

Uzbekistan

Metadata

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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0. Prerequisites

0.1 Legal environment

0.1.1 Responsibility for collecting, processing, and disseminating statistics

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On August 11, 2021, the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Official Statistics” was adopted, which was developed on the basis of the Generic Law on Official Statistics for Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia.

The purpose of the Law is to regulate relations in the field of official statistics. This Law applies to producers and users of official statistics, respondents and suppliers of administrative data, as well as relations arising between them related to the production, dissemination and coordination of official statistics.

Also, in accordance with the Regulations on the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan, approved by the Resolution of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated February 24, 2025 No. RP-75 “On measures to organize the activities of the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan”, the National Statistics Committee is responsible for compliance with the basic principles of official statistics and identity of statistical methodology consistent with international recommendations; organizing the collection of statistical data, statistical observations of households, conducting censuses, one-time counts, sample surveys and other statistical observations; providing users of all levels with official statistical data in the prescribed manner; maintaining statistical registers and classification systems for their use for statistical purposes.

At the same time, in accordance with Article 14 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, statistical authorities have the right:

- receive from state and economic management bodies, citizens' self-government bodies, banks and other organizations forms of statistical observation and use statistical observation data for statistical purposes;
- to carry out statistical observations of the activities of statistical units and use the obtained primary data for statistical purposes;
- to reward respondents - individuals for participating in statistical observations;
- to request and receive from state and economic management bodies, as well as from other organizations, information necessary for the implementation of statistical programs;
- involve on a contractual basis individuals and legal entities to collect statistical data necessary for the production of official statistics, in accordance with the law;

- use and introduce into the national statistical system modern methods and tools for collecting, processing, summarizing, analyzing, disseminating and storing statistical data;
- in case of revealing violations related to the presentation of statistical data, give instructions on their elimination and make appropriate corrections to the statistical data;
- within the limits of their powers, apply to officials who have violated the procedure for submitting statistical reports, measures of administrative penalties in accordance with the law.

According to Presidential Order №O-5054 dated September 12, 2017, economic and financial data in the country must comply with the requirements of the Enhanced General Data Dissemination System (e-GDDS) of the International Monetary Fund and be coordinated within the framework of this system.

Management of statistical processes, including the preparation and dissemination of statistical data, is carried out in accordance with national procedures developed on the basis of international quality management models (GSIM, GSBPM, GAMS0).

0.1.2 Data sharing and coordination among data producing agencies

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According to article 11 of the Law on Official Statistics, producers of official statistics are guided by internationally recommended definitions, classifications and methodology when producing statistics.

The authorized state body, within the framework of statistical programs, coordinates the activities of other producers of official statistics.

Producers of official statistics coordinate the methodology for producing statistics within their mandate.

If a discrepancy with international recommendations is revealed in the statistical methodologies of other producers of official statistics, the authorized state body, based on the results of the audit of statistical methodologies, has the right to make them mandatory submissions.

Other producers of official statistics that are part of the national statistical system create subdivisions responsible for generating statistical data and ensuring information exchange with the authorized state body.

Producers of official statistics and suppliers of administrative data submit to the authorized state body the statistical and (or) administrative data they have at their disposal free of charge in the manner and terms established by statistical programs.

According to Article 10 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, the Statistical Council is a collegial advisory body on the development, functioning and coordination of official statistics under the authorized state body.

The composition of the Statistical Council is formed from representatives of government bodies, research organizations, non-governmental non-profit organizations, as well as national experts in statistics.

0.1.3 Confidentiality of individual reporters' data

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According to Article 27 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, individual data held by the producers of official statistics are used exclusively for statistical purposes to compile aggregate statistical data. Individual data cannot be used by state bodies, citizens’ self-government bodies and other organizations, including international ones, for the purposes of investigation, control, litigation, administrative decisions or for other purposes concerning individuals and legal entities or households.

The National Statistics Committee’s employees must comply with the code of ethics, including the principle of confidentiality, not disclose any information provided to them in the performance of their duties.

They are informed of the responsibilities at the time of appointment. Each employee of the National Statistics Committee is obliged to sign an agreement that obliges him not to disclose such data.

0.1.4 Provision of statistical reporting

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According to Article 14 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, state statistics bodies have the right to receive forms of statistical observation from bodies of state and economic management, self-government bodies of citizens, banks and other organizations. In accordance with Article 215 of the Code of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On Administrative Liability”, violation by officials of the procedure for submitting statistical reports, expressed in failure to submit reports and other data necessary for conducting statistical observations, distortion of reporting data or violation of the deadlines for submitting reports entails the imposition of a fine from seven to ten basic calculated values.

According to Article 16 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, when conducting statistical observations in accordance with statistical programs, respondents are obliged to provide producers of official statistics with reliable and complete data free of charge in the manner and terms established by the producer of official statistics.

1.Integrity

1.1 Professionalism

1.1.1 Impartiality of statistics

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According to Article 6 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, the main principles of official statistics are impartiality and objectivity.

According to Article 13 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, state bodies, other organizations and their officials are not entitled to interfere with the activities of state statistics bodies carried out in accordance with this Law.

Territorial departments of statistics, departments of statistics of districts (cities) are independent

from local government bodies and are directly subordinate to the authorized government body. When selecting the employees and appointing them to senior positions, their experience and professionalism in the field of statistics are taken into account. Improvement of the qualification of the department's employees is ensured through participation in training courses organized by the Institute for Professional Development and Statistical Research of the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan, as well as in training courses, training seminars organized by international organizations. Employees of the department give lectures at training courses organized by the Institute for Professional Development and Statistical Research. The placement of scientific articles of the department's employees in the mass media has been organized.

1.1.2 Selection of sources, methodology, and modes of dissemination

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According to Article 33 of the Law “On Official Statistics”:

Producers of official statistics assess the quality of official statistics on an ongoing basis. To ensure quality assurance, official statistics are produced and disseminated on the basis of general principles and methods concerning coverage, definitions, statistical units and classifications of official statistics.

In order to improve the quality of official statistics, producers of official statistics have the right to analyze and edit data, combine data from various sources, link and compare data for statistical purposes, and use statistical methods to evaluate them.

Producers of Official Statistics document the sources and methods used in the production process as well as the resulting datasets. Users of official statistics are informed about the sources and methods of producing statistics and about the quality of official statistics through metadata.

1.1.3 Commenting on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics

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The National Statistics Committee may comment on misinterpretation and misuse of statistical data.

1.2 Transparency

1.2.1 Disclosure of terms and conditions for statistical collection, processing, and dissemination

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According to Article 6 of the Law “On Official Statistics”, the main principles of official statistics are clarity and transparency. The conditions for the collection, processing and dissemination of statistical data are included in the legislative acts of the Republic of Uzbekistan concerning statistics. These laws are posted on websites and are thus available to the public. The Law “On Official Statistics” and the statistical program, which clearly defines the terms for the development and dissemination of statistical data, are posted on the official website of the National Statistics Committee (<https://stat.uz>). The law is available in the bulletin of the Oliy Majlis, the database of regulatory legal acts (norm), as well as in the database of the Ministry of

Justice located at www.lex.uz . Statistical reporting forms submitted by respondents to generate statistical data are published in advance for users on the National Statistics Committee's official website.

1.2.2 Internal governmental access to statistics prior to release

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The government does not have access to the statistics produced by the National Statistics Committee prior to their publication. State statistical bodies are independent in the dissemination of statistical data. Interference by state bodies is not allowed (Article 13 of the Law "On Official Statistics"). Only the Chairman of the Committee, his deputies and responsible employees have access to statistical data prior to their publication.

1.2.3 Attribution of statistical products

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The logo and footnotes clearly identify that the information published for the public in print statistical publications, information bulletins and in mass media is produced by the National Statistics Committee.

1.2.4 Advance notice of major changes in methodology, source data, and statistical techniques

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The National Statistics Committee notifies the public in advance about the transition to a new methodology and significant changes in existing methods and approaches. The National Statistics Committee posts on its official website the relevant methodological guidelines explaining what changes users should expect. The expected changes are communicated to the public in articles, news and press conferences.

1.3. Ethical standards

1.3.1 Guideline for staff behavior

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The Rules of Conduct for the National Statistics Committee's employees were approved. They are required to comply with a code of ethics, including the principle of confidentiality, and must not disclose any information provided to them in the performance of their assigned duties. They are informed of these obligations upon appointment. An employee of the National Statistics Committee is obliged to conclude an agreement containing an obligation not to disclose individual data.

4. Serviceability

4.3 Revision

4.3.1 Revision and/or update schedule

The annual statistical program provides timelines for revising a number of data categories, including national accounts, price and production indices, and trade data. The data revision cycle is predetermined and is fairly stable from year to year. In addition, each year the annual statistics program allows for an overview of current data and the needs of data users.

4.3.2 Identification of preliminary and/or revised/updated data

In accordance with the Law "On Official Statistics" when publishing preliminary statistical data subject to further revision, they are indicated as preliminary.

5. Accessibility

5.1 Data

5.1.3 Advance release calendar

According to the Law, producers of official statistics are obliged to publish official statistics within the timeframes stipulated by the statistical program and the publication calendar of official statistics.

Any change in the publication date of official statistics shall be made public to the public prior to the planned publication date.

5.1.4 Simultaneous release

The National Statistics Committee publishes data to the public on its website (www.stat.uz).

5.3 Assistance to users

5.3.1 Dissemination of information on contact points

Contacts are available on the website of the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan (www.stat.uz) and are available in metadata.

9. Plans

9.1 Recent

9.1.1 Plans for improvement - Recent improvements

The Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan No. UP-190 dated 10 September 2026 “On Approval of the National Strategy for the Development of Statistics - 2030 and Organization of the Effective Use of Census Data” defines the main directions for the development of official statistics for 2026–2030. The Strategy aims to improve the official statistics system, enhance the quality and reliability of statistical data, expand the use of digital technologies and modern data sources, and ensure the openness and accessibility of statistical information.

In August 2021, the Law “On Official Statistics” came into force, defining such concepts as regulation in the field of official statistics, the rights and obligations of producers of official statistics, respondents, suppliers of administrative data and users of official statistics statistical programs, observations and registers, censuses, the procedure for their compilation and approval, statistical data, the procedure for their use and confidentiality, ensuring the quality of official statistics, its dissemination and publication.

The Resolution of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated February 24, 2024 No.RP-114 “On measures to organize the activities of the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan” defined the priority areas and approved the organizational structure of the National Statistics Committee, “Regulations on the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan”; “Road map” for deepening reforms in the field of official statistics.

The National Statistics Committee follows the General Statistical Business Processes Model (GSBPM) of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), which lists statistical business processes that support quality management and metadata management.

The list of consumer goods and services on which prices are monitored has been updated (as of 2024, 510 items). CAPI technology has been introduced using tablet devices in all regions selected for monitoring consumer prices. Since 2023, regional baskets of weights have been introduced for the formation of the CPI. A mechanism for calculating “conditional prices” for temporarily unavailable goods has been introduced. Web-scraping technology began to be used to collect price data for a number of large retail chains. In addition, data from the information system of tax authorities with online information from cash registers is used.

As for the national accounts, National classification on kinds of economic activities of the Republic of Uzbekistan, rev.2 was introduced into statistical practice. A satellite tourism account has been introduced. In accordance with the recommendations of the SNA - 2008 manual, the calculation of housing services produced by homeowners for their own consumption using the user cost method has been introduced into statistical practice. The calculation of the volume of financial intermediation services, measured indirectly in accordance with the SNA 2008, has been introduced. Data on export-import transactions are brought into line with BPM data (6).

Industry: development of a methodology for calculating the volume of individual and entrepreneurial activities, taking into account modern international standards. Improvement of tools (forms and questionnaires) of statistical observations.

In order to obtain reliable and high-quality data on wages, statistical reporting on labor with a quarterly frequency was improved.

9.3 Financial

9.3.1 Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Short-term

Funding comes from the annual statistical program. To implement short-term plans, technical assistance is needed to study international recommendations and best practices.

Technical assistance is required to improve the calculation of macroeconomic indicators in accordance with the 2008 SNA.

9.3.2 Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Medium-term

Funding comes from the annual statistical program. For the implementation of the medium-term plans, technical assistance is needed to study international recommendations and best practices.

Technical assistance is required to implement financial accounting.

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