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

Reporting country: Maldives

Population census date: 21 – 28 March 2006 Housing census date: 21 – 28 March 2006

A. General population census information

1. Census information

Type of census	
(a) Traditional census	\checkmark
(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	$\sqrt{}$
(b) De jure / usual resident population	$\sqrt{}$
(c) Other, please specify	

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

Population group	Included	Excluded	Not applicable
(a) Nomads			$\sqrt{}$
(b) Persons living in areas to which access is difficult	$\sqrt{}$		
(c) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located outside the country	√		
(d) Civilian residents temporarily absent from the country	V		

(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			V
(g) Civilian foreigners who do not cross a frontier daily and are in the country temporarily, including undocumented persons, or transients on ships in harbour at the time of the census			V
(h) Civilian foreigners who cross a frontier daily to work in the country			√
(i) Refugees			$\sqrt{}$
3. Estimated census completeness Estimated completeness:	Both sexes	Male	Female
(a) Gross under-enumeration (specify unit: None)			
(b) Gross over-enumeration (specify unit: None)			
(c) Net error (specify unit: None)			
Base denominator for this estimate is:			
(a) Enumerated population			
(b) Estimated "complete" population			
(c) Don't know			
Method(s) used in estimating completeness:			
(a) Post Enumeration Survey (PES)	√		
	√		
(a) Post Enumeration Survey (PES)	√		
(a) Post Enumeration Survey (PES) Date conducted:	√		

For rural areas: 5%	
Population groups excluded: None	
(b) Demographic analysis, please specify: -	
(c) Other methods, please specify: Whipples index and Mayers index	$\sqrt{}$

4. Definition of urban/rural

The definition of urban areas for this census is:

Male'. No specific definition

The definition of rural areas for this census is:

Atolls. No specific definition

5. Definition of cities

The definition of a city proper for this census is:

Male'. No specific definition

The definition of urban agglomeration for this census is:

Male'. No specific definition

6. Definition of locality

The definition of a locality for this census is:

Age, sex, urban, rural, atoll and island (Position with regard to surrounding landmarks, a place, district, neighborhood etc)

7. Definition of literacy

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

A person who can, with understanding, both read and write a short, simple statement on his or her everyday life and a person who can only read but not write, or can write but not read is considered to be illiterate.

8. Educational attainment

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

No

If so, what revision? -

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

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

We haven't used the ISCED codes.

B. Economic characteristics

1. Activity status

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

15 years

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?

Previous week from the census date

2. Definition of economically active population used in this census

Definition of economically active population	
(a) Usually active population	$\sqrt{}$
(b) Currently active population	$\sqrt{}$
(c) Other, please specify	

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	$\sqrt{}$	
(b) unemployed persons including those never previously employed	√ √	
(c) armed forces;	$\sqrt{}$	

(d) part-time workers even though they may spend most time at non-gainful activities	$\sqrt{}$	
(e) domestic servants	$\sqrt{}$	

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?

No

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

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

We haven't used the ICSE-93 codes

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)?

None

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

None

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?

Yes

If so, what revision? Revision 3

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

None

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

None

C. Household characteristics

1. Definitions

General definition of a household for this census is:

A household is a small group of persons who share the same living accommodation and daily meals together and who pool some, or all, of their income and wealth and who consume certain types of goods and services collectively, mainly housing and food

For people whose accommodation and daily meals is arranged in different house or housing unit, then such people, would be counted where they take meals

For people whose living and accommodation is arranged in different house or housing unit from where his meals is arranged, then for such people the household is where the meals are arranged. For those people whose meals is arranged in a hotel, cafeteria, or in different places, for them there household is where they sleeps.

General definition of a family nucleus for this census is:

Father, mother and their children

2. Head of household / reference member

Definition	
(a) Head of household, defined as follows: Head of the Household is the person, who lives in the household and makes critical decision for the household.	√
(b) Reference member of household, defined as follows:	
(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?

A housing unit is a separate and independent place of abode intended for habitation by a single household, though it may be occupied by more than one households as defined by the housekeeping concept

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

These are the breakdowns which we have used in our last census 2006:

- Living quarters: eg: House, Flat, Apartments, Rooms
- Collective living quarters: eg: resort, boarding houses, labor quarters, factories and guest houses
- Institutions: eg: rehabilitation centre, hospital and jail
- Temporary housing: housing build to host the internally displaced people after the tsunami disaster
- Permanent housing: housing build replacing the destroyed house in the tsunami.
- Vessels/tents which are mobile: eg: collector vessel, containers and tents
- Other type of housing: unfinished structures if people living.

Are vacant units included in the enumerated conventional dwellings?

Yes

What definition did you apply in this census for room?

A room is a space in a housing unit or other living quarters enclosed by walls reaching from the floor to the ceiling or roof covering, or to a height of at least two meters, of an area large enough to hold a bed for an adult, that is, at least four square meters.

If a person is sleeping in the dining rooms, kitchens, living rooms are counted as a room in the census, so long as they meet the criteria concerning walls and floor space.

Passageways, verandas, lobbies, bathrooms and toilet rooms should not be counted as rooms, even if they meet the criteria.

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

No specific definition

City 1 (Capital City) - Territory refers to:

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City 2 – Territory refers to:

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City 3 – Territory refers to:

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City 4 – Territory refers to:

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E. Bibliography of Population and Housing Statistics

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

Preliminary Result of Census 2006

Maldives Population and Housing Census 2006

Analytical Report Maldives Population and Housing Census 2006

Atoll Graphs Census 2006

Island Level Basic Indicator Sheet Census 2006