

Guatemala: Biggest collection of population data since 2002



In 2018, UNFPA conducted the direct implementation of the Guatemalan census in close collaboration with INE, the National Statistics Institute of Guatemala.

This exercise set an example of a successful accompaniment model for the region, which included over 360 procurement procedures within a USD 15 million budget.

With the support of UNFPA, Guatemala reached 96% of all its households, becoming the biggest operation conducted since the last census in 2002.

UNFPA assisted with digital cartography during the pre-census stage in 7 different regional departments. In this preparation stage, UNFPA gathered technical assistance through 28 international missions and 9 exchanges between statistics offices in the region.

Also, UNFPA made use of a digital platform for recruiting human resources, which allowed a fast and reliable process to reach and engage the local population. More than 20,000 people worked in the field collecting population data in a paper-based census.

UNFPA Procurement Services Branch assisted with:

- Support in 18 international and national purchases
- Guidance and advice in preparing bidding documents and defining the technical specifications of products and services
- Rental of local IT equipment, printing, and insurance
- Procured clothing and accessories for census officers
- Evaluated goods to verify quality and compliance with industry standards

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