# Data, Analytics and Statistics Section (DASS)

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<th>Brief description of the organization</th>
<th>The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) aims to make the world safer from drugs, organized crime, corruption and terrorism. UNODC is committed to achieving health, security and justice for all by tackling these threats and promoting peace and sustainable well-being as deterrents to them. Because the scale of these problems is often too great for states to confront alone, UNODC offers practical assistance and encourages transnational approaches to action in all regions of the world through global programmes and its network of field offices. The Office is committed to supporting Member States in implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at its core. The 2030 Agenda clearly recognizes that the rule of law and fair, effective and humane justice systems, as well as health-oriented responses to drug use, are both enablers for and part of sustainable development. UNODC Headquarters are based in Vienna, Austria.</th>
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<td>Mission</td>
<td>The Data, Analytics and Statistics Section’s mission is to collect and disseminate crime and drugs statistics and provide research to Member States to help them develop and implement comprehensive, evidence-based solutions to the complex and interconnected threats that they face at the national, regional and global levels.</td>
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<td>Field of activity</td>
<td>The Data, Analytics and Statistics Section is the focal point in UNODC for the collection, analysis and dissemination of drugs, crime, and criminal justice data, the development of methodological guidelines on the collection and use of drugs, crime and criminal justice data, and for technical support to Member States on related methodologies and activities.</td>
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<td>Mandate</td>
<td>The mandate of UNODC encompasses thematic areas related to preventing and countering transnational organized crime, corruption, terrorism, and the world drug problem as well as enhancing and strengthening criminal justice systems. DASS manages all five officially mandated global data collections within UNODC, namely 1) the Annual Report Questionnaire (ARQ), 2) Individual Drug Seizures (IDS), 3) the Illicit Arms Flows Questionnaire (IAFQ), 4) the Survey of Crime Trends and Operations of Criminal Justice Systems (CTS), and 5) the Questionnaire for the Global Report on Trafficking in Persons (GLOTIP). Furthermore, DASS also manages the Illegal Trade data on individual wildlife seizures on behalf of CITES.</td>
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The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (A/RES/70/1) further recognizes the need to build peaceful, just and inclusive societies that provide equal access to justice and that are based on respect for human rights (including the right to development), on effective rule of law and good governance at all levels and on transparent, effective and accountable institutions. UNODC is reporting data for 12 indicators of the 2030 Agenda and co-custodian for an additional five indicators.

Statistical work programme

The Data, Analytics and Statistics Section (DASS) is responsible for i) collecting, analyzing and disseminating timely, relevant and accurate crime, drugs and criminal justice statistics to support policy and trend analysis at the international level and ii) supporting Member States in their efforts to produce and disseminate high-quality drug and crime statistics at national level. More specifically, the section is responsible for:

1. The international collection, production and dissemination of drugs and crime statistics. This includes the collection of data from Member States, the development of data sets that are consistent and internationally comparable and the dissemination of results to the international community. The section is also expected to produce sub-regional, regional and global estimates for SDG indicators related to drugs, crime and criminal justice.

2. Developing international standards and recommendations related to drugs, crime and criminal justice data. This includes the development of standardized methodologies and classifications to enhance the comparability of drugs, crime and criminal justice data and statistics at international level and to support countries in their efforts to produce relevant national statistics.

3. Strengthening the national capacity to collect, produce, disseminate and use drugs, crime and criminal justice statistics. This includes technical support in the design, implementation, processing and dissemination of data collection activities related to drugs, crime and criminal justice. This work also covers support to countries in the implementation of population surveys on corruption or crime victimization.

Number of staff

DASS includes 6 regular budget posts and 10 other posts in the UNODC headquarters in Vienna. Currently, three of these posts are vacant.

Flagship publications

1. World Drug Report
2. Global Study on Homicide
3. Global Report on Trafficking in Persons

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