

South Africa

SOURCE

Name of source: *Population Census 2011*

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Type of source: Census 2011

Periodicity: 10 years

Objectives: Providing data for reviewing existing policies and programmes addressing both human rights and development challenges as well as promoting inclusion of persons with disabilities.

COVERAGE

Disabilities: Seeing, hearing, remembering and concentrating, walking or climbing steps, communicating in his/her most commonly used language (including sign language), and self-care

Population groups: Persons age 15-64 years

Total population covered: 15% on the sample

Economic activities: All economic activities

Sectors covered: All sectors

Labour force status: Employed, unemployed persons, not economically active

Status in Employment: Employees, employers, own-account workers, contributing family workers

Geographic areas: Whole country

Establishments: NR

Other limitations: No

TERMS AND DEFINITIONS

Term used to denote 'disability': 'Disability'

Definition of this term: Disability was defined as a physical or mental handicap that has lasted for six months or more, or is expected to last at least six months, which prevents the person from carrying out daily activities independently, or from participating fully in educational, economic or social activities.

Source of this definition: Washington Group set of disability, WHO, The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Questions used to identify persons with disabilities: 'Does (name) have difficulty in the following: seeing; hearing; communicating; walking; remembering or concentrating; daily self-care?'

The questions in the questionnaires also define the following: disability and education, disability and employment, disability and income, disability and access to housing and basic services, disability and access to assistive devices.

Minimum duration to be considered as a person with disability: 6 months

CLASSIFICATION

Classifications: Level of education, sex, age, type of disability, province, population group

Cross-classifications: Employed by degree of difficulty in the six functional domains and by sex, population group), geography type. Distribution of population by disability status, sex and labour market status.

REFERENCE PERIOD: 9 to 31 October 2011

DISSEMINATION

National publications: Population Census 2011: Profile of persons with disability in South Africa

Website: <http://beta2.statssa.gov.za/publications/Report-03-01-59/Report-03-01-592011.pdf>