ISSP Characteristics of National Population

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

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	National register	Labor Force		
	1/1/2013	Survey 2013	Source no. 3	Source no. 4
Belgium - SEX				
Male	5.447.488			
Female	5.652.066			
Flemish Region - SEX				
Male	3.151.466			
Female	3.230.393			
Walloon Region - SEX				
Male	1.734.362			
Female	1.828.698			
Brussels Capital Region -	SEX			
Male	561.660			
Female	592.975			

National register	Labor Force		
1/1/2013	Survey 2013	Source no. 3	Source no. 4

Belgium - AGE (groups)

< 18	2.258.716		
18-64	6.881.713		
>65	1.959.125		

Flemish Region - AGE (groups)

< 18	1.242.790		
18-64	3.938.104		
>65	1.200.965		

Walloon Region - AGE (groups)

< 18	755.619		
18-64	2.203.465		
>65	603.976		

Brussels Capital Region - AGE (groups)

< 18	260.307		
18-64	740.144		
>65	154.184		

National register	Labor Force		
1/1/2013	Survey 2013	Source no. 3	Source no. 4

Belgium - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups) - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (15 years and older)

Primary education (no	1.618.398	
diploma)		
Lower secondary	1.797.209	
education		
Higher secondary	3.226.481	
education		
Non-university higher	1.190.200	
education (short type) /		
professional bachelor		
Non-university higher	451.506	
education (long type) /		
master at a high school		
University education /	952.950	
master at a university		
N	9.236.745	

Flemish Region - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups) - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (15 years and older)

Primary education (no diploma)	890.485	
Lower secondary education	990.964	
Higher secondary education	1.973.731	
Non-university higher education (short type) / professional bachelor	737.139	
Non-university higher education (long type) / master at a high school	283.810	
University education / master at a university	487.092	
N	5.363.219	

National register	Labor Force		
1/1/2013	Survey 2013	Source no. 3	Source no. 4

Walloon Region - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups) - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (15 years and older)

Primary education (no diploma)	551.312	
Lower secondary education	616.021	
Higher secondary education	1.002.379	
Non-university higher education (short type) / professional bachelor	371.599	
Non-university higher education (long type) / master at a high school	122.735	
University education / master at a university	277.628	
N	2.941.675	

Brussels Capital Region - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (groups) - YEARS OF SCHOOLING (15 years and older)

Primary education (no diploma)	176.601	
Lower secondary education	190.224	
Higher secondary	050.070	
education	250.372	
Non-university higher education (short type) /	94.400	
professional bachelor	81.462	
Non-university higher		
education (long type) / master at a high school	44.962	
University education /	188.229	
master at a university		
N	931.850	

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	National register	Labor Force				
	1/1/2013	Survey 2013	Source no. 3	Source no. 4		
Belgium - EMPLOYMENT STATUS - (15 years and older)						
Employed		4 520 200				
		4.530.299				
Unemployed		444,000				
		416.809				
Not in labor force						
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Flemish Region - EMPLOYMENT STATUS - (15 years and older)						
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Employed		2.774.609				
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Unemployed		147.337				
		147.337				
Not in labor force		0.444.070				
		2.441.273				
Walloon Region - EMPLOYMENT STATUS - (15 years and older)						
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Employed		1.343.126				
Unemployed		171.569				
		171.507				
Not in labor force		1 424 001				
		1.426.981				
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Brussels Capital Region - EMPLOYMENT STATUS - (15 years and older)

Employed	412.563	
Unemployed	97.904	
Not in labor force	421.384	

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The *unemployed* comprise all persons of working age who were: a) without work during the reference period, i.e. were not in paid employment or self-employment; b) currently available for work, i.e. were available for paid employment or self-employment during the reference period; and c) seeking work, i.e. had taken specific steps in a specified recent period to seek paid employment or self-employment. For purposes of international comparability, the period of job search is often defined as the preceding four weeks, but this varies from country to country.

The specific steps taken to seek employment may include registration at a public or private employment exchange; application to employers; checking at worksites, farms, factory gates, market or other assembly places; placing or answering newspaper advertisements; seeking assistance of friends or relatives; looking for land, building, machinery or equipment to establish own enterprise; arranging for financial resources; and applying for permits and licences.