

# International Classification of Activities for Time Use Statistics 2016 (ICATUS 2016)

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Social and Housing Statistics Branch



# Importance of the classification

## Time use statistics:

- the measurement and analysis of quality of life or general well-being
- a more comprehensive measurement of all forms of work, including unpaid and volunteer work
- emphasis on increasing visibility of women's work through better statistics on their contribution to the economy and the development of satellite accounts.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> SDG 5.4: Recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate

5.4.1 Percentage of time spent on unpaid domestic and care work, by sex, age group and location

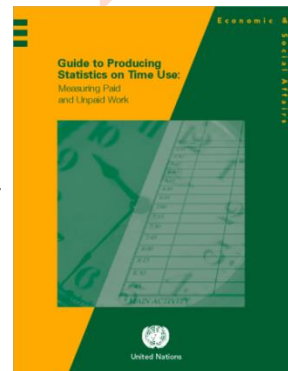
# Background

**1995:** Statistical Commission and Beijing Platform for Action requested the preparation of a classification of time-use activities

**2000:** revised version taking into account experiences from countries and recommendations from experts

**1997:** first draft classification developed

**2005:** published *Guide to producing statistics on time-use: measuring paid and unpaid work* and **trial ICATUS**



# Background

Several countries  
have adapted  
ICATUS in their  
collection,  
tabulation and  
analysis of data

**2012:** Expert  
group meeting to  
finalize the Trial  
ICATUS

Different forums  
requested its  
finalization

**October 2013:**  
Resolution concerning  
statistics of work,  
employment and  
labour  
underutilization was  
adopted by the ICLS

# Feb 2016 Consultation

Countries		Organizations/Experts
Armenia*	Mexico*	CDA (Ms. Hirway)*
Australia	Moldova	CTUR/IATUR*
Bangladesh	Mongolia	ECA
Brazil	Morocco	ECE
Canada*	New Zealand*	ECLAC*
Chile	Nigeria*	ESCAP
China*	Palestine*	ESCWA
Colombia	South Africa*	Eurostat*
Finland*	Tanzania	ILO*
Ghana*	Thailand*	ITU
Italy*	Turkey*	UN Women
Kazakhstan*	United Kingdom*	UNESCO*
Kyrgyzstan	United States*	Debbie Budlender* (expert)
Mauritius		Joann Vanek* (expert)

\* Have provided inputs

# Major changes from previous version

- The terminology used has been aligned with existing international standards
- The metadata have been updated to reflect new international definitions and standards

<b>Structure</b>	<b>Trial ICATUS</b>	<b>ICATUS 2016</b>
<b>Levels</b>	5	3
<b>Major Divisions</b>	15	9
<b>Divisions</b>	54	58
<b>Groups</b>	92	188
<b>Classes</b>	200	-
<b>Subclasses</b>	363	-

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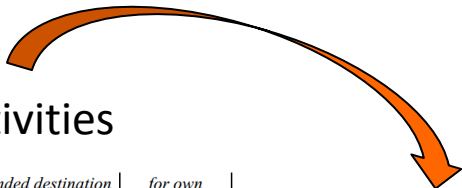
- In particular, the first part of ICATUS which covers all productive activities was extensively revised to:
  - simplify the structure of the classification
  - align with/reflect the ILO resolution concerning statistics of work, employment and labour underutilization.

# ICATUS 2016

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  - Own-use production of goods
  - Provision of services for own final use
  - Unpaid caregiving services for household members and related activities
  - Volunteer Work and Other Unpaid Work Activities
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- Learning
  - Socializing, community participation and religious practice
  - Culture, leisure and sports practices
  - Self-care and maintenance

### Productive activities



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	<b>Own-use production work</b>		<b>Employment (work for pay or profit)</b>	<b>Unpaid trainee work</b>	<b>Other work activities</b>	<b>Volunteer work</b>
<i>Forms of work</i>	of services	of goods				in market and non-market units
						in households producing goods services
<i>Relation to 2008 SNA</i>	Activities within the SNA production boundary					
	Activities inside the SNA General production boundary					

Source: ILO (2013). *Resolution 1: Resolution concerning statistics of work, employment and labour underutilization*, Geneva accessed at [http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---dgreports/---stat/documents/normativeinstrument/wcms\\_230304.pdf](http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---dgreports/---stat/documents/normativeinstrument/wcms_230304.pdf)

### Personal activities



# Employment

Included in employment:

- Work for corporations/quasi corporations, non-profit institutions and government
- Work in household unincorporated enterprises engaged in primary production activities, non-primary production activities or construction activities
- Work for household providing services for income

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From a gender perspective and for continuity with previous version, there is the need to define relevant **Divisions and Groups in employment** that allow to distinguish the various types of work

# Employment

**Table 8.1: Average time spent on SNA activities, population aged 10 years and older**

SNA activity	Male Minutes	Female Minutes
Work for corporations/quasi corporations, non-profit institutions and government (formal sector work)	65	23
Work for household in primary production activities	121	70
Work for household in non-primary production activities	21	33
Work for household in construction activities	10	1
Work for household providing services for income	71	103

Source: Ghana Statistical Service , 2012. *Ghana time-use survey 2009: How Ghanaian women and men spend their time: Main report.* [www.statsghana.gov.gh/docfiles/publications/Ghana\\_time\\_Use\\_Report%202012\\_16-12-13.pdf](http://www.statsghana.gov.gh/docfiles/publications/Ghana_time_Use_Report%202012_16-12-13.pdf)

- Employment ←
- Food vending and trading
  - Providing repair, installation and maintenance services
  - Providing business and professional services
  - Providing personal care services
  - Transporting goods and passengers
  - Paid domestic services

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- Working time in employment in corporations, non-profit institutions and government
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  - Training and studies in relation to employment
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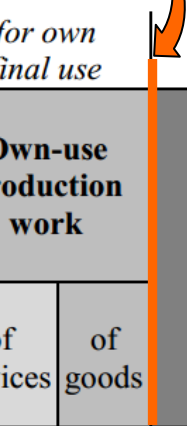
## Some activities in 3<sup>rd</sup> Level

- Making and processing goods for the market in unincorporated enterprises and households
- Vending and trading of goods in unincorporated enterprises and households
- Providing paid repair, installation, maintenance and construction services in unincorporated enterprises and households
- Providing business and professional services in unincorporated enterprises and households
- Transporting goods and passengers for pay in unincorporated enterprises and households
- Providing paid personal care services in unincorporated households
- Providing paid domestic services

# Employment

Difficult to differentiate in spite of the use of contextual variable on the purpose (contextual variable) of a productive activity

- The ILO program of pilot tests on the implementation of the 19th ICLS Resolution in labour force surveys to cast light on the best methods to make this distinction
- There is still the need for testing of this variable in the context of national TUS



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# Next steps

Consultation  
process with  
time use  
experts

Adjust ICATUS  
structure  
based on  
advice from  
experts

Use of ICATUS  
by countries  
as an  
international  
classification

Piloting of ICATUS  
2016 as a  
dissemination  
framework  
(EGM in June  
2016)

Endorsement  
of ICATUS by  
the Statistical  
Commission

Thank you!

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic/sconcerns/tuse>