

4 Guide to filling in the census form

In this guide, where it is possible, the census questions are asked in a way that may be easier to understand.

In this guide you will see *.
This points out tips to help you answer the question.

4(a) Questions about your accommodation

Questions about your accommodation are on page 2 of the census form.

Question H1: What type of accommodation does your household occupy?

The diagram illustrates the mapping between simplified instructions and the census form question H1. On the left, four instruction boxes are listed, separated by 'or'. Arrows point from these boxes to the corresponding options in the census form on the right. An orange box at the top left contains the instruction '* Tick only one box.'.

*** Tick only one box.**

Tick the type of house.

or

Tick the type of flat or apartment.

or

Tick if a bedsit.

or

Tick if a caravan or mobile home.

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H1 What type of accommodation does your household occupy?
✓ one box only.

A whole house or bungalow that is:

1 Detached

2 Semi-detached

3 Terraced (including end of terrace)

A flat or apartment (including duplexes) that is self-contained:

4 In a purpose-built block

5 Part of a converted house or commercial building

A bed-sit:

6 Bed-sit (with some shared facilities e.g. toilet)

A mobile or temporary structure:

7 A caravan or other mobile or temporary structure

Question H2: When was your house, flat or apartment built?

* If you do not know the year it was built, you might need to ask a neighbour.

* Tick only one box.

H2 What year was your house or other building containing your accommodation first built?
✓ the year in which first built even if the building was subsequently converted, extended or renovated.

1 Before 1919
 2 1919 - 1940 inclusive
 3 1941 - 1960 inclusive
 4 1961 - 1970 inclusive
 5 1971 - 1980 inclusive
 6 1981 - 1990 inclusive
 7 1991 - 1995 inclusive
 8 1996 - 2000 inclusive
 9 2001 or later

Question H3: Do you rent, own or have a mortgage?

* Tick only one box.

- You have a mortgage. → 1
- You have no mortgage. → 2
- You are buying from the Local Authority. → 3
- You rent from the Local Authority. → 4
- You rent from a voluntary body. → 5
- You rent from a private person. → 6, 7
- You do not pay rent. → 8

H3 What is the nature of occupancy of your household's accommodation?
✓ one box only.

1 Owner occupied where loan or mortgage repayments are being made
 2 Owner occupied where no loan or mortgage repayments are being made
 3 Being purchased from a Local Authority under a Tenant Purchase Scheme
 4 Rented from a Local Authority
 5 Rented from a Voluntary Body
 6 Rented unfurnished other than from a Local Authority or Voluntary Body
 7 Rented furnished or part furnished other than from a Local Authority or Voluntary Body
 8 Occupied free of rent (caretaker, company official, etc.)

Question H4: If you pay rent, how much do you pay?

If you pay rent, write in the amount of rent in euros. →

How often do you pay this?

* Tick only one box.

- every week → 1
- every month → 2
- every year → 3

H4 If your accommodation is rented, how much rent does your household pay?
Enter amount to the nearest Euro.

€

✓ to indicate

1 Per week
 2 Per month
 3 Per year

Question H5: How many rooms do you have?

* Count kitchen, living rooms and bedrooms. Do not count toilets, halls, etc.

H5 How many rooms do you have for use only by your household?

- Do NOT count bathrooms, toilets, kitchenettes, utility rooms, consulting rooms, offices, shops, halls or landings, or rooms that can only be used for storage such as cupboards.
- Do count all other rooms for example kitchens, living rooms, bedrooms, conservatories you can sit in, and studies.
- If two rooms have been converted into one, count them as one room.

Number of rooms

Question H6: Do you have central heating?

* Tick yes or no.

H6 Does your accommodation have central heating?

✓ 'Yes' if you have central heating in some or all rooms whether or not you use it.

- 1 Yes
2 No

Question H7: Where does your water come from?

* Tick only one box.

- Public pipe
- Local Authority group water scheme
- Private group water scheme
- Your own well or water tank.
- You have no piped water supply.

H7 What type of piped water supply does your accommodation have?

✓ one box only.

- 1 Connection to a Public Main
- 2 Connection to a Group Water Scheme with a Local Authority source of supply
- 3 Connection to a Group Water Scheme with a private source of supply (e.g. borehole, lake, etc.)
- 4 Connection to other private source (e.g. well, lake, rain-water tank, etc.)
- 5 No piped water supply

Question H8: Where does your toilet waste go?

* Tick only one box.

- Public pipe
- Septic tank
- Your own system
- Other, including chemical toilets
- No toilet

H8 What type of sewerage facility does your accommodation have?

✓ one box only.

- 1 Public sewerage scheme
- 2 Individual septic tank
- 3 Individual treatment system other than a septic tank
- 4 Other sewerage facility
- 5 No sewerage facility

Question H9: How many cars or vans do you have?

* Count your company car or van if you can use them for yourself.

* Tick only one box.

H9 How many cars or vans are owned or are available for use by one or more members of your household?

Include any company car or van if available for private use.

✔ one box only.

- 1 One
- 2 Two
- 3 Three
- 4 Four or more
- 5 None

Question H10: Do you have a computer at home?

* Tick yes or no.

H10 Does your household have a personal computer (PC)?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Question H11: Do you have Internet access at home?

* Tick only one box.

H11 Does your household have access to the Internet?

✔ 'Yes' if you have access to the Internet in your home.

- 1 Yes, Broadband connection
- 2 Yes, other connection
- 3 No

Question H12 says to go to the next page (page 3) of the census form.

H12 Proceed to next page 