

Directory of statistical services of international organisations



Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

<p>Brief description of the organisation¹</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The OECD, established in 1961, provides a setting where governments compare policy experiences, seek answers to common problems, identify good practice and coordinate domestic and international policies. Statistics play a key role in this comparative work. ▪ OECD has 30 member countries. In addition, 5 countries are engaged since 2007 in a process of accession, and 5 big non member economies have undertaken an enhanced engagement with the OECD. ▪ OECD is situated in Paris. ▪ OECD collects statistics on a wide range of societal issues from member countries, from non member countries and from other organisations. In a few cases, OECD organises data collection directly from citizens or businesses. OECD is engaged in making the statistics comparable across countries. ▪ OECD engages, together with other international organisations, in the setting of world-wide standards and handbooks on statistical concepts and methodology, as well as technical standards. ▪ The statistical work is decentralised and goes hand in hand with policy work carried out by OECD directorates. The Statistics Directorate compiles economic statistics e.g. national accounts and main economic indicators, coordinates the statistical work and ensures standards, guidelines and common systems. The Statistics Directorate is headed by the Chief Statistician.
<p>Mission²</p>	<p>OECD brings together the governments of countries committed to democracy and the market economy from around the world to a stronger, cleaner and fairer economy.</p>
<p>Fields of Activity/ structure</p> <p><i>Statistics</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fields of activity. Production of statistics in almost any domain of society, e.g. population, labour force, education, environment, energy, national accounts, etc. Development and maintenance of methodological handbooks, guidelines and classifications for use in the international community of official statistics. ▪ Structure: the OECD Statistics Directorate has 3 divisions: National Accounts Division, Structural Economic Statistics and Statistical Information Management and Support. A special unit manages the Global Project on Measuring the Progress of Societies
<p>Mandate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Convention on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, 14th December 1960
<p>Statistical work programme</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bi-annual program, set in the context of the OECD-wide programme of work and budget. A description of the OECD statistical activities is provided annually in the OECD Statistical Program of Work
<p>Number of staff</p> <p><i>Total / Statistical division</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2100 / 75
<p>Flagship Publications</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The OECD Factbook ▪ Main Economic Indicators

¹ Description of the statistics section/department in the organization

² Mission of the organization

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