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Marriage statistic

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Marriage statistic

LEGAL BASIS

The legal basis for the implementation of the statistics of marriages is the Law on Official Statistics and the system of official statistics („ Gazette of Montenegro", no. 18/12) and the Annual plan of official statistics which is developed for each calendar year.

According to Law on Official Statistics and the system of official statistics, reporting units are obliged to give information and individual data obtained in the survey are protected and used only for statistical purposes.

METHODOLOGICAL BASIS

Data sources

Data on marriages are collected within parent offices, in accordance with Law on Statistics.

Reporting units

Data on registered marriages concluded under the applicable legislation on marriage, that is enrolled in the Register of Marriages, are collected and delivered by the registrars.

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Purpose of survey

Marriage and divorce statistics has aim to produce data that enable basic demographic analysis of the population at the national or municipality level. Data are the basis for calculating a set of analytical demographic indicators used for the purpose of assessing any present or future structure of the population.

Content of survey

Through survey on marriages data about the wedding municipality, wedding date and of the groom and bride (before marriage, marriage in order, date of birth, place of residence before marriage, a temporary stay abroad, activity, nationality, religion, national origin and the highest level of completed education) are collected.

Coverage and comparability

Data on marriages are collected and processed in accordance with the definition of total population, according to the international (UN, Eurostat). According to that definition, data on marriages and divorces are processed since 2005. When compared data it is necessary to take account of the change in the definition of the total population. According to the legal regulations regarding the maintenance of registers of marriage cases registers of the area where they occurred must be entered in, regardless of whether the persons residing in the area or not. In the analysis of statistical research regrouping is done, so the results are reported by place of permanent residence. In statistics of marriages the unit of observation is every legal marriage.

Definitions and explanations

Marriage is an act by which the legal relationship of husband and wife is constituted.

Marital status - for sort by this characteristic only legal marital status is taken into account. This means that as married were considered only persons who were in a marriage concluded in accordance with the statutory provisions during the observed phenomenon.

Age - in all tables in this release, age is expressed in completed years of life. It is calculated on the basis of the date of birth of the person and the date when the incident happened. In most of the tables age is expressed in five-year age groups.

Nuptiality rate is the number of marriages per 1000 inhabitants in the year of observation.

Compliance with international recommendations, standards and practice

Survey on marriages and divorces is conducted according to the methodology that is harmonized with the recommendations UN Principles and Recommendations for a Vital Statistics System Revision 2.

Survey organization

Statistical Office as a producer of official statistics makes methodological instructions, establishes instruments for survey conducting, develops code books needed for research, prepares and prints forms and distributes them to regional offices.

Regional offices distribute forms to reporting units, collect patterns, do control covers, accuracy control and completeness of the data as well as data entry.

Deadlines

Deadlines for submission and publication of data are defined in the Annual Plan of official statistics.

Survey instruments

For the implementation of the annual survey on marriage, following form is used: Statistical form on marriage (wedding) - form DEM -3.

Instructions for filling forms

Instruction for the filling of statistical form of marriage (form DM-3) is located on the site of the Statistical Office of Montenegro at:

<http://monstat.org/userfiles/file/demografija/Uputstvo%20Dem-3.pdf> and it is available only on Montenegrin.

List of nomenclature and qualifications that are used in the survey:

In a survey on marriages following is used:

- Systematic list of settlements in Montenegro
- Qualification of professions

Dissemination

Data on marriages can be found in the Monthly Statistical Review, those are preliminary data.

Annually Release on marriages and divorces is prepared, with final data, which is available on the website of the Statistical Office.