



# METHODOLOGICAL EXPLANATION

## ESTIMATION OF THE DWELLING STOCK

***This methodological explanation relates to the data releases:***

- Estimation of the dwelling stock, Slovenia, annually (ABOLISHED). Data published on SI-STAT data portal (Economy - Construction – Estimation of the dwelling stock) are available from 1999 to 2014. Recent data of abolished posts are available on the [SI-STAT data portal](#) (Demography and social statistics – Level of living - Occupied and unoccupied dwellings)

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## 1 PURPOSE OF THE STATISTICAL SURVEY

With the estimation of the balance of the dwelling stock we wish to provide data on all dwellings on the territory of Slovenia by age, quality and size in the period between two censuses. The survey is the basis for economic and social analyses important for monitoring the national housing policy.

## 2 LEGAL BASIS FOR THE SURVEY

The legal basis for the survey is the National Statistics Act (OJ RS, No. 45/95 and 9/2001) and the Annual Programme of Statistical Surveys for the observed year.

## 3 OBSERVATION UNITS

Observation units are dwellings.

## 4 COVERAGE

Covered are all dwellings on the territory of Slovenia (occupied, unoccupied, for occasional use). As a rule, we cover only completed dwellings in which all construction, installation and finishing works were performed.

Results are shown according to the 2011 register-based census methodology, which takes into account dwellings used only occasionally (for leisure and recreation or for seasonal work in agriculture).

The dwelling stock does not cover business premises, shacks, cellars, attics, etc., used for habitation and collective accommodations (e.g. boarding schools). Dwellings owned by foreign countries and dwellings used for tourism purposes are also not covered.

## 5 SOURCES AND METHODS OF DATA COLLECTION

The estimation of the balance of the dwelling stock is a combination of data on dwellings collected with the register-based Census of Population, Households and Housings in the Republic of Slovenia in 2011 and data collected with regular statistical surveys. Data on newly obtained dwellings are estimates calculated on the basis of the Questionnaire on Buildings Permits (GRAD-GD/M). Data on dwellings which are no longer used for residence are collected with the Questionnaire on Demolition Permits or Changing the Purpose of the Dwelling (GRAD-RS/M).

## 6 DEFINITIONS

A **dwelling** is any structurally unified whole intended for residence, with one or more rooms, with or without appropriate utility spaces (kitchen, larder, hallway, bathroom, toilet) and with at least one separate entrance.

**Year of construction of the dwelling** is determined by the year in which the building was constructed. For damaged or almost demolished buildings which were later on reconstructed, the year of reconstruction is taken into account.

### **Installations within the dwelling**

Data on the water supply, sewage, electricity and central heating for each building were collected and not for each dwelling separately.

**Auxiliary spaces in a dwelling** are the bathroom, toilet, larder, hallway and kitchen.

**Useful floor space of a dwelling** is the sum of useful floor space of rooms, kitchen and other auxiliary spaces (bathroom, toilet, hallway, entrance hall) and space of enclosed terraces and verandas. The space of rooms and kitchen which are architecturally separated from the dwelling but are used as part of the dwelling all year round is also taken into account. The area of open terraces and balconies, architecturally separated auxiliary spaces, garages, cellars and attics unsuitable for living is not taken into account.

**Average floor space of a dwelling** is the ratio between the sum of useful floor space of all dwellings and the number of all dwellings.

**Average floor space per person** is the ratio between the sum of useful floor space of all dwellings and the number of all residents of 1 July in the observed year.

**Average number of persons per dwelling** is the ratio between the total number of residents of 1 July and the total number of dwellings.

A **room** is an interior space separated from others by permanent walls, which receives direct daylight and has an area of at least six square metres. The kitchen is not counted as a room.

**One-room dwellings** comprise separate rooms, bedsits and one-room dwellings. A separate room is a dwelling with a room, with no kitchen or bathroom. It may have a hallway, toilet or larder, but only if the area of such auxiliary interiors does not exceed six square metres. A bedsit is a dwelling with a room, hallway and bathroom and which may have a small kitchen (up to four square metres of area). A one-room or multi-room dwelling has one or more rooms, a kitchen (or not) and other auxiliary interiors with an area greater than six square metres.

## 7 EXPLANATIONS

For 1999-2001 the results comprised only occupied and unoccupied dwellings, without data on dwellings used only occasionally (for leisure and recreation or for seasonal work in agriculture). From 2002 on the results comprise occupied and unoccupied dwellings as well as data on dwellings used only occasionally. Data for the 2011 Census were for the first time obtained from administrative sources and not with fieldwork. The existence of dwellings and buildings and their characteristics are bound to the registration in the Building Cadastre and the Real Estate Register kept by the Surveying and Mapping Authority of the Republic of Slovenia. Data for 2010 are not confidential, because the Real Estate Register is a public database.

## 8 PUBLISHING

Annually

- Estimation of the construction of dwellings and dwelling stock, First Release
- SI-STAT data portal
- Stat'o'book

## 9 REVISION OF THE DATA

Final data are published 9 months after the observation period.

Methodological explanations about data revision at SURS are published on the website <http://www.stat.si/dokument/5299/RevisionOfStatisticalDataMEgeneral.pdf>

## 10 OTHER METHODOLOGICAL MATERIALS

Questionnaire on Building Permits (GRAD-GD/M) and Questionnaire on Demolition Permits or Changing the Purpose of the Dwelling (GRAD-RS/M) are available on the website (only in Slovene): <http://www.stat.si/StatWeb/glavnanavigacija/metode-in-klasifikacije/vprasaniki>

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