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<i>Statement provided by:</i> SWEDEN	
<i>Statement:</i> Measuring time use We appreciate the initiative and on-going efforts to modernize time use data collection. Statistics Sweden has come to the conclusion that using diaries, in any form, as a tool for measuring time use in Sweden is no longer a realistic option due to its complexity, costs and low response rates. After piloting a new method to measure time spend on unpaid work, Statistics Sweden conducted a survey in 2021. The results are to be published this spring, and we welcome an exchange of experiences and ideas with the Expert Group on Innovative and Effective Ways to Collect Time-Use Statistics. In this context, I would also like to mention that Statistics Sweden is currently working on further developing data sources built on registers and administrative data. The goal is to obtain a considerable reduction in the dependence on surveys in general. Exploring and developing such new data sources will entail interesting challenges and new possibilities in the production of gender statistics. Implementing a gender perspective into all agenda items We support the suggestion that the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Gender Statistics propose recommendations on how to implement and monitor the decision at the international level. However, the Inter-Agency and Expert Group cannot do the work alone. The decision to integrate a gender perspective into all the agenda items of the Commission is a reminder to all of us, representing national statistical agencies, that mainstreaming a gender perspective requires a commitment at all levels and stages in the process.	
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