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# **Main results of UNECE survey on future censuses beyond 2020**

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## **General information on survey**

- **Work promoted by the UNECE Steering Group on Population and Housing Censuses**
  - **CES Bureau approved in Feb 2018 review on future of censuses beyond the 2020 round**
  
- **Survey conducted by UNECE in Aug/Sep 2018**
  - **Short online questionnaire (English/Russian)**
  - **47 countries responded**
  - **Results presented on 11 EECCA countries**
  
- **Provisional information, subject to changes**

# Q1. Methodology for 2020 round census



Method	Countries	
<b>Full field enumeration</b>	<b>10</b>	Arm, Aze, Geo, Kaz, Kyr, Mol, Rus, Taj, Ukr, Uzb
<b>Combined methodology</b>	<b>1</b>	Bel

## Comments:

**Armenia:** Minimum set from population register and most probably sample data collection

**Kazakhstan:** Plan to use Internet on-line response and tablets

**Moldova:** Plan to use basic demographic characteristics from population register



## Q2. Plans for dissemination in 2020 round

Type of dissemination	Countries	Arm	Aze	Bel	Geo	Kaz	Kyr	Mol	Rus	Taj	Ukr	Uzb
Anonymized micro-data to (registered) users	3	X							X	X		
Anonymized micro-data to IPUMS or similar platform	3	X		X			X					
Interactive, user-definable tabulation, graphing application	3			X		X		X				
Fixed, pre-defined tables and graphs in <b>electronic</b> format	8	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Fixed, pre-defined tables and graphs in <b>paper</b> format	8		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Census analytical report at <b>national</b> level	6			X		X		X	X	X	X	
Census analytical report(s) at <b>sub-national</b> levels	3			X					X	X		
Undecided / don't know	2				X							X

**Q3. Are you contemplating - even tentatively - changes in methodology in your next census after the 2020 round?**



<b>Contemplating changes?</b>	<b>Countries</b>	
<b>Yes / Да</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Kaz, Rus</b>
<b>No / Нет</b>	<b>-</b>	
<b>Maybe / Возможно</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Arm, Aze, Bel, Mol, Taj, Ukr, Uzb</b>
<b>Do not know / Не знаю</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Geo, Kyr</b>

## Q4. What methodology would you move to for the next census after the 2020 round?

Method	Countries	
Full field enumeration	2	Taj, Uzb
Combined methodology	5	Aze, Bel, Kaz, Mol, Rus
Fully register-based	1	Arm
Do not know / No reply	3	Geo, Kyr, Ukr

### Comments:

Armenia: Administrative registers until then could totally be available to be used for census purpose

## Q5. Contemplating other important changes/ innovations for your next census after the 2020 round



Changes / innovations	Countries	Arm	Aze	Bel	Geo	Kaz	Kyr	Mol	Rus	Taj	Ukr	Uzb
Increased use of geo-referenced information for data collection	6	X		X		X		X	X	X		
Increased geographical detail in the planned census output (e.g. grid squares)	5		X	X				X	X	X		
Larger integration of the census program with other NSO statistical programs	4	X	X	X					X			
Use of “big data” or other sources of data as part of your census	2			X					X			
Move from a decennial census to a more frequent data collection interval (e.g. every five years or yearly updates)	-											
Do not know	4				X		X				X	X

## Q6. Are you foreseeing needs for changes in key concepts for your next census after the 2020 round?



Need for changes in key concepts?	Countries	
Yes / Да	2	Kaz, Rus
No / Нет	2	Aze, Mol
Do not know / Не знаю	7	Arm, Bel, Geo, Kyr, Taj, Ukr, Uzb

### Which key concepts need changes?

**Kazakhstan: Usual residence**

**Russia: Usual residence. In case of moving to a census based on the population register, the concept of usual residence should change from the actual place of permanent residence to a legal concept**



## Q7. What are the drivers for the potential changes being contemplated in your next census after the 2020 round



Drivers for changes	Countries	Arm	Aze	Bel	Geo	Kaz	Kyr	Mol	Rus	Taj	Ukr	Uzb
Expressed user needs	-											
Anticipated user needs	1					X						
Societal changes	1								X			
Technological changes	2					X			X			