources - Adjusting census data - Acceptance of results <p>Additionally, experts are encouraged to suggest items from Part Four of the P&R that have been carried over from older revisions and are up for potential deletion, if any.</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Mexico</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussants: Canada, Italy, South Africa, Spain, UAE, UNFPA-ESARO, UNSD - Presentation: Netherlands (Measuring the quality of data derived from administrative sources) - General discussion (All)
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 – 12:30	Session 5 – Review of Part Four of the P&R (continued)
12:30 - 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session 6 – Review of Part Five of the P&R</p> <p>This session will review and refine the recommended census topics, seeking expert input to optimize the data collected. While all census topics are open for discussion, a particular focus will be placed on newly introduced or substantively revised items, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Internal migration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reason for change of residence (non-core) (new) ii) International migration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ever resided abroad (non-core) (new) - Reason for international migration (non-core) (new) iii) Registration of vital events and assignment of legal identity (non-core) (new) v) Individual use of information and communication technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individuals using the Internet (non-core) (new) - Individuals owning mobile cellular phones (non-core) (new)

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	vi) Economic characteristics topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reference period for measuring economic characteristics (to refine and harmonize) - Status in employment (core topic) (revised) - Informal employment (non-core) (new) vii) Agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Size of farm and number of livestock (non-core) (new) viii) Information and communication technology devices – availability of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Availability at household level (core topic) (revised) Additionally, experts are encouraged to suggest items from Part Five of the P&R that have been carried over from older revisions and are up for potential deletion, if any. Chair: UNFPA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussants: Italy, Mexico, Norway, South Africa, Eurostat (tbc), UN-HABITAT, UNFPA-WCARO – General discussion (All)
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
16:00 – 17:00	Session 6 – Review of Part Five of the P&R (continued)
DAY 3 - Friday, 6 September 2024	
09:00 - 11:00	Session 7 – The role of the census in population data systems This session will discuss the role of the population and housing census as a foundational component of integrated population data systems. By integrating census data with other data sources such as surveys, geospatial information, administrative records and alternative data sources, countries can generate population estimates, projections, and a wide range of socio-demographic indicators on a regular/frequent basis. Addressing challenges related to data linkage, governance, and quality control is essential to optimize the value of these systems. The session will examine strategies for building effective population data systems, drawing on national experiences and addressing the evolving data landscape in preparation for the 2030 census round. Chair: UNPD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Presentations – Canada, Kenya, UAE, Uruguay (80 min) – General discussion (All)
11:00 – 11:30	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:30 – 12:30	Session 8 – Resolution to establish the 2030 World Programme for Population and Housing Censuses This session will review and discuss the draft resolution to be submitted to the Statistical Commission in March 2025 for the purpose of establishing the World Programme for Population and Housing Censuses for the 2030 round. Chair: UNSD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Presentation – UNSD (15 min) – General discussion (All)
12:30 - 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15:10	Session 9 – Plans for supporting 2030 round population and housing censuses

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	<p>This session will review strategies for supporting countries in planning and conducting successful 2030 round censuses. The meeting will hear from UNSD, UN Regional Commissions, UNFPA, and ICP-USCB in terms of key support areas, including methodological guidance and capacity building initiatives. Open discussion will follow to explore collaborative approaches and address emerging challenges.</p> <p>Chair: IPC-USCB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Presentations – UNSD, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, UNFPA, IPC-USCB (60 min) – General discussion (All)
15:10 – 16:00	<p>Session 10 - Conclusions and the way forward</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – General discussion (All) – Recap of the meeting and review of the main conclusions and recommendations – Closing