

# Summary of Annual Activities Related to Disability Statistics

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# Responding Countries (n= 44)

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**Africa/Middle East (8):** Afghanistan, Egypt, Israel, Lesotho, Oman, Palestine, Tunisia, Yemen

**Asia/Pacific (11):** Australia, Cambodia, China (Hong Kong SAR), China (Macao), Mongolia, New Zealand, Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Thailand, Vanuatu

**Europe (15):** Armenia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden

**North/South America (10):** Argentina, Aruba, Canada, Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, St. Maarten, United States

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# New or updated information for 2014

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## **New information (18):**

Afghanistan, Aruba, Australia, Cambodia, Canada, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Latvia, Netherlands, Samoa, Tunisia, United States, Vanuatu, Yemen

## **Update of information previously provided (7):**

China (Hong Kong SAR), Croatia, France, Israel, Lesotho, Mexico, New Zealand

## **No update from previous report (19):**

Argentina, Armenia, China (Macao), Germany, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Mongolia, Oman, Palestine, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Singapore, Spain, St. Maarten, Sweden, Thailand

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# Monitoring the use of the WG Short Set questions on disability

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# Countries using the WG short set or some variant in the most recent census cycle\* (n=38)

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Argentina	Kazakhstan	Qatar
Aruba	Kenya	Rwanda
Bangladesh	Malawi	Samoa
Brazil	Mexico	St. Maarten
Cambodia	Mongolia	South Africa
Chad	Mozambique	Sri Lanka
Costa Rica	Netherlands Antilles	Tanzania
Croatia	Oman	Tunisia
Dominican Republic	Palestine	Turkey
Fiji	Paraguay	Uganda
Israel	Peru	Vietnam
Italy	Philippines	Zimbabwe
Ivory Coast	Poland	

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\*Based on information obtained from 2009 - 2014 country reports

# Countries indicating that the WG short set was included on previous censuses, national surveys, disability modules or pre-tests\* (n=50)

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Afghanistan

Argentina

Armenia

Aruba

Bangladesh

Bermuda

Brazil

Burundi

Cambodia

Canada

Chad

Croatia

China

China (Hong Kong SAR)

Dominican Republic

Egypt

Estonia

Fiji

France

Iran

Israel

Ivory Coast

Japan

Jordan

Kazakhstan

Kenya

Latvia

Malta

Mexico

Mongolia

Mozambique

Oman

Palestine

Panama

Paraguay

Peru

Philippines

Poland

Qatar

Rwanda

St. Maarten

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Thailand

Turkey

Uganda

United Arab Emirates

United States

Yemen

Zambia

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## Reason short set of WG questions were not included

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- **WG questions were not finalized when last census or data collection was conducted** (*Afghanistan, United States*)
  - **Required to use the same questions that were used in previous censuses or data collections** (*Canada, Croatia, France, Italy, Spain, Sweden*)
  - **Not aware of the WG questions when planning previous data collection** (*Croatia, Lesotho, Samoa, Tunisia, Vanuatu*)
  - **Disability questions are not asked on population census** (*China - Hong Kong SAR, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Spain*)
  - **Disability is defined by other sources - administrative records, established surveys, and law** (*Armenia, Denmark, Germany, Lithuania, Sweden*)
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## Reason short set of WG questions were not included – (*continued*)

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- **WG questions did not fit the scope or purpose of the data collection** (*Australia, Costa Rica, Lithuania, Poland*)
  - **Decisions regarding disability questions made by different organization or higher authority** (*Canada, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Hungary, Italy, Lithuania, Netherlands, Poland, Spain, Sweden, Vanuatu*)
  - **Very difficulty to add new questions to data collection** (*Croatia*)
  - **Too many questions/space restrictions** (*Lithuania, New Zealand*)
  - **Questions similar to the WG short set have been used or will be used in the future** (*Costa Rica, United States*)
  - **WG short set may be included in future census or data collection activities** (*Canada, Lesotho, Poland, Singapore, Sweden, Togo*)
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Use of administrative records to collect  
information on disability

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# Countries currently collecting or planning to collect information on disability from administrative records (n=20)

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Argentina

Armenia

Aruba

Australia

Croatia

Denmark

Estonia

Germany

Italy

Latvia

Lithuania

Mexico

Mongolia

Oman

Peru

Philippines

Poland

Spain

Thailand

Vanuatu

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Upcoming national data collection  
activities related to disability statistics

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# Type of data collection

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**Census (5):** Egypt, Hungary, Palestine, Philippines, Tunisia

**Survey (27):** Afghanistan, Argentina, Aruba, Australia, Cambodia, Canada, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lesotho, Lithuania, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Oman, Peru, Poland, Samoa, St. Maarten, Thailand, United States, Yemen

**Administrative Records (2):** Estonia, Spain

**Census and Survey (1):** Vanuatu

**Census and Administrative Records (1):** Croatia

**Survey and Administrative Records (1):** Denmark

**No scheduled data collection (7):** Armenia, China (Hong Kong SAR), China (Macao), Mongolia, Panama, Singapore, Sweden

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# Date of most recent or upcoming data collection

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## 2013

Germany  
New Zealand  
Oman  
Vanuatu

\*Multiple data  
collection activities  
scheduled

## 2014

Afghanistan  
Argentina  
Aruba\*  
Cambodia  
Costa Rica  
Egypt  
France  
Latvia  
Lithuania  
Mexico  
Poland  
St Maarten  
Tunisia

## 2015

Aruba\*  
Australia  
Canada\*  
Denmark  
Estonia  
France  
Israel  
Italy  
Netherlands  
St Maarten

## 2016

Canada\*  
Czech Republic  
Egypt  
Lesotho

## 2017

Canada\*  
Dominican Republic  
Palestine  
Thailand

## 2020

Philippines

## 2021

Hungary

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# Frequency of data collection

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**Ongoing (4):** Croatia\*, Netherlands, United States, Yemen

**Ad hoc/Periodically (2):** St. Maarten, Vanuatu\*

**Annually (6):** Afghanistan, Canada\*, Costa Rica, Estonia, Israel, Spain

**Every 2-4 years (7):** Australia, Canada\*, Denmark, Dominican Republic, France, Germany, Mexico\*

**Every 5-10 years (18):** Argentina, Canada\*, Croatia\*, Egypt, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lesotho, Lithuania, Mexico\*, New Zealand, Palestine, Philippines, Poland, Samoa, Thailand, Tunisia, Vanuatu\*

**Undetermined/Not specified (12):** Armenia, Aruba, Cambodia, China (Hong Kong SAR), China (Macao), Czech Republic, Mongolia, Oman, Panama, Peru, Singapore, Sweden

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\*Multiple data collection activities scheduled with different frequency intervals

# Sampling Frame

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- **Most recent or upcoming Population Census** (Argentina, Aruba, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Germany, Lesotho, New Zealand, Oman, Palestine, Peru, Poland, Samoa, United States, Vanuatu, Yemen)
  - **National Population or Housing Registries** (Afghanistan, Croatia, France, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Mexico, Poland, St. Maarten, Spain)
  - **National Household or Labor Force Survey** (Canada, Thailand)
  - **Government administrative records and other data sources** (Latvia)
  - **Respondents identified as having an Activity Limitation in previous survey** (Canada)
  - **Multi-stage sampling** (Australia, Czech Republic, Netherlands, Italy)
  - **Random sampling** (Cambodia, Denmark, Mexico, United States)
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# Sample Size

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## Households:

**1%** : Germany

**50%**: Afghanistan

**100%**: Egypt, Tunisia

**600 – 1,000**: Aruba, St. Maarten

**2,000 – 5,000**:

Vanuatu, Cambodia, Samoa, Oman

**13,440**: Costa Rica

**20,000 – 25,000**:

Yemen, Mexico, Poland

**30,000**: Dominican Republic

**47,120**: Mexico

**72,800**: Thailand

**90,300**: Canada

**101,389**: Mexico

**222,960**: Peru

**19 Million**: Philippines

## Persons:

**2,000 – 5,000**: Denmark, Oman, Lithuania

**5,001 – 10,000**:

Israel, Czech Republic, Netherlands

**10,001 – 15,000**: Hungary, Latvia, Italy

**20,000 – 25,000**:

France, New Zealand, Spain

**30,000 – 45,000**: Canada\*

**141,026**: Estonia

**522,842**: Croatia

## Enumeration areas:

**223**: Lesotho

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# Language data collection activity will be administered

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**Arabic (6):** Egypt, Israel, Oman, Palestine, Tunisia, Yemen

**English (with translation) (9):** Aruba, Australia, Canada, Lesotho, New Zealand, Oman, Philippines, St. Maarten, United States

**French (2):** Canada, France

**German (2):** Germany, Italy

**Russian (2):** Israel, Latvia

**Spanish (9):** Argentina, Aruba, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Mexico, Netherlands, Peru, Spain, United States

**National or local language (19):** Afghanistan, Aruba, Cambodia, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Latvia, Lesotho, Lithuania, Philippines, Poland, Samoa, Spain, Thailand, Vanuatu

**Sign language (1):** Argentina

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# Other national activities related to disability

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- Working to determine the feasibility of implementing a national disability data registry
  - Development of new administrative records related to disability
  - Workgroup formed focusing on the development of disability indicators
  - Pilot testing for upcoming censuses and surveys
  - Evaluation of disability modules used in censuses and surveys
  - Publication and dissemination of disability data and reports
  - Discussions with government officials about future disability data collection activities
  - Training workshops related to disability data collection
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