Population Survey in China

National Bureau of Statistics, Guohui

Bangkok, Thailand, 4 - 8 Jan. 2018
Two main sources of China’s Population data

Statistical survey
- decennial population census
- inter-census population survey (micro-census)
- annual population change sample survey

Administrative records
- Ministry of Public Security
- National Health Commission
- Ministry of civil affairs
Population census have been done:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sequence</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Population (million)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>1953</td>
<td>594.53</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>1964</td>
<td>694.58</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>1982</td>
<td>1008.18</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>1990</td>
<td>1133.68</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>2000</td>
<td>1265.83</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>2010</td>
<td>1339.72</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
The challenges in 2010 population census

- Increasing individual awareness of privacy
- More refusal to cooperate with census
- Access to households
- Capturing floating population
- Recruiting enumerators
Some new experiment

• internet enumeration in 2015
• Add ID Number in 2017
• Try to define the people’s usual residence by using the cellphone signal in 2020
Questionnaire for Residents from Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan and Foreign Countries

• First use in 2010
• Total 11 questions

  name, sex, birth date, stay purpose, duration stay, education attainment, citizenship…
The main data

- Total number: 1,020,145
- Hong Kong SAR: 234,829
- Macao SAR: 21,201
- Taiwan: 170,283
- Foreigner: 593,832
Brief introduction of Migration Data in China

National Immigration Administration

Zhang Yicong
Administrative Data from NIA

1. China is the fourth biggest origin country.
   over 10,000,000 emigrants
   over 60,000,000 Overseas Chinese
   “Brain Drain”
Administrative Data from NIA

• 2. China is becoming a significant destination country.
  over 43,000,000 foreign-born persons entered Chinese border in 2017, including 30,000,000 foreign citizens
Administrative Data from NIA

Korean (3,860,000)、Japanese (2,680,000)、Russians (2,360,000)、Americans (2,310,000)
Sources of Data

• Border Control
• Document Issuing Bodies
Border Control

- Flows
- 598,000,000 persons entered and exited Chinese border in 2017
- “Legal fiction border” between the mainland and HongKong, Macao and Taiwan
- Chinese citizens living in the mainland 292,000,000 persons exited Chinese border in 2017
Document Issuing Bodies

- Stock
- Over 800,000 foreign citizens staying in China in 2017, including permanent residents, long-term stay and short-term stay.
Challenges

• Barrier between policies and statistics
• Privacy Protection
• Coordination among stakeholders
• Lack of necessary participation of stakeholders
Thank You