

## THE STATISTICS ACT AND YOU

Make sure that you understand your responsibility in terms of the Statistics Act and play your part in building a South Africa that we can all be proud of.

- **Section 16: Duty to answer questions**  
Fieldworkers may ask you and any other household members questions related to your household and your living conditions. You have a legal obligation to answer these questions truthfully.
- **Section 17: Confidentiality and disclosure**  
Our fieldworkers have a legal obligation to keep your information confidential, and may not discuss your information with any unauthorised person(s). Once your household's information is captured, no one will be able to see where the information came from.
- **Section 18: Offences and penalties**  
Staff found guilty of breach of confidentiality can be fined up to R10 000 or jailed for six months (or both). In addition, if you refuse an employee entry to your premises (section 15), or refuse to answer questions (section 16), you can be fined up to R10 000 or jailed for six months (or both).

Stats SA values the trust placed in us by our respondents. Any breach of this trust by our officials will be dealt with seriously.



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### WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY SURVEY 2016 (CS 2016)?

The Community Survey 2016 is a large-scale survey that happens in-between Censuses 2011 and 2021. The main objective is to provide population and household statistics at municipal level to government and the private sector to support planning and decision-making.

### HOW DOES IT WORK?

- It is a large sample survey covering the whole country, and dwellings will be selected from all areas/communities in South Africa.
- The CS 2016 will be conducted from March to April 2016.
- Fieldworkers will be visiting selected homes to complete an electronic questionnaire.
- Some households will be visited more than once if they are chosen to be part of an Evaluation Survey that will be conducted to verify the quality of the information collected.
- CS 2016 is not a census and will not count everyone in the country.

### WHAT WILL BE ASKED?

You will be required to answer questions relating to persons and households:

- Demographics used in measuring population size
  - Age and sex, Migration, Fertility, Mortality
- Access to and quality of basic household services
  - Water and sanitation, Housing, Energy
- Ownership of household goods
- Household involvement in agricultural activities



### FIELDWORKER VERIFICATION

Community Survey fieldworkers can be identified through official ID cards, which include a hologram image to verify authenticity. This needs to be produced when visiting sampled homes.



### CONTACT DETAILS

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