

In order that the description of national population series on file in the Statistical Division of the United Nations may be as up to date as possible, it is desirable to provide for confirmation or revision of the method of their construction. The questions below relate to coverage of data and method of estimation. It is requested that a "X" be made in the field following the words which best describe the estimates in terms of these questions.

1. COVERAGE OF DATA

In conformity with definition given on the instructions, estimates should relate to DE FACTO population. In order to clarify the exact composition please indicate in the following check box the exact disposition of each group listed, using "IN" for included; "EX" for excluded. Specify years to which description refers.

POPULATION GROUP	ESTIMATED TOTAL FOR:
	1996 & 2001
(a) Nomads	IN
(b) Persons living in remote areas	IN
(c) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located outside the country....	EX
(d) Merchant seamen and fishermen resident in the country but at sea at the time of the census (including those who have no place of residence other than their quarters aboard ship)	EX
(e) Civilian residents temporarily in another country as seasonal workers	EX
(f) Civilian residents who cross a frontier daily to work in another country	IN
(g) Civilian residents other than those in (c) (e), and (f) working in another country	EX
(h) Civilian residents other than those in (c)-(g) temporarily absent the country	EX
(i) Foreign military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families located in the country..	IN
(j) Civilian aliens temporarily in the country as seasonal workers	IN
(k) Civilian aliens who cross a frontier daily to work in another country	IN
(l) Civilian aliens other than those in (i), (j) and (k) working in another country	IN if in the country on Census night
(m) Civilian aliens other than those in (i)-(l), temporarily in country	IN
(n) Transients on ships in harbour at the time of the census	IN

2. METHOD OF ESTIMATION

2A. TOTAL POPULATION

Estimates of total population for a country as a whole may be constructed by a variety of means. Please indicate by a check mark "X" the method used in constructing the latest population estimate for (date):

April 2001, indicating the "base data"

BASE DATA

1. Continuous population register
2. Complete census taken (date):
 - i. population actually enumerated
 - ii. population adjusted to take account of

28 April 1996
X

% underenumeration

3. Sample survey taken (date):
4. Partial census taken or partial registration (date):
(please describe)

5. Non-censal count of (date):
(describe method)

6. Conjectural estimate derived by means other than counting
(describe method)

METHOD OF TIME ADJUSTMENT

1. Base data secured annually by population register
2. Applying statistics of births and deaths (natural increase), and migration:
 - i. registered vital statistics
 - ii. vital statistics adjusted for incompleteness
3. Applying statistics of births and deaths (natural increase), but no account taken of migration:
 - i. registered vital statistics
 - ii. vital statistics adjusted for incompleteness
4. Extrapolating mathematically from censuses taken (dates):

X

Please give formula:

5. Applying an assumed rate of increase, not derived by mathematical extrapolation or interpolation but based on:
 - i. assumption with respect to mortality, fertility and migration
 - ii. assumption with respect to mortality, fertility but no account taken of migration
 - iii. other assumed rate

If (i), (ii) or (iii) is checked, please give rate used and

describe how obtained:

6. No time adjustment (base figure held constant)
7. Other (explain):

2B. POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX

Estimates of population according to age and sex are assumed to be constructed on the same base data as are the total estimates. However certain additional factors may be involved in the case of those age distributions estimated from the census enumerations or from sample surveys. Please indicate below the adjustment(s) made in the basic age distribution used to construct estimates shown in Table PE-2 and 4.

ADJUSTMENTS IN BASE

- i. None - based on population actually enumerated at various ages or estimated from survey results
- ii. Enumerated population or population estimated from survey results adjusted to take account of underenumeration at various ages
- iii. Base age distribution "smoothed", i.e., adjusted to remove effects of digit preference in age reporting

X

METHOD OF TIME ADJUSTMENT

Distribution of estimated population according to age and sex may also be made by same methods as used to obtain the projection of the total figure, or it may be derived by distributing the estimate according to the percentage of population in each age-sex group at the time of the census. Please indicate below the method used in constructing the age-sex distribution of the latest estimate shown in Table PE-2.

1. Applying actual or assumed natural increase and migration
2. Applying actual or assumed natural increase alone
3. Distributing the total estimate according to percentage of population in each age-sex group at time of census of sample survey
4. By other means (describe below)

X

DISPOSITION OF UNKNOWN AGE

If frequency in unknown age category of table PE-2 and 4 is zero please indicate below whether in the preparation of the estimates:

1. An age has been assigned to persons for whom age did not appear in the census or sample survey
2. Frequency in unknown age category has been distributed proportionately among known ages
3. The frequency of unknown age appearing the census or survey was zero

X

2C. URBAN AND RURAL POPULATION, AND THE POPULATION OF CITIES

Post-censal estimates of the urban and rural population, or the population of individual cities can be made in various ways. In some countries continuous population registers permit the up-dating of local population estimates according to the registered balances of births, deaths, and changes of residence. In some countries, perhaps, periodic surveys permit the up-dating of urban or city population estimates. In some countries, in relation to post-censal estimates of the total population, estimates of urban, or city population may be determined by an extrapolation of the percentage or urban in total, or city in urban, population. In some countries, urban and city population may be determined on the basis of rates of growth of urban or city population observed over a past period, by assuming such rates of growth to continue. Other methods are also possible. Please indicate below the method used in making post-censal estimates of urban and rural, or city population.

1. Population registers
2. Surveys, other than a census
3. Extrapolation of percentage
4. Observed rate of growth, assumed to continue
5. By other means (describe)

The population of urban and rural areas and cities is only given for Census years.

Urban
population

City
population

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS

In order to bring up to date the bibliographical information you kindly supplied with last year's questionnaire, please list below publication which have become available since that time or are to be issued in the near future which contain results of your latest population census or survey, and current statistics on population estimates, vital statistics and international migration.

This information is being requested for the purpose of compiling and maintaining a current bibliography of demographic statistics. The citations should, therefore, be in a form suitable for reference purposes, i.e., the TITLE, ISSUING AGENCY or AUTHOR, PLACE, DATE OF

PUBLICATION and NUMBER OF PAGES should be give.

Example:

Demographic Yearbook, 1967. United Nations, New York, 1968, 778 pp.

Population and Migration Estimates, April 2001. Central Statistics Office, 29 Aug. 2001. 8 pages.

Regional Population Projections, 2001-2031. Central Statistics Office, 18 June 2001. 12 pages.

(Both of these are available on our web-site, www.cso.ie)

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