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**Provisional agenda and dates for the forty-eighth session
of the Commission****Draft multi-year programme of work for the
Statistical Commission, 2016-2020****Note by the Secretariat**

Pursuant to resolution 1995/51 of the Economic and Social Council, the draft multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission for the period 2016-2020 is set out below. Reflecting comments from members and observers of the Statistical Commission and the review of the Commission workplan by the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, the draft constitutes a revision of the draft multi-year programme of work for the period 2015-2019 ([E/CN.3/2015/39](#)), which was considered by the Commission at its forty-sixth session.

* [E/CN.3/2016/1](#).



Proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission, 2016-2020

<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Approx. current frequency</i>	<i>2016</i>	<i>2017</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</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 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	2 years	X		X		X
(g) Poverty statistics	10 years		X			
(h) Statistics on drugs and drug use	3 years		X			X
(i) Crime statistics	3 years			X		
(j) International migration statistics	5 years				X	
(k) Refugee statistics	2 years	X		X		X
(l) Employment statistics	5 years			X		
(m) Education statistics	3 years		X			X
(n) Culture statistics	5 years	X				
(o) Household surveys	2 years	X	X		X	
(p) Civil registration and vital statistics	2 years	X		X		
2. Economic statistics						
(a) National accounts	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(b) Agricultural and rural statistics	2 years		X		X	
(c) Industrial statistics	3 years	X			X	
(d) Business registers, including Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers	2 years		X		X	
(e) Energy statistics, including Oslo Group on Energy Statistics	2 years		X		X	
(f) Distributive trade statistics	5 years			X		
(g) International trade and economic globalization statistics*	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(h) Service statistics, including Voorburg Group on Service Statistics	5 years					X
(i) Information and communication technologies statistics	2 years	X		X		X
(j) Tourism statistics	3 years		X			X
(k) Finance statistics	2 years		X		X	
(l) International Comparison Programme	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(m) Price Statistics, including Ottawa Group on Price Indices	2 years	X		X		X
(n) Science and technology statistics	5 years			X		
(o) Informal sector statistics, including Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics	2-3 years		X			X
(p) Transformative agenda (from 2015)	1-2 years	X		X		X
(q) Short-term economic indicators	2-3 years		X			X

* Includes international trade statistics and statistics on international trade in services.

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3. Natural resources and environment statistics						
(a) Environment statistics	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		X
4. Activities not classified by field						
(a) Coordination of statistical programmes	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(b) Human development statistics	5 years	X				
(c) Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and principles governing international statistical activities	5 years		X			
(d) International statistical classifications	2 years	X		X		X
(e) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata	2 years		X		X	
(f) Presentation of statistical data and metadata	10 years					X
(g) Statistical capacity-building	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(h) Dissemination of statistics by the Statistics Division/Statistics Division publications	5 years				X	
(i) Development indicators/Millennium Development Goals/Sustainable Development Goals	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(j) Follow-up to the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council policy decision	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(k) Working methods of the Statistical Commission	5 years				X	
(l) National quality assurance frameworks	2 years		X		X	
(m) Integration of statistical and geospatial information	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(n) Big data	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(o) World Statistics Day	5 years	X			X	
(p) Regional statistical development	annual	X	X	X	X	X
(q) Governance, peace and security statistics	2 years	X		X		X
(r) Programme questions (Statistics Division)	annual	X	X	X	X	X
Total number of items		29	29	28	27	31

Emerging issues

2016: Sustainable Development Goal indicators

2015: Data revolution

Programme reviews (2003-2014)

2014: Broader measures of progress

2013: Integration of statistical and geospatial information

2012: Population and housing censuses

2011: Gender statistics

2010: National quality assurance frameworks

2009: Climate change and official statistics

2008: Employment statistics

2007: Education statistics

2006: Industrial statistics

2005: Energy statistics

2004: Social statistics

2003: Statistics of services
