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# Step-by-Step Guide to Filling in the Census 2016 Form 


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## What is the 'Step-By-Step Guide to filling in the Census 2016 Form'?

The Step-by-Step-Guide to filling in the Census 2016 Form gives information to help you fill in your census form.

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## Questions and answers about the census

## What is the census?

The census takes place every five years, on a single night in April called census night.

On this night, everyone in the country fills out their census forms and gives information about themselves - their family, their work, their school, along with
information about where they live - their house or apartment.

## April

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| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |  |

## What is it for?

It tells us how many people there are in Ireland and where they live, how old they are, and what they work at.

This helps us to answer such important questions as:

- Where should we build the new schools for the children starting school next year?
- Where do we need new nursing homes?
- Where should we put new stops on the train line?


## What types of questions are asked?

All of the questions are explained in this guide. To answer most questions you just tick a box, or sometimes you write in your answer.

Any adult in the house on census night can fill out the form for everyone in the house.

## Who is included?



Everyone who stays in your house on census night must be included. This includes visitors.

## Do I have to do it?

Yes, you must fill it in. It's the law.

## What is an enumerator?

This is the person who gives you your census form and who collects it after census night. They will answer any questions you might have.

## Census 2011 - some interesting facts

## Population of Ireland shitht <br> 2011 $4,588,252$ <br> 2006 4,239,848 <br> Up <br> 348,404 <br> since 2006

Where do we live?



365,000 births
between
Census 2006 and Census 2011

## Living and dying

140,000 deaths
between
Census 2006 and Census 2011
(0) Marriages

143,588 increase
in the number of married people between
Census 2006 and Census 2011

## Top 5 foreign languages spoken at home



## Diversity

766,770
people were born outside of Ireland

## Dates to remember 2016

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Mon Tue Wed Thur Fri Sat Sun
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| May | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |  |
| 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |  |
| 30 | 31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

21 March to 23 April Census enumerators will call to deliver blank census forms during these dates.

24 April is census day This is the day that census forms are filled in, in all houses in the country.


25 April to 23 May Census enumerators will collect filled in census forms during these dates.

## 24 May

If your census form has not been collected by this date, post it for free to:

Central Statistics Office
PO Box 2016
Freepost 4726
Swords
Co Dublin
K67 D2X4


## A guide to filling in the census form

There are 24 pages in the census form. The questions in the form are in columns. When you finish the bottom question in one column go to the top of the next column.


# Types of question in the form (there are two types of question in the form) 

## Type 1

H1 What type of accommodation does your household occupy?

Mark one box only
A whole house or bungalow that is:
1 Detached
2 Semi-detached
3 Terraced (including end of terrace)

A flat or apartment (including duplexes) that is self-contained:

4 In a purpose-built block
5 Part of a converted house or commercial building

## A bed-sit:

$6 \quad$ Bed-sit (with some shared facilities e.g. toilet)

A mobile or temporary structure:
7 A caravan or other mobile or temporary structure

To answer this question and others like it:
Choose one option from the list.
Mark the box like this, - with a black or blue pen.

## Type 2

6 What is your place of birth?
Give the place where your mother lived at the time of your birth
If IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in the COUNTY

If elsewhere $A B R O A D$, write in the COUNTRY

To answer this question and others like it: USE CAPITAL LETTERS

Every letter gets its own box.

Leave an empty box between words.

Continue to a new line if you need to.

NEW ZEA
LAND

# Questions about your accommodation (these are on page 2 of the census form) 

## H1: What type of house, flat or apartment do you live in?

Mark only one box.
H1 What type of accommodation does your household occupy?

Mark - one box only
A whole house or bungalow that is:

Detached
Semi-detached
Terraced (including end of terrace)
A flat or apartment (including duplexes) that is self-contained:

| Mark the type of flat or apartment | $O^{4}$ | In a purpose-built block |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | O 5 | Part of a converted house or commercial building |
|  | A bed-sit: |  |
| Mark if a bedsit | O6 | Bed-sit (with some shared facilities e.g. toilet) |
|  | A mobile or temporary structure: |  |
| Mark if a caravan or mobile home | O 7 | A caravan or other mobile or temporary structure |

## H2: When was your house, flat or apartment built?

If you do not know the year it was built, you might need to ask a neighbour.

Mark only one box.

H2 When was your house, flat or apartment first built?

Mark the year in which first built converted, extended or renovated

1 Before 1919
2 1919-1945 inclusive
3 1946-1960 inclusive
4 1961-1970 inclusive
5 1971-1980 inclusive
$6 \quad$ 1981-1990 inclusive
7 1991-2000 inclusive
8 2001-2010 inclusive
92011 or later

## H3: Do you rent your house, own it, or pay a mortgage?

You own your own house and bought it using a mortgage
or other type of loan that you are still paying off
You own your house and have no mortgage
$\qquad$
$\mathrm{O}_{1}$

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You pay rent $\mathrm{O}_{3}$

H3 Does your household own or rent your accommodation?

Mark one box only Own with mortgage or loan Own outright Rent

O4 Live here rent free If renting, who is your landlord?

Private landlord Local Authority

Voluntary/Co-operative housing body

## H4: If you pay rent, how much do you pay?

H4 If your accommodation is rented, how much rent does your household pay?
Enter amount to the nearest Euro
If you pay rent, write in the amount of rent in euro
$0 €$

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How often do you pay this?
Every week
$O^{1}$
Mark one box only

Every month............. O $^{2}$ Per month
Every year $\cdot \ldots . . . . . . O^{3} \quad$ Per year

## H5: How many rooms do you have?

Count kitchen, living rooms and bedrooms.
Do not count toilets, bathrooms, halls and other areas like this.

H5 How many rooms do you have for use only by your household?

- Do NOT count bathrooms, toilets, kitchenettes, utility rooms, consulting rooms, offices, shops, halls or landings, or rooms that can only be used for storage such as cupboards
- Do count all other rooms such as kitchens, living rooms, bedrooms, conservatories you can sit in, and studies
- If two rooms have been converted into one, count them as one room

Number of rooms

Mark only one box.
Mark the main type of fuel you use for central heating.

| H6 | What is the main type of fuel <br> used by the central heating in <br> your accommodation? |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mark one box only |  |
| 1 | No central heating |
| 2 | Oil |
| 3 | Natural Gas |
| 4 | Electricity |
| 5 | Coal (including anthracite) |
| 6 | Peat (including turf) |
| 7 | Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) |
| 8 | Wood (including wood pellets) |
| 9 | Other |

## H7: Where does your water come from?

|  | H7 What type of piped water supply does your accommodation have? |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark only one box. |  |  |
| Public pipe | - $\mathrm{O}_{1}$ | Connection to a Public Main |
| Local authority group water scheme | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | Connection to a Group Water Scheme with a Public source of supply |
| Private group water scheme | . $\mathrm{O}^{3}$ | Connection to a Group Water Scheme with a private source of supply (e.g. borehole, lake, etc.) |
| Your own well or water tank. | . ${ }^{\text {O }} 4$ | Connection to other private source (e.g. well, lake, rainwater tank, etc.) |
| You have no piped water supply. | - $\mathrm{O}_{5}$ | No piped water supply |

## H8: Where does your toilet waste go?

## Mark only one box.

H8 What type of sewerage facility does your accommodation have?

Mark one box only
$\mathrm{O}^{1}$
$\mathrm{O}^{2}$
$\mathrm{O}^{3}$ Individual treatment system other than a septic tank Other sewerage facility
$\mathrm{O}^{4}$
O5 No sewerage facility

Count your company car if you use it for yourself.
H9 How many cars or vans are owned or are available for use by one or more members of your household?

Include any company car or van if
available for private use
Mark

- one box only

1 One
2 Two
3 Three
4 Four or more
5 None

## H10: Do you have a computer at home?

H10 Does your household have a personal computer (PC)?
1 Yes
2 No

## H11: Do you have internet access at home?

H11 Does your household have access to the Internet?

Mark 'Yes' if you have access
to the Internet in your home
1 Yes, Broadband connection
2 Yes, other connection
3 No

H12 says to go to the next page (page 3) of the census form


Be sure to write in the first name and last name of each person. Include visitors staying with you.

In List 1, you must include everyone in the house on census night, Sunday 24 April. You should put yourself first, then the other adults and children in the household, then everyone else.

You should complete the form for each person in the same order as you have given in List 1. You will be Person 1, followed by each of the others in turn. There are three pages of questions for each person, so your questions are on pages 4,5 and 6 . The questions for Person 2 are on pages 7, 8, 9 and so on.

If there are more than six people, your enumerator should give you an extra (blue) form for each extra person.

Ask your enumerator for extra forms if there are more than six people staying in your house on census night.

## ABSENT PERSONS

## INCLUDE in List 2

$\checkmark$ All persons who usually live at this address but

## DO NOT INCLUDE in List 2

x Anyone included in List 1. who are temporarily absent on Sunday 24 April.
$\checkmark$ Students away at school or college.
LIST 2 Absent persons who usually live in the household
Person
No. First name and surname in BLOCK CAPITALS
1
2
3

4 $\square$ Answer questions beginning on Page 22 in the same order as listed here for each usual resident absent from the household on the night of Sunday 24 April.

If there are more than 4 usual residents absent on the night of Sunday 24 April, please ask your Enumerator for assistance.

In List 2, you must include everyone who usually lives with you but is away from home on census night. You can find the questions for these people on pages 22 and 23 of the form.

## Questions about people in the house on census night

## Person 1

You are Person 1. Please answer the questions on the next three pages ( $4,5,6$ ). Questions for Person 2 in List 1 start on page 7 of the census form. Questions for Person 3 in List 1 start on page 10 of the census form, and so on.

## Question 1: What is your name?

Write your first name and last name.

## Question 2: Are you male or female?

Mark male or female.

## Question 3: What is your date of birth?

1 What is your name? (Person 1)
First name and surname (BLOCK CAPITALS)
1 Male $2 \quad$ Female

Day Month Year

Put 0 in front of the numbers 1 to 9 .
0

| January | $=01$ | July | $=07$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| February | $=02$ | August $=08$ |  |
| March | $=03$ | September $=09$ |  |
| April | $=04$ | October $=10$ |  |
| May | $=05$ | November $=11$ |  |
| June | $=06$ | December $=12$ |  |

## Question 4 asks how a person is related to other people in the house

As you are Person 1, this question does not apply to you.

To answer this question for each of the other people in your house on census night (Persons 2, 3, 4 and so on), you should mark the box that describes how they are related to you.

4 Relationship question does not apply to Person 1


## Question 5: Are you married? Have you ever been married?

|  | 5 | What is your current marital status? Answer if aged 15 years or over |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Only answer this section if you are |  | Mark one box only |
| 15 years of age or older. | O 1 | Single (never married or never in a same-sex civil partnership) |
|  | - 2 | Married (first marriage) |
| If 'No' mark this box | 3 | Re-married |
|  | 4 | In a registered same-sex civil partnership |
| If 'Yes' mark the answer that applie | 5 | Separated |
|  | 6 | Divorced |
|  | . 7 | Widowed |

## Question 6: What county or country did your mother live in when you were born?

6 What is your place of birth?
Give the place where your mother lived at the time of your birth
If IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in the COUNTY

If in Ireland, write in the county

## List of counties

| Antrim | Leitrim |
| :--- | :--- |
| Armagh | Limerick |
| Carlow | Longford |

Cavan Louth
Clare Mayo

Cork Meath

| Derry | Monaghan |
| :--- | :--- |
| Donegal | Offaly |

Down Roscommon
Dublin Sligo

| Fermanagh | Tipperary |
| :--- | :--- |
| Galway | Tyrone |

Kerry Waterford
Kildare Westmeath
Kilkenny Wexford
Laois Wicklow

## Question 7: Where do you usually live?

If you usually live at this address, mark this box $\cdots \ldots \ldots \ldots \mathrm{O}_{1}$
If you usually live
$\mathrm{O}^{2}$
somewhere else in Ireland, mark this box and write in the full address

HERE at this address Elsewhere in IRELAND (including Northern Ireland), write in your FULL ADDRESS
If you usually live outside Ireland, mark this box $\qquad$ Elsewhere ABROAD, write in the COUNTRY

## Question 8: Where did you live one year ago?



## Question 9: Have you lived outside the Republic of Ireland for one year or more?

Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'.
9 Have you lived outside the Republic of Ireland for a continuous period of one year or more?

Answer if aged 1 year or over and
living in Ireland
1 Yes
2 No
If 'Yes', write in the YEAR of last taking up residence in the Republic of Ireland
If 'Yes', write in the year you came to live in 0 AND
Ireland or returned to Ireland
the COUNTRY of last previous residence and write in the last country you lived in $\square$

If you are Irish, mark this box $\cdot \ldots$. ............................. O $_{11}$ Irish
If you are not Irish, mark this box. and write in your nationality. If you have Irish nationality and another nationality, please mark both box 1 and box 2 .
$\mathrm{O}^{2}$ Other NATIONALITY, write in -

## Question 11: What cultural group do you feel you belong to?

11 What is your ethnic or cultural background?
Choose ONE section from A to D, then the appropriate box

A White
1 Irish
2 Irish Traveller
3 Any other White background
B Black or Black Irish
4 African
5 Any other Black background
C Asian or Asian Irish
6 Chinese
7 Any other Asian background D Other, including mixed background
If your cultural group is not listed, mark this box $\mathrm{O}_{8}$ Other, write in description and write it in here 0

## Question 12: What is your religion?

12 What is your religion?
Mark one box only
1 Roman Catholic
2 Church of Ireland
3 Islam
4 Presbyterian
5 Orthodox
If you have a religion and it is not listed, 6 Other, write in your RELIGION
mark this box and write it here 0

## Question 13: How many children have you had?

This question is for women only.

If you have had children, write in the number you have had.

If you have never had children, mark the
'None' box.

## Question 14: Can you speak Irish?

Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'.

13 How many children have you given birth to?
This question is for women only Write in number of children born


None

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| Question 14: Can you speak Irish? | 14 Can you speak Irish? <br> Answer if aged 3 years or over |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 1 Yes |
| Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'. | 2 No |
|  | If 'Yes', do you speak Irish? Mark - the boxes that apply |
| Every day in school | O1 Daily, within the education system |
| Every day outside school. | O2 Daily, outside the education system |
| Every week | $\cdots \mathrm{O}^{3} \quad$ Weekly |
| Not very often | $\cdots \mathrm{O}^{4}$ Less often |
| Never ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | - $\mathrm{O}_{5}$ Never |

## Question 15: Do you speak a language other than English or Irish at home?

## Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'.

If you answered 'Yes', write in the name of this language

15 Do you speak a language other than English or Irish at home?
1 Yes

What is this language?
0
(e.g. POLISH, GERMAN, IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE)

How well do you speak English?
Mark one box only
0
Very well
O2 Well
O 3 Not well
O 4 Not at all

## Question 16: Do you have a disability or long-term illness?

16 Do you have any of the following long-lasting conditions or difficulties?
(a) Blindness or a serious vision impairment
(b) Deafness or a serious hearing impairment
(c) A difficulty with basic physical activities such as walking, climbing stairs, reaching, lifting or carrying
(d) An intellectual disability
(e) A difficulty with learning, remembering or concentrating
(f) A psychological or emotional condition
(g) A difficulty with pain, breathing, or any other chronic illness or condition No

Yes No

Yes No

No

Yes No


Mark 'Yes' or 'No' to each part of this question.

- ...... You are deaf or have a severe problem hearing

O ...... You have a problem with activities like walking, climbing stairs or carrying things

O ....... You have a learning or intellectual disability

O ...... You have a problem with learning, remembering or concentrating

O ...... You have a psychological or emotional condition
O ....... You have another disability or serious illness

If you mark 'Yes' to any part in question 16, go to question 17.
If you mark 'No' to every part in question 16, go to question 18.

## Question 17: Does your disability or illness cause you problems doing some activities?

17 If 'Yes' to any of the categories specified in Question 16, do you have any difficulty in doing any of the following?
(a) Dressing, bathing or getting around inside the home
(b) Going outside the home alone to shop or visit a doctor's surgery
(c) Working at a job or business or attending school or college
(d) Participating in other activities, for example leisure or using transport

Yes No

## 0

Yes No O

Yes No
O ....... You find it hard to work or attend school
Yes No

O ....... You find it hard to do other things like using buses or doing things for fun

## Question 18: How is your health in general?

18 How is your health in general?

Mark one box only

| 1 | Very good |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | Good |
| 3 | Fair |
| 4 | Bad |
| 5 | Very bad |

## Question 19: If you go to work, school or college, how do you get there? If you work mainly from home, please mark that box.

Mark only one box.
If you travel by more than one way, mark the box for the longest part of the journey.

19 How do you usually travel to work, school or college?
Mark $\rightarrow$ one box only, for the longest part, by distance, of your usual journey to work, school or college

1 Not at work, school or college

2 On foot
3 Bicycle
4 Bus, minibus or coach
5 Train, DART or LUAS
$6 \quad$ Motor cycle or scooter
7 Driving a car
$8 \quad$ Passenger in a car
9 Van
10 Other, including lorry
11 Work mainly at or from home

## Question 20: If you go to work, school or college, what time do you leave home to do so?

Mark only one box.

20 What time do you usually leave home to go to work, school or college?

1 Not at work, school or college

2 Before 06.30
$3 \quad 06.30-07.00$
$4 \quad 07.01-07.30$
$5 \quad 07.31-08.00$
$6 \quad 08.01-08.30$
$7 \quad 08.31-09.00$
$8 \quad 09.01-09.30$
$9 \quad$ After 09.30

## Question 21: If you go to work, school or college, how long does it take you to get there?

## Hours to minutes

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
1 / 2 & =30 \\
1 & =60 \\
11 / 2 & =90 \\
2 & =120
\end{array}
$$

21 How long does your journey to work, school or college usually take?

Write in minutes

## Question 22: Do you take care of a friend or family member who is ill or has a disability without being paid for it?

Answer 'Yes' to this question even if you get the Carer's Allowance or Carer's Benefit.

Mark only one box.

22 Do you provide regular unpaid personal help for a friend or family member with a long-term illness, health problem or disability?
Include problems which are due to old age Personal help includes help with basic tasks such as feeding or dressing

1 Yes
2 No
If 'Yes', for how many hours per week? Write in hours

If 'Yes' write the number of hours a week

Question 23: If you are aged 15 or over, continue to the next question. If you are aged under 15, go to Question 34.

23 If you are aged under 15
Go to Q34

## Question 24: Are you finished your full-time education?

24 Have you ceased your full-time education?

Be sure to mark 'Yes' or 'No'.
If 'Yes', how old were you when you
finished school or college?

1 Yes
2 No
If 'Yes', write in AGE at which it ceased0

## Question 25: What is the highest level you have done in school or college so far?

| You have no formal education or training |  | No formal education/training |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Primary school. | $\mathrm{O}_{2}$ | Primary education <br> NFQ Levels 1 or 2 <br> FETAC Level 1 or 2 Cert. or equivalent |
| Junior Cert or Inter Cert level | $\mathrm{O}_{3}$ | Lower Secondary NFQ Level 3 JuniorrnnterlGroup Cert., FETAC Level 3 Cert., FAS Introductory Skills, NCVA Foundation Cert. or equivalent Cr. or equaren |
| Leaving Cert level |  | Upper Secondary NFQ Levels 4 or 5 Leaving Cert. (inclusding Applied and Vocational programmes) or equivalent |
|  | 5 | Technical or Vocational NFQ Levels 4 or 5 FETAC Level $4 / 5$ Cert., NCVA Level 1/2, FÁS Specificic Skills, Teagasc Cert. in Agriculture, CERT Craft Cert or equivalent CERT Craft Cert. or equivalent |
| College, but not a degree | 6 | Advanced Certificate/Completed <br> Apprenticeship <br> NFQ Level 6 <br> FETAC Advanced Cert., NCVA Level 3, FÁS <br> National Cratt Cert., Teagasc Farming Cert., <br> CERT Professional' Cookery Cert. or equivalent |
|  | 7 | Higher Certificate <br> NFQ Level 6 <br> NCEA/HETAC National Cert. or equivalent |
|  | 8 | Ordinary Bachelor Degree or National Diploma NFQ Level 7 |
| Degree or professional qualificatio | 9 | Honours Bachelor Degree/ Professional qualification or both NFQ Level 8 |
|  | 10 | Postgraduate Diploma or Degree NFQ Level 9 <br> Postgraduate Diploma, Masters Degree or equivalent |
|  | 11 | Doctorate (Ph.D) or higher NFQ Level 10 |

## Question 26: What is the main field of study of the highest qualification you have completed to date?

If you completed a qualification after you left secondary school, write in what you studied
25 What is the highest level of education/training (full-time or part-time) which you have completed to date?
Mark one box only

## Primary education

NFQ Levels 1 or 2

## Lower Secondary

NFQ Level 3 FAS Introductory Skills, NCVA Foundation
Upper Secondary
NFQ Levels 4 or 5 Leaving Cer.. (miluang Applied and
Technical or Vocational  ETACLevel CERT Craft Cert. or equivalent
Advanced Certificate/Completed NFQ Level 6
FETAC Advanced Cert., NCVA Level 3, FAS National Craft Cert., Teagasc Farming Cert., CERT Professional Cookery Cert. or equivalent
Higher Certificate NCEAHETAC
Ordinary Bachelor Degree or National Diploma NFQ Level 7
Honours Bachelor Degree/ Professional qualification or both NFQ Level 8
Postgraduate Diploma or Degree
Postaduate Diploma, Masters Degree
Doctorate (Ph.D) or higher NFQ Level 10

26 What is the main field of study of the highest qualification you have completed to date?
Exclude Secondary school qualifications Write in the field of study
$\qquad$ 0
$\square$
(e.g. ACCOUNTANCY, BEAUTY THERAPY, FARMING, PLUMBING)

## Question 27: Are you working, unemployed, at school or retired?

Mark only one box.

27 How would you describe your present principal status?
Mark one box only
1 Working for payment or profit
2 Looking for first regular job
3 Unemployed
4 Student or pupil
5 Looking after home/family
6 Retired from employment
7 Unable to work due to permanent sickness or disability

8 Other, write in

## Question 28: If your answer to Question 27 was 1,3 or 6, go to Question 29

If your answer to Question 27 was 4, go to Question 34.

If your answer to Question 27 was 2,5, 7 or 8, go to Question 35.

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| If you are working, <br> unemployed or retired | Go to Q29 |
| :--- | :--- |
| If you are a student | Go to Q34 |
| Otherwise | Go to Q35 |

## Question 29: Are you employed by someone or do you work for yourself?

If you are unemployed or retired, answer this question based on the work that you did last.

You work for someone else
You work for yourself $\qquad$$\mathrm{O}^{2}$
$\mathrm{O}_{3}$

Self-employed, without paid employees
$\mathrm{O}_{4}$
29 Do (did) you work as an employee or are (were) you self-employed in your main job?
Your main job is the job in which you
usually work(ed) the most hours
Mark one box only

## $\mathrm{O}_{1}$ <br> Employee

Self-employed, with paid employees

Assisting relative (not receiving a fixed wage or salary)

## Question 30: What kind of work do you do?

If you are unemployed or retired, answer this question based on the work that you did last.

Write in the kind of work you do or did

## 30 What is (was) your occupation in your main job?

In all cases describe the occupation fully and precisely giving the full job title

Use precise terms such as RETAIL STORE MANAGER SECONDARY TEACHER ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

Do NOT use general terms such as MANAGER TEACHER ENGINEER

Civil servants and local government employees should state their grade e.g. SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER. Members of the Gardai or Army should state their rank. Teachers should state the branch of teaching e.g PRIMARY TEACHER. Clergy and religious orders should give full description e.g. NUN, REGISTERED GENERAL NURSE.

Write in your main OCCUPATION

If a farmer, write in the SIZE of the area farmed to the nearest hectare


## Acres to hectares

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\begin{aligned}
2.5 & =1 \\
5 & =2 \\
10 & =4 \\
20 & =8 \\
50 & =20 \\
100 & =40
\end{aligned}
$$

## Question 31 says if you are

 retired, go to Question 35.31
If you are retired

Go to Q35

## Question 32: What is the main business of your employer?

If you are self employed, what is your main business?

If you are unemployed, answer this question based on the work that you did last.

32 What is (was) the business of your employer at the place where you work(ed) in your main job?
If you are (were) self-employed answer in respect of your own business Describe the main product or service provided by your employer

For example, MAKING COMPUTERS, REPAIRING CARS, SECONDARY EDUCATION, FOOD WHOLESALE, MAKING PHARMACEUTICALS, CONTRACT CLEANING, SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT

## Question 33 says that if you are unemployed, go to Question 35.

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33
If you are unemployed D Go to Q35
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## Question 34: What is the address of the place where you work or go to college?

Write in the name
of the company you
work for or your college
$\qquad$

## Address

Write in the address $\qquad$
where you work or go to college

Full name

$\qquad$ --

34 What is the FULL NAME and ADDRESS of your place of work, school or college?

1 Work mainly at or from home $\qquad$ 2 No fixed place of work If you wórk in different places, mark this box

Question 35 says to answer the questions starting on the next page of the census form for the next person listed on List 1 on page 3 (Person 2). If there were no other people staying in your home on census night, go to page 22 of the census form.

35 Answer questions for Person 2 starting on the next page. If there is only one person present in the household on the night of $\mathbf{2 4}$ April

Go to page 22

## Questions about absent people on census night

Questions about absent people are on pages 22 and 23 of the census form.
List 2 on page 3 of the census form lists anyone who usually lives with you, but is away from home on census night, Sunday 24 April.

If nobody is listed on List 2, go to page 23 of the census form and sign your name. You are then finished filling in your census form. Keep it safe until your census enumerator calls to collect it.

If there are people listed on List 2, please answer questions A1 to A8 for each person.

## Question A1: What is the absent person's name?

Write in the first name and last name of the absent person $\qquad$

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A1 What is this person's name?
First name and surname (BLOCK CAPITALS)
0

Question A2: Is the absent person male or female? A2 Sex
Mark male or female O 1 Male 2 Female

## Question A3: What is the absent person's date of birth?

A3 What is this person's date of birth? Day Month Year

Put 0 in front of the numbers 1 to 9.

| January | $=01$ | July | $=07$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| February | $=02$ | August $=08$ |  |
| March | $=03$ | September $=09$ |  |
| April | $=04$ | October $=10$ |  |
| May | $=05$ | November $=11$ |  |
| June | $=06$ | December $=12$ |  |

Include the full year.
Examples are: 1943

## Question A4: How is the absent person related to person 1 on page 4?



## Question A6: How long is the absent person away for?

A6 How long altogether is this person away for?
1 Less than 12 months
212 months or more

A7 Was this person in the Republic of Ireland on Sunday 24 April?
1 Yes

2 No

A8 Is this person a student away at school or college?

| 1 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | No |

Sign your name on page 23 of the census form. You are now finished filling in your census form. Keep it safe until your census enumerator calls to collect it.

Glossary

| Absent | Away from home |
| :--- | :--- |
| Accommodation | House, flat, apartment, bedsit, caravan or mobile <br> home where people live |
| Analytical reports | Information on all of the population that is divided <br> up for planning different services. The type of <br> information that is useful for this includes information: <br> - about different regions and areas, or <br> - about different age groups |
| Annulment | Formal cancellation of a marriage |
| Apprenticeship | Learning a trade |
| Broadband | Ended or finished |
| Ceased | Privacy. The information you give about you on your <br> othsus form is private and will never be given to any |
| othention |  |

Explanatory notes

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Household form

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## Individual form

Intellectual disability

Local authority
Long-lasting condition

Marital status

Nationality

NFQ
Occupation
Owner-occupied house

Notes that give more information on how to complete some of the questions on the census form

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A person who lives alone or a group of people who live at the same address and share one meal a day or share a living or sitting room

The main census form that we will deliver to every home in Ireland and ask you to complete

Between and including, for example 2001-2005 inclusive means 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005

When there are more than six people in the household on census night, you must fill in an individual blue form for each person

A difficulty, for example, with communicating, mixing with others or taking care of everyday needs

For example, a town, urban district or county council
A condition that lasts for six months or more or that comes and goes regularly

Whether you are, for example, married, single, divorced, separated, widowed

Usually, the country where you were born and from which you have a passport

National Framework of Qualifications
The work you do
A house you bought and live in

Glossary

| Persons | Individual people |
| :---: | :---: |
| Present principal status | What you do from day to day, for example employee, unemployed, student, carer for family, retired |
| Post-graduate diploma | A diploma you study for after being awarded a degree |
| Professional qualification | A qualification you get when you finish studying to gain special skills to work in certain areas, for example, as an accountant, lawyer or doctor |
| Public main | Pipe from the main system that supplies a community |
| Purpose-built block | Apartments that were built as a block of apartments rather than converted from a large house |
| Qualification | The ability to carry out work based an a skill that you have learnt or a course that you have completed |
| Relationship | How you are related to another person in your household, for example husband, wife, partner, son, daughter, step-child, brother, sister, mother, father, grandparent, step-mother, step-father, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandchild |
| Residents | People who live in a house, apartment, caravan or mobile home |
| Semi-detached house | A house that is joined to another on one side only |
| Statistical purposes | Counting and recording different responses to each question |
| Terraced house | One of a row of houses joined together |
| Usual residence | Where you normally live |
| Vocational | Training in a special skill for a job |
| Voluntary work | Work that is not paid |

## Notes

If you want help filling in the Census 2016 form, contact your census enumerator.
Your census enumerator is the person who gave you the census form and will call back to collect it.

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