A profile on CENTRAL ORGANIZATION FOR STATISTICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

ESTABLISHMENT

- The COSIT was established in 1969.
- The COSIT was given legal authority via the "Statistics Law ",No.21 for the year 1972.
- The COSIT is responsible for all statistical activities in Iraq.

STAFF

- The COSIT staff number is (643) employees; (223) employees are working in Baghdad, and (420) employees are distributed throughout the statistical governorates offices.
- COSIT staff has experience in census & surveys in many different fields of statistics such as Demography, National accounts, Agriculture, ...etc.
- The permanent staff size is stable, but when conducting census or surveys ,the COSIT hires contract staff.

FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE

IMPACT OF WAR

- The former building was damaged in the war and set on fire, then looted.
- Most of the furniture & equipment have been lost .
- Most of the manuals, reference texts, historical documents & reports were destroyed by fire.
- The cartography has been fully destroyed .
- Most of the programs, software packages,& databases have been lost.



Population and Labor Force Statistics

- Many censuses were carried out in Iraq since 1927;the latest population census was in 1997.
- The number of population reached (16.3)million in 1987 with an annual growth rate of 3.1% during the period 1977-1987 and then reached (22)million according to the population census in 1997 ,with an annual growth rate of (3%) during the period 1987-1997.

AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS

• The agriculture sector has a special importance to the Iraqi economy and plays a fundamental role in supplying foodstuff for the people.

• This department provides indicators about the activities of this sector through the cultivated areas, production of crops and vegetables. Data on production of dates, number and yield of fruit trees, agricultural machinery,

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- In addition to some indicators on agricultural land, land ownership, fishery, agricultural services and loans.
- In 2001 the COSIT has implement the Agricultural census .. The results of this census has been released except "Nineveh Governorate".

INDUSTRIAL STATISTICS

This department provides main statistical indicators for industrial activity, extraction (excluding oil extraction) and manufacturing .

These indicators include number of establishments, employees, wages, production and production inputs by depending on the (I.S.I.C) classification.

All data are presented according to the industrial branches, and size of industrial establishments (large, medium and small) and according to sectors of ownership (public, mixed, co-operative and private).

It is worth to mention that small establishments are those who employ less than (10) persons and invest on machines and equipments less than (100000 I.D).

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- The medium establishments are those who employ (10 - 29) persons and invest on machines and equipments (100000 I.D.) and less.
- The large establishments are those who employ (30) persons and more or invest more than (100000 I.D.) on machines and equipments.
- These criteria need to be reviewed.
- This department provides also statistical indicators on water and electricity, production inputs employment and wages.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION STATISTICS

Building and construction sector occupies special importance in comparison with other economic sectors. The COSIT carries out periodical statistics about building & construction by economical sectors yearly. It includes; Number of building permits and repair works granted for the private sector, projects of building & constructions in public sector, quantity and value of

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construction materials, employees number, wages and benefits paid to them.

 This department also has carried out a survey about number of the equipments and machines used in the constructions activity owned by the contractors in the private sector and in the public sector.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

- This department provides main statistical indicators about national accounts, national income, gross domestic product and gross fixed capital formation by economic activities, distributed among socialist, co-operative, and private sectors.
- This department provides statistical indicators on the deposits at Rafidian and Rasheed Banks by months of the year as well as loans and facilities offered by specialized banks.
- Also this department provides indicators on gross general insurance premiums, life insurance, and distribution of gross compensation in direct and written insurance by type of insurance.

TRADE STATISTICS : INTERNAL TRADE

- This department provides indicators about commercial activities of the Public sector ;number of establishments ,employees, wages and salaries, benefits paid to them and items of purchases and sales by main commodity groups distributed by governorates.
- It includes indicators about consumer cooperatives and hotels activity services; number of hotels, rooms, beds and distribution of hotel guests by governorates, nationality as well as the number of employees and wages with benefits paid to them.

TRADE STATISTICS : FOREIGN TRADE

- This department provides indicators about Imported and Exported goods of the country, excluding crude oil, sulfur and phosphates Exports, and data about Transit goods.
- Imports represent value of Goods reaching to Iraqi ports and cleared by customs declaration. Values of commodities were valuated on basis of (F.O.B) for exports and (C.I.F) for imports, by using the (Standard International Trade Classification (S.I.T.C.Rev.1)

TRANSPORATION AND COMMUNICATION STATISTICS

- Transport and communication plays a vital role for social and economic development, by linking different parts of the country, urban and rural, in addition to linking the country with the Arab Homeland and the rest of the world.
- This department provides the most important statistical data concerning the development of air, land and water transport, as well as post, telegraph and telephone activities. It also includes data on cars by kind and other indicators concerning traffic by nature and seriousness of the accident.

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HEALTH & VITAL STATISTICS

COSIT and Ministry of health conduct annual surveys to acquire the required data of the health sector. The surveys include hospitals, other health establishment and public clinics from which the following statistical indicators were obtained:-

- 1. Number of hospitals, other health establishment and public clinics.
- 2. Number of hospitals by specialization, beds and inpatients.
- 3. Number of hospitals and health centers with beds and in-patients therein.
- 4. Number of medical staff by profession, sex and Governorate

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- 5- Number of paramedical, advisory clinics and ambulances by Governorates.
- 6- Number of surgical operations at hospitals.
- 7- Number of medical staff working for other health establishment by profession and sex.
- 8- Number of other health establishments by kinds and Governorates
- 9- Number of paramedical, out-patients at other health establishment.

10- Registered live births by sex and governorate.

11- Also registered number of deaths and infant deaths by sex and governorate.

12- Number of nursing staff, medical laboratories and pharmacies

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This department provides statistical data on number of pensioners civilians and workers, as well as pension salaries paid to them, and number of workers covered by social security in public and private and co-operative sectors by governorates ; also compensations paid to them by health security. As well as, it includes indicators on youth centers and hostels, scientific centers, sport clubs, number of nurseries and babies, In addition to indicators on registered marriages.

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EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS

- The COSIT in co-operation with the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Higher education carries out statistical surveys covered various educational levels, by which the following statistical data were provided yearly :-
- 1- Number of kindergartens and children admitted.
- 2- Number of schools, pupils enrolled and admitted and teaching staff at primary levels.
- 3- Number of schools, students enrolled and admitted and teaching staff at the intermediate and secondary levels.
- 4- Number of vocational schools, students enrolled and admitted and teaching staff.
- 5- Number of Teachers training institutions, students enrolled and admitted and teaching staff.
- 6- Number of students admitted graduates and teaching staff at universities and technical institutes.
- 7- Number of students enrolled and admitted at post-graduate levels.

LIVING CONDITIONS STATISTICS

Living conditions statistics aim to provide household expenditure and income indicators according to its different sources

Also they provide data which help to evaluate living situation of house holds and individuals such as education, health, housing socio-economic and demographic characteristics. In addition, to that the indicators provide availability of household appliances moreover living conditions statistics prepare the foodstuff balance tables. These surveysare achieved periodically every (4-5) years.

LIVING CONDITIONS STATISTICS

- The Central Org. for Statistics & Information Technology (COSIT) carried out several surveys during the period of 1971-1988 where surveys implemented in 1971/1972, 1976,1979 and 1984 /1985 were devoted to consumption ,and income.
- The COSIT carried out another survey 1993, and in the year 2002 the COSIT carried out a new survey for household, just for one session and stopped because of the 2003 war

Environment Statistics

- This department is initiated newly ,its task is to provide environmental statistics indicators and data aiming to help decision makers , planners and researchers in environment field such as the implementation of Wastes survey(danger, nondanger) ,the contaminated materials which are generating during extraction or manufacturing industries , final product consumption, other human activities ,medical or agricultural sectors wastes .
- COSIT is in need to capacity building programme to enhance Env.Statistics.

Human Development Statistics

- According to the new (COSIT) foundations, Human Development Statistics dept. is newly founded to collect H.D. data of different sectors like (Educational sector, Health sector ...etc) as it is available in the ministries and offices in relation.
- This dept. is helping in the national human development report s as the same of regional and international reports, to indicate the actualizing of

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- Also to carry out periodical reports on social gender indicators by making surveys for the international comparison, and analyzing data by measurements with high trust
- H.D.S.D.is working now on implementing a survey to provide copying strategies indices