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## Register-based Labour Market Statistics and Employment Statistics for Register- based Census

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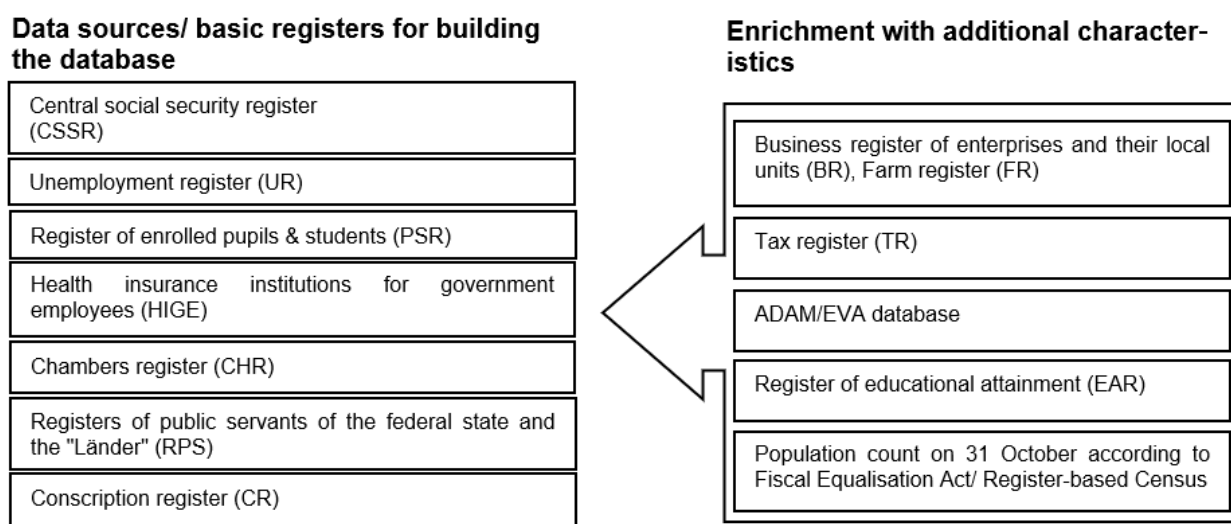
## Executive Summary

The Register-based Labour Market Statistics is produced annually for the reference date 31 October, according to Appendix II of the Federal Statistics Act. It is designed as a full enumeration and is based solely on administrative data sources. It informs about economic characteristics for the Austrian resident population. It provides yearly figures on social groups like employed, unemployed and currently not economically active people on municipality level, which in the past were available only once in a decade in the census. The use of administrative data saves money, reduces work and response burden and makes results available sooner compared to the former census.

Its concept has been developed in the framework of the test census 2006 as a replacement for the traditional Population Census. The Register-based Labour Market Statistics is based on the recommendations given by the Conference of European Statisticians for the 2010 population and housing censuses (CES Recommendations) as well as the Regulation (EC) No. 763/2008 of the European Parliament and the Council on Population and Housing Censuses and it covers all required core topics of the chapter on economic characteristics. The concept of the 2006 test census was largely kept for the Register-based Labour Market Statistics from 2008 onwards and was also used for the Employment Statistics for the Register-based Census.

About 30 administrative and statistical data sources are merged together at different levels, as persons, jobs or register entries, or at the level of enterprises or local units of employment to generate the different attributes.

**Figure 1 – Data sources of the Register-based Labour Market Statistics**



S: Statistics Austria – Register-based Labour Market Statistics.

Building the Register-based Labour Market Statistics by collecting and processing data from existing administrative registers required an evaluation of the quality of the various data sources and their attributes. Results of this research are:

- Overlapping analysis of the data sources
- Decision trees for the derivation of attributes
- Rules of precedence for redundant information from the various data sources
- Coherence with other employment statistics

In addition to the standard-documentation more detailed information, method description and further analysis of the economic characteristics of the Register-based Labour Market Statistics as well as the Register-based Census are available in the “Methodenhandbuch zu den Erwerbsmerkmalen der Abges-  
timmten Erwerbsstatistik sowie der Registerzählung” (german only).

## Register-based Labour Market Statistics – Main Key Points

<b>Subject matter</b>	Core topics of the chapter economic characteristics in Conference of European Statisticians Recommendations for the 2020 Censuses of Population and Housing (labour force status, occupation, industry (branch of economic activity), status in employment)
<b>Population</b>	Austrian resident population on 31 October according to Fiscal Equalisation Act respectively Register-based Census 2021 2021: 9.0 million persons
<b>Type of statistics</b>	Secondary statistics based on administrative data and statistical registers and other primary and secondary statistical surveys
<b>Data sources/Survey techniques</b>	Administrative data sources: central social security register, unemployment register, chambers register, health insurance institutions for government employees, social insurance for industrial economy, registers of public servants of the federal state and the "Länder", conscription register, tax register  In-house data sources: ADAM/EVA database, register of enrolled pupils & students, business register of enterprises and their local units, farm register
<b>Reference period or due day</b>	31 October 2006, 31 October each year since 2008
<b>Periodicity</b>	annual
<b>Survey participation (in case of a survey)</b>	-
<b>Main legal acts</b>	National legislation (german only): <a href="#">Register-based Census Act BGBl. I 33/2006 i.d.g.F.;</a> <a href="#">Federal Statistics Act BGBl. I Nr. 163/1999 i.d.g.F.;</a> Regulation on Employment and Housing statistics <a href="#">EWStV 2010, BGBl. II Nr. 111/2010;</a> Fiscal Equalization Act <a href="#">BGBl. I Nr. 168/2023 i.d.g.F.;</a> EU legislation: <a href="#">Regulation (EC) No 763/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 July 2008 on population and housing censuses (Text with EEA relevance)</a>
<b>Most detailed regional breakdown</b>	Municipalities; for special statistical enumerations also Statistical Enumeration Districts, Hamlets and Statistical Grids
<b>Availability of results</b>	Final data: t + 20 months
<b>Other</b>	Concepts: Labour Force Concept of the International Labour Organisation (ILO); EU Regulation on population and housing censuses