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## Step-by-Step Guide to Filling in Your Census 2022 Form

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The Step-by-Step-Guide to Filling in Your Census 2022 Form gives information to help you fill in your census form. The Central Statistics Office (CSO) acknowledges and appreciates the assistance of NALA in compiling this Guide. The Guide includes:

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## What is the census?

The census takes place every five years, on a single night in April called census night. This year census night is Sunday 3 April.

On this night, everyone in the country fills out their census forms and gives information about themselves, their family, their work, their school, along with information about where they live - their house or

## April

| Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun |
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|  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  | apartment.

## What is it for?

The census tells us how many people there are in Ireland and where they live, how old they are, and what they work at.

This helps us to answer such important questions as:

- Where will we need new schools, and when will we need them?
- Where will we need new healthcare facilities, like hospitals and nursing homes?
- What changes will we need in our transport services, like new bus stops?


## What types of questions are asked?

All of the questions are explained in this guide. To answer most questions, you just tick a box, or sometimes you write in your answer.

Any adult in your home on census night can fill out the form for everyone else in your home.

## Whose information should I include on my census form?

Everyone who stays in your home on census night must be included. This includes visitors.

## Do I have to do it?

Yes, you must fill it in. It's the law.

## What is an enumerator?

This is the person who gives you your census form and who collects it after census night. They will answer any questions you might have.

Our last census was held in 2016. It told us that our population had increased since 2011.

4,761,865 The population of Ireland in April 2016.
173,613 The increase in the population since April 2011.

There were 53,009 more females than males in Ireland in April 2016.

Over 2 million people were working.


And, over half a million people $(545,507)$ were retired.


Thirteen (13) in every 100 people had a disability.

## 3. Dates to remember 2022



|  | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April |  |  |  |  | 1 | 2 | (3) |
|  | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|  | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
|  | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
|  | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  |


|  | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Sun |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
|  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
|  | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
|  | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
|  | 30 | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |

Sunday 3 April is census day
This is census night - the night that census forms are filled in.


4 April to 6 May Census enumerators will collect filled-in census forms during these dates. If you would prefer to post your form, you can ask your enumerator for a pre-paid envelope.

## 6 May

In the unlikely event that your enumerator has not come back to collect your form by 6 May, you can then post it to the address given here.

Central Statistics Office
PO Box 2021
Freepost 4726
Swords
Co Dublin
K67 D2X4


## 4. A guide to filling in your census form

There are 24 pages in your census form. The questions in your form are in 3 columns. When you finish the bottom question in one column go to the top of the next column.

## Questions about your household

See www.census.ie

## START HERE



H1 When was your house, flat or apartment first built?
Mark - the year in which first built even if the building was subsequently converted, extended or renovated
1 Before 1919

21919 - 1945 inclusive
31946 - 1960 inclusive
41961 - 1970 inclusive
$5 \quad 1971$ - 1980 inclusive
61981 - 1990 inclusive
$7 \quad 1991$ - 2000 inclusive
$8 \quad 2001$ - 2010 inclusive
$9 \quad 2011$ - 2015 inclusive
102016 or later
H2 Does your household own or rent your accommodation?
Mark - one box only
1 Own with mortgage or loan
2 Own outright
3 Rent
4 Live here rent free

If renting, who is your
landlord?
1 Private landlord
2 Local Authority
3 Voluntary/Co-operative
housing body

H3 If your accommodation is rented, how much rent does your household pay?
Enter amount to the nearest Euro


| 1 | Per week |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Per month |
| 3 | Per year |

H4 How many working smoke alarms are in your accommodation?
Write in number of smoke alarms

H5 How many rooms do you have for use only by your household?

- Do NOT count bathrooms, toilets, kitchenettes, utility rooms, consulting rooms, offices, shops, halls, landings or rooms that can only be used for storage such as cupboards
- Do count all other rooms such as kitchens, living rooms, bedrooms, studies and conservatories you can sit in
- If two rooms have been converted into one, count them as one room

Number of rooms
Of which bedrooms

H6 What is the main type of fuel used by the central heating in your accommodation?


1 No central heating
2 Oil
3 Natural gas
4 Electricity
5 Coal (including anthracite)
6 Peat (including turf)
7 Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG)
8 Wood (including wood pellets)

9 Other

H7 Does your accommodation use any of the following renewable energy sources?

Mark - the boxes that apply
1 No

2 Solar panels for water heating
3 Solar panels for electricity
4 Wind turbine
5 Air source heat pump
6 Ground source heat pump
7 Wood
8 Other

H8 What type of piped water supply does your accommodation have?
Mark - one box only

## Public supply

2 Public Group Scheme
3 Private Group Scheme
4 Private source (eg well, lake, rainwater tank, etc)
5 No piped water supply

H9 What type of sewerage facility does your accommodation have?
Mark - one box only
1 Public sewer
2 Individual septic tank
3 Individual treatment system other than a septic tank

4 Other sewerage facility
5 No sewerage facility

H10 How many cars or vans are owned or are available for use by one or more members of your household?
Include any company car or van if available for private use
Mark - one box only
1 One
2 Two
3 Three
4 Four or more
5 None

H11 What type of internet connection does your household have?
Mark - the boxes that apply
1 Fixed broadband (eg phone/TV cable, internet cable, etc)

2 Mobile broadband (eg 3G, 4G, dongle, etc)

3 Satellite
4 Other connection
5 No internet connection
If connected, which devices access the internet in your household?
Mark - the boxes that apply
1 Desktop PC
2 Laptop (including notebook, netbook, etc)

3 Tablet
4 Mobile phone
5 Smart TV
6 Video game console
7 Smart domestic appliance
8 Other, write in description

Go to next page

## 5. Types of questions in your form

There are two types of question in your form.

## Type 1

H2 Does your household own or rent your accommodation?
Mark - one box only
1 Own with mortgage or loan
2 Own outright
3 Rent
4 Live here rent free
If renting, who is your landlord?
1 Private landlord
2 Local Authority
3 Voluntary/Co-operative housing body

## To answer this question and others like it:

Choose one option from the list
Mark the box like this, - with a black or blue pen

If you make a mistake, do this, and mark the correct box

## Type 2

6 What is your place of birth?
Give the place where your mother lived at the time of your birth If IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in the COUNTY. If elsewhere ABROAD, write in the COUNTRY

To answer this question and others like it: USE CAPITAL LETTERS

Every letter gets its own box

WALES S

Leave an empty box between words

Continue to a new line if you need to

NEW ZEA
L AND

## 6. Questions about your accommodation

These are on page 2 of your census form.

## H1: When was your house, flat or apartment built?

If you do not know the year it was built, ask a neighbour or the landlord

Mark only one box
H1 When was your house, flat or apartment first built?
Mark - the year in which first built even if the building was subsequently converted, extended or renovated

1
2 1919-1945 inclusive
1946-1960 inclusive
1961-1970 inclusive
1971-1980 inclusive
1981 - 1990 inclusive
1991-2000 inclusive
2001 - 2010 inclusive
2011-2015 inclusive
102016 or later

## H2: Do you rent your home, own it, or pay a mortgage?

1. You own your own home and bought it using a mortgage or other type of loan that you are still paying off
2. You own your home and have no mortgage
3. You pay rent
4. You do not pay rent
5. You rent from a private person
6. You rent from a local authority
7. You rent from a voluntary body

H2 Does your household own or rent your accommodation?
Mark - one box only
1 Own with mortgage or loan
2 Own outright
3 Rent
4 Live here rent free
If renting, who is your landlord?
1 Private landlord
2 Local Authority
3 Voluntary/Co-operative housing body

If you pay rent, write in the amount of rent in Euro How often do you pay this?

1. Every week
2. Every month
3. Every year

Mark only one box

H3 If your accommodation is rented, how much rent does your household pay?
Enter amount to the nearest Euro
$€$

- 00
Mark one box only

1 Per week
2 Per month
3 Per year

## H4: How many working smoke alarms are in your house, flat or apartment?

If you have smoke alarms, write in the number you have

If you do not have any smoke alarms, mark the 'None' box

H4 How many working smoke alarms are in your accommodation?
Write in number of smoke alarms
None

## H5: How many rooms do you have?

Count kitchen, living rooms and bedrooms
Do not count toilets, bathrooms, halls and other areas like this

Write in the number of rooms
Write in the number of bedrooms

H5 How many rooms do you have for use only by your household?

- Do NOT count bathrooms, toilets, kitchenettes, utility rooms, consulting rooms, offices, shops, halls, landings or rooms that can only be used for storage such as cupboards
- Do count all other rooms such as kitchens, living rooms, bedrooms, studies and conservatories you can sit in
- If two rooms have been converted into one, count them as one room

Number of rooms
Of which bedrooms

Mark only one box
Mark the main type of fuel you use for heating your home

H6 What is the main type of fuel used by the central heating in your accommodation?
Mark - one box only

| 1 | No central heating |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Oil |
| 3 | Natural gas |
| 4 | Electricity |
| 5 | Coal (including anthracite) |
| 6 | Peat (including turf) |
| 7 | Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) |
| 8 | Wood (including wood |
|  | pellets) |
| 9 | Other |

H7 Does your house, flat or apartment use any of these renewable energy sources?

## Mark as many as you use

H7 Does your accommodation use any of the following renewable energy sources?

Mark - the boxes that apply
1 No
2 Solar panels for water heating
3 Solar panels for electricity
4 Wind turbine
5 Air source heat pump
6 Ground source heat pump
7 Wood
8 Other

## H8: Where does your water come from?

## Mark only one box

1. Public pipe
2. Local authority group water scheme
3. Private group water scheme
4. Your own well or water tank
5. You have no piped water supply

H8 What type of piped water supply does your accommodation have?
Mark - one box only
1
2 Public Group Scheme
3 Private Group Scheme
4 Private source (eg well, lake, rainwater tank, etc)
5 No piped water supply

## Mark only one box

1. Public pipe
2. Septic tank
3. Your own system
4. Other, including chemical toilets
5. You have no toilet

H9 What type of sewerage facility does your accommodation have?
Mark - one box only
1 Public sewer
2 Individual septic tank
3 Individual treatment system other than a septic tank

4 Other sewerage facility
5 No sewerage facility

H10: How many cars or vans do you have?

Count your company car if you use it for yourself

H11: What kind of internet connection do you have in your home?
If you have the internet, which devices access the internet in your home?

Mark as many as you have

If you have the internet, which devices access the internet in your home?

## Mark all that apply



## H12 says to go to the next page (page 3) of your census form

## 7. List of people (page 3 of your census form)

Be sure to write in the first name and the last name of each person in your home on the night of the census. Include visitors staying with you.
In List 1 on the form and shown below, you must include everyone in the household on census night.

1. Write your own name first.
2. Write the names of other adults and children in the household on census night.
3. Write everyone else in the household on census night.
and
$\vdots$

| Answer questions relating |
| :--- |
| to each person present in |
| the household on Census |
| Night beginning on page |
| 4, in the same order as |
| listed here. |


| $\vdots$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\vdots$ |  |
| $\vdots$ |  |
| $n$ | $\square$ |
| $n$ |  |


| Answer questions for |
| :--- |
| persons 7, 8, 9 etc on |
| additional blue Individual |
| Forms available from |
| your Enumerator. |

You should complete the form for each person in the same order as you have given in List 1.
You will be Person 1, followed by each of the others in turn.

There are three pages of questions for each person, so your questions are on pages 4,5 and 6 . The questions for Person 2 are on pages 7,8,9 and so on.

## More than six people in your home on census night?

If more than six people live in your home, or there are more than six people staying in your home on census night, ask your enumerator for extra (blue) forms for each extra person.

In List 2 on your census form and shown below, you must include everyone who usually lives with you but is away from home (is absent) on census night. There are some questions about these people on pages 22 and 23 of the form.

## ABSENT PERSONS

## INCLUDE in List 2

$\checkmark$ All persons who usually live at this address but who are temporarily absent on Census Night.

## DO NOT INCLUDE in List 2

$\mathbf{X}$ Anyone included in List 1.
$\checkmark$ Students away at school or college.


Answer questions beginning on Page 22 in the same order as listed here, for each usual resident absent from the household on Census Night.

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## 8. Questions about the people in your home on census night

## Person 1 (List 1 page 3)

You are Person 1. Please answer the questions on the next three pages (page 4, page 5 and page 6). Questions for Person 2 in List 1 start on page 7 of the census form. Questions for Person 3 in List 1 start on page 10 of the census form, and so on.

## Question 1: What is your name?

Write in your first name

Write in your last name

## Question 2: Are you male or female?

Mark male or female

## Question 3: What is your date of birth?

Put 0 in front of numbers 1 to 9
Example: if you were born 1 July 1971, you would fill in

01071971

1 What is your name? (Person 1)
First name (BLOCK CAPITALS)

Surname (BLOCK CAPITALS)

2 What is your sex?
1 Male 2 Female

3 What is your date of birth?
Day Month Year

| January | $=01$ | July | 07 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| February | $=02$ | August | 08 |
| March | $=03$ | September | 09 |
| April | $=04$ | October | 10 |
| May | $=05$ | November | 11 |
| June | $=06$ | December | 12 |

As you are Person 1, this question does not apply to you

To answer this question for each of the other people in your home on census night (Persons 2,3,4 and so on), you should mark the box that describes how they are related to you.

If the person is not related to you (Person 1), mark box 10. Example, a foster child.

4 Relationship question does not apply to Person 1


## 4 What is your relationship to

 Person 1?Mark - one box only
Relationship of Person PERSON 2 to
Husband or wife 1
Partner (incl. 2
same-sex partner)
Son or daughter 3
Step-child 4
Brother or sister 5
Mother or father 6
Step-mother/-father 7
Grandchild 8
Other related 9
Unrelated 10
(incl. foster child)

Only answer this section if you are 15 years of age or older

If 'No', mark box 1

If 'Yes', mark the answer that applies

5 What is your current marital status?
Answer if aged 15 years or over
Mark one box only
1 Single (never married or never in a same-sex civil partnership)

Married (first marriage)
Re-married
$4 \quad$ In a registered same-sex civil partnership
Separated
Divorced
Widowed

Question 6: What county or country did your mother live in when you were born?

6 What is your place of birth?
Give the place where your mother lived at the time of your birth
If IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in the COUNTY. If elsewhere ABROAD, write in the COUNTRY
If in Ireland, write in the county
If outside Ireland, write in the country

## List of counties

| Antrim | Leitrim |
| :--- | :--- |
| Armagh | Limerick |
| Carlow | Longford |
| Cavan | Louth |
| Clare | Mayo |
| Cork | Meath |
| Derry | Monaghan |
| Donegal | Offaly |
| Down | Roscommon |
| Dublin | Sligo |
| Fermanagh | Tipperary |
| Galway | Tyrone |
| Kerry | Waterford |
| Kildare | Westmeath |
| Kilkenny | Wexford |
| Laois | Wicklow |

If you usually live at this address, mark box 1

If you usually live somewhere else in Ireland or Northern Ireland, mark box $\mathbf{2}$ and write in the full address

If you usually live outside Ireland, mark box 3 and write in the country

7 Where do you usually live?
1 HERE at this address
2 Elsewhere in IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in your FULL ADDRESS


3
Elsewhere ABROAD, write in the COUNTRY

## Question 8: Where did you live one year ago?

If you lived at the same place as you do now, mark box 1

If you lived somewhere else in Ireland or Northern Ireland a year ago, mark box 2 and write in the county

If you lived outside Ireland a year ago, mark box $\mathbf{3}$ and write in the country

8 Where did you usually live one year ago?
Answer if aged 1 year or over
1 SAME as now
2 Elsewhere in IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in the COUNTY

3 Elsewhere ABROAD, write in the COUNTRY

Question 9: Have you lived outside the Republic of Ireland for one year or more?

Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'

If 'Yes', write in the year you came to live in Ireland or returned to Ireland and write in the last country you lived in

9 Have you ever lived outside the Republic of Ireland for a continuous period of one year or more?
Answer if aged 1 year or over and living in the Republic of Ireland
1 Yes 2 No If 'Yes', write in the YEAR of last taking up residence in the Republic of Ireland
the COUNTRY of last previous residence

If you are an Irish citizen, mark box 1
If you are a citizen of another country, mark box 2 and write in the country you are a citizen of
If you are both an Irish citizen and a citizen of another country, please mark both box $\mathbf{1}$ and box 2 and write in the country
If you are not an Irish citizen, and are not recognised as a citizen by any other country, mark box 3 only

10 What is your country of citizenship?
If you have dual country of citizenship, please declare both
1 Ireland
2 Other CITIZENSHIP, write in

3 No citizenship

Question 11: What ethnic group or background do you feel you belong to?

First choose a section from $A$ to $D$, then only mark one box

If you belong to a mixed ethnic group or background, or if your ethnic group or background is not listed, please write it in here

11 What is your ethnic group/ background?
Choose ONE section from $A$ to $D$,
then mark - the appropriate box
A White
1 Irish
2 Irish Traveller
3 Roma
4 Any other White background
Black or Black Irish
African
Any other Black background
Asian or Asian Irish
7 Chinese
8 Indian/Pakistani/Bangladeshi
9 Any other Asian background
D Other, including mixed group/background

Arabic
11 Mixed, write in description
12 Other, write in description

## Mark only one box

If you have a religion and it is not listed, mark box 7 and write it in here

12 What is your religion, if any?
Mark - one box only
1 No religion
2 Roman Catholic
3 Church of Ireland
4 Islam
5 Orthodox Christian
6 Presbyterian
7 Other, write in your RELIGION

## Question 13: Can you speak Irish?

## Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'

If you answered 'Yes', how often do you speak Irish?
Mark any boxes that apply

1. Every day in school
2. Every day outside school
3. Every week
4. Not very often
5. Never

If you answered 'Yes', how well do you speak Irish?

Mark only one box

13 Can you speak Irish?
Answer if aged 3 years or over
1 Yes 2 No
If 'Yes', do you speak Irish?
Mark - the boxes that apply
1 Daily, within the education system
2 Daily, outside the education system Weekly Less often Never
If 'Yes', how well do you speak Irish?
Mark one box only Very well Well
3 Not well

14 Do you speak a language other than English or Irish at home?

| 1 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | No $\rightarrow$ Go to Q15 |

What is this language?
(eg POLISH, GERMAN, IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE)
How well do you speak English?

| Mark | one box only |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Very well |
| 2 | Well |
| 3 | Not well |
| 4 | Not at all |

## Question 15: Do you have any of these long-lasting conditions or difficulties?

Mark the most relevant option from the following three to each part of this question option: 1. 'Yes' a great deal, option 2. 'Yes' not much, or option 3. 'No'
a. You are blind or have a severe problem seeing
b. You are deaf or have a severe problem hearing
c. You have a problem with activities like walking, climbing stairs or carrying things
d. You have a learning or intellectual disability
e. You have a problem with learning, remembering or concentrating
f. You have a psychological or emotional condition
g. You have another disability or serious illness

15 Do you have any of the following long-lasting conditions or difficulties?

| 1 Yes, | 2 Yes, $\quad 3$ No |
| :--- | :--- |
| to a | to some |
| great |  |
| extent |  |

(a) Blindness or a vision impairment
(b) Deafness or a hearing impairment
(c) A difficulty with basic physical activities such as walking, climbing stairs, reaching, lifting or carrying
(d) An intellectual disability
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { (e) A difficulty with } & 1 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ learning, remembering or concentrating
(f) A psychological or emotional condition or a mental health issue
(g) A difficulty with pain, 132 breathing or any other chronic illness or condition

Mark 1 'Yes' a lot of difficulty, 2 'Yes' a little difficulty or $\mathbf{3}^{\prime}$ No' to each part of this question
a. You find it hard to dress, have a bath or move inside your home
b. You find it hard to leave your home alone to go to the shop or doctor
c. You find it hard to work or to go to school
d. You find it hard to do other things like using buses or doing things for fun

16 As a result of a long-lasting condition, do you have difficulty doing any of the following?
Include issues due to old age

| 1 Yes, | 2 Yes, | 3 No |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| a lot | a little |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |

(b) Going outside the $1 \quad 2 \quad 3$ home to shop or visit a doctor's surgery
$\begin{array}{llll}\text { (c) Working at a job or } & 1 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ business or attending school or college
(d) Participating in other $1 \quad 2 \quad 3$ activities, for example leisure or using transport

Question 17: How is your health in general?

Mark only one box

17 How is your health in general?
Mark - one box only

| 1 | Very good |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Good |
| 3 | Fair |
| 4 | Bad |
| 5 | Very bad |

## Question 18: Do you smoke?

## Mark only one box

1. You smoke every day
2. You smoke sometimes
3. You do not smoke now
4. You never smoked

18 Do you smoke tobacco products?

| Mark | one box only |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 | Yes - daily |
| 2 | Yes - occasionally |
| 3 | No - have given up smoking |
| 4 | Never |

Mark only one box
If you travel by more than one way, mark the box for the longest part of the journey

19 How do you usually travel to work, school, college or childcare?
Mark - one box only, for the longest part, by distance, of your usual journey
1 Not at work, school, college or childcare On foot Bicycle
4 Bus, minibus or coach
5 Train, DART or LUAS
6 Motorcycle or scooter
7 Driving a car
8 Passenger in a car
9 Van
10 Other (including lorry)
11 Work mainly at or from home

Question 20: What time do you leave home to go to work, school, college or childcare?

Write in the time using the 24-hour clock
Examples: 7am on the 24 -hour clock is 07:00
8.30am on the 24 -hour clock is 08:30

20 What time do you usually leave home?
Use 24-hour clock, eg 08:30
:

Question 21: How long does it take you to get to work, school, college or childcare?

## Hours to minutes

$1 / 2=30$
$1=60$
$11 / 2=90$
$2=120$

## 21 How long does your journey take?

Write in minutes

Write in the time using the 24-hour clock
Examples: 4 pm on the 24 -hour clock is 16:00
5.30 pm on the 24 -hour clock is $17: 30$

22 What time do you usually leave work, school, college or childcare?
Use 24-hour clock, eg 17:30
:

Question 23: Do you take care of a family member, neighbour or friend, who has a long-term illness, a health problem due to old age or disability, without being paid?

Answer 'Yes' to this question even if you get the Carer's Allowance or Carer's Benefit

23 Do you provide regular unpaid personal help or support to a family member, neighbour or friend with a long-term illness, health issue, an issue related to old age or disability?
1 Yes 2 No
If 'Yes', for how many hours per week?
Care provided on a 24 -hour basis, 7 days a week equates to 168 hours Write in hours

If 'Yes', write in the number of hours a week
24 hours a day, 7 days a week $=168$ hours

## Question 24: Do you regularly do voluntary work or help in any of these activities without being paid?

## Mark any boxes that apply

1. A social or charity group
2. A religious group
3. Sporting groups
4. A political group
5. In your local area

24 Do you regularly engage in helping or voluntary work in any of the following activities without pay?
Mark all the boxes that apply
1 A social or charitable organisation
2 A religious group or church
A sporting organisation A political organisation

5 In your community
6 No

## Question 25: If you are aged 15 or over, continue to the next question If you are aged under 15 , go to Question 36

## 25 If you are aged under 15 <br> Go to Q36

Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'

If 'Yes', how old were you when you
finished school or college?

26 Have you ceased your fulltime education?
1 Yes 2 No

If 'Yes', write in AGE at which it ceased

Question 27: What is the highest level you have done in school or college so far?

1. You have no formal education or training
2. Primary school
3. Junior Cert or Inter Cert level
4. Leaving Cert level

5, 6 and 7. College, but not a degree
$8,9,10$ and 11. Degree or professional qualifications

27 What is the highest level of education/training (full-time or part-time) which you have completed to date?
Mark - one box only
1 No formal education/ training

2 Primary education NFQ Levels 1 or 2

3 Lower Secondary NFQ Level 3 Junior/Inter/Group Certificate

4 Upper Secondary NFQ Levels 4 or 5 Leaving Certificate

5 Technical or Vocational NFQ Levels 4 or 5

6 Advanced Certificate/ Completed Apprenticeship NFQ Level 6

7 Higher Certificate NFQ Level 6

8 Ordinary Bachelor Degree or National Diploma NFQ Level 7

9 Honours Bachelor Degree/Professional qualification or both NFQ Level 8

10 Postgraduate Diploma or Master's Degree NFQ Level 9

11 Doctorate (PhD) or higher NFQ Level 10

Mark only one box
28 How would you describe your present principal status?
Mark - one box only
1 Working for payment or profit
2 Looking for first regular job
3 Short-term unemployed (less than 12 months)
4 Long-term unemployed (12 months or more)
5 Student or pupil
6 Looking after home/family
7 Retired from employment
8 Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability

9 Other, write in

## Question 29: If your answer to Question 28 was 1, go to Question 30

If your answer to Question 28 was 3, 4, or 7, go to Question 31

If your answer to Question 28 was 5, go to Question 36
If your answer to Question 28 was 2,6 , 8 or 9 , go to Question 38
$29 \begin{aligned} & \text { If you are } \\ & \text { working }\end{aligned} \rightarrow$ Go to Q30
If you are
unemployed $\rightarrow$ Go to Q31 or retired


## Question 30: If you are working, do you ever work from home? <br> If 'Yes', how many days per week do you work from home?

## Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'

Write in how many days

30 If you are at work, do you ever work from home?
1 Yes 2 No

If 'Yes', how many days per week do you usually work from home?
Write in the number of days

Question 31: Are you employed by someone or do you work for yourself? Do you work full-time or part-time?

Mark only one box
If you are unemployed or retired, answer this question based on the work that you did last

1. You work for someone else
2. You work for yourself with employees
3. You work for yourself
4. You work in your family business for no pay

Do you work 1. full-time?
2. part-time?

31 Do (did) you work as an employee or are (were) you selfemployed in your main job?
Your main job is the job in which you usually work(ed) the most hours
Mark - one box only
1 Employee
2 Self-employed, with paid employees

3 Self-employed, without paid employees

4 Assisting relative (not receiving a fixed wage or salary)

Is (was) your status full-time or part-time?
Mark - one box only
1 Full-time
2 Part-time

## Question 32: What kind of work do you do?

If you are unemployed or retired, answer this question based on the work that you did last

## 32 What is (was) your occupation in your main job?

In all cases describe the occupation fully and precisely, giving the full job title For example: RETAIL STORE MANAGER, SECONDARY TEACHER, ELECTRICAL ENGINEER. Civil servants and local government employees should state their grade eg SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. Members of the Gardai or Defence Forces should state their rank.
Write in your main OCCUPATION work you do or did

If a farmer, write in the SIZE of the farm

Acres Hectares

If you work on a farm, write in the size of the farm in acres or hectares
See the box below to help you change acres to hectares. For example, 5 acres is 2 hectares

## Acres to hectares

$2.5=1$
$5=2$
$10=4$
$20=8$
$50=20$
$100=40$

# Question 34: What is the main business of your employer? <br> If you are self-employed, describe your own business 

If you are unemployed, answer this question based on the work that you did last

34 What is (was) the business of your employer at the place where you work(ed) in your main job?
If you are (were) self-employed, answer in respect of your own business Describe the main product or service provided by your employer For example: MAKING COMPUTERS, REPAIRING CARS, SECONDARY EDUCATION, FOOD WHOLESALE, MAKING PHARMACEUTICALS, CONTRACT CLEANING, SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT

Question 35 says that if you are unemployed, go to Question 38

35 If you are unemployed $\rightarrow$ Go to Q38

Question 36: What is the full name and address of the place where you work, go to school, college or childcare?

Write in the name of the company you work for, or the name of the school, college or childcare you go to

Write in the address where you work, go to school, college or childcare

36 What is the FULL NAME and ADDRESS of your place of work, school, college or childcare?
If you are in both school and childcare, write in the name and address of your school Full name

Address

1 Mainly at or from home
2 No fixed place of work

If you work at or from home, mark box 1

If you work in different places, mark box 2

# Question 37: If you are under 15 years old, are you in any kind of childcare? If 'Yes', what is the main type of childcare and how many hours per week are you there? 

## Make sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'

Mark only one box. If 'Yes', is it:

1. A relative or family friend for no pay
2. A relative or family friend for pay
3. A childminder in their home
4. A childminder, au pair, nanny in your home
5. A childcare facility
6. Other types of childcare

37 If you are aged under 15, are you in any type of childcare?
1 Yes 2 No
If 'Yes', what is the main type of childcare?
Mark - one box only
1 Unpaid relative or family member
2 Paid relative or family member
3 Childminder (in childminder's home)
4 Au pair/Nanny/Childminder (in child's home)
5 Crèche/Montessori/Playgroup/After school
6 Other (including special needs facility, breakfast clubs, etc)
And for how many hours per week during term times?
Write in hours

Write in the number of hours per week you are there during term-times

> Question 38 says to answer the questions starting on the next page of your census form for the next person listed on List 1 on page 3 (Person 2)

> If there are no other people staying in your home on census night, go to page 22 of your census form

38 Answer questions for Person 2 starting on the next page. If there are no other persons present in the household on Census Night Go to page 22

## 9. Questions about absent people on census night

## Questions about absent people are on pages 22 and 23 of your census form.

List 2 on page 3 of your census form lists anyone who usually lives with you, but is away from home (absent) on census night.

If nobody is listed on List 2, go to page 23 of your census form and sign your name. You are then finished filling in your census form. Keep it safe until your census enumerator calls to collect it.

If there are people listed on List 2, please answer questions A1 to A8 for each person.

## Question A1: What is the absent person's name?

Write in the first name of the absent person

Write in the last name of the absent person

## Question A2: Is the absent person male or female?

## A2 What is this person's sex?

1 Male 2 Female

A1 What is this person's name?
First name (BLOCK CAPITALS)

Surname (BLOCK CAPITALS)

Mark male or female

## Question A3: What is the absent person's date of birth?

Put 0 in front of numbers 1 to 9
Example: if you were born 1 July 1971,
you would fill in 01071971

| January $=01$ | July | $=07$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| February | $=02$ |  |
| August | $=08$ |  |
| March | $=03$ |  |
| September $=09$ |  |  |
| April | $=04$ |  |
| October $=10$ |  |  |
| May | $=05$ |  |
| November $=11$ |  |  |
| June | $=06$ |  |
| December $=12$ |  |  |

If the relationship is not listed, mark box 9 and write in the relationship

If the absent person is not related to you, mark box 10
Example, a foster child

## Question A5: Is the absent person married?

Answer if the absent person is 15 years old or older
If 'No', mark box 1

If 'Yes', mark the box that applies

## Question A6: How long is the absent person away for?

## Question A7: Was the absent person in the country on census night?

## Question A8: What country is the absent person a citizen of?

If the absent person is an Irish citizen, mark box 1
If the absent person is a citizen of another country, mark box 2 and write in the country the absent person is a citizen of

A4 What is the relationship of this person to Person 1 on page 4?
Mark - one box only
1 Husband or wife
2 Partner (incl. same-sex partner)
3 Son or daughter
9 Other related, write in RELATIONSHIP

10
Unrelated (incl. foster child)

A5 What is this person's current marital status?
Answer if aged 15 years or over
Mark - one box only
$1 \quad$ Single (never married or never in a same-sex civil partnership) Married (incl. re-married)
4 In a registered same-sex civil partnership
5 Separated
6 Divorced
7 Widowed

A6 How long altogether is this person away for?
1 Less than 12 months
212 months or more

A7 Was this person in the Republic of Ireland on Census Night?
1 Yes 2 No

A8 What is the country of this person's citizenship?
If they have dual country of citizenship, please declare both
1 Ireland
2 Other CITIZENSHIP, write in

3 No citizenship

If the absent person is both an Irish citizen and a citizen of another country, please mark both box 1 and box 2 and write in the country

If the absent person is not an Irish citizen, and is not recognised as a citizen by any other country, mark box 3 only

## 10. Sign your name in the box on page 23 of your form

## Declaration

## Declaration to be completed by the person responsible for completing the form

Before you sign and date the declaration please check:

- That in List 1 on page 3, you have accounted for all persons (including visitors) who spent Census Night at this address.
- That you have answered all questions which should have been answered for each person who spent Census Night in the household (pages 4 to 21 and any additional Individual Forms).
- That in List 2 on page 3, you have accounted for all persons who usually live at this address but who were temporarily absent on Census Night.
- That you have answered all questions on pages 22 to 23 for all household members temporarily absent on Census Night.

I declare that this form is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.


You have now completed your Census 2022 form! Please keep it safe until your census enumerator calls to collect it.

After you sign though, there is new feature - a time capsule - you might like to consider. It is on page 23 of the census form.
In this new feature, you are invited to write in your own personal message in the box on the form. It is your choice to do this or not. If you write a message on the form, it will remain confidential until all of the Census 2022 forms are made available to the public in a hundred years' time.

## Time Capsule:

Information you provide in this Time Capsule is optional and is collected voluntarily under Section 24 of the Statistics Act 1993. This content is protected by the same confidentiality protections as all your Census data for 100 years. After 100 years, this Time Capsule will be made available to the public. This space is for handwritten messages only. Photographs or other attachments will be removed and cannot be returned.

The following is an A-Z list of words you will see in your census form. It is helpful to check here to learn what some of the specialist words mean.
\(\left.\left.$$
\begin{array}{ll}\text { Absent } & \text { Away from home } \\
\text { Accommodation } & \begin{array}{l}\text { House, flat, apartment, bedsit, caravan or mobile home } \\
\text { where people live }\end{array} \\
\text { Apprenticeship } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Learning a trade }\end{array} \\
\text { Broadband } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Ended or finished } \\
\text { Ceased }\end{array} \\
\text { Citizenshilly, the country where you were born and from } \\
\text { which you have a passport }\end{array}
$$\right] \begin{array}{l}Privacy. The information you give about you on your <br>
census form is private and will never be given to any <br>

other organisation the internet\end{array}\right]\)| A full picture |
| :--- |
| Confidentiality |
| A nursery |
| Cremprehensive picture |
| A statement that you have completed the form and |
| included all of the people and information |


| Household | A person who lives alone or a group of people who live at the same address and share one meal a day or share a living or sitting room |
| :---: | :---: |
| Household form | The main census form that we will deliver to every home in Ireland and ask you to complete |
| Inclusive | 2016-2021 inclusive means 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 |
| Individual form | When there are more than six people in the household on census night, you must fill in an individual blue form for each added person |
| Intellectual disability | A difficulty, for example, with communicating, mixing with others or taking care of everyday needs |
| Journey | How you travel |
| Local authority | A city or county council, for example Dublin City Council, Mayo County Council |
| Long-lasting condition | A condition that lasts for six months or more or that comes and goes regularly, for example, diabetes |
| Marital status | Whether you are, for example, married, single, divorced separated, widowed |
| NFQ | National Framework of Qualifications |
| Occupation | The work you do |
| Owner-occupied house | A house you bought and live in |
| Persons | Individual people |
| Present principal status | What you do from day to day, for example employee, unemployed, student, carer for family, retired |
| Professional qualification | Qualification you get when you finish studying to gain special skills to work in certain areas, for example, as an accountant, lawyer or doctor |
| Post-graduate diploma | A diploma you study for after being awarded a degree |
| Public pipe | Water pipe from the main system that supplies a community |


| Qualification | An official record that you have a skill or qualification. <br> A qualification could be a certificate, diploma or <br> degree |
| :--- | :--- |
| Relationship | How you are related to another person in your <br> household, for example husband, wife, partner, son, <br> daughter, step-child, brother, sister, mother, father, <br> grandparent, step-mother, step-father |
| Renewable energy | Energy collected from resources that are naturally <br> replaced such as: sunlight, wind, water, plants and <br> animal waste |
| Residents | People who live in a building such as a house, <br> apartment, caravan or mobile home |
| Statistical purposes | Counting and recording different responses to each <br> question |
| Technical or vocational | A qualification that helps you develop a special skill for <br> a job, from a place such as an Institute of Technology <br> (or previously a Regional Technical College) |
| Voluntary work residence | The place you usually live |

If you want help filling in your Census 2022 form, ask your census enumerator or contact the Central Statistics Office.
(Your census enumerator is the person who delivers and collects your census form.)

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[^0]:    If there are more than 4 usual residents absent on Census Night, please ask your Enumerator for assistance.

