

# Country Profile on Economic Census

*(Planned but never conducted)*

1. Name of Country: Poland

2. Name of Agency Responsible for Economic Census: Central Statistical Office

3. Description of Economic Census Objectives:

- a) source data for GDP;
- b) profile the economy; or others

***Profile of economy and source for updating of business register; additional source of data supporting work on quality of national accounts and other statistics***

4. Legal Mandate or Regulations for Conducting Economic Census

- a) required by law; or
- b) responses required (demand-driven) or on voluntary basis; and
- c) is economic census data held confidential?

***Required by law; data held confidential***

5. Coverage

- a) which sectors are covered: does it cover businesses with employees or businesses without employees, government-owned enterprises;
- b) description of the statistical unit;
- c) number of businesses covered.

***All businesses conducting economic activity: with and without employees, natural and legal persons, private and public excl. agriculture - about 2 million enterprises in total***

6. Content

- a) list of key data variables that are collected;
- b) does content vary by sector or industry; and
- c) number of report forms.

***General information on enterprises: name, address, legal and ownership form, state of activity; Main data on activity conducted: number of persons employed, wages, turnover, costs, fixed assets, investment activity; Some additional questions on selected sectors of economy***

## 7. Frequency

How often is the economic census conducted? And the dates of the previous couple of censuses.

***It was planned for 1998 after first transition period and deep and quick changes in national economy; census has been never conducted because of financial reasons***

## 8. Methods

- a) mail-out and mail-back, enumeration or some combination;
- b) use of administrative data;
- c) sample or survey all businesses;
- d) quality assurance versus other data sets.

***For bigger enterprises - by mail, for smaller (up to 20 persons employed - enumerators) - all businesses were planned to be surveyed***

## 9. Data Products

Brief description of the key data products: industry statistics, subnational geography, etc; online availability, if possible.

***It was planned to publish results by activity, size class and region***

## 10. Uses and Users of Economic Census Data

- a) source data for GDP
- b) benchmarking for GDP and
- c) possibly current surveys, etc.

### ***Uses:***

- ***To update business register***
- ***to create better quality samples for all statistical surveys***
- ***to have better basis for data treatment procedures incl. current and annual ones and***
- ***national accounts***

### ***Users:***

- ***Statistics***
- ***government bodies and economic politicians***
- ***scientists***