PHC 2011: The share of Estonian citizens in the population has increased

According to the preliminary data of the 2011 Population and Housing Census, of the 1,294,236 enumerated permanent residents in Estonia, 1,101,761 are Estonian citizens. Compared to the previous census, the share of Estonian citizens has increased from 80% to 85%.

During the 2011 Population and Housing Census (PHC 2011), 1,101,761 Estonian citizens living permanently in Estonia were enumerated, which is by 6,018 more than in the 2000 Population Census (1,095,743), including 597,652 women and 504,109 men.

85.1% of the enumerated permanent residents defined themselves as Estonian citizens and 8.1% as citizens of a foreign country. 6.5% of the enumerated permanent residents defined themselves as persons with undetermined citizenship. 3,116 persons did not specify their citizenship. Compared to the previous Population and Housing Census, the share of persons with undetermined citizenship has decreased (from 12.4% to 6.5%) and the share of persons with the citizenship of a foreign country has increased (from 6.9% to 8.1%).

Of the citizens of other countries, the number of permanent residents is the largest among the citizens of the Russian Federation (89,913), Ukraine (4,707) and Latvia (1,739).

More detailed data have been published in the statistical database http://www.stat.ee/sdb-update?db_update_id=13543.

The 11th population census in Estonia was conducted from 31 December 2011 until 31 March 2012. Previous censuses were carried out in 1881, 1897, 1922, 1934, 1941, 1959, 1970, 1979, 1989 and 2000. The next population census will be conducted in Estonia in 2020/2021.

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