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Importance of linking statistics and geographic location is far recognized especially on the issue of providing a population density grids created by aggregation method and system of Small Area Statistics by Turkish Statistical Institute (TurkStat). Turkish National Spatial Data Infrastructure (TNSDI) establishment activities started in 2012 and the project has been currently continuing to improve. TurkStat is one of the stakeholder institutions of this project and actively participate in all phases of the project although the responsible institute is Ministry of Environment and Urbanization. An agreement regarding the "Spatial Address Registration System Data Collecting and Dissemination Project" has been signed recently by the Ministry of Interior General Directorate of Civil Registration and Nationality and within the context of the agreement, the system planned to be completed by the end of 2020. Following the completion of the project, TurkStat enabled to create up-to-date spatial layers of themes such as Administrative Units and Addresses. TurkStat can use this dataset for both statistical production and data dissemination purposes at administrative units' level or grid system at smaller scales.

TurkStat also took part in subgroup under UN-GGIM: Europe in order to create a policy paper on the integration of statistical and geospatial information.