

# Summary of Annual Activities Related to Disability Statistics

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# Responding Countries (n= 47)

- **Africa/Middle East (11)**: Burundi, Chad, Egypt, Israel, Oman, Rwanda, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, Zimbabwe
- **Asia/Pacific (8)**: Australia, Bangladesh, China, Hong Kong SAR, Japan, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore
- **Europe (19)**: Armenia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom
- **North/South America (9)**: Bermuda, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, United States

# New or updated information for 2010

- **New information (16):** Bangladesh, Chad, Chile, China, Croatia, Denmark, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Latvia, Mexico, Norway, Peru, Poland, Slovak Republic, Tunisia
- **Update of information provided previous year (20):** Australia, Bermuda, Brazil, Burundi, Canada, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Oman, Philippines, Romania, Rwanda, Spain, Sweden, Tanzania, Uganda, United Kingdom, United States, Zimbabwe
- **No update from previous year's report (11):** Armenia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Egypt, Hong Kong SAR, New Zealand, Panama, Paraguay, Singapore, Slovenia, United Arab Emirates

# Use of the short set of WG questions on disability

**Was the short set of Washington Group questions on disability included on the most recent round of the national census?**

**Yes** 10

**No** 33

**NR** 4

## Countries indicating that the short set of WG questions were included on the most recent census round

1. Bangladesh
2. Brazil
3. Burundi
4. Chad
5. Israel
6. Oman
7. Paraguay
8. Peru
9. Tanzania
10. Tunisia

# Countries indicating that the short set of WG questions would be included on the next round of census on the 2009 country report (n=21)

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|------------------|-------------------|
| Aruba            | Palestine         |
| × China          | ✓ Paraguay        |
| × Czech Republic | ✓ Peru            |
| Fiji             | × Philippines     |
| ✓ Israel         | ? Poland (2011)   |
| Ivory Coast      | ? Rwanda (2012)   |
| Kazakhstan       | South Africa      |
| × Mexico         | Sri Lanka         |
| Mozambique       | × Uganda          |
| Netherlands      | ? Zimbabwe (2012) |
| ✓ Oman           |                   |

# Use of the short set of WG questions on disability

Have you included the short set of Washington Group questions on disability on any previous censuses, national surveys, disability modules, or pre-tests in preparation for national data collection?

<b>Yes</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>No</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>NR</b>	<b>2</b>

# Countries that have previously used the short set of WG questions for a national data collection activity

- 1) Bermuda
- 2) Brazil
- 3) Burundi
- 4) Canada
- 5) Chad
- 6) Croatia
- 7) Hong Kong SAR
- 8) Israel
- 9) Latvia
- 10) Mexico
- 11) Oman
- 12) Panama
- 13) Paraguay
- 14) Peru
- 15) Rwanda
- 16) Uganda
- 17) United Arab Emirates
- 18) United States

## Reasons short set of WG questions were not included

- WG questions were not finalized when last census was conducted (*Australia, United States*)
- Required to use the same questions that were used in previous census rounds (*Australia, Ireland, Poland, United Kingdom*)
- Not aware of the WG questions when planning previous data collection (*Bangladesh*)
- Disability questions are not asked on population census (*Canada, Cyprus, Hong Kong SAR, Rwanda, Slovenia, Tunisia*)
- Disability is defined by other sources - administrative records, established surveys, and law (*China, Cyprus, Denmark, Germany, Japan, Slovak Republic, Sweden*)

## Reasons short set of WG questions were not included - continued

- Lack of financial and technical means to conduct data collection related to disability (*Chad*)
- Lack of support from government officials (*Zimbabwe*)
- Respondents had difficulty understanding questions during pilot tests (*Lithuania*)
- Too expensive to add additional questions to census (*Lithuania*)
- Too many questions (*Hungary, New Zealand*)
- Questions similar to the WG short set have been used (*Denmark, Egypt, United States*)
- WG short set may be included in future data collection activities (*Chile, Italy, Norway, Romania, Singapore*)

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**Upcoming national data collection  
activities related to disability statistics**

# Types of upcoming data collection activities

Summary Statistics # of countries	Census	Survey	Census & Survey	Census & Admin. Records	Survey & Admin. Records	Census, Survey & Admin. Records
Plans to conduct national data collection activities in the next 3 years	6	16	1	4	11	2
No plans to conduct national data collection activities in the next 3 years	7					

# Date of next data collection

## 2010

Italy

Singapore

United Arab Emirates

Bangladesh (*February*)

Panama (*May*)

Brazil (*August*)

United Kingdom (*September*)

Rwanda (*November*)

Oman (*December*)

## 2011

Cyprus

Denmark

Mexico

Peru

Slovenia

Spain

Bangladesh (*January*)

Poland (*March / April*)

China (*April*)

Croatia (*April*)

Czech Republic (*April*)

Ireland (*April*)

Lithuania (*April*)

Latvia (*April*)

Uganda (*April / September*)

Chile (*May*)

Australia (*July*)

Japan (*July*)

New Zealand (*July*)

Hungary (*October*)

## 2012

Norway

Romania

Rwanda

Slovak Republic

Israel (*January*)

Tanzania (*August*)

Zimbabwe (*August*)

## 2014

Tunisia (*January*)

Romania (*September*)

# Frequency of data collection

- **One-time data collection (2):** Cyprus, Israel
- **Ongoing (2):** Philippines, United States
- **Quarterly or Annually(3):** China, Sweden, United Kingdom
- **Every 2-4 years (4):** Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, Germany
- **Every 5-10 years (19):** Bangladesh, Brazil, Chile, Denmark, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Oman, Panama, Poland\*, Romania, Rwanda, Singapore, Tanzania, Tunisia, Uganda, Zimbabwe
- **Undetermined/Not specified (11):** Croatia, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Peru, Poland\*, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, United Arab Emirates

\* Country has multiple data collections scheduled with different frequency intervals

# Sampling Frame

- Most recent or upcoming census
- Country population registries
- Government administrative records
- Respondents identified as having a *disability* during a previous data collection
- Physician or long-stay facility patient lists

# Sample Size

## Persons:

12%: **Brazil**  
3,000-5,000: **Israel**  
6,700: **Italy**  
6,800: **Latvia**  
8,000-12,000: **Sweden**  
10,000: **Japan, Oman**  
11,000: **Czech Republic**  
20,000: **New Zealand**  
22,250: **Denmark**  
28,000: **Australia**  
35,780 (disabled): **China**  
65,000: **Canada**  
7-8 million: **Poland**

## Households:

1%: **Germany**  
20 (from each PSU): **Bangladesh**  
2,500: **Uganda**  
8,000: **Lithuania**  
11,000: **Spain**  
10,140: **Romania**  
14,140: **Rwanda**  
20,000: **Ireland**  
20,580: **Peru**  
37,500 : **United Kingdom**  
145,000: **Tunisia**

# Mode of data collection

Face to Face Interview	Self-Completed Questionnaire	Telephone Interview	Other	Administrative Records
35	7	12	4	16
Number of countries				

# Language data collection will be offered/administered

- Arabic (4)
- Chinese (1)
- English (with translation) (15)
- French (3)
- German (2)
- Greek (1)
- Italian (1)
- National or local language (24)
- Russian (2)
- Spanish (7)

# Other national data collection activities related to disability

- The WG-ESCAP collaboration on disability statistics
- The Granada Group – WG/BI cognitive testing project
- European Disability Social Integration Module (EDSIM)
- European Union Statistics on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC)
- Dissemination and publication of disability data
- Discussions with government agencies about future disability data collection activities
- Pilot testing for upcoming census
- Processing and analysis of recently collected census data