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The 2023 Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings

Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro

The release presents the results of the 2023 Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings on number and structure of enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying abroad.

Pursuant to the Methodology for Preparation, Organization, and Implementation of Census, and in addition to the population of Montenegro by usual place of residence, there were enumerated citizens of Montenegro working, studying or staying abroad for more than one year or intending to be absent for more than one year, and in period of census implementation were in Montenegro or had a present household member who was able to provide data for that person.

According to the results of the 2023 Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings, there were enumerated 44 017 persons with the citizenship of Montenegro, working, studying or staying abroad.

The largest numbers of enumerated Montenegrin citizens are working, studying or staying in Germany (10 413 persons).

The smallest numbers of enumerated persons working, studying abroad are from Podgorica (6 384 persons).

Graph 1. Enumerated citizens of Montenegro working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by sex

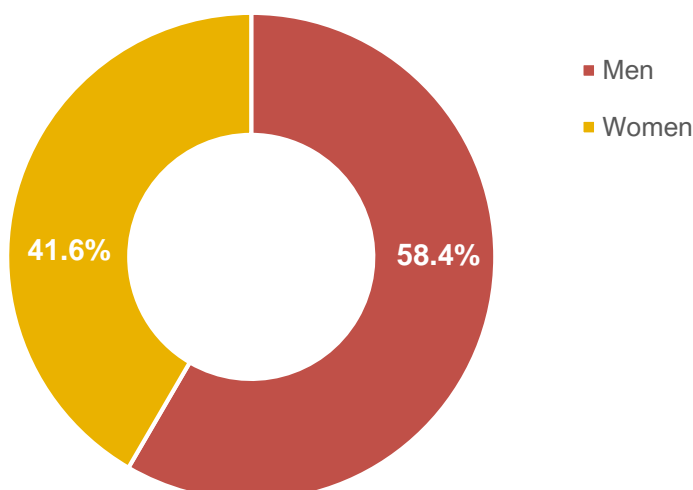


Table 1. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by municipality of origin and country of work, study, stay

Country	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevisa	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
Germany	10 413	35	668	581	2717	114	28	88	68	141	24	z	35
Serbia	7 346	101	525	558	820	427	63	98	25	764	52	41	111
The United States of America	6 428	z	833	103	160	93	90	71	436	112	22	10	44
Luxembourg	3 578	-	234	216	437	z	z	z	z	z	-	-	-
Switzerland	1 987	z	276	128	303	41	14	z	28	32	z	z	12
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 576	z	57	31	309	13	11	21	55	66	z	z	z
Sweden	1 408	z	118	41	379	31	19	12	24	29	z	-	z
France	1 381	z	149	75	260	15	z	14	23	34	z	z	z
Italy	948	z	118	19	29	37	13	z	15	88	z	z	z
Slovenia	835	z	34	44	95	20	18	10	32	21	z	-	z
Netherlands	725	z	49	22	98	z	z	z	15	40	z	z	-
Kosovo	680	-	29	22	23	10	z	z	175	-	-	-	z
Austria	666	z	45	39	82	15	z	15	z	17	z	z	z
Denmark	586	55	37	169	62	40	z	z	z	z	12	z	z
Belgium	472	-	15	12	101	z	z	z	z	z	z	z	-
Canada	441	z	18	14	27	13	22	18	30	24	z	z	z
Croatia	429	z	28	13	17	13	25	z	z	47	z	z	z
Turkey	358	-	19	11	51	z	-	z	z	z	z	z	z
United Kingdom	334	-	29	z	z	19	18	z	z	26	-	z	z
Norway	281	z	20	z	27	11	z	z	z	37	z	-	-
Russian Federation	265	z	z	15	34	z	z	11	z	13	z	-	z
Australia	250	-	30	z	z	z	z	z	z	13	-	-	z
United Arab Emirates	238	-	15	z	z	16	z	z	z	26	z	z	z
Spain	178	z	24	z	z	18	z	z	-	12	-	z	-
North Macedonia	135	z	z	13	z	z	z	-	10	z	z	-	-
Albania	130	-	z	-	z	z	z	z	z	-	-	-	-
Greece	126	-	25	z	11	11	z	z	-	21	-	z	z
Hungary	104	-	z	z	z	12	z	z	-	z	-	-	-
Other countries	1 417	z	194	34	56	47	31	28	z	211	22	14	14
Unknown	302	z	18	11	14	12	z	11	42	z	z	z	z

Table 1. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by municipality of origin and country of work, study, stay

Country	Municipality of origin											/continued/	
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	Zeta
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381
Germany	333	605	312	285	z	928	2 679	z	49	186	454	16	49
Serbia	644	15	124	999	29	1 252	261	20	158	13	80	77	89
The United States of America	278	30	647	89	z	1 102	92	z	41	808	1 276	12	64
Luxembourg	12	1 580	17	z	-	203	701	-	z	100	44	-	-
Switzerland	68	430	46	25	-	182	203	z	11	25	149	z	z
Bosnia and Herzegovina	184	77	45	238	23	189	157	-	14	19	35	z	13
Sweden	69	18	59	102	-	149	234	-	10	27	73	-	z
France	49	181	27	11	-	146	207	-	16	53	55	z	45
Italy	97	14	47	15	-	265	32	-	42	35	48	-	z
Slovenia	61	114	63	25	z	224	36	z	z	z	z	z	z
The Netherlands	18	73	72	13	-	98	154	z	13	z	22	z	z
Kosovo	z	z	63	z	-	20	79	-	-	35	203	-	z
Austria	42	z	z	28	-	174	106	-	14	24	14	-	23
Denmark	z	z	15	25	-	65	20	-	z	z	18	-	20
Belgium	15	90	20	z	-	74	84	-	z	z	16	-	z
Canada	48	-	30	10	z	124	z	-	z	18	13	z	z
Croatia	46	z	z	14	z	133	z	-	30	11	z	-	z
Turkey	z	z	z	z	-	36	188	-	z	z	14	-	z
United Kingdom	29	-	-	z	-	140	z	-	15	z	12	z	-
Norway	17	z	22	z	-	65	17	-	z	z	24	-	z
Russian Federation	69	z	-	z	z	75	z	z	-	-	z	z	z
Australia	16	z	z	z	-	58	z	-	z	13	56	-	z
United Arab Emirates	33	-	-	12	-	83	-	-	z	z	z	z	z
Spain	19	-	-	z	-	70	z	z	z	z	z	-	z
North Macedonia	z	z	z	z	-	29	29	-	z	z	z	-	z
Albania	z	-	z	-	-	z	z	-	-	32	53	-	-
Greece	z	-	-	z	-	30	-	-	z	-	-	z	z
Hungary	z	-	-	-	-	52	z	-	z	z	z	-	z
Other countries	133	z	28	35	z	344	26	z	86	30	46	z	15
Unknown	26	-	43	z	-	65	z	z	-	z	z	z	z

Table 2. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by year of going abroad, and by municipality of origin

Year of going abroad	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevisa	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
2023	6 930	31	659	256	703	213	60	101	91	624	28	33	52
2022	3 394	17	250	129	388	98	54	59	102	160	18	z	17
2021	2 786	20	211	148	397	77	28	39	68	108	14	z	19
2020	2 396	z	165	131	381	87	37	30	71	80	12	z	z
2015-2019	8 499	44	650	465	1 248	237	99	119	142	376	38	18	64
2010-2014	4 180	19	264	223	641	94	38	30	62	142	10	z	31
2005-2009	3 108	23	215	151	476	35	24	26	90	78	21	z	20
2000-2004	3 656	15	294	188	644	57	16	20	96	75	15	z	13
1995-1999	2 926	17	263	174	508	43	23	10	74	46	10	z	20
1990-1994	2 925	19	296	163	481	40	11	10	53	35	z	z	z
1985-1989	821	z	119	49	88	23	z	z	19	10	-	-	z
Before 1985	1 211	z	141	64	90	41	11	18	47	44	z	z	z
Unknown	1 185	11	107	57	112	29	z	11	117	30	z	11	z

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Year of going abroad	Municipality of origin												
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	Zeta
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381
2023	574	243	385	255	17	1 171	432	20	226	219	429	20	88
2022	265	96	116	145	z	823	296	z	45	135	102	z	55
2021	190	127	100	119	z	614	237	z	34	102	87	z	26
2020	134	150	53	129	z	433	238	z	37	68	107	z	16
2015-2019	527	506	192	456	10	1 480	1 041	z	89	211	370	24	87
2010-2014	181	367	108	236	z	553	738	z	37	115	232	17	26
2005-2009	102	381	126	184	z	288	534	z	16	92	184	14	14
2000-2004	119	413	186	150	z	305	568	-	21	151	266	18	18
1995-1999	59	419	114	101	z	187	486	-	10	104	230	z	10
1990-1994	58	382	130	90	z	235	483	-	18	106	277	z	15
1985-1989	36	73	36	27	z	73	51	-	z	46	134	z	z
Before 1985	45	95	58	54	z	109	89	-	z	73	176	z	17
Unknown	48	19	100	49	-	113	144	z	z	52	143	z	z

Table 3. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by age and by municipality of origin

Age	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevica	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
0-9	2 497	10	220	130	298	41	18	13	43	49	z	z	z
10-19	4 766	18	386	202	592	109	37	31	117	128	11	12	21
20-29	12 009	77	951	660	1 515	419	112	178	207	673	45	27	93
30-39	8 989	43	753	431	1 333	210	108	121	130	445	53	25	63
40-49	7 469	40	583	398	1 285	143	73	75	156	279	32	24	49
50-59	5 243	29	445	253	817	93	34	39	170	148	23	10	16
60-69	2 116	13	200	95	255	41	17	16	132	55	z	z	11
70 and over	928	z	96	29	62	18	12	z	77	31	z	z	10

Table 3. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by age and by municipality of origin

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Age	Municipality of origin												
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	Zeta
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381
0-9	64	343	120	46	z	271	579	-	14	74	116	z	18
10-19	162	573	231	81	z	697	848	z	39	143	274	z	41
20-29	839	656	311	593	17	2 247	1 141	17	210	287	576	35	123
30-39	564	492	270	565	z	1 426	960	16	134	219	481	38	101
40-49	351	595	286	357	10	907	921	z	84	270	465	27	51
50-59	238	417	274	197	z	552	655	z	49	272	458	19	27
60-69	91	140	147	98	z	214	178	z	13	129	232	10	z
70 and over	29	55	65	58	z	70	55	z	z	80	135	z	11

Table 4. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by reason of absence, and country of work, study, stay

Country	Montenegro	Reason of person's absence				
		Economic/business	Family	School	Other	Unknown
Total	44 017	21 449	10 735	8 230	2 355	1 248
Germany	10 413	6 181	3 011	591	436	194
United States of America	6 428	3 445	1 466	659	542	316
Serbia	7 346	2 349	1 007	3 607	264	119
Luxembourg	3 578	1 582	1 244	296	387	69
Switzerland	1 987	1 021	640	150	133	43
Sweden	1 408	769	418	115	60	46
France	1 381	638	445	163	99	36
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1 576	483	395	577	60	61
Italy	948	433	187	275	33	20
Slovenia	835	365	140	267	28	35
Netherlands	725	352	234	86	35	18
Austria	666	343	152	146	15	10
Denmark	586	316	211	26	28	z
Belgium	472	236	131	58	40	z
Canada	441	232	86	101	12	10
Croatia	429	230	74	99	16	10
United Kingdom	334	195	39	78	12	10
United Arab Emirates	238	194	26	11	z	z
Norway	281	148	86	33	z	z
Russian Federation	265	142	61	44	12	z
Australia	250	138	64	20	21	z
Kosovo	680	118	158	308	23	73
Turkey	358	103	124	114	12	z
Spain	178	100	23	48	z	z
Other countries	1 912	1 243	225	331	64	49
Unknown	302	93	88	27	z	90

Table 5. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by nationality, i.e. ethnic affiliation, and by municipality of origin

National, i.e. ethnic affiliation	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevica	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
Bosniaks	15 486	-	792	430	3 573	26	-	-	556	z	-	-	z
Serbs	11 789	194	1 013	1 081	1 280	572	37	244	21	1 301	95	74	168
Montenegrins	8 790	38	955	506	551	390	349	212	17	313	73	21	92
Albanians	4 938	-	589	z	z	z	z	-	399	z	-	z	-
Muslims	1 628	-	174	121	649	z	-	-	28	15	z	z	-
Croats	162	-	10	z	z	z	z	z	-	29	-	z	-
Roma	106	-	-	z	z	z	z	-	-	15	-	-	-
Yugoslavs	66	z	z	z	-	z	z	z	-	z	z	z	-
Montenegrins-Muslims	62	-	z	z	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Montenegrins-Serbs	52	-	z	z	z	-	-	z	-	z	z	-	z
Serbs-Montenegrins	50	z	-	z	z	10	-	-	-	z	-	-	z
Other nations	253	-	34	10	30	12	z	z	z	23	-	z	-
Other	37	-	z	z	z	-	z	z	z	-	-	-	-
Does not want to declare	598	z	52	33	17	45	z	14	z	90	z	z	z

Table 5. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by nationality, i.e. ethnic affiliation, and by municipality of origin

National, i.e. ethnic affiliation	Municipality of origin												/continued/
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381
Bosniaks	20	2 976	1 331	281	-	440	4 657	-	z	231	159	-	-
Serbs	1 167	-	119	1 323	60	2 259	63	30	300	z	89	90	202
Montenegrins	987	103	31	249	z	3 077	178	16	144	112	161	45	168
Albanians	z	-	192	z	-	113	270	-	z	1 094	2 254	-	-
Muslims	39	184	20	59	-	133	148	-	z	20	27	-	-
Croats	z	-	z	-	-	21	-	-	69	-	z	-	-
Roma	13	-	-	-	-	56	-	-	z	-	z	-	-
Yugoslavs	z	-	-	z	-	31	-	-	z	z	-	-	-
Montenegrins-Muslims	-	-	z	z	-	z	z	-	-	-	z	-	-
Montenegrins-Serbs	z	-	-	z	-	25	-	z	-	-	-	-	z
Serbs-Montenegrins	11	-	-	z	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	z	z
Other nations	11	z	z	14	-	73	z	-	z	z	11	-	-
Other	z	-	z	z	-	12	-	-	z	-	-	-	-
Does not want to declare	70	z	z	49	z	125	z	-	14	z	20	z	z

Table 6. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by religion, and by municipality of origin

Religion	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevica	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
Islam	23 429	-	2 056	808	4 662	56	15	z	946	40	14	z	z
Orthodox	17 732	235	1 353	1 343	1 444	922	356	456	23	1 581	155	98	263
Catholic	1 395	-	109	z	z	15	z	z	23	43	-	z	-
Atheist	623	-	31	20	22	36	27	z	z	56	z	z	z
Agnostic	108	-	z	-	z	z	z	z	z	12	z	-	-
Christian	72	-	z	-	-	z	z	-	-	z	-	-	-
Other religions	38	-	z	z	-	z	-	z	-	z	-	z	-
Other	73	-	z	z	z	z	z	-	19	-	-	-	-
Does not want to declare	547	z	65	15	12	35	z	12	18	71	z	z	z

Table 6. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by religion, and by municipality of origin

Religion	Municipality of origin												<i>/continued/</i>	
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	Zeta	
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381	
Islam	115	3 263	1 571	478	-	1 085	5 254	-	20	706	2 336	-	-	
Orthodox	2 095	z	125	1 450	62	4 578	68	47	412	17	144	132	372	
Catholic	z	-	z	z	-	156	z	-	78	738	200	-	-	
Atheist	54	-	-	10	-	315	z	-	17	z	12	z	z	
Agnostic	11	-	-	z	-	56	-	-	z	-	z	-	-	
Christian	10	-	-	z	-	38	-	-	z	z	z	z	z	
Other religions	z	-	z	-	z	14	z	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other	z	z	z	z	-	12	-	-	z	z	z	-	z	
Does not want to declare	41	z	z	42	z	130	z	-	15	z	33	z	z	

Table 7. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by mother tongue, and by municipality of origin

Mother tongue	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevica	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
Serbian	13 497	202	1 137	1 212	1 364	641	49	307	25	1 416	116	77	196
Montenegrin	12 169	31	1 356	773	2 153	353	343	141	105	267	51	19	66
Bosnian	11 809	-	393	156	2 466	z	-	-	491	z	-	-	z
Albanian	4 841	-	564	-	z	11	z	-	397	z	-	z	-
Bosniaks	396	-	74	z	98	z	-	-	z	-	-	-	-
Serbo-Croatian	277	z	19	12	20	10	z	14	-	22	z	z	z
Roma	98	-	-	z	z	z	-	-	-	12	-	-	-
Croatian	84	-	z	-	-	z	z	z	z	17	-	z	-
Montenegrin-Serbian-Bosnian-Croatian	60	-	z	-	z	-	z	-	-	z	-	-	z
Other languages/Other	393	z	39	18	28	23	z	z	z	19	z	z	-
Does not want to declare	393	z	44	18	16	25	z	11	z	46	z	z	z

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Mother tongue	Municipality of origin												
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	Zeta
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381
Serbian	1 404	-	119	1 417	60	2 846	70	32	321	15	110	105	256
Montenegrin	791	816	144	309	z	2 845	853	11	138	230	235	31	107
Bosnian	z	2 394	1 234	183	-	169	4 115	-	z	123	66	-	-
Albanian	z	-	173	z	-	103	232	-	z	1 082	2 263	-	-
Bosniaks	-	39	21	30	-	40	46	-	-	13	20	-	-
Serbo-Croatian	28	-	-	12	-	82	z	z	19	-	z	z	z
Roma	14	-	-	-	-	67	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Croatian	-	-	-	-	z	z	-	-	32	-	z	-	-
Montenegrin-Serbian-Bosnian-Croatian	z	z	-	z	-	z	-	-	z	-	-	-	-
Other languages/Other	37	14	z	11	-	113	10	-	17	11	18	-	z
Does not want to declare	51	z	z	28	z	78	10	-	12	-	14	z	z

Table 8. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro, by language usually spoken, and by municipality of origin

Language usually spoken	Montenegro	Municipality of origin											
		Andrijevica	Bar	Berane	Bijelo Polje	Budva	Cetinje	Danilovgrad	Gusinje	Herceg Novi	Kolasin	Kotor	Mojkovac
Total	44 017	239	3 634	2 198	6 157	1 074	411	479	1 032	1 808	180	114	271
Serbian	13 248	202	1 126	1 186	1 363	613	46	301	25	1410	116	76	193
Montenegrin	12 329	27	1 373	770	2 292	349	335	137	106	275	49	22	67
Bosnian	11 439	-	346	144	2 294	z	-	-	483	z	-	-	z
Albanian	4 414	-	509	-	z	z	-	-	391	-	-	-	-
Bosniaks	360	-	64	z	84	z	-	-	z	-	-	-	-
English	281	-	38	z	z	z	z	13	-	10	z	-	z
Serbo-Croatian	205	z	10	11	12	z	z	z	-	15	z	z	z
German	166	-	18	17	22	10	-	z	z	z	-	-	z
Croatian	67	-	z	-	-	z	z	-	z	16	-	z	-
Other languages	996	z	79	46	60	47	z	z	16	31	z	z	-
Other	13	-	-	-	-	-	z	-	-	z	-	-	-
Does not want to declare	499	z	65	18	24	24	z	11	z	47	z	z	z

Table 8. Enumerated Montenegrin citizens working, studying or staying outside Montenegro by language usually spoken, and by municipality of origin

Language usually spoken	Municipality of origin												<i>/continued/</i>	
	Niksic	Petnjica	Plav	Pljevlja	Pluzine	Podgorica	Rozaje	Savnik	Tivat	Tuzi	Ulcinj	Zabljak	Zeta	
Total	2 338	3 271	1 704	1 995	63	6 384	5 337	47	549	1 474	2 737	140	381	
Serbian	1 375	-	119	1 401	60	2 754	71	32	313	z	112	103	242	
Montenegrin	768	837	155	315	z	2 808	881	11	146	247	230	29	99	
Bosnian	z	2 346	1 208	169	-	155	4 111	-	z	113	60	-	-	
Albanian	z	-	162	z	-	61	165	-	-	1 029	2 082	-	-	
Bosniaks	-	39	19	29	-	35	54	-	-	11	15	-	-	
English	19	-	z	z	-	105	z	-	z	27	22	z	z	
Serbo-Croatian	24	-	-	10	-	59	z	z	11	-	z	z	z	
German	z	z	z	z	-	55	z	-	-	-	16	-	z	
Croatian	-	-	-	-	z	z	-	-	26	-	z	-	-	
Other languages	92	19	17	31	-	263	21	-	33	33	160	z	19	
Other	-	z	-	z	-	z	z	-	-	-	z	-	-	
Does not want to declare	49	26	16	28	z	79	26	-	12	z	34	z	z	

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Pursuant to the Article 3 of the Law on Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings ("Official Gazette of Montenegro", no. 140/22 dated 16.12.2022, 105/23 dated 28.11.2023), the census covered the following persons:

- Montenegrin citizens with the place of permanent or temporary residence in Montenegro regardless of whether they are present in the place of residence or temporarily reside in another place in Montenegro or abroad;
- Foreigners with permanent or temporary residence in Montenegro and foreigners with their usual place of residence in Montenegro.

The Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings was implemented in period from 3 to 30 December 2023, in line with the Methodology for Preparation, Organization, and Implementation of the Census. The 2023 Census Methodology is in line with the international standards which determine common rules for collecting the data on population, out which the most important are:

- Conference of European Statisticians Recommendations for the 2020 Censuses of Population and Housing prepared by UNECE;
- Regulation No 763/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on population and housing censuses, as well as other implementation regulations with the respect of the European Statistics Code of Practice.

The census was implemented according to the situation as on 31 October 2023, at midnight, which is considered to be the reference moment of the census.

The census was done in the traditional manner, by the interview method, using paper questionnaires, 'door-to-door' approach.

Number and structure of Montenegrin citizens that were enumerated, and are working, studying or staying abroad for more than one year, or with intention to stay for more than one year, are not counted in the population of Montenegro. They are published with this release upon a national request.

It is important to point out that the data in this release do not refer to the contingent of immigrants/diaspora, but they represent just one part that was present during the enumeration or had one present household member who provided data for absent household members.

Common term 'Municipality' is used in this release for 25 local self-government units, for the capital Podgorica, royal capital Cetinje, and the remained 23 local self-government units with the status of municipality.

Pursuant to the Law on Official Statistics and Official Statistical System, Article 54-61 (Official Gazette of Montenegro No 018/12 of 30 March 2012, 047/19 of 12 August 2019), and internal rule of Statistical Office, the data with frequency of occurrence less than 10 are protected and they are marked with "z". Additionally, other data are marked and protected with the same symbol to prevent indirect recognition of census units (secondary protection).

When using the data, state: "Data source: Statistical Office of Montenegro - MONSTAT"

Symbols:

"—" No occurrence

"z" Protected data

More data, as well as detailed methodological explanations can be found under section: [The 2023 population census](#)