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# DESCRIPTION OF POPULATION ESTIMATES FOR LATEST YEAR GIVEN IN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

In order that the description of national population estimates on file in the Statistics Division of the United Nations is accurate and complete, it is desirable to provide the method of their construction for confirmation or revision. The questions below relate to coverage of data, and method of estimation. It is required that a check mark (X) be entered in the box following the words which best describe the estimates in terms of these questions.

## 1. COVERAGE OF DATA

In conformity with definition given in general instructions (see sheet titled "Instructions"), estimates should relate to de facto population. In order to clarify the exact composition of the population, please indicate in the following check box with an "X" the exact disposition of each group listed, i.e. whether it was included, excluded or population group not applicable. Specify years to which description refers to:

| Population Group  | Estimated total population<br>for year 2005 |          |                   |
|---|---|----------|-------------------|
| <u> </u>  | Included                                    | Excluded | Not<br>applicable |
| (a) Nomads  | X(a)  |          |                   |
| (b) Persons living in remote areas                                | x   |          |                   |
| (c) Military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their families   | X (b)                                       |          |                   |
| located outside the country                                       |   |          |                   |
| (d) Merchant seamen and fishermen resident in the country but at  |   |          |                   |
| sea at the time of the census (including those who have no        | X (b)                                       |          |                   |
| place of residence other than their quarters aboard ship)         |   |          |                   |
| (e) Civilian residents temporarily in another country as seasonal | X (b)                                       |          |                   |
| workers   |   |          |                   |
| (f) Civilian residents who cross a frontier daily to work in      |   |          | X                 |
| another country   |   |          |                   |
| (g) Civilian residents other than those in (c), (e), and (f)      | X (b)                                       |          |                   |
| working in another country  |   |          |                   |
| (h) Civilian residents other than those in (c)-(g), temporarily   | X (b)                                       |          |                   |
| absent from the country   |   |          |                   |
| (i) Foreign military, naval and diplomatic personnel and their    |   | X (c)    |                   |
| families located in the country                                   |   |          |                   |
| (j) Civilian aliens temporarily in the country as seasonal        |   | X (d)    |                   |
| workers   |   |          |                   |
| (k) Civilian aliens who cross a frontier daily to work in         |   |          | Х                 |
| another country   |   |          |                   |
| (1) Civilian aliens other than those in (i), (j), and (k)         |   | X (d)    |                   |
| working in another country  |   |          |                   |
| (m) Civilian aliens other than those in (i)-(l), temporarily      |   | X (d)    |                   |
| in country  |   |          |                   |
| (n) Transients on ships in harbour at the time of the census      | X (e)                                       |          |                   |

NOTES:

(a) Included in estimated resident population, but not separately identified.

(b) Included if, on departure from Australia, the traveller indicates an intention to return to Australia within 12 months.

(c) Diplomatic personnel and their families excluded from Australian population estimates. For military and naval personnel and their famili€ indended duration of stay in Australia, as stated on arrival in Australia, is less than 12 months, included if 12 months or more.

(d) Excluded if intended duration of stay in Australia, as stated on arrival in Australia, is less than 12 months, included if 12 months or m

(e) Included in census enumeration but excluded from population estimates based on the person's response to the census 'place of usual reside

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#### 2. METHOD OF ESTIMATION

a) 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) 30 June 2005, indicating the source of "base data" and the "method of time adjustment". If there are publications readily available with the description of methods used, please include them in reply to this questionnaire.

#### Base Data

1- Continuous population register []

- 2- Complete census taken (date) on 8 August 2001[X]
  i) population actually enumerated [X]
  - ii) population adjusted to take account of 1.8% net underenumeration
- 3- Sample survey taken (date) []
- 5- Non-censal count of (date) [] (describe method)
- 6- Conjectual estimate derived by means other than counting []
   (describe method)

#### Method of time adjustment

| -  | and,,,, Please give formula:  |
|----|---|
| 4- | ii) Vital statistics adjusted for incompleteness [ ] Extrapolating mathematically from censuses taken (dates) , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , |
|    | i) Registered vital statistics [ ]  |
| 3- | Applying statistics of births and deaths (natural increase), but no account taken of migration  |
|    | ii) Vital statistics adjusted for incompleteness [ ]  |
|    | i) Registered vital statistics [X]  |
| 2- | Applying statistics of births and deaths (natural increase), and migration  |
| 1- | Base data secured annually by population register [ ]   |

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- 5- Applying an assumed rate of increase, not derived by mathematical extrapolation or interpolation but based on:
  - i) Assumption with respect to mortality, fertility, 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)

b) 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 affect age distributions estimated from census enumerations or from sample surveys. Please indicate below the adjustment(s) made in the basic age distribution used to construct estimates shown in Tables 2 and 4.

Adjustments in base

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

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 time of census. Please indicate below the method used in constructing the age-sex distribution of the latest estimate shown in Table 2.

- 1- Applying actual or assumed natural increase and migration [X]
- 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)

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Disposition of unknown age

If frequency in unknown age category of tables 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 [X]

2- Frequency in unknown age category has been distributed proportionately among known ages [X (a)]

3- The frequency of unknown age appearing in the census or survey was zero [ ] NOTES: (a) For some categories of Not-stated age. Where other variables indicate a specific age range a random age is selected therein.

c) 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 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 total population, estimates of urban, or city population may be determined by an extrapolation of the percentage of 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 of city population.

|   | Urban<br>population | City<br>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) Ratio correlation method is used for post censal years. The results are constrained to state and territory population estimates which are independently calculated using vital statistics and migration statistics.

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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, that is, the title, issuing agency or author, place, date of publication and number of pages should be given.

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