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| <i>Statement provided by:</i> Stats NZ | |
| <i>Statement:</i> <p>New Zealand, as Chair of the UN Expert Group on International Statistical Classifications, endorses the Expert Group Report and wishes to acknowledge and express its appreciation for the support and contribution of the UN Statistics Division in its role as Secretariat to the Expert Group.</p> <p>New Zealand, having been a participating member of the Technical Subgroup ISIC, fully supports the recommendation before the Commission for a comprehensive revision of the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC) and will continue its support of the Task Team ISIC through the revision process as New Zealand looks to move to adopting the new ISIC. The work of the TSG ISIC and the detail provided in the background document for the Commission highlights the complex issues facing ISIC and the need for a full revision.</p> <p>New Zealand also fully supports the recommendation for a comprehensive revision of the Central Product Classification and would like to see greater alignment of the CPC and the Harmonized System Classification through a more coordinated revision process.</p> <p>It is important for both revisions of ISIC and CPC to introduce new and innovative approaches to the classification revision process, to better reflect and more dynamically respond to the changes in the real-world, as prescribed within the auspices of the work streams initiated under the Friends of the Chair on Economic Statistics. Integration of the classification revisions with the digitization work on the economic standards should also be considered.</p> <p>The proposed revised mandate for the Expert Group on International Statistical Classification is also supported by New Zealand.</p> | |
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