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Draft multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission, 2014-2018

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with a request contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/51, a proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission is set out below. Reflecting comments from members and observers of the Commission and a review of its workplans by the Statistics Division, the programme of work constitutes a revision of the draft multi-year programme of work for 2013-2016 ([E/CN.3/2013/32](#)) considered by the Commission at its forty-fourth session.

* [E/CN.3/2014/1](#).



Proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission, 2014-2018

<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Approx. current frequency</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>
1. Demographic and social statistics						
(a) Population and housing censuses	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(b) Human settlements statistics	5 years	X				
(c) Health statistics	2-3 years		X		X	
(d) Disability statistics, including Washington Group on Disability Statistics	2 years	X		X		X
(e) Social statistics	5 years			X		
(f) Gender statistics	1-2 years	X	X		X	
(g) Poverty statistics	10 years		X			
(h) Statistics on drugs and drug use	2-3 years	X			X	
(i) Crime statistics	2-3 years		X			X
(j) International migration statistics	5 years	X				
(k) Employment statistics	5 years					X
(l) Education statistics	2-3 years			X		
(m) Culture statistics	5 years	X				
2. Economic statistics						
(a) National accounts	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(b) Agricultural and rural statistics	1-2 years	X	X		X	
(c) Industrial statistics	5 years			X		
(d) Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers	2 years		X		X	
(e) Energy statistics, including Oslo Group on Energy Statistics	1-2 years	X		X		X
(f) Distributive trade statistics	5 years			X		
(g) International trade and economic globalization statistics	1-2 years	X	X		X	
(h) Statistics of international trade in services	2 years	X		X		X
(i) Statistics of services, including Voorburg Group on Service Statistics	5 years		X			
(j) Information and communications technologies statistics	2 years	X		X		X
(k) Tourism statistics	3 years	X			X	
(l) Finance statistics	2 years		X		X	
(m) International Comparison Programme	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(n) Price statistics, including Ottawa Group on Price Indices	2 years	X		X		X
(o) Statistics of science and technology	5 years					X
(p) Informal sector statistics, including Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics	2-3 years		X			X
(q) Integrated economic statistics	1-2 years		X		X	
(r) Short-term economic indicators	2-3 years	X			X	

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3. Natural resources and environment statistics						
(a) Environment statistics	1-2 years	X	X		X	
(b) Environmental-economic accounting, including London Group on Environmental Accounting	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(c) Climate change statistics	5 years		X			
(d) Statistics for economies based on natural resources, including Ulaanbaatar Group on Statistics for Economies Based on Natural Resources	2 years		X		X	
4. Activities not classified by field						
(a) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(b) Coordination of statistical activities in the United Nations	2 years	X		X		X
(c) Programme questions (Statistics Division)	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(d) Statistics of human development	5 years		X			
(e) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and the principles governing international statistical activities	5 years	X				
(f) International economic and social classifications	1-2 years		X		X	
(g) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata	1-2 years		X		X	
(h) Presentation of statistical data and metadata	10 years		X			
(i) Statistical capacity-building	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(j) Dissemination of statistics by the Statistics Division/Statistics Division publications	5 years	X				
(k) Development indicators	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(l) Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council policy decision	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(m) Working methods of the Statistical Commission	10 years	X				
(n) National quality assurance frameworks	1-2 years		X		X	
(o) Integration of statistical and geospatial information	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(p) Broader measures of progress	new	X				
(q) Big data and modernization of statistical systems	new	X				
(r) World Statistics Day	5 years	X	X	X		
(s) Regional statistical development	annual	X	X	X	X	X
Total number of items		33	33	22	26	21

Programme reviews

2003: Statistics of services

2004: Social statistics

2005: Energy statistics

2006: Industrial statistics

2007: Education statistics

2008: Employment statistics

2009: Climate change and official statistics

2010: National quality assurance frameworks

2011: Gender statistics

2012: Population and housing censuses

2013: Integration of statistical and geospatial information

2014: Broader measures of progress

2015: To be decided
