

Inclusive Data Charter monitoring form

	Annual Champion progress survey - 2020
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SECTION 1: IDC action plan progress

No.	Question	Guidance	Champion response
1.1	What progress have you made on your IDC action plan in the past year?	Include any highlights or achievements with examples. This can also include any COVID-19 related reflections	 Throughout the past year, UNFPA has been able to produce numerous technical guidance notes and briefs pertaining to census. These include UNFPA's Strategy for the 2020 Round of Population & Housing Censuses, technical guidance on conducting a post enumeration survey, technical guidance on key add-on questions to a census, technical guidance on generating modelled population estimates, a manual on QGIS for digital cartography in Censuses and Surveys, among others. Further, since the pandemic began, UNFPA has provided critical guidance to countries through the development of

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guidance notes on implications of COVID-19 on census and
on personal protection equipment (ppe) recommendations
for census.
 Within UNFPA's response to the pandemic, we have also
developed two dashboards, one that monitors the impacts
of covid-19 on census activities and one on vulnerable
populations during the pandemic. The impacts of covid-19
on census dashboard collects timely updates from our
Country and Regional Offices to globally map the different
disruptions that countries may be experiencing and how
those disruptions may be postponing or delaying the
national census exercise. As a globally accessible
dashboard, it is our hope that countries are able to
knowledge share and partner to troubleshoot with each
other, while providing a global overview on progress in the
2020 census round.
 The Covid-19 Population Vulnerability dashboard was
developed to provide Country and Regional Offices, policy-
makers, and the general public with access to useful
information on population vulnerabilities to COVID-19, in
order to target preparedness and response, and save lives.
The dashboard highlights COVID-19 vulnerabilities including
age, sex, isolation, residential density, and access to water
for IPUMS census samples for 94 countries, and WorldPop
2020 projections on age, sex, and population density for
more than 200 countries.
 UNFPA has also continued to provide targeted technical
guidance and support to countries in the past year. Prior to
March 2020,
 UNFPA was conducting in-person workshops and missions
to provide technical support, including a regional workshop
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1.2	What areas of your IDC action plan have you made the least progress on, in the past year?	Include any challenges or barriers faced. This can also include any COVID-19 related reflections	 and operational support to NSOs as they embark on their census exercise, with a specific focus on supporting countries to modernize their statistical systems. Lastly, UNFPA launched a Population Data Thematic Fund. The Thematic Fund is our response to growing requests by governments to accelerate capacity-strengthening for modernizing the population data system, expanding the quality and availability of georeferenced census and registry data, and the use of such data to map population vulnerabilities and deliver where it counts. Prior to the pandemic's onset, UNFPA had developed a distinct plan to increase its internal capacity, and the capacity of our external affiliates, through the launch of a Census Refresher Training. The training was planned as a week-long workshop that would be hosted in 2 or 3 regions in 2020. The training would focus on best practices in
			 in the Asia Pacific Region, which was attended by participants representing over 20 countries. Since the pandemic began, UNFPA has held numerous virtual technical sessions with our national counterparts to support their census activities. The development of UNFPA's Population Data Platform has also continued. The platform aims to enhance UNFPA's storage, generation and display of data, and integrate population census data, settlement and boundary data, and SDGs indicators. UNFPA remains an implementing partner in the GRID3 project, which is currently active in over 15 countries. Within the project, UNFPA focuses on providing technical

			innovative methods and technology in census. It was meant to establish a baseline, so that all census experts in UNFPA, and external affiliates that UNFPA works closely with, would have the same fundamental baselines on UNFPA's best practices and knowledge of a standardized set of technical guidance. The first workshop was planned for March but had to be postponed due to the pandemic. UNFPA is now working to convert all of the planned workshop sessions into a larger, virtual course on census. The transition from the standardized in-person technical support that UNFPA typically provides to National Statistics Offices and other stakeholders throughout the census round has been definitively impacted by the pandemic but UNFPA remains committed to developing alternative mechanisms to deliver this critical support.
1.3	Have there been any changes to your current IDC action plan objectives or areas of focus in the last year?	(Yes, No) If yes, please give details of any changes	No. UNFPA is continuing to adjust its mode of engagement due to the virtual environment as a result of the pandemic.
1.4	Has the progress on your IDC action plan led to any changes (internally or externally) in one or more of the following areas.	Checklist – tick all that apply: a) Increased visibility and awareness on inclusive data b) Broader engagement and action being taken on inclusive data c) Increased capacity to collect, analyse and make use of inclusive data	a) Increased visibility and awareness on inclusive data (internal and external) b) Broader engagement and action being taken on inclusive data (internal and external) c) Increased capacity to collect, analyse and make use of inclusive data (internal and external) d) Strengthened coordination and collaboration with others to advance inclusive data objectives (internal and external)

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SECTION	2: IDC engagement		
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2.1	In the last 12 months, has being part of the IDC helped you to increase alignment and strengthen engagement on inclusive data internally?	(Yes, No) If yes, please give details, including any examples	Yes. UNFPA is a proud member of the IDC and is continuously inspired by all of the work of the Charter and its members.
2.2	In the last 12 months, has being part of the IDC helped you in advocacy or engagement to gain more visibility for inclusive data?	(Yes, No) If yes, please give details, including any examples.	Yes. The events and champions calls that IDC organizes provides UNFPA a platform to continue to share our work and develop new collaborative workstreams and partnerships.
2.3	In the last 12 months, have you engaged in any advocacy around the IDC, like encouraging other organizations to join or speaking about the IDC at events?	(Yes, No) If yes, please give details, including examples.	Yes. UNFPA is committed to the IDC and firmly believes in its mandate. As such, UNFPA advocates throughout its work for improving upon national statistical systems to generate, use, and share disaggregated data.
2.4	In the last 12 months, has being part of the IDC enabled you to collaborate with other Champions or partners to take forward your inclusive data priorities?	(Yes, No) If yes, please give details.	Yes. UNFPA has partnered with various actors and organizations, including other Champions, throughout its work in the past 12 months. Current collaborations and partnerships towards furthering our inclusive data priorities include working with other UN agencies through the ICCC, development banks,

			the donor community at large, civil society organizations, the private sector and Member States.
2.5	In the last 12 months, have you shared practice with other countries/organizations on the actions you are taking on inclusive data?	(Yes, No) If yes, please name them and describe what you did.	Yes. One of UNFPA's core priorities includes the strengthening of national capacities for production, use, and sharing of georeferenced census data matched to digital enumeration area boundaries. It is within this priority that UNFPA engages with its national counterparts and advocates for increasing the use and dissemination of census data.
2.6	Which of the offerings below do you find to be the most valuable to you as a member of the IDC network?	a) Communication opportunities e.g. blogs, data stories b) Participating in external events c) Participating in knowledge exchange & learning sessions e.g. Champion calls d) Resources and materials shared through the network e) Collaborating with other Champions on shared challenges or topics of interest f) Being part of a network coming together on a common vision / goal g) Receiving support from the IDC Secretariat h) Other/ please specify	 b) Participating in external events c) Participating in knowledge exchange & learning sessions e.g. Champion calls e) Collaborating with other Champions on shared challenges or topics of interest f) Being part of a network coming together on a common vision / goal