

“Help the Census help you, be counted” 2010 Census

WHY HOLD A POPULATION CENSUS?

The main objective of conducting a Population Census is to enumerate all the people in the country in order to provide the Government, private organizations, individuals, and other stakeholders with the number of persons in each district, township, locality, village, etc., according to age, sex and other characteristics. For every aspect of planning, it is essential to know the size, structure and distribution of the population of a country. This information is required for various aspects of social and economic planning.

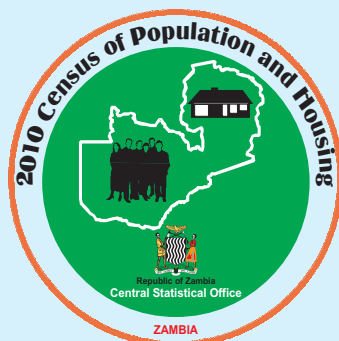
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Education: Planning for education requires knowledge of the number of children of school-going age, who are likely now and in the coming years to require education at various levels. The Government cannot know where to build the necessary schools and train the required number of school teachers, unless it knows where the need is greatest in terms of number of children of school-going age.

Housing: Housing is a problem, particularly in urban areas where many people are living under crowded conditions. If additional houses are to be built in order to alleviate overcrowding, the Government must know the number of people living under these conditions who will require more houses.

Health Services: It is the wish of the Government to improve and expand health services of the country so as to control diseases and minimize the number of children dying during infancy and early childhood. If health services are to be adequately planned for, the Government needs to know the number of people affected.

Agriculture: In Zambia, most of the people depend on agriculture for their livelihood. In order to develop agriculture, it is essential to know the number of people involved in agricultural activities, their sex, age, education level and where they are located.



Industry: Industry plays a vital role in any country's economy. For instance, mining is the major foreign exchange earner for this country. A large number of people are employed in mining and manufacturing industries. Hence the need to know their numbers, ages and skills.

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