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Country presentation

Namibia



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Overview of National Accounts

- CBS is responsible for the compilation of the national accounts statistics.
- Before 1995 and since 1982, Ministry of Finance compiled the annual national accounts (ANA) according to the SNA 1968.
- After 1995, the CBS was responsible for the compilation of national accounts according to SNA 1993.
- CBS compile and publish both the QNA and ANA.

Overview of National Accounts

- CBS published the first quarterly estimates in 2001.



National Accounts Sub-Division

- The sub-division is staffed with 5 professionals.
 - The sub-division is responsible for both quarterly and annual compilations.
 - Conducts quarterly and annual economic surveys.
 - Publish and disseminate national accounts statistics
 - Co-ordinates the establishment of Central Business Register (List segmented frame form)
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Data Sources

- Data sources: surveys, census & administrative records.
 - Quarterly and Annual Economic Survey
 - Administrative records
 - Households budget surveys
 - Population and Housing Census
 - The 2001 Namibia Informal Economy Survey
 - Bank of Namibia (BoP)
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Compilation methods

- ANA & QNA are compiled according to the SNA 93.
 - The base year is 2004.
 - Classifications used include:
 - ISIC Rev. 3
 - COICOP
 - COFOG
 - CPC
 - SITC
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ANA Compilation Methods

- GDP approach
 - the production
 - the expenditure
 - GDP by production approach is considered the most reliable
 - GDP is compiled at both current prices and constant prices
 - Double deflation is applied using the following deflators:
 - CPI
 - PPI (RSA)
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QNA Compilation Methods

- QNA adopts the same principles, concepts, definitions and structures as the ANA
 - QNA is compiled using the production approach
 - QGDP is compiled at constant price only
 - In order for QNA to be consistent with the ANA, it is benchmarked to ANA
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Timeliness

- National accounts is compiled on calendar year basis.
 - Preliminary annual estimates are released in March of each year.
 - The revised estimates of ANA are released in August of each year
 - QNA is released with a time lag of 90 days following the reference quarter
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Dissemination

- Our publications are disseminated in:
 - hard copies
 - electronic format
 - Website: www.npc.gov.na
 - Emailing publication to data Suppliers and upon request.
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Constraints

- Outdated & Weak Statistics Act
 - Lack of Awareness
 - Staff retention
 - Late response
 - Absent of central Business register
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End of Presentation

Thank You For Your Attention