



#### INTRODUCTION

The National Statistics Institute of Chile (INE) is the public agency in charge of producing and disseminating the country's official statistics on a wide range of topics. INE also promotes the use and dissemination of official statistical information to support decision-making in the public and private sectors and to increase transparency and accountability.

With 180 years of history, INE is one of the oldest institutions in the country, and among its main tasks is the organization of the national statistical system. Day after day, the people of INE renew their commitment to excellence in all areas of its work, which has led to various initiatives for 2022-2026 that seek to improve the range and dissemination of INE's statistical products, to innovate in their production, and to streamline institutional management.

In this Participatory Public Report, INE describes its activities in 2022 while outlining its initiatives for the coming period. We then open a space for gathering public comments and observations, a process that plays an indispensable part in adapting INE's statistical products to the

needs of the country and that is consistent with the provisions of Law No. 20.500 on Associations and Public Participation in Public Management.

The Public Report seeks to convey how INE's history and commitment is reflected in its efforts over the past year and in its plans for 2023 in anticipation of the 2024 Population and Housing Census, a strategic project to update the country's public policies. In addition, INE is committed to advancing the enactment of the bill that would create a new institutionality for the national statistical system.

The public is invited to use INE's statistical data, which will provide them with key inputs for informed decision-making in different areas. In addition, the information provided by the institution is publicly accessible and free of charge, and it is complemented by tools for visualizing the data.



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### **Statistical** continuity

In 2022, INE collected, processed, and provided the country with more than seventy statistical products, which were published in more than 150 bulletins that summarized the variety of areas within its scope, including demographic and social statistics, labour statistics, price statistics, economic and environmental statistics, and censuses. The continuity and regularity of these bulletins was one of the main challenges last year, and this challenge will be one of the main tasks of 2023.

Among the most important publications to date are the results of the 2021 National Urban Survey of Public Security (ENUSC), the VIII Agricultural and Forestry Census (2021), the 2021 Supplementary Survey of Income, statistical yearbooks (including yearbooks on culture and environment), and health statistics. In 2022, we completed the statistical designs and sample selection for the National Socioeconomic Characterization Survey (CASEN), the National Survey on Drugs in the General

Population, and the Program for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies.

Other activities of 2022 that we should highlight are the collection process of the Household Budget Survey (HBS), the dissemination of new dimensions of analysis in the National Employment Survey (ENE), and the publication of indicators on the Labour Turnover Rate and the Migrant Employment bulletin.

Furthermore, the change of base year began for the following statistical products: the Consumer Price Index (CPI), the Producer Price Index (IPP), and the Transportation Costs Index (ICT); and collection began for the Structural Survey of Earnings and Labour Costs. All of these activities will be concluded in 2023, and they will be incorporated into their corresponding products in 2024.







### Statistics on care and gender equity

The National Statistics Institute has begun preparation for the second version of the National Time-Use Survey (ENUT). Its previous version dates back to 2015, and today it provides essential data for the configuration of the national care system and contributes to the advancement of gender equity.

Within this framework, the work plan of the ENUT was presented. and a technical committee was formed to accompany the execution of the survey, which is based on the collection of data through direct interviews with people aged twelve and over in

the main urban centers of all the regions of the country. Through its measurement of unpaid work and characterization of the demand for care in Chile, the ENUT will support the development of public policies that contribute to reducing the gender gap in the labour market.

published the document "Standardization of questions for the measurement of sex, gender, and sexual orientation (SGOS) for household surveys and populaprovide a set of technical and conceptual guidelines in this area.

This standardization of variables. which is a cross-sectional ures produced within INE and throughout the national statistical system. Specifically, this effort will standardize the collection of data through operational definitions of sex, gender, and sexual-orientation variables in order to make these variables consistent, interpretable, and interoperable. In addition, standardization will increase precision in the measurement of gender statistics.





# **2024 Population** and Housing Census

In 2022, we continued preparation for the 2024 Population and Housing Census, which represents one of the main institutional challenges.

Given the importance of census data and our objective of con-

tributing to its quality, we have agreed to be permanently accompanied and advised by CE-LADE (ECLAC's Latin American and Caribbean Demographic Centre, Population Division) and an advisory committee composed of specialists in the field.

Another milestone reached last year in the preparation for the Population and Housing Census was the signing of collaboration agreements between INE and 92% of the country's municipalities. These agreements state the disposition of the communes to carry out this most important statistical operation in Chile.

In October and November 2022, INE conducted the "Integral Census Test", which sought to perfect the processes and activities of the 2024 Census, but on a smaller scale. The test was carried out in certain sectors of the communes of Coquimbo, Santiago, and San Antonio, as well as in the entire commune of Licantén, which together encompassed approximately ten thousand dwellings.





INE must have the support of other state institutions to achieve its objectives. For this reason, during the past year we have reached important agreements for the use of administrative records of other institutions, which will allow us to improve and optimize our own statistical production. At the same time, we have formed cross-sectional working groups together with the Undersecretariat of Labour and have established a working group on migration statistics together with the National Migration Service.

We have also strengthened the country's presence in the international sphere in terms of official statistics. Among our activi-

ties are the coordination of the working group on the fulfillment of Sustainable Development Goal indicators in our country and the administration of the Knowledge Transmission Network (KTN), together with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), with whom we launched an international tool for evaluating estimate quality in household surveys. INE also participated in twenty-two methodological working groups with agencies of the United Nations, the Executive Committee on Statistics of the OECD, the XXIII International Meeting on Gender Statistics, and in the statistics of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe. In ad-

dition, together with the United Nations, we hosted the National Conference on Statistical Population Registers.

In 2022, INE, together with the national statistical offices of Mexico and the Dominican Republic, led an international project for the formation of a Community of Women Leaders, whose objectives are to foster a mentoring dynamic in various regional spaces and to provide a platform for women to share their experiences and their trajectory towards leadership positions, such as directors of national statistical offices.

<sup>(1)</sup> Administrative Records are population-specific data, which are recorded by agencies other than the institution. The information is then sent to INE for review, tabulation, analysis, and publication.



### Public outreach

For strengthening and consolidating the institution's position with the public, our dissemination activities have kept the public informed about the institution's work and about the uses that can be made of INE's statistical products, with the understanding that data is a public good and a key input for decision-making.

Among these initiatives are public conferences, academic activities, and public bulletins.

Thus we can see the importance of our public outreach for raising awareness of how the institution operates internally, its work methodologies, its information sources, and the results it provides.

In addition, we have sought to strengthen public participation through enhancing accessibility to official statistics, encouraging their efficient use, and highlighting their importance. We have also sought to assist the participation of the public as respondents in INE's various statistical operations.

Currently, work is underway to form the Civil Society Council for the 2023–2024 period. This organization seeks to contribute ideas and opinions on the role of the institution in relation to its legal functions and its mission, vision, values, and strategic objectives.



### Operational continuity

Among the challenges for 2023 are the creation of new statistical products and the implementation of methodological changes to surveys, which are described below.

In 2023, INE will collect information for the Second National Time-Use Survey (ENUT). The pilot study for this measurement will be conducted between March and May 2023, and the survey will take place between September and December of the same year, reaching 26,300 dwellings. Similarly, INE will begin the collection for the 2023 Labour Survey, which will be the second version in which INE is responsible for all the stages of the statistical process. The

work of this survey will be carried out jointly with the Labour Directorate. Likewise, INE, in coordination with the Ministry of Interior, will conduct the National Urban Survey of Public Security (ENUSC) between July and December 2023. The survey will reach approximately 77,600 dwellings, and, for the first time, it will be representative at the level of commune, which is a substantial increase in the size of the survey and in its capacity to provide information on such a relevant and sensitive issue in the country.

In 2023, INE will also carry out the operational collection for the Survey of Activities of Children and Adolescents (EANNA),





whose objective is to investigate the daily activities of children and adolescents between ages five and seventeen in order to contribute to the development of public policies for this population group.

Between August and October 2023, INE will conduct the Social Welfare Survey (EBS), which will reach approximately 21,500 households. INE will also conduct the National Microenterprise Survey, the results of which are expected in the first half of 2023.

In addition, INE will conduct the National Employment Survey (ENE) and the Supplementary Survey of Income (ESI) as well as measure the Labour Turnover Rate. INE will also update the base year for the Consumer Price Index (CPI), the Earnings and Labour Costs Index (IR-ICMO), and the Index of Commercial Activity (IAC).

Finally, INE will further promote experimental statistics on digital platforms and the dissemination of the SDG indicator on young people who are not studying and are not employed. INE will also finish the process of adopting and adapting the new International Classification of Status in Employment (ICSE-18) and of incorporating the category of dependent contractors.





As we previously noted, conducting the 2024 Population and Housing Census is the main challenge for our institution, although it is not the only one. The continuation and conclusion of the Precensus Update in 2023 will seek to update cartography and to complete a preliminary enumeration of dwellings in order to plan for the census and safeguard its coverage.

Another important milestone is the Census Test, which will take place between 22 May and 30 July 2023. The Census Test seeks to assess the operation of all systems and procedures of the 2024 Population and Housing Census, and it will be conducted in a sample of selected blocks

and dwellings of four communes of the country: Cerrillos in its entirety, and certain sectors of Alto Hospicio, Hualpén, and Padre Las Casas. The test will evaluate the main collection method (faceto-face interviews conducted by enumerators) and the complementary method (a Web platform where people will be able to enumerate themselves).





## A new statistical institutionality

A strategic challenge for 2023–2024 is the approval of the bill creating a new statistical institutionality for the national statistical system.

The project proposes the creation of a technical, autonomous, and decentralized agency, with legal personality and its own assets, in charge of statistics and official censuses of the republic, and bound by and subject to the rules of administrative, financial.

and budgetary control of the services of public administration. The project follows other national statistical offices who are the governing bodies of their nation's statistical systems and who have been endowed with the organizational and professional structure for the exercise of leadership of the statistical system and for the execution of plans, programs, and statistical policies.

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