

UZBEKISTAN
Metadata
Protected natural areas

H.HEADER DATA

0. PREREQUISITES

0.1 Legal environment

0.1.1 Responsibility for collecting, processing, and disseminating statistics

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

The State Statistics Committee (SSC) is operating independently under the Law on "State Statistics" of the Republic of Uzbekistan, dated December 12, 2002, amended in 2012, which regulates relations in the sphere of organization of state statistics work, defines powers of state statistics agencies and creates a normative basis for maintaining the uniform system of statistical information.

In September 2017, a new Statute on the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan has been introduced to specifying the mandate, the functions and the structure of the SSC, which shall be the principal data collecting, processing, analyzing and dissemination agency responsible for co-coordinating, monitoring and supervising the National Statistical System. Its functions include the provision of a uniform statistical methodology corresponding to international standards.

The SSC, like other State statistics agencies performing statistical work, shall have the right, within the limits of their powers, to request and obtain state statistical reports, administrative accounting data, and other data necessary for the conduct of state statistical observations, as well as explanations appended to the reports from other offices.

According to the presidential decree Nr.5054, dated December 12, 2017, economic and financial data in the country should be compliant and coordinated under the IMF GDDS system.

0.1.2 Data sharing and coordination among data producing agencies

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

According to the Article 9 of the Law on Statistics, State statistics agencies shall perform statistical work in interaction with other state bodies in fulfillment of the Program of State Statistical Works. State statistics agencies permit other state agencies and legal entities to perform separate actions concerning their powers in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation. Other state agencies and legal entities shall conduct statewide

statistical observations according to the Program of State Statistical Work, as well as departmental statistical observations according to the forms coordinated with the authorized state statistics agency. The data of departmental statistical observations shall be submitted to the authorized state statistics agency at its request. In addition, the Statistics Council, a collegial advisory body, ensures coordination on problems associated with the development, functioning and coordination of state statistics under the authorized state statistics agency. The Statistics Council may appoint expert commissions to examine separate matters of state statistics. Experts may be invited to meetings of the Statistical Council and the expert commissions, and representatives of ministries, state committees and departments may be heard on matters of state statistics. The composition of the Statistical Council shall be approved by the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

0.1.3 Confidentiality of individual reporters' data

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

Under the Article 7 of the Law on State Statistics, State statistics agencies shall be obliged to ensure confidentiality of individual statistical data, preservation of state secrets and trade secrets of legal entities and anonymity of data regarding individuals. In addition, the Statute of the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Sep.2017) stipulates that the SSC shall take security measures to prevent confidentiality issues (art. 13.c, §15), including on bank secrecy (13.c, §11). Lastly, according to the Article 5 of the Law on State Statistics, interference by state agencies and local public authorities in the state statistics activities shall not be permitted.

The employees of SSC must follow a Code of Ethics, including an oath of secrecy, not to disclose any information availed to them while carrying out their duties as assigned to them. They are informed of duties upon appointment. Each employee of the SSC is required to sign a contract which requires him not to disclose such data.

0.2 Resources

0.2.1 Staff, facilities, computing resources, and financing (Encouraged)

[Staff, facilities, computing resources, and financing for statistical programs currently available as well as what would be required for programmed statistical outputs.]

The work on the formation of information on protected areas in the Central Office is carried out by 2 employees, in the regional statistical offices - 1 employee, in the district and city statistics departments - by one employee.

In general, there are enough human resources to collect data on protected areas to achieve the goals, and the staff is able to maintain and develop appropriate skills to accomplish the tasks. All employees have higher education in economics and agriculture.

Support and development of skills is based on regular staff training programs offered at continuing education courses for environmental specialists at the Institute for Advanced Training and Statistical Studies.

Each workplace is provided with a personal computer, software is regularly

updated.

The financial resources provided are sufficient to carry out the work stipulated by the State Statistical Work Program on Agriculture and Ecology Statistics.

INTEGRITY

1.1 Professionalism

1.1.1 Impartiality of statistics

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

According to the Law on Statistics (Article 4), the basic principles of the State Statistics include accuracy, objectivity and impartiality. In addition, the Statute of the State Statistics Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan (art. 13 c., §6) stipulates that the principles of the SSC should include impartiality.

1.1.2 Selection of sources, methodology, and modes of dissemination

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

According to the Law on Statistics (Article 15), statistical data shall be used for state and scientific purposes, for informing the public, ensuring rights, freedoms and lawful interests of users. Primary statistics obtained by state statistics agencies from legal persons, their representations and branches, natural persons, including individual businessmen, shall be used for statistical purposes only for the preparation of summary statistical indicators and shall be published in summary and anonymous form. Statistics that contain the state and trade secrets shall be submitted in the manner prescribed under law.

1.1.3 Commenting on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

The SSC can, on ad-hoc basis, comment on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics

1.2 Transparency

1.2.1 Disclosure of terms and conditions for statistical collection, processing, and dissemination

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

According to the Law on Statistics (Article 4), the basic principles of the state statistics include accessibility, transparency and openness. The terms and conditions for statistical collection, processing and dissemination are incorporated into Uzbekistan's laws and resolutions dealing with statistics. These legislative measures are on the websites and thus accessible to the public. Thus, the *Law on State Statistics Committee (2002)* and

Resolution Number 368 are posted on the Committee's website (www.stat.uz). The Law is also reproduced in the Bulletin of Oliy Majalis (Parliament), and included in the data base on laws and regulations (www.norma.uz), as well as that of the Ministry of Justice accessible on the address www.Lex.uz.

1.2.2 Internal governmental access to statistics prior to release

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

The government has no access to SSC data prior to their release. The State statistics Committee are independent in the dissemination of statistical data. Interference by state agencies shall not be permitted (cf. Article 5 of the Law on Statistics). Only the Chairman of the Committee has access to statistics prior to release.

1.2.3 Attribution of statistical products

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

Data released to the public are clearly identified by the data producing agency (logo and footnotes).

1.2.4 Advance notice of major changes in methodology, source data, and statistical techniques.

State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Statistics

Before a move to a new methodology, the SSC provides to the public advance notice when major changes are introduced in methodology and statistical techniques. The SSC posts on its website a relevant methodological note explaining what changes users should expect.

2. METHODOLOGY

2.1 Concepts and definitions

2.1.1 Concepts and definitions (Required)

[Degree to which the overall structure of concepts and definitions follows internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices.]

Information on protected areas is collected for accounting and monitoring purposes.

Data on protected areas are compiled annually on the basis of the state statistical report 2-EKO shakli (annual) "Report on protected areas". In this form, the following indicators are taken into account, which reflect the state of protected natural areas: total area, species of plants, animals, birds, fish, number of employees, sources of financing and costs of biotechnological events.

This indicator is included in the list of key environmental indicators for EECCA

countries (Eastern Europe, the Caucasus and Central Asia) (Guidelines for the use of environmental indicators in EECCA countries).

Protected natural areas, depending on their purpose and regime, are divided into the following categories:

state reserves;

integrated (landscape) nature reserves;

natural parks;

state natural monuments;

territories for conservation, reproduction and restoration of individual natural objects and complexes;

protected landscapes;

territories for managing individual natural resources.

Land plots of protected natural areas belong to the lands of nature conservation, recreational purposes.

2.2 Scope

2.2.1 Scope (Required)

2.2.1.1 Scope of the data

[Scope of the data.]

The geographic coverage of the data includes the Republic of Karakalpakstan, 12 regions and the city of Tashkent.

The formation of indicators for protected natural areas is carried out by state reserves, integrated (landscape) nature reserves, state biosphere reserves and national natural parks (excluding micro firms and small enterprises).

2.2.1.2 Exceptions to coverage

[Exceptions to coverage.]

No exceptions

2.2.1.3 Unrecorded activity

[Unrecorded activity.]

Shadow economy is not taken into account.

2.3 Classification/sectorization

2.3.1 Classification/sectorization (Required as relevant to data category)

[Broad consistency of classification/sectorization systems used with internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices.]

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2.4 Basis for recording

2.4.1 Valuation (Required as relevant to data category)

[Types of prices (market, historical, administrative, basic, purchasers', producer, etc.) used to value flows and stocks.]

Data on protected natural areas are compiled on the basis of the corresponding state statistical report on ecology, which is presented by entities involved in the protection of natural territories.

2.4.2 Recording basis (Required as relevant to data category)

[Degree to which recording meets requirements for accrual accounting.]

Data on protected natural areas are compiled on the basis of the corresponding state statistical report on ecology, which is presented by entities involved in the protection of natural territories.

2.4.3 Grossing/netting procedures (Encouraged)

[Broad consistency of grossing/netting procedures with internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices.]

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3. ACCURACY AND RELIABILITY

3.1 Source data

3.1.1 Source data collection programs (Required)

[Comprehensiveness of source data from administrative and survey data collection programs, and appropriateness of the collection modality for country-specific conditions.]

The information base for the formation of data on protected areas is the primary statistical data of the relevant state statistical reporting on ecology.

- once a year, information on protected areas is compiled on the basis of state statistical reporting data for state reserves, integrated (landscape) reserves, state biosphere reserves and national natural parks (excluding microfirms and small enterprises).

3.1.2 Source data definitions, scope, sectorization, classifications, valuation, and time of recording (Encouraged)

[Degree to which source data approximate definitions, scope, sectorization, classifications, valuation, and time of recording required (as described in 2.1.1-2.4.3).]

Statistical information on protected areas is submitted to state statistics bodies by all state reserves, integrated (landscape) nature reserves, state biosphere reserves and national natural parks (excluding microfirms and small enterprises).

3.1.3 Source data timeliness (Encouraged)

[Source data timeliness relative to what is required for producing statistical outputs whose timeliness meets applicable data standard (SDDS requirements or GDDS recommendations).]

The preparation of information is carried out strictly within the time period established in the State Statistical Work Program approved by the Cabinet of Ministers.

Data is developed once a year no more than 5 months after the reporting period.

3.2 Assessment of source data

3.2.1 Source data assessment (Encouraged)

[Routine assessment of source data—including censuses, sample surveys, and administrative records (e.g., for coverage, sample error, response error, and nonsampling error); whether assessment results are monitored; how results are used to guide statistical processes.]

The data received from entities are analyzed, controlled and verified not only at the level of district, regional statistics offices, but also the Goskomstat. If errors are identified in the information, it is definitely specified with entities.

3.3 Statistical techniques

3.3.1 Source data statistical techniques (Required as relevant to data category)

[Statistical techniques in data compilation to deal with data sources (e.g., to align them with target concepts from 2.1.1).]

3.3.2 Other statistical procedures (Required as relevant to data category)

[Statistical techniques employed in other statistical procedures (e.g., data adjustments and transformations, and statistical analysis).]

Data correction and conversion is carried out using reasonable methods. Correction is carried out by comparing the annual data of the previous year in the formation of the final data of the corresponding year.

3.4 Data validation

3.4.1 Validation of intermediate results (Encouraged)

[Assessment and investigation of statistical discrepancies in intermediate data.]

Entities submit state statistical reporting on protected areas to the statistical bodies once a year.

3.4.2 Assessment of intermediate data (Encouraged)

[Assessment and investigation of statistical discrepancies in intermediate data.]

Economic entities submit state statistical reporting on protected areas to statistics bodies once a year..

3.4.3 Assessment of discrepancies and other problems in statistical outputs (Encouraged)

[Investigation of statistical discrepancies and other potential indicators of problems in statistical outputs.]

The statistical discrepancies in the output statistical data are studied, the data for the reporting period are reconciled with the results of the previous year, the causes of significant discrepancies are identified and analyzed.

3.5 Revision studies

3.5.1 Revision studies and analyses (Encouraged)

[Periodicity with which studies and analyses of revisions and/or updates are carried out; whether and how they are used internally to inform statistical processes (see also 4.3.3).]

The annual reporting data is processed, analyzed, summarized, if necessary updated with entities, and officially the annual data are published within 5 months after the reporting period.

4. SERVICEABILITY

4.1 Periodicity and timeliness

4.1.1 Periodicity (Required)

[Periodicity of statistical outputs relative to applicable dissemination standard (SDDS requirement or GDDS recommendation).]

Data on protected areas are compiled once a year.

4.1.2 Timeliness (Required)

[Timeliness of statistical outputs relative to applicable dissemination standard (SDDS requirement or GDDS recommendation).]

Annual data on protected natural areas no later than 5 months after the reporting period, within the time periods established in the State Statistical Work Program.

4.2 Consistency

4.2.1 Internal consistency (Required as relevant to data category)

[Consistency of statistics within the dataset.]

The statistics are characterized by internal consistency, comparable in time.

4.2.2 Temporal consistency (Encouraged)

[Consistency or reconcilability of statistics over a reasonable period of time.]

There are comparable time series data for a sufficient period of time. The dynamics of protected areas by the main types of indicators has been forming since 1998.

4.2.3 Intersectoral and cross-domain consistency (Encouraged)

[Consistency or reconcilability of statistics with those obtained through other data sources and/or statistical frameworks.]

4.3 Revision

4.3.1 Revision and/or update schedule (Required)

[Transparency and regularity of revision/update schedule.]

The collection, processing, accumulation, storage, generalization, analysis and publication of statistical information on protected natural areas is carried out within the time periods provided for in the State Statistical Work Program.

4.3.2 Identification of preliminary and/or revised/updated data (Required)

[Identification of preliminary and/or revised/updated data.]

4.3.3 Dissemination of revision studies and analyses (Encouraged)

[Dissemination of revision studies and analyses (see also 3.5.1).]

Final data on protected areas are distributed in the form of statistical bulletins, tables, collections.

5. ACCESSIBILITY

5.1 Data

5.1.1 Statistical presentation (Required)

[Statistics are presented in a way that facilitates proper interpretation and meaningful comparisons (layout and clarity of text, tables, and charts).]

Statistical data are distributed in print form through publications of the Goskomstat of the Republic of Uzbekistan:
In addition, statistics are presented to users upon request.

5.1.2 Dissemination media and format (Required)

5.1.2.1 Hard copy - New release

[Hard copy - New release.]

The final data on protected areas are provided to users in the form of statistical bulletins, tables, collections.

5.1.2.2 Hard copy - Weekly bulletin

[Hard copy - Weekly bulletin.]

Not available

5.1.2.3 Hard copy - Monthly Bulletin

[Hard copy - Monthly Bulletin.]

5.1.2.4 Hard copy - Quarterly bulletin

[Hard copy - Quarterly bulletin.]

5.1.2.5 Hard copy - Other

[Hard copy - Other.]

Tables for special user requests

5.1.2.6 Electronic - On-line bulletin or data

[Electronic - On-line bulletin or data.]

Data on protected areas are available on the website and the Open Data Portal of the Republic of Uzbekistan, in accordance with the Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated April 9, 2019 No. PP-4273.

5.1.2.7 Electronic - Other

[Electronic - Other.]

Each year data are presented in the form of electronic statistical tables, a bulletin and a compilation to public authorities and other users upon request.

5.1.5 Dissemination on request (Encouraged)

[Dissemination on request of unpublished but non-confidential statistics.]

In accordance with the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan “On State Statistics”, the Regulation “On the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan”, the Regulation on the organization of work on the preparation and dissemination of statistical data and other legal acts, statistical information is provided to users in the prescribed manner. The dissemination of statistical information is carried out by providing, legal entities or individuals, upon their written request, with statistical collections, newsletters, press releases in hard copy and electronically and also in accordance with the agreements of the parties on information interaction.

5.2 Metadata

5.2.1 Dissemination of documentation on concepts, scope, classifications, basis of recording, data sources, and statistical techniques (Required)

[Dissemination of documentation on concepts, scope, classifications, basis of recording, data sources, and statistical techniques, including annotation of differences from internationally accepted standards, guidelines.]

The bulletin “Main indicators of nature conservation, rational use of natural resources, forestry and hunting” is published.

9. PLANS

9.1 Recent

9.1.1 Plans for improvement - Recent improvements

[Plans for improvement - Recent improvements.]

The forms of state statistical observations on ecology were improved.

9.2 General

9.2.1 Plans for improvement - Short-term

[Plans for improvement - Short-term.]

Improving the forms of state statistical observations on the environment.

9.2.2 Plans for improvement - Medium-term

[Plans for improvement - Medium-term.]

Preparation of information on protected areas and posting on the Open Data Portal of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

9.3 Financial

9.3.1 Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Short-term

[Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Short-term.]

Funding is provided as part of the annual State Statistical Work Program.

9.3.2 Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Medium-term

[Plans for improvement - TA/financing needs - Medium-term.]

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