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2011 Census and National Household Survey

The 2011 Census takes place in May. This Bulletin explains the role of registrants in terms of the disclosure of residents’ personal information.

Statistics Canada enumerators have already visited or will be visiting assisted living residences (and campuses of care, of which assisted living units are a part), to request access to personal information and records about residents in order to complete the census. Section 13 of the Statistics Act requires registrants to grant access to the information and records to any authorized representative of Statistics Canada for the purposes of any activities associated with the census. The enumerators will be able to show you identification that confirms they are employees of Statistics Canada. Registrants will be asked to help the enumerators complete a Collective Dwelling Record. The personal information you provide to the enumerators will be kept confidential by law and will be used only in the aggregate for statistical and research purposes.

Registrants should designate a contact person for the census, who will be responsible for assisting the enumerator. Registrants should also advise all staff about the census and ensure they direct any questions about the census to the designated contact person.

In some cases, individual residents may have received a census form directly, in which case the residents are responsible for completing and submitting the forms to Statistics Canada.