ISSP Characteristics of National Population

Each ISSP member is asked to include to the documentation the following information about known characteristics of its national population, from census or the best available estimates from government surveys or other high-quality data-sources:

- sex distribution of the population
- age distribution of the population
- education (years of schooling) of the population
- employment rate of the population

Source no. 1	Source no. 2	Source no. 3	Source no. 4	Source no. 5
	Mid year pop	Mid year pop	Mid year pop	Mid year pop
	estimates	estimates	estimates	estimates
	2012	2013	2016	2017
Census 2011	Statistics SA	Statistics SA	Statistics SA	Statistics SA

SEX

Male	25188791	25823300	25823270	26 720 575	27620642
Female	26581769	27158700	27158721	28 456 722	28901306

AGE (groups)

0 - 4	5685452	5292512	5292512	5866573	5866573
5 – 9	4819751	5091234	5091234	5764576	5764576
10 - 14	4594886	5070996	5070996	5014202	5093681
15 - 19	5003477	5168797	5168797	4510094	4592001
20 - 24	5374542	5034532	5034532	4936568.	5031271
25 - 29	5059317	4765661	4765661	5409971	5518305
30 - 34	4029010	4399533	4399533	5127031	5253733
35 - 39	3467767	3913292	3913292	41128423	4243537
40 - 44	2948618	3324142	3324142	3244084	3392431
45 - 49	2620283	2612522	2612522	2628197	2787590
50 - 54	2218289	2309967	2309967	2344409	2376586
55 - 59	1797408	1851893	1851893	1988314	2005845
60 - 64	1385768	1409490	1409490	1596640	1604739
65 - 69	957805	1129301	1129301	1197118	1190825
70 - 74	748331	778259	778259	831874	793616
75 - 79	481267	482762	482762	590442	513955.2
80 +	578589	347098	347098	587768	492684.4

YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups)

No schooling	NA	6 389 647	NA	NA	NA
Grade 1		2157573			
Grade 2		1471450			
Grade 3		1905255			
Grade 4		2131342			
Grade 5		2113047			
Grade 6		2305682			

Grade 7	2 809 832	
Grade 8	3 119 831	
Grade 9	2 514 309	
Grade 10	3 181 169	
Grade 11	2 295 460	
Grade 12	5 621 591	
Certificate with less than grade 12	93 646	
Diploma with less than grade 12	71 672	
Certificate with grade 12	441 551	
Diploma with grade 12	977 450	
Bachelors	341 140	
Bachelor's degree and diploma	165 754	
Honours	130 542	
Higher degree	132 020	
Not Applicable	4 449 816	
Total	44 819 778	

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Labour market outcomes in Census 2011 and Labour Force Survey 2011

	LFS Q4 2011	Census 2011		
Formal sector (including agriculture)	10 163 553	9 756 228		
Informal sector (including agriculture)	2 216 063	1 613 078		
Unspecified		311 064		
Private households	1 117 678	1 499 708		
Employed	13 497 294	13 180 077		
Working age	32 670 416	33 238 752		
Absorption rate	41.3	39.7		
Official definition				
Unemployed	4 244 197	5 594 055		

Not	14 928 925			
economically		620		
active				
Labour force	17 741 491	18 774		
		132		
Unemployment	23.9	29.8		
rate				
Labour force	54.3	56.5		
participation				
rate				

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