

ISSP Characteristics of National Population: South Africa

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	Source no.2	Source no.3	Source no.4
	Mid year pop estimates 2009 Statistics SA	Census 2011	Mid year pop estimates 2012 Statistics SA	Mid year pop estimates 2013 Statistics SA
Male	23868700	25188791	25823300	25823270
Female	25451800	26581769	27158700	27158721

Age

0 - 4	5068900	5685452	5292512	5292512
5 - 9	5184600	4819751	5091234	5091234
10 - 14	5247200	4594886	5070996	5070996
15 - 19	5214300	5003477	5168797	5168797
20 - 24	4920900	5374542	5034532	5034532
25 - 29	4423500	5059317	4765661	4765661
30 - 34	3888300	4029010	4399533	4399533
35 - 39	3282300	3467767	3913292	3913292
40 - 44	2443200	2948618	3324142	3324142
45 - 49	2260000	2620283	2612522	2612522
50 - 54	2038700	2218289	2309967	2309967
55 - 59	1645100	1797408	1851893	1851893
60 - 64	1299100	1385768	1409490	1409490
65 - 69	961800	957805	1129301	1129301
70 - 74	674700	748331	778259	778259
75 - 79	426600	481267	482762	482762
80 +	341300	578589	347098	347098

Schooling

No schooling	NA	NA	6 389 647	NA
Grade 1			2157573	
Grade 2			1471450	
Grade 3			1905255	
Grade 4			2131342	
Grade 5			2113047	
Grade 6			2305682	
Grade 7			2 809 832	
Grade 8			3 119 831	
Grade 9			2 514 309	
Grade 10			3 181 169	

Grade 11			2 295 460	
Grade 12			5 621 591	
Certificate with less than grade 12			93 646	
Diploma with less than grade 12			71 672	
Certificate with grade 12			441 551	
Diploma with grade 12			977 450	
Bachelors			341 140	
Bachelor's degree and diploma			165 754	
Honours			130 542	
Higher degree			132 020	
Not Applicable			4 449 816	
Total			44 819 778	

Employment

Labour market outcomes in Census 2011 and Labour Force Survey 2011

	LFS Q4 2011	Census 2011
Formal sector (including agriculture)	10 163 553	9 756 228
Informal sector (including agriculture)	2 216 063	1 613 078
Unspecified		311 064
Private households	1 117 678	1 499 708
Employed	13 497 294	13 180 077
Working age	32 670 416	33 238 752
Absorption rate	41.3	39.7
Official definition		
Unemployed	4 244 197	5 594 055
Not economically active	14 928 925	14 464 620
Labour force	17 741 491	18 774 132
Unemployment rate	23.9	29.8
Labour force participation rate	54.3	56.5