CENSUS 2022 KEY MESSAGES

Key messages	Supporting statements
Stats SA will conduct a population and housing census, Census 2022, from February to March 2022.	• Census data collection will be in all areas across all provinces. • The Stats Act No. 6 of 1999 mandates Stats SA to conduct censuses.
Everyone within the borders of South Africa is counted during a census	• Populations in households, the homeless, the transient, populations in special dwelling units - those in communal living quarters such as hotels, B&Bs, hospitals, correctional centres, old age homes etc.
Households and institutions are required to register to be enumerated and select the data collection mode in which they want to be counted.	• Census data collection will be online, telephonic and face-to-face. Households and institutions should select one of the three methods when registering • Respondent may register in three ways: - online on: getcounted.statssa.gov.za - Through the Census call center on 0800 110 248 or - With a Stats SA Fieldworker • Stats SA fieldworkers will visit households and institutions that did not register and those who chose to complete the census questionnaire face-to-face.

#GETCOUNTED

A Census is used for planning and decision making by various sectors of society	• The census provides information and date at municipal level, and is the only source of small area data.
The data collected during a census is kept confidential.	• The Stats Act prohibits Stats SA and fieldworkers from sharing information with any other state institution or an organ of the state. • The data collected may only be used for statistical purposes.
All COVID-19 protocols will be observed during fieldwork activities	• Our fieldworkers will comply with COVID 19 regulations by wearing protective gear such as face shields and masks and will observe social distancing while collecting data from households
The Post-enumeration Survey (PES) will be conducted after the census	• The PES is an independent survey used to measure the accuracy and reach of the Census • The PES identifies how many households and persons were erroneously included, missed or double counted in the Census • The PES is conducted only in selected areas