NEW CALEDONIA

Region: Asia and the Pacific

Income group: High income

Summary: New Caledonia has reported 2 metadata sources, which collect information on international labour migration statistics. There are the General Population Census carried out by the INSEE and the Work Permit Applications held by the Government of New Caledonia.

Geographically all the sources cover whole country, however different population groups such as:

- Nationals (citizens) in the country (covered by the General Population Census),
- Nationals (citizens) employed in the country (covered by the General Population Census),
- Foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country (covered by the General Population Census), and
- Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country (covered by the General Population Census and the Work Permit Applications).

Periodicity of data collection varies depending on the type of source. The General Population Census was last processed in 2014. The Work Permit Applications is released annually starting from 2007.

The five essential demographic characteristics covered by the General Population Census are age, sex, marital status, educational attainment, and household size.

International migration characteristics covered by the General Population Census are country of birth, country of citizenship, and country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned. In the Work Permit Applications, questions on nationality and foreign workers in the country are asked.

Labour related characteristics that can be found in both the sources include employment status, occupation, and status in employment. Data on industry/economic sector and hours usually worked are also available in the General Population Census.

Definitions of “international migrant workers” and “employment” are applied in all sources.

To classify occupation, industry, and education, nationally adapted classifications are applied in the sources.

Micro data from the sources are unavailable for research and analysis outside the agency.

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Findings:

The latest General Population Census was processed in 2014 by the INSEE, covering the whole country. There are four population groups examined in the Census:
• Nationals (citizens) in the country,
• Nationals (citizens) employed in the country,
• Foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country, and
• Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country.

The census obtains detailed data on demographic characteristics of these population groups, such as age, sex, marital status, educational attainment, and household size. The questions raised in the assessment on the topic of international migration related characteristics are country of birth, country of citizenship, and country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned. The General population Census covers labour related characteristics of all current household members aged 14 years old and over, such as:

• Employment status,
• Occupation,
• Industry/economic sector,
• Status in employment, and
• Hours usually worked.

"Employment" refers to a paid activity for at least one hour in the week preceding the enumeration of the person, regardless of whether the activity was employed or not, whether declared or not.

To classify occupation, nationally adapted classification such as PCS 2003 is applied.

Micro data are unavailable for research and analysis outside the agency.

The Work Permit Applications is a registration of work permits which is carried out by the Government of New Caledonia and released annually starting from 2007. The source appraises whole country and collects data on the following two population Groups:

• Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country and
• Foreigners working in the country.

International migration related characteristics accessible through the source are nationality and foreign workers in the country. For the population groups assessed in the Work Permit Applications, the data on labour related characteristics are available such as employment status, occupation, and status in employment.

Work permits only cover the employment of foreign nationals. “Employment” refers to those who are in the registration.

To classify occupation, industry, and education, nationally adapted classifications are applied. For example:

• ROME (Operational Directory of Trades and Jobs);
• NAF (Nomenclature of French activities); and
• Nomenclature of training levels in France.

Micro data are unavailable for research and analysis outside the agency.

Q1. Population Census

SOURCE

Title of source: General Population Census

Year of last census: 2014
Agency responsible: INSEE - ISEE NC

COVERAGE

Geographical coverage: Whole country

Population groups covered: Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country, foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country, foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country

- Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered: Nationals (citizens) in the country, nationals (citizens) employed in the country, foreigners (non-citizens) living in the country, foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country

TOPIC COVERED

Demographic characteristics: Age, sex, marital status, educational attainment, household size

International migration related characteristics: Country of birth, country of citizenship, country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned

- Coverage for international migration related characteristics:
  - Country of birth and Country of citizenship: All persons
  - Country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned: Not for all

- Exceptions for international migration related characteristics:
  - Exceptions for country of previous residence for citizens who lived abroad but returned: Only for those arriving in New Caledonia between the last census and the previous census

Information about household members left to live abroad: No

Labour related characteristics of all current household members: Employment status, occupation, industry/economic sector, status in employment, hours usually worked

- Age coverage: 14 years old and over

Remittances related characteristics: N.A.

Information on immigrants and return migrants: No

Data collected and not published/disseminated: Yes

- Number and name of question not published: C1 to C3
- Reason not published: The data disseminated do not mention the specific country: they mention only "foreign" for country of birth or nationality

CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

Definition of international migrant workers: N.A.

Definition of national (citizen) living abroad: N.A.

Definition of employment: It refers to those who have a paid activity for at least one hour in the week preceding the enumeration of the person, regardless of whether the activity was employed or not, whether declared or not.

CLASSIFICATION

Classification used for occupation: PCS 2003
• Number of digits used to release occupation data: N.A.
Classification used for industry: N.A.
• Number of digits used to release industry data: N.A.
Classification used for status in employment: N.A.
Classification used for status in education: N.A.

**DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION**

Data collection method: Face-to-face interview by census enumerator using paper questionnaire (PAPI)
Compulsory participation of households: Yes
Official estimate of under-coverage rate: No
Dissemination of results: None to date (Expected time of availability: December 2015)
Metadata has been prepared and disseminated: N.A.
Micro-data availability outside NSO/responsible agency: No

Q6. Administrative Sources

**SOURCE**

Title of source: Work Permit Applications
Agency responsible: Government of New Caledonia
Kind of source: Registration of work permits (work permits granted to foreign workers)

**PERIODICITY AND COVERAGE**

Periodicity of data release: Source partially disseminated annually
Year the source first started: 2007
Geographical coverage: Whole country
Population coverage: Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country, foreigners working in the country

• Publication/dissemination of data on population groups covered: Foreign workers (non-citizens) living in the country, foreigners working in the country
Age coverage: N.A.

**DATA COLLECTED ON PERSONS IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCE**

Demographic characteristics: N.A.
Migration related characteristics: Nationality, foreign workers in the country
Labour related characteristics: Employment status, occupation, status in employment
Data collected and not published/disseminated: N.A.
CONCEPTS AND DEFINITIONS

**Definition of international migrant workers:** It is defined as follows;

- Order No. 2002-388 of 20 March 2002 on the conditions of entry and residence of foreigners in New Caledonia;

- Decree No. 2002-1219 of 27 September 2002 issued for the application of Ordinance No. 2002-388 of 20 March 2002 on the conditions of entry and residence of foreigners in New Caledonia;

- Decree No. 2010-1436 of 19 November 2010 on the entry and residence of citizens of the European Union referred to in Article 14 of Order No. 2002-388 of 26 April 2002 and the members Of their families in New Caledonia;

**Definition of short-term migrant workers:** N.A.

**Definition of a national living abroad:** N.A.

**Definition of employment:** Work permits only cover the employment of foreign nationals. It refers to those who are in the registration.

**Definition of individual earnings:** N.A.

CLASSIFICATION

**Classification used for occupation:** ROME (Operational Directory of Trades and Jobs)

- **Number of digits used to release occupation data:** N.A.

**Classification used for industry:** NAF (Nomenclature of French activities)

- **Number of digits used to release industry data:** N.A.

**Classification used for status in employment:** The source contains only employees

**Classification used for status in education:** Nomenclature of training levels in France

DATA COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION

**Compulsory registration for the population groups covered:** No

**Official estimate of coverage rate:** N.A.

**Dissemination of results:** Web site (Partial results are available from the website [www.dtenc.gouv.nc](http://www.dtenc.gouv.nc))

**Metadata has been prepared and disseminated:** No

**Micro-data availability outside NSO/responsible agency:** No