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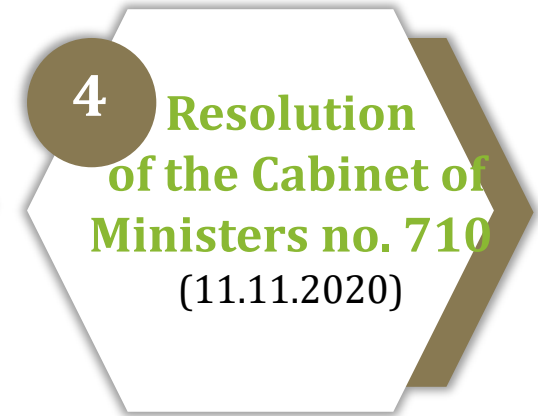
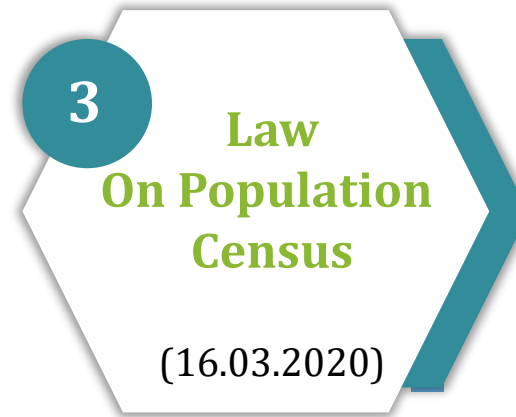
# 2021 Pilot Census in the Republic of Uzbekistan: problems and lessons learned

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- 1** Recommendations to carry out population and housing censuses at least once between 2015 and 2024:
- ✓ census **methodology, technology** and **practical aspects**;
  - ✓ **population characteristics**;
  - ✓ **housing characteristics**.

- 2** According to the Decree:
- ✓ census **concept** approved;
  - ✓ National **committee** established;
  - ✓ Local **committees** established;
  - ✓ Programme of comprehensive activities approved.

- 3** According to the law:
- ✓ population census is carried out at least once every **10** years;
  - ✓ **non-disclosure** of personal information is assured;
  - ✓ a **list of census questions** specified.

- 4** By the Resolution the following were approved:
- ✓ Population census **procedure**;
  - ✓ **Pilot census** procedure;
  - ✓ **Census forms**;
  - ✓ Procedure of **paying salaries**;
  - ✓ **Roadmap**.

## Issues of organizing population census and developing census methodology



### Methodology

**20 new methodological documents**, were written, 1 statistical **classifier** was created.



### Roadmap

A "**roadmap**" was developed for the census preparation and conduct and announcement of the results.



### Programme

A **programme** was developed including the list of questions intended for collecting information about respondents' housing conditions and personal data during the census.



### Census forms;

Census forms were developed including **5** different **forms**.



### Technical specifications

Together with the cadastral agency, specifications for the **preparation of cartographic materials** were prepared.

## The issues of census awareness raising work



### TV shows

In 2022, **148 TV shows** were broadcast on central and local TV.



### Radio broadcasting

In 2022, **123 radio shows** were broadcast on central and local radio channels.



### Articles and briefs

In 2022, **774 articles and briefs** were published in newspapers and magazines.



### Coverage on websites

In 2022, **2,503 articles, briefs, announcements and news** were published on various official websites.



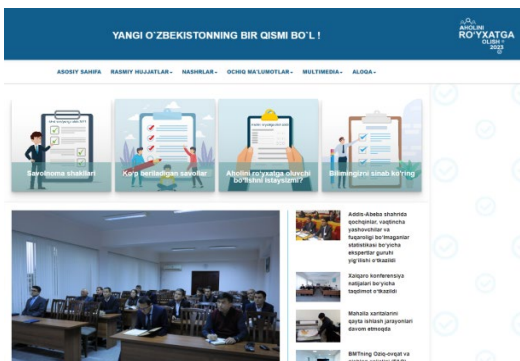
### Workshops and roundtables

In 2022, **735 workshops and roundtables** were organized in schools, universities and colleges.

## Preparation processes



### Information platform

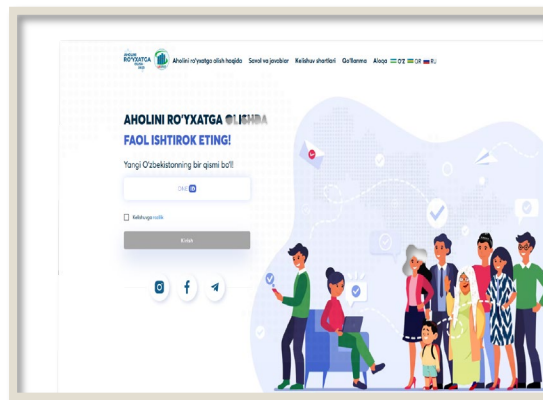


<https://aholi.stat.uz>

An official Census Website was developed.



### Information system



The Population Census Information System was developed and implemented.



### Enumerators' accessories



Special bags, scarves, gloves, umbrellas and other articles were used during the pilot census.

## International cooperation



### United Nations Population Fund

- 40 workshops;
- 4 meetings with donors;
- methodology - 20 methodological documents;
- 2 videos.

- 149 IT devices (computers, printers, wi-fi routers, etc. were allocated).

- Experience sharing trips were organized
- 23 staff members of statistical bodies travelled to Switzerland, Japan, Russian Federation, Azerbaijan, and Belarus.



### Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

- 95 tablet devices.



### CIS Statistical Committee

The following were organized: over 10 workshops, support from highly skilled specialists, and an experience sharing trip for 4 staff members of statistical bodies to the Russian Federation.

## Pilot Population Census

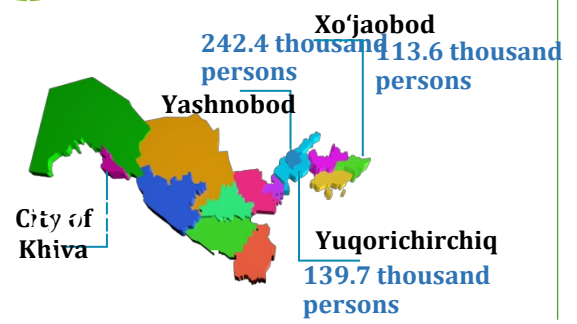


### Census date

**1 - 25 November 2021**  
**585 thousand persons** enumerated  
(**1.6 %** of the country population).



### Census territory



### Census taking method



Web-based ([aholi.stat.uz](http://aholi.stat.uz)) and tablets (**80 pcs.**)



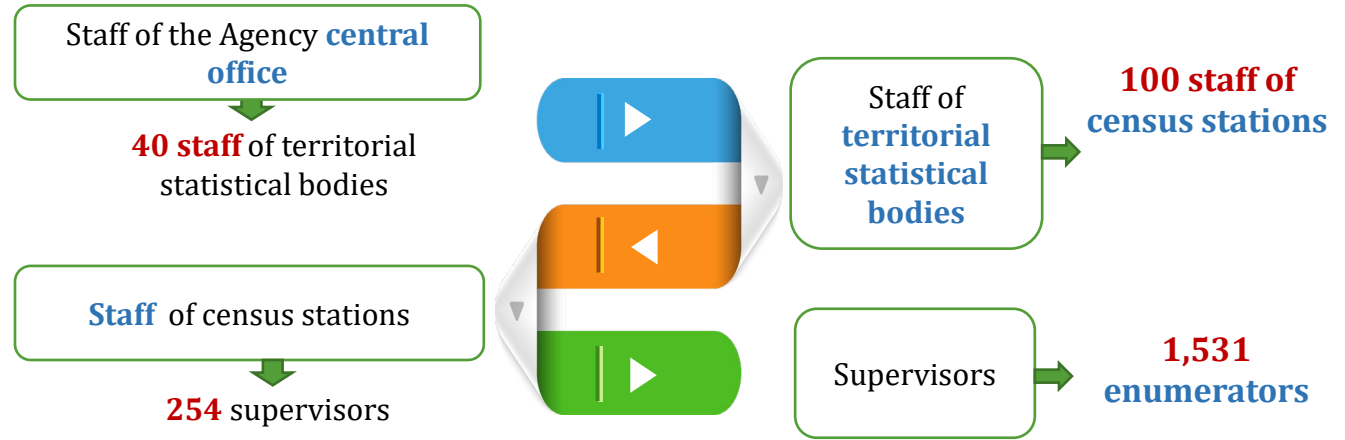
Traditional paper-based



### Census stations activities

Premises were allocated at schools, colleges and other administrative buildings, and the following were organized  
**50** census,  
**254** supervisory  
**1,277** enumeration stations.

### The staff were trained as follows



### Participating staff/Working days

**Total: 2,160 persons**

1. For the work to create the list of dwellings – **175 persons/30 days**
2. Census stations - **100 persons/80 days**
3. Supervisory stations – **254 persons/60 days**
4. Stationary enumerators – **254 persons/30 days**
5. Enumerators – **1,277 persons/30 days**
6. Staff for entering primary data into the electronic database – **100 persons/90 days**

## Issues encountered in pilot census processes

1

Because the census was conducted mostly on paper, registration processes **were very time- and labor-consuming.**

2

The work was negatively affected by the lack of separation of participants **from the workplace or learning processes.**

3

Maps not corresponding to the actual situation created problems for enumerators on the ground.

## Key takeaways and proposals

1

Abandon the paper method, conduct the Census using **the Internet** and **tablet** devices.

2

Engage staff in the process **off-the-job or off-study.**

3

Ensure **high-quality** cartographic materials and their **correspondence to the actual situation on the ground.**

## Preparatory works

**1-3 August 2022**  
enumerators completed training



**4-31 August 2022**  
enumerators canvassed enumeration areas



Locally, statistical bodies and mahalla activists jointly continue investigating **the state of numbering of unnumbered residential premises and streets without signs** in mahallas



## Studying international experience

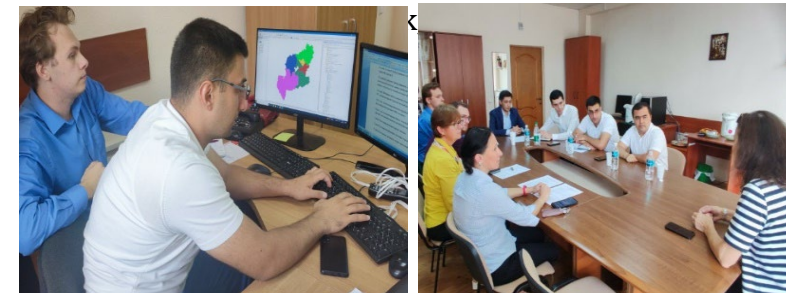
International forum  
**Population census: Challenges and Opportunities**  
22-24 May 2023, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan



Workshop on **the benefits of switching the population to the register-based census method**,  
12-15 June 2023, Ankara, Türkiye



The experience of Belarus on the use of **GIS technologies in the development of organizational plans for the population census** was studied





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