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Draft multi-year programme of work of the Statistical Commission, 2019–2023

Note by the Secretariat

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/51, the draft multi-year programme of work of the Statistical Commission for the period 2019–2023 is set out below. Reflecting comments from members and observers of the Commission and a review of its workplans 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 2018–2022 (E/CN.3/2018/36), which was considered by the Commission at its forty-ninth session.







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Ag	enda item	Approximate current frequency	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1.	Demographic and social statistics						
	(a) Demographic statistics/population and housing censuses	Annual	Х	х	х	Х	Х
	(b) Human settlements statistics	5 years	X				
	(c) Health statistics	2 years	X		Х		Х
	(d) Disability statistics, including Washington Group on Disability Statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(e) Social statistics	5 years				X	
	(f) Gender statistics	2 years		Х		X	
	(g) Poverty statistics	10 years					
	(h) Statistics on drugs and drug use	3 years	Х			Х	
	(i) Crime statistics	3 years	Х			Х	
	(j) International migration statistics	5 years	X				
	(k) Refugee statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(1) Work and employment statistics	5 years					Х
	(m) Education statistics	3 years	Х			Х	
	(n) Culture statistics	5 years			Х		
	(o) Household surveys	2 years	х		х		Х
	(p) Civil registration and vital statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(q) Ageing-related statistics and age-disaggregated data	2 years		Х		Х	
2.	Economic statistics	5					
	(a) National accounts	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	(b) Agricultural and rural statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(c) Industrial statistics	3 years	Х			Х	
	(d) Business registers, including Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers	2 years	Х		Х		Х
	(e) Energy statistics, including Oslo Group on Energy Statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(f) International trade and economic globalization statistics ^{<i>a</i>}	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	(g) Digital trade and e-commerce statistics	5 years					Х
	(h) Service statistics, including Voorburg Group on Service Statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(i) Information and communications technology statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
	(j) Tourism statistics	3 years		Х			Х
	(k) Finance statistics	2 years	Х		Х		Х
	(1) International Comparison Programme	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
	(m) Price statistics, including Ottawa Group on Price Indices and Intersecretariat						
	Working Group on Price Statistics	2 years	Х		Х		Х
	(n) Statistics on science, technology and innovation	5 years					Х
	(o) Informal sector statistics, including Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics	3 years			Х		
	(p) Transformative agenda/Handbook of Statistical Organization	2 years		Х		Х	
	(q) Short-term economic indicators	3 years		Х			Х
3.	Natural resources and environment statistics						
	(a) Environment statistics	2 years		Х		Х	

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(b) Environmental-economic accounting, including London Group on Environmental Accounting	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
(c) Climate change statistics	5 years					Х
(d) Disaster-related statistics	3 years	Х			Х	
4. Activities not classified by field						
(a) Coordination of statistical programmes	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
(b) Statistics of human development	5 years			Х		
 (c) Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and principles governing international statistical activities 	5 years	Х				
(d) International statistical classifications	2 years		Х		Х	
(e) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata	2 years	Х		Х		Х
(f) Presentation of statistical data and metadata	10 years			Х		
(g) Statistical capacity-building	2 years	Х		Х		Х
(h) Dissemination of statistics by Statistics Division/Statistics Division publications	5 years		Х			
(i) Development indicators/Millennium Development Goals/Sustainable Development Goals	Annual	Х	Х	Х	х	Х
(j) Follow-up to the policy decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council	Annual	Х	Х	Х	х	Х
(k) Working methods of the Statistical Commission	5 years	Х				
(1) National quality assurance frameworks	2 years	Х		Х		Х
(m) Integration of statistical and geospatial information	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
(n) Big data	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
(o) World Statistics Day	5 years			Х		
(p) Regional statistical development	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
(q) Governance, peace and security statistics, including Praia Group on Governance Statistics	2 years		Х		Х	
(r) Open data	2 years	Х		Х		Х
(s) Programme questions (Statistics Division)	Annual	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
Total number of items		30	28	26	31	25

^a Includes international trade statistics and statistics on international trade in services.

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