# United Nations Statistics Division: Demographic Yearbook

# **Questionnaire on Metadata for Population and Housing Census**

Reporting country: Hong Kong, China

Population census date: 14 March 2001 Housing census date:

# A. General population census information

# 1. Census information

| Type of census            |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| (a) Traditional census    | $\square$ |
| (b) Register based census |           |
| (c) Combination           |           |
| (d) Other, please specify |           |

# 2. Type of population count and coverage

| Type of population count                      |           |
|---|-----------|
| (a) De facto / population present             |           |
| (b) De jure / usual resident population       |           |
| (c) Other, please specify Resident Population | $\square$ |

# Please specify whether the following population groups were enumerated in the census

| Population group  | Included    | Excluded    | Not<br>applicable |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------------|
| (a) Nomads  | $\boxtimes$ |             |                   |
| (b) Persons living in areas to which access is difficult                                    | $\boxtimes$ |             |                   |
| (c) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located outside the country |             | $\boxtimes$ |                   |
| (d) Civilian residents temporarily absent from the country                                  | $\square$   |             |                   |

| (e) Civilian residents who cross a frontier daily to work in another country   |             |             |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| (f) Foreign military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located in the country   | $\boxtimes$ |             |
| (g) Civilian foreigners who do not cross a frontier<br>daily and are in the country temporarily, including<br>undocumented persons, or transients on ships in<br>harbour at the time of the census |             |             |
| (h) Civilian foreigners who cross a frontier daily to work in the country  |             |             |
| (i) Refugees   |             | $\boxtimes$ |
|  |             |             |
|  |             |             |

# 3. Estimated census completeness

| Estimated completeness:                    | Both<br>sexes | Male         | Female       |
|--|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| (a) Gross under-enumeration (specify unit: | "Negligible"  | "Negligible" | "Negligible" |
| (b) Gross over-enumeration (specify unit:  | "Negligible"  | "Negligible" | "Negligible" |
| (c) Net error (specify unit:               | "Negligible"  | "Negligible" | "Negligible" |

| Base denominator for this estimate is: |           |
|--|-----------|
| (a) Enumerated population              |           |
| (b) Estimated "complete" population    | $\square$ |
| (c) Don't know                         |           |

| Method(s) used in estimating completeness: |   |
|--|---|
| (a) Post Enumeration Survey (PES)          |   |
| Date conducted: 9.4.2001-4.5.2001          |   |
| Size of sample (specify unit: Quarter):    | <ul> <li>(A) Enumerated quarters coverage<br/>check – A sample of 9 905<br/>enumerated quarters was<br/>selected to check the accuracy</li> </ul> |

|   | <ul> <li>of household and population count of the enumerated quarters.</li> <li>(B) Non-contact/unoccupied quarters coverage check – A sample of 5 000 non-contact quarters is selected to check the mis-classification of non-contact quarters to unoccupied quarters.</li> </ul> |  |
|---|--|--|
| For total area:                           | Not Available  |  |
| For urban areas:                          | Not Applicable   |  |
| For rural areas:                          | Not Applicable   |  |
| Population groups excluded:               | Not Applicable   |  |
| (b) Demographic analysis, please specify: | An independent population estimate<br>of the number of children aged<br>under 5 who were present in Hong<br>Kong as at the By-census moment<br>is compared with the By-census<br>count to assess the extent of any<br>such under-enumeration.                                      |  |
| (c) Other methods, please specify:        | Not Applicable   |  |

# 4. Definition of urban/rural

The definition of urban areas for this census is:

Not Applicable

The definition of rural areas for this census is:

Not Applicable

# 5. Definition of cities

The definition of a city proper for this census is:

Not Applicable

The definition of urban agglomeration for this census is:

Not Applicable

6. Definition of locality

The definition of a locality for this census is:

These geographical districts are as declared in the District Councils Ordinance (L.N. 77 of 1999) and Electoral Affairs Commission Ordinance (G.N. (E) 6 of 1999) for the District Council district election held on 28 November 1999. There are 18 districts with 4 on Hong Kong Island, 5 in Kowloon and 9 in the New Territories.

# 7. Definition of literacy

The definition of "literate" and "illiterate" for this census is:

Not Applicable

## 8. Educational attainment

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

#### Yes

If so, what revision? ICSED 97

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ISCED (specify revision number)?

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

## **B.** Economic characteristics

#### 1. Activity status

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

15

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

No

What reference period do you use to determine the economic activity of a person?

7 March 2001 to 14 March 2001

#### 2. Definition of economically active population used in this census

| Definition of economically active population   |           |
|--|-----------|
| (a) Usually active population  |           |
| (b) Currently active population  |           |
| (c) Other, please specify: Economically active population include employed and unemployed population | $\square$ |

Are the following groups considered economically active in the national tabulations? If not, please indicate how they are classified:

| Economic group   | Yes         | No |
|--|-------------|----|
| (a) contributing (unpaid) family workers   | $\boxtimes$ |    |
| (b) unemployed persons including those never previously employed                     | $\boxtimes$ |    |
| (c) armed forces;  | $\boxtimes$ |    |
| (d) part-time workers even though they may spend most time at non-gainful activities | $\boxtimes$ |    |
| (e) domestic servants  | $\square$   |    |

## 3. Status in Employment

Do you follow the International Standard Classification of Status in Employment (ICSE-93), for the classification of the Status in Employment in your country?

# Yes, ICSE-93

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ICSE-93?

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

## 4. Occupation

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

#### Yes

If yes, what revision? ISCO-88

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ISCO (specify revision number)?

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

## 5. Industry

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

#### No

If so, what revision?

If any other classification is used, are you able to provide data in ISIC (specify revision number).

Hong Kong Standard Industrial Classification (HSIC) version 1.1, which is based on ISIC Rev. 2 with local adaptations. The HSIC at 3rd level are broadly in line with those of ISIC.

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

# C. Household characteristics

#### 1. Definitions

General definition of a household for this census is:

Households can be distinguished into domestic and non-domestic households. Domestic households consist of people living in the same quarters, whether related or not, and sharing food and expenses. Non-domestic households mainly consist of people living in institutions such as homes for the aged, infirmaries, half-way houses, staff quarters of establishments and school dormitories.

#### General definition of a family nucleus for this census is:

A family nucleus refers to (i) a married couple and all of their never married children (if any); or (ii) a parent (either father or mother) with all of his or her never married children.

## 2. Head of household / reference member

| Definition  |             |
|---|-------------|
| (a) Head of household, defined as follows: In a domestic household, the household head is the person recognised to be responsible for making major decisions for the household. If the household is of collective type, or consists of several unrelated persons living together, the head should be the person acknowledged as such by other members of the household. |             |
| (b) Reference member of household, defined as<br>follows: Persons who make common provisions<br>for essentials for living inside a unit of quarters<br>are regarded as members of the same household  | $\boxtimes$ |
| (c) Other (for example: Joint head of household):   |             |

#### D. Housing census characteristics

#### 1. Housing information

What definition did you apply in this census for housing unit?

Quarters is defined as an enclosed space either in a domestic, industrial, commercial or other types of buildings for the purpose of living, manufacturing or business undertaking. There are two conditions being fulfilled if the enclosed space is considered to be quarters: (a) being internally connected, and (b) having direct access to a street, a corridor or landing without going via another unit.

What definition did you apply in this census for conventional dwelling?

#### Not Applicable

Are vacant units included in the enumerated conventional dwellings?

#### Not Applicable

#### What definition did you apply in this census for room?

A room is a space in the quarters enclosed by walls reaching from the floor to the ceiling or roof covering, or at least to a height of 2 metres, of a size large enough to hold a bed for an adult, that is at least 4 square metres.

## 2. 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

Not Applicable

City 1 (Capital City) – Territory refers to:

City 2 – Territory refers to:

City 3 – Territory refers to:

City 4 – Territory refers to:

# E. Bibliography of Population and Housing Statistics

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

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