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The 2023 Census of Population, Households, and Dwellings

The most frequent names of the inhabitants of Montenegro by the age and gender

The data presented in this release refer to the most frequent male and female names by the age and gender.

According to the results of the 2023 Census of Population, Household and Dwellings the most frequent female name in Montenegro is Jelena, while the name Nikola is the most frequent male name.

Ten most common male and female names according to the age groups presented in this release indicate the popularity of those names in different periods.

Also, the most frequent names are different in some municipalities so the table like this is an integral part of this release.

Statistics of surnames shows that the highest number of residents of Montenegro have the surname Popovic , the second and third most common surname is Markovic and Popovic, followed by Vukovic, Radovic, Kovacevic, Jovanovic, Knezevic, Vujovic and Ivanovic.

Table 1. The most frequent surnames, female and male names in Montenegro, Census 2023

The most frequent surnames	The most frequent female names	The most frequent male names
Popovic	*Jelena*	*Nikola*
Markovic	*Milica*	*Marko*
Bulatovic	*Marija*	*Milos*
Vukovic	*Ivana*	*Luka*
Radovic	*Ana*	*Dragan*
Kovacevic	*Milena*	*Aleksandar*
Jovanovic	*Jovana*	*Petar*
Knezevic	*Dragana*	*Zoran*
Vujovic	*Vesna*	*Ivan*
Ivanovic	*Andjela*	*Milan*

Table 2. The most frequent female names by the age groups, Census 2023

	The most frequent female names									
Montenegro	*Jelena*	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Ivana*	*Ana*	*Milena*	*Jovana*	*Dragana*	*Vesna*	*Andjela*
0-4	Sofija	Dunja	Masa	Sara	Teodora	Ksenija	Mila	Bogdana	Helena	Jana
5-9	Sofija	Sara	Masa	Dunja	Jana	Milica	Teodora	Nikolina	Helena	Nadja
10-14	Sara	Nikolina	Jovana	Milica	Andjela	Anja	Anastasija	Marija	Teodora	Sofija
15-19	Andjela	Jovana	Sara	Milica	Marija	Anastasija	Nikolina	Jelena	Anja	Teodora
20-24	Jovana	Andjela	Milica	Jelena	Marija	Ivana	Sara	Kristina	Nikolina	Anastasija
25-29	Jelena	Milica	Jovana	Andjela	Marija	Ivana	Milena	Kristina	Aleksandra	Ana
30-34	Jelena	Ivana	Milica	Marija	Milena	Jovana	Dragana	Ana	Aleksandra	Andjela
35-39	Jelena	Ivana	Marija	Ana	Milica	Milena	Dragana	Bojana	Sanja	Marina
40-44	Jelena	Ivana	Ana	Marija	Dragana	Sanja	Danijela	Milena	Maja	Milica
45-49	Jelena	Biljana	Danijela	Sanja	Dragana	Snezana	Ana	Natasa	Vesna	Svetlana
50-54	Snezana	Biljana	Vesna	Natasa	Svetlana	Ljiljana	Sanja	Dragana	Mirjana	Tatjana
55-59	Vesna	Snezana	Ljiljana	Nada	Zorica	Svetlana	Slavica	Biljana	Branka	Mirjana
60-64	Vesna	Ljiljana	Nada	Radmila	Branka	Slavica	Zorica	Snezana	Dragica	Vera
65-69	Radmila	Nada	Ljiljana	Dragica	Branka	Vesna	Slavica	Zorica	Mirjana	Slavka
70-74	Radmila	Dragica	Branka	Nada	Milica	Milka	Stanka	Zorka	Ljiljana	Danica
75-79	Radmila	Milica	Slobodanka	Zorka	Dragica	Milka	Danica	Mileva	Ljubica	Stanka
80 and over	Danica	Zorka	Radmila	Milica	Ljubica	Milka	Olga	Dragica	Darinka	Mileva

Table 2a. The most frequent male names by the age groups, Census 2023

	The most frequent male names									
Montenegro	**Nikola**	**Marko**	**Milos**	**Luka**	**Dragan**	**Aleksandar**	**Petar**	**Zoran**	**Ivan**	**Milan**
0-4	*Luka*	*Lazar*	*Vasilije*	*Petar*	*Bogdan*	*Vuk*	*Viktor*	*Stefan*	*Jakov*	*Andrej*
5-9	*Luka*	*Lazar*	*Vasilije*	*Vuk*	*Pavle*	*Petar*	*Stefan*	*Matija*	*Aleksa*	*Jovan*
10-14	*Luka*	*Lazar*	*Nikola*	*Matija*	*Petar*	*Vuk*	*Pavle*	*Vasilije*	*Andrija*	*Aleksa*
15-19	*Luka*	*Nikola*	*Matija*	*Lazar*	*Andrija*	*Petar*	*Marko*	*Aleksa*	*Stefan*	*Milos*
20-24	*Nikola*	*Luka*	*Marko*	*Milos*	*Stefan*	*Filip*	*Petar*	*Lazar*	*Ivan*	*Jovan*
25-29	*Nikola*	*Stefan*	*Milos*	*Marko*	*Luka*	*Aleksandar*	*Ivan*	*Nemanja*	*Filip*	*Petar*
30-34	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Milos*	*Aleksandar*	*Ivan*	*Stefan*	*Nemanja*	*Milan*	*Filip*	*Dejan*
35-39	*Marko*	*Nikola*	*Ivan*	*Milos*	*Aleksandar*	*Milan*	*Bojan*	*Vladimir*	*Dejan*	*Igor*
40-44	*Ivan*	*Nikola*	*Aleksandar*	*Marko*	*Vladimir*	*Dejan*	*Goran*	*Igor*	*Darko*	*Milan*
45-49	*Aleksandar*	*Dejan*	*Dragan*	*Goran*	*Zoran*	*Igor*	*Zeljko*	*Darko*	*Predrag*	*Nikola*
50-54	*Dejan*	*Zoran*	*Dragan*	*Zeljko*	*Goran*	*Aleksandar*	*Predrag*	*Sasa*	*Darko*	*Nebojsa*
55-59	*Zoran*	*Zeljko*	*Dragan*	*Goran*	*Veselin*	*Predrag*	*Ranko*	*Dejan*	*Milan*	*Miodrag*
60-64	*Zoran*	*Dragan*	*Zeljko*	*Goran*	*Veselin*	*Milan*	*Miodrag*	*Ranko*	*Rajko*	*Slobodan*
65-69	*Dragan*	*Zoran*	*Miodrag*	*Milan*	*Milorad*	*Veselin*	*Slavko*	*Branko*	*Rajko*	*Slobodan*
70-74	*Dragan*	*Milorad*	*Miodrag*	*Milan*	*Branko*	*Veselin*	*Radomir*	*Nikola*	*Slobodan*	*Rajko*
75-79	*Slobodan*	*Milorad*	*Milan*	*Nikola*	*Branko*	*Bozidar*	*Petar*	*Miodrag*	*Radomir*	*Radovan*
80 and over	*Slobodan*	*Milorad*	*Milan*	*Petar*	*Jovan*	*Nikola*	*Bozidar*	*Dusan*	*Branko*	*Vojislav*

Table 3. The most frequent female names by municipalities, Census 2023

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	The most frequent female names									
Montenegro	*Jelena*	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Ivana*	*Ana*	*Milena*	*Jovana*	*Dragana*	*Vesna*	*Andjela*
Andrijevica	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Marija*	*Dragica*	*Ivana*	*Milena*	*Radmila*	*Jovana*	*Snezana*	*Andjela*
Bar	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Marija*	*Ivana*	*Aleksandra*	*Ana*	*Vesna*	*Jovana*	*Dragna*	*Ljiljana*
Berane	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Jelena*	*Dragana*	*Jovana*	*Ivana*	*Snezana*	*Milena*	*Ljiljana*	*Radmila*
Bijelo Polje	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Marija*	*Ivana*	*Zorica*	*Snezana*	*Milena*	*Vesna*	*Jovana*	*Andjela*
Budva	*Jelena*	*Marija*	*Milica*	*Jovana*	*Ivana*	*Aleksandra*	*Ana*	*Dragana*	*Milena*	*Marina*
Cetinje	*Marija*	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Milena*	*Mirjana*	*Ana*	*Ivana*	*Vesna*	*Radmila*	*Stanka*
Danilovgrad	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Marija*	*Milena*	*Radmila*	*Dragana*	*Ivana*	*Ana*	*Andjela*	*Ljiljana*
Gusinje	*Hajrija*	*Nafija*	*Sanija*	*Jasmina*	*Senada*	*Azra*	*Fatima*	*Bahrija*	*Amina*	*Igbala*
Herceg Novi	*Jelena*	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Dragana*	*Mirjana*	*Ivana*	*Nada*	*Vesna*	*Aleksandra*	*Ana*
Kolasin	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Jelena*	*Dragica*	*Dragana*	*Ivana*	*Snezana*	*Andjela*	*Milena*	*Nada*
Kotor	*Marija*	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Ana*	*Jovana*	*Dragana*	*Vesna*	*Milena*	*Mirjana*	*Ivana*
Mojkovac	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Zorica*	*Milena*	*Ivana*	*Snezana*	*Marija*	*Andjela*	*Dragana*	*Vesna*
Niksic	*Jelena*	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Ana*	*Ivana*	*Jovana*	*Andjela*	*Milena*	*Branka*	*Nada*
Petnjica	*Elma*	*Sanela*	*Amina*	*Emina*	*Ifeta*	*Ajla*	*Jasmina*	*Adelisa*	*Sanija*	*Selma*
Plav	*Amina*	*Jasmina*	*Elma*	*Sanija*	*Lejla*	*Senada*	*Hajrija*	*Mirsada*	*Sanela*	*Hana*
Pljevlja	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Dragana*	*Nada*	*Zorica*	*Ivana*	*Milka*	*Biljana*	*Marija*	*Dragica*
Pluzine	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Ivana*	*Milena*	*Radojka*	*Jovana*	*Radmila*	*Vidosava*	*Marija*	*Ljiljana*
Podgorica	*Jelena*	*Milica*	*Marija*	*Ivana*	*Ana*	*Milena*	*Jovana*	*Dragana*	*Vesna*	*Andjela*
Rozaje	*Amina*	*Emina*	*Lejla*	*Amra*	*Azra*	*Elma*	*Fatima*	*Ajla*	*Hana*	*Jasmina*
Savnik	*Jelena*	*Milenka*	*Milena*	*Ana*	*Mirjana*	*Andjela*	*Milica*	*Ivana*	*Drgaica*	*Jovana*
Tivat	*Marija*	*Jelena*	*Milica*	*Ana*	*Ivana*	*Nada*	*Jovana*	*Sanja*	*Dragana*	*Aleksandra*
Tuzi	*Marija*	*Hana*	*Kristina*	*Amina*	*Sara*	*Vera*	*Lejla*	*Drita*	*Emina*	*Ljulja*
Ulcinj	*Suzana*	*Mirsada*	*Marija*	*Senada*	*Sara*	*Medina*	*Jasmina*	*Ana*	*Fatime*	*Emina*
Zabljak	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Ivana*	*Dragana*	*Milka*	*Milena*	*Slavica*	*Radmila*	*Andjela*	*Jovana*
Zeta	*Milica*	*Jelena*	*Ivana*	*Jovana*	*Andjela*	*Dragana*	*Milena*	*Snezana*	*Marija*	*Nikolina*

Table 3a. The most frequent male names by municipalities, Census 2023

	The most frequent male names									
Montenegro	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Milos*	*Luka*	*Dragan*	*Aleksandar*	*Petar*	*Zoran*	*Ivan*	*Milan*
Andrijevica	*Dragan*	*Marko*	*Nikola*	*Milan*	*Zoran*	*Aleksandar*	*Milorad*	*Milos*	*Predrag*	*Stefan*
Bar	*Nikola*	*Aleksandar*	*Marko*	*Luka*	*Dragan*	*Zoran*	*Petar*	*Ivan*	*Milos*	*Stefan*
Berane	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Aleksandar*	*Milan*	*Dragan*	*Milos*	*Zoran*	*Stefan*	*Lazar*	*Luka*
Bijelo Polje	*Nikola*	*Milos*	*Milan*	*Marko*	*Dragan*	*Zoran*	*Aleksandar*	*Luka*	*Petar*	*Stefan*
Budva	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Luka*	*Aleksandar*	*Ivan*	*Dragan*	*Petar*	*Milos*	*Stefan*	*Milan*
Cetinje	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Petar*	*Ivan*	*Dragan*	*Luka*	*Zoran*	*Jovan*	*Milos*	*Dejan*
Danilovgrad	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Milos*	*Dragan*	*Milan*	*Aleksandar*	*Zoran*	*Ivan*	*Luka*	*Zeljko*
Gusinje	*Ismet*	*Esad*	*Skender*	*Enis*	*Muhamed*	*Enver*	*Rifat*	*Dževat*	*Samir*	*Safet*
Herceg Novi	*Nikola*	*Dragan*	*Marko*	*Milan*	*Aleksandar*	*Petar*	*Zoran*	*Milos*	*Luka*	*Jovan*
Kolasin	*Nikola*	*Milos*	*Milan*	*Dragan*	*Zoran*	*Marko*	*Ivan*	*Zeljko*	*Predrag*	*Radovan*
Kotor	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Dragan*	*Petar*	*Luka*	*Aleksandar*	*Milos*	*Ivan*	*Zoran*	*Jovan*
Mojkovac	*Nikola*	*Dragan*	*Milos*	*Milan*	*Ivan*	*Zoran*	*Veselin*	*Aleksandar*	*Marko*	*Luka*
Niksic	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Milos*	*Dragan*	*Luka*	*Milan*	*Zoran*	*Ivan*	*Zeljko*	*Jovan*
Petnjica	*Samir*	*Eldin*	*Amar*	*Mirsad*	*Denis*	*Alen*	*Esad*	*Emir*	*Ismet*	*Elvis*
Plav	*Adis*	*Safet*	*Emir*	*Esad*	*Ismet*	*Mirsad*	*Edin*	*Senad*	*Ramo*	*Armin*
Pljevlja	*Nikola*	*Dragan*	*Zoran*	*Milan*	*Marko*	*Milos*	*Goran*	*Zeljko*	*Luka*	*Lazar*
Pluzine	*Veselin*	*Milos*	*Nikola*	*Dragan*	*Zeljko*	*Milorad*	*Jovan*	*Milan*	*Mirko*	*Goran*
Podgorica	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Luka*	*Milos*	*Aleksandar*	*Ivan*	*Petar*	*Zoran*	*Lazar*	*Dragan*
Rozaje	*Haris*	*Emir*	*Senad*	*Amar*	*Edin*	*Sead*	*Safet*	*Denis*	*Daris*	*Muhamed*
Savnik	*Nikola*	*Zeljko*	*Dragan*	*Jovan*	*Zoran*	*Veselin*	*Ranko*	*Marko*	*Milan*	*Milos*
Tivat	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Petar*	*Dragan*	*Ivan*	*Aleksandar*	*Luka*	*Zoran*	*Dejan*	*Milos*
Tuzi	*Anton*	*Nikola*	*Marko*	*Zef*	*Martin*	*Djon*	*Viktor*	*Emir*	*David*	*Djerdj*
Ulcinj	*Nikola*	*Mirsad*	*Skender*	*Safet*	*Marko*	*Samir*	*Arben*	*Senad*	*Naser*	*Ramazan*
Zabljak	*Marko*	*Zoran*	*Milos*	*Veselin*	*Radovan*	*Luka*	*Danilo*	*Nikola*	*Jovan*	*Milan*
Zeta	*Nikola*	*Milos*	*Zoran*	*Dragan*	*Dejan*	*Marko*	*Lazar*	*Luka*	*Aleksandar*	*Zeljko*

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

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.

The release of the census results is defined by Article 30 of the Law on Census.

Population shall include persons with their usual place of residence in Montenegro.

Usual place of residence shall mean a place where a person usually spends the day, regardless of temporary absence due to recreation, vacation, visiting friends or relatives, business absence, as well as absence due to treatment or religious pilgrimage, as well as a place where the person stays uninterruptedly, at least one year before the Census reference moment or who has arrived at the usual place of residence in the course of 12 months prior the Census reference moment with the intention of staying there for at least one year.

Age

The data on the age were obtained from population responses of the date of birth.

Data are presented on the age of completed years of life. This means that age interval, for example. 5-9 years includes persons who have reached 5,6,7,8 and 9 years.

All data are collected on the basis of the person's statement without checking the documents.

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.

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

More data, as well as detailed methodological explanations can be found under section: **The census of population 2023**