

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - Central Department of Statistics

Organizational structure

The organizational structure indicates that there are three major sectors in CDS each of which includes several administrations and units as follows:

Statistical Affairs Sector:

It includes eight specialized administrations, four of them are in the field of economic statistics, namely:

1. Department Of Productive Sectors Statistics.
It is responsible for compiling and analysing Economic Statistics, conducting economic censuses and field surveys in the productive sectors of national economy
2. Department of National Income Statistics :
It develops the studies, estimations and analyses of national income accounts and prepares the annual report of national income accounts.
3. Department of Prices and Price Indexes Statistics :
It provides accurate statistical information about the prices and develops monthly reports on cost of living indexes and a quarterly report on wholesales prices' indexes.
4. Department of Foreign Trade Statistics :
It provides information about the Kingdom's foreign trade movement and it prepares monthly, quarterly and annual reports on exports and imports between the kingdom and various countries in the world.

The other four administrations are specialized in the field of Population and social Statistics as follows:

1. Population and Vital Statistics Department:
It undertakes population censuses and statistical related relevant to population, vital Statistics, and Hajj Statistics.
2. Social Statistics Department:
It conducts different social surveys; labor force surveys, employment and wages, and consumption expenditures' surveys.
3. Government Services Statistics Department:
It conducts filed and office surveys on Governmental Services in all regions of the Kingdom and it issues a directory about Government Services survey.
4. Mapping Unit:
It Provides special maps of all regions in the Kingdom to help different departments to identify the locations of areas in which the statistical field surveys are conducted.
Therefore, the task of this unit is confined to collecting different maps and preparing them for statistical purposes only.

National Computer Center's Sector (NCC):

The center is responsible for processing all statistical surveys and censuses Carried out by CDS starting from data entry until final output. It also provides computer services to different bodies connected to the center through telephone lines. The NCC includes the following main departments and units:

- **Computer Operations Department:**
It carries out the task of equipment operation and keeping and maintaining the information and data and also carries out the computer operation orders according to the work requirements.
- **System Programming Department:**
It develops the future plans relevant to the hardware and software and also conducts the necessary technical studies to keep abreast of fast growth in the computer field.
- **Applied Programs Department:**
It develops and executes the works and programs of CDS and operates them automatically and also develops the systems, which meet the statistical and information needs.
- **Users Services Department:**
It assists the governmental agencies and provides them with technical support according to the available capabilities. The numbers of these agencies are (37).
- The NCC also includes other specialized units such as, women's unit, data base unit and security and emergency unit.

Administrative Statistical Affairs Sector:

It includes Personnel Affairs Department, Financial Department, Administrative communications Department, General Services Department and Printing and Publication Department.

There are also several additional units in CDS such as, Analysis and Reports Unit, Follow-up Unit, Public Relations Unit, Administrative Department Unit, Microfilm Unit, and four other major branches in Jeddah, Abha, AL Dammam, and Buraida. There are also five offices in Tabouk, Makkah AL Mokarramah, Almadina AL Monawarah and Al Ahsaa and Al-Taif