Including IDPs and Refugees in the population censuses in Georgia: experience and way forward

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Law of Georgia “On Official Statistics” which sets out:

- Goals for conducting census
- Obligations of citizens
- Main principles
- Responsible institutions
- Confidentiality of information

Government Commission For Coordination
2014 General Population Census

Questionnaires:

• Q1 – Questionnaire on Dwellings
• Q2 – Personal Questionnaire
• Q3 – Questionnaire on Migrants
• Q4 – Questionnaire on Agricultural Activity
Data for stocks of forced displaced and stateless populations residing in the country:

- **Main source**
  - 2014 General Population Census

- **Variables:**
  - Demographic and Social Characteristics
  - Status of Economic Activity
  - Employment Status
  - Occupation
  - Sources of Livelihood
### Distribution of IDPs:

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<th>Region</th>
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<td>Abkhazia A.R.</td>
<td>84.2%</td>
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<td>Akhalgori</td>
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<td>Tskhinvali Region</td>
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**Total:** 189,639

*Source: 2014 General Population Census*
Distribution of Refugees by Country of Residence:

**Source:** 2014 General Population Census

- Russia: 45.4%
- Ukraine: 21.7%
- Iraq: 18.3%
- Iran: 3.4%
- Other: 11.3%

Total Number: 355
Future Steps:

Membership

✓ Georgia is a Member of the The Expert Group on Refugee and Internally Displaced Persons Statistics (EGRIS), established by the UNSC

Planned activities:

☑ Start active measures related to establishment of Population Register;

☑ Assess the administrative sources for producing IDP statistics;

☑ Preparation for the next Population Census.
NEXT POPULATION CENSUS in 2023 (under discussion)

TRADITIONAL CENSUS WITH NEW APPROACHES AND TECHNOLOGIES:

• **Data collection Method** (under discussion):
  - Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI);

• **Geographical information system (GIS)** - dividing country by EA, field work monitoring and for dissemination of results;

• **Personal identification number (PIN)** – linkage with existing administrative sources (i.e. Civil Registry, Birth registry, registry of IDP, etc.);

• **Close cooperation with line ministry** – receive information on Refugee.
Thank you for your attention!

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