

26. POPULATION AND HOUSING CENSUS

The Population and Housing Census as at 26 March 2011 was carried out on the entire territory of the Czech Republic based on the Act No. 296/2009 Sb., on the 2011 Population and Housing Census. Data were surveyed according to the state as at the decisive moment, which was the midnight from 25 to 26 March 2011. The Census **applied to every natural person** who had on the decisive moment permanent residence or permitted temporary residence on the territory of the Czech Republic, **each house**, even unoccupied, and **each dwelling**, even unoccupied. The house was understood as a building containing premises determined for housing or accommodation. A dwelling was defined as a set of rooms (or one room), which was determined for housing by a planning and building control authority.

The content of the Census (the set of surveyed data) was stipulated by the Act No. 296/2009 Sb. All persons were obliged to provide data surveyed by the Census in the scope and way stipulated by the Act. As usually, a self-enumeration method has been used, in which people filled in the Census forms (questionnaires) by themselves. Data on a dwelling were provided by its user, in the case of an unoccupied dwelling by the owner or caretaker of the house or dwelling. Besides data obtained from the population by means of the Census forms (traditional census) also administrative data sources have been used for the first time in a larger extent – i.e. the Register of Census Districts and Buildings and the Population Database Information System of the Ministry of the Interior of the CR.

All data from the 2011 Population and Housing Census (as well as from previous censuses) are provided according to the territorial and administrative breakdown of the Czech Republic valid as at 26 March 2011.

Preliminary results of the Census were processed according to **the place of permanent residence** and published in the end of 2011. **Final results** are (pursuant to the Regulation (EC) of the European Parliament and of the Council on population and housing censuses) processed for the first time for usually resident population / according to **the place of usual residence**. They are gradually published on the website: www.scitani.cz and also in special publications.