



Lao Statistics Bureau

Country Data :Sharing Best Practice in the
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**Ways to engage users better
and promote the stuff we do**

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I. Background of National Statistics Organization

- **National Statistics Organization includes :**
 - Vertical System of the Statistics organization;
 - Horizontal System of the Statistics organization.
- **Vertical statistics system includes:**
 - Lao Statistics Bureau (LSB);
 - Statistics Center at Province, Municipality,
 - Statistics Center at District, Sub-district;
 - Village statistics unit
- **The Horizontal Statistics System includes:**
 - The organization of sectors at the central and local levels;
 - The organization of production units/economic units.

I. Background of National Statistics Organization(Cont.)

- The Lao Statistics Bureau was established on 30 June 2010.
- Lao Statistics Bureau (LSB) has the status equal to sub-ministry, under the Ministry of Planning and Investment.

The organizational Structure of LSB consists of:

1. Department of Administration
2. Department of Economics Statistics
3. Department of Social Statistics
4. Department of Data Service

II. Information about dissemination

LSB provides a variety of formats to suit user needs:

- **Printed publications**
yearbooks, reports, brochures, factsheets, etc.
- **Portable databases**
CD, USB, etc.
- **Internet**
website, electronic publications, PDF files, etc.
- **Services**
sales counter, hotline, library

Statistics Publications



<http://www.lsb.gov.la>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Lao Statistics Bureau. At the top, there is a header with the Lao text 'ສາກາດ' (Sakad) and 'ສູນສະຖິຕິແຫ່ງຊາດ' (Soun Sathit Haeng Xat), and the English text 'Lao Statistics Bureau'. A navigation menu includes 'Home', 'Statistic', 'LSB Events', 'Press Release', 'Webmail', 'Contact Us', and 'Links'. On the left, there is a search bar and a sidebar with various menu items like 'Law & Strategy', 'LSB Events', 'Press Release', 'Statistic', 'LNADA', 'Lao Info', 'Decide Info', 'Publication', 'Contact Us', 'Other Publication', and 'Statistic Day'. Below the search bar, there are 'Username' and 'Password' fields. The main content area features a large photograph of a meeting, a 'Welcome to LSB' message, and a quote from H.E. Somsavat Lengsavad, Deputy Prime Minister. On the right, there are several data highlights: 'Consumer Price Index (CPI): 110.12 (April 2012)', 'Inflation rate: 4.37% (April 2012)', 'Growth GDP 8.1 (2010)', and 'GDP Percapital in US\$ 1,088 (2010)'. There are also two charts: a bar chart showing GDP growth and a pie chart showing the composition of GDP by sector.

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Home

Welcome to LSB

There are no translations available.

"Most countries agree that for sustained social and economic development we need a strong and sustainable statistical system. Because without clear and accurate statistics, we cannot evaluate and set direction of social and economic development property and correctly"

H.E. Somsavat Lengsavad
Deputy Prime Minister

Consumer Price Index (CPI): 110.12 (April 2012)

Inflation rate: 4.37% (April 2012)

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Growth GDP 8.1 (2010)

GDP Percapital in US\$ 1,088 (2010)

- Mining and exploitation
- Processing industry
- Electricity and handicrafts
- Construction

<http://www.lsb.gov.la/decide>
and <http://www.decide.la>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the DECIDE info project. The header includes the 'DECIDE info' logo, navigation links (Home, DECIDE toolbox, About DECIDE info, Partners, Links, Contacts), and language options (Lao, English). A vertical 'WELCOME' banner is on the left. The main content area features a map of Laos with numerical data points and the 'DECIDE info' logo overlaid. Below the map, there is a paragraph describing the project's goal to stimulate data sharing and improve evidence-based planning in the Lao PDR. Another paragraph explains the project's use of spatial and statistical data from the 2005 census. The footer contains logos for the Lao Department of Statistics, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC, and the Swiss Confederation. On the right sidebar, there is a login form with fields for 'Username' and a password field, a 'Login' button, and links for 'forgot password' and 'request login'. Below this is a red 'ATLAS' cover image and social media icons for Facebook, YouTube, and Google+.

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The Lao DECIDE info project strives to stimulate data and information sharing among sectors and administrative levels towards improved evidence-based socio-economic planning and decision-making in the Lao PDR.

Through a set of tools and procedures, the project actively promotes the availing of spatial and statistical data - initially from the Lao national Population and Housing Census 2005 - in various formats to users with a variety of individual needs.

ATLAS

Socio-economic Atlas of the Lao PDR

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC

Swiss Confederation

Lao Department of Statistics

<http://www.lsb.gov.la/LNADA>



Department of Statistics of the Lao PDR

DoS Data Archive

About LNADA

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About LNADA

The Lao PDR National Data Archive (LNADA) is a web-based data repository system developed with technical and financial support from the Accelerated Data Program (ADP), a satellite program of the PARIS21 Secretariat at the OECD, which aims to make rapid improvements in the quality and availability of survey data in developing countries.

The electronic archive of microdata contains 17 surveys and 4 censuses. This system was documented using the Microdata Management Toolkit and is disseminated through the National Data Archive (NADA), both developed by the International Household Survey Network (IHSN).

The National Data Archive was established to:

- Promote best practice and international standards for the documentation of microdata amongst data producers in the country.
- Provide equitable access to microdata in the interest of all citizens, by protecting confidentiality and following international recommendations and good practice.
- Promote the effective use of existing survey and census data for statistical and research purposes, thereby encouraging a diverse range of analytical work through secondary research.
- Ensure the long term preservation of microdata and the related metadata, and their continued viability and usability in the future.

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Summary of Internet dissemination

- Direct data availability from various statistical domains and collections
- Statistical series (MDG's and others) through LaolInfo
- Geographically-oriented information from DecideInfo
- Microdata for further analysis through the LNADA data archive.

III. Promoting Better Data Use and Challenges on Data Dissemination

1. Promoting Better Data Use:

- Developing a good, efficient and effective National Statistical System (NSS) is necessary and important for the country . We want to improve the quality of official statistics according to statistical scientific approaches and methodologies with the appropriate production and dissemination processes.
- Improve and strengthen the foundation for the development of statistical production both in term of quantity and quality, to ensure that the information from the NSS is compatible with international standards, and to increase the credibility of the NSS through using best practices

2. The biggest challenges

- Statistics production and dissemination are still not fully comprehensive as follows:
 - The use of statistical concepts, standards, methodologies as well as classification systems is still not satisfactory.

- Statistics production is not comprehensive. For example, many main indicators cannot be produced
- Most reports are produced on an annual basis; reports on quarterly basis and monthly basis are still limited; and the statistical newsletter is still unavailable.

Therefore:

- There is still too much distance between the available statistical data and user's needs
- The technical infrastructure for statistical activities continues to be limited
- There is a shortage of timely information on provincial/ district levels.

IV. Work program in Dissemination

Work program in Dissemination is Improve dissemination and exchange of statistics. Enlarge official statistics database, strengthen data protection, and increase varieties of formats to make it easy for users to understand and use them in appropriate way.

Activities:

1. Define and improve official statistics as well as raw data dissemination policies taking into account users' needs.
2. Produce a manual on how to document statistical data (metadata guidelines).
3. Improve and expand modes of dissemination to increase variety and timeliness specifically through the use of website to disseminate various surveys' results.

4. Develop and establish a statistical service (dissemination) team to efficiently provide information to users.

5. Conduct users' satisfaction and data quality surveys by developing suitable questionnaires that can measure expectation, satisfaction, and opinion on timeliness, accuracy and reliability of data.

Thank You

