

Do you know that the population Census will be under way in the Czech Republic?

Do you know, what is the population Census? Do you know that it's obligatory for everyone? Do you know that a Census commissioner will pay a visit to your home? Do you know how to recognize him? Do you know how and when to fill in the Census form?

THE POPULATION CENSUS 2011

Censuses help us all determine how many of us there are, where and how we live and at what level. Censuses provide data on population, its demographic, social and economic characteristics, on households and level of housing, on the housing fund's/stock's structure.

These data are essential for the development and changes of the pension system, the education system, the health care system as well as for household and transport policies. Thus interconnected data cannot be obtained in any other way. For the first time in history the Population Census will be done uniformly in all 27 member countries of the European Union; that will permit to create completely comparable data about the EU and its individual members.

The population Census is obligatory! The penalty for not completing the form is up to CZK 10 000! The Census will be under way at each household (home)!!!

Foreigners staying in the Czech Republic for period longer than 90 days are obligated to fill in the Census form in the same way like other citizens. Foreigners staying in the Czech republic for period shorter than 90 days are obligated to fill in the short version of the form.

- Census deadlines: 26th February 6th March 2011 distribution of leaflets with basic information concerning the date of delivering the Census form to your home
 - 7th 25th March 2011 distribution of the Census forms to all households
 - Midnight from 25th to 26th March 2011 the forms have to be filled in to this date
 - 14th April 2011 the last day for handing in the forms

The Census officers shall bring in total three forms with explanatory notes to Your household as follows:

- the green Census form of the person (every person in the household shall receive his/her own form);
- (every household shall receive one form); and the yellow
- the orange Census form of the house (solely landlords and/or administrators of houses shall receive this form).

The Census officers shall bear a Special Identity Card of the Census officer put on a visible place, and he/she shall carry a blue bag with a great yellow logo of the Czech Post over his/her shoulder. He/she shall not enter Your dwelling unless You ask him /her to do so on Your own (You can communicate with him even in the house corridor)!

For aliens and ethnic minorities, explanatory notes shall be prepared in eight languages (English, German, Russian, Romany, Vietnamese, French, Ukrainian, and Polish).

Forms for all members of the household can be taken over by a person older than 15 years of age. If the Census officer does not manage to see You at the date noticed in advance he/she shall put into Your mail box the Notice on the Date and Time of the Census Forms Delivery stating name of the Census officer, number of his/her identity card, and date and time when he/she shall arrive for the second time.

When delivering the forms the Census officer shall ask You, which way would You like to return the filled in forms, and shall make You an offer of three basic options:

- on-line filling in and sending by means of the Internet;
- handing over to the Census officer in person (if You have preferred this way the Census officer shall arrange an appoin tment with You, on which he/she shall come to collect the forms); or
- sending in an envelope to the P.O. Box of the Czech Statistical Office (if You have selected this option the Census officer shall give You a pre-printed envelope of the A4 size; in this case there is no postage charged to Your household).

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If you need help with completing the forms, feel free to contact us:

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