The use of administrative data for Business Registers as a source for the production of official statistics and SDG indicators

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Outlook

- Definitions: What is "Administrative Data"?
- Administrative data sources from the public and private sector
- Issues in combining administrative data sources
- Combining administrative and statistical data sources
Definitions: Administrative Data
(Eurostat Business Register Recommendations Manual)

• Narrow Definition:
Administrative data sources are "files of data collected by government bodies for the purpose of administering taxes or benefits, or monitoring populations".

• Wider Definition:
"Administrative sources are sources containing information that is not primarily collected for statistical purposes."
Administrative data sources: Public Sector

- Tax registers
- Social security registers
- Business registration/license registers
- Central Bank
- Agricultural administrative registers
Administrative data sources: Private Sector

- Company / trade associations and chambers of commerce registers
- Industry association registers
- Water supply registers
- Electricity associations' registers
Issues in combining administrative data sources

• Definitions of units (Profiling)
• Definitions of variables, classifications
• Timeliness
• Matching data (UID, address, etc.)
• Consistency between sources
• Political changes and impacts on administrative data
Combining administrative and statistical data sources

• Profiling:
  Build and define the structure of mainly large enterprises and enterprise groups using company accounts and information from enterprise officials

• Dedicated improvement surveys for SBR

• Using information from enterprise and/or establishment surveys
  (update contact information, Deaths, etc.)
Thanks for your attention!

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