

A meeting of the census data users was organised by Statistics Lithuania, the Academy of Sciences and Society of Statisticians. The researchers, representatives from various ministries, non-governmental organisations and demographers attended the meeting. The plan of the census data dissemination and analysis of the census user needs (the results of the questionnaire) were presented. The participants made comments and presentations on their views on the census results. All participants of the meeting approved the resolution on the actuality and importance of the population and housing census data. The participants discussed the expected results and impact of the census on decision makers in the future, especially for social and regional development, labour market and other related issues. According to the analysis of the census user needs and the specialists involved in the census data processing, the census data dissemination timetable was prepared. The timetable was sent to the main users of the census data. The timetable with some comments was put on the website of Statistics Lithuania.

The first preliminary results were announced six months after the census: the total number of population by sex, urban or rural area, major cities, municipalities.

The final results were presented during the press conference in June 2002.

The main dissemination results of the 2001 Lithuanian Population Census (as of April 2004) include:

- Publications on paper: thematic volumes (10); small area statistics (rural localities) - (10 volumes by county) and the main data by municipalities (60).
- Internet (general information on the census, metadata, the main census data, 15 press releases).
- CD-Rom with the aggregated data base and PC-AXIS software.
- Information on user request (tailor-made information).
- Output data base on internet (will be available from the 1st quarter 2005).
- Small publication "CENSUS IN BRIEF" was prepared and printed in the Lithuanian and English languages. The publications were distributed free of charge widely for the society, Lithuanian authorities and abroad (UNFPA support).
- Joint publication "Population and housing censuses in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania" were prepared by census specialists of three Baltic States at the end of 2003 (UNFPA support).

It was intended not only to publish the fixed tables on CD-ROM but also to develop a special database for that purpose. This database offers the users a wide range of possibilities to create tailor-made tables for special purposes. The database is organised in such a way that confidentiality is kept on the necessary level as defined by the Law.