

**Uzbekistan**  
**Metadata**  
**Gross regional product**

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**0. Prerequisites**

**0.1 Legal environment**

**0.1.1 Responsibility for collecting, processing, and disseminating statistics**

**The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

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, GAMSO).

## **0.1.2 Data sharing and coordination among data producing agencies**

### **The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

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**

#### **The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

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**

#### **The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

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**

There are 4 employees in the Division of current accounts of the Department of macroeconomic indicators and national accounts.

Training of personnel on the methodology for calculating gross regional product is conducted continuously. Division employees enhance their qualifications through:

- courses organized by the Institute for Professional Development and Statistical Research of the National Statistics Committee;

- courses organized by the International Monetary Fund in collaboration with:
  - Institute for Capacity Development (USA),
  - Joint Vienna Institute (Austria),
  - Regional Capacity Development Centre for the Caucasus, Central Asia and Mongolia (Kazakhstan);
- online courses organized by the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific;
- other seminars of international statistical organizations.

The division has a sufficient number of computers - each employee works on a personal computer. Personal computers are connected to the local network and also have internet access.

Financial resources are provided within the framework of the Statistical Program and are sufficient to perform the statistical work stipulated by the Program, as well as to implement the planned measures for introducing the updated "System of National Accounts 2008" manual 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**

### **The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

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**

### **The National Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan**

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](http://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

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The calculation of gross regional product (GRP) is carried out on an annual and quarterly basis, based on the concepts and definitions recommended by the 2008 System of National Accounts (SNA).

The methodological basis for calculating GRP is the "Methodological Guidelines for Calculating Gross Regional Product" (Order No. 58 dated August 11, 2023).

### 2.2 Scope

#### 2.2.1 Scope

##### 2.2.1.1 Scope of the data

GRP is a comprehensive indicator of regional development. GRP is an indicator identical to gross domestic product in its economic content, i.e., it represents the value of final goods and services produced by economic units that are residents of a given region.

##### 2.2.1.2 Exceptions to coverage

There are no exceptions.

##### 2.2.1.3 Unrecorded activity

Statistical indicators for the informal sector of the economy are estimated, while indicators of illegal activities are not taken into account.

### 2.3 Classification/sectorization

#### 2.3.1 Classification/sectorization

GRP calculations are carried out at the national level for 14 administrative-territorial entities of the Republic of Uzbekistan (the Republic of Karakalpakstan, 12 regions, and the city of Tashkent) using the production method.

### 2.4 Basis for recording

#### 2.4.1 Valuation

GRP is expressed in current and constant prices.

## **2.4.2 Recording basis**

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## **2.4.3 Grossing/netting procedures**

The production method of calculating GRP is based on the principles of constructing the production account in the System of National Accounts and involves assessing GRP as the sum of gross value added by type of economic activity at basic prices plus net taxes on products.

# **3. Accuracy and reliability**

## **3.1 Source data**

### **3.1.1 Source data collection programs**

Annual GRP estimates are based on annual statistical observations that provide a broader information base.

Quarterly GRP estimates are developed for the purpose of preliminary assessment and characterization of the region's current economic situation in the reporting period. These are intra-annual indicators, the values of which are refined during the construction of annual estimates based on more detailed information.

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

The source data correspond to the definitions, statistical coverage, and classifications of GRP, as well as in terms of accounting time, reporting periods, and valuation principles.

### **3.1.3 Source data timeliness**

Source data are received on time; the deadlines for data submission are defined in the Statistical Program.

## **3.2 Assessment of source data**

### **3.2.1 Source data assessment**

GRP is an indicator identical to gross domestic product in its economic content, i.e., it represents the value of final goods and services produced by economic units that are residents of a given region.

### **3.3 Statistical techniques**

#### **3.3.1 Source data statistical techniques**

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#### **3.3.2 Other statistical procedures**

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### **3.4 Data validation**

#### **3.4.1 Validation of intermediate results**

Individual data sources are reviewed to check for outliers. If outliers are detected, compilers contact the relevant departments to verify the data. The source data are analyzed and checked for dynamic consistency.

#### **3.4.2 Assessment of intermediate data**

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#### **3.4.3 Assessment of discrepancies and other problems in statistical outputs**

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### **3.5 Revision studies**

#### **3.5.1 Revision studies and analyses**

The schedule for revising GRP indicators is reflected in the annually approved Statistical Program.

Annual (preliminary) estimates of GRP are submitted one month after the end of the reporting year.

These GRP estimates are refined based on annual statistical reporting 11 months after the reporting year.

## **4. Serviceability**

### **4.1 Periodicity and timeliness**

#### **4.1.1 Periodicity**

GRP estimates are compiled quarterly and annually.

## **4.1.2 Timeliness**

Preliminary quarterly estimates of GRP - one month after the reporting quarter.  
Refinement of quarterly preliminary GRP estimates - after 16 months.  
Final estimates of annual GRP - after 11 months.

## **4.2 Consistency**

### **4.2.1 Internal consistency**

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### **4.2.2 Temporal consistency**

Annual GRP estimates have been available since 1995, and quarterly estimates since 2000. GRP estimates since 1995 have been expressed in sums.  
Starting from the first quarter of 2016, GRP estimates are based on OKED-2. In the OKED-2 structure, annual GRP estimates have been recalculated from 2010 onwards.  
Data since 2010 have been recalculated (revised) taking into account changes in the methodology of accounting in agriculture, as well as housing services produced by homeowners for their own consumption, and since 2018 taking into account financial intermediation services indirectly measured.

### **4.2.3 Intersectoral and cross-domain consistency**

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## **4.3 Revision**

### **4.3.1 Revision and/or update schedule**

The data revision cycle is determined in advance and remains quite stable from year to year. The schedule for revising GRP 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 indicated and clarified as needed.

### **4.3.3 Dissemination of revision studies and analyses**

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

## 5. Accessibility

### 5.1 Data

#### 5.1.1 Statistical presentation

Quarterly and annual data are made available to users through publications such as "Socio-economic Situation of the Republic of Uzbekistan," "National Accounts of the Republic of Uzbekistan," "Statistical Yearbook of Uzbekistan," "Uzbekistan in Figures," and others, as well as on the official website of the National Statistics Committee at <https://stat.uz/> in the form of press releases and tables.

GRP estimates are published in an easily understandable format with graphs, tables, and brief analytical commentary.

For the correct interpretation of data, methodological explanations for the main indicators are provided in the publications. Additionally, methodological guidelines for the compilation and calculation of statistical indicators are available on the website. To facilitate data comparison, indicators for several periods are presented in publications and on the website in the form of tables and graphs.

The 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 distributed to users in printed form through publications of the National Statistics Committee, such as "Socio-Economic Situation of the Republic of Uzbekistan" (quarterly), "Uzbekistan in Figures" (annually), "Statistical Yearbook of Uzbekistan" (biennial), "National Accounts of the Republic of Uzbekistan" (biennial) and others. Additionally, data are provided to government bodies and other users upon request according to agreed table templates.

Macroeconomic indicators are published in the form of tables, graphs, and charts with brief analytical comments.

##### 5.1.2.2 Hard copy - Monthly bulletin

Not available.

##### 5.1.2.3 Hard copy - Quarterly bulletin

The publication "Socio-Economic Situation of the Republic of Uzbekistan" is distributed quarterly, and statistical data in tabular form are provided to government bodies and other users upon request.

#### **5.1.2.4 Hard copy - Annually bulletin**

Annual data are disseminated through the publication "Uzbekistan in Figures" (annually), and are also provided in agreed table templates to government bodies and other users upon request.

#### **5.1.2.5 Hard copy - Other**

Annual data are disseminated through publications such as the "Statistical Yearbook of Uzbekistan" (published biennially), "National Accounts of the Republic of Uzbekistan" (published biennially) and others. Additionally, annual data are provided to state administration bodies and other users upon request according to agreed table layouts.

#### **5.1.2.6 Electronic - On-line bulletin or data**

On the official website of the National Statistics Committee, statistical data, time series in the form of electronic tables, and press releases are posted quarterly and continuously updated. The "Main Indicators of Socio-Economic Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan" are also published there. Furthermore, data is posted on the National Summary Data Page of Uzbekistan as part of the IMF's Enhanced General Data Dissemination System (e-GDDS).

### **5.1.3 Advance release calendar**

The official statistics release 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**

According to the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On Official Statistics" and other regulatory documents, statistical data are provided to users upon their request in the prescribed manner. Dissemination of statistical information is carried out by providing, upon request of legal entities or individuals, printed or electronic tables, statistical compilations, bulletins, express information, as well as information in accordance with agreements between parties on information exchange.

## **5.2 Metadata**

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

Concepts on data, statistical coverage, classifications, accounting basis, data sources, and statistical methods is presented in the disseminated statistical compilations as methodological explanations for the GRP indicator.

## 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 calculation of housing services produced by homeowners for their own consumption using the user cost method, and the calculation of the volume of financial intermediation services indirectly measured, have been introduced into statistical practice.

### 9.2 General

#### 9.2.1 Plans for improvement - Short-term

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#### 9.2.2 Plans for improvement - Medium-term

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### 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 of the unobserved economy.

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