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Definition: Refers to the recorded sex of a person.

Source: Census Question

The table below indicates, for each census year, the numbers of the census questions corresponding to this variable. Click on the question number of the chosen schedule to view more details.

Census Years	Schedule 1a	Schedule 1b	Schedule 1c	Schedule 2	Schedule 2a
1911	5				
1921	12	12	4		
1931	12	12	5		
1941	12	12	5		
1951				5	5

Census Guide, 1911

A. Census Question	Sex
B. Question Number	5 on Schedule 1.
C. Variable(s) and Codes	SEX
D. Reference Point	As of census day, June 1, 1911.
E. Total Target Population	7, 206, 648
F. Statistical unit	The person.
G. Targeted Population	Each person enumerated.
H. Enumerators' Instructions	83. Sex. The sex in column 5 will be denoted by "M" for males and "F" for females.
I. Remarks	

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Census Guide, 1921

A. Census Question	Sex
B. Question Number	Column 12 of Forms 1A and 1B; Column 4 of Form 1C.
C. Variable(s) and Codes	SEX
D. Reference Point	As of Census Day, June 1, 1921.
E. Total Target Population	8 788 483
F. Statistical unit	The person.
G. Targeted Population	Every person enumerated.
H. Enumerators' Instructions	81. The sex will be denoted by "M" for males and "F" for females.
I. Remarks	

Census Guide, 1931

A. Census Question	Sex.
B. Question Number	12 on Schedule 1-A, 1-B and 5 on Schedule 1-NWT.
C. Variable(s) and Codes	SEX
D. Reference Point	As of census day, June 1, 1931.
E. Total Target Population	10, 376, 786
F. Statistical unit	The person.
G. Targeted Population	Each person enumerated.
H. Enumerators' Instructions	102. Column 12: Sex. The sex will be denoted by "M" for males and "F" for females.
I. Remarks	

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Census Guide, 1941

A. Census Question	Sex.
B. Question Number	12 on Schedule 1A, 1B and 5 on Schedule 1C.
C. Variable(s) and Codes	SEX
D. Reference Point	As of census day, June 2, 1941.
E. Total Target Population	11, 506, 655
F. Statistical unit	The person.
G. Targeted Population	Each person enumerated.
H. Enumerators' Instructions	82. Column 12.—Sex. In this column, enter the letter "M" for each male and "F" for each female. Before making this entry, compare the name with the sex to avoid making the mistake of entering "F" opposite a masculine name, and vice versa.
I. Remarks	

Census Guide, 1951

A. Census Question	Sex.
B. Question Number	5 on Form 2 and 2A.
C. Variable(s) and Codes	SEX
D. Reference Point	As of census day, June 1, 1951.
E. Total Target Population	14, 009, 429
F. Statistical unit	The person.
G. Targeted Population	Each person enumerated.
H. Enumerators' Instructions	None.
I. Remarks	

Codes

1 "Male"
2 "Female"
3 "Not recorded"
99999001 "Blank"
99999002 "Damaged"
99999003 "Illegible"
99999004 "In Error"
99999005 "Suspicious"
99999006 "Missing -- Mandatory Field"
99999007 "Not Applicable"
99999008 "Not Mapped"

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99999009 "Correction"
99999010 "Suggestion"
99999011 "Unknown - Suggestion"
99999012 "Multiple Response - Suggestion"
99999001 "None"
99999002 "Not Given"
99999003 "Unknown"
99999004 "Invalid Value"
99999999 "Uncodable"

Remarks: None