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<i>Statement provided by:</i> PORTUGAL (Statistics Portugal)	
<i>Statement:</i> Portugal considers of the utmost importance the creation, by the national statistical offices, of a statistical population register, based on the census results of the 2020 round, and which can be updated by integrating various sources of information. Statistics Portugal has already come a long way in building a resident population base (national statistical population register), to be consolidated in the coming years. We are aligned with the European Statistical System common position on this item, which validates the strategy that several countries have been developing to create a statistical population register to improve the effectiveness of the production of census statistics. This also contributes to strengthen the role of statistical authorities in accessing data from different sources (either administrative or other).	
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