

# PERMANENT CENSUS OF THE POPULATION AND HOUSING

## ITALY NEEDS CENSUS STATISTICS TO BUILD ITS FUTURE

PEOPLE AND  
HOUSING



PERMANENT CENSUS  
ITALY, DAY BY DAY.

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## THE NEW PERMANENT CENSUS IN STEP WITH THE CHANGING TIMES

October 2021 sees the start of the new edition of the permanent Census of the population and housing, which since 2018 has become annual and no longer held over a ten-year period, and which involves only a selected sample of families.

After the health emergency, census operations\* have resumed with the data collection activities that involve in 2021 a sample of 2 million and 472.400 families in 4.531 Municipalities throughout the national territory.

\*In full compliance with health laws and regulations in force

Thanks to the integration of the data collected by the Census with those coming from administrative sources, Istat will be able to return continuous and timely information, representative of the entire population, as well as to ensure a strong cost containment and a reduction of the burden on families.

To enrich this important wealth of statistical data and know the country we live in better, the full collaboration of your family is essential.



## 2021 CENSUS



MUNICIPALITIES  
4.531



REFERENCE DATE  
3 OCTOBER



SAMPLE FAMILIES  
2.472.400



1 OCTOBER  
|  
23 DECEMBER 2021



ONLINE QUESTIONNAIRE IN 5 LANGUAGES

• ITALIAN • GERMAN • SLOVENIAN • FRENCH • ENGLISH

## YOU ARE PART OF OUR STATISTICAL SAMPLE PLAY YOUR ROLE

Did you receive a personalised letter from Istat inviting you to take part in the Census?

Fill in the online questionnaire as soon as possible, logging in with the credentials set out in the letter. Your family is part of the statistical sample that will have to reply to the Census independently.

Did you find on your house door a poster announcing the Census and the visit by a data collector? Did you receive an information letter from Istat?

Welcome with confidence the data collector appointed by the Municipality, who will be able to explain to you things about the Census; run an interview with you to fill in the online questionnaire together; or point out to you the municipal survey Centre you can approach to receive the interview from an operator.

Your family falls under the sample that is taking part in the 2021 Census with the support of a data collector.

## ADVANTAGES OF THE CENSUS

KNOWING THE PRESENT TO LOOK AT THE FUTURE

These are but some of the information the Census provides.

- **Analytical information** on the main social, economic and demographic characteristics of the population at national, regional and local level.
- **Comparable information at European level.**
- **Useful information** for individual citizens, businesses and associations to plan and make choices, organise activities and assess results.
- **Essential information** for public decision-makers, State, Regions, Provinces and Municipalities to support the recovery and build the future of the country.

**FOR INFORMATION AND SUPPORT | ASSISTANCE FOR FILLING IN THE QUESTIONNAIRE IS ENTIRELY FREE OF CHARGE. FIND OUT WHO TO CONTACT!**

**Istat toll-free number 800.188.802**

Available from 1 October to 23 December,  
from 9:00 a.m to 9:00 p.m,  
Saturday and Sunday included

**Municipal survey centres**

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JOINING IS A LEGAL OBLIGATION, AS WELL AS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY.

The permanent census of the population and housing lays down both the duty to answer and the application of penalties in the event of failure to do so. The data collected during the permanent census is covered by official secrecy and by statistical secrecy.