

ISSP Characteristics of National Population: Germany

Each ISSP member is asked to include to the documentation the following information about known characteristics of its national population, from census or the best available estimates from government surveys or other high-quality data-sources:

- sex distribution of the population
- age distribution of the population
- education (years of schooling) of the population
- employment rate of the population

Source no. 1 www.destatis.de

SEX¹

Male	39 153 540
Female	41 066 140
Total	80 219 695

AGE (groups)¹

Under 18	13 138 580
18 - 29	11 391 700
30 - 49	22 838 880
50 - 64	16 333 080
65 and above	16 517 450
Total	80 219 690

YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups)

Finished school without school leaving certificate ²	2 700 000
Still at School	2 657 000
Lowest formal qualification of Germany's tripartite secondary school system, after 8 or 9 years of schooling	25 392 000
Intermediary secondary qualification, after 10 years of schooling	15 818 000
Intermediary secondary qualification, after 10 years of schooling in the former GDR	4 961 000
Higher qualification, entitling holders to study at a university or a polytechnical college	19 488 000
No answer on type of education	141 000
Respondents providing data on general school education ³	7 1157 000

VOCATIONAL AND UNIVERSITY DEGREES

Certificate from dual vocational training system	35 653 000
Specialized vocational college certificate	5 363 000

¹ Population: 2011, information from

https://www.destatis.de/DE/PresseService/Presse/Pressekonferenzen/2013/Zensus2011/demo_excel.html,
retrieved on 31.05.2013.

² Including persons having finished school after 7 years at a max

³ Persons aged 15 and above who provided data on their general school education; results predicted for 2012, info from

<https://www.destatis.de/DE/ZahlenFakten/GesellschaftStaat/BildungForschungKultur/Bildungsstand/Tabellen/Bildungsabschluss.html>

Specialized vocational college certificate from former DDR	808 000
Degree from university of applied sciences ⁴	3 666 000
University degree	5 542 000
Doctorate	771 000
Without vocational qualification	19 082 000
Without answer on vocational degree	128 000

EMPLOYMENT STATUS⁵

Employed	42 749 000
Unemployed ⁶	2 072 000
Not in labor force ⁷	37 576 000
Total	82 397 000

⁴ Degree from polytechnical college or specialised college of higher education; including engineering qualification and college of public administration degree

⁵ Preliminary results from 3th Quarter 2014 (predicted values), retrieved on 02.12.2014

<https://www.destatis.de/DE/ZahlenFakten/Indikatoren/Konjunkturindikatoren/VolkswirtschaftlicheGesamtrechnungen/vgr910.html>

⁶ Unemployed persons are looking for a job and are immediately available.

⁷ “Not in labor force” also includes persons not engaged in economic activity who are looking for a job but are not immediately available.