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## PRESS RELEASE

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THE VALLEY – The Anguilla Statistics Department (ASD) of the Government of Anguilla is currently working along with some 40 enumerators and 8 supervisors who have been employed by the Department to assist in the enumeration phase of the AP&H Census 2022, to complete the Visitation Record Listing component.

By means of the Anguilla Population and Housing (AP&H) Census 2022, Anguilla is 'taking stock' of its population; size, structure and characteristics along with housing characteristics; the first time since the last AP&H Census held in 2011.

Enumerators are out and around the island in their assigned Enumeration Districts (ED) for the purpose of identifying the buildings based on the building points and collecting those not on the map; in addition to collecting data on the building type, dwelling type and status. Contact information is also being collected for all residential dwellings along with the person count for each dwelling. This information is the only way to provide Anguilla with an **actual** population count at a point in time.

Since the start of this component of the enumeration on July 4, 2022, up to August 22, 2022 work has been progressing steadily. A review of the preliminary data shows that enumerators collected data regarding 6,111 buildings and 5,884 households, have provided their visitation listing data. This indicates that there are 949 more basic units of enumeration for the AP&H Census; persons or groups of persons who occupy a common dwelling or part of it, for at least four (4) days a week and who provide themselves jointly with food and other essentials for living. In other words, they live together as a unit.

The household preliminary data indicates that there are 11, 413 persons so far who will be eligible to be interviewed when the second component of the AP&H Census commences. This figure is 148 less than the number enumerated in the AP&H Census 2011.

Once the visitation listing exercise has been completed, enumerators will return to households to conduct the enumeration exercise through the administration of a household questionnaire and individual questionnaires to all members of the household. It should be noted that individual questionnaires for persons under the age of sixteen (16) can be completed by the household reference person. Household reference persons are encouraged to involve all members of the household under sixteen (16) in the completion of the questionnaire assigned to them. This experience will provide them with practical knowledge of a population and housing census which is part of their primary school curriculum.

It is important that everyone takes note of the Census Night - June 15, 6:00PM – 11:59PM and where you spent that night to answer the questions accurately.

While some persons may have reservations about being interviewed and providing data, it is essential and mandated by law that this exercise is carried out. The census data will have a direct impact not only on programme and policy design, it is also extremely important for use by private sector developers in making economic decisions.

The Anguilla Statistics Department thanks all householders and business owners for providing the enumerators with the necessary data or called to indicate that they have yet to see an enumerator during this phase.

We request the cooperation of those who have yet to provide information, this will aid in wrapping up this section so that we can move onto the collection phase of the household and individual questionnaires. If you have not seen an enumerator in your area, please call the Anguilla Statistics Department on 497-5731 or 497-2451 Ext. 1861 and let us know.

More information on the Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022 can be obtained by contacting the Anguilla Statistics Department on 497-5731 or e-mail the Anguilla Statistics Department at [statistics@gov.ai](mailto:statistics@gov.ai)

**“The Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022 – It All Adds Up”**

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