

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	40 221 667
Female	41 620 561
Total	81 842 228

AGE (groups)²

Under 6	4 099 600
6 – 15	6 841 600
15 – 25	9 136 400
25 – 45	21 387 600
45 – 65	23 442 200
65 and above	16 844 300
Total	81 751 600

YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups)

Finished school without school leaving certificate ³	2 684 000
Still at school	2 715 000
Lowest formal qualification of Germany's tripartite secondary school system, after 8 or 9 years of schooling	25 859 000
Intermediary secondary qualification, after 10 years of schooling	15 479 000
Intermediary secondary qualification, after 10 years of schooling in the former GDR	5 021 000
Higher qualification, entitling holders to study at a university or a polytechnical college	18 957 000
No answer on type of education	158 000
Respondents providing data on general school education ⁴	71 167 000

¹ Population: 31.03.2012, info from <https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis/online/link/tabelleErgebnis/12411-0020> 09th October 2012.

² Population 2009, info from <https://www.destatis.de/DE/ZahlenFakten/GesellschaftStaat/Bevoelkerung/Bevoelkerungsstand/Tabellen/AltersgruppenFamilienstand.html> 09th October 2012.

³ Including persons having finished school after 7 years at a max

⁴ Persons aged 15 and above who provided data on their general school education; results from Microcensus 2011, info from

<https://www.destatis.de/DE/ZahlenFakten/GesellschaftStaat/BildungForschungKultur/Bildungsstand/Tabellen/Bildungsabschluss.html> 09th October 2012.

UNIVERSITY DEGREE⁵

Degree from polytechnical college ⁶	3 489 000
University degree	5 155 000
Doctorate	752 000

EMPLOYMENT STATUS⁷

Employed	41 524 000
Unemployed ⁸	2 232 000
Not in labor force ⁹	38 094 000

⁵ Other types of vocational education not listed here.

⁶ Degree from specialised college of higher education; including engineering qualification and college of public administration degree.

⁷ Preliminary results from 2nd Quarter 2012, updated 09th October 2012. Info from https://www.destatis.de/DE/ZahlenFakten/Indikatoren/Konjunkturindikatoren/VolkswirtschaftlicheGesamtrechnungen/vgr910.html?cms_gtp=146444_list%253D1&https=1

⁸ Unemployed persons are looking for a job and immediately available.

⁹ “Not in labor force” includes persons not engaged in economic activity who are looking for a job but are not immediately available.