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Strengthening statistical capacity-building in support of progress
towards the Internationally Agreed Developments Goals in the
Southern African Development Community region

Benchmarking and rebasing

backcasting example

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
"old" series	1320	1400	1430	1390	1515	1550	1450	1530	1410
index, base 2000=100	100.0	106.1	108.3	105.3	114.8	117.4	109.8	115.9	106.8
new benchmark							1700		

how to produce new series using the same indicators? Note, could also revise indicators.

re-reference index	91.0	96.6	98.6	95.9	104.5	106.9	100.0	105.5	97.2
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(i) if there is a fixed point in the past that you are confident in, fix it and preserve the movements in some way

	1400					1700	1794	1653	
	old movt - still appropriate?	interpolate , preserving relativities of previous movements (mathematical techniques)						old movt - still appropriate?	

(ii) if you have made a change to the nature of the estimate - eg improved coverage, all the way back, then keep movements (provided indicator is still appropriate)

note number of decimal places	1548	1641	1677	1630	1776	1817	1700	1794	1653
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