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Ottawa Group on Prices Indices	City	Eco	Consumer price indices	Methodology	Australia	<u>Steering Committee:</u> Australia, Canada, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, ECE, Eurostat, OECD, Erasmus University, University of British Columbia, Fundação Getulio Vargas <u>Members:</u> Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, UK, USA, Eurostat, IMF, ILO, ECE, European Central Bank and OECD	Special Session (1994)	Applied research, particularly in the area of consumer price indices	E/CN.3/2010/25 E/CN.3/2012/26 E/CN.3/2014/26 E/CN.3/2016/29 E/CN.3/2019/26		Steering committee	Latest meeting in 2019	meets every 2 years	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/methodology/citygroups/ottawa.cshml
Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics	City	Eco	Informal Sector	Methodology	India	<u>Members:</u> Armenia , Australia , Bangladesh , Brazil , Colombia , Cuba , Ethiopia , Fiji , France , India , Indonesia , Malaysia , Mexico , Namibia , Nepal , Nigeria , Philippines , Poland , Republic of Korea , Sri Lanka , Thailand , Turkey , Venezuela, Zambia, ADB, ESCAP, ILO, SIAP, UNSD, a number of academic and non-governmental institutions (Centre for Development Alternatives, Centre for Social Development, French Scientific Research Institute for Development and Cooperation, Gujarat Institute for Development Research, Harvard Institute for International Development, National Council for Applied Economic Research, Self-Employed Women's Association, Socio-economic Research Centre and Women in Informal Employment Globalizing and Organizing)	29th Session (1997)	To exchange experience in the measurement of the informal sector, document the data-collection practices, and recommend measures for improving the quality and comparability of informal sector statistics.	E/CN.3/2010/26 E/CN.3/2013/23 E/CN.3/2018/30		Technical working group	Last meeting in 2017. Proposed to be renamed "Delhi Group on Informal Economy Statistics"	meets on a needs-be basis	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/methodology/citygroups/delhi.cshml
Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers	City	Eco	Business Registers	Methodology	Switzerland	<u>Steering Group:</u> Austria, France, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Switzerland, UK, US, Eurostat, OECD, ECE, UNSD	Established 1986 as International Roundtable on Business Survey Frame. Renamed 2007	To provide a forum for the exchange of views and experience and the conduct of joint experiments related to the development, maintenance and use of business registers to support survey sampling and other statistical activities related to the production of business statistics	E/CN.3/2011/25 E/CN.3/2013/18 E/CN.3/2015/23 E/CN.3/2017/16 E/CN.3/2019/11 (joint with Comm of Experts on Business and Trade Stats and Interagency Taskforce on Int. Trade Stats)	DEC.48/114		Latest meeting in 2018	meets every 2 years	https://unstats.un.org/wiesbadengroup/
Voorburg Group on Service Statistics	City	Eco	Service	Methodology	Norway and US	<u>Bureau:</u> Norway, US, Chile, Mexico, Italy, Sweden, Canada, France, Austria <u>Members:</u> UK, India	1986 (no session that year)	To establish and maintain an internationally comparable methodology for measuring output and producer price indices for the services industries	E/CN.3/2010/23 E/CN.3/2013/19 E/CN.3/2015/24 E/CN.3/2018/25		Task forces	Latest meeting held in 2018. Next in 2019. First meeting held in 1987. Mandate renewed in 2005.	meets annually	https://www.voorburggroup.org/
London Group on Environmental Accounting	City	Env	Environmental-Economic Accounting	Methodology	Sweden	<u>Members:</u> Austria, Australia, Bhutan, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Guatemala, Ireland, India, Indonesia, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Netherlands, Norway, New Zealand, Oman, Philippines, South Africa, Sweden, Uganda, UAE, UK, US, Vietnam, European Environment Agency, European Forest Institute, Eurostat, FAO, IMF, OECD, UNDP, UN Environment, ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, UNSD, World Bank, The Wentworth Group, Global Footprint Network, Australia National University, independent researchers	1994	To play a leadership role in defining international best practices in the theory and practice of environmental accounting within the framework of the SEEA	Reports to UNSC via CEEA			Original name was London Group on Resource Accounting. Latest meeting held in 2018	meets annually	https://seea.un.org/content/london-group-environmental-accounting
Oslo Group on Energy Statistics	City	Env	Energy	Methodology	Finland	<u>Members:</u> Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Canada, China, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greenland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Jordan, Luxemburg, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Sweden, Thailand, UAE, UK, US, Yemen, Eurostat, International Atomic Energy Agency, International Energy Agency, IMF, International Renewable Energy Agency, GCC-STAT, UNSD	36th session (2005)	To address methodological issues related to energy statistics and contribute to improved international standards and improved methods for official energy statistics	E/CN.3/2007/20 E/CN.3/2011/9 E/CN.3/2014/23 E/CN.3/2018/24 (SG report)	DEC.37/108	Working groups were shut down during 2018 meeting	Latest meeting in 2018.	meets annually	https://unstats.un.org/oslogroup

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Washington Group on Disability Statistics	City	Soc	Disability	Capacity building and Methodology	US	<u>Steering committee:</u> <u>Members:</u> 119 national statistical offices, 7 international organizations, 6 organizations that represent persons with disabilities, UNSD and other United Nations system entities	32nd Session (2001)	To guide the development of a small set(s) of general disability measures, suitable for use in censuses, sample based national surveys, or other statistical formats, which will provide basic necessary information on disability throughout the world.	E/CN.3/2010/20 E/CN.3/2012/21 E/CN.3/2014/10 E/CN.3/2014/10/Corr.1 E/CN.3/2016/22 E/CN.3/2018/17	DEC.45/109		Latest meeting held in 2018	meets annually	http://www.washingtongroupdisability.com/ ; https://unstats.un.org/unsd/methodology/citygroups/washington.cshhtml
Titchfield Group on ageing-related statistics and agedisaggregated data	City	Soc	Ageing	Methodology	UK	<u>Members:</u> Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Comoros, Colombia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Finland, Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Malawi, Mauritius, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Morocco, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Russia, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Suriname, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, Turks and Caicos, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Uzbekistan, Vietnam, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), UN Habitat, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UNDESA), United Nations Population Fund (UNPF), UN Women, the World Health Organization (WHO), Praia Group, Washington Group, AARP, Development Initiatives, HelpAge International, Gray Panthers, University of Chiang Mai, University of Southern California, and Hamad Medical Corp (Qatar)	49th Session (2018)	To develop standardized tools and methods for producing both data disaggregated by age and ageing-related data		DEC.49/118	Work strands	Latest meeting in 2019. Group operates for a five year period, from 2018 to 2023, after which time a review would be carried out to assess whether the Group was still needed	Meets online every 4 weeks (Steering group) and once a year physically (full group)	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/methodology/citygroups/Titchfield.cshhtml
Praia Group on governance statistics	City	Soc	Governance	Methodology	Cabo Verde	<u>Steering Committee:</u> Cabo Verde, Mexico, AfDB, UNDP, Transparency International, PARIS21, OHCHR <u>Members:</u> Algeria, Bolivia, Brazil, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Chile, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Egypt, France, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Hungary, India, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mexico, Morocco, Mozambique, Niger, Norway, Palestine, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Rwanda, South Africa, Timor-Leste, Tunisia, Turkey, UK, US, Uganda, AfDB, African Union, Afrobarometer, Arab Institute for Training and Research in Statistics, Center for UN and Global Governance Studies, Development, Institutions and Globalization, ECOWAS, Eurostat, French Research Institute for Sustainable Development, g7+, Human Security Report Project, Independent Researcher Mark Orkin, Institute for Economics and Peace, OHCHR, OECD, Open Society Justice Initiative, PARIS21, Peace Research Institute Oslo, Restless Development, Saferworld, Small Arms Survey, Transparency, Accountability and Partnership Network, Transparency International, UNDP, UNODC, UN Women <u>Observers:</u> International Centre of Comparative Environmental Law, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights, International Trade Union Confederation, UNESCO	46th Session (2015)	To address the issues of conceptualization, methodology and instruments in the domain of governance statistics	E/CN.3/2016/16 E/CN.3/2018/34	DEC.46/111	Working groups	Latest meeting held in 2016, next in 2019. Will submit the final version of the handbook to the Statistical Commission in March 2020		http://www.ine.cv/praiagroup/ ; https://unstats.un.org/unsd/methodology/citygroups/praisia.cshhtml
Committee for the Coordination of Statistical Activities	Com	Cross-Cutting	Coordination of international statistical work	Coordination	UNODC and OECD	<u>Bureau:</u> UNODC, OECD, Eurostat, ECA, GCC-Stat <u>Members:</u> AfDB, AITRS, ADB, BIS, CariCom, ECB, FAO, IDB, IAEA, ICAO, ILO, IMF, ITU, CIS-Stat, OHCHR, OECD, PARIS21, GCC-Stat, SESRIC, Eurostat, Afristat, UNICEF, UNCTAD, UNDP, ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, UNESCO-UIS, UN Women, UNEP, UNHCR, UN-Habitat, UNIDO, OCHA, UNODC, UN Population Division, UNFPA, UNSD, UPU, World Bank, WHO, UNWTO, WTO	33rd Session (2002)	Coordination and cooperation across statistical programmes in regional, supranational and international organizations	E/CN.3/2010/30 E/CN.3/2011/29 E/CN.3/2011/30 E/CN.3/2012/27 E/CN.3/2013/29 E/CN.3/2014/32 E/CN.3/2015/29 E/CN.3/2016/25 E/CN.3/2017/28 E/CN.3/2018/32 E/CN.3/2019/30	DEC. 43/110	Task teams	Replaces the ACC Subcommittee on Statistical Activities (disbanded as at 31 December 2001). In 2012 (43rd session), the SC asked the CCSA to take on the topic of quality assurance frameworks. Latest session in 2019, next in 2019.	meets twice a year	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ccsa/

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Committee of the Chief Statisticians of the United Nations System	Com	Cross-Cutting	Coordination of international statistical work	Coordination	UNODC	Members: ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, FAO, IAEA, ICAO, ILO, ITU, OCHA, OHCHR, UNHCR, UNSD, UNICEF, UNCTAD, UNDP, UNESCO, UN-Women, UNEP, UN-Habitat, UNIDO, UNODC, UN Population Division, UNFPA, UPU, WHO, UNWTO	45th Session (2014)	To promote coherent and integrated system-wide United Nations actions to support statistics at the national, regional and international level	E/CN.3/2015/30 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2017/29		Task teams	Follows on the recommendations of the Friends of the Chair on the coordination of statistical activities in the United Nations system and report back to the Commission. Latest meeting in 2018	meets twice a year	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/unsystem/default.htm
Committee of Experts on Business and Trade Statistics	Com	Eco	Business Statistics, including globalization, trade and investment	Methodology and Coordination	Italy	Members: Canada, Colombia, Jamaica, Mexico, USA, Austria, Denmark, France, Georgia, Italy, Switzerland, UK, China, Indonesia, Japan, Palestine, Sri Lanka, Egypt, Ethiopia, Mauritius, South Africa, Tunisia, African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, Eurostat, ILO, IMF, OECD, UNECA, UNECE, UNESCAP, UNIDO, UNSD	48th Session (2017)	To give guidance on issues of business and basic economic statistics, including globalization, trade and investment statistics, and prepare the guidelines for statistical business registers.	E/CN.3/2019/11 (joint with Wiesbaden Group and Interagency Taskforce on Int. Trade Stats)	DEC.48/114 DEC.50/111	Bureau, Task teams	In 2019, name change (former: Committee of Experts on Business Statistics) and small amendments to mandate and governance. Report at fifty-first session. First meeting in 2018. Next in June 2019		https://unstats.un.org/unsd/trade/events/2018/mexico/
Global Steering Committee on the implementation of the Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics	Com	Env	Agricultural and rural	Coordination	WB and Philippines	<u>Executive Board</u> : 7 members <u>Members</u> : representatives of two countries from each region (Ethiopia, Philippines, Brazil, US), all resource partners supporting the Global Strategy (BMGF, DfID, Italy), all partners participating in the implementation of the Global Strategy (ADB, AfDB, CIS-Stat, FAO, IsDB, SPC, ECA, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA) and some selected international agencies (Eurostat, IFAD, PARIS21, UNSD, WPF, WB) and user organizations	Established December 2011 (not by the Commission, by stakeholders of the Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics, as part of the governance for the Global Strategy)		E/CN.3/2013/8 E/CN.3/2014/22 E/CN.3/2015/16 (via FAO report) E/CN.3/2017/27 (via FAO report) E/CN.3/2018/13 (via FAO report)		Global Steering Committee, Scientific Advisory Committee	Latest meeting in 2018		http://gsars.org/en/category/publications/global-steering-committee/
Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting	Com	Env	Environmental-Economic Accounting	Methodology and Coordination	Netherlands	<u>Bureau</u> : Australia, Canada, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Philippines, South Africa, Eurostat, FAO, OECD, UNSD and World Bank. <u>Members</u> : Bureau members and Bhutan, Brazil, China, Colombia, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, IMF, UNDP, UN Environment, UNWTO, Italy, Jamaica, Malaysia, Mongolia, EEA, regional commissions, Russia, Samoa, Sweden, Uganda, UK, US	36th session (2005)	To provide overall vision, coordination, prioritization and direction in the field of environmental economic accounting	E/CN.3/2010/11 E/CN.3/2011/7 E/CN.3/2012/8 E/CN.3/2013/5 E/CN.3/2014/6 E/CN.3/2015/13 E/CN.3/2016/8 E/CN.3/2017/14 E/CN.3/2018/11 E/CN.3/2019/15		Working groups, Technical committees	Latest meeting held in 2018	meets annually	https://seea.un.org/content/un-committee-experts-environmental-economic-accounting-unceea ; https://unstats.un.org/unsd/envaccounting/ceea/
Advisory Expert Group on Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics	EG	Soc	Justice and crime	Methodology	TBD	10-15 participants considering representatives from countries (NSOs), International Organizations and Academia.	50th Session (2019)	To foster broader partnerships to better coordinate international statistical programmes and to strengthen activities for better national data used in monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals with regard to crime and criminal justice		DEC.50/119		To be activated by end of 2019 (ToR and composition) and have the first meeting in 2020.	Annually (back to back with Statistical Commission or International Conference on crime and criminal justice statistics)	

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Expert Group on National Quality Assurance Frameworks	EG	Cross-Cutting	Quality	Methodology	Italy and Philippines	<u>Members:</u> Botswana, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, Niger, Norway, Philippines, Russian Federation, South Africa, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Viet Nam <u>Observers:</u> Eurostat, FAO, IMF, OECD, World Bank, ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP	Established: 41st Session (2010) Re-established: 48th Session (2017)	To address implementation issues, among them assuring the quality of SDG indicator data and data from new sources and new data providers	E/CN.3/2019/6	DEC.48/106 DEC.50/106		In 2017, updated terms of reference. Latest meeting held in 2018. In 2019, updated terms of reference, and requested to expand its membership.		https://unstats.un.org/unsd/methodology/dataquality/expert-group/
Expert Group on International Statistical Classifications	EG	Cross-Cutting	Classifications	Methodology	New Zealand	<u>Bureau:</u> New Zealand, Canada, Eurostat, Mexico, Philippines, Statistics Division (ex officio) <u>Members:</u> Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, France, Ghana, India, Jordan, Mexico, Morocco, New Zealand, Oman, Philippines, Rep. of Korea, Russian Federation, Singapore, South Africa, Switzerland, US, Afristat, Eurostat, FAO, ILO, SPC, UNESCO-UIS, UNODC, UNSD, WCO	30th Session (1999)	Improving cooperation on international classifications and ensuring harmonization and convergence among classifications in the international family of economic and social classifications	E/CN.3/2012/28* (SG Report) E/CN.3/2013/28 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2015/32 E/CN.3/2016/11 E/CN.3/2018/15	DEC.49/114	Technical subgroups	Latest meeting in 2017	meets every 2 years	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/classifications/expertgroup
Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information	EG	Cross-Cutting	Cross-Cutting	Methodology and Coordination	Australia and Mexico	<u>Members Statistics:</u> Argentina, Australia, Cabo Verde, Canada, Colombia, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, New Zealand, Norway, Oman, Poland, Qatar, Saint Lucia, South Africa, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States <u>Geospatial:</u> Bangladesh, Belize, Brazil, China, Germany, Mexico, Morocco, Republic of Korea, UN-GGIM: Private Sector Network (OGC; Oracle; Esri) <u>International:</u> ESCWA, ECE, ECA-African Centre for Statistics, UNFPA, EuroStat, GCC-Stat, OECD, DFS-GISS, UNSD-GGIMS	44th Session (2013)	Developing a statistical-spatial framework as a global standard for the integration of statistical and geospatial information	E/CN.3/2014/31 E/CN.3/2014/31/Corr.1 E/CN.3/2015/37 E/CN.3/2016/31 E/CN.3/2017/10 E/CN.3/2018/33 E/CN.3/2019/31	DEC.44/101 DEC.48/108	Task Groups	Latest meeting in 2018	meets annually	http://ggim.un.org/UNGGIM-expert-group/
Advisory Expert Group on National Accounts	EG	Eco	National Accounts	Methodology	Eurostat	<u>Members:</u> Brazil, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Jamaica, Japan, Korea, Lebanon, Netherlands, Russian Federation, Singapore, South Africa, Uganda, Uruguay, UK, US, ECB <u>Observers:</u> 5 members of ISWGNA	2002, re-established 41st Session (2010)	To assist the ISWGNA in resolving issues on the research agenda of the SNA and emerging research issues, and to assist the ISWGNA in the review of the SNA implementation programme	Reports to UNSC via ISWGNA	DEC.42/103		Latest meeting in 2018	meets annually	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/aeg.asp
Expert Group on International Trade and Economic Globalization Statistics	EG	Eco	International Trade	Methodology	Ireland	<u>Members:</u> Cabo Verde, Morocco, South Africa, Uganda, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, US, China, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Rep. of Korea, Thailand, Viet Nam, Ireland, Denmark, Italy, Netherlands, UK, ECE, IMF, OECD, Eurostat, UNCTAD, WTO	46th Session (2015)	Developing the Handbook on Accounting for Global Value Chains	E/CN.3/2016/23 (SG report, jointly with Intersecretariat WG) E/CN.3/2017/26 E/CN.3/2019/10	DEC.46/107 DEC.50/110	task force ?	In 2019, to be dissolved when the handbook is completed (end of 2019). Latest meeting in 2018. Continuation of the Friends of the Chair on the Measurement of International Trade and Economic Globalization	meets annually	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/trade/events/2018/rome/default.asp
Expert Group on Environment Statistics	EG	Env	Environment	Methodology	Jamaica	<u>Members:</u> Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, Hungary, Italy, Luxembourg, New Zealand, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, United Arab Emirates, Belize, Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, Chile, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Mauritius, Mexico, Nepal, Philippines, State of Palestine, Suriname, Sweden, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zimbabwe, AfDB, ECA, ECLAC, ECE, ESCWA, ESCAP, European Environment Agency, Eurostat, FAO, UNEP, UNFCCC, UNU, UN-Habitat	44th Session (2013)	Developing further methodological tools, hands-on guidance, and training material and to contribute to the implementation of the FDES 2013 in countries	E/CN.3/2010/9 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2011/28 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2012/9 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2013/6 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2014/28 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2015/26 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2016/27 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2018/31 (SG Report)	DEC.49/113		Latest meeting in May 2019	meets annually	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/envstats/fdes/fdes_eges.csshtml

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Expert Group on Refugee and Internally Displaced Persons Statistics	EG	Soc	Migration	Methodology	UNHCR	<u>Steering Committee</u> : Norway, Eurostat, UNHCR, JIPS, Turkey and UNSD <u>Members</u> : Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Kurdistan region of Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Kosovo (all references to Kosovo in this paper should be understood to be in the context of Security Council resolution 1244 (1999)), Lebanon, Malaysia, Morocco, Niger, Norway, Pakistan, Palestine, Philippines, Somalia, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, Uganda, UK, Ukraine, US, European Commission, European Asylum Support Office, EFTA, ESCWA, Eurostat, Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre, IOM, Joint Internally Displaced Person Profiling Service, OECD, Household International Migration Surveys in the Mediterranean Countries, Euro-Mediterranean statistics cooperation project, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNRWA, UNSD, World Bank, WFP	47th Session (2016)	To develop international recommendations on refugee statistics and a technical report outlining the way forward in development of comparable international standards for internally displaced persons statistics	E/CN.3/2018/16	DEC.47/111 DEC. 49/115	Subgroup	Latest meeting in 2019. Current mandate ends 2020.	Steering Committee meets online as needed	http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/expert-group-on-refugee-statistics
Expert Group on Migration Statistics	EG	Soc	International migration	Methodology	South Africa and IOM	<u>Steering committee</u> : Eurostat, Norway and UNHCR <u>Members</u> : 20 countries, 18 regional and international organisations and 4 independent experts.	49th Session (2018)	To revise the Recommendations on Statistics for International Migration	E/CN.3/2019/17 (SG report)	DEC.49/101 DEC.50/117	Task forces	Latest meeting in 2019	meets once a year (face to face), and online as needed	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic-social/migration-expert-group/
Expert group on City Prosperity Index	EG	Soc	Urban indicators	Methodology	TBD / UN-Habitat (a.i.)	TBD	50th Session (2019)	Revision of the guidelines and principles for the implementation of the City Prosperity Index		DEC.50/118		First formal meeting planned for November 2019. Had informal online meeting with partners to draft ToR. Chair, members and other organizational matters will be discussed.		
Expert Group on Identifying Slum and Non-slum Enumeration Areas	EG	Soc	Urban indicators	Methodology	TBD / UN-Habitat (a.i.)	TBD	50th Session (2019)	Identifying slum and non-slum enumeration areas. To develop standardized tools, definitions and methods for producing slum data based on space-based definitions.		DEC.50/118		A face to face meeting is planned for Feb 2020. Will initially operate for a five-year period, from 2018 to 2023. Had 2 WebEx meetings in 2019 to define ToR, address leadership and fundraising shortages.		
Friends of the Chair group on the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (II)	FoC	Cross-Cutting	Cross-Cutting	Methodology	New Zealand	<u>Members</u> : Australia, Argentina, Egypt, Italy, Jordan, Malaysia, Mauritius, New Zealand, Poland, Suriname, Sweden, UK <u>Observers</u> : Collaborative on Data Interoperability, FAO, GGIM (Geospatial Group), ISI, Open Data Watch, Paris21, ESCAP, World Bank	48th Session (2017)	To develop and agree on suitable tools and methods for assessing the implementation of the Fundamental Principles	E/CN.3/2018/6 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2019/5	DEC.48/107 DEC.49/105 DEC.50/104	Subgroup on Open Data was converted to separate WG	Continue its work for another year and report back at fifty-first session. Afterwards, the work on the FPOS would be resumed in time for the next appraisal, in 2024.	Meets online every 6 weeks. Operates together with WG on open data	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/dnss/gp/fundprinciples.aspx ; https://unstats.un.org/wiki/display/FoC/

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Friends of the Chair group on Economic Statistics	FoC	Eco	Economic	Coordination	Canada	<u>Members:</u> Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Denmark, Indonesia, Italy, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, USA, ADB, AfDB, ECA, Eurostat, IADB, IMF, ISDB, OECD, World Bank, DESA, UNSD	50th Session (2019)	To undertake an assessment on the efficiency, effectiveness and responsiveness of the governance of the current system of economic statistics		DEC.50/110		First meeting May 2019. Name, chairs, members, ToR, working methods will be discussed. Established for a period of not more than two years. Report back at fifty-first session.	meets twice a year	
High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development	HLG	Cross-Cutting		Coordination	Mongolia and Angola	<u>Members:</u> Chair of the SC (ex officio), Angola, Burundi, Senegal, South Africa, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, State of Palestine, China, Mongolia, Nepal, Philippines, Tajikistan, Argentina, Ecuador, Mexico, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Albania, Finland, Hungary, Switzerland, and United Kingdom	46th Session (2015)	To establish a global action plan for data for the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development	E/CN.3/2016/3 E/CN.3/2017/3 E/CN.3/2018/4 E/CN.3/2019/4	DEC.47/102 DEC.48/102	Subgroups, Joint subgroup with IAEG-SDGs	Latest meeting in 2019. Original name was "High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Post-2015 Monitoring", changed in 2016.		https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/hlg/
Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal indicators	IAEG	Cross-Cutting	Cross cutting	Methodology	Sweden and Tanzania	<u>Members:</u> Chair of the SC (ex officio), Ethiopia, Tanzania, Malawi, Cameroon, Ghana, Niger, Libya, Egypt, Bahrain, Japan, Afghanistan, Kyrgyz Republic, Malaysia, Fiji, Samoa, Grenada, Trinidad and Tobago, Brazil, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Belarus, Russian Federation, Canada, France, Germany, Ireland, Sweden	46th Session (2015)	To develop and implement the global indicator framework for the Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda	E/CN.3/2016/2 E/CN.3/2016/2/Rev.1 E/CN.3/2017/2 E/CN.3/2018/2 E/CN.3/2019/2	DEC.47/101 DEC.48/101 DEC.49/101 DEC.50/101	Working groups, Joint subgroup with HLG-PCCB	Latest meeting in 2019	meets twice a year	https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/iaeg-sdgs
Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Food Security, Agricultural and Rural Statistics	IAEG	Env	Agricultural and rural	Methodology	FAO	<u>Members:</u> AfDB, ADB, Eurostat, FAO, Global Strategy for the Improvement of Agricultural and Rural Statistics, IFAD, SPC, ESCAP, Unicef, WB, WFP, WHO, Brazil, Ecuador, Indonesia, Morocco, Peru, US, Sweden, Ghana, Ethiopia	43rd Session (2012)	To develop and document good practices and guidelines on the concepts, methods, and statistical standards for food security, sustainable agriculture, and rural development	E/CN.3/2015/16 (via FAO report) E/CN.3/2017/27 (via FAO report) E/CN.3/2018/13 (via FAO report)	DEC.43/104 DEC.46/110		First meeting in 2015. Latest meeting in 2018. Replaces the Friends of the Chair Group on Agricultural Statistics and the Wye Group. 2015 report jointly submitted with Global Steering Committee (and "Food Security" was added to name of the group)		http://gsars.org/fr/first-meeting-of-the-inter-agency-and-expert-group-on-food-security-agricultural-and-rural-statistics-iaeg-ag/
Inter-Agency and Expert Group on gender statistics	IAEG	Soc	Gender	Methodology and Coordination	Japan and Finland	<u>Members:</u> Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Finland, Georgia, Ghana, India, Italy, Japan (Chair), Jordan, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Moldova, Morocco, Philippines, South Africa, Uganda, US, Vietnam, Zimbabwe, ECE, ECA, ESCAP, ESCWA, ECLAC, FAO, ILO, IPU, ITU, OECD-Developing Centre, OECD, UN Population Division, UNSD, UNDP, UNEP, UNESCO-UIS, UN Women, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNODC, WHO, World Bank	2007	To coordinate and guide the Global Gender Statistics Programme aiming at improving the capacity of countries to collect, analyse, disseminate, communicate and use relevant, high-quality gender statistics	E/CN.3/2011/4 (SG report) E/CN.3/2012/19 (SG report) E/CN.3/2013/10 (SG report) E/CN.3/2014/18 (SG report) E/CN.3/2015/21 (SG report) E/CN.3/2016/20 (SG report) E/CN.3/2017/11 (SG report)	DEC.42/102	Advisory Groups	Latest meeting in 2018. In 2011 (42nd Session) expansion of its scope of work.	meets once a year (face to face), and online as needed	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic-social/gender/#IAEG-GS

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Global Network of Institutions for Statistical Training	Net	Cross-Cutting	Cross cutting	Capacity building and Coordination	ISI	<u>Members:</u> AfDB, IMF, WB, ILO, UNSIAP, Eurostat, SPC, Eastern Africa Statistical Training Centre (EASTC), Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Statistique et d' Economie (ENSEA), AITRS, SESRIC, UNITAR, PARIS21, ECA, UNSD, Brazil, China, India, United States, Republic of Korea <u>Stakeholder Advisory Group:</u> Ghana, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Morocco, Philippines, State of Palestine	49th Session (2018)	Enable efficient, effective, and harmonized delivery of training at global and regional levels		DEC.49/102	Advisory Committee, Task Teams	Latest meeting in 2019. In 2018, SC endorsed workplan for next two years		https://unstats.un.org/GIST
Partnership on Measuring Information and Communications Technology for Development	Part	Cross-Cutting	ICT	Methodology	ITU	<u>Steering Committee:</u> ITU, UNCTAD, UIS <u>Members:</u> ITU, OECD, UNCTAD, UNESCO-UIS, ECLAC, ESCWA, ESCAP, ECA, DESA (as in web), Eurostat, UNEP, secretariat of the Basel Convention, World Bank, UN University, ILO	35th session (2004)	To improve the availability of internationally comparable ICT statistics	E/CN.3/2010/28 E/CN.3/2012/12 E/CN.3/2014/8 E/CN.3/2016/13 E/CN.3/2018/26	DEC.43/109	Task group	Latest meeting in 2018. Next report to the Statistical Commission in 2020. In 2012 (43rd session), the SC agreed to include ICT statistics in its multi-annual work programme		https://www.itu.int/en/ITU-D/Statistics/Pages/intcoop/partnership/default.aspx
Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange sponsors	TF	Cross-Cutting	Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange	Methodology and Data	OECD	<u>Members:</u> BIS, ECB, Eurostat, IMF, OECD, UNSD, WB	2007	Steering the SDMX implementation work	E/CN.3/2013/30 E/CN.3/2015/33 E/CN.3/2017/32 E/CN.3/2019/29		SDMX Secretariat, Statistical Working Group, Technical Working Group	Latest meeting in 2019, next planned in 2019. The Statistical Commission has received SDMX progress reports since 2002 (replaced the Task Force to Establish Standards on Data and Metadata Exchange)		https://sdmx.org/?page_id=2705
Inter-agency Task Force on Finance Statistics	TF	Eco	Finance	Coordination	IMF	<u>Members:</u> BIS, Commonwealth Secretariat, ECB, Eurostat, IMF, OECD, Paris Club Secretariat, UNCTAD, World Bank	1992 (no session that year)	To coordinate work to improve the methodological soundness, transparency, timeliness, and availability of data on external debt and international reserves	E/CN.3/2010/24 E/CN.3/2012/24 E/CN.3/2015/25 E/CN.3/2017/25 E/CN.3/2019/9 (IMF report)	DEC.50/109	Working Groups	In 2019, put on hold until it has been determined that the new simplified structure and the migration of the programme of work of the Task Force have been successful. Mandate was broadened in 1998 (no session that year). Latest meeting in 2017.	meets annually	http://www.tffs.org/

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Interagency Task Force on international trade statistics	TF	Eco	International Trade	Coordination	OECD and WTO	<u>Members:</u> Eurostat, FAO, IMF, OECD, UNCTAD, UNIDO, UNSD, ECA, ECE, ECLAC, ESCAP, ESCWA, WCO, WTO	47th Session (2016)	To ensure the coordination of activities carried out by the participating agencies in the area of international trade statistics and related fields	E/CN.3/2016/24 E/CN.3/2017/26 (via Report of EG on International Trade and Economic Globalization Statistics) E/CN.3/2018/28 E/CN.3/2019/11 (joint with Wiesbaden Group and Comm of Experts on Business and Trade Statistics)			Latest meeting was in 2018. Merger of the Task Force on International Merchandise Trade Statistics and the Task Force on Statistics of International Trade in Services.	meets annually	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/trade/taskforce/
Global Working Group on Big Data for Official Statistics	WG	Cross-Cutting	Big data	Capacity Building, Coordination and Data	UK and Denmark	<u>Members:</u> Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Cameroon, Canada, China, Colombia, Denmark, Egypt, Georgia, Germany, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, Oman, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Switzerland, UAE, UK, Tanzania, US, AfDB, CariCom, ECA, ECE, ESCAP, Eurostat, FAO, UN Global Pulse, IMF, OECD, GCC-Stat, ITU, SIAP, UNSD, UPU, World Bank	45th Session (2014)	To provide strategic vision, direction and coordination of a global programme on big data for official statistics, including for indicators in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; develop a global platform for research and development on data collaboration for statistics and SDG indicators.	E/CN.3/2015/4 E/CN.3/2016/6 E/CN.3/2017/7 E/CN.3/2018/8 E/CN.3/2019/27	DEC.46/101 DEC 48/105 DEC 49/107	Bureau, Task teams, Committees	Latest meeting in 2019	Meets annually. Bureau meets every two weeks by video-conferencing	https://unstats.un.org/bigdata/
Intersecretariat Working Group on International Trade and Economic Globalization Statistics	WG	Eco	International Trade	Coordination		<u>Members:</u> Eurostat, IMF, OECD, UNCTAD, ECE, UNSD, WTO	46th Session (2015)	Coordinating work undertaken by the various international and regional organizations in the field	E/CN.3/2016/23 (SG report, jointly with EG)	DEC.46/107		Report of the Committee will request the closure of this group. <u>Not activated:</u> Coordination is done by the Inter-Agency Task Force on International Trade Statistics		
Intersecretariat Working Group on Price Statistics	WG	Eco	Prices	Methodology	World Bank	<u>Members:</u> ECE, ILO, IMF, OECD, Eurostat, World Bank	30th Session (1999)	To develop international standards and recommendations on price statistics, document best practice guidelines and support their implementation	E/CN.3/2011/27 E/CN.3/2013/26 E/CN.3/2017/23 E/CN.3/2019/13		Technical Expert Group	Latest meeting in 2019. First meeting held in 1998. Terms of reference revised in 2005 and 2011.	regularly holds meetings or teleconferences	http://www.ilo.org/public/english/bureau/stat/guides/cpi/index.htm
Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts	WG	Eco	National Accounts	Methodology and Coordination	Eurostat	<u>Members:</u> Eurostat, IMF, OECD, UNSD, Regional Commissions, World Bank	early 1980s	To provide the strategic vision, direction and coordination for the methodological development and implementation of the SNA in national, regional and international statistical systems	E/CN.3/2010/8 E/CN.3/2011/6 E/CN.3/2012/4 E/CN.3/2013/4 E/CN.3/2014/5 E/CN.3/2015/11 E/CN.3/2016/7 E/CN.3/2017/13 E/CN.3/2018/10 E/CN.3/2019/8	DEC.42/103	Task forces	Latest meeting held in 2019. In 2011 (42nd session), the SC supported the proposed mandate and governance.		https://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/iswgnasp
Intersecretariat Working Group on Environment Statistics	WG	Env	Environment	Methodology and Coordination	UNSD	<u>Members:</u> UNSD, OECD, Eurostat, ECE, UNEP, FAO	34th Session (2003)	Development and harmonization of concepts, methods and standards, and coordination of data collection and training	E/CN.3/2010/10 E/CN.3/2016/27 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2018/31 (SG Report)		water statistics	Last direct report was in 2010. Currently it reports through the SG report on Environment Statistics and their Background Documents.	meets on a needs-basis, primarily through teleconferences	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/envstats/coordination.cshml

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Intersecretariat Working Group on Energy Statistics (InterEnerStat)	WG	Env, Eco	Energy	Methodology and Coordination	IEA	<u>Members:</u> African Energy Commission (AFREC), African Petroleum Producers' Association (APPA), Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), Eurelectric, Eurogas, European Commission - Eurostat, European Environment Agency (EEA), FAO, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), International Energy Agency (IEA), International Energy Forum Secretariat (IEFS), IMF, Latin American Energy Organization (OLADE), OECD, Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC), Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), UNECE, UNEP, United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change Reporting (UNFCCC), UNSD, World Bank, World Coal Institute, World Energy Council (WEC)	36th session (2005)	To enhance the coordination of international energy statistics and the collaboration of international (global, regional and sectoral) organizations with a view to improving the availability and quality of international energy statistics without increasing the response burden on countries and by making best use of resources.	E/CN.3/2007/21 E/CN.3/2018/24 (SG report)	DEC.37/108		Latest meeting in 2018		https://unstats.un.org/unsd/energy/interenerstat.org/index.asp
Intersecretariat Working Group on Health Statistics	WG	Soc	Health	Methodology	WHO	<u>Members:</u> Selected Member State Representatives from the Statistical Commission during their term, UN and other international (or regional) agencies dealing with Health Statistics, Invited experts, UNSD, WHO	35th session (2004)	To develop a coordinated and integrated agenda for the production of health statistics and agree on standard definitions, classifications, and methodologies in health statistics	E/CN.3/2011/22			This group is not active. In 2019, WHO report and Bureau report indicated that there were plans to reactivate or replace it.		http://www.who.int/healthinfo/statistics/iswgmmeeting.pdf
Inter-secretariat Working Group on Household Surveys	WG	Soc	Cross cutting	Methodology and Coordination	UNICEF	<u>Management group:</u> FAO, ILO, Unicef, UNESCO-UIS, UNODC, World Bank, WHO, UNSD, UNWOMEN, UNDP	46th Session (2015)	To foster improvement in the scope and quality of social statistics as delivered through national, regional and international household survey programmes	E/CN.3/2016/21 E/CN.3/2017/20 E/CN.3/2018/7 E/CN.3/2019/25	DEC.46/105 DEC 49/106	Management group (MG), Technical working group (TWG), Task forces	Latest meeting in 2019		https://unstats.un.org/iswghs/
Working Group on Open Data	WG	Cross-Cutting	Cross cutting	Methodology	New Zealand	<u>Members:</u> Australia, Argentina, Egypt, Italy, Jordan, Malaysia, Mauritius, New Zealand, Poland, Suriname, Sweden, UK <u>Observers:</u> Collaborative on Data Interoperability, FAO, GGIM (Geospatial Group), ISI, Open Data Watch, Paris21, ESCAP, World Bank	50th Session (2019)	Development of guidance for the assessment and practical application of open data in the context of official statistics	E/CN.3/2018/6 (SG Report) E/CN.3/2019/5 (FoC FPOS report)	DEC.50/105	--	Report at fifty-first session and every two years thereafter. This WG used to be a subgroup of the FoC group on FPOS.	Meets online every 6 weeks. Operates together with FoC on FPOS	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/dnss/gp/fundprinciples.aspx ; https://unstats.un.org/wiki/display/FoC/
Inter-Agency Working Group on Debt Statistics	WG	Eco	Debt	Data	IMF	TBD	50th Session (2019)	To take over the non-methodological responsibilities of the Task Force on Finance Statistics and the data management work		DEC.50/109		To be activated late 2019. IMF to report at fifty-first session on the progress made on the new simplified structure and the migration of the work programme. This group comes from (is a break-away) the Inter-agency Task Force on Finance Statistics		
^a Please see official records of the Statistical Commission for exact text formulation of mandate.														