

Book 17: Families with children

According to the results of 2011 Census of Population, Households and Dwellings, in the Republic of Serbia¹⁾ there are 1 476 105 families with children, which makes 69.4% of the total number of families (2 125 772).

The most expressive are families with one child (every second family, i.e. 51.8% of the total number of families with children), followed by families with two children (40%), then come families with three (6.7%) and four children (1.1%). Families with five and more children are the least represented (0.4%).

In the Republic of Serbia an average family with children has 1.6 children.

Families with children by number of children, by regions, 2011 Census

	Republic of Serbia		Beogradski region		Region Vojvodine		Region Šumadije i Zapadne Srbije		Region Južne i Istočne Srbije		Region Kosovo i Metohija
	total	%	all	%	all	%	all	%	all	%	all
TOTAL	1476105	100	355178	100	399871	100	413030	100	308026	100	...
1 child	764546	51.8	192143	54.1	210779	52.7	202766	49.1	158858	51.6	...
2 children	591114	40.0	137986	38.8	157227	39.3	169282	41.0	126619	41.1	...
3	99368	6.7	21227	6.0	25917	6.5	33671	8.1	18553	6.0	...
4	15813	1.1	2877	0.8	4221	1.1	5732	1.4	2983	1.0	...
5 and more children	5264	0.4	945	0.3	1727	0.4	1579	0.4	1013	0.3	...
Average number of children in a family	1.58	-	1.54	-	1.57	-	1.63	-	1.58	-	...

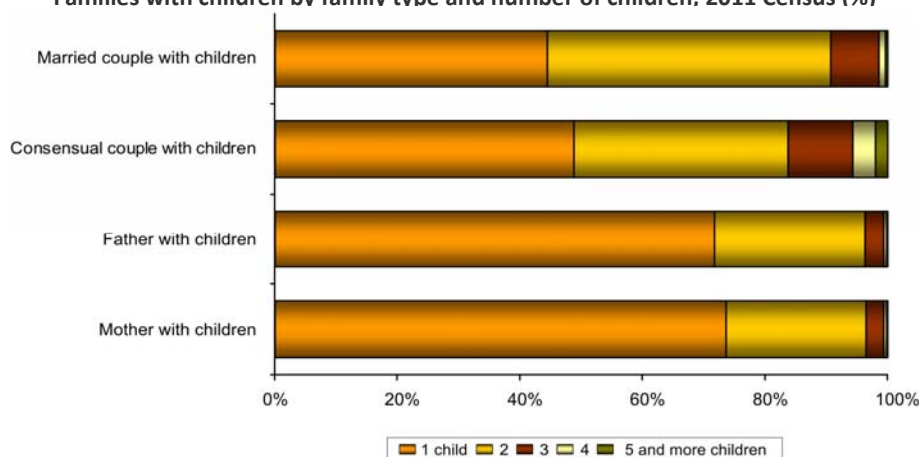
Among families of the type married couple with children the share of families with one child (44.4%) is almost equal to the share of families with two children (46.3%). The share of families with three and more children equals 9.3%.

Among the families of the type consensual couple with children almost every second family has one child (48.8%), while 34.9% families have two children, and 16.3% families have three and more children.

On the other side, among lone parent families (mother/father with children) the most represented are families with one child (over 70%), followed by families with two children with the share of almost one quarter, while the share of families with three and more children is considerably lower than with couple families (below 4%).

Of the total number of children living with families, three quarters (74.4%) are aged below 25.

Families with children by family type and number of children, 2011 Census (%)



¹⁾ The 2011 Census was not conducted on the territory of the AP Kosovo and Metohia, while in the municipalities of Presevo and Bujanovac there was undercoverage of the census units owing to the boycott by most of the members of the Albanian ethnic community.

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Family is a community represented by a married or a consensual couple, or parents (both or one only) and their children. Here child means any persons, regardless the age and marital status, who lives with one parent or both parents and that in this household has no married/consensual partner or child.

Detailed data on families with children by family type, number and age of children, by municipalities and cities, are published in the Book 17, "Families with children" and can be found in an electronic form on internet pages: www.stat.gov.rs and www.popis2011.stat.rs.

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