

# Summary of Annual Activities Related to Disability Statistics

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on Disability Statistics**

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# Responding Countries (n= 48)

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**Africa/Middle East (11):** Egypt, Ghana, Iran, Israel, Jordan, Kenya, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Togo, Yemen

**Asia/Pacific (9):** Bangladesh, China, China (Hong Kong SAR), Japan, Mongolia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand

**Europe (16):** Armenia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Turkey

**North/South America (12):** Argentina, Aruba, Bermuda, Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, St. Maarten, United States

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# New or updated information for 2013

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## **New information (12):**

Canada, Finland, Ghana, Hungary, Iran, Jordan, Kenya, Mexico, Paraguay, Qatar, Spain, United States

## **Update of information previously provided (19):**

Bangladesh, China, China (Hong Kong SAR), Costa Rica, Croatia, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, New Zealand, Peru, Poland, St Maarten, Thailand, Turkey

## **No update from previous report (17):**

Argentina, Armenia, Aruba, Bermuda, Brazil, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Lithuania, Mongolia, Oman, Palestine, Panama, Philippines, Singapore, Sweden, Togo, Yemen

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# Countries using the WG short set or some variant in the most recent census cycle\* (n=35)

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Argentina

Aruba

Bangladesh

Brazil

Chad

Costa Rica

Croatia

Fiji

Israel

Italy

Ivory Coast

Kazakhstan

Kenya

Malawi

Mexico

Mongolia

Mozambique

Netherlands

Oman

Palestine

Paraguay

Peru

Philippines

Poland

Qatar

Rwanda

St Maarten

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Tanzania

Tunisia

Turkey

Uganda

Vietnam

Zimbabwe

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\*Based on information obtained from 2009 - 2013 country reports

Countries indicating that the WG short set was included on previous censuses, national surveys, disability modules or pre-tests\* (n=46)

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Argentina	Iran	Peru
Armenia	Israel	Philippines
Aruba	Ivory Coast	Poland
Bangladesh	Japan	Qatar
Bermuda	Jordan	Rwanda
Brazil	Kazakhstan	St Maarten
Burundi	Kenya	South Africa
Canada	Latvia	Sri Lanka
Chad	Malta	Thailand
Croatia	Mexico	Turkey
China	Mongolia	Uganda
Egypt	Mozambique	United Arab Emirates
France	Oman	United States
Fiji	Palestine	Zambia
France	Panama	
Hong Kong SAR	Paraguay	

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## Reason short set of WG questions were not included

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- **WG questions were not finalized when last census or data collection was conducted** (*United States*)
  - **Required to use the same questions that were used in previous censuses or data collections** (*Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Finland, Italy, Spain, Sweden, Yemen*)
  - **Not aware of the WG questions when planning previous data collection** (*Croatia, Yemen*)
  - **Disability questions are not asked on population census** (*China - Hong Kong SAR, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Finland, France, Japan, Lithuania, Spain*)
  - **Disability is defined by other sources - administrative records, established surveys, and law** (*China, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Lithuania, Sweden*)
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## Reason short set of WG questions were not included – (*continued*)

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- **Questions not designed for children** (*Costa Rica*)
  - **Too expensive to add additional questions to census** (*Lithuania*)
  - **Too many questions/reduce respondent burden** (*Latvia, New Zealand, Togo*)
  - **Questions similar to the WG short set have been used or will be used in the future** (*Finland, United States*)
  - **WG short set may be included in future census or data collection activities** (*Canada, Denmark, France, Ghana, Poland, Singapore, Sweden, Togo*)
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Upcoming national data collection  
activities related to disability statistics

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# Type of data collection

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**Census (6):** Egypt, Jordan, Kenya, Hungary, Palestine, Paraguay

**Survey (13):** Argentina, Canada, China, China (Hong Kong SAR), Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Egypt, France, Israel, Japan, New Zealand, United States, Yemen

**Administrative Records (3):** Mongolia, Qatar, Turkey

**Census and Survey (1):** St Maarten

**Census and Administrative Records (2):** Croatia, Iran

**Survey and Administrative Records (12):** Finland, Germany, Italy, Ghana, Latvia, Lithuania, Oman, Peru, Poland, Spain, Thailand, Togo

**No scheduled data collection (11):** Armenia, Aruba, Bangladesh, Bermuda, Brazil, Cyprus, Denmark, Mexico, Panama, Singapore, Sweden

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# Date of next data collection

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## 2012

Paraguay  
Peru  
Spain\*

## 2013

Canada  
China  
China (Hong Kong SAR)  
Czech Republic  
Germany  
New Zealand  
Oman  
Togo  
Yemen

## 2014

Argentina  
Ghana  
Israel  
Latvia  
Lithuania  
Poland  
St Maarten\*

## 2015

Costa Rica  
Finland  
France  
Italy  
Jordan  
St Maarten\*

## 2016

Egypt  
Iran  
Japan

## 2017

Palestine  
Thailand

## 2019

Kenya

## 2021

Hungary

\*Multiple data collection activities scheduled

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# Frequency of data collection

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**Ongoing (4):** Croatia\*, Canada, United States, Yemen

**Annually (3):** China, Israel, Spain\*

**Every 2-4 years (3):** Germany, Latvia, St Maarten\*

**Every 5-10 years (16):** China (Hong Kong SAR), Costa Rica, Croatia\*, Egypt, Ghana, Hungary, Iran, Italy, Japan, Lithuania, New Zealand, Palestine, Paraguay, Poland, St Maarten\*, Thailand

**Undetermined/Not specified (6):** Czech Republic, France, Jordan, Oman, Peru, Togo

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\*Multiple data collection activities scheduled with different frequency intervals

# Sampling Frame

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- **Most recent or upcoming Population Census** (Argentina, France, Germany, Japan, Latvia, New Zealand, Oman, Palestine, Peru, Togo, United States, Yemen)
  - **National Population or Housing Registries** (China – Hong Kong SAR, Costa Rica, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, St Maarten, Spain)
  - **National Household or Labor Force Survey** (Canada, Egypt, Thailand)
  - **Government administrative records** (China – Hong Kong SAR)
  - **Respondents identified as having a *disability* during a previous data collection** (China)
  - **Multi-stage sampling** (Italy)
  - **Random sampling** (Finland, United States)
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# Sample Size

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## Persons:

4,850: **Lithuania**  
5,330: **Finland**  
9,400: **Israel**  
10,000: **Czech Republic**  
10,000: **Latvia**  
10,893: **Hungary**  
11,000 (Aged 60+): **France**  
14,000: **Italy**  
20,000: **New Zealand**  
30,000: **Canada**  
33,000: **Costa Rica**  
39,825: **China**  
175,000: **Spain**  
216,700 (workers): **Spain**  
522,842: **Croatia**

## Households:

1% : **Germany**  
1,200: **St Maarten**  
3,500: **St Maarten**  
3,000: **Oman**  
5,000: **Oman**  
12,300: **Ghana**  
14,440: **Yemen**  
48,000: **China (Hong Kong SAR)**  
24,000: **Poland**  
72,800: **Thailand**  
340,000: **Peru**  
270,000: **Japan**

## Persons & Households:

48,000 HH + 2,000 persons  
(institutionalized): **China (Hong Kong SAR)**

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# Language data collection activity will be administered

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**Arabic (6):** Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Oman, Palestine, Yemen

**Chinese (2):** China, China (Hong Kong SAR)

**English (with translation) (8):** Canada, China (Hong Kong SAR), Ghana, Kenya, New Zealand, Oman, St Maarten, United States

**French (4):** Canada, France, St Maarten, Togo

**German (2):** Germany, Italy

**Russian (2):** Israel, Latvia

**Spanish (7):** Argentina, Costa Rica, Paraguay, Peru, St Maarten, Spain, United States

**National or local language (15):** Croatia, Czech Republic, Finland, Ghana, Hungary, Iran, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Lithuania, Paraguay, Poland, St Maarten, Spain, Thailand

**Sign language (1):** Argentina

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# Other national activities related to disability

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- Next wave of European Health Interview Survey (EHIS)
  - Training workshops related to disability data collection
  - Cognitive testing of disability questions
  - Development of new administrative records related to disability
  - Publication and dissemination of disability data and reports
  - Discussions with government agencies about future disability data collection activities
  - Evaluation of disability modules used in previous data collections
  - Discussions about linking disability survey data to administrative records
  - Pilot testing for upcoming censuses and surveys
  - Processing and analysis of recently collected survey and census data
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