

**I. UZBEKISTAN**  
**Metadata**  
**Trade in goods - foreign trade**

**II. H.HEADER DATA**

**III. 0. PREREQUISITES**

**A. 0.1 Legal environment**

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

**State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

The State Statistics Committee (SSC) is operating independently under the Law on "State Statistics" of the Republic of Uzbekistan, dated December 12, 2002, amended in 2012, which regulates relations in the sphere of organization of state statistics work, defines powers of state statistics agencies and creates a normative basis for maintaining the uniform system of statistical information.

In September 2017, a new Statute on the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan has been introduced to specifying the mandate, the functions and the structure of the SSC, which shall be the principal data collecting, processing, analyzing and dissemination agency responsible for co-ordinating, monitoring and supervising the National Statistical System. Its functions include the provision of a uniform statistical methodology corresponding to international standards.

The SSC, like other State statistics agencies performing statistical work, shall have the right, within the limits of their powers, to request and obtain state statistical reports, administrative accounting data, and other data necessary for the conduct of state statistical observations, as well as explanations appended to the reports from other offices.

According to the presidential decree Nr.5054, dated December 12, 2017, economic and financial data in the country should be compliant and coordinated under the IMF GDDS system.

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

**State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

According to the Article 9 of the Law on Statistics, State statistics agencies shall perform statistical work in interaction with other state bodies in fulfillment of the Program of State Statistical Works. State statistics agencies permit other state agencies and legal entities to perform separate actions concerning their powers in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation. Other state agencies and legal entities shall conduct statewide statistical observations according to the Program of State Statistical Work, as well as departmental statistical observations according to the forms coordinated with the authorized state statistics agency. The data of departmental statistical observations shall be submitted to the authorized state statistics agency at its request.

In addition, the Statistics Council, a collegial advisory body, ensures coordination on problems associated with the development, functioning and coordination of state statistics under the authorized state statistics agency. The Statistics Council may appoint expert commissions to examine separate matters of state statistics. Experts may be invited to meetings of the Statistical Council and the expert commissions, and representatives of ministries, state committees and departments may be heard on matters of state statistics. The composition of the Statistical Council shall be approved by the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

**0.1.3 Confidentiality of individual reporters' data**

### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

Under the Article 7 of the Law on State Statistics, State statistics agencies shall be obliged to ensure confidentiality of individual statistical data, preservation of state secrets and trade secrets of legal entities and anonymity of data regarding individuals. In addition, the Statute of the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Sep.2017) stipulates that the SSC shall take security measures to prevent confidentiality issues (art. 13.c, §15), including on bank secrecy (13.c, §11). Lastly, according to the Article 5 of the Law on State Statistics, interference by state agencies and local public authorities in the state statistics activities shall not be permitted.

The employees of SSC must follow a Code of Ethics, including an oath of secrecy, not to disclose any information availed to them while carrying out their duties as assigned to them. They are informed of duties upon appointment. Each employee of the SSC is required to sign a contract which requires him not to disclose such data.

#### 0.1.4 Ensuring statistical reporting

### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

The SSC follows the Generic Statistical Business Processes Model (GSBPM) of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), which lists the statistical business process that ensures quality management and metadata management.

To ensure the reporting of information by respondents, the State statistics agencies, within the limits of their powers, shall have the right to request and obtain state statistical reports, administrative accounting data, and other data necessary for the conduct of state statistical observations (at any stage of their development), as well as explanations appended to the reports, from financial, customs, tax authorities, banks, other departments and services, legal persons and their representations and branches, natural persons, including individual businessmen, and use them for statistical purposes.

In addition, the State Statistics shall check the accuracy of the statistical data at enterprises, establishments and institutions, conduct expert analysis of the completeness and objectivity of statistical data obtained and, in cases in which violations are found, to give the instructions necessary for correcting them and make the appropriate adjustments to the statistical data.

## **B. 0.2 Resources**

### 0.2.1 Staff, facilities, computing resources, and financing (Encouraged)

*[Staff, facilities, computing resources, and financing for statistical programs currently available as well as what would be required for programmed statistical outputs.]*

Statistics of foreign trade in the Central Office is engaged in the formation of 9 employees, in the territorial statistical bodies

3 employees each. All employees have a higher education and at least 1 time in 2 years are trained at the courses of the Center for retraining and statistical research of the State Statistics Committee. Each workplace is provided with a personal computer connected to a local network.

The software is developed directly in the State Statistics Committee, which allows, if necessary, to make updates to it and changes in accordance with existing and emerging tasks.

Adequate protection of electronic computing resources is provided, including through the provision of emergency support systems for the recovery of statistical information.

The financial resources provided are sufficient to carry out the work stipulated by the Program of State Statistical Work on Statistics of Foreign Economic Activity and Trade. Conducted periodic checks of staff. State statistical agencies request, when necessary, external assistance from experts.

## IV. 1. INTEGRITY

### A. 1.1 Professionalism

#### 1.1.1 Impartiality of statistics

##### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

According to the Law on Statistics (Article 4), the basic principles of the state statistics include accuracy, objectivity and impartiality. In addition, the Statute of the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan (art. 13 c., §6) stipulates that the principles of the SSC should include impartiality.

#### 1.1.2 Selection of sources, methodology, and modes of dissemination

##### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

According to the Law on Statistics (Article 15), statistical data shall be used for state and scientific purposes, for informing the public, ensuring rights, freedoms and lawful interests of users. Primary statistics obtained by state statistics agencies from legal persons, their representations and branches, natural persons, including individual businessmen, shall be used for statistical purposes only for the preparation of summary statistical indicators and shall be published in summary and anonymous form. Statistics that contain the state and trade secrets shall be submitted in the manner prescribed under law.

#### 1.1.3 Commenting on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics

##### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

The SSC can, on ad-hoc basis, comment on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics.

### B. Transparency

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

##### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

According to the Law on Statistics (Article 4), the basic principles of the state statistics include accessibility, transparency and openness. The terms and conditions for statistical collection, processing and dissemination are incorporated into Uzbekistan's laws and resolutions dealing with statistics. These legislative measures are on the websites and thus accessible to the public. Thus, the Law on Government Statistics (2002) and Resolution Number 368 are posted on the Committee's website ([www.stat.uz](http://www.stat.uz)). The Law is also reproduced in the Bulletin of Oliy Majalis (Parliament), and included in the data base on laws and regulations ([www.norma.uz](http://www.norma.uz)), as well as that of the Ministry of Justice accessible on the address [www.Lex.uz](http://www.Lex.uz)

#### 1.2.2 Internal governmental access to statistics prior to release

##### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

The government has no access to SSC data prior to their release. The State statistics agencies are independent in the dissemination of statistical data. Interference by state agencies shall not be permitted (cf. Article 5 of the Law on Statistics). Only the Chairman of the Committee has access to statistics prior to release.

#### 1.2.3 Attribution of statistical products

##### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

Data released to the public are clearly identified by the data producing agency (logo and footnotes).

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

### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

Before a move to a new methodology, the SSC provides to the public advance notice when major changes are introduced in methodology and statistical techniques. The SSC posts on its website a relevant methodological note explaining what changes users should expect.

## **C. Ethical standards**

### **1.3.1 Guidelines for staff behavior**

### **State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics**

The employees of SSC must follow a Code of Ethics, including an oath of secrecy, not to disclose any information availed to them while carrying out their duties as assigned to them. They are informed of duties upon appointment. Each employee of the SSC is required to sign a contract which requires him not to disclose such data.

## **V. 2. METHODOLOGY**

### **A. 2.1 Concepts and definitions**

#### **2.1.1 Concepts and definitions (Required)**

*[Degree to which the overall structure of concepts and definitions follows internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices.]*

Formation of foreign trade statistics is carried out in accordance with:

Laws of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On State Statistics" and customs legislation;

"Statistics on international trade in goods: concepts and definitions "(IMTS 2010);

Manual on Statistics of Foreign Trade in Services (RSMTU-2010), International Recommendations for Tourism Statistics;

"Provisions on the methodology for collecting and processing data of state and customs foreign trade statistics", approved by the Decree of the State Statistics Committee (No. 11), the State Customs Committee (No. 01-02 / 15-23), the Ministry of Economy (No. 31) and the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations, Investments and trade (No. EG-01 / 10-4715) dated August 27, 2007 (Reg. No. 1717 dated September 20, 2007).

In January 2018, two methodologies were introduced that fully comply with BPM-6:

- Methodical provisions on the organization of statistical accounting of foreign trade in goods - № 1, 18 January 2019;

- Methodical provisions on the organization of statistical accounting of foreign trade in services - № 1, 19 January 2018.

### **B. 2.2 Scope**

#### **2.2.1 Scope (Required)**

##### **2.2.1.1 Scope of the data**

*[Scope of the data.]*

Statistics of foreign trade is formed from goods and services:  
The initial data for the formation of foreign trade statistics for goods are the customs statistics data of the State Customs Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan based on indicators of the cargo customs declaration (CCD) and state statistical observations on goods whose ownership passed from resident to non-resident, without crossing the country's border and not taken into account in customs declarations. Formation of statistics on foreign trade in services is carried out on the basis of data from state statistical observations.

#### 2.2.1.2 Exceptions to coverage

*[Exceptions to coverage.]*

There are no exceptions.

#### 2.2.1.3 Unrecorded activity

*[Unrecorded activity.]*

### C. 2.3 Classification/sectorization

#### 2.3.1 Classification/sectorization (Required as relevant to data category)

*[Broad consistency of classification/sectorization systems used with internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices.]*

To compile and aggregate information on foreign trade, a classifier of countries of the world prepared by the CIS Statistical Committee based on the official publication of the United Nations Secretariat "Standard codes of countries or regions for use in statistics" and published in 2009 is used.

For classification and coding of goods in the statistics of foreign economic relations, the classifier "Commodity nomenclature of foreign economic activity of the Republic of Uzbekistan" (TN VED) is used, based on the Nomenclature of the Harmonized System for Description and Coding of Goods.

When generating statistics on the export and import of services, the names of elementary types of services and their aggregated groups correspond to the classification of the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services.

### D. 2.4 Basis for recording

#### 2.4.1 Valuation (Required as relevant to data category)

*[Types of prices (market, historical, administrative, basic, purchasers', producer, etc.) used to value flows and stocks.]*

Estimation of the value of goods is made in US dollars and national currency at the prices of contracts or contracts specified in cargo customs declarations.  
The cost of services and work performed is recorded in US dollars and national currency at the prices of contracts or agreements, with recalculation at the rate of the Central Bank of the Republic of Uzbekistan (regardless of the currency of the contract) at the time of drawing up an act of completed work and services.

#### 2.4.2 Recording basis (Required as relevant to data category)

*[Degree to which recording meets requirements for accrual accounting.]*

The time of registration of transactions is performed using the accrual-based accounting method. Transactions are reflected at the moment when the exchange, transfer, transformation, creation or disappearance of economic values occurs. This point in time may differ from the moment of actual payment.  
Transactions with goods are recorded at the time of transfer of ownership of them, services are reflected at the time when they are provided.

#### 2.4.3 Grossing/netting procedures (Encouraged)

*[Broad consistency of grossing/netting procedures with internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices.]*

Gross/net performance accrual procedures are carried out in accordance with the BPM6.

## VI. 3. ACCURACY AND RELIABILITY

### A. 3.1 Source data

#### 3.1.1 Source data collection programs (Required)

*[Comprehensiveness of source data from administrative and survey data collection programs, and appropriateness of the collection modality for country-specific conditions.]*

The object of statistical observation are exported and imported goods.  
The unit of statistical observation are legal entities and individuals engaged in foreign economic activity.  
To generate statistics on foreign trade in goods, GTE indicators are used.  
Data on the export-import of goods, the ownership of which passed from the resident to a non-resident, without crossing the country's border and not taken into account in customs declarations and customs statistics (that is, they are placed in the export mode without actually being exported outside the Republic of Uzbekistan) based on monthly state statistical observations.  
The formation of summary data on foreign trade in services is carried out:  
- monthly based on the statistical reporting of large enterprises and the statistical evaluation of exports (imports) of services of small enterprises and microfirms and data from sample surveys of inbound and outbound tourism;

- annually on the basis of statistical reporting covering large, small enterprises and micro-firms and data from sample surveys of inbound and outbound tourism.

The volume of exports and imports of tourism is determined by the results of surveys conducted by specially trained interviewers using statistical observation forms approved by the State Statistics Committee (survey questionnaire).

### 3.1.2 Source data definitions, scope, sectorization, classifications, valuation, and time of recording (Encouraged)

*[Degree to which source data approximate definitions, scope, sectorization, classifications, valuation, and time of recording required (as described in 2.1.1-2.4.3).]*

Goods are taken into account at the time of import or export outside the economic territory of the country when the ownership is transferred.

The source of the primary information on export-import transactions with services are commercial contracts, on the basis of which all operations, invoices for services performed, as well as registration records of monetary authorities are carried out.

### 3.1.3 Source data timeliness (Encouraged)

*[Source data timeliness relative to what is required for producing statistical outputs whose timeliness meets applicable data standard (SDDS requirements or GDDS recommendations).]*

The data collection program is governed by the State Statistical Work Program. Respondents are provided with deadlines for reporting.

For goods, the State Customs Committee, on a monthly basis, before the 7th day after the reporting month, provides operational information, and by the 15th day - updated information. data on services from large enterprises are collected monthly no later than the 2nd of the month following the reporting period and for small enterprises and microfirms every year no later than February 27.

## **B. 3.2 Assessment of source data**

### 3.2.1 Source data assessment (Encouraged)

*[Routine assessment of source data—including censuses, sample surveys, and administrative records (e.g., for coverage, sample error, response error, and nonsampling error); whether assessment results are monitored; how results are used to guide statistical processes.]*

The compilers of foreign trade statistics systematically evaluate baseline data and, if the need arises, initiate the process of their modification in order to improve state statistical reporting and other observations.

## **C. 3.3 Statistical techniques**

### 3.3.1 Source data statistical techniques (Required as relevant to data category)

*[Statistical techniques in data compilation to deal with data sources (e.g., to align them with target concepts from 2.1.1).]*

The cost of import is estimated at CIF prices - cost of goods and the costs of its insurance and transportation to the border of the country of the importer. The cost of export is estimated at FOB prices - the cost of the goods and the cost of transportation to the border of the exporter's country. Given the geographical location of Uzbekistan and the lack of maritime borders, the FOB price equals DAP.

### 3.3.2 Other statistical procedures (Required as relevant to data category)

*[Statistical techniques employed in other statistical procedures (e.g., data adjustments and transformations, and statistical analysis).]*

Other statistical procedures  
In foreign trade in goods, seasonal adjustments are not made.

## **D. 3.4 Data validation**

### 3.4.1 Validation of intermediate results (Encouraged)

*[Assessment and investigation of statistical discrepancies in intermediate data.]*

The data received from the respondents are analyzed and undergo mandatory control.

### 3.4.2 Assessment of intermediate data (Encouraged)

*[Assessment and investigation of statistical discrepancies in intermediate data.]*

If there are any discrepancies and unexplained large data fluctuations, their causes are investigated by direct contact with the respondent.

### 3.4.3 Assessment of discrepancies and other problems in statistical outputs (Encouraged)

*[Investigation of statistical discrepancies and other potential indicators of problems in statistical outputs.]*



Periodically monitored for statistical inconsistencies.

### **E. 3.5 Revision studies**

#### 3.5.1 Revision studies and analyses (Encouraged)

*[Periodicity with which studies and analyses of revisions and/or updates are carried out; whether and how they are used internally to inform statistical processes (see also 4.3.3).]*

Trade statistics are not revised. Periodic reviews ensure the adequacy and consistency of the data.

## **VII. 4. SERVICEABILITY**

### **A. 4.1 Periodicity and timeliness**

#### 4.1.1 Periodicity (Required)

*[Periodicity of statistical outputs relative to applicable dissemination standard (SDDS requirement or GDDS recommendation).]*

Calculations of total exports and total imports are carried out monthly.

#### 4.1.2 Timeliness (Required)

*[Timeliness of statistical outputs relative to applicable dissemination standard (SDDS requirement or GDDS recommendation).]*

Publication of data is carried out on the basis of the production program for foreign trade in goods, is distributed in the form of a newsletter, in information and analytical collections and is posted on the website of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics.

## **B. 4.2 Consistency**

### 4.2.1 Internal consistency (Required as relevant to data category)

*[Consistency of statistics within the dataset.]*

Statistical series are characterized by internal comparability

### 4.2.2 Temporal consistency (Encouraged)

*[Consistency or reconcilability of statistics over a reasonable period of time.]*

There are dynamic series since 1992 (<http://stat.uz/ru/statinfo/dinamicheskie-ryady>)

### 4.2.3 Intersectoral and cross-domain consistency (Encouraged)

*[Consistency or reconcilability of statistics with those obtained through other data sources and/or statistical frameworks.]*

Statistical surveys of foreign trade in the necessary cuts are consistent with the requirements of the balance of payments and the SNA.

## **C. 4.3 Revision**

### 4.3.1 Revision and/or update schedule (Required)

*[Transparency and regularity of revision/update schedule.]*

According to the State Statistical Work Program, preliminary data for January-December is updated by annual statistical reporting within the time limits provided for by the program.

### 4.3.2 Identification of preliminary and/or revised/updated data (Required)

*[Identification of preliminary and/or revised/updated data.]*

Published data are clearly marked (State Committee on Statistics logo and footnote).

#### 4.3.3 Dissemination of revision studies and analyses (Encouraged)

*[Dissemination of revision studies and analyses (see also 3.5.1).]*

Statistical compilations indicate that for the previous year, certain indicators are being revised. Revised (final) data are disseminated through State Committee on Statistics publications and on the official website ([www.stat.uz](http://www.stat.uz)).

## VIII. 5. ACCESSIBILITY

### A. 5.1 Data

#### 5.1.1 Statistical presentation (Required)

*[Statistics are presented in a way that facilitates proper interpretation and meaningful comparisons (layout and clarity of text, tables, and charts).]*

Statistical publications on foreign trade contain basic data characterizing the state of the republic's foreign trade: exports and imports in general, by country and by groups of goods, data on exports and imports in physical and monetary terms for goods in TNVED codes. Foreign trade data are published monthly, quarterly and annually.

#### 5.1.2 Dissemination media and format (Required)

##### 5.1.2.1 Hard copy - New release

*[Hard copy - New release.]*

Statistical and analytical information is provided in the form of publications, on electronic media, published on the official website of the State Statistics Committee ([www.stat.uz](http://www.stat.uz)).

##### 5.1.2.2 Hard copy - Weekly bulletin

*[Hard copy - Weekly bulletin.]*

Not available

5.1.2.3 *Hard copy - Monthly Bulletin*

*[Hard copy - Monthly Bulletin.]*

Export-import of goods and services

5.1.2.4 *Hard copy - Quarterly bulletin*

*[Hard copy - Quarterly bulletin.]*

The section of statistical collections "Social and Economic Situation of the Republic of Uzbekistan", "Statistical Review of the Republic of Uzbekistan"

5.1.2.5 *Hard copy - Other*

*[Hard copy - Other.]*

Statistical and analytical information is provided according to the submitted applications or the generated distribution list, as well as for one-time requests.

5.1.2.6 *Electronic - On-line bulletin or data*

*[Electronic - On-line bulletin or data.]*

Quarterly on the website of the State Statistics Committee ([www.stat.uz](http://www.stat.uz)) are published: "Statistical Review of the Republic of Uzbekistan", macro indicators, time series in the form of spreadsheets.

5.1.2.7 *Electronic - Other*

*[Electronic - Other.]*

Statistical and analytical information is provided according to the submitted applications or the generated mailing list, as well as on one-time requests.

#### 5.1.5 Dissemination on request (Encouraged)

*[Dissemination on request of unpublished but non-confidential statistics.]*

According to the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On State Statistics”, the Regulation “On the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan”, the Regulations on the organization of work on the preparation and dissemination of statistical information and other regulatory documents, the statistical data is presented to users upon their request in the prescribed manner. The dissemination of statistical information is carried out by providing legal entities or individuals by written request in the form of printed or spreadsheets, statistical compilations, newsletters, express information, as well as provision in accordance with the agreements of the parties on information interaction.

### **B. 5.2 Metadata**

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

*[Dissemination of documentation on concepts, scope, classifications, basis of recording, data sources, and statistical techniques, including annotation of differences from internationally accepted standards, guidelines.]*

The website contains methodological guidelines for the formation and calculation of statistical indicators. (<https://lib.stat.uz/ru/metodicheskie-materialy/vneshneekonomicheskaya-deyatelnost-i-torgovlya>)

## **IX. 9. PLANS**

### **A. 9.1 Recent**

#### 9.1.1 Plans for improvement - Recent improvements

*[Plans for improvement - Recent improvements.]*

Improving existing forms of state statistical observations related to the formation of foreign trade statistics  
Improving data quality and maximum coverage of recommended information sources for generating indicators  
Improving the skills of workers involved in the compilation of international trade statistics.

## **B. 9.2 General**

### 9.2.1 Plans for improvement - Short-term

*[Plans for improvement - Short-term.]*

Revision and amendment of the Methodological Provisions.  
Revision and expansion of the classifier to generate statistics on the export and import of services.

### 9.2.2 Plans for improvement - Medium-term

*[Plans for improvement - Medium-term.]*

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## **C. 9.3 Financial**

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

*[Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Short-term.]*

Not provided (funding is provided under the annual Program of State Statistical Work)

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

*[Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Medium-term.]*

Not provided (funding is provided under the annual Program of State Statistical Work)

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