

Uzbekistan
Metadata
Share of the Creative Economy in the Gross Domestic Product

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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.

0.2 Resources

0.2.1 Staff, facilities, computing resources, and financing

The Accumulation Accounts and Satellite Accounts Division of the National Accounts Department has four employees.

Staff are continuously trained on calculating the share of the creative economy in the gross domestic product. Division employees improve their qualifications through:

- courses organized by the Institute for Professional Development and Statistical Research of the National Committee on Statistics;
- courses organized by the International Monetary Fund in cooperation with:
 - The Capacity Development Institute (USA),
 - The Joint Vienna Institute (Austria),
 - The Caucasus, Central Asia, and Mongolia Regional Capacity Development Center (Kazakhstan);
- online courses organized by the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific;
- other seminars held by international statistical organizations.

The department has a sufficient number of computers, with each employee working on a personal computer. The personal computers are connected to a local network and have internet access.

Financial resources are provided within the framework of the Statistical Program and are sufficient to carry out the statistical work stipulated by the Program, as well as to implement the planned measures to introduce the updated manual "System of National Accounts 2008" into statistical practice.

1.Integrity

1.1 Professionalism

1.1.1 Impartiality of statistics

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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

The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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.

2. Methodology

2.1 Concepts and definitions

2.1.1 Concepts and definitions

The share of the creative economy in the gross domestic product is assessed annually based on the concepts and definitions recommended by the international standard "System of National Accounts – 2008," as well as the guidelines and recommendations of the UN and Eurostat for activities related to the creative economy.

The methodological basis for the statistical assessment of the creative economy's share in the gross domestic product is the "Methodological Provisions for Assessing the Creative Economy" (approved by Resolution No. 22 of the National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on November 30, 2025).

2.2 Scope

2.2.1 Scope

2.2.1.1 Scope of the data

Currently, the share of the creative economy in the gross domestic product is calculated for the Republic of Uzbekistan.

2.2.1.2 Exceptions to coverage

There are no exclusions.

2.2.1.3 Unrecorded activity

The statistical indicators for the share of the creative economy in the gross domestic product are assessed without taking into account indicators of illegal activities.

2.3 Classification/sectorization

2.3.1 Classification/sectorization

The National Classification on kinds of Economic Activities, Rev. 2 is used for the statistical assessment of the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product by industry.

2.4 Basis for recording

2.4.1 Valuation

The valuation rules used to account for flows and stocks are generally consistent with the 2008 SNA:

- The value of market output is stated in basic prices;
- Output for own final use is valued at equivalent market prices;
- Foreign currency transactions are converted at the average market exchange rate at the time they are carried out;
- Economic transactions in the SNA are recorded primarily on an accrual basis at the prices prevailing at the time of the transaction (in current prices);
- Non-market goods and services are valued using the market price of similar goods and services sold on the market, if one can be determined, or by the cost of production if a market price is not available. Specifically, the services of general government and non-profit institutions serving households are valued at the cost of production.

2.4.2 Recording basis

Transactions and flows are recorded on an accrual basis in accordance with SNA principles.

2.4.3 Grossing/netting procedures

The share of the creative economy in the gross domestic product is calculated on a gross basis, meaning that gross value added is the difference between output and intermediate consumption. The gross value added of industries is also calculated on a gross basis, i.e., including the consumption of fixed capital.

3. Accuracy and reliability

3.1 Source data

3.1.1 Source data collection programs

The information base for assessing output in the creative economy consists of large-scale information resources provided for in the annually approved Statistical Program (annual statistical reports from large and small commercial enterprises and micro-firms, sample surveys of sole proprietors, household surveys, and structural surveys of enterprises and organizations).

3.1.2 Source data definitions, scope, sectorization, classifications, valuation, and time of recording

The source data correspond to the definitions, statistical scope, and classifications used for the statistical assessment of the creative economy's share in the gross domestic product, as well as its time of recording, reporting periods, and valuation principles.

3.1.3 Source data timeliness

Source data are received in a timely manner within the deadlines established by the Statistical Program.

3.2 Assessment of source data

3.2.1 Source data assessment

The information base for assessing the output of the creative economy consists of large-scale information resources provided for in the annually approved Statistical Program (annual statistical reports of large, small, and micro-sized commercial enterprises; sample surveys of individual entrepreneurs; household surveys; and structural surveys of enterprises and organizations).

3.3 Statistical techniques

3.3.1 Source data statistical techniques

The source data provided by industry departments are reviewed to check for outliers. If outliers are identified, the compilers of the calculation of the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product contact the relevant departments to verify the data. The source data is analyzed in software programs, such as Excel, and checked for dynamic consistency.

3.3.2 Other statistical procedures

When statistically assessing the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product, activities prohibited by law are not evaluated. Informal and shadow activities are assessed based on special studies, administrative data, and sample household surveys.

3.4 Data validation

3.4.1 Validation of intermediate results

Individual data sources are reviewed for outliers. If outliers are identified, the compilers of the calculation for the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product contact the relevant departments to verify the data. The source data is analyzed and checked for dynamic consistency.

3.4.2 Assessment of intermediate data

Possible discrepancies in the main intermediate data are analyzed and adjusted to eliminate them. In particular, the following ratios are carefully checked: intermediate consumption/output and gross value added/output. Furthermore, the structure of value added by type of activity is also checked for chronological consistency.

3.4.3 Assessment of discrepancies and other problems in statistical outputs

The comparison of the calculation for the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product with industry statistics is often based on preliminary statistical data. Therefore, the analysis is often conducted as part of the process, rather than at the final stage.

3.5 Revision studies

3.5.1 Revision studies and analyses

The procedure for revising the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product is outlined in the Statistical Program, which is approved annually.

4. Serviceability

4.1 Periodicity and timeliness

4.1.1 Periodicity

A statistical assessment of the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product is conducted annually.

4.1.2 Timeliness

Final annual estimates of the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product are completed in December.

4.2 Consistency

4.2.1 Internal consistency

Not available.

4.2.2 Temporal consistency

Annual estimates of the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product will be available starting from 2025.

4.2.3 Intersectoral and cross-domain consistency

The indicators for the statistical assessment of the creative economy's share of the gross domestic product are consistent with sectoral statistics data.

4.3 Revision

4.3.1 Revision and/or update schedule

The data revision cycle is determined in advance and is quite stable from year to year. The schedule for revising indicators is reflected in the annually approved Statistical Program.

4.3.2 Identification of preliminary and/or revised/updated data

In publications, preliminary data are identified and explained as necessary.

4.3.3 Dissemination of revision studies and analyses

Revised (final) data are disseminated through the publications of the National Statistics Committee and on its official website.

5. Accessibility

5.1 Data

5.1.1 Statistical presentation

Annual data are provided to users through publications and on the official website of the National Committee on Statistics at <http://www.stat.uz> in the form of tables.

To ensure the correct interpretation of data, publications include methodological notes on key indicators. Additionally, the website provides methodological guidelines on the compilation and calculation of statistical indicators. To facilitate data comparison, publications and the website present indicators for several periods in tables and graphs.

Release schedules for statistical publications (data) are outlined in the annually approved Statistical Program.

5.1.2 Dissemination media and format

5.1.2.1 Hard copy - New release

Data are disseminated to users in hard copy through publications of the National Statistics Committee. In addition, data are provided to government bodies and other users in agreed-upon table formats upon request.

Macroeconomic indicators are published as tables, graphs, and charts with brief analytical commentary.

5.1.2.2 Hard copy - Monthly bulletin

Not available.

5.1.2.3 Hard copy - Quarterly bulletin

Not available.

5.1.2.4 Hard copy - Annually bulletin

Annual data are provided to government bodies and other users in agreed-upon table formats upon request.

5.1.2.5 Hard copy - Other

Annual data are disseminated through publications and are also provided to government bodies and other users in agreed-upon table formats upon request.

5.1.2.6 Electronic - On-line bulletin or data

Statistical data and time series are posted and regularly updated in spreadsheet format on the official website of the National Statistics Committee.

5.1.3 Advance release calendar

The official statistics calendar is posted on the official website of the National Statistics Committee.

5.1.4 Simultaneous release

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5.1.5 Dissemination on request

In accordance with the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On Official Statistics" and other regulatory documents, statistical data are provided to users on request in the prescribed manner. Statistical information is disseminated by providing it at the request of legal entities or individuals in the form of printed or electronic tables, statistical collections, bulletins, and express information, as well as in accordance with information exchange agreements between parties.

5.2 Metadata

5.2.1 Dissemination of documentation on concepts, scope, classifications, basis of recording, data sources, and statistical techniques

Concepts, statistical coverage, classifications, basis of recording, data sources, and statistical methods are reflected in disseminated statistical collections as methodological explanations for indicators of the creative economy's share in the gross domestic product. Methodological guidelines for the statistical assessment of the creative economy's share in the gross domestic product are posted on the website.

5.3 Assistance to users

5.3.1 Dissemination of information on contact points

On the official website of the National Statistics Committee.

9. Plans

9.1 Recent

9.1.1 Plans for improvement - Recent improvements

The following have been implemented into statistical practice: The National Classification on kinds of Economic Activities, Rev. 2; the calculation of housing services produced by homeowners for their own consumption using the user cost method; the calculation of the volume of financial intermediation services measured indirectly; and the estimation of the volume of the non-observed economy.

9.2 General

9.2.1 Plans for improvement - Short-term

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9.2.2 Plans for improvement - Medium-term

Improving the accounting of the creative economy's share in the gross domestic product.

9.3 Financial

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

Technical assistance is required to improve the calculation of macroeconomic indicators.

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

Technical assistance is required to improve the accounting for the creative economy's share in the gross domestic product.

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