# Duties and responsibilities:

The essential functions of the Census Department are to carry out population and economic censuses, such as Population and Housing Census, Agricultural Census, and Establishment Census, etc. The Department also implements special-purpose censuses such as Civil Servant Censuses and School Censuses. The department keeps track with the administrative structure and divisions of Rwanda and records whatever official changes that may have been taken place (e.g. a rural area has been changed to urban, new community has been established or demolished, etc.). The Department is also in-charge of updating the business registry.

To accomplish its mission, the Census Department is headed by a director and is organized into two sections with the following:

Director (1)

**Population Censuses Research Statistician Team (4):**

- Team Leader
- Census Methodology Statistician (1)
- Population Censuses Analysis Statistician (1)
- Training & Field Operation Statistician (1)

**Economic Censuses Statistician Team (5):**

- Team Leader
- Agriculture Censuses Statistician (1)
- Formal Sector Census Statistician (1)
- Informal Sector Census Statistician (2)

**Director (a.i):**

**Mrs UWAYEZU Beatrice**



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Mrs. UWAYEZU Beatrice is the Acting Director of Censuses Unit at the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR) since February 2025 where she is entrusted with managing Censuses Department.

Previously, she served as Principal Statistician in charge of Population (2011-2018), then as Population and Housing Censuses Statistician Team Leader (2018-2024) and Population and Housing Census Specialist at the National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda (NISR) (2024).

As the head of Population and Housing Census section, she played a pivotal role in the design, organization, execution, and analysis of the fourth and the fifth General Population and Housing Census conducted in Rwanda in 2012, 2022.

Mrs. UWAYEZU is a demographer with a Master's degree in Demography from the “Institut de Formation ate de Recherches Demographiques” (IFORD) in Cameroon.

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