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## 2012 Population and Housing Census



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Rwandan Socio-economic progress and for  
providing an evidence base that can guide  
national policymaking.***

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### Why is the Census needed?

1. To provide demographic and socio-economic statistics on the people of Rwanda for the Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS), District Development Plans (DDP) and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)
2. To know how many people live in Rwanda:
  - How many men and women? How old? Where do they live?
  - What do they do? How well educated? How healthy?
3. To show how fast the population is growing – births, deaths, migration
4. To provide linkages to other household surveys:
  - Facilitate poverty mapping
  - Provide sampling framework

Censuses were carried out in 1978, 1991 and 2002. This will be Rwanda's fourth PHC.



# How will the census be conducted?

House-to-house visits by enumerators will collect information about people living in Rwanda on Census Day – 15 August 2012. 16,500 enumerators, including one for every village (umudugudu), will visit every household in Rwanda. Final results will be published within ten months of Census Day, observing that “data delayed is data denied”. Census activities include:

Activity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Preparations, Census Mapping					
Pilot Census					
Census, Post-Enumeration Survey					
Data Processing					
Data Analysis					
Results					

## What will it cost?

The Census will cost \$21.3 million, for a projected population of 11 million people in 2012, around \$1.9 per person counted. For a land-locked and remote country, this is not excessive and much less per person than some other countries carrying out censuses in 2011 and 2012, e.g. Zambia and Zimbabwe; and represents a big decrease from the \$32.3 million that was estimated in the National Strategy for the Development of Statistics. The biggest cost is the enumeration itself at a cost of \$8.8 million. The costs will peak in 2012, when 59% of all expenditure will be incurred, centred on Census Day.

# Summary budget for main activities (US\$ million)

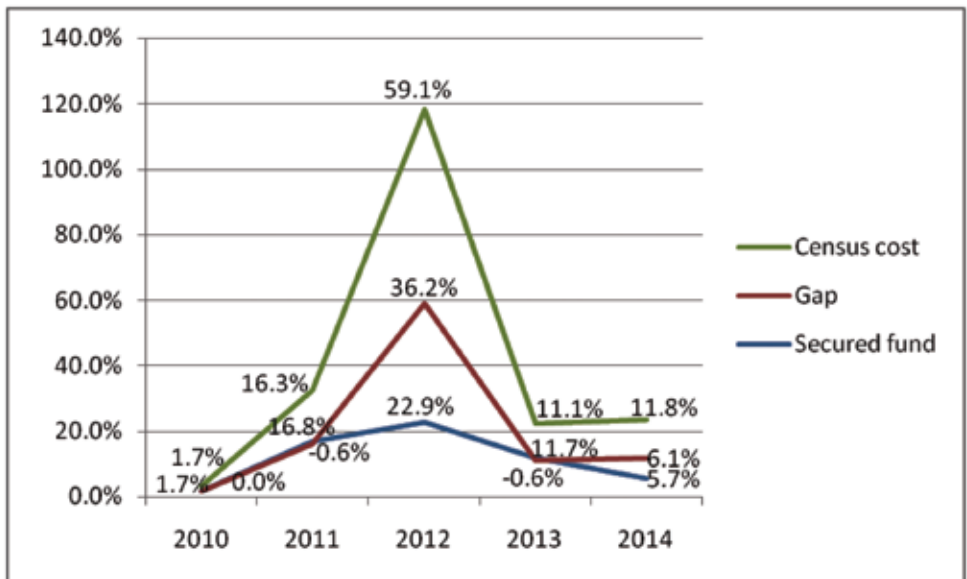
Activity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	TOTAL
Preparations, Mapping,						
Pilot Census	0.3	0.9				1.2
Census and						
Post- Enumeration Survey			8.8			8.8
Data processing, Analysis, Dissemination		0.7	0.9	0.5	0.8	2.9
Coordination		1.0	1.3	1.3	1.2	4.8
Other costs		1.0	1.6	0.6	0.5	3.7
<b>Total (US\$ million/ %)</b>	<b>0.3 (1.7%)</b>	<b>3.5 (16.3%)</b>	<b>12.6 (59.1%)</b>	<b>2.4 (11.1%)</b>	<b>2.5 (11.8%)</b>	<b>21.3 (100.0%)</b>

**To improve investments in all sectors and accelerate progress towards the MDGs and other major international and national goals, a concerted effort is needed to collect better data.**

# How will it be funded?

By February 2011, only 58.9% of these costs had been covered by committed funding, including a Government contribution in cash and in kind of \$9.7 million, and a contribution from the One UN fund to be managed by UNFPA of \$2.5 million. The costs and known funding are represented in the diagram below, which also shows vividly the funding gap that currently stands at about \$8.8 million, including \$7.7 million in 2012.

## Costs, Gap and Funding as percentage of the Total Census Cost (%)



## Key deliverables

1. Summary indicators
2. National and district reports on age, sex and location of the people of Rwanda
3. A socio-demographic report for the nation and for each province and district
4. In-depth reports on:
  - fertility, mortality and migration
  - education and economic activities
  - women, youths, children, elderly and handicapped
  - access to facilities
  - housing conditions
5. Poverty maps and a socio-demographic Atlas of Rwanda
6. A list of households for future sample surveys
7. Population projections



**Generating, analyzing and disseminating population data is a critical process for sound and successful development policies and programmes.**

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