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Strategic Outcome 1: An informed nation

Goal statement: By 2020, statistical products and services have been expanded to better meet planning, monitoring and evaluation, and policy needs through coordination, integration and innovation. Statistics is used by the nation and other stakeholders at large for knowledge, information and evidence-based decisions. We have increased stakeholder engagement to ensure that the statistical products and services are more responsive and relevant to their needs. Key indicators for success are:

- A statistics production system capable of generating integrated indicators for use
- A geostatistical platform providing superior geostatistical outputs for planning, monitoring and evaluation
- An informatics web-enabled environment for a new breed of unified production and use (Pro-users of statistics)
- Five administrative registers are used as complementary data sources
- Stakeholder satisfaction index (opinion on products, services and use)

Strategic objectives under An informed nation:



1.1.1 National Accounts (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 1) Number of GDP releases published

Short definition GDP measures the economic performance of a country. It is critical to note that the four quarterly releases are

composed of three GDP quarterly releases and an annual GDP release which is due in the final quarter of the year

Purpose/importanceGDP determines the growth and size of the different components of the economy

Source of information/ collection of data Internal (monthly, quarterly and annual surveys) and external data sources (Reserve Bank, SARS, Department of

Agriculture and Department of Mineral Resources)

Method of calculation Guided by the System of National Accounts

 Data limitation
 Access to quality external data sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality GDP releases as per release schedule in line with internationally acclaimed standards and practices

Evidence (output/s) Published GDP releases

1.2.1 National Accounts (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 1) Number of national accounts reports compiled (SUT)

Short definition GDP measures the economic performance of a country and the supply and use tables enable comparison and

estimation of the GDP from the production, expenditure and income approach

Purpose/importanceGDP determines the growth and size of the different components of the economy

Source of information/ collection of data Internal (annual and periodic surveys) and external data sources (Reserve Bank, SARS, Department of Agriculture

and Department of Mineral Resources)

Method of calculation Guided by the System of National Accounts

 Data limitation
 Access to quality external data sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality GDP report as per release schedule in line with internationally acclaimed standards and practices

Evidence (output/s) Published supply and use tables

1.3.1 National Accounts (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 1) National accounts statistics rebased and benchmarked

Short definition Rebasing and benchmarking of national accounts is a 5-yearly practice used to update the relevance

and accuracy of the national accounts estimates and it is highly encouraged by international statistical

agencies

Purpose/importance The rebased and benchmarked estimates improve the accuracy and reliability of the national accounts

estimates

Source of information/ collection of data No collection of data for the research part. Country experiences and other research documents will be

used to inform the research paper

Method of calculation Guided by the System of National Accounts and related guidelines and classifications

Data limitation Access to relevant country experiences research papers

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Research report relevant for rebasing and benchmarking of national accounts

Evidence (output/s) Signed progress report on rebasing and benchmarking of national accounts statistics

1.4.1 National Accounts (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 1) Research to improve national accounts statistics conducted

Short definition Research report to expand national accounts statistics by reviewing data sources as inputs to improve the accuracy

of GDP estimates

Purpose/importance Research report to inform prospective courses of action on compilation of experimental and official statistics

Source of information/ collection of data Internal (annual and periodic surveys) and external data sources (Reserve Bank, SARS, Department of Agriculture

and Department of Mineral Resources)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External sources

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Research report to improve national accounts to ensure the use of internationally acclaimed practices

Evidence (output/s) Signed research report on reviewing and improving data sources

3.1.1 Economic Analysis (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 3) Number of reports on tourism satellite accounts compiled

Short definition The Tourism Satellite Account (TSA), final 2016 and provisional 2017 and 2018 covers updated and new

provisional figures for the reference years 2017 and 2018 as well as the final results for 2016

Purpose/importance The TSA provides an overview of the role that tourism plays in South Africa and provides information on the

contribution by tourism to the South African economy in terms of expenditure and employment

Source of information/ collection of data Annual Supply and Use Tables, Tourism and Migration release, Domestic Tourism Survey, Survey of Food and Beverages, Survey of Tourist Accommodation, South African Tourism departure and domestic surveys and the

South African Reserve Bank Tourism Balance of Payments

Method of calculation Guided by the System of National Accounts and any related revisions

Data limitation The TSA for South Africa is compiled at National level only

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish report on tourism expenditure as per the release schedule in line with internationally acclaimed practices

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on Tourism Satellite Accounts

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Economic Analysis

4.1.1 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on mining: production and sales, published 6 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are subannual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Mining and

quarrying refers to the extraction, dressing and beneficiating of minerals occurring naturally, for example solids

such as coal and ores; liquids such as crude oil/petroleum and gases such as natural gas

Purpose/importance Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/
collection of data

Questionnaires are collected from all mines at the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) and results are provided in summarised format to Stats SA in order to process further for publication purposes (detail per ore, but

no individual data on mines). It is therefore considered to be an administrative source

Method of calculation Production indices are based on actual production volumes reported using various methodological

processes/documents (e.g. SNA, SDDS). Sales data are the summarised totals per type of mineral as provided by DMR and are reported for one month behind the production data. Indices are calculated at base 2015=100 and

weighed with average value-added weights for the period 2014 to 2016. Weights are adjusted annually

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification, external source doing the collection, thus no access to raw data

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality mining releases within six weeks after the end of the relevant month, as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on mining: production and sales

4.1.2 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on manufacturing: production and sales, published 6 weeks after the reference month

Short definition

Short-term indicators are subannual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Manufacturing enterprises conduct activities in the manufacturing, processing, making or packing of products; the slaughtering of

animals including poultry; and installation, assembly, completion, repair and related work

Purpose/importance Inputs into the compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/
collection of data

Questionnaires received from a sample of ±3 000 enterprises in the manufacturing sector of South Africa,
collected from an annually scientifically drawn sample using an updated Business Sampling Frame (BSF). It aims at
covering activities of large, medium and small enterprises engaged in manufacturing activities. Classification of

enterprises on the BSF is done using the 1993 edition of the Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic

Activities (SIC), Fifth Edition, Report No. 09-90-02

Method of calculation Data collected: Sales and inventories of own manufactured products, unfilled orders and actual volumes of

products manufactured. Estimates of sales per major group and division are published. Estimates of sales and inventories are processed further by deflating with relevant producer price indices and then comparing to the same

data in a base period (currently 2015=100) in order to present production indices. Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SDDS)

 Data limitation
 Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources, inadequate/incorrect information on the BSF from

which the sample is drawn

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality manufacturing: production and sales releases (within 42 days or 6 weeks after month-end) as per

SDDS requirements and the release schedule. Required response rate is at 80% per month

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on manufacturing: production and sales

4.1.3 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on manufacturing: utilisation of production capacity by large enterprises, published 10 weeks

after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. The survey

measures the extent of utilisation of production capacity available at manufacturing enterprises; total under-

utilisation; and reasons for the under-utilisation by division and major group

Purpose/importance Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) conducts the survey of utilisation of production capacity by large enterprises mainly

> engaged in the manufacturing industry. The sample was selected from the monthly sample, using the $\pm 1~000$ largest enterprises of the manufacturing sector. The results of this survey are used to assess the degree of capacity constraint experienced in the manufacturing industry. The information in this release is a key component in the Composite Coincident Business Cycle Indicator and is used to analyse movements in gross fixed capital formation

in the national accounts

Source of information/ Questionnaires collected from respondents on a three-monthly basis, covering one calendar month as indicated collection of data

(February, May, August and November)

Method of calculation Based on various methodological processes/documents as per international practice

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification

Type of indicators Outputs

Cumulative Calculation type

Reporting cycle Quarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality manufacturing: utilisation of production capacity by large enterprises releases within 10 weeks after

the end of relevant month as per the release schedule at a response rate of 80%

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly releases on manufacturing: utilisation of production capacity by large enterprises

Chief Director: Short-term Indicator Statistics Indicator responsibility

4.1.4 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on generation and consumption of electricity, published 5 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. The survey

covers the production of electric energy and the transmission of own-generated power. Electricity may be generated conventionally, hydroelectrically, thermally, geothermally, or by means of solar energy, nuclear energy or tidal energy, gas turbine, diesel and renewable energy. It includes the generation, transmission and/or

distribution of electric power mainly for own use (e.g. manufacturing and mining enterprises)

Purpose/importance Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/
Collection of data

Questionnaires received from 25 respondents. Eskom also provides information on generation by independent power producers (IPPs) feeding their generation into the national grid (generated by wind, water, and solar)

Method of calculation

Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA, SDDS)

Data limitation N/A. Full data collection every month. Eskom provides additional data on independent power producers (IPPs) who

provide electricity to the national grid

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality generation and consumption of electricity releases as per the release schedule at 95% or higher

collection rate

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on generation and consumption of electricity

4.1.5 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on selected building statistics published, 7 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Building

statistics are compiled using reported data of the largest local government institutions which are responsible for the approval of building plans as per municipal legislation before building work can commence; as well as issuing

building certificates after final inspection of completed buildings by the local government authority

Purpose/importance

The monthly survey data are used in monitoring the state of the economy and formulation of economic policy;

private sector analysts. Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; calculation of the Leading Business

Cycle Indicator as compiled by the SARB

Source of information/ collection of data Questionnaires received from respondents

Method of calculation Data are collected and summarised per province and South Africa without weighing. Only the largest local

government institutions in South Africa take part in this monthly survey, representing approximately 85% of the total

value of all privately funded buildings completed

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, limited resources at the source of our information (local government institutions)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality building statistics releases within 5 weeks after month-end as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on building plans passed, 7 weeks after the reference month

4.1.6 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on construction statistics, published 6 months after year-end report

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. See description

in Indicator 4.1.5

Purpose/importance Statistical release: The annual statistical release summarises the monthly published data (see previous item 4.1.5)

in detail per province and local government unit for the latest calendar year both for plans passed as well as buildings completed main categories. Data are extensively used in monitoring the state of the economy and formulation of economic policy; private sector analysts. Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates;

regional estimates of capital spending by the private sector

Source of information/
Collection of data

Questionnaires for the annual summary release are received monthly from respondents and summarised on an annual basis to be published within 6 months after year-end. Categories of buildings covered: Residential buildings

(various subcategories); non-residential buildings (various subcategories); and additions and alterations to existing

buildings

Method of calculation Annual release: Collected monthly data are summarised and published for the latest calendar year per building

category and large local government institution; provincial and total South Africa at nominal prices. No weighting

done to source data

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, limited resources at the source of our information (local government institutions)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality building statistics annual release as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual release on construction statistics, 6 months after year-end report

4.1.7 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of reports on construction statistics, published 20 months after year-end report

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. See description

in Indicator 4.1.5

Purpose/importance Statistical report: The statistical report summarises the data as received from the smaller local government

institutions (not in monthly survey) as collected on an annual basis regarding buildings reported as completed only. Data are published in detail per province and local government unit for the calendar year two years ago (ending 20 months ago). Data are extensively used in monitoring the state of the economy and formulation of economic policy; private sector analysts. Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; regional estimates of capital

spending by the private sector

Source of information/ collection of data

Questionnaires for the annual report are collected annually from smaller local government institutions regarding

only buildings completed for the detail as per the monthly survey

Method of calculation Annual report: Collected annual data are summarised and published for the prior calendar year per building

category and small local government institution; provincial and total South Africa at nominal prices. No weighting done to source data. Additionally, the results of the relevant period's monthly data are merged with the annual data collected (only buildings completed categories) in order to represent the complete South African data

regarding buildings completed

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, limited resources at the source of our information (local government institutions)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality building statistics annual report as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on construction statistics, 20 months after year-end report

4.1.8 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on retail trade sales, published 7 weeks after the reference month

Short definition

Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Retailers are

enterprises deriving more than 50% of their turnover from sales of goods to the general public for household use

Purpose/importance Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/
collection of data

Questionnaires received from respondents as drawn into annual sample selected from the Business Sampling
Frame, using scientific sampling methodology as per specifications provided by the survey area

Method of calculation

Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA, SDDS). Received data are summarised and

weighed with relevant sampling weights per strata and classification category in order to represent the full

population for the retail trade industry

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality releases within 7 weeks after month-end on retail trade sales as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on retail trade sales, 7 weeks after the reference month

4.1.9 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on motor trade sales, published 7 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Enterprises in

the motor trade survey are predominantly involved in sales of motor vehicles, filling stations and workshops; motorcycle dealers; spares and accessories; tyre dealers; automotive electricians; radiator repairs; panel beaters

and spray painters; "other" specialised motor trade, including motor vehicle dealers

Purpose/importance Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/ collection of data Questionnaires received from respondents

Method of calculation

Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA). Received data summarised and weighed with

relevant sampling weights per strata and classification category in order to represent the full population for the

motor trade industry

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality releases on motor trade sales within 7 weeks after month-end as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on motor trade sales, 7 weeks after the reference month

4.1.10 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 4) Number of releases on wholesale trade sales, published 7 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Wholesale

> trade represents enterprises deriving 50% or more of their turnover from sales of goods to other businesses and institutions. It includes the resale (sale without transformation) of new and used goods and products to other wholesalers, retailers, agricultural, industrial, commercial, institutional and professional users either directly or

through agents on a fee or contract basis

Purpose/importance Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/ Questionnaires received from respondents in a sample of $\pm 1~300$ enterprises, which is drawn annually from the collection of data

updated Stats SA Business sampling Frame at 4-digit SIC level

Method of calculation Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA). Received data are captured, verified,

summarised and weighed with relevant sampling weights per strata and classification category in order to represent

the full population for the wholesale trade industry

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality releases on wholesale trade sales within 7 weeks after month-end as per the release schedule at

80% response rate

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on wholesale trade sales, 7 weeks after the reference month

4.1.11 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 4)

Number of releases on land transport, published 8 weeks after the reference month

Short definition

Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Stats SA conducts a monthly survey of the land transportation industry, covering passenger and freight transportation by rail and road.

Types of transportation covered:

- Railway transportation (passenger and freight); other scheduled land transport urban, sub-urban, and interurban bus and coach passenger lines and school buses; non-scheduled passenger land transport – safaris and sightseeing bus tours, metered taxis and other passenger transport including renting of motor cars with drivers; freight transport by road
- Passenger transport excludes minibus taxis, metropolitan buses (including BRT system) and rental of private cars and buses without drivers
- Freight transportation excludes renting of trucks without drivers and in-house transportation

Purpose/importance

Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/collection of data

Questionnaires received from respondents in the stratified random sample of 702 enterprises, drawn annually from the updated Stats SA Business Sampling Frame at 4-digit SIC level

Method of calculation

Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA). Received data are captured, verified, summarised and weighed with relevant sampling weights per strata and classification category in order to represent the full population for the land transport industry

Data limitation

Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources

Type of indicators

Outputs

Calculation type

Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle

Quarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator

No

Desired performance

Publish quality statistical releases on land transport within 8 weeks after month-end as per the release schedule, at 80% response rate

Evidence (output/s)

Published monthly releases on land transport, 8 weeks after the reference month

Indicator responsibility

Chief Director: Short-term Indicator Statistics

4.1.12 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on liquidations and insolvencies, published 8 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy.

- A liquidation takes place when the affairs of a company or close corporation are wound up by order of the court (compulsory liquidation); or when a company or close corporation resolves to wind up its affairs by own choice (voluntary liquidation)
- Insolvency refers to an individual or partnership which is unable to pay its debt and is placed under final sequestration

Purpose/importance

Published data are used by the private and public sectors to measure economic performance and are also an important indicator of the scope of unpaid debt in South Africa

Source of information/
collection of data

Stats SA collects administrative information on liquidations from the Companies and Intellectual Property
Commission, and the Department of Trade and Industry; while information on insolvencies is gathered from
Notices of the Master of the Supreme Court that appear in the Government Gazette

Method of calculation

Data on liquidations published as received from DTI; data on insolvencies summarised from data sourced on the

internet

Data limitation Administrative data

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality releases on liquidations and insolvencies as per the release schedule within five weeks after month-

enc

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on liquidations and insolvencies, 8 weeks after the reference month

4.1.13 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on civil cases for debt, published 7 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. Stats SA

conducts a monthly sample survey on the number and value of civil cases reported and civil summonses for debt

issued in South Africa

Purpose/importance The results of this survey provide users with information on the extent of unpaid debt in South Africa. The results are

used by the private and public sectors as an indicator of economic performance

Source of information/ collection of data Questionnaires received from selected magistrates' courts

Method of calculation Summarised data as collected cover number of cases recorded; number of civil summonses issued for debt;

number of civil judgements recorded for debt; and value of civil judgements for debt. Data are presented per

category of debt (e.g. goods sold, money lent) as well as in total per province

Data limitation Limited resources at the magistrates' courts

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality releases on civil cases for debt within 8 weeks after month-end at 80% response rate as per the

release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on civil cases for debt, 7 weeks after the reference month

4.1.14 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on food and beverages, published 8 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. The food and

beverages survey covers a sample of public and private enterprises involved in the preparation of meals and drinks

for immediate consumption in South Africa

Purpose/importance

The purpose of this survey is to monitor trends in the food and beverages industry. The results of this survey are used to compile estimates of the tourism satellite accounts (TSA) and the GDP; and its components which are used

to develop and monitor government policy; the analysis of comparative business and industry performance

Source of information/ collection of data Questionnaires received from a sample of ± 950 respondents in the monthly survey. The sample is drawn annually

from the Stats SA Business Sampling Frame according to 5-digit SIC classification

Method of calculation Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA). Received data are summarised and weighted

using sampling design weights

 Data limitation
 Respondent reluctance, data verification

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality releases on the food and beverages industry within 8 weeks after month-end at 80% response rate,

as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on food and beverages, 8 weeks after the reference month

4.1.15 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Number of releases on tourist accommodation, published 8 weeks after the reference month

Short definition Short-term indicators are sub-annual statistical information covering key industries in the economy. The tourist

accommodation survey is a monthly survey covering a sample of public and private enterprises involved in the

short-stay commercial accommodation industry in South Africa

Purpose/importance The results of this survey are used to compile estimates of the tourism satellite accounts (TSA) and the GDP and its

components which are used to develop and monitor government policy; the analysis of comparative business and

industry performance

Source of information/

collection of data

Questionnaires received from respondents in the sample as drawn annually from the Stats SA Business Sampling

Frame at 5-digit SIC level

Method of calculation Based on various methodological processes/documents (e.g. SNA). Received data are summarised and weighted

using sampling design weights

 Data limitation
 Respondent reluctance, data verification

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleQuarterly (collected monthly)

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality releases on tourist accommodation within 8 weeks after month-end at minimum 80% response rate

as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on tourist accommodation, 8 weeks after the reference month

4.2.1 Short-term Indicator Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 4) Reports on improving short-term industry statistics compiled

Short definition | Compile research reports on Weights for indices Manufacturing [2017], Manufacturing production capacity and

Mining 2017; Mining 2017 and Retail 2015

Purpose/importance Inputs into compilation of GDP and related estimates; and various policy documents assisting policymakers in

planning as well as monitoring and evaluating the performance of the economy

Source of information/ collection of data Internal (annual and periodic surveys) and external data sources (Reserve Bank, SARS, some government

departments)

Data limitation External data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Research reports to improve short-term industry statistics to ensure the use of internationally acclaimed practices

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on :

• Weights for indices Manufacturing [2017]

• Weights for indices Manufacturing production capacity

• Weights for Mining 2017

• Weights for Retail 2015

5.1.1 Structural Industry Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 5) Number of periodic reports on manufacturing industry (financial) published (SIS)

Short definition Manufacturing industry survey is part of structural industry statistics that informs on the nature and structure of an

industry in terms of financial, employment and products/services information

Purpose/importance Structural industry statistics are used in informing the growth of the economy, stabilising prices, creating jobs and

promoting investment

Source of information/ collection of data Periodic collection of structural and product data from enterprises

Method of calculation Estimation consistent with the stratified sampling method used

Data limitationUnregistered businesses, especially in the rural areas and informal settlements. Enterprises that are registered only

for income tax (IT) and those that are not registered for either value-added tax (VAT) or income tax (IT)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality reports on manufacturing as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published report on 2017 manufacturing industry (financial)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Structural Industry Statistics

5.1.2 Structural Industry Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 5) Number of reports on manufacturing industry (production) published (SIS)

Short definition Manufacturing industry survey is part of structural industry statistics that informs on the nature and structure of an

industry in terms of financial, employment and products/services information

Purpose/importance Structural industry statistics are used in informing the growth of the economy, stabilising prices, creating jobs and

promoting investment

Source of information/ collection of data Periodic collection of structural and product data from enterprises

Method of calculation Estimation consistent with the stratified sampling method used

Data limitationUnregistered businesses, especially in the rural areas and informal settlements. Enterprises that are registered only

for income tax (IT) and those that are not registered for either value-added tax (VAT) or income tax (IT)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality releases on financial intermediation, insurance, real estate and business services as per the release

schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published report on 2017 manufacturing industry (production)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Structural Industry Statistics

5.1.3 Structural Industry Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 5) Number of reports on construction published (SIS)

Short definition Structural industry statistics inform on the structure and products of the construction industry

Purpose/importance Structural industry statistics are used in informing the growth of the economy, stabilising prices, creating jobs and

promoting investment

Source of information/ collection of data Periodic collection of structural and product data from enterprises

Method of calculation Estimation consistent with the stratified sampling method used

Data limitationUnregistered businesses, especially in the rural areas and informal settlements. Enterprises that are registered only

for income tax (IT) and those that are not registered for either value-added tax (VAT) or income tax (IT)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality reports on construction as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published report on construction survey

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Structural Industry Statistics

6.1.1 Domestic Tourism (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 6) Number of reports on domestic tourism statistics published

Short definition Domestic Tourism Survey is about domestic tourism travel and expenditure patterns. Statistical releases containing

basic statistical summaries of the findings of the DTS are produced within six months after data collection ends.

Thematic reports are produced as planned

Purpose/importance These documents are used by partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy

formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation, as it relates to domestic tourism

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey data. Partnerships with support divisions within Stats SA: Survey

Operations, Corporate Data Processing, Methodology and ADAPT

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually and biannually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality domestic tourism reports as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published reports on domestic tourism statistics

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Social Statistics

7.1.1 International Tourism (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 7) Number of releases on international tourism, published 3 months after the reference period

Short definition International tourist statistics deal with foreigners who visit and spend at least one night in South Africa. Statistics on

documented immigrants (permanent and temporary)

Purpose/importance

Data can be used for monitoring the tourism contribution to the economy through the development of the tourism satellite account. They are also used to monitor government's bilateral and multilateral relationships with other

countries. Data provide information on the flow of immigrants – volumes and some characteristics (nationality and

age structure)

Source of information/
collection of data

Administrative records of data collected by the Department of Home Affairs immigration officials at all the air, land and sea ports of entry into the country. The data are stored in the department's Movement Control System

Method of calculation

Actual observations provided in releases and reports as frequencies, percentage distributions and medians

Data limitationTimeliness and missing cases of variables in the traveller data. Dependency on the Department of Home Affairs to

provide data from the Movement Control System. Stats SA does not have control over the quality and timeliness of

the data received

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Monthly

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality releases on international tourism as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published monthly releases on international tourism, 3 months after the reference period

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Health and Vital Statistics

7.2.1 International Tourism (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 7) Number of reports on international tourism published

Short definition International tourist statistics deal with foreigners who visit and spend at least one night in South Africa. Statistics on

documented immigrants (permanent and temporary). NB: The explanation of 7.1.1 and 7.2.1 are similar except

that the former is compiled on a monthly basis while the latter is done annually

Purpose/importance Data can be used for monitoring the tourism contribution to the economy through the development of the tourism

satellite account. They are also used to monitor government's bilateral and multilateral relationships with other countries. Data provide information on the flow of immigrants – volumes and some characteristics (nationality and

age structure)

Source of information/ collection of data Administrative records of data collected by the Department of Home Affairs immigration officials at all the air, land

and sea ports of entry into the country. The data are stored in the department's Movement Control System

Method of calculation | Actual observations provided in releases and reports as frequencies, percentage distributions and medians

Data limitation Timeliness and missing cases of variables in the traveller data. Dependency on the Department of Home Affairs to

provide data from the Movement Control System. Stats SA does not have control over the quality and timeliness of

the data received

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality report on international tourism as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published report on international tourism

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Health and Vital Statistics

8.1.1 Transport Statistics (Discontinued)

9.1.1 Private Sector Financial Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 9) Number of releases on financial statistics of private sector enterprises published

Short definition Quarterly financial statistics are about tracking financial performance and financial position of selected private

sector and public corporations

Purpose/importance Information from the surveys conducted by the Financial Statistics division is primarily used in the compilation of the GDP. It is also used by economic policy advisors and business analysts to understand the dynamics of the

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Source of information/ collection of data Selected private sector and public corporations (information obtained from financial records)

Method of calculation Based on various accounting and other methodological processes and data estimations to represent a population

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources, timeliness, other sampling and non-sampling aspects

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality quarterly releases on private financial statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly releases on financial statistics of private sector enterprises

9.1.2 Private Sector Financial Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 9) Number of releases on financial statistics published

Short definition Annual financial statistics are about tracking financial performance and financial position of selected private sector

and public corporations. NB: The explanations of 9.1.1 and 9.1.2 are similar except that the former is compiled

on a quarterly basis while the latter is done annually

Purpose/importance Information from the surveys conducted by the Financial Statistics division is primarily used in the compilation of

the GDP. It is also used by economic policy advisors and business analysts to understand the dynamics of the

economy

Source of information/ collection of data Selected private sector and public corporations (information obtained from financial statements)

Method of calculation Based on various accounting and other methodological processes and data estimations

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources, timeliness, other sampling and non-sampling aspects

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality annual release on private financial statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual release on financial statistics

9.2.1 Private Sector Financial Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 9) Number of documents on quarterly estimates of capital expenditure compiled

Short definition Discussion document on quarterly estimates of capital expenditure. Quarterly statistics tracking the trends in capital

expenditure by private sector financial statistics

Purpose/importance Information from the capital expenditure survey conducted by the Private Sector Financial Statistics division is

primarily used in the compilation of the GDP (expenditure approach). It will also be used by economic policy

advisors and business analysts to understand the dynamics of the economy

Source of information/ collection of data Selected private sector and public corporations (information obtained from financial reports/records)

Method of calculation Based on various accounting and other methodological processes and data aggregation

Data limitation Reliant on external data, respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources, timeliness, different

accounting standards, other sampling and non-sampling aspects

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Capital expenditure project commenced to improve private sector financial statistics

Evidence (output/s) Signed discussion document on quarterly estimates of capital expenditure

9.3.1 Private Sector Financial Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 9) Private sector financial surveys promoted

Short definition Engaging stakeholders and promoting surveys to improve response and usage of private sector financial statistics

Purpose/importance To improve the quality and usage of private sector financial statistics and for economic policy advisors including

business analysts to understand the dynamics of the survey

Source of information/ collection of data Selected private sector and public corporation information obtained from financial reports

Method of calculation Single count

Data limitation Reliant on external data, respondent reluctance to engage, lack of interest, internal support, limited resources,

timeliness and availability

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Private sector financial surveys promoted to improve private sector financial statistics to ensure better usage

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on stakeholders engaged to promote private sector financial surveys

10.1.1 Government Financial Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 10) Number of releases on government financial statistics published

Short definition Government Financial Statistics tracks government revenue and spending and the financial performance of

government

Purpose/importance

To inform evidence-based economic development and transformation in line with internationally recognised practices and to help policy decision-makers in monitoring and assessment of performance of government

programmes and policies, and to enable them to make better-informed decisions for fair and accurate budget

allocations. The statistics are also used as input for GDP and related estimates

Source of information/
collection of data

Local government institutions (LGIs) statistics are collected from local government institutions, and other public sector institutions through questionnaires and financial statements. National and provincial government institutions

(NPGIs) source the actual revenue and expenditure figures from administrative data of national and provincial government departments from SITA, audited annual reports of national and provincial government departments, and the fiscal documents as published by National Treasury with national and provincial government department

financial information

Method of calculation Current prices for income and expenditure and historical prices for balance sheet items – based on various

accounting and other methodological processes/documents (SNA, GFS, MFMA, GRAP/GAMAP, SDDS, etc.)

 Data limitation
 Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources, unaudited financial statements, and unclean audit

reports (LGIs)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality annual release on government financial statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual releases on government financial statistics

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Government Financial Statistics

10.2.1 Government Financial Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 10) Number of releases on financial statistics of municipalities, published with a quarterly lag

Short definition The quarterly and annual financial statistics of municipalities are intended to provide users with preliminary details

of expenditure and income on a quarterly basis (QFSM), while the annual survey (FCM) details both balance sheet and income and expenditure details. Both publications form an integral part of the consolidated general

government statistical release, and are used in the compilation of the GDP

Purpose/importance

To inform evidence-based economic development and transformation in line with internationally recognised practices and to help policy decision-makers in monitoring and assessment of performance of government

programmes and policies, and to enable them to make better-informed decisions for fair and accurate budget

allocations. The statistics are also used as input for GDP and related estimates

Source of information/
Local government institutions (LGIs) statistics are collected from local government institutions, and other public

collection of data sector institutions through questionnaires and financial statements

Method of calculation
Current prices for income and expenditure and historical prices for balance sheet items – based on various

accounting and other methodological processes/documents (SNA, GFS, MFMA, GRAP/GAMAP, SDDS, etc.)

 Data limitation
 Respondent reluctance, data verification, limited resources, unaudited financial statements, and unclean audit

reports (LGIs)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality quarterly release on financial statistics of municipalities as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly releases on financial statistics of municipalities, with a quarterly lag

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Government Financial Statistics

11.1.1 Consumer Price Index (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 11) Number of CPI releases published on the second last Wednesday of every month

Short definitionThe consumer price index measures consumer inflation in the economy

Purpose/importance The consumer price index is the primary measure of price stability and is an input into monetary policy decision-

making; it is an index of changes in the cost of living for the purpose of adjusting contracts, wages and grants

Source of information/ collection of data Monthly collections of price data from businesses

Method of calculation The consumer price index is compiled as the geometric mean of price changes per lowest product group and the

weighted arithmetic mean of aggregated indices

Data limitation Partially (data on only food products are collected in rural and informal markets)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality CPI releases as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly CPI releases on the second last Wednesday of every month

11.2.1 Consumer Price Index (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 11) Research on improving CPI

Short definition Commencement of implementation of CPI field data collection on tablets

Purpose/importance To introduce electronic data collection tools for CPI to improve quality and reduce costs

Source of information/collection of data

Report on status of implementation

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Success in achieving targets depends on programming

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Optimal use of electronic data collection tools for CPI and report of pilot survey using mobile devices

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on alternative collection methodologies tested

12.1.1 Producer Price Index (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 12) Number of PPI releases published on the last Thursday of every month

Short definition PPI is a measure of the change in the prices of goods as they leave their place of production. CPAP measures the

change in the prices of a set of construction activities. UVIs measure the overall change in the price transactions in

goods between the RSA and the rest of the world (exports and imports)

Purpose/importance Producer price measures inflation in the manufacturing, mining, agricultural and electricity and water industries to

escalate contracts, inform economic policymaking and deflate the national accounts, while CPAP measures inflation in the construction industry and UVI is a deflator in the compilation of national accounts and is an

indicator of inflationary trends

Source of information/

collection of data

PPI and CPAP: Monthly collections of price data from businesses. UVI: Customs data from South African Revenue

Service (SARS)

Method of calculation Producer prices: PPI, CPAP and UVIs are compiled as the geometric mean of price changes per lowest product

group and the weighted arithmetic mean of aggregated indices

Data limitation Producer prices: PPI Unregistered businesses. CPAP: Unregistered businesses/producers. UVI: Secondary data

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality producer prices releases as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly PPI releases on the last Thursday of every month

12.2.1 Producer Prices (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 12) Research on improving PPI

Short definition Research report on transport, storage and communication services

Purpose/importance To assess the feasibility of producing producer price indices for transport, storage and communication services

Source of information/ collection of data Quantitative and qualitative information from relevant industries

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Research reports to improve the PPI to ensure the use of internationally accepted practices

Evidence (output/s) Signed research report on transport, storage and communication services

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Price Statistics

13. Services Producer Price Index (included in No. 12)

14.1.1 Employment and Earnings Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 14) Number of releases on employment and earnings and average monthly earnings, published 12 weeks after the

reference month

Short definition Quarterly Employment Survey (QES) is a survey of businesses and organisations that collects statistical information

on employment and earnings in the formal and non-agricultural sector

Purpose/importance Measures employment and gross earnings. The survey provides data essential for estimating key economic statistics

of employment and gross earnings

Source of information/collection of data

Quarterly collection of labour statistics from businesses

Data limitation Inability to produce lower-level industry estimates and geographical spread limited

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality quarterly releases on employment and gross earnings and average monthly earnings as per the

release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly releases on employment and earnings and average monthly earnings, 12 weeks after the

reference month

14.2.1 Employment and Earnings Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 14)

Research on improving employment and earnings conducted

Short definition A job vacancy is defined as a funded (or paid) post that is newly created, unoccupied, or about to become vacant.

In this instance, the employer is taking active steps to find suitable candidates from outside the enterprise concerned. The employer further intends to fill either immediately or within a specific period of time

Purpose/importanceTo collect information on number of job vacancies that exist from private and public enterprises in the formal non-

agricultural business sector of South African economy. The information received is used to estimate the job

vacancy rates

Source of information/ collection of data Internal and external data

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External data

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Compile a research report on vacancy rates

Evidence (output/s) Signed research report on job vacancy rates

15.1.1 Labour Market Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 15) Number of releases on labour market information, published 4 weeks after the end of the quarter (last publication

will be released 8 weeks after the end of the quarter)

Short definition The labour market statistics scope is to measure and produce work statistics through the following surveys:

> Quarterly Labour Force Survey, Survey of Activities of Young People (child labour), Survey of Employers and the Self-Employed (informal sector), Volunteer Activities Survey (volunteer work), Time Use Survey, School to Work

Transition Survey and other labour market-related modules

Purpose/importance Measuring the labour market indicators (these include employment, unemployment and the descriptors of

employment), other forms of work and the labour market dynamics through longitudinal analysis

Source of information/ Quarterly collection of labour statistics from households and four-yearly collection of other work statistics from collection of data

households

Method of calculation Count of weighted observations and ratios

Data limitation Inability to produce small-area estimates lower than provincial level

Type of indicators Outputs

Non-cumulative Calculation type

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality quarterly releases on labour market statistics 4 weeks after the end of the quarter (last publication

will be released 8 weeks after the end of the quarter) as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published quarterly release on labour market information

15.2.1 Labour Market Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 15) Number of reports on labour market statistics published

Short definition The labour statistics scope is to measure and produce work statistics through the following surveys: Quarterly

Labour Force Survey, Survey of Activities of Young People (child labour), Survey of Employers and the Self-Employed (informal sector), Volunteer Activities Survey (volunteer work), Time Use Survey, School to Work Transition Survey and other labour market-related modules. NB: The explanations of 15.1.1 and 15.2.1 are

similar except that the former is compiled on a monthly basis while the latter is done annually

Purpose/importance Measuring the labour market indicators (these include employment, unemployment and the descriptors of

employment), other forms of work and the labour market dynamics through longitudinal analysis

Source of information/ Annual collection of labour statistics from households and four-yearly collection of other work statistics from

collection of data households

Method of calculation Count of weighted observations and ratios

Data limitation Inability to produce small-area estimates

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality annual releases on labour market statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published report on labour market dynamics in South Africa

15.3.1 Labour Market Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 15) Volunteer Activities Survey (VAS) report published

Short definition Report on Survey of Employers and the Self-employed (SESE); Survey of Activities of Young People module

developed to expand labour market statistics

Purpose/importance To measure and value volunteer work in order to create a satellite account, i.e. to measure its contribution to the

GDF

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Reports at national and provincial levels only

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Publish report 8–12 months after the reference period

Evidence (output/s) Published report on Volunteer Activities Survey (VAS)

15.4.1 Labour Market Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 15)

Labour market statistics expanded

Short definition Research on Time Use survey; Time Use Survey is a survey about how, on average, people spend their time on

different activities; for current financial year only the questionnaire would be developed

Purpose/importance To measure and analyse time spent on different activities from day to day by different individuals and provide

information on the division of both paid and unpaid labour between women and men. Also, to inform government

policy more broadly across whole range of gender issues

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey using face-to-face interviews, including administration of a diary on persons 10 years and above

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Reports at national, provincial and metro levels only

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Compile a research report on alternative ways of getting indicators of time use in the absence of a Time Use

Survey

Evidence (output/s) Signed-off Time Use Survey questionnaire developed

16.1.1 Agricultural Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 16)

Report on commercial agriculture

Short definition Census of Commercial Agriculture informs on the nature and structure of the commercial agriculture sector

Purpose/importance Census of Commercial Agriculture is used to inform food security, empowerment, economic growth, creating jobs

and promoting investment

Source of information/ collection of data $Periodic\ collection\ of\ commercial\ agriculture\ information\ from\ enterprises/farms$

Method of calculation Estimation consistent with the stratified sampling method used

Data limitationUnregistered farming businesses, especially smallholder farmers in rural areas. Also, enterprises that are registered

only for income tax (IT) and those that are not registered for either value-added tax (VAT) or income tax (IT)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality report on commercial agriculture as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published report on 2017 Census of Commercial Agriculture (CoCA)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Structural Industry Statistics

16.2.1 Agricultural Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 16) Report on fishery and forestry statistics compiled

Short definition Fishery and forestry statistics is part of structural industry statistics that informs on the nature and structure of an

industry in terms of financial, employment and products/services information

Purpose/importance Structural industry statistics are used in informing the growth of the economy, stabilising prices, creating jobs and

promoting investment

Source of information/ collection of data Periodic collection of structural and product data from enterprises

Method of calculation Estimation consistent with the stratified sampling method used

Data limitationUnregistered businesses, especially in the rural areas and informal settlements. Enterprises that are registered only

for income tax (IT) and those that are not registered for either value-added tax (VAT) or income tax (IT)

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality reports on fishery and forestry as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published reports on:

• Fishery statistics

Forestry statistics

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Structural Industry Statistics

17.1.1 Environmental Economic Accounts (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 17) Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project coordinated

Short definition Natural capital refers to all types of environmental assets, which are the naturally occurring living and non-living

components of the earth

Purpose/importance EEA identifies specific activities undertaken to prevent or combat the environmental impact of human activity

Source of information/collection of data

Internal surveys and external data sources (research-related work – in other government departments)

Method of calculation Guided by the System of Environmental Economic Accounts (SEEA)

Data limitation Access to quality external data sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Integrated Economic Accounts

Desired performance Publish quality EEA compendium release as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on Natural Capital Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services project

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Economic Analysis

18.1.1 Life Circumstances and Household Service Delivery Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 18)

Number of releases on social and household service delivery statistics published

Short definition Statistical releases containing basic statistical summaries of the findings on the General Household Survey (GHS)

are produced within six months after data collection ends. These reports include statistics on education, access to social services, household food security, access to housing, basic services and attitudes of households in relation to

the quality and reliability of these services. Thematic and technical reports are produced as planned

Purpose/importance These documents are used by our partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy

formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation as it relates to social matters and service delivery

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

Method of calculation | Actual observations provided in statistical releases and reports as frequencies, percentage distributions and

medians

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey data. Partnerships with support divisions within Stats SA: Survey

Operations, CDPC, Methodology and ADAPT

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality release on social and household service delivery statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual release on social and household service delivery statistics

18.2.1 Life Circumstances and Household Service Delivery Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 18) Reports on improving social and household service delivery statistics compiled

Short definition Report on development indicators and metro development indicators compiled

Purpose/importance Report to measure social and household service delivery statistics

Source of information/collection of data

Internal and external data

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey data. Partnerships with support divisions within Stats SA: Survey

Operations, CDPC, Methodology and ADAPT

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Reports to improve the social and household service delivery statistics to ensure the use of internationally

acclaimed practices

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Developmental indicators compiled

• Metro development indicators compiled

19.1.1 Poverty and Inequality Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP - 19)

Reports on life circumstances, poverty and inequality statistics compiled

Short definition

- a) The South African Multidimensional Poverty Index (SAMPI) The SAMPI is based on an international measure of acute deprivation called the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI). It looks at deprivation of households in four dimensions, i.e. health, education, living standards and economic activity. This report will explain the technical compilation of the SAMPI including improvements/changes in the compilation of the SAMPI and implications to the already published trend
- b) National Poverty Lines The National Poverty Lines (NPLs) are thresholds in Rand value used to classify poor from non-poor. South Africa has three NPLs, i.e. Food Poverty Line, Lower-Bound Poverty Line and Upper-Bound Poverty Line. The current poverty lines are based on the Income and Expenditure Survey conducted in 2011 but updated annually for inflation. The last update was in 2018. The NPLs of 2019 will be updated using CPI for 2019
- c) Child poverty report Child poverty report will be based on the results of the Living Conditions Survey conducted in 2015. This report will focus on child poverty in South Africa
- d) Inequality Trends This report will look at various inequality indicators including the Gini-coefficient, asset index, income shares, etc.
- e) A document on NIDS data assessed The National Income Dynamics Survey is a panel survey conducted by the University of Cape Town commissioned by DPME. It aims to measure dynamics in poverty, unemployment, inequality, etc. This document will present the work done in assessing NIDS data and the results of the assessment. It will then make recommendations on whether the NIDS data can be used by Stats SA to produce poverty and inequality indicators

Purpose/importance

- a) To provide improved and relevant information on poverty and inequality aligned to government priorities
- b) To updated the national poverty lines to 2019 prices
- c) To provide improved and relevant information on child poverty aligned to government priorities
- d) To provide improved and relevant information on inequality aligned to government priorities
- e) To provide improved and relevant information on poverty and inequality aligned to government priorities

Source of information/ collection of data

- a) Desk-top research, household surveys such as the General Household Survey (GHS) and the Community Survey (CS) as well as Census
- b) CPI of April 2019
- c) Data collected through the Living Conditions Survey (LCS) and internal as well as external stakeholder engagements
- d) Data collected through the Living Conditions Survey (LCS) and Income and Expenditure Survey (IES)
- e) Desk-top research, National Income Dynamics Survey (NIDS) data

Method of calculation

Simple count

Data limitation

- a) Sample size that prevents reporting at lower levels of geography, differences between surveys and censuses as well as the need for improvements versus maintaining a trend.
- b) Poverty lines only at national level
- c) Sample size that prevents reporting at lower levels of geography and limited indicators to measure child poverty

Type of indicators

Outputs

Calculation type

Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle

Annually (a & b); Once in two years (c); and Periodic (d & e)

New indicator	Yes
Desired performance	Relevant information on poverty and inequality to enable planning, monitoring and evaluation
Evidence (output/s)	Signed reports/document on: a) The compilation of and improvements on the SAMPI b) National poverty lines of 2019 c) Child poverty d) Inequality trends e) The assessment of the NIDS data
Indicator responsibility	Chief Director: Poverty and Inequality Statistics

20.1.1 Government Financial Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 20) Number of releases on the non-financial census of municipalities published

Short definition Statistical information on service delivery by municipalities

Purpose/importance Provide information that can serve as a framework to stakeholders and policymakers in planning, as well as

monitoring and evaluating the performance of municipalities. Also used by national and provincial government

departments to analyse the actual services provided by municipalities

Source of information/ collection of data Local government institutions (LGIs) statistics are collected from local government institutions through

questionnaires

Data limitation Respondent reluctance, lack of proper records, and lack of verification tools

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality report on the non-financial census of municipalities statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual release on the non-financial census of municipalities

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Government Financial Statistics

21.1.1 Population Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 21) Census 2021 mini-test tools and methodologies developed

Short definition Census 2021 mini-test tools and methodologies will include Census 2021 mini-test instruments

which are household questionnaire, institutionalised population data collection schedule and

questionnaire for the homeless and transients

Purpose/importance Developed electronic Census 2021 questionnaires to be used in various tests on census content and

use of institution records as alternative data sources in preparation for collection of such information

in Census 2021 . This will improve collection methods

Source of information/ collection of data Core questions for the 2020 Round of Censuses by UN and African region and national priorities as described in the NDP and administrative records of institutions such as prisons, frail care centres,

etc.

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Complex data needs at lower levels of geography for planning and decision-making; Incompatible

databases with designed collection schedule and reliance on external stakeholders

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance User-friendly questionnaires; timeous, relevant and accurate reports and approved homeless and

transient collection procedures and concepts

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

Census 2021 mini-test tools and methodologies

• Census 2021 mini-test report (data collected through self-enumeration)

• Administrative data of institutionalised population

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Population Statistics

21.2.1 Population Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 21) Census 2021 mini-test report compiled

Short definition Compiled report based on household population using both Survey Solution and CsPRO data

collection programs during Census 2021 mini-test data quality, data confrontation and analysis

Purpose/importance Testing of Census 2021 draft questions, questionnaire length, and self-enumeration

Source of information/collection of data

Census 2021 test data

Method of calculation Proportions and indices

Data limitation Item non-response

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Timeous, relevant and accurate report

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on Census 2021 mini-test (data quality, data confrontation and analysis)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Population Statistics

21.3.1 Population Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 21) Homeless population national definition developed

Short definition Homeless population national definition relates to a discussion document on collection methods

pertaining to the homeless in preparation for Census 2021 data collection methodologies

Purpose/importance Describe standardised national definition to be used in enumerating the homeless and transient

populations in Census 2021

Source of information/ collection of data Liaison with all key stakeholders on homelessness countrywide

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Non-response

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Discussion document on homeless population national definition aligned to the Stats SA definitions

and concepts

Evidence (output/s) Signed discussion document on homeless population national definition

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Population Statistics

22.1.1 Demographic Profiles (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 22) Number of population estimates published

Short definition The demographic profile is critical for planning purposes. Knowing the population structure and number of the

country at a particular point in time is imperative for planning. Population estimates are also essential in survey weighting, forming the denominator of most indicators. Population estimates refers to dynamics of estimated population and in-depth reports around demographic themes. This provides comprehensive demographic information on the population dynamics at all levels of society (national and sub-provincial levels). Population projections are estimated projections of the population into the future, based on current and expected

demographic trends

Purpose/importance The demographic profile is critical for planning purposes to know how the population of the country is at a

particular point in time. Demographic reports provide more in-depth analysis around demographic themes which gives users more insight and which provides intellectuals with a platform from which to perform further research. Population projections are also important for short-, medium- and long-term planning of services and population-

based programmes

Source of information/
collection of data

Census, household surveys with demographic data and administrative data

Method of calculation

Assessment of data and application of established demographic techniques dependent on the type of analysis

being conducted

Data limitation Fieldwork quality which contributes to poor data and geographic depth of data which is limited by the sample from

which the data come

Type of indicatorsOutputs of demographic indicators

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality projected population estimates (national and sub-provincial levels) statistics as per the release

schedule

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Mid-year population estimates at national and provincial levels published

• Mid-year population estimates at district and metro levels published

• Short- (5 years ahead) and medium-term (2030) population projections published in quarter 3 and quarter 4, respectively, of each year

• Long-term projections (2050) published in quarter 4 of every even-numbered year

• Local municipality and household estimates published by March 2020

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Demographic Analysis

22.2.1 Demographic Profiles (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 22) Research on improving demographic statistics

Short definition Thematic demographic reports on multiple sources

Purpose/importance The demographic profile is critical for planning purposes to know how the population of the country is at a

particular point in time. Demographic reports provide more in-depth analysis around demographic themes which gives users more insight and which provides intellectuals with a platform from which to perform further research,

and it feeds into the computation of population estimates and projections

Source of information/collection of data

Census, household surveys with demographic data and administrative data

Method of calculation Research reports use a variety of analytical techniques which vary from demographic to statistical

Data limitation Fieldwork quality which contributes to poor data and geographic depth of data which is limited by the sample from

which the data come

Type of indicatorsOutput of demographic indicators

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycleAnnually or whenever new data or emerging issues occur

New indicator No

Desired performance Research reports to improve the demographic statistics and to expand the demographic knowledge base

Evidence (output/s) Signed research reports on:

• Thematic demographic reports on multiple sources

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Demographic Analysis

23.1.1 Vital Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 23) Number of releases on vital statistics (births, deaths, marriages and divorces) published

Short definition

Vital events include live births, deaths (including foetal deaths), marriages (civil and customary), civil unions and

divorces that occurred and that were registered for a specific year

Purpose/importance

Data used as key input to population projections (birth and death data); provide accurate statistics on health status of the population, and are used to assess census data. The data can be used for assessing the registration of

marriages/unions and divorces in the country. The data also provide information on the formation and dissolution of marriages/unions in South Africa

Source of information/
collection of data

Administrative records of vital events from civil registration (births and civil and customary marriages) from the
Department of Home Affairs. Deaths as registered at DHA, coded and processed by Stats SA. The data on divorces
are obtained (using the Stats SA Divorce Form) from the Department of Justice – Regional courts have been

designated to deal with divorce matters in South Africa

Data limitation Dependency on the Department of Home Affairs to submit civil registration data: Births (not all fields are

completed, not all fields are accurately completed); Deaths (not all fields are completed, not all fields are accurately completed); Dependency on the national postal system for the delivery of completed forms from the courts to Stats SA. Stats SA does not have control over the quality and timelines of secondary data received

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality releases on births, deaths, marriages and divorces statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published releases on vital statistics:

• Recorded live births (2018)

• Mortality and causes of death (2018)

• Marriages and divorces (2018)

Indicator responsibilityChief Director: Health and Vital Statistics

24.1.1 Vulnerable Groups Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 24)

Number of statistical reports on marginalised groups published

Short definition Statistical reports are produced about the life circumstances and activities of the elderly, youth, women, children

and the disabled. Marginalised groups reports are produced as planned using data from the GHS, QLFS, LCS and

I&E surveys, censuses, as well as administrative records

Purpose/importanceSpecific themes that are addressed include demographics, education, health and labour force participation.

Indicators related to these themes are used by our partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation as it relates to elderly, youth, women,

children and the disabled

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

Method of calculation | Actual observations provided in statistical releases and reports as frequencies, percentage distributions and

medians

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey and administrative data. Stats SA does not have control over the

quality and timeliness of data from administrative sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Publish quality reports on vulnerable groups statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published statistical reports on marginalised group indicators

25.1.1 Gender Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 25)

Number of statistical reports on gender published

Short definitionGender statistics focus on the life circumstances and activities of men and women. Releases on gender are

produced as planned using data from the GHS, QLFS, LCS and I&E surveys, censuses, as well as administrative

records

Purpose/importance Specific themes that are addressed in gender statistics include demographics, education, health and labour force

participation. Indicators related to these themes are used by our partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation as it relates to men and

women

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

medians

Data limitationTimeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey and administrative data. Stats SA does not have control over the

quality and timeliness of data from administrative sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performancePublish quality reports on violence against women as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published statistical report on gender series 6; gender and education

26.1.1 Crime and Safety Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 26)

Number of statistical releases on crime statistics published

Short definition Statistical releases containing basic statistical summaries of the findings on the Governance, Public Safety and

Justice Survey (GPSJS) are produced within nine months after data collection ends. These reports include statistics

on victimisation rates for households and individuals

Purpose/importance These documents are used by our partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy

formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation as it relates to crime and safety statistics

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

medians

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey data. Partnerships with support divisions within Stats SA: Survey

Operations, CDPC, Methodology and ADAPT

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality release on crime statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual release on crime statistics

27.1.1 Health Statistics (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 27) Research on improving health statistics conducted

Short definitionTo compare health data between internal and external sources

Purpose/importance To expand on the thematic reports

Source of information/collection of data

Secondary data from different institutions using different methods of collection

Data limitationUsing secondary data has limitations because it is collected for a different purpose to what is needed for, e.g.

mortality and causes of death is for administrative purposes

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performanceMore health data sources

Evidence (output/s) Signed analytical report on various data sources

Indicator responsibilityChief Director: Health and Vital Statistics

28.1.1 Education Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 28) Research on expanding education statistics published

Short definition Education statistics focus on measuring educational inputs, problems and outcomes in relation to early childhood,

and primary, secondary and tertiary education

Purpose/importance

Due to the current limited scope and incompleteness of administrative records, information related to education

derived from household surveys and census records provides important complementary information about the state of education in the country. These documents are used by our partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation as it relates to education

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

Method of calculation | Actual observations provided in statistical releases and reports as frequencies, percentage distributions and

medians

Data limitationTimeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey and administrative data. Stats SA does not have control over the

quality and timeliness of data from administrative sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality education statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published education statistics: Series 6

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Social Statistics

29.1.1 Governance Statistics (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 29) Governance statistics published

Short definition Statistical releases containing basic statistical summaries of the findings on the Governance, Public Safety and

Justice Survey (GPSJS) are produced within nine months after data collection ends. These reports include statistics

on access to justice, inclusion, human rights, discrimination as well as a capable state

Purpose/importance These documents are used by our partners in government, academia and private enterprises for strategy and policy

formulation, planning and monitoring and evaluation as it relates to social matters and service delivery

Source of information/ collection of data Household survey data and other relevant sources in the case of thematic reports

Method of calculation | Actual observations provided in statistical releases and reports as frequencies, percentage distributions and

medians

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of survey data. Partnerships with support divisions within Stats SA: Survey

Operations, CDPC, Methodology and ADAPT

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publish quality release on governance and justice statistics as per the release schedule

Evidence (output/s) Published annual release on governance statistics

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Social Statistics

30.1.1 Integrative Research and Analysis (Discontinued)

31.1.1 Integrative Research and Analysis – Policy Research and Analysis (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 31)

Research on improving government's socio-economic planning conducted

Short definition Any study involving statistics from both the social cluster and/or economics cluster

Purpose/importance

To develop new and innovative statistical products to inform government planning, monitoring and evaluation, policy development and decision-making, e.g. Zipf's rule, which provides estimates from spatially aggregated

Stats SA surveys for disaggregated local municipality planning (IDPs)

Source of information/ collection of data Statistics produced mostly in the various divisions of Stats SA data and administrative data from other departments

Method of calculation
Usage of scientific statistical methods and theories for the development of findings

Data limitationGeneral scarcity of available official socio-economic data in the country

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Research reports on application of internationally acclaimed statistical practices and use of latest trends in terms of

methodologies approved on time

Evidence (output/s) Signed research reports on the government's socio-economic planning:

• Local municipality estimates

• Modelling – forecasts for South African development planning

• Developing database on protests in South Africa

Indicator responsibilityChief Director: Policy Research and Analysis

31.2.1 Integrative Research and Analysis – Policy Research and Analysis (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 31) Research on spatial analysis conducted

Short definition Research reports on spatial analysis related to improving statistical and geospatial data integration and analysing

development spatially

Purpose/importance To develop new and innovative statistical products to inform government planning, monitoring and evaluation,

policy development and decision-making; otherwise Stats SA provides only raw data statistics

Source of information/ collection of data Statistics produced mostly by Stats SA, administrative and geospatial data from other departments

Method of calculation Usage of scientific statistical methods and theories for the development of findings

Data limitationGeneral scarcity of disaggregated official data in the country

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Research reports on application of internationally acclaimed statistical practices and use of latest trends in terms of

methodologies approved on time

Evidence (output/s) Signed research report on spatial analysis:

• Application to selected policy indicator(s) (from the NDP, SDG, Urban Agendas, etc.)

• Application to statistical and geospatial methods, definitions and classifications

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Policy Research and Analysis

31.3.1 Growth Accounting Framework (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 31) Experimental Growth Accounting Framework (GAF) piloted

Short definitionGAF is an instrument to monitor the general behaviour of average incomes through the symptomatic drivers

influencing them. This instrument is an index derived from the geometric mean due to its attractive property to

provide balanced estimates to the construct of interest – in this case average incomes

Purpose/importance Principally, the purpose of the GAF is to analyse the consistency and coherence of the national accounts in a

country as a whole. As such, the GAF is embedded in the methodological processes of a number of national

statistical offices including the US, Australia, Finland, and UK, to name but a few

Source of information/ collection of data Economic, social and population surveys

Data limitation Availability of relevant and accurate data, particularly from external sources

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator No

Desired performance Use of acclaimed international practices on economic statistics

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on piloting GAF

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Methodology and Evaluation

32. Integrative Research and Analysis (Discontinued)

33.1.1 Data Revolution (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 33)

Document on data revolution developed

Short definition Leading and sharing data revolution initiatives nationally

Purpose/importance The purpose is to close the data gaps and strengthen the capability of the national statistics system

Source of information/collection of data

International, regional and national documents on data revolution

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation New emerging concept internationally which is still in an exploratory stage

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator No

Desired performance Data revolution framework and strategy implemented

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on data revolution initiatives in South Africa

Indicator responsibility Office of the SG

Strategic Outcome 2: Trusted statistics

Goal statement: By 2020, the statistical value chain is based on sound statistical quality principles in line with international standards and classifications that engender trust in our products. Key indicators for success are:

- 10% of statistical series are certified as official
- Five independent evaluations have been conducted
- Two international standards adopted and implemented
- Delighted users of statistical products

Strategic objectives under Trusted statistics:



34.1.1 Quality Management System (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 34) Quality management system developed

Short definition Compiling quality management system guidelines and procedures, and developing quality management

instruments for the Need, Design, Build, Disseminate, Archive and Evaluate phases of the statistical value chain

Purpose/importance Institutionalising quality management

Source of information/ collection of data Scientific and applied specialised literature on quality management and data quality, procedures and guidelines as

well as test reports from QMS development phase 1, and inputs from stakeholders

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Availability of all the stakeholders

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator No

Desired performance Effective and efficient quality management system

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on QMS developed (phase 2)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Methodology and Evaluation

35.1.1 Methodology and Evaluation (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 35) PES for Census 2021 conducted

Short definition Conducting PES tests in order to test PES methods and instruments, as well as the application of these methods on

new technology platform

Purpose/importance Ensuring that PES methods and instruments are effective and efficient for evaluating the quality of the census

Source of information/ collection of data Scientific and applied specialised literature on post enumeration surveys, lessons learnt from Census 2011 PES and

Census 2021 strategy and methodology documents

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Availability of Census 2021 methodology documents and documented lessons from other countries that have

conducted PES on technology platforms

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Effective and efficient methods and instruments for evaluating the quality of the census

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on PES tests

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Methodology and Evaluation

36.1.1 Survey Coordination, Monitoring and Evaluation (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 36)

Number of survey monitoring and evaluation reports compiled

Short definition Continuously monitor and conduct process evaluations for the population and household-based surveys within the

population, and forward recommendations to decision-makers for quality improvements. Monitoring and

evaluation of: GHS, DTS, GPSJS and QLFS

Purpose/importance To identify the population and household surveys input, process and output indicators, and monitor their

implementation continuously, with the aim of reporting on how the population and household-based surveys were conducted and the quality thereof. M&E reports are about quality assurance and controls of household surveys and

monitoring thereof

Source of information/ Population and household surveys plans, questionnaires and planning documents. Different M&E tools developed

collection of data by the SCM&E divisions based on how the surveys are conducted

Method of calculation | Simple count (number of reports submitted or circulated to stakeholders)

Data limitationThe division does not cover outcome and impact indicators. Only population and household-based surveys are

monitored and evaluated

Type of indicators Process

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Produce and submit quality reports to relevant stakeholders to assist them in areas of concern, particularly during

data collection

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Monitoring of the CDC (GHS, DTS, GPSJS)

• Evaluation of the QLFS

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Survey Coordination, Monitoring and Evaluation

37.1.1 Methodology and Evaluation (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 37)

Percentage methodological support provided on time

Short definition Methodological support assists producers of statistics and various stakeholders to ensure quality research, data

comparability and statistical integrity of official statistics

Purpose/importance Methodological support is provided to various stakeholders to ensure the constructs and principles of

methodological processes within the survey value chain are of statistical integrity and best practice

Source of information/
collection of data

Survey data of various household surveys from the population and social statistics cluster. Business Register with business records compiled countrywide from DTI and SARS. Cluster and divisional plans, templates and reports

Method of calculation Methodological notes and datasets published after sampling, weighting and estimation. Review and updating of

programs for sampling, weighting and estimation

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of business and survey data. Dependency on the data from survey areas

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Provide methodological support to ensure statistical releases, reports and datasets published are on time, relevant

and accurate

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on methodological support provided on time

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Methodology and Evaluation

37.2.1 Methodology and Evaluation (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 37) Research methodological practices in economic and social statistics conducted

Short definition Research report on alternative approaches to variance estimation, seasonal adjustment, methodological

procedures in sampling and quality management using data mining

Purpose/importance Methodological support is provided to various stakeholders to ensure the constructs and principles of

methodological processes within the survey value chain are of statistical integrity and best practice

Source of information/
collection of data

Survey data of various household surveys from the population and social statistics cluster. Business Register with business records compiled countrywide from DTI and SARS. Cluster and divisional plans, templates and reports

Method of calculation Methodological notes and datasets published after sampling, weighting and estimation. Review and updating of

programs for sampling, weighting and estimation

Data limitation Timeliness, accuracy and relevance of business and survey data. Dependency on the data from survey areas

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Provide methodological support to ensure statistical releases, reports and datasets are published on time, relevant

and accurate

Evidence (output/s) Signed research reports on methodological practices in economic and social statistics

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Methodology and Evaluation

38.1.1 Census and Community Survey Operations (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 38) Census 2021 documents compiled

Short definition A population census is a total process of collecting, compiling, evaluating, analysing and disseminating

demographic, economic and social data pertaining, at a specified time, to all persons in a country: Reports on

Census 2021 mini-tests, field operations and pilot plans for Census 2021

Purpose/importance To adequately inform per process the preparations for Census Pilot 2020 and subsequently census main. The data

collected in population censuses provide a sampling frame for intercensal surveys, which provides further insights into demographic and socio-economic trends for purposes of monitoring and evaluation of the implementation of various policies and programmes, while the Community Survey provides estimates of the population count and the number of households in a municipality in order to provide data that will serve as input into their Integrated

Development Plans (IDPs) and infrastructure investment budgeting

Source of information/
collection of data

Sampled enumeration areas (EAs), Census Mini Test 2019 administrative report and lessons learnt. Data collected from households countrywide for census, and from sampled households and enumeration areas for the

Community Survey

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationNon-response rates, the completeness of the collected data, cases of refusals to participate from households with

cases of non-contacts and some areas that are difficult to access like the high-walled areas

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance To adequately inform Census Pilot 2020 and Census 2020 plans

To inform relevant stakeholders on how the test was done and lessons learnt for future planning

To implement recommendations resulting in a full count of the population (above 90% response rate)

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Census 2021 mini-test field operations (Actual mini-test progress report)

Plans for Census 2021 pilot

Census 2021 mini-test conducted (Technical document/report on recommendations)

Indicator responsibility Project Director: Census and Community Survey

39.1.1 Household Survey Operations (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 39)

Number of reports on quality assurance conducted

Short definition Coordination and monitoring on data collection for CDC are done on a quarterly basis from households, whereas

data collection on QLFS is conducted monthly. Quality assurance is conducted on a continuous basis

Purpose/importance Do quality assurance of collected and completed questionnaires during the fieldwork

Source of information/collection of data

Monthly and quarterly completed questionnaires from district offices

Method of calculation Target of 5% of the sample questionnaires quality assured in the field

Data limitation Number of human resources available. The ideal situation would have been to use 10% of the sampled

questionnaires

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Quality Assurance Plan and Tool

Desired performance Submit the required documents for compliance, accountability and effective governance

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on quality assurance

Indicator responsibility | Chief Director: Household Survey Operations

39.2.1 Household Survey Operations (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 39) Number of training sessions on household surveys

Short definition Provision of national training to provincial trainers PSCs for training and data collection

Purpose/importance Development and printing of training manuals. Conduct training to train the trainer basis for CDC and QLFS

surveys

Source of information/collection of data

Training manuals provided by content. Trainees from all provincial offices

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationCurrent training is based on paper manuals and questionnaires. The aging group of trainers from provinces has a

negative impact

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator

Desired performance E-learning on improving quality and reducing the cost of training

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on training and attendance registers

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Household Survey Operations

39.3.1 Household Survey Operations (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 39) Report on improving household survey operations

Short definition Digital data collection is the process of collecting data electronically through the use of existing technology such as

personal digital assistants (PDAs or smart phones), tablets and net-books for data collection

Purpose/importance Modernise data collection by ensuring precision, quality and speed

Source of information/collection of data

Monthly GPSJS completed questionnaires country-wide

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationLimited human resources, especially those who specialise in ICT. Irregular reporting systems

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Modernise data collection using the latest technology, which will ultimately improve the turnaround time

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on digital data collection for DTS, GHS and QLFS parallel implemented

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Household Survey Operations

40.1.1 Provincial Offices (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 40) Response rate for household surveys achieved

Short definition The percentage of eligible respondents who completed questionnaires with usable information to the total number

of eligible respondents during a survey period (unprocessed data)

Purpose/importance To measure the extent of participation by eligible respondents in a survey at provincial level; a high response rate

helps to minimise the standard errors, therefore improving the accuracy of both provincial and national estimates

Source of information/ collection of data

Method of calculation

Data collected from sampled households

Response rate = $\frac{\text{Response}}{\text{Response} + \text{Non response}} \times 100$

Where response and non-response are as defined in the standard classification of the result codes for enumeration

Data limitation Non-responses and out-of-scope scenarios, such as community protests. At this stage, the response rate represents

raw or unprocessed data, therefore it is subject to change after processing

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly and annually

New indicator No

Desired performance A response rate of at least 90% is desirable

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• QLFS response rate

• GHS,GPSJS,DTS response rate

Indicator responsibility **Provincial Chief Directors**

40.2.1 Provincial Offices (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 40) Census 2021 preparations implemented

Short definition Planning for Census 2021 and Census 2019 mini-test conducted

Purpose/importance Provide a complete and clean dataset from the field. Test questionnaires and processes to ensure readiness of

the provincial office to conduct Census 2021

Source of information/ collection of data Household and DU level countrywide for census and sample EAs based for large-scale household surveys.

Dwelling units and households in sampled GIF points in selected districts

Method of calculation Number of dwelling units enumerated and questionnaires collected for census and large-scale household

surveys and collected from the sampled GIF points

Data limitation Non-response rates and out-of-scopes

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Successful planning for Census 2021 and implementation of the Census 2021 mini-test

Evidence (output/s) • Signed provincial plans for Census 2021

• Signed reports on Census 2021 mini-test

Indicator responsibility Provincial Chief Directors



41.1.1 Corporate Data Processing (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 41) Percentage questionnaires processed

Short definition Processing and editing of QLFS (VAS) and EPWP questionnaires for population and social statistics data

Purpose/importance Provide accurate, reliable and timely data to be utilised in the preparation and development of QLFS (VAS) and

EPWP releases

Source of information/ collection of data Surveys when collecting data: QLFS (VAS) and EPWP

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationThe data are virtual, once processed. In some cases, the data need to be verified and confirmed against physical

instruments where there are some inconsistencies in the data. Quality and timeliness depends on Household

Survey Operations division

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly/annually/periodic

New indicator No

Desired performance Quality processing and editing of questionnaires

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on percentage of received questionnaires processed

41.2.1 Corporate Data Processing (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 41) Number of edited datasets compiled

Short definition Structural processing of an edited dataset

Purpose/importance Provide accurate, reliable and timely data to be utilised in the preparation and development of all household CAPI

survey datasets

Source of information/collection of data

Surveys: QLFS Q1-Q4 (Parallel), GHS, DTS, GPSJS

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation The data is virtual in nature as it is being collected via CAPI data collection methods. Quality and timeliness

depends on submission from fieldwork in provinces

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly/annually/periodic

New indicator Yes

Desired performance An edited quality assured datasets

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on edited datasets

41.3.1 Corporate Data Processing (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 41)

Percentage death notification forms for mortality and causes of death processed

Short definition Processing and editing of mortality and causes of death

Purpose/importance Provide accurate, reliable and timely data to be utilised in the preparation for the causes of death report

Source of information/collection of data

Administrative records on mortality and causes of death

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Quality and timeliness depend on the Department of Home Affairs in completing forms accurately and submitting

them to Stats SA on time

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Quality processing and editing of notification forms

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on percentage of processed versus received death notification forms

41.4.1 Corporate Data Processing (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 41) Census 2021 mini-test processing conducted

Short definition Preparation of Census 2021 collection systems

Purpose/importance Provision of integrated and effective Census 2021 electronic data collection

systems

Source of information/collection of data

Lessons learnt from Census 2011, International best practice, UN Statistics; Division Guidelines on the Use of

Electronic Data Collection systems in Population and Housing Censuses

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Availability of funding and Census 2021 documents

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Effective and efficient collection systems for Census 2021

Evidence (output/s) Final output testing of Census 2021 production systems

42.1.1 Publication Services (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 42) Percentage publications compiled

Short definition The publications contain a summary of statistical releases and reports. Time series are datasets in various tools

Purpose/importanceTo indicate the number and date of release of the publications and time series

Source of information/collection of data

Published reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationNo limitation

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Publications compiled timeously

Evidence (output/s) Signed Mbalo Brief and Stats in Brief publications

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Publication Services

42.2.1 Publication Services (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 42) Report on improving publication services

Short definition Data warehouse, in our context, is a facility for long term storage (including archival) and retrieval of statistical

information

Purpose/importance Data warehouse procedures enables the storage of information in a centralised, classified mode and in a user-

friendly manner. This is a process to assist in the efficiency of data warehouse procedures

Source of information/ collection of data Internal and external data

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performanceTo improve and expand publication services to increase the use of official statistics

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on implemented data warehouse procedures

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Publication Services

42.3.1 Publication Services (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 42) Research on municipal publication for IDP compiled

Short definition This is a research on the feasibility of compiling a comprehensive municipal statistical publication intended to

provide credible statistical information required for the compilation of IDP

Purpose/importance Needs analysis on the packaging and compilation of municipal statistical publication

Source of information/ collection of data Stats SA data, Business Modernisation and SALGA

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Stats SA does not collect data for all IDP indicators

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator New

Desired performance Compilation of municipal publication on an annual basis

Evidence (output/s) Signed research report on municipal publication for IDP

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Publication Services

43.1.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – Website (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 43)

Percentage increase of visitor sessions to the website

Short definition Stakeholder Relations engages with stakeholders on a daily basis, and through this engagement, new stakeholders

are registered. To know and understand the use of statistical information

Purpose/importance The purpose of updating the information on the website is to provide users with current information. It also ensures

that the organisational information in the public domain remains relevant

Source of information/ collection of data Updated stakeholder information on the website - registered by recent date

Method of calculation Simple

Data limitationDue to the recent revamped website, stakeholders have registered their dissatisfaction about difficulties in

accessing some information on the website. Low response rates on the User Satisfaction Survey

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Capturing a wide variety of stakeholders using Stats SA information and data

Evidence (output/s)• Signed system generated report on visitor sessions to the website

• Signed report on percentage increase of visitor sessions to the website

43.2.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – Website (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 43)

Percentage increase publications downloaded from website

Short definition Downloaded publications on the website. It also ensures that the organisational information in the public domain

remains relevant

Purpose/importanceTo measure accessibility and use of statistical information through the website

Source of information/ collection of data Website statistics

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Different website tools to count

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycleMonthly, quarterly and annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Increase downloads publications from the website

Evidence (output/s)

• Signed system generated report on downloaded publications from the website

• Signed report on percentage increase of downloaded publications from the website

43.3.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 43) Census 2021 dissemination plan developed

Short definition A dissemination plan is a plan for disseminating information and products of Stats SA. It is what will help the

organisation to get the message to the public regarding the products produced

Purpose/importance To facilitate the accessibility of use of statistical information and product to stakeholders

Source of information/collection of data

Internal and external stakeholders

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Stakeholder engagement

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Increase use of Stats SA information and products

Evidence (output/s) Signed Census 2021 dissemination plan

43.4.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 43) Census 2021 dissemination platforms evaluated

Short definition Evaluation of dissemination platforms to assess whether the expectations for information and products of Stats SA

have been met or exceeded

Purpose/importance To evaluate dissemination platforms and critical capabilities to ensure that information and products reach

stakeholders as intended

Source of information/ collection of data Dissemination plan

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationNot applicable

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Optimal accessibility of Stats SA products

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on Census 2021 dissemination platforms

43.5.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 43) Branding strategy developed

Short definition Brand strategy is a long-term plan for the development of a successful brand in order to increase usage and

enhance trust in Stats SA products. A well-defined and executed brand strategy affects all aspects of a business and

is directly connected to stakeholder needs, emotions, and reputation

Purpose/importance Brand strategy reinforces the positioning and the reputation of the organisation

Source of information/ collection of data Internal and external stakeholders

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Stakeholder engagement

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Reinforce the position and reputation of Stats SA

Evidence (output/s) Signed branding strategy

44.1.1 Statistical Standards Development (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 44) Number of standards developed

Short definition Statistical standards in the organisation are identified through the South African Statistical Quality Assessment

Framework (SASQAF) standards, the statistical value chain (SVC), as well as proposals. The development of standards in the organisation follows a standard process, namely the standards development life cycle (SDLC),

which forms part of the Standardisation Framework of Stats SA

Purpose/importance Standards are a precondition for production of good quality statistics. Adherence to standards enhances

international comparability and ensures that policymakers base their decisions on information that is reliable and

of good quality in general

Source of information/ collection of data Development of statistical standards is based on research on international best practice, legislation and policy.

Some standards are developed by harmonising current organisational practices

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Some standards are more complex than others and may require more time and resources than anticipated during

planning. This may result in delayed delivery of standards

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance All statistical standards compiled and communicated on time

Evidence (output/s) Signed-off standards on acronyms for Stats SA

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Survey Standards

44.2.1 Statistical Standards Development (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 44) Number of standards reviewed

Short definition Statistical standards in the organisation are identified through the South African Statistical Quality Assessment

Framework (SASQAF) standards, the statistical value chain (SVC), as well as proposals. The reviewing of standards in the organisation follows a standard process, namely the standards development life cycle (SDLC), which forms

part of the Standardisation Framework of Stats SA

Purpose/importance Update the current standards to ensure their relevance to current trends, especially in the core areas

Source of information/
collection of data

Review of statistical standards is based on research on international best practice, legislation and policy. Some standards are developed by harmonising current organisational practices

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Simple count

Data limitationSome internal stakeholders are reluctant to participate in the review of standards, which in the final analysis affects

their buy-in during the implementation of the related standards

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Method of calculation

Desired performance All statistical standards reviewed to enhance efficiency and relevancy

Evidence (output/s) Signed-off reviewed standards on:

• Standards on statistical releases and reports writing style;

• Measurement and reporting levels of proxy response; and

• Definitional metadata for four main topics

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Survey Standards

44.3.1 Statistical Standards Development (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 44) Standards development processes reviewed

Short definition The standards development process in Stats SA follows the standards development life cycle (SDLC), which is based

> on peer agreement and the principles of best practice, consensus and representation, and necessitates participation of stakeholders. The SDLC begins with identification of standards needed in the organisation, formal proposal for development, development of draft standards, stakeholder consultations, testing (where applicable),

approval, publication and provision of support and maintenance

Purpose/importance Update the current standards development processes to ensure their relevance to current statistical production

processes, and approval of statistical standards within Stats SA

Source of information/ Review of standards development process is based on research on international best practice, organisational collection of data

policies, and harmonising current organisational practices

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation The SDLC will be applicable to many of the standards used in Stats SA. However, there will be some standards for

> which the whole process could be excessive, and for which the process should be more a guideline rather than mandatory. The good judgement and experience of the key people (particularly in Survey Standards) will be crucial in this respect. The process may also affect the ability of senior management to contribute to standards

development, especially those who are responsible for approval of standards

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Standards development processes planned for review to be achieved on time

Evidence (output/s) Signed-off report on the review of standards development life cycle (SDLC)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Survey Standards

44.4.1 Statistical Standards Development (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 44)

Standards advocacy projects conducted

Short definition Standards advocacy involves promotion of standards in order to create and increase awareness around the

existence and importance of statistical standards in the organisation. It also includes training of the standards and

the use of the CMR

Purpose/importance CMR will improve the accessibility to standards and metadata. Promotional activities will create and increase

awareness on the importance of standards. Training will ensure correct implementation of standards

Source of information/ collection of data Survey Standards will provide specifications for CMR enhancements; training materials on CMR, and training

materials on standards

Method of calculation None

Data limitation CMR improvement is dependent on the availability of system developers to work on the project, availability of the

latest technology required for enhancements, and budget constraints. Training is dependent on the availability of

subject matter specialists

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Increase awareness and advocacy on standards through CMR and training, amongst others

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Improvements on CMR

• Training on CMR and attendance register

• Standards awareness

• Training on standards

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Survey Standards

45.1.1 Corporate Communications (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 45)

Percentage internal communication products compiled

Short definition Communication tools used internally to communicate different messages from management to staff. It includes

training to increase the use of data visuals by employees

Purpose/importance Internal stakeholders need to be kept informed of organisational issues and decisions made by management

Source of information/collection of data

Printed and electronic products

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationOrganisational culture to adapt to electronic changes. Limited resources to be used to gather information

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Communication channels should be flexible and easily accessible to all employees

Evidence (output/s) Signed Pulse editions

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Corporate Communications

45.2.1 Corporate Communications (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 45) Dashboard of media perception compiled

Short definition Media perception is measured through a quarterly media analysis report containing amongst others reputational

indicators. The dashboard also measures Statistics South Africa's contribution to the battle of ideas in public

discourse and its share of voice on news reporting about itself and/or its principals

Purpose/importance The media dashboards primarily assist in media reputation management (ensure reputational risks and incorrect

public perceptions are identified and addressed, ensure negative reporting by the media is always addressed)

Source of information/ Data are collected on a daily basis as part of media monitoring and analysis. Source of the raw data is the mass collection of data

media in South Africa and abroad (only in case of newspapers and online/digital media)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation The monitoring exercise does not include grassroots/community media due to lack of media monitoring

infrastructure in the South African market

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Improved media perception

Evidence (output/s) Signed quarterly dashboard on media perception

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Corporate Communications

45.3.1 Corporate Communications (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 45)

Communication products and services evaluated

Short definitionAn evaluation tool to ascertain the effectiveness of communication products and services

Purpose/importance Communication products and service offerings change constantly. The organisation needs to determine whether

the current communication products and services are meeting the needs of stakeholders or if new products and

services need to be added to what we offer

Source of information/ collection of data Survey questionnaire

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Response rate

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Efficacy of communication products and service offerings

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on evaluated communication products and services

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Corporate Communications

45.4.1 Corporate Communications (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 45) Census 2021 preparations implemented

Short definition | Census 2021 communication plan - Census 2021 communication plan formally gives the broad spectrum on

what should be communicated to all stakeholders, particularly the general public. Census 2021 communication tools provide brief and motivation to target audiences in order to achieve the desired communication goals. Communication approaches outline the different communication stages that will be used at different points to

ensure that there is general awareness about Census 2021

Purpose/importance To ensure that all available communication platforms are utilised to raise awareness about the census; increase

awareness and mobilise participation of the hard to count population; ensure that relevant tools are used and

communication approaches are in line with communication practices

Source of information/ collection of data Previous census communication documents, achievements and statistical documents

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Societal despondency and Stats SA not generally known to the general public

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance To create awareness about Census 2021 through effective communication and mobilisation of target audiences

Evidence (output/s) a) Approved/signed-off Census 2021 communication plan

b) Signed report on Census 2021 communication and community mobilisation tools tested

c) Signed report on communication approaches compiled

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Corporate Communications

46.1.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 46) Percentage of telephonic queries handled within 15 minutes

Short definitionThe percentage used to calculate the turnaround time of handling user requests in line with Batho Pele principles.

15-minute requests cover simple and accessible information to various stakeholders

Purpose/importance The purpose of user requests is to monitor the type of information requested and to monitor the turnaround times

to service our stakeholders in line with the Service Delivery Improvement Plan, which is informed by the Batho Pele

principles

Source of information/ collection of data Customer Relations Management system (CRM) and User Satisfaction Survey

Method of calculation Addition of numbers visited and downloaded from website

Data limitationThere is a problem with calculating percentages for requests due to unstableness of the Customer Relations

Management (CRM) system. Due to problems with the CRM system, the stakeholder database is not updated properly and this leads to outdated information about stakeholders. The implication is that SRM cannot source up-

to-date stakeholder information to respond to the User Satisfaction Survey, leading to low response rates

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycleMonthly, quarterly, annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Satisfied stakeholders with maximum use of our data products and good service

Evidence (output/s) Signed system generated report on simple queries handled within 15 minutes

46.2.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 46) Percentage email queries handled within 24 hours

Short definitionThe percentage used to calculate the turnaround time of handling user requests in line with Batho Pele principles.

24-hour requests cover normal requests which may require the creation of several tables to populate the required

information

Purpose/importanceThe purpose of user requests is to monitor the type of information requested and to monitor the turnaround times

to service our stakeholders in line with the Service Delivery Improvement Plan, which is informed by the Batho Pele principles. The User Satisfaction Survey measures how satisfied Stats SA stakeholders are with the information

available within Stats SA

Source of information/ collection of data Customer Relations Management system (CRM) and User Satisfaction Survey

Method of calculation Addition of numbers visited and downloaded from website

Data limitationThere is a problem with calculating percentages for requests due to unstableness of the Customer Relations

Management (CRM) system. Due to problems with the CRM system, the stakeholder database is not updated properly and this leads to outdated information about stakeholders. The implication is that SRM cannot source up-

to-date stakeholder information to respond to the User Satisfaction Survey, leading to low response rates

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Monthly, quarterly, annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Satisfied stakeholders with maximum use of our data products and good service

Evidence (output/s) Signed system generated report on normal queries handled within 24 hours

46.3.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 46) Percentage queries handled within 5 days

Short definitionThe percentage used to calculate the turnaround time of handling user requests in line with Batho Pele principles.

5-day special requests need subject matter specialists and usually require in-depth analysis of data

Purpose/importance The purpose of user requests is to monitor the type of information requested and to monitor the turnaround times

to service our stakeholders in line with the Service Delivery Improvement Plan, which is informed by the Batho Pele principles. The User Satisfaction Survey measures how satisfied Stats SA stakeholders are with the information

available within Stats SA

Source of information/ collection of data Customer Relations Management system (CRM) and User Satisfaction Survey

Method of calculation Addition of numbers visited and downloaded from website

Data limitationThere is a problem with calculating percentages for requests due to unstableness of the Customer Relations

Management (CRM) system. Due to problems with the CRM system, the stakeholder database is not updated properly and this leads to outdated information about stakeholders. The implication is that SRM cannot source up-

to-date stakeholder information to respond to the User Satisfaction Survey, leading to low response rates

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycleMonthly, quarterly, annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Satisfied stakeholders with maximum use of our data products and good service

Evidence (output/s) Signed system generated report on complex queries handled within 5 days

46.4.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – User Satisfaction Report (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 46) User Satisfaction Survey (USS) conducted

Short definition The User Satisfaction Survey is conducted to assess stakeholder needs and how satisfied they are with the

information disseminated

Purpose/importance The User Satisfaction Survey measures how satisfied Stats SA stakeholders are with the information produced by

Stats SA

Source of information/ collection of data Customer Relations Management (CRM) system

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Correct and updated stakeholder database. Response rate for the USS

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Gauge the satisfaction levels of stakeholders in order to increase use of Stats SA data/products

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on User Satisfaction Survey

46.5.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing – SuperCross training (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 46) Percentage of user training sessions conducted

Short definition Users are trained on the use of super-cross software

Purpose/importance The census data are confidential, users are given the SuperCross software which allows them to tabulate the

census data without having access to the unit records

Source of information/collection of data

Stats SA census and community survey

Method of calculation Excel tables

Data limitation No data limitations

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Simple count

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator Yes

Desired performance 100% of requested training provided timeously

Evidence (output/s)

• Signed report on number of training sessions provided vs number of training requests

• Attendance registers for training provided

46.6.1 Stakeholder Relations and Marketing (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 46) Stakeholder management and marketing plan for Census 2021 developed

Short definition This is a plan for marketing Census 2021 products and Stats SA services. It facilitates the process for use of

information and statistical products produced

Purpose/importance To facilitate the accessibility of use of Census 2021 information

Source of information/collection of data

Internal and external stakeholders

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Stakeholder engagement

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Efficient stakeholder management and customer delight

Evidence (output/s) Signed stakeholder management and marketing plan for Census 2021

47.1.1 Independent Assessment Unit – SANSS (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 47) SASQAF quality statements produced (outstanding assessments from previous periods)

Short definition Data quality improvement using SASQAF is a requirement for certifying data as official. Datasets that do not fulfil

the quality criterion set in SASQAF are deemed to be of poor quality

Purpose/importance It provides an indication of the quality of the data and serves as an input on required areas of quality improvement

Source of information/ collection of data Assessment is based on metadata that are provided by the owner of the data

Method of calculation Available metadata are checked against the requirements of SASQAF standards. Scores are allocated to each

standard, based on the benchmarks that apply in order to quantify the overall levels of quality. Level 1: poor statistics; Level 2: questionable statistics; Level 3: acceptable statistics; Level 4: quality statistics. Scores are then aggregated by dimensions. The overall score which is the average of the dimension scores also indicates the

overall quality level of the product

Data limitationThe assessment process is based on the willingness of the data owner to subject their product to the assessment.

The process can be tedious, as it requires assembling supporting documents by the data owner for every standard. The scoring is based on the availability of the required metadata and hence on whether all the practices are fully documented. Often, data owners do not document all their practices, especially if they do not have full control of the entire statistical value chain. Hence, they could decide to withdraw from the assessment which could result in

an incomplete process and no quality statement for the statistical product

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Increase quality statements by certifying and declaring more data sources as official

Evidence (output/s) Signed SASQAF quality statements (outstanding assessments from previous cycle 2018/19)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Independent Assessment Unit (SANSS)

47.2.1 Independent Assessment Unit – SANSS (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 47) SASQAF reviewed

Short definition SASQAF document and processes reviewed and revised

Purpose/importance Periodic reviews of the assessment tool is key to keeping abreast of developments in the statistics arena and to

ensure relevance and effectiveness of the processes and content of the tool

Source of information/collection of data

International and national standards and methodologies, reviewers feedback based on their application of the

assessment tool

Method of calculation Based on international and national standards

Data limitation None

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Periodic

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Revised SASQAF tool to ensure its relevance and effectiveness

Evidence (output/s) Signed-off revised SASQAF document

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Independent Assessment Unit (SANSS)

47.3.1 Independent Assessment Unit – SANSS (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 47)

Automated assessment system tested

Short definition | Enhancing user experience of the data quality improvement process using an automated system for SASQAF pre-

assessments and independent evaluations

Purpose/importance Enhancing user experience of the data quality improvement process

Source of information/collection of data

The base of information comes from SASQAF (dimensions, indicator and standards)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation None

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Yearly

New indicator Yes

Desired performanceThe development of an electronic assessment tool to enhance timeliness

Evidence (output/s)Signed system test report on automated assessment

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Independent Assessment Unit and Chief Director: Information Management (SANSS)

Strategic Outcome 3: Partners in statistics

Goal statement: By 2020, Stats SA is leading statistical coordination in the country. Partners in the SANSS actively participate in statistical coordination structures, are establishing statistics units to improve the quality of statistics generated and increase the use of statistics as evidence to inform policy processes. South Africa continues to guide and influence statistical development in the region, continent and the world. Key indicators for success are:

- 20% of municipalities are updating the spatial information frame through collaborative partnerships
- A geostatistically enabled institution powered by informatics
- 5% of organs of state actively participate in the SANSS
- A National Strategy for the Development of Statistics has been compiled by 2017

Strategic objectives under Partners in statistics:



48.1.1 Geographic Frames and Geographic Services (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 48)

Dwelling frame at metro, city and regional service centre levels published

Short definition A Geospatial Information Frame (GIF) is a georeferenced dataset of structures (points) and areas required by

Stats SA as an input frame for conducting surveys and censuses, published internally. The whole idea is based on migrating the master sample dataset to the new frame of GIF. It is one of the key priority projects for the

organisation in the current financial year

Purpose/importanceThe geospatial information frame is essential for the management of change within the South African environment

that provides for the drawing and updating of sample frames for the collection and dissemination of quality

statistics

Source of information/ collection of data Administrative records from municipalities, digital satellite imagery, internal data from the listing capture books and

master sample updates

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Published dwelling frame at metro, cities and regional service centres

Evidence (output/s)

Link to the internally published dwelling frame

48.2.1 Geographic Frames and Geographic Services (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 48) Number of provinces demarcated (EA layers)

Short definition Demarcation is a process of re-determining new boundaries of place names, enumeration areas and small areas

for sampling and field enumeration for censuses and surveys

Purpose/importance To update the size and extent of spatial boundaries to accommodate changes on the ground caused by either

growth in or decline of settlements

Source of information/

collection of data

Administrative records from municipalities, digital satellite imagery, internal data from the listing capture books and

master sample updates

Method of calculation Number of EAs and place names updated

Data limitation Outdated base due to movement of population

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance All provinces demarcated accordingly for surveys (implementation of GIF)

Evidence (output/s) Signed system generated report on demarcated provinces

48.3.1 Geographic Frames and Geographic Services (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 48) EA and PN layers for Census 2021 prepared

Short definition A statistical geography, purposefully designed spatial layer of the enumerators' work areas

Purpose/importance The purpose is a frame for use in the administration, logistical planning and execution of the census

Source of information/ collection of data Demarcation of areas according to specifications using the most resent aerial photography/satellite imagery as well as the most recent Geospatial Information Frame (dwelling units) and cadastre in our Geographical

Information System

Data limitation The EAs are as relevant as the spatial data that are used – specifically the DU counts and imagery

Type of indicators Number of EAs per administrative area

Calculation type Count

Reporting cycle Yearly

New indicator Yes

Desired performance 100% coverage (national)

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

EA layer for Census 2021 mini-testPN layer for Census 2021 mini-test

• GIF update on selected EAs for Census 2021 mini-test

48.4.1 Geographic Frames and Geographic Services (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 48) Sampling frames for household surveys prepared

Short definition An extract of a dataset drawn from GIF according to the requirements of a household survey

Purpose/importance The sampling frames facilitate statistical data collection for household surveys

Source of information/collection of data

A GIF that is compiled using administrative records from municipalities, digital satellite imagery, internal data from

the listing capture books and master sample updates

Method of calculation Count

Data limitation Positional accuracy, completeness, coverage and recency

Type of indicators
Dwelling unit count, locational position by coordinates and attributes of settlement types

Calculation type Count

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Timely, accurate and representative (South African demographics) sampling frames

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on sampling frames prepared for household surveys

49.1.1 Spatial Information Frame – Provinces (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 49) Percentage of municipalities updated

Short definition The maintenance of an updated provincial geographic frame that will support all household-based surveys and

censuses

Purpose/importance | Maintaining an updated spatial frame provides credibility and confidence to all the activities in the statistical value

chain

Source of information/

collection of data

Structures listed and spatial points captured. Any layer of the Spatial Information Frame: PSUs, place names

updated, addresses assigned

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Changing characteristics of features point, e.g. demolished, vacant, classification error, etc.

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance 100% updated provincial spatial information frame

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on municipalities updated

Indicator responsibility Provincial Chief Directors

50.1.1 Business Register (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 50) Number of financial sampling frames compiled

Short definition The Statistical Business Register (SBR) is a database containing selected information of all businesses in South

Africa, irrespective of size and economic activity performed, that have registered their business with at least one of the following government authorities, i.e. the Department of Trade and Industry and the South African Revenue Service. The Business Sampling Frame is extracted from the SBR and serves as a basis for most economic statistics

surveys conducted by Statistics South Africa

Purpose/importance The Statistical Business Register provides the Chief Directorate: Methodology and Evaluation with the requested

business sampling frame that enables the drawing of samples for the different economic statistics surveys

Source of information/ Available documentation on international best practice as well as administrative (legislative) data

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationThe Statistical Business Register is a database containing selected information of all registered (mainly value-added

tax) businesses in South Africa. The accurate reporting on the economic activity performed by these businesses is a challenge as the classification systems at the source of the information are not aligned to an international classification system or standard, e.g. ISIC. Interpretation of data should be done in conjunction with the various

legislation under which the data serves

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Improve the quality of the Statistical Business Register

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Preliminary financial sampling frame

• Final financial sampling frame

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Business Register

50.2.1 Business Register (Strategic Initiative)

Indicator title (WP – 50)

Strategic initiatives to improve business register implemented

Short definition Units model consists of various statistical units for which information is sought and for which statistics are ultimately

compiled

Purpose/importance Documents/reports are produced for improvement and development purposes of the statistical Business Register

Source of information/collection of data

Statistical Business Register is based on administrative (taxation) data

Method of calculation Simple count

 Data limitation
 External data – administrative

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Improve the Statistical Business Register

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on implementation of units model

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Business Register

51.1.1 Economic Social Statistics Subsystems – SANSS (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 51) Coordination of economic and social statistics subsystems improved

Short definition Established partnerships with various organs of state in Economic and Social Statistics with the aim of providing

technical support and improving the quality of statistics

Purpose/importance To ensure that organs of state produce good quality statistics for planning and decision-making

Source of information/ collection of data Organs of state with whom Stats SA has collaborated through Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Organs of state unable to finalise some of the projects due to unavailability of funds

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase coordination with organs of state to increase production of official statistics

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Clearance protocol applied

• SASQAF Lite applied on relevant data

Signed agreement between partners (Dependency on both parties)

Indicator responsibility Chief Directors: Economic and Social Statistics Subsystem

52.1.1 Information Management – SANSS (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 52) Protocol on data sharing piloted

Short definition Protocol on data sharing will describe the procedures to follow when sharing data amongst NSS partners. The

procedure will describe the use of standardised statistical tool for sharing data and metadata

Purpose/importance Protocol will allow data producers to share data and metadata among themselves in a manner that is efficient and

preserves the confidentiality of respondents. This is for both operational matters and statistical reporting

Source of information/

collection of data

Desktop research

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative reports

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Approve data-sharing protocol document

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on protocol piloted

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Information Management

52.2.1 Information Management – SANSS (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 52)

SASQAF specifications for online assessment developed

Short definition System specifications for data quality using SASQAF online assessment

Purpose/importance SASQAF specifications developed for the implementation of SASQAF online assessment. The purpose is to improve

the efficiency and timeliness of SASQAF assessments

Source of information/collection of data

SASQAF framework

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation External data

Calculation type Non-cumulative reports

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Integrate SASQAF online assessment into the DQAT process

Evidence (output/s) Signed SASQAF specifications for online assessment

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Information Management

52.3.1 Information Management – SANSS (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 52) Information management in the SANSS improved

Short definition Improve access to SDG information in the NSS

Purpose/importance Facilitate user access to statistical information such as SDG indicators and metadata

Source of information/collection of data

Report on the SDG dissemination platform

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation None

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Statistical information on the SDGs made available for user access via the internet

Evidence (output/s) Dissemination platform accessible to users via the internet with populated statistical information on the SDGs

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Information Management

53.1.1 Statistical Reporting – SANSS (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 53)

Statistical information for national and international reporting obligations coordinated

Short definition Report on SDG indicators and Integrated Indicator Framework updated

Purpose/importance Provide an indication of the reports that are required to comply with our national and international reporting

obligations. Critical, as it provides a source of progress measurement on development imperatives of the

government

Source of information/ collection of data Government departments and other countries across the world

Method of calculation Progress is measured according to specific goals, targets and indicators prescribed by international agencies.

Methods of computation are standardised according to set protocols established internationally

Data limitation Process is sometimes curtailed due to lack of data from sector departments and poor quality of available data,

which makes reporting on all indicators impossible

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase collaboration with other organs of state on national and international statistics

Evidence (output/s) • Signed country report on SDGs

• Signed updated integrated Indicator Framework

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Statistical Reporting

54.1.1 Standards and measurement – SANSS (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 54)

Technical support in statistical production provided to organs of state

Short definition SANSS receives requests from sector departments for assistance on improving the data quality of statistical outputs

for which the department is responsible. The work includes an evaluation of the relevant department's work processes according to criteria as set out in the SASQAF document and according to the statistical value chain in

four organs of state

Purpose/importance This will enable departments to improve the quality of data that are used in policy decision-making processes

Source of information/collection of data

Government departments

Method of calculation Simple count (number of reports submitted or circulated to various stakeholders)

Data limitation Lack of metadata, standards and methodologies employed by sector departments

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase collaboration in the production of official statistics with other organs of state

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on technical support in statistical production provided to organs of state and actual assessment

against SASQAF

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: National Statistics System

55.1.1 Statistical Coordination – Provinces (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 55)

Percentage statistical support provided to SANSS partners

Short definition Providing statistical support to provincial partnership to ensure decision-making is informed by quality information

(statistical support relates to informatics information, analysis and interpretation)

Purpose/importance The purpose is to ensure government policy is informed by quality information and to optimise the use of data in

decision-making

Source of information/ collection of data Evidence of statistical support, e.g. minutes of meetings, letter of engagement, etc.

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Capacity to transform data and unavailability of data at the required level. This performance is driven by user

requests

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase collaboration in the production of official statistics with other organs of state

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on statistical support provided to SANSS partners and actual output (questionnaire, survey

methodology, assessments, letter of request for assistance/acknowledgement)

Indicator responsibility Provincial Chief Directors

56.1.1 International Statistical Development and Cooperation (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 56) International programmes participated in

Short definition Statistics South Africa participates in Africa and globally on matters of statistical development, which include the

Sustainable Development Goals and being a member in United Nations Groups at global level, as well as other

statistical programmes that contribute to statistical development in the continent

Purpose/importance Participating in international statistical development discussions, being a member of high-level statistical groups

and sharing international best practices contributes to improvement of statistical processes to produce quality

statistics for informed policy and decision-making

Source of information/ collection of data Statistical development partners, African and international statistics offices and agencies, government departments,

divisional strategic plans and reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Funding, policies and country participation

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Learning and sharing knowledge on international statistical best practices for statistical development in the

continent

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on international programmes the organisation participated in

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: International Statistical Development

56.2.1 International Statistical Development and Cooperation (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP - 56) International collaboration improved

Short definition Stats SA internationally collaborates though benchmarking with countries that have acclaimed statistical processes,

and shares experiences on statistical processes with countries visiting for information exchange and benchmarking, which culminate into bilateral and multilateral agreements for cooperation on statistical development matters. This

culminate into Frameworks for hosting international events reviewed and international engagements reviewed

To improve international collaboration for statistical development in the continent through sharing international best practices and providing technical assistance, contributing to improvement of statistical processes to produce

quality statistics for informed policy and decision-making

Source of information/ Statistical development partners, international statistics offices, government departments and statistical agencies, collection of data

meetings, study visits, countries' terms of reference, internet

Simple count

Data limitation External data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative reports

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Purpose/importance

Method of calculation

Desired performance Improve the international collaboration with various statistical organisations and agencies (focusing on Stats SA)

Evidence (output/s) • Signed reviewed framework for hosting international events

• Signed reviewed international engagements framework

Chief Director: International Statistical Development Indicator responsibility

57.1.1 Statistical Development in Africa (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 57) Participation in the African Statistical Programme

Short definition

Statistics South Africa participates in the African Statistical System as a partner as well as Secretariat with other

development partners through programmes like the Africa Symposia on Statistical Development and other projects contributing to the African statistical rejuvenation, including the Africa Agenda 2063 and Strategy for the

Harmonisation of Statistics in Africa and other programmes run by the African Union Commission in the continent

Purpose/importance Increasing African statisticians ensures that there will always be a base of statisticians contributing to the planning,

policy and decision-making to shape the future of the continent, and to ensure that Statistics South Africa adheres to the regional continental statistical development agendas as stipulated in the Statistics Act. These culminate into ASSD reports, reports on meetings hosted/attended by Stats SA on Sustainable Development Goals, Civil Registration and Vital Statistics, 2020 Round of Population and Housing Censuses and other statistical

programmes led by partners

Source of information/
collection of data

Statistical development partners, ministerial meetings, clusters, divisional strategic plans and reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Funding, policies and country participation

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Increase a pool of African statisticians and participation in African statistical development initiatives

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Stats SA's participation in the African statistical programme (14th ASSD)

• Support of the African statistical development programmes

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: International Statistical Development

57.2.1 Statistical Development in Africa (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 57)

African peer support provided

Short definition Provision of support to African countries national statistics offices on statistical processes and system in support of

the statistical development agenda, as guided by ASSD roles as well as bilateral and multilateral agreements entered into by countries. A report on peer support given to countries compiled through the implementation of the

African Peer Support Framework

Purpose/importance Reports to ensure improved statistical development in Africa

Source of information/collection of data

Statistical development partners, ministerial meetings, clusters, divisional strategic plans and reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationExternal data

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Improve the statistical development in Africa

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on African peer support

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: International Statistical Development

Strategic Outcome 4: A capable organisation

Goal statement: By 2020, the amended legislative framework enables effective statistical coordination in South Africa. Stats SA will have sustained and improved its good governance practices and systems evident by unqualified audit reports, and complemented by effective accountability practices. Key indicators for success are:

- The amended Statistics Act has been passed by 2017
- Unqualified audit reports (clean audits)
- 100% of household survey collections are technology-driven by 2020
- Turnaround times to delivery of results are within six weeks of survey completion

Strategic objectives under A capable organisation:



58.1.1 Legislative Reform – SANSS (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 58)

Progress report on parliamentary process for Stats Act amendments compiled

Short definition Stats SA is reviewing the Statistics Act (Act No. 6 of 1999) in order to strengthen the current legislation relating to

SANSS. The review process culminated in a draft of proposals that has as its goal the strengthening of parts of the

Act, in particular those relating to section 14 of the Act

Purpose/importance To strengthen statistical coordination in the country towards the implementation of the South African National

Statistics System

Source of information/ collection of data International, national and provincial consultation process

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Stats SA does not have control over the legislation change processes and availability of Cabinet for tabling

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Amend Stats Act in the next five years (2020/21 – 2024/25)

Evidence (output/s) Signed progress report on parliamentary process for Stats Act amendments

Indicator responsibility Acting DDG: SANSS

59.1.1 Strategic Planning, Reporting and Monitoring (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 59)

Strategic planning documents compiled

Short definition The annual performance plan (work programme) defines the annual targets to be achieved in the five-year strategy

Purpose/importance The purpose of the indicator is to drive strategic management in the organisation, including organisational strategy

development and strategic planning

Source of information/ collection of data Clusters and divisional strategic plans

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationMalicious compliance, subject to Minister's approval, rigid government frameworks/policies and parliamentary

processes

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performanceCapable organisation that delivers on its mandate

Evidence (output/s)

• Signed submission memos for 2019/20 Work Programme (DPME, NT and Minister)

• Tabling notice for 2019/20 Work Programme (Book 1, Book 2 and Technical Indicator Descriptions)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Strategy

59.2.1 Strategic Planning, Reporting and Monitoring (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 59) Strategic reporting documents compiled

Short definition Preliminary organisational quarterly reports and final organisational quarterly reports are submitted to the Minister,

DPME and National Treasury. The final organisational quarterly reports build up to the Stats SA Annual Report 2018/19 that is tabled in Parliament by 30 September 2019. An annual report on service delivery improvement is

compiled by September 2019

Purpose/importance The purpose is to provide relevant internal and external stakeholders with information on how Stats SA has

performed as an organisation to support informed decision-making

Source of information/ Reporting and evidence from Chief Directors on the achievement of targets against the Work Programme for collection of data

2018/19

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Incomplete, delayed reporting and inaccurate reporting from Chief Directors linked to accountability

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly and annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Quality performance information for internal and external stakeholders' decision-making purposes

Evidence (output/s) Signed:

• Stats SA preliminary and final quarterly reports

• DPME system submissions (quarterly evidence electronic)

• Stats SA Annual Report 2018/19

Annual report on service delivery improvement 2018/19

• Submission memos and tabling notice

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Strategy

59.3.1 Strategic Planning, Reporting and Monitoring (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 59) Strategic management improved

Short definition The organisational strategy is reviewed and compiled after every five years; it outlines the vision, mission, outcomes

> and long-term plans of the organisation over a stipulated period. In line with technological standards, the Strategy division has embarked on modernising tools for both planning and reporting. New strategic direction for

2020–2025 developed and concept note on service delivery improvement

Purpose/importance The purpose of the indicator is to drive strategic management in the organisation, including organisational strategy

development, strategic planning, reporting and monitoring

Source of information/ Data on actual performance is collected through the strategic plans and reporting system as captured by Chief collection of data

Directors against targets in the work programme

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Malicious compliance, subject to Minister's approval, rigid government frameworks/policies and parliamentary

processes

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Capable organisation that delivers on its mandate

Evidence (output/s) Signed:

• Strategic plan for 2020–2025

• Concept note on service delivery improvement (OMF)

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Strategy

60.1.1 Programme and Project Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 60) Number of integrated management information reports compiled

Short definition Monthly integrated management information reports provide management information to Statistics South Africa's

management on the achievement of planned monthly input, process and output milestones and targets, which are linked to the quarterly and annual targets as reflected in the annual work programme and strategic plan of

Statistics South Africa

Purpose/importance To compile and provide monthly integrated management information reports to Statistics South Africa's

management for timely decision-making, good governance and accountability

Source of information/
collection of data

Operational planning documents and monthly performance against planned milestone reports from Statistics South
Africa's directorates serve as inputs for the monthly integrated management information reports. Furthermore,

Africa's directorates serve as inputs for the monthly integrated management information reports. Furthermore, management information from government transversal systems serves as inputs for the management information on finance and human resource management, which is hosted on the management information repository

(Radikopantsha) of Statistics South Africa

Method of calculation Simple count (number of documents received/available on the management information repository

[Radikopantsha] of Statistics South Africa)

Data limitation Poor submission by internal stakeholders of operational and project plans and monthly progress against planned

milestone plan reports

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator

Desired performanceQuality performance information for internal decision-making purposes

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on integrated management information

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Programme Office

60.2.1 Programme and Project Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 60) Percentage branches empowered in operational planning

Short definition Facilitating development of annual operational plans and monthly performance against planned milestone reports

by Statistics South Africa's directorates (8 clusters)

Purpose/importance To operationalise Statistics South Africa's strategic plan and annual work programme through facilitating the

development of and empowering directorates within Statistics South Africa in developing annual operational plans based on the annual work programme for Statistics South Africa and facilitating monthly performance against planned milestones reporting by directorates within Statistics South Africa for timely decision-making, good

governance and accountability

Source of information/ collection of data Statistics South Africa's directorates operational planning documents and Statistics South Africa's directorates

monthly performance against planned milestone reports

Method of calculation Simple count (number of documents received/available on the management information repository

[Radikopantsha] of Statistics South Africa)

Data limitation Poor submission by internal stakeholders of operational plans and monthly progress against planned milestone

reports

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Empower branches on operational planning processes

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on 8 branches empowered in operational planning

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Programme Office

60.3.1 Programme and Project Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 60) Stats SA priority project empowered in accordance with Stats SA's project management framework

Short definition Building project management capabilities and facilitating development of project plans and performance reports

by Statistics South Africa's project managers and teams for priority projects

Purpose/importance To enhance project management capabilities and facilitate the development of and empower Statistics South

Africa's project managers and teams in developing project plans, managing their projects and developing performance reports in accordance with Statistics South Africa's project management framework for timely

decision-making, good governance and accountability

Source of information/

collection of data

Project planning and management documents, and project performance reports from Statistics South Africa's

priority projects

Method of calculation Simple count (number of documents received/available on the management information repository

[Radikopantsha] of Statistics South Africa)

Data limitation Timely submission by internal stakeholders on priority project needs and poor submission by internal stakeholders

of project plans and performance reports

Type of indicators Activity (process): Project performance reports

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Empower teams on project management principles to deliver priority projects

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on Stats SA priority project empowered in accordance with Stats SA's project management

framework

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Programme Office

60.4.1 Programme and Project Management (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 60) Programme and project management improved

Short definition Improve programme and project management through identifying additional management information repository

functionality, which will enhance the management information repository (Radikopantsha) hosting management

information of Statistics South Africa

Purpose/importance To improve programme and project management in Statistics South Africa through identifying and developing

additional management information repository functionality, which will enhance the management information

repository (Radikopantsha) hosting management information of Statistics South Africa

Source of information/ collection of data The management information repository (Radikopantsha) of Statistics South Africa

Method of calculation | Proposal and management information repository (Radikopantsha)

Data limitation Availability of Statistics South Africa's Information Technology network. Availability of and dependency on

government transversal systems

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Functional management information repository

Evidence (output/s) Signed discussion document on additional functionality of management information repository

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Programme Office

61.1.1 Internal Audit (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 61) Percentage internal audit reports completed as per approved audit coverage plan

Short definition Internal audit reports provide audit assurance and advisory services to Stats SA relating to controls, risks and

governance processes

Purpose/importance To provide an independent and objective assurance that organisational objectives are achieved through

independent evaluation of controls, risks and governance processes

Source of information/ collection of data Interviews and meetings with auditees, enquiries with stakeholders. Documents such as legislation and regulations,

frameworks, methodologies, policies, plans, etc.

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Possible scope limitation due to resource and limitations by auditees

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Provide quality assurance and advisory services (risk based) to add value

Evidence (output/s)

Signed report on internal audit reports completed as per approved audit coverage plan

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Internal Audit

61.2.1 Internal Audit (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 61) Internal audit services improved

Short definition Report on internal audit plan for Census 2021 audited and combined assurance coordinated

Purpose/importance To improve internal audit assurance (particularly for Census 2021) and advisory services in the organisation

Source of information/collection of data

External stakeholders and committees

Method of calculation Simple count, minutes of meetings and reports

Data limitation Resource constraints

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Provide quality assurance and advisory services (risk based) to add value

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

Census 2021 plan auditedCombined assurance

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Internal Audit

62.1.1 Corporate Governance (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 62) Corporate Governance reports compiled

Short definition Corporate governance ensures efficiency and effectiveness within the working environment. These include policies

review and their approval, compilation of corporate governance reports and legal documents

Purpose/importance To ensure compliance with all relevant prescripts, legislative mandates, regulations, policies and implementation of

corporate governance

Source of information/ collection of data Policy register, status report on strategic risks, operational plans, employee loss and damage reports, investigation reports, other government documents, e.g. Presidential Hotline, internal and external auditors and strategic

planning documents

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationMalicious compliance, non-reporting of corporate governance infringements, non-reporting of incidents and

delays in legal and civil litigation matters

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator

Desired performance Improve corporate governance and ethical conduct within the organisation

Evidence (output/s) Signed governance reports submitted to:

• Exco

• Risk management committee

• Audit committee

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Corporate Governance

62.2.1 Corporate Governance (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 62) Corporate governance improved

Short definitionCorporate governance ensures efficiency and effectiveness within the working environment. This includes an

assessment of the compliance environment

Purpose/importance To ensure compliance with all relevant prescripts, regulations, legislative mandates and policies

Source of information/collection of data

Compliance Register, Compliance Self-Assessment Checklists, Compliance Self-Assessment Improvement Plans

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationMalicious compliance, non-reporting of non-compliance matters, non-reporting of incidents and delays in

implementation of improvement plans

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Improve corporate governance and ethical conduct within the organisation

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on evaluation of compliance environment

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Corporate Governance

63.1.1 Financial Administration and Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP - 63) Financial management and administration documents submitted to National Treasury and AG

Short definition Financial administration and management is about implementing, monitoring and evaluating organisational

financial resources by providing financial, supply chain and asset management services to the organisation. This

takes place within the requirements of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA)

Purpose/importance To improve the efficiencies and effectiveness of financial management systems and thereby improve compliance

Source of information/ collection of data Information is derived from various divisions and clusters

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Transversal systems that are not integrated

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Provide quality financial management services to the organisation

Evidence (output/s) Signed annual financial reports submitted:

• Annual financial statements

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• ENE

Indicator responsibility Chief Financial Officer

63.2.1 Financial Administration and Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 63) Percentage goods and services procured from black-owned institutions

Short definition Provide supply chain management services to the organisation with particular percentage of business offered to

BEE entities

Purpose/importance To improve procurement of goods and services to BEE entities for promotion of BEE

Source of information/collection of data

National Treasury Central Suppliers Database (CSD)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Suppliers who are not financially and functionally capable

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Attain target percentage of BEE companies used by Stats SA to procure goods and services

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on percentage goods and services procured from black-owned institutions

Indicator responsibility Chief Financial Officer

63.3.1 Financial Administration and Management (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 63) Financial management and administration improved

Short definition Reports on modernising the Chief Directorate's business processes through E-payroll certification and Census

2021 financial administration support plan

Purpose/importance To improve financial management and administration

Source of information/ collection of data Clusters and divisions

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationMalicious compliance, lack of accountability and responsibility, resource constraints and latest technological

systems

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Provide quality financial management services to the organisation

Evidence (output/s) • Signed report on E-payroll system certification

• Signed Census 2021 financial administration support plan

Indicator responsibility Chief Financial Officer

64.1.1 Human Resource Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 64)

Percentage permanent staff appointed within 12 months as per the PSR 2016

Purpose/importance Appointing qualified staff in in funded vacant positions to reduce the vacancy rate to ensure a competent workforce

to meet the strategic objectives of Stats SA

Source of information/ collection of data Recruitment reports, Employment Equity report, PERSAL reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationDeclining job offers at the last minute, where the process has to be redone which causes delays in appointments;

not enough people with the required skills and incomplete documents submitted by applicants

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Appoint the required staff within 12 months of advertisement

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on staff appointed within 12 months of advertisement

64.2.1 Human Resource Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 64) Percentage grievance cases addressed within 30 days

Short definition Percentage of grievance cases by staff to Labour Relations unit

Purpose/importanceMonitor how quickly the cases are resolved or attended to

Source of information/ collection of data HRM and organisational annual reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Availability of all stakeholders for cases on time

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance All grievance cases to be addressed within 30 days

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on grievance cases addressed within 30 days

64.3.1 Human Resource Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 64) Percentage disciplinary cases addressed within 60 days

Short definition Percentage of disciplinary cases by staff to Labour Relations unit

Purpose/importanceMonitor how quickly the cases are resolved or attended to

Source of information/ collection of data HRM and organisational annual reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Availability of all stakeholders for cases on time

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance All cases to be addressed within 60 days

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on disciplinary cases addressed within 60 days

64.4.1 Human Resource Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 64) Employment Equity report compiled

Short definition Report submitted to the Department of Labour

Purpose/importance To outline the progress on the implementation of the Employment Equity plan

Source of information/collection of data

EE Survey and staff establishment

Method of calculation Simple count

 Data limitation
 The EE Survey is undertaken every five years

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator None

Desired performanceMeeting of the set targets

Evidence (output/s) Signed Employment Equity report compiled

64.5.1 Human Resource Management (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 64) Human resource management improved

Short definition Client satisfaction assessment – The assessment by internal clients on the services provided by HRM&D;

E-Recruitment system – Developed for applicants to apply for advertised permanent posts online; staff affected by CAPI – Permanent staff members who will be affected when their jobs change as a result of CAPI; HRM plan for Census 2021 – Plan that will outline the details of activities and milestones of the project; structure review plan implemented – Plan that will outline the implementation of the reviewed structure and HRM plan for Census 2019

mini-test developed – Recruitment, selection, appointment, advertising and training

Purpose/importance Feedback from clients on the HRM&D services for improvement purposes; implementation of paperless processes

and; redeployment and reskilling processes; provide details on the HR support to the Census 2021,

implementation of the reviewed structure and HR support to the Census 2021 mini-test

Source of information/collection of data

Responses to the survey by clients; specifications from the Recruitment and Appointments directorate; identified affected jobs and people by Line Managers; requirements from the clients; approved reviewed structure and

requirements from the clients

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationClients not participating in the survey; specifications not submitted by the directorate; required information not

submitted by clients; requirements from the clients; approved reviewed structure and requirements from the clients

Type of indicators Outputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performanceAnalysis results that will be used for improving the services by HRM&D; functional e-Recruitment system;

Redeployment and reskilling of affected staff; approve HR Plan; implement structure review plan and approve HRM

plan for Census 2019 mini-test

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on:

• Client assessment satisfaction

e-Recruitment system

Redeployment of staff affected by CAPI

Signed HRM plan for Census 2021

Signed structure review plan

Signed HRM plan for Census 2021 mini-test

65.1.1 Facilities Management, Logistics and Security (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 65) Report on OHSA compiled

Short definition To provide a secure, safe and healthy working environment to all staff at district, provincial and national levels

Purpose/importance Provide a conducive, hygienic, safe and secure working environment compliant with related legislation

Source of information/collection of data

Internal (divisions & service providers)/external stakeholders

Method of calculation Simple count

 Data limitation
 Poor collaboration by relevant stakeholders

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Ensure a safe and conducive workplace for productive workforce

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on OHSA

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Facilities Management, Logistics and Security Services

65.2.1 Facilities Management, Logistics and Security (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 65) Facilities management, logistics and security improved

Short definition FMLS plan for Census 2021 and FMLS plan for Census 2021 mini-test provide an efficient support service in terms

of fleet, security management and office accommodation to all stakeholders; while electronic filing system will be

digitising all paper-based records in the organisation

Purpose/importance Effective and efficient facilities management support services during Census 2021 operations, e.g. vehicles, office

accommodation, training venues, security, logistics and store all records electronically

Source of information/ collection of data Internal (organisational divisions) and external stakeholders (Department of Public Work and Transport)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Poor collaboration by relevant stakeholders and availability of records from the users

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Simple count

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Ensure the delivery of improved support services to stakeholders and implement electronic system

Evidence (output/s) Signed:

• FMLS plan for Census 2021

• FMLS plan for Census 2021 mini-test

• Report on testing of the electronic filing system

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Facilities Management, Logistics and Security Services

66.1.1 Talent Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 66)

Talent management institutionalised (rotation planning)

Short definition Talent management is a processes to attract, develop, motivate, and retain productive and engaged employees

Purpose/importanceTo create a high-performance, sustainable organisation that meets strategic and operational goals and objectives.

This will also assist to measure the attainment of the implementation of succession planning

Source of information/ collection of data Various HR reports and inputs from line managers

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Incomplete employee information and insufficient organisational systems

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance To create a pool of skilled professionals at various levels within the organisation

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on talent management planning institutionalised (rotation planning)

67.1.1 Information and Communications Technology (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 67)

Percentage ICT services availability achieved (during release of core business outputs)

Short definition The ability to provide the business with access to ICT services (network, user-support, computation and backup

services) during critical release periods

Purpose/importance To ensure availability of ICT critical services during the release periods

Source of information/collection of data

SITA service levels agreements ICT best practices

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Budget

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly

New indicator No

Desired performance Availability of ICT service during the survey release periods

Evidence (output/s) Signed system generated report showing availability percentage of ICT services

67.2.1 Information and Communications Technology (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 67) ICT Census 2021 preparations implemented

Short definition | Implementation of a dedicated network infrastructure (Access Point Network) to enable statistical data collection,

ICT Census 2021 strategy developed and ICT plan for Census 2021 mini-test developed

Purpose/importance To provide a dedicated network to support statistical data collection, e.g. platform, APN, MDM, backups

Source of information/ collection of data Business users and surveys requirements

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Budget

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performanceICT infrastructure that supports the statistical value chain

Evidence (output/s) • Signed ICT Census 2021 strategy

• Signed ICT plan for Census 2021 mini-test

67.3.1 Information and Communications Technology (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 67) ICT infrastructure to support digital data collection reviewed

Short definition | Implementation of a dedicated network infrastructure (Access Point Network) to enable statistical data collection

Purpose/importance To provide a dedicated network to support statistical data collection

Source of information/collection of data

Business users and surveys requirements

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Budget

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance ICT infrastructure that supports modernised data collection processes

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on ICT infrastructure to support digital data collection

67.4.1 Information and Communications Technology (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 67) Provincial and district offices ICT services centralisation strategy implemented

Short definition Roadmap for centralisation of provincial infrastructure

Purpose/importance To ensure centralised and more effective maintenance of provincial infrastructures

Source of information/ collection of data ICT best practices and SITA service level agreements

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Budget

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance | Implement ICT infrastructure that is easier to manage and maintain

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on centralisation of provincial and district offices ICT services strategy

68.1.1 Business Modernisation (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 68) Percentage systems applications provided on time

Short definition Number of planned applications delivered on time in a financial year

Purpose/importance To deliver all planned applications on time in order to optimise and streamline business processes through

technological solutions

Source of information/collection of data

Business users and research

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Skills shortage, budget, scope creeps and targets reprioritisation from the business

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance 100% applications delivered on time as per user requirements

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on percentage of systems applications requested versus delivered

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Business Modernisation

68.2.1 Business Modernisation (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 68) Systems application for Census 2021 developed

Short definition Systems applications for Census 2021 mini-test developed – number of systems/applications developed as per

the Census 2021 mini-test requirements; systems applications plan for Census 2021 – a plan that outlines a

list of systems/applications that will support Census 2021 processes

Purpose/importance Deliver all planned applications on time in order to optimise and streamline census processes through

technological solutions

Source of information/ collection of data Census team and research

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationShortage of system development resources, budget, scope creeps and targets reprioritisation from the census

team

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator Yes

Desired performance Planned application delivered on time in order to optimise and streamline census processes

Evidence (output/s)• Signed report on 15 systems applications for Census 2021 mini-test

• Signed systems applications plan for Census 2021

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Business Modernisation

68.3.1 Business Modernisation (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 68) Research on enterprise architecture conducted

Short definition Research conducted on various technologies to support the consideration and adoption thereof

Purpose/importance To improve Business Modernisation to be on par with other national statistics organisations (NSOs)

Source of information/ collection of data Business users and research

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Resource constraints, availability of business users for consultations

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Strategic initiatives to improve business processes and modernised IT solutions

Evidence (output/s) Signed research report on applications enterprise architecture

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Business Modernisation

69.1.1 Sustainable provincial and district infrastructure (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 69) Statistical regions compiled

Short definition Statistical regions is the subdivision of the country for producing official or other statistics

Purpose/importance To develop a model to ensure a more equitable work and resource distribution based on collection and

dissemination responsibilities, taking into account conditions on the ground, administrative requirements, governance and geography. It is also critical to propose increase efficiencies and effectiveness in provinces

Source of information/ collection of data Research, consultations and workshops

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation None

Type of indicators Activity (process)

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Report on the proposal on statistical regions

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on statistical regions

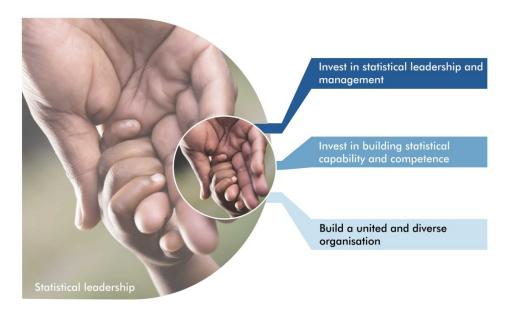
Indicator responsibility Provincial Chief Directors

Strategic Outcome 5: Statistical leadership

Goal statement: By 2020, we have re-skilled our staff for the new environment. We have invested in our schools and tertiary programmes to increase statistical skills at grass roots level. We have empowered municipalities in the production and use of statistics. Management and staff foster shared values. Key indicators for success are:

- 50 staff are empowered in policy research, integrative and spatial analysis
- 100% of fieldwork staff are re-skilled in the use of new technology
- Black African females at senior management level achieve equity

Strategic objectives under Statistical leadership:



70.1.1 Statistical Leadership and Management (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 70) Research papers compiled by students enrolled for CRUISE

Short definition Stats SA has established a statistical chair for urban and regional statistical exploration, known as CRUISE, at the

University of Stellenbosch to enhance research in statistics and spatial analysis as part of a statistical leadership

programme

Purpose/importance To conduct research in the field of urban and regional spatial analysis for planning and policy formulation and

create opportunity for statistical leadership development

Source of information/ collection of data Research reports from CRUISE candidates and CRUISE short courses

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Students who do not complete the course, particularly the research project

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performanceComplete research papers by all registered students

Evidence (output/s) Academic research papers compiled by students enrolled for CRUISE

70.2.1 Improving Statistical Leadership and Management (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 70) Leadership and management programme implemented

Short definition Strategic initiatives on piloting leadership and management programme to expand on the usage of statistics

Purpose/importance To improve and expand statistical leadership development in the country

Source of information/collection of data

Internal and external data, especially the municipalities

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationUnapproved memos with municipalities and other government departments

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Increase collaboration with various stakeholders in the use of official statistics

Evidence (output/s)

Signed report on leadership and management programme

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Human Resource Management and Development

71. Statistical Literacy at Schools Level (Target discontinued)

72.1.1 Improving Statistical Leadership and Management (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 72) Return on investment of partnerships with tertiary institutions evaluated

Short definition Evaluation of the return on investment of partnerships with tertiary institutions

Purpose/importance To determine the value for money that the organisation receives from these partnerships

Source of information/ collection of data Inputs from staff who attended courses, and line managers

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Insufficient information from staff members and line managers

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Provide inputs into whether to continue with academic partnerships

Evidence (output/s) Signed evaluation report on return on investment of partnerships with tertiary institutions

Indicator responsibility Chief Director: Human Resource Management and Development

73. Coordination of Statistical Tertiary Programme (Target discontinued)

74.1.1 Building Capacity inside Stats SA (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 74) HRD training documents submitted

Short definition HRD training documents are required to ascertain the skills and qualifications of employees in line with talent

management. These include HRD implementation plan, Workplace skills plan and HRD monitoring and evaluation

tool submitted to DPSA

Purpose/importance Facilitate organisational capacity building programmes, closing the skills gap, monitoring coaching and mentoring

programme

Source of information/ collection of data HRD reports and training documents

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Poor curriculum on training programme, training infrastructure not conducive, government frameworks/policies are

not clear enough on the implementation of the programmes

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase a pool of professionals in the statistics and related fields

Evidence (output/s) Signed and submitted:

• HRD implementation plan

• Workplace skills plan

• HRD monitoring and evaluation tool to DPSA

74.2.1 Building Capacity inside Stats SA – Interns (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 74)

Number of interns appointed

Short definition Interns are trained and exposed to the working environment where they gain experience on the job training. The

ideal model is their deployment in core areas so as to gain the required social; population and economics

statistical skills

Purpose/importance Closing the skills gap in the organisation by coaching and mentoring graduates from various institutions

Source of information/collection of data

HRD documents and reports

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationUnclear training plans by Stats SA for capacitating the interns and insufficient funds to cater for planned number of

intern

Type of indicators Input

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase the number of interns within Stats SA and expose them in relevant fields

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on interns appointed

74.3.1 Improving capacity building inside Stats SA (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 74)

Strategic interventions to improve capacity building inside Stats SA implemented

Short definition Strategic initiatives to implement a re-skilling programme for CAPI

Purpose/importance Capacitate employees with various skills within the organisation, as well as implementing user-friendly systems for

training

Source of information/collection of data

HRD documents and divisions

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitationThe use of outdated technological systems for training and limited access to data within the organisation

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Increase collaboration with tertiary institutions to re-skill employees

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on implementation of re-skilling programme for CAPI

75.1.1 Building Capacity in the SANSS – Provinces (Core)

Indicator title (WP – 75) Statistical capacity building sessions conducted

Short definition Statistical capacity building relates to building external capacity to ensure effective use of data in decision-making.

This includes stakeholders' consultation workshops

Purpose/importance To demonstrate to which extent the province has been successful in developing external statistical capacity within

the national statistics system

Source of information/ collection of data Administrative information related to the capacity building workshops (agenda, attendance register, manuals,

evaluations of the workshops and report)

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation Sessions not being informed by the needs of provincial NSS partners

Type of indicators Output

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Quarterly and annually

New indicator

Desired performance Increase capacity in official statistics for external stakeholders (capacitated provincial NSS partners)

Evidence (output/s) Signed reports on statistical capacity building sessions and attendance registers

Indicator responsibility Provincial Chief Directors

76.1.1 Transformation and change (Strategic initiatives)

Indicator title (WP – 76)Documents on transformation and change compiled

Short definition Documents on the transformation and change agenda will be driving strategic and operational change towards

building a united and diverse organisation. This will be undertaken by implementing values and diversity

programmes (phase 1)

Purpose/importance To monitor the progress and implementation of the Transformation and Change Agenda towards building a united

and diverse organisation

Source of information/ collection of data Various organisational documents and progress reports compiled by the Transformation and Change Team

Method of calculation Simple count

Data limitation No data limitation

Type of indicators Inputs

Calculation type Non-cumulative

Reporting cycle Annually

New indicator No

Desired performance Implement change management to drive transformation and change in the organisation

Evidence (output/s) Signed report on implementation of transformation and change agenda (phase 1)

Indicator responsibility

Office of the SG: Change Management