

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE UPCOMING NATIONAL CENSUS

For the first time since independence, this year's census will be captured electronically. This is the sixth national population census since independence. Here is a breakdown of what is expected to happen which act as guidelines to help you go through the exercise without any hitch at all.



DURATION

The exercise will kick off on the night of **24th August** and end on **31st August** 2019. The enumerators are expected to spend 30 minutes in each house, though it could be shorter or longer depending on the size of the household.

IDENTIFICATION

Security agencies will be involved in the exercise, which indeed makes this look secure. Additionally the enumerators will have official identity cards and reflector jackets for ease of identification.

YOUR SAFETY

In the quest to ensure safety and security, the census officials will be accompanied by the area or village elder, leader of the residence association and in some cases the assistant chief will be present.

CONFIDENTIALITY

Your information will be kept confidential. The enumerators and their supervisors have taken an oath of secrecy as embodied in the Statistics Act 2006, which forbids them from sharing your information with unauthorized persons.

ON NIGHT DUTY

For those working on night shifts like doctors, police officers, private security officers, nurses or any other field, will be counted with the household even though they are absent.

QUICK TIP!

It is imperative to be extremely cautious during this historic moment to avoid falling victim to criminals who are devising new ways to rob, kill and vandalize property. Remain vigilant and remember to alert the authorities or your security service provider should you encounter any awkward activity during the process.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Securex Hotline: 0711069999 (or) Kenya Police: 999 / 112 / 911



YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT THE UPCOMING NATIONAL CENSUS ANSWERED



What will show that a household has been enumerated?

After enumeration, the officials will write a number on the door or at any visible place on the structure to indicate that counting has been conducted in the household. You are requested not to erase the number. In the event that there is no structure, a structure numbering card will be issued to the household after enumeration.

What happens if one is not counted on the night of 24th/25th August 2019?

It may not be possible to reach everyone everywhere on the night of 24th August 2019. The Census teams will proceed with enumeration throughout the week, but all information will be provided with reference to the night of 24th August – the Census Reference Night. Those not enumerated by 31st August 2019, should report to the local administrative office. However, care must be taken to ensure that you have indeed not been enumerated. It is not uncommon for members who are momentarily away from their households to be enumerated in absentia.

When will the results be released?

It is expected that preliminary results will be released three months after the end of the exercise. The basic reports of the census are expected to be released within six months, while the detailed analytical reports will be released within one year after the census enumeration.

Whom do I contact in case my household is not covered?

In case your household will not have been contacted by 31 August, a toll-free number will be provided for you to contact KNBS to send an enumerator to enumerate your household.

If I have visitors on the night of the 24th/25th August, should they be counted as part of my household?

Anyone who will be present in your household on the night of 24th/25th August 2019 will be counted together with your household. Everyone will be counted depending on where they will be on the night of 24th/25th August 2019. However, there will be exceptional cases, for example, those who will be on duty working such as nurses on that night will be counted with the household that they will return to the following day after work.

What are the key questions that will be asked during the census enumeration?

The key questions that will be asked include: age, sex, marital status, births, deaths, migration, forms and severity of difficulties in performing of daily life activities, educational attainment, labour force particulars, access and ownership of ICT equipment and services, crop farming, livestock and aquaculture, housing characteristics, and ownership of assets.

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