United Nations Statistics Division: Demographic Yearbook

Questionnaire on Metadata for Population and Housing Census

Reporting country: Singapore

Population census date: 2000
Housing census date: N.A. (not conducted)

A. General population census information

1. Census information

<table>
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<td>(a) Traditional census</td>
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<td>(b) Register based census</td>
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<td>(c) Combination</td>
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<td>(d) Other, please specify</td>
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2. Type of population count and coverage

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<tr>
<td>(a) De facto / population present</td>
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<td>(b) De jure / usual resident population</td>
<td>x</td>
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<td>(c) Other, please specify</td>
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Please specify whether the following population groups were enumerated in the census

<table>
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<th>Population group</th>
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<th>Not applicable</th>
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<td>(a) Nomads</td>
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<td>(b) Persons living in areas to which access is difficult</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>(c) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located outside the country</td>
<td></td>
<td>x</td>
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<tr>
<td>(d) Civilian residents temporarily absent from the country</td>
<td>x</td>
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(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

(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

(h) Civilian foreigners who cross a frontier daily to work in the country

(i) Refugees

### 3. Estimated census completeness

- Not applicable

#### Estimated completeness:

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<th>Estimated completeness</th>
<th>Both sexes</th>
<th>Male</th>
<th>Female</th>
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<td>(a) Gross under-enumeration (specify unit: ___)</td>
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<td>(b) Gross over-enumeration (specify unit: ___)</td>
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<td>(c) Net error (specify unit: ___)</td>
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#### 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)
  - Date conducted: ___
  - Size of sample (specify unit: ___):
    - For total area: ___
    - For urban areas: ___
4. Definition of urban/rural

The definition of urban areas for this census is:

Not applicable. Please note that Singapore is a city-state.

The definition of rural areas for this census is:

Not applicable. Please note that Singapore is a city-state.

5. Definition of cities

The definition of a city proper for this census is:

Not applicable. Please note that Singapore is a city-state.

The definition of urban agglomeration for this census is:

Not applicable. Please note that Singapore is a city-state.

6. Definition of locality

The definition of a locality for this census is:

Not applicable. Please note that Singapore is a city-state.

7. Definition of literacy

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

Literacy is defined only for members aged 15 and above, and refers to the ability to read with understanding in a specified language.

8. Educational attainment

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

Singapore Standard Educational Classification 2000 (SSEC 2000) was used, which makes reference to and is consistent with the basic framework and principles of ISCED 98.
If so, what revision?

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

Yes, should be able to provide similar estimates for broad categories.

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 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?

Seven days preceding the day of enumeration.

2. Definition of economically active population used in this census

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<td>(a) Usually active population</td>
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<td>(b) Currently active population</td>
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Are the following groups considered economically active in the national tabulations? If not, please indicate how they are classified:

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<td>(a) contributing (unpaid) family workers</td>
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<td>(b) unemployed persons including those never previously employed</td>
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<td>(c) armed forces;</td>
<td>✔</td>
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<td>(d) part-time workers even though they may spend most time at non-gainful activities</td>
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<td>(e) domestic servants</td>
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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?
Categories are similar

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?

Singapore Standard Occupational Classification 2000 (ISOC 2000), which adopts the basic framework and principles of ISCO-88, was used.

If yes, what revision?

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

Yes, should be able to provide similar estimates for broad categories.

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?

Singapore Standard Industrial Classification 2000 (SSIC 2000), which adopts the basic framework and principles of ISIC Revision 3, was used.

If so, what revision?

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

Yes, should be able to provide similar estimates for broad categories.

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:

A group of two or more persons living together in the same house and sharing common food or other arrangements for essential living. It also includes a person living alone or a person living with others but having his own food arrangements.

General definition of a family nucleus for this census is:

A married couple, with or without unmarried child(ren) and/or a parent/grandparent; Or, a family consisting of immediate related members, without presence of a married couple eg one parent only with unmarried child(ren).

2. Head of household / reference member

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<td>(a) Head of household, defined as follows: The person generally acknowledged as such by other members of the household.</td>
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<tr>
<td>(b) Reference member of household, defined as follows:</td>
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<td>(c) Other (for example: Joint head of household):</td>
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D. Housing census characteristics

1. Housing information

What definition did you apply in this census for housing unit?
Not applicable

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?
Not applicable

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:

Not applicable

City 2 – Territory refers to:

Not applicable

City 3 – Territory refers to:

Not applicable

City 4 – Territory refers to:

Not applicable
E. Bibliography of Population and Housing Statistics

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

**Singapore Census of Population 2000:**
- Advanced Data Release
- Statistical Release 1 – Demographic Characteristics
- Statistical Release 2 – Education, Language and Religion
- Statistical Release 3 – Economic Characteristics
- Statistical Release 4 – Geographic Distribution and Travel
- Statistical Release 5 – Households and Housing
- Administrative Report

<http://www.singstat.gov.sg/pubn/catalogue.html#census>