

2022 Census of Population and Housing Final Report

CCMG Calls for the Release of Age and Ward Level Data from the 2022 Census of Population and Housing

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Following the completion of the 2022 census of population and housing and consequently release of the Preliminary Report, CCMG noted that the preliminary report was missing age variables and that population was not distributed to the ward level. We therefore call upon the Zambia Statistics Agency (ZamStats) to expedite the finalization of the census report and ensure to provide there in the following;

- 1. Clearly disaggregated age data, paying particular attention to the Vote Age Population (VAP) which is critical for voter registration, and
- 2. Distribution of population data to the ward level.

CCMG further calls on the Ministry of Finance and National Planning to actively ensure that the Ministry of Home Affairs and Internal Security, through the Department of National Registration Passports and Citizenship, collaborates with ZamStats in setting targets for the Integrated National Registration Information System (INRIS), as well as ensure that the exercise is driven by census data. Furthermore, we call on the Electoral Commission of Zambia to enhance its collaborate and cooperate with ZamStats to ensure coherence and use of census data in processes, such as boundary delimitation and voter registration, and to use census data, particularly the VAP data, to inform its targets in the ongoing registration of voters.

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