



Inter-agency Meeting on Preparation for the 2017 SDG Reports  
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Agenda item 6:

**Review of data/metadata inputs for the  
database (UNSD)**

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# Update of database: contents, timeline and presentation

1. Data request: FOCAL POINTS: Please submit county level, regional and global level data by 28 February 2017 to [sdgindicators@un.org](mailto:sdgindicators@un.org)
2. Time periods to be covered:
  - Data for global and regional aggregates should be provided for at least the following years (as much as possible): 2000, 2005, 2010, and the most recent year; receiving data for all years starting with the reporting 2000 would be welcome;
  - Country data should be provided for all years starting with the reporting year 2000;
3. Regional groupings to be covered (see additional slide)
  - Please use the newly established SDG regional groupings **AND** the previous MDG regional groupings for this year's data submission
  - in addition, aggregates for Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) and Small islands developing states (SIDS).

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4. Purpose: Update of the global SDG indicator database; verification of the data submitted as part of the storylines; global and regional aggregates to be included in the online annex for the SG's progress report.
5. Cut-off points based on publication schedule and need to fully align results on the SDG database with data in two SDG reports and the accompanying online statistical annex:
  - **1 May** for totals (SG's progress report)
  - **31 May** for regional aggregates (online Annex)
  - Data release: **17-19 July 2017** (loading of new and updated data currently expected to be *possible* until first week of July as long as not resulting in any discrepancies with already published data)

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6. Replacement vs. amendment of existing data
7. New and refined indicators
8. Presentation of data: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/indicators/database/>
  - Currently, selection by specific indicator or specific country/area
  - In future, selection by parameters (INDICATOR(S), DATA SERIES, AREAS, YEARS)
  - Improvements in the presentation of the metadata
  - Many others

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### 9. Data availability 2016:

- data for 115 of the 230 indicators; almost 500 data series and more than 330,000 data records
- The data series comprise Sustainable Development Goal indicators series (identified by the symbol “SD”) and additional data series (identified by the symbol “+”); Many of the data series contain disaggregated data.
- For some of the 115 indicators included in the database, only additional data series (instead of Sustainable Development Goals data series) are available, which are used to provide data for closely related indicators. For 9 of the 115 global indicators, only regional and global aggregates are available.

### 10. Received so far for 2017 (as of 01/03/2017 9:00AM EST)

- **Country and/or regional data:** 98 Indicators
- **Metadata:** 16 Indicators (15 updates on existing metadata/1 for refined indicator)
- **Additional metadata request (Google form):** 10 Indicators

### 11. Future updates

- Data collection to be ongoing throughout the year
- Data release at specific intervals such as 2-4 times a year (to be discussed)

# Regional groupings and global and regional aggregates

Table 1: Primary classification for the presentation of regional groupings of countries

Column 1	Column 2		Column 3	Column 4
<b>11 MDG regional groupings plus World (required)</b>	<b>17 SDG (M49) regional groupings plus World (required)</b>		<b>Comparison: 3 new groupings, several re-allocations</b>	<b>14 M49 groupings (optional)</b>
World (#0)	World (#0)			
Developed regions (#1)	Northern America and Europe (#12)	Northern America (#13)	new grouping	
		Europe (#14)	new grouping	Southern Europe
				Eastern Europe
				Northern Europe
Western Europe				
Developing regions (#2)	See "Other groupings"			
Latin America and the Caribbean (#3)	Latin America and the Caribbean (#3)		identical	South America
				Central America
				Caribbean
Caucasus and Central Asia (#4)	Central Asia and Southern Asia (#15)	Central Asia (#16)	exclude: Armenia, Azerbaijan and Georgia	
Southern Asia (#6)		Southern Asia (#6)	identical	

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Eastern Asia (#5)	Eastern Asia and South-eastern Asia (#17)	Eastern Asia (#18)	include: Japan	
South-eastern Asia (#7)		South-eastern Asia (#7)	identical	
Western Asia (#8)	Western Asia and Northern Africa (#19)	Western Asia (#20)	include: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Cyprus, Israel and Georgia	
Northern Africa (#9)		Northern Africa (#21)	include: Sudan	
Sub-Saharan Africa (#10)	Sub-Saharan Africa (#22)		exclude: Sudan	Eastern Africa Middle Africa Southern Africa Western Africa
Oceania (#11)	Oceania (#23)	Oceania (exc. Australia and New Zealand) (#11)	identical	Melanesia Micronesia Polynesia
<b>Developed regions (#1)</b>		Australia and New Zealand (#24)	new grouping	

**Table 2: Availability of regional groupings for the SDG report and SDG report Annex and the SDG database – currently, during the transition period and after the transition period¶**

Currently available	Available during transition period	Available after transition period
<b>Regional groupings</b>		
<i>MDG regional groupings</i>		
World	World	
Developed regions (MDG)	Developed regions (MDG)	
Developing regions (MDG)	Developing regions (MDG)	
Latin America and the Caribbean (MDG=M49)	Latin America and the Caribbean (MDG=M49)	(available, please see below)
Caucasus and Central Asia (MDG)	Caucasus and Central Asia (MDG)	
Eastern Asia (MDG)	Eastern Asia (MDG)	
Southern Asia (MDG=M49)	Southern Asia (MDG=M49)	(available, please see below)
South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)	South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)	(available, please see below)
Western Asia (MDG)	Western Asia (MDG)	
Oceania (MDG)	Oceania (MDG)	(available, please see below)
Northern Africa (MDG)	Northern Africa (MDG)	
Sub-Saharan Africa (MDG)	Sub-Saharan Africa (MDG)	
<i>SDG regional groupings</i>		
	World	World
	Northern America (M49) and Europe (M49)	Northern America (M49) and Europe (M49)
	Northern America (M49)	Northern America (M49)
	Europe (M49)	Europe (M49)
	Latin America and the Caribbean (MDG=M49)	Latin America and the Caribbean (MDG=M49)
	Central Asia (M49) and Southern Asia (MDG=M49)	Central Asia (M49) and Southern Asia (MDG=M49)
	Central Asia (M49)	Central Asia (M49)
	Southern Asia (MDG=M49)	South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)
	Eastern Asia (M49) and South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)	Eastern Asia (M49) and South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)
	Eastern Asia (M49)	Eastern Asia (M49)
	South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)	South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)
	Western Asia (M49) and Northern Africa (M49)	Western Asia (M49) and Northern Africa (M49)
	Western Asia (M49)	Western Asia (M49)
	Northern Africa (M49)	Northern Africa (M49)
	Sub-Saharan Africa (M49)	Sub-Saharan Africa (M49)
	Oceania (M49)	Oceania (M49)
	Oceania (M49) excl. Australia and New Zealand (M49)	Oceania (M49) excl. Australia and New Zealand (M49)
	Australia and New Zealand (M49)	Australia and New Zealand (M49)
<b>Other groupings</b>		
Least Developed Countries (LDCs)	Least Developed Countries (LDCs)	Least Developed Countries (LDCs)
Landlocked developed countries (LLDCs)	Landlocked developed countries (LLDCs)	Landlocked developed countries (LLDCs)
Small Island Developing States (SIDS)	Small Island Developing States (SIDS)	Small Island Developing States (SIDS)



# Glossy report to present only some SDG regions

<b><u>SDG Classification</u></b>	
Region Name	
World	1
Northern America (M49) and Europe (M49)	2
Northern America (M49)	
Europe (M49)	
Latin America and the Caribbean (MDG=M49)	3
Central Asia (M49) and Southern Asia (MDG=M49)	4
Central Asia (M49)	
Southern Asia (MDG=M49)	
Eastern Asia (M49) and South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)	5
Eastern Asia (M49)	
South-eastern Asia (MDG=M49)	
Western Asia (M49) and Northern Africa (M49)	6
Western Asia (M49)	
Northern Africa (M49)	
Sub-Saharan Africa (M49)	7
Oceania (M49)	
Oceania (M49) excluding Australia and New Zealand (M49)	8
Australia and New Zealand (M49)	9
Landlocked developed countries (LLDCs)	1
Least Developed Countries (LDCs)	2
Small Island Developing States (SIDS)	3

# Metadata and international guidelines

1. Verification of metadata that you submitted last year
  - available at <http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/>)
  - contact Mr. Zin Lin (lin@un.org) if any changes or amendments are required
2. Request for additional metadata on
  - (a) available compilation guidance for countries
  - (b) quality assurance implemented by your agency (including the consultation process with countries)
  - Google Form: <https://goo.gl/forms/2W8j2svfWT2mm7513>

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### **3. Methodology – additional information**

Methods and guidance for the compilation of the data at the national level:

**3.1: Methodology used for the compilation of data at national level (please describe and provide links to relevant materials)**

**3.2: International recommendations and guidelines available to countries (please describe and provide links to relevant materials)**

Quality assurance

**3.3: Practices and guidelines for quality assurance followed at the compiling agency (please describe and provide links to relevant materials)**

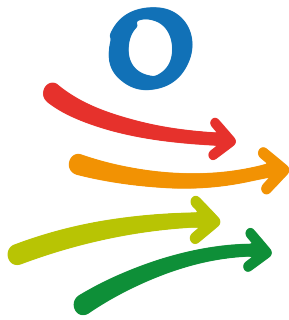
**3.4: Consultation process with countries on the national data included in your dataset (please describe)**

## Global SDG Indicators database

<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/indicators/database/>

## SDG Indicators Metadata repository:

<https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/>



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