



**In the Name of God, the Compassionate,  
the Merciful**

# **An Introduction to the Civil Registration System in the Islamic Republic of Iran**

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# Introduction

- The Civil Registration Organization of Iran is an independent entity in terms of administrative, financial and operational affairs.
- Institutionally, the NOCR is under the Ministry of the Interior

# Main Missions

- Registration of vital events.
- Confirmation of identity and citizenship documents of the Iranian nationals.
- Produce and release population statistics and information on demographic dynamics

## Civil Registration legislation in Iran

➤ In 1940, a cohesive and general legislation consisting of 55 articles were passed and the regulations following it with 131 articles were passed in the same year. This legislation remained generally intact for 36 years. After these years in July 1976, the new civil registration act with 55 articles was ratified and after the addition of some amendments in 1984, the law has not changed until today

# The key mandates of the Iranian Civil Registration Organization According to Article (1) of the Civil Registration Act 1976

- Registration of birth and issuance of birth certificate
- Registration of death and issuance of death permit
- Replacement of the current birth certificate
- Registration of marriage/divorce
- Issuance of birth certificates for foreign nationals born in Iran

➤ Collection, preparation and dissemination of vital statistics

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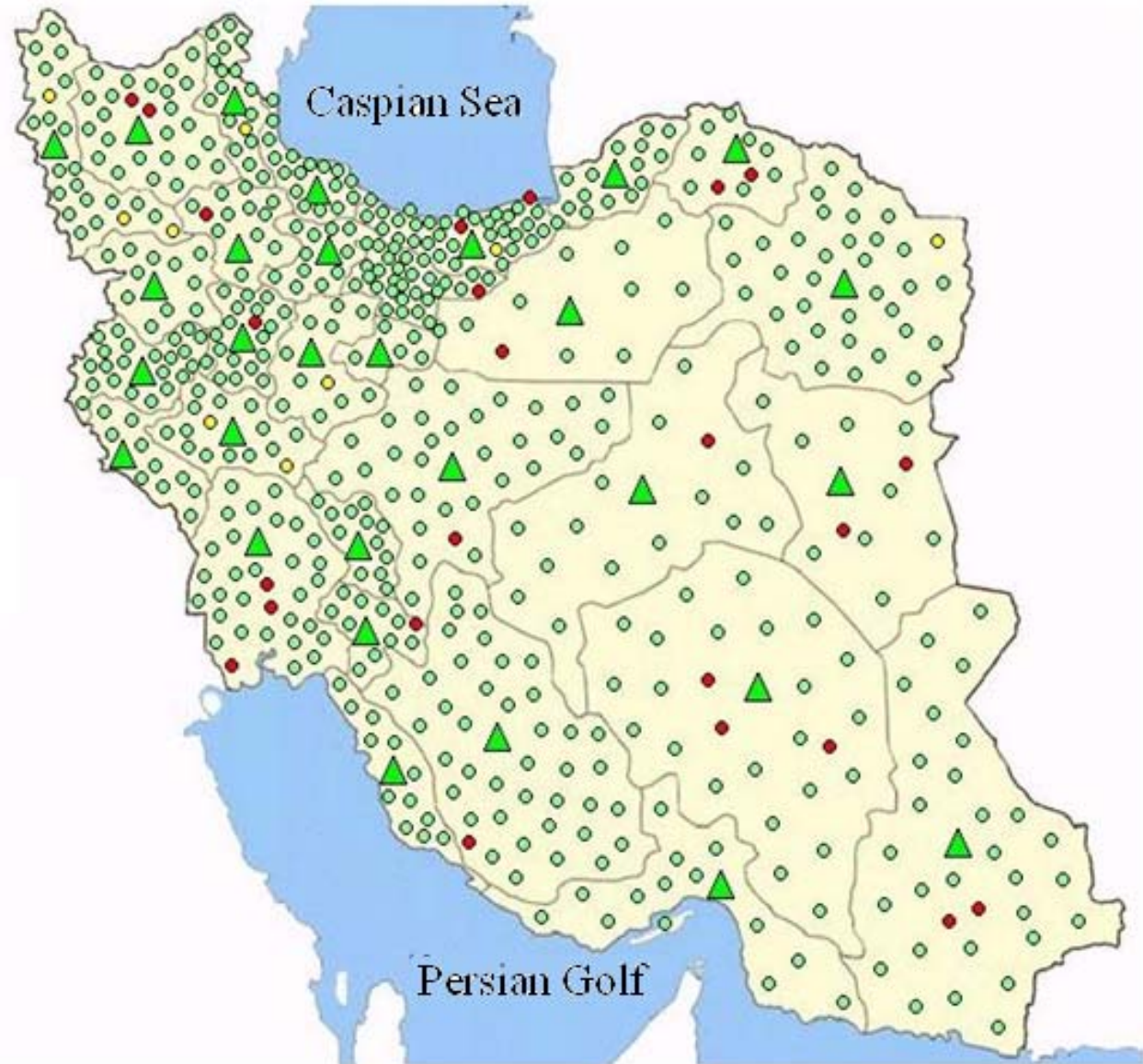
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## Some key points envisaged in other Articles of the of the Civil Registration Act 1976

- According to Article 25, the deadline for notifications of Death is within 10 days from it's occurrence
- According to Article 15, the deadline for notifications of birth is within 15 days from it's occurrence
- According to Article 5, the Civil Registration Organization may utilize, in implementation of it's mandate, the services of staff from other local government agencies as well as public and revolutionary institute

The map of the Civil Registration Organization's online data transmission network, with 640 member (Departments and offices)



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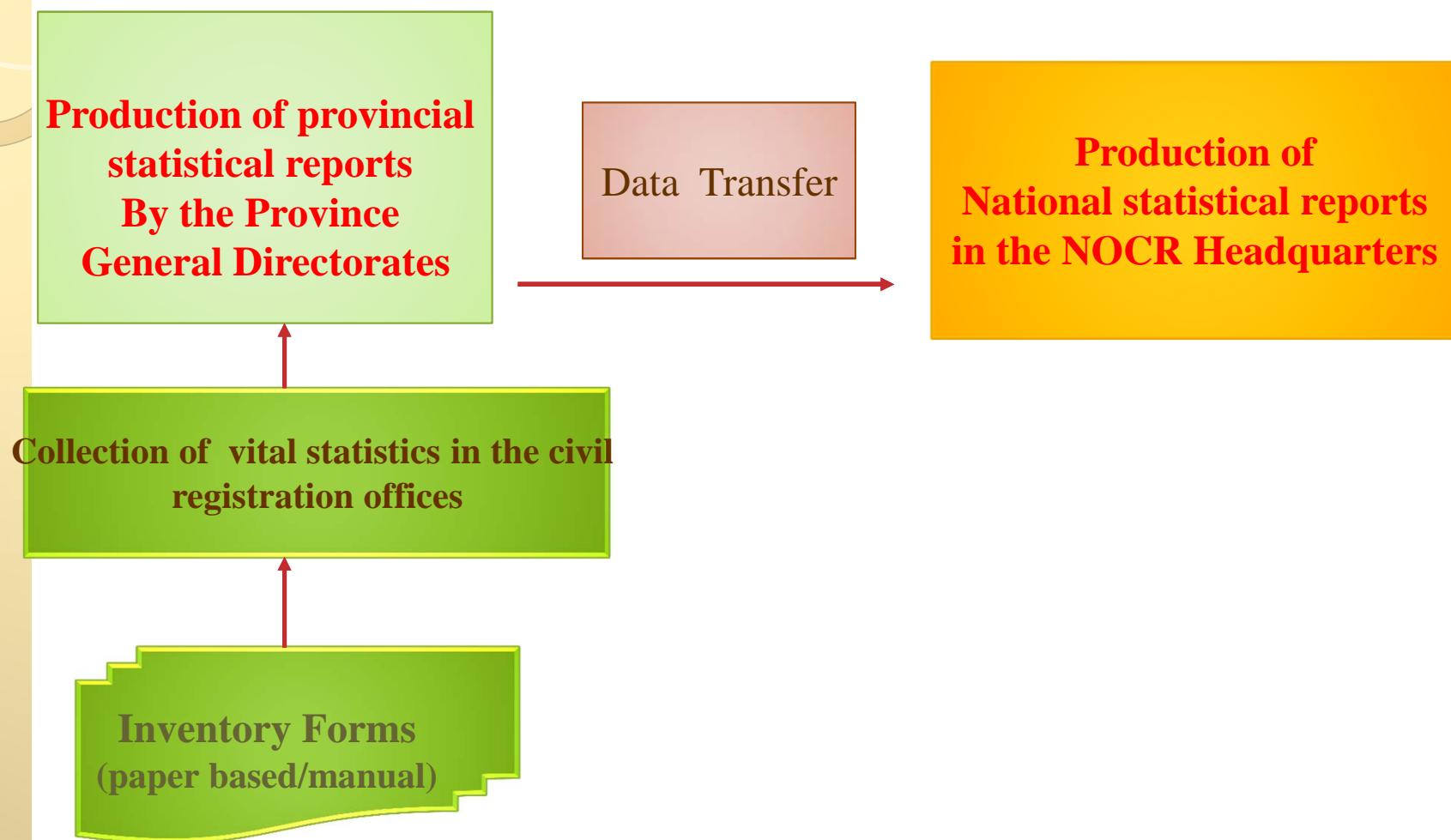
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- Disconnect from Data Center
- In Alarm Status
- ▲ Province Center

# The Notification Network in Iran and its members



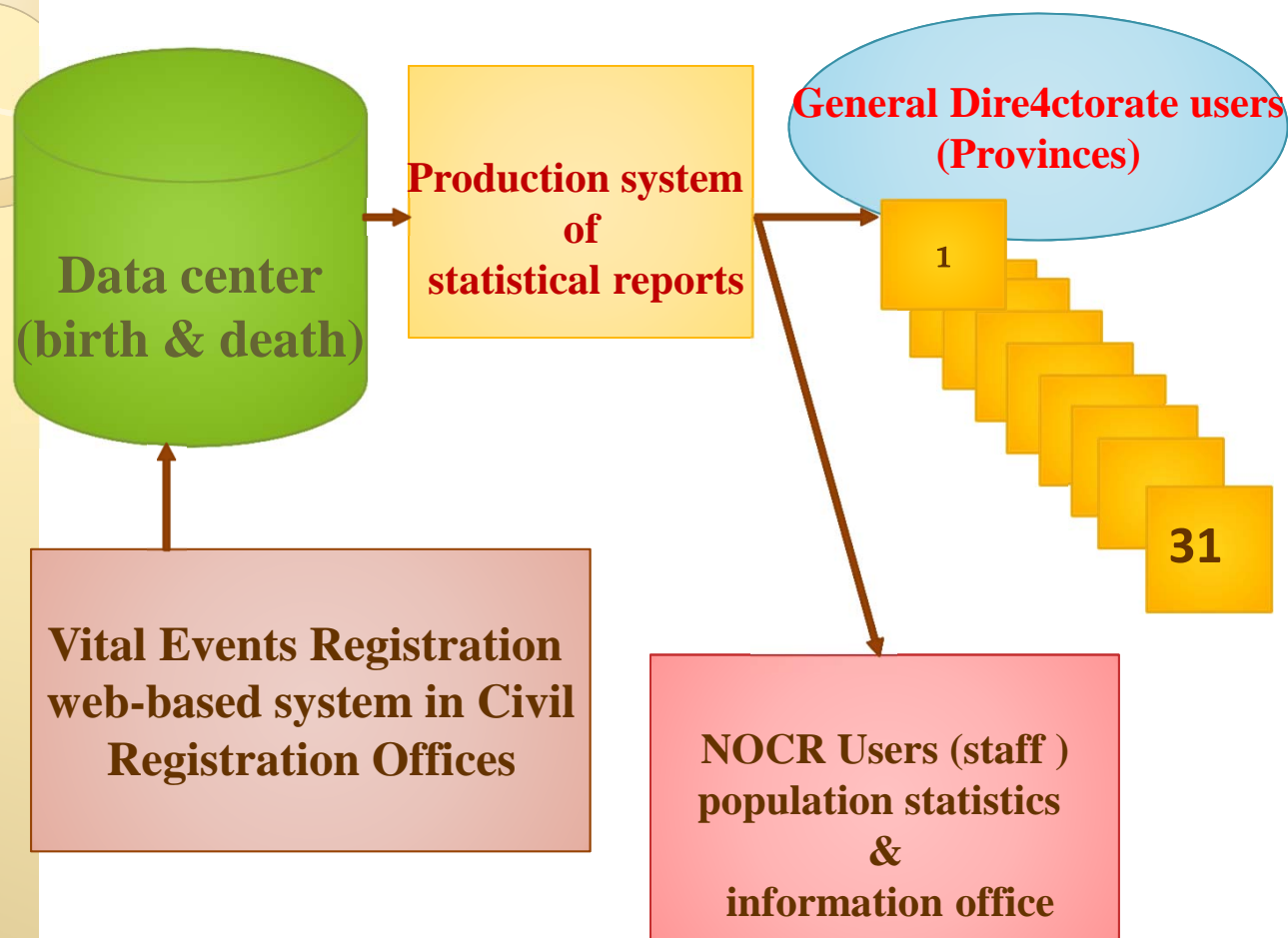


# Procedure of Vital Statistics Production in Iran Before Computerization



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## The New Procedures of Vital Statistics Production (After Computerization)



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# Items Collected in Birth Registration

- Sex
- Urban/rural
- Time interval between birth and its registration
- Mother's age
- Multiple pregnancy births

## Population statistics and indices produced from Birth Registration

- Crude birth rate
- General fertility rate
- Total fertility rate
- Age specific fertility rates

# Items Collected in Death Registration

- Sex
- Urban/rural
- Time interval between death & registration date
- Age group ( for Current registration)
- Cause of death

## Population statistics and indices produced from Death Registration

- General mortality rate
- Child mortality rate
- Mother's mortality rate

## Items Collected in Marriage and Divorce Registration:


- Urban & rural
- Husband & Wife age group
- Husband age difference with spouse
- Husband age distribution with spouse
- Wife & Main occupation groups of Husband
- Wife & Educational & literacy status of Husband
- Marriage duration in the registered divorces

## Population statistics and indices produced from Marriage and Divorce Registration

- Crude marriage & divorce rate
- Age average in registered marriage (husband & spouse)
- Age average in registered divorces (husband & spouse)
- Age group with highest registered marriages & divorces
- Ratio of marriage to divorce

## Some of the Current Projects at the NOCR:

- Introducing the IDC10 and educational attainment standards (completed).
- Application of internal geographical coding system
- Revising the Civil Registration legislation in order to incorporate new legislative capabilities to cover new developments in the social and demographic arena, such as surrogate mothers as a new type of event to be registered, etc.
- Regular updating of the procedures and the institutional structures to accommodate the latest international vital statistics standards
- Scanning and, bringing into online use, more than 130 million birth and death documents. (people do not need to refer to the issuing offices for services on these documents). Project is completed.

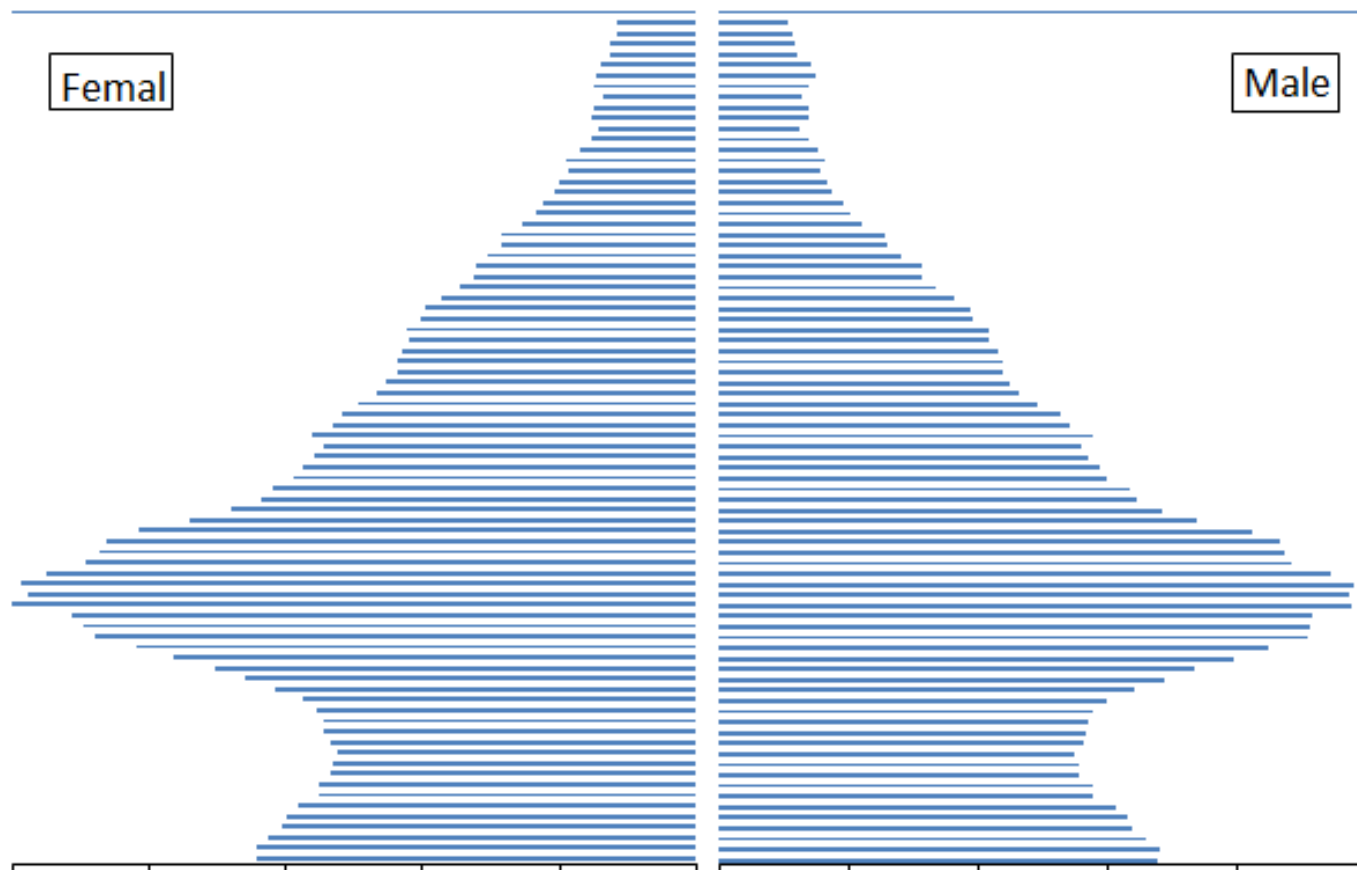
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- Integrating all activities and institutions to improve the vital events registration coverage.
  - Connecting all main hospitals and cemeteries to the data center in order to reduce the delay between event and registration and to improve the coverage. (Also obtaining some recommended items such as weight at birth)
  - Trying to connect the State Organization For Registration Deeds And Properties to the data center. it will be done in this year and then all of Marriage and Divorcees will be transferred from that organization to the data center immediately and coverage of these two events will grow up .
  - **Issuing e-id card**

# Some tips..

- Just one organization must be in charge of determination and certification of the **IDENTITY** in the country and that organization also must be in charge of civil registration.
- Other organization must (legal must) refer to that organization in order to certify their customers identity.



Age and Sex Population Pyramid of  
Alive Births Registered Since NOCR Establishment (1918)  
in Iranian National Database



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# Thank You



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