

Stats SA provides scientific knowledge that enables society to understand complex socio-economic phenomena. It draws its mandate from the Statistics Act, 1999 (Act No. 6 of 1999).

Stats SA strives to excel in the following five competencies:

- Intellectual capability to lead the scientific work of statistics
- Technological competence for purposes of large-scale processing and for complex computations and accessibility of information to the public
- Logistical competence for deployment of (forward and reverse) logistics of large-scale field operations and for strategic choices regarding operational efficiency and cost-effectiveness
- Political competence in understanding the political environment without being political or politicised (commitment of delivery without fear of favour)
- Administrative competence: The ability of bringing it all together.

Methodologist (Ref. No.: 01/02/19HO)

(Five contract positions exist in the Methodology and Evaluation Chief directorate at Head Office, Pretoria)

(Salary Level 9: R356 289 all-inclusive remuneration package per annum plus 37% in lieu of service benefits)

Key Performance Areas:

- Provide support in the identification of suitable sampling frames and selection of samples for surveys
- Provide input in the design of computer programs, development of methodologies for weighting and estimation, and conduct weighting and estimation for survey areas
- Evaluate the quality of surveys and censuses
- Implement and maintain detailed sources and methods documents
- Provide input in the development of specifications, guidelines and procedures for the development of programs and systems
- Advise stakeholders on statistical methods.

Prerequisites:

- A three-year tertiary qualification in Statistics/Mathematics/Economics/Econometrics
- Training in SAS and MS Project is essential
- At least one year experience as a methodologist/statistician in a research institution or statistical agency
- Relevant working experience in data collection, analysis, evaluation and interpretation
- Knowledge of survey processes and the statistical production process
- Proficiency in MS Office Suite.

Person Profile:

- This position will suit a person with:
- Good communication, planning, problem-solving, interpersonal, analytical, conceptualisation and research skills
- Ability to work independently as well as in a team
- Ability to work long hours under pressure to meet tight deadlines
- Willingness to travel.

Short-listed applicants must be willing to undergo a competency exercise as part of the selection process.

Closing date for applications: 01 March 2019 at 16:00

Required documents: A signed Z83 application form

- Detailed CV with contact details of three recent references
- Certified copies of qualifications and Identity Document. NB: Applicants risk being disqualified for failing to submit all the required documents as indicated above.

Important note: If you do not hear from us within three months of the closing date, please regard your application as unsuccessful

- Correspondence will be entered into with short-listed candidates only
- Statistics South Africa reserves the right not to make an appointment
- Appointment is subject to security clearance, the signing of a performance agreement or plan, verification of the applicant's documents and reference checking. It is the applicant's responsibility to have foreign qualifications evaluated by the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA)
- Applications received after the closing date will not be considered
- Please clearly indicate the reference number of the position you apply for in your application. If you apply for more than one position, submit separate applications.

Submission of applications: Applications must be submitted online on the following link:

<https://apps.statssa.gov.za/erecruitment>

Stats SA endeavours to promote the careers of previously disadvantaged persons by applying the principles of appropriate legislation, e.g. Employment Equity Act, 1998. People living with disabilities are encouraged to apply for the above positions.

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