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Expert Group Meeting on the United Nations Demographic Yearbook System

Session 2: Data Collection and Processing in the DYB System

National Statistical Office: Statistics Canada

Virtual meeting, November 9, 2020

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Outline

• Organizational structure overview
• Feedback on reporting
• General comments/ suggestions
Organizational structure overview

National Statistical Office (NSO): Statistics Canada

Centre for Demography:
- a) Population estimates
- b) Life expectancy/Life table
- c) International migration flows
- d) Data custodian of IRCC
- e) Census data (Demographic data)

Department of Immigration (IRCC: Immigration, Citizenship and Refugees Canada)

Centre for Population Health Data: Vital Statistics

Other Census data: Specialized subject matter areas in NSO
Feedback on reporting

In general, we have most of the information easily available as part of our programs with some exceptions:

• Urban/rural concept not used presently in Population Estimates and Vital Statistics Programs
• Total surface area, land area and inland water
• Concept city proper / urban agglomeration
• Life expectancy/ Life table - age limit
• Migration tables – categories not the same
• Vital statistics data (marriages, divorces, abortion not collected)
General comments/ suggestions

• Vital statistics metadata worksheet in a separate document (i.e. metadata word document on population estimates)

• Timeline: more time is required for reporting

• More flexibility in the questionnaire format

• Clarification of migration categories
Thank You!

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