

Explanatory Document on the Published Data

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Economic Surveys – Services Survey

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Purpose and historical reference

Purpose:

The economic survey aims to:

1. Determining the number of establishments working in the services sector;
2. Determining the compensations of employees in terms of salaries, wages, and cash and in-kind benefits;
3. Amount of total production and median consumption of goods and services;
4. Volume of invested capital and capital formation during the year;
5. Estimating the services sector's contribution to the GDP and provision of data required for the preparation of national accounts;

Data published in this survey are comparable as they use sample of operative establishments.

Historical reference (please indicate the year the survey started)

The survey is conducted annually and the last published data cover the year 2012.

Users and Applications:

Users: National Accounts Directorate, relevant government institutions, planners and policy-makers, economic research centers and university students.

Applications: construction and formation of the national accounts and national economy, and the detailed studies of different economic sectors.

Source (please write all data resources)

Data is collected annually by means of survey

Authorized organization to collect and publish data

Department of Statistics, under the Law No. 12 of 2012.

1. Contents

1-1 Content description

Statistical unit: the survey covers a sample of establishments working in the services sector.

This survey provides data on the current production, median consumption, value added, personnel remunerations, annual depreciation, net indirect taxes, and the configuration of the total fixed capital classified by each economic activity to the level of fourth grade of the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (4th amendment).

3-1 variables

Main economic activity, governorate, main production, production of minor activities, median consumption of goods and services, value added and its additions: (personnel remunerations, indirect taxes, annual depreciations, and operation surplus), number of workers and number of operating establishments of the sector.

4-1 Classifications (basis of details in the tables)

- International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC4)
- Central Products Classification CPC 2.0
- Published schedules are based on the data published according to the ISIC4.

2- Time

2-1 reference period (during which the data is collected)

The survey is implemented on annual basis, so as to cover the data of the previous financial year to the year subject of survey. The data covers a complete calendar year.

2-2 date of dissemination

Available : the annual date for the publication of these data is pre-determined by the statistical calendar of publication.

3-2 commitment to date of dissemination

There is commitment to publication according to the internal statistical agenda which are originally associated with the standards of data publication SDDS.

4-2 periodicity

Annually

5-2 availability of time series (mention available time series of this survey)

There is a time series of annual surveys from 1990 – 2013.

(there is difference in the data restoration process beginning from 2009 till the present time, while maintaining the nature of major variables in a manner that does not affect the comparisons process throughout the abovementioned time series).

3- Accuracy

3-1 overall accuracy (very high if all items in checklist are implemented, high if two thirds are implemented, medium if less than half the items are implemented)

Overall accuracy: very high

The data examination process is characterized by its high accuracy and it consists of the following stages:

- Field examination for all paper forms
- Office examination for all variables in a paper form
- E-examination databases on computer
- Examination of input data through the screens linked with the supervisors of survey and complete examination of the data.
- Examination of the schedules and comparing them to the results extracted from the IT Directorate;
- Comparing the new results with the old ones and any other available data sources.

3-2 sources of inaccuracy

Sample

3-3 available accuracy measures

Descriptive accuracy measures

4- Comparability

4-1 comparability over time (ability to compare data with previously published data)

The data is comparable with previously published data, due to using the same methodology and application of international standards.

4-2 comparability with other statistics (ability to compare data with figures in other surveys, and with other countries)

The data is comparable with other statistics, which use the same international standards and classifications.

5- Data accessibility

5-1 publication formats (how can the user access the data, e.g. DOS website, paper copies, etc..)

The data is published in printed and electronic format on DOS website.

<http://www.dos.gov.jo>