

**ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN
ON**

**“Approval of the State Program on the Development of Official Statistics
in the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2026-2030”**

Guided by Clauses 3 and 32 of Article 109 of the Constitution of the Republic of Azerbaijan, in order to ensure the sustainability of statistical data production and the development of the national statistical system, with the aim of ensuring the preparation of state programs, strategies, concepts, and other strategic documents, exercising control over their implementation and assessing the extent of achievement of the set targets, and meeting users' demand, including relevant state authorities (institutions), for official statistical data in the context of new challenges and growing needs in order to achieve the priorities and objectives of state policy in the field of socio-economic development, **I hereby order:**

1. To approve “The State Program on the Development of Official Statistics in the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2026-2030” (hereinafter “State Program”) (attached).
2. The Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall resolve the issues arising from this Decree.
3. The State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall:
 - 3.1. Coordinate implementation of actions envisaged in the State Program;
 - 3.2. Report to the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan once a year on the progress in implementing the actions envisaged in the State Program.
4. The Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall ensure the allocation of the necessary funds each year while drafting the state budget in order to finance the actions defined in the State Program.
5. To monitor and evaluate the implementation of the actions envisaged in the State Program by the Center for Analysis of Economic Reforms and Communication upon the order of the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan.

**Baku, 25 December 2025,
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**Ilham Aliyev
President of the Republic of Azerbaijan**

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State Program on the Development of Official Statistics in the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2026-2030

1. Brief summary

To implement the priority directions of state policy in the field of socio-economic development and to achieve its main objectives, one of the key tasks of official statistics is the preparation of state programs, strategies, concepts, and other strategic documents, the monitoring of their implementation, and the assessment of the achievement of the set targets, as well as meeting users' demand, including relevant state authorities (institutions), for official statistical data in the context of new challenges and growing needs.

In this regard, the development and improvement of the system of statistical indicators and methodologies across various sectors of the economy, the conduct of statistical observations, the dissemination of obtained statistical data, and, in general, the timely and high-quality fulfillment of the tasks facing official statistics require the strengthening of the legal and information support for the production of official statistical materials, international cooperation, the material and technical base and human capacity of statistical authorities, as well as the determination of the strategic development priorities of the national statistical system for the next multi-year period, which together constitute the basis of the "State Program on the Development of Official Statistics in the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2026-2030" (hereinafter "State Program").

2. Global trends

By adopting the strengthening of statistical capacity as a commitment within the framework of the "Transforming our World: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" adopted at the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit, Member States are required to produce and provide users with accurate, comprehensive, and disaggregated official statistical data in order to monitor progress towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals and to ensure flexible governance in line with the defined socio-economic policy course. In this regard, at the annual sessions of the United Nations Statistical Commission, regular reports are prepared and discussed on indicators for the Sustainable Development Goals, progress in achieving the targets, and the strengthening of statistical capacity, achievements and priorities are reviewed, and relevant decisions are adopted, accompanied by recommendations and calls addressed to countries worldwide to enhance activities in this field.

Ensuring the international comparability of official statistical data requires the application at the national level of methodologies and standards adopted by the United Nations and other international organizations, as well as the production and dissemination of relevant statistical information to users, which necessitates the continuous improvement of official statistics. For this purpose, global assessments (audits) of the national statistical system are conducted, strategic visions and development directions are identified, and national programs, strategies, concepts, and similar documents on the development of official statistics are adopted, followed by the implementation of the necessary measures.

The implementation of the State Program will ensure the production of up-to-date statistical data related to demography and population settlement, national accounts, agriculture, industry,

transport and tourism, labour force, household budgets, participation of the population in lifelong learning, and employment of persons with disabilities and graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions, as well as the organization of the production of official statistical materials on new indicators for emerging areas of statistics such as green development, the digital economy, cultural and creative industries, science, technology and innovations, the expansion of the use of administrative data sources to reduce the statistical burden on respondents, and the implementation of measures related to the application of the latest version of the System of National Accounts adopted by the United Nations Statistical Commission (hereinafter “2025 SNA”), which is recognized as the most important international statistical standard for macroeconomic comparisons at the international level, the enhancement of the information support through ensuring international comparability, the strengthening of the legal and information support for the production of official statistical materials, international cooperation, the material and technical base and human capacity of statistical authorities, the identification of the next strategic development priorities through an assessment of the performance of the national statistical system, and, overall, will provide a significant impetus to the sustainable development of official statistics.

3. Analysis of the current situation

The improvement of the national statistical system in line with international standards and its integration into the global statistical system, with the aim of ensuring the international comparability of official statistical data, is closely associated with the name of the National Leader of the Azerbaijani people, Heydar Aliyev. The reforms initiated under the leadership of the Great Leader and successfully continued in subsequent years have also provided a strong impetus to the development of official statistics, resulted in establishment of the legal framework for the statistical system, and within the framework of six state programs consistently implemented in this field, ensured the development and application of national statistical classifications and modern methodologies, the establishment of the System of National Accounts, the creation and improvement of new statistical domains, meeting users’ demand for statistical information, the development of electronic statistics, the reduction of the statistical burden on entrepreneurs, the enhancement of the efficiency of official statistical production processes, the introduction of a quality management system, the development of metadata, and the strengthening of the material and technical base of statistical authorities.

In the global assessment conducted by specialized international organizations, foreign experts highly evaluated the reforms implemented in the national statistical system of the Republic of Azerbaijan, noting their compliance with international standards, and the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan (hereinafter “SSC”) was awarded an international certificate of compliance on the “ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management System for the Production and Dissemination of Official Statistical Information”.

Mutual methodological and data exchange with international organizations, as well as with national statistical services of foreign countries, has been continuously maintained, official statistical data have been developed and provided based on numerous requests received from state authorities (institutions), individuals, and legal entities, information support has been delivered to users, statistical compilations and bulletins were published alongside dissemination on the official website, databases, including the “Statistical Information Service of Azerbaijan – ASIS” and the “Administrative Data Management System – ADIS”, have been established and put into operation.

Alongside the above, the statistical assessment of progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the targets set in the “Azerbaijan 2030: National Priorities for Socio-Economic Development”, approved by the Order of the President of the

Republic of Azerbaijan dated 2 February 2021, No. 2469, in various adopted state programs and strategies, meeting the growing users' demand, and the changes and improvements in statistical methodologies, classifications, and other standards applied to ensure international comparability necessitate the identification and implementation of new strategic objectives for the development of official statistics.

4. Target indicators of the State Program

4.1. As a result of the implementation of the State Program, the achievement of the following targets is envisaged:

4.1.1. In the field of organizing statistical observations and developing related methodologies:

4.1.1.1. development of the system of statistical indicators on labour, demography and population settlement, green development, digital economy, cultural and creative industries, science, technology and innovations, in line with the latest international methodological recommendations;

4.1.1.2. preparation and dissemination of statistical data on the labour force, participation of the population in lifelong learning, employment of persons with disabilities and graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions, industrial production in households, meat production, utilization of production capacities in industrial enterprises, freight and passenger transportation by road, domestic tourism, inbound and outbound tourism, household budget surveys, and the use of information and communication technologies in households, as well as for the compilation of supply and use tables;

4.1.1.3. implementation of actions envisaged by 2030 in connection with the application of the 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan;

4.1.2. In the field of legal and information support for the production of official statistical materials:

4.1.2.1. expansion of the use of administrative data and satellite observation products for official statistical purposes, reduction of the statistical burden on respondents, and savings in time and costs incurred for statistical purposes;

4.1.2.2. enhancement of the level of disaggregation of official statistical data by linking them with geospatial (cartographic, cadastral, land) data;

4.1.2.3. establishment of an information resource on demographic processes occurring in business entities (business demography);

4.1.2.4. structuring the collection, processing and dissemination of data based on the new national "Classification of Economic Activities", and updating relevant registers and databases;

4.1.3. In the field of international cooperation:

4.1.3.1. increasing the contribution of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the development and improvement of international methodological documents;

4.1.3.2. strengthening the international standing of the national statistical system through the dissemination of the best practices of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the field of statistics;

4.1.3.3. exchange of experience in the field of statistics with international organizations and relevant authorities of foreign countries, as well as acquisition of new knowledge and experience through training activities and the introduction of innovative approaches at the national level;

4.1.4. In the field of strengthening the material and technical base and human

capacity:

4.1.4.1. improvement of information and communication technologies (hereinafter “ICT”) systems in order to reduce the time spent by respondents on the preparation of statistical reports;

4.1.4.2. enhancement of the effectiveness of control procedures over the activities of enumerators involved in conducting statistical surveys;

4.1.4.3. enhancing the efficiency and productivity of official statistical production through further automation of statistical processes;

4.1.4.4. training of highly qualified personnel capable of addressing modern challenges, expanding the application of data science and artificial intelligence in official statistics, and enhancing youth statistical literacy and interest in data analytics-related professions;

4.1.5. In the field of determining the strategic development priorities of the national statistical system:

4.1.5.1. conducting a global assessment of the national statistical system;

4.1.5.2. improving the quality of statistical services provided to users by statistical authorities.

5. Objectives of the State Program

5.1. The main objective of the State Program is to ensure the sustainable and continuous development of official statistics by supporting the achievement of the priorities and goals of state policy in the field of socio-economic development through the preparation of state programs, strategies, concepts, and other strategic documents, the monitoring of their implementation, and the assessment of progress towards the set targets, as well as by meeting users’ demand, including relevant state authorities (institutions), for official statistical data in the context of new challenges and growing needs. In this regard, the following objectives have been defined:

5.1.1. organization of statistical surveys in the field of social, economic, and multi-sectoral statistics, development and (or) improvement of indicator systems and methodologies, implementation of 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan, and compilation of supply and use tables enabling analysis of the structure of the national economy and intersectoral linkages;

5.1.2. strengthening the legal and information support for the production of official statistical materials;

5.1.3. expansion of international cooperation;

5.1.4. strengthening the material and technical base and human capacity;

5.1.5. identification of strategic development priorities of the national statistical system.

6. Priority Areas of the State Program

6.1. Within the framework of the State Program, a total of 40 actions shall be implemented to ensure the development of the national statistical system in the Republic of Azerbaijan, including 23 actions aimed at organizing statistical observations in the field of social, economic, and multi-sectoral statistics and improving related methodologies, 5 actions for the legal and information support of the production of official statistical materials, 3 actions for international cooperation, 6 actions aimed at strengthening the material and technical base and human capacity, and 3 actions related to determining the strategic development priorities of the national statistical system. These actions shall be implemented in accordance with the following priority directions:

6.1.1. Statistical observations and related methodologies:

6.1.1.1. Rationale: in order to develop labour, demography and population settlement statistics, green development, digital economy, cultural and creative industries, and science, technology and innovation statistics in line with the latest international methodological recommendations, it is necessary to develop systems of statistical indicators in these fields, to prepare statistical data, in order to meet user demand, on the labour force, participation of the population in lifelong learning, employment of persons with disabilities and graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions, meat production, industrial products produced in households, utilization of production capacities in industrial enterprises, freight and passenger transport by road, domestic tourism, inbound and outbound tourism, household budget surveys, and the use of ICT in households, to conduct sample statistical surveys for the compilation of supply and use tables, to improve the system for the production of official statistical data on crime and law violations, and to carry out preparatory work for the implementation of SNA 2025 in the Republic of Azerbaijan;

6.1.1.2. Actions to be implemented:

- 6.1.1.2.1. improving the system of labour statistics indicators;
- 6.1.1.2.2. conducting a quarterly labour force sample statistical survey among households;
- 6.1.1.2.3. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on the employment of persons with disabilities;
- 6.1.1.2.4. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on participation of the population in lifelong learning;
- 6.1.1.2.5. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on employment of graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions;
- 6.1.1.2.6. improving the system of production of official statistical data on crime and offenses;
- 6.1.1.2.7. improving the system of statistical indicators on demography and population settlement;
- 6.1.1.2.8. carrying out preparatory works for the implementation of 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan;
- 6.1.1.2.9. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey for compiling supply and use tables for 2026;
- 6.1.1.2.10. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on livestock weight gain and meat yield;
- 6.1.1.2.11. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on industrial production in households;
- 6.1.1.2.12. conducting a sample statistical survey on the utilization of production capacities in industrial enterprises;

6.1.1.2.13. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on freight transportation by road;

6.1.1.2.14. conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on passenger transportation by road;

6.1.1.2.15. conducting a quarterly sample statistical survey on domestic tourism;

6.1.1.2.16. conducting a monthly sample statistical survey on inbound tourism;

6.1.1.2.17. conducting a quarterly sample statistical survey on outbound tourism;

6.1.1.2.18. conducting a quarterly household budget sample statistical survey;

6.1.1.2.19. improving the system of statistical indicators on green development;

6.1.1.2.20. developing the system of statistical indicators on the digital economy;

6.1.1.2.21. conducting an annual sample statistical survey on the use of ICT in households;

6.1.1.2.22. developing the system of statistical indicators for cultural and creative industries;

6.1.1.2.23. developing the system of statistical indicators on science, technology and innovations.

6.1.1.3. Expected results and performance indicators:

6.1.1.3.1. systems of statistical indicators on labour, demography and population settlement, green development shall be improved, the systems of statistical indicators on the digital economy, cultural and creative industries, science, technology and innovations shall be developed;

6.1.1.3.2. development and dissemination of statistical data on the labour force, participation of the population in lifelong learning, employment of persons with disabilities and graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions, industrial production in households, meat production, utilization of production capacities in industrial enterprises, freight and passenger transportation by road, domestic tourism, inbound and outbound tourism, household budget surveys, and the use of ICT in households, as well as for the compilation of supply and use tables, shall be provided;

6.1.1.3.3. number of official statistical reports on crime and offenses shall be optimized;

6.1.1.3.4. action plan for the implementation of 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be prepared and the actions envisaged will be implemented by 2030;

6.1.1.4. Risks expected and mitigation measures:

6.1.1.4.1. changes in international methodologies that may occur during implementation may lead to certain delays in the preparation and approval of some projects. In this regard, where necessary, the establishment of relevant working groups will be ensured;

6.1.2. Legal and information support for official statistical production:

6.1.2.1. Rationale: in order to reduce the respondents' data burden and to save costs and time incurred for official statistical purposes, it is necessary to expand the use of administrative data, satellite observation products, and the Address Register Information System, and to establish an information resource on "Business Demography";

6.1.2.2. Measures to be implemented:

6.1.2.2.1. determining the rules for the use of databases required for production of official statistics and maintained by state authorities (institutions), state-owned legal entities and those with a controlling stake (shares) held by the state, as well as public legal entities;

6.1.2.2.2. expanding the use of satellite observation products in the production of official statistics;

6.1.2.2.3. ensuring the use of the Address Register Information System for official statistical purposes;

6.1.2.2.4. establishing an information resource on “Business demography”;

6.1.2.2.5. developing and implementing a new national “Classification of Economic Activities” based on “Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community (NACE Revision 2.1)”;

6.1.2.3. Expected results and performance indicators:

6.1.2.3.1. use of administrative data for official statistical purposes shall be expanded, the respondents’ data burden shall be reduced, time and costs spent for official statistical purposes shall be optimized;

6.1.2.3.2. timeliness and efficiency of the production process of official statistical materials shall be enhanced through the expanded use of satellite observation products for official statistical products;

6.1.2.3.3. linking official statistics with geospatial (cartography, cadaster, land) data shall increase data disaggregation;

6.1.2.3.4. information resource shall be established to monitor trends in the field of business demography and to expand users’ analytical capabilities.

6.1.2.3.5. data collection, processing, and dissemination shall be structured based on the new national Classification of Types of Economic Activity, and the updating of registers and databases shall be ensured;

6.1.2.4. Risks expected and mitigation measures:

6.1.2.4.1. since the use of satellite observation products for statistical purposes is a relatively new area of official statistics, notable discrepancies may occur between data obtained through this method and data from traditional sources, including administrative data sources, potentially causing delays in the implementation of certain measures in the context of the need for additional analysis. Accordingly, the establishment of relevant working groups is envisaged, if necessary;

6.1.3. International cooperation:

6.1.3.1. Rationale: international cooperation in the field of statistics shall ensure a further strengthening the international standing of the national statistical system of the Republic of Azerbaijan through its development and the dissemination of best practices;

6.1.3.2. Measures to be implemented:

6.1.3.2.1. ensuring the participation of SSC specialists in the activities of international experts and working groups in the field of statistics;

6.1.3.2.2. continuing cooperation with international organizations in the field of statistics;

6.1.3.2.3. developing bilateral relations with foreign countries in the field of statistics;

6.1.3.3. Expected results and performance indicators:

6.1.3.3.1. a contribution shall be made to the development and improvement of international methodological documents in the field of statistics by ensuring the participation of SSC specialists in the activities of international expert and working groups, and the international reputation of the national statistical system of the Republic of Azerbaijan shall be further enhanced;

6.1.3.3.2. participation of SSC staff in events (conferences, seminars, etc.) organized by international organizations shall be ensured, and the national statistical system shall be developed on the basis of the knowledge and experience acquired;

6.1.3.3.3. exchange of experience with advanced statistical institutions and trainings shall be organized through bilateral cooperation and mutual visits, and the implementation of innovative approaches in the country based on the knowledge and experience gained shall be ensured;

6.1.3.4. Risks and mitigation measures:

6.1.3.4.1. mutual visits may not take place for various reasons, and in such cases, online contacts and videoconferences shall be arranged, to the extent possible, using modern information technologies;

6.1.4. Strengthening material and technical base and human capacity:

6.1.4.1. Rationale: strengthening the SSC's material and technical base and human capacity in line with growing demands is necessary to ensure the development of the national statistical system;

6.1.4.2. Measures to be implemented:

6.1.4.2.1. modernization of the "Electronic Submission of Official Statistical Reports" information system;

6.1.4.2.2. establishment of an electronic monitoring system for the activities of enumerators involved in conducting statistical surveys;

6.1.4.2.3. conducting an assessment and external audit of the organization and operation of the software, databases, and other information systems used in the SSC for the production of official statistical materials;

6.1.4.2.4. modernization of the SSC's ICT infrastructure;

6.1.4.2.5. engaging SSC staff in relevant trainings and enhancing their knowledge and skills to expand the application of data science and artificial intelligence in official statistics;

6.1.4.2.6. organizing a Statistics Olympiad for upper-grade pupils and university students;

6.1.4.3. Expected results and performance indicators:

6.1.4.3.1. time spent on preparing statistical reports by statistical units shall be reduced through further simplification of the reporting process;

6.1.4.3.2. efficiency of control procedures shall be increased by ensuring electronic monitoring of the activities of enumerators involved in conducting statistical surveys;

6.1.4.3.3. performance of electronic information systems shall increase as a result of the optimization of the information technology infrastructure;

6.1.4.3.4. technical capacities for data collection, processing and dissemination shall be modernized;

6.1.4.3.5. application of data science and artificial intelligence in official statistics shall be expanded through highly qualified personnel capable of responding modern challenges;

6.1.4.3.6. statistical literacy of upper-grade pupils and university students, as well as their interest in data analytics-related professions, shall be increased;

6.1.4.4. Risks and mitigation measures:

6.1.4.4.1. unforeseen requirements and recommendations may arise during the external audit and relevant assessments, necessitating additional time and resources for their implementation. In such cases, the relevant government bodies (agencies) shall be consulted;

6.1.5. Determination of strategic development priorities of the national statistical system:

6.1.5.1. Rationale: identifying strategic development priorities is essential to ensure that the national statistical system is aligned with modern requirements;

6.1.5.2. Measures to be implemented:

6.1.5.2.1. conducting a global assessment (external audit) of the national statistical system;

6.1.5.2.2. conducting a user satisfaction survey among users of official statistics;

6.1.5.2.3. preparation of the draft State Program on the Development of Official Statistics for 2031-2035;

6.1.5.3. Expected results and performance indicators:

6.1.5.3.1. statistical system shall be modernized in line with the latest international standards based on the recommendations of the global assessment (external audit) of the national statistical system;

6.1.5.3.2. quality of statistical services provided by the statistical authorities shall be improved based on the results of surveys conducted among users of official statistical data;

6.1.5.3.3. by identifying the priorities for the development of official statistics for the next period, the tasks of the national statistical system for 2031–2035 shall be determined to improve information support for state policy in the field of socio-economic development;

6.1.5.4. Risks and mitigation measures:

6.1.5.4.1. disagreements may arise among various government bodies (agencies) regarding the recommendations of global assessment of the national statistical system, therefore, the establishment of relevant working groups is envisaged.

7. Financing of the State Program

The expenditures required to ensure the implementation of the measures specified in the State Program shall be financed, for the relevant years, from the funds allocated in the state budget of the Republic of Azerbaijan for the relevant executive state authorities (institutions), extra-budgetary funds, credits and grants, donations from legal entities and individuals, as well as other sources not prohibited by law.

8. ACTION PLAN
for the Implementation of the State Program

No.	Action	Main implementing authority (institution), in accordance with its areas of activity	Other implementing entities	Implementation period	Results indicators		
					initial results	initial results	final results
8.1. Statistical Surveys and Related Methodologies							
8.1.1. Social statistics							
8.1.1.1.	Improving the system of labour statistics indicators	SSC	MLSPP, MEC, MF	2026–2027	Analysis of inquiries related to labour statistics, study of international methodological recommendations and best practices, and development of a new version of the system of indicators	Introduction of the improved system of statistical indicators	Development of labour statistics in line with the latest international methodological recommendations
8.1.1.2.	Conducting a quarterly labour force sample statistical survey among households	SSC		2026–2030	Establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on the labour force and informal employment ensuring international comparability and enabling assessment of labour market conditions
8.1.1.3.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on the employment of	SSC	MLSPP	2027–2028	Improvement of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the sample statistical	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on the employment of

	persons with disabilities				survey on the employment of persons with disabilities, and establishment of the sampling frame		persons with disabilities
8.1.1.4.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on participation of the population in lifelong learning	SSC	MSE, MLSPP	2026–2027	Improvement of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the sample statistical survey on participation of the population in lifelong learning, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on participation of the population in lifelong learning
8.1.1.5.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on employment of graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions	SSC	MSE, MLSPP	2029–2030	Improvement of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the statistical survey on employment of graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on employment of graduates of vocational and secondary specialized education institutions
8.1.1.6.	Improving the system of production of official statistical data on crime and offenses	MIA	MJ, SSC, MF	2026–2028	Preparation of proposals related to improving official statistics on crime and offences	Enhancing the efficiency of using administrative data on crime and offence statistics	Optimization of the number of official statistical reports on crime and offences and reduction of the statistical burden
8.1.1.7.	Improving the system of statistical indicators on demography and population settlement	SSC	MLSPP, MH, MJ, MIA, SMS	2027–2028	Analysis of incoming requests related to demography and population settlement, study of international	Introduction of the improved system of statistical indicators	Development of demography and population settlement statistics in line with the latest international

					methodological recommendations and best practices, and development of a new version of the system of indicators		methodological recommendations
8.1.2. Economic statistics							
8.1.2.1.	Carrying out preparatory works for the implementation of 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan	SSC	MEC, MF	2026–2030	Determination of priorities for the implementation of 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan	Preparation of an action plan for the implementation of SNA 2025 in the Republic of Azerbaijan based on the study of international experience	Implementation of the preparatory measures envisaged in the action plan for the application of 2025 SNA in the Republic of Azerbaijan by 2030
8.1.2.2.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey for compiling supply and use tables for 2026	SSC	MEC	2026–2028	Preparation of questionnaires for the sample statistical survey on the structure of production costs, development of methodological guidelines for their completion for compiling the 2026 supply and use tables, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Compilation of the 2026 supply and use tables, and the production and dissemination of statistical data enabling the analysis of the structure of the national economy and intersectoral linkages
8.1.2.3.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on livestock weight gain and meat yield	MA	SSC	2026–2027	Preparation of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the sample statistical survey on livestock weight gain and meat yield, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on the number of cattle by fattening methods and meat production in carcass weight

8.1.2.4.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on industrial production in households	SSC	MEC, MA, FSA	2026–2027	Preparation of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the sample statistical survey on industrial production in households, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on industrial production in households
8.1.2.5.	Conducting a sample statistical survey on the utilization of production capacities in industrial enterprises	SSC	MEC	2027, 2029	Preparation of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the sample statistical survey on the utilization of production capacities in industrial enterprises, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on the age structure of machinery and equipment in industrial enterprises and the utilization of production capacities
8.1.2.6.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on freight transportation by road	SSC	MDDT, MIA	2028– 2029	Preparation of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the statistical survey on freight transportation by road, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on freight transportation by road
8.1.2.7.	Conducting a one-time sample statistical survey on passenger transportation by road	SSC	MDDT, MIA	2029–2030	Improvement of the questionnaire and methodological guidelines for the statistical survey on passenger transportation by road, and establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on passenger transportation by road

8.1.2.8.	Conducting a quarterly sample statistical survey on domestic tourism	SSC	STA	2026–2030	Establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on domestic tourism, and establishment of a statistical database for the compilation of Tourism Satellite Accounts
8.1.2.9.	Conducting a monthly sample statistical survey on inbound tourism	SSC	STA, SMS, SBS, AZCON	2026–2030	Determination of the required number of respondents to be involved in the survey	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on inbound tourism, and establishment of a statistical database for the compilation of Tourism Satellite Accounts
8.1.2.10.	Conducting a quarterly sample statistical survey on outbound tourism	SSC	STA, SBS, AZCON	2026–2030	Determination of the required number of respondents to be involved in the survey	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on outbound tourism, and establishment of a statistical database for the compilation of Tourism Satellite Accounts
8.1.3. Multi-sectoral Statistics							
8.1.3.1.	Conducting a quarterly household budget sample statistical survey	SSC		2026–2030	Establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data characterizing the living standards of the population
8.1.3.2.	Improving the system of statistical indicators on green development	SSC	MENR, MEC, ME, MFA, MH, MES, ASWRA, IPA	2026– 2027	Analysis of incoming requests related to green development, study of international	Introduction of the improved system of statistical indicators	Development of statistics on green in line with the latest international

					methodological recommendations and best practices, and development of a new version of the system of indicators, taking into account national priorities		methodological recommendations
8.1.3.3.	Developing the system of statistical indicators on the digital economy	SSC	MEC, MDDT	2027–2030	Analysis of inquiries related to the digital economy, including e-commerce, study of the international methodological recommendations and best practices, and development of a system of indicators	Introduction of the system of statistical indicators	Development of statistics on digital economy in line with the latest international methodological recommendations
8.1.3.4.	Conducting an annual sample statistical survey on the use of ICT in households	SSC	MDDT	2026–2030	Establishment of the sampling frame	Conducting a sample statistical survey	Preparation and dissemination of statistical data on household access to and use of ICT
8.1.3.5.	Developing the system of statistical indicators for cultural and creative industries	SSC	MC, MEC, MLSP, SCC, IPA	2026– 2028	Analysis of inquiries related to the cultural and creative industries, study of the international methodological recommendations and best practices, and development of a system of indicators	Introduction of the system of statistical indicators	Development of statistics on the cultural and creative industries, in line with the latest international methodological recommendations
8.1.3.6.	Developing the system of statistical indicators on science, technology and innovations	SSC	MSE, MDDT, MEC, MLSP, IPA, ANAS	2027–2029	Analysis of inquiries related to statistics on science, technology and innovations, study of the international methodological recommendations	Introduction of the system of statistical indicators	Development of statistics on science, technology and innovations, in line with the latest international methodological recommendations

					and best practices, and development of a system of indicators		
8.2. Legal and Information Support for the Production of Official Statistical Materials							
8.2.1.	Determining the rules for the use of databases required for production of official statistics and maintained by state authorities (institutions), state-owned legal entities and those with a controlling stake (shares) held by the state, as well as public legal entities	CM	SSC, MDDT, SCISSS, MJ	2026–2028	Analysis of the possibilities for using, for statistical purposes, administrative data maintained by state authorities (institutions), state-owned legal entities and those with a controlling stake (shares) held by the state, as well as public legal entities	Development and approval of the rules for the use of databases	Expansion of the use of administrative data for official statistical purposes, reduction of the respondents' data burden, and savings in time and costs incurred for official statistical purposes
8.2.2.	Expanding the use of satellite observation products in the production of official statistics	SSC	AZCON, Azerkosmos	2027–2030	Assessment of the possibilities for using satellite observation products for statistical purposes, and determining the relevant statistical indicators	Integration of satellite observation products into the statistical database for the defined indicators	Enhancing the timeliness and efficiency of the production process of official statistical materials through the expanded use of satellite observation products for official statistical purposes
8.2.3.	Ensuring the use of the Address Register Information System for official statistical purposes	MEC	SSC, MDDT, SCISSS	2027–2030	Preparation of the Terms of Reference and software for the integration of the Address Register Information System into the SSC's statistical database	Integration of the Address Register Information System into the statistical database through the "Electronic Government" gateway	Enhancing the level of disaggregation of official statistical data by linking them with geospatial (cartographic, cadastral, land) data
8.2.4.	Establishing an information resource on "Business Demography"	SSC	MEC	2027–2030	Preparation of the Terms of Reference and software for the information resource to be established on	Launching of the information resource on "Business Demography"	Monitoring trends in the field of business demography and expanding users'

					“Business Demography”		analytical capabilities
8.2.5.	Developing and implementing a new national “Classification of Economic Activities” based on “Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community (NACE Revision 2.1)”	SSC	MEC, MDDT, MLSP, MENR, MH, ME, MSE, MF, MA, SCUPA, SCC, STA, SAACMC, SOCAR	2026–2027	Developing a new national “Classification of Economic Activities”	Implementing a new national “Classification of Economic Activities”	Structuring the collection, processing and dissemination of data based on the new national “Classification of Economic Activities”, and updating relevant registers and databases
8.3. International cooperation							
8.3.1.	Ensuring the participation of SSC specialists in the activities of international experts and working groups in the field of statistics	SSC		2026–2030	Dissemination of the best practices of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the field of statistics	Contributing to the development and improvement of international methodological documents in the field of statistics	Further strengthening the international standing of the national statistical system of the Republic of Azerbaijan
8.3.2.	Continuing cooperation with international organizations in the field of statistics	SSC	MFA	2026–2030	Ensuring participation of SSC staff in events (conferences, seminars, etc.) organized by international organizations	Studying the documents adopted at events organized by international organizations and assessing the possibilities for their implementation in the country	Development of the national statistical system of the Republic of Azerbaijan
8.3.3.	Developing bilateral relations with foreign countries in the field of statistics	SSC	MFA	2026–2030	Establishing bilateral relations with foreign countries and organizing the exchange of experience and training with advanced statistical	Exchange of the best practices of the Republic of Azerbaijan in the field of statistics and application of innovative approaches in the country based on	Development of the national statistical system of the Republic of Azerbaijan and further strengthening of its international standing

					agencies through mutual visits	recent lessons learned and accumulated experience	
8.4. Strengthening the material and technical base and human capacity							
8.4.1.	Modernization of the “Electronic Submission of Official Statistical Reports” information system	SSC	MDDT, SCISSS	2026–2028	Preparation of the Terms of Reference for modernization of the “Electronic Submission of Official Statistical Reports” information system	Enhancement of system functionality through software updates	Reduction of the time spent on preparing statistical reports by statistical units through further simplification of the reporting process
8.4.2.	Establishment of an electronic monitoring system for the activities of enumerators involved in conducting statistical surveys	SSC	MDDT, SCISSS	2027–2028	Preparation of the Terms of Reference for electronic monitoring system for the activities of enumerators involved in conducting statistical surveys	Building the necessary technical capabilities to ensure electronic monitoring of the activities of enumerators involved in conducting statistical surveys	Enhancement of the effectiveness of control procedures
8.4.3.	Conducting an assessment and external audit of the organization and operation of the software, databases, and other information systems used in the SSC for the production of official statistical materials	SSC	MDDT, SCISSS	2026–2027	Assessment of the efficiency, security, reliability, and compliance of electronic information systems with the requirements of regulatory legal acts, and identification of potential vulnerabilities	Elimination of vulnerabilities identified in electronic information systems, minimization of risks, and improvement of the data quality management	Enhancing the performance of electronic information systems through optimization of the information technology infrastructure
8.4.4.	Modernization of the SSC’s ICT infrastructure	SSC		2026–2030	Identification of the need for ICT equipment and intangible assets	Procurement and commissioning of new ICT equipment and intangible assets	Modernization of technical capabilities for the collection, processing, and dissemination of data
8.4.5.	Engaging SSC staff in relevant trainings	SSC	MDDT	2026–2030	Ensuring the participation of SSC	Strengthening human capacity in	Expansion of the application of data

	and enhancing their knowledge and skills to expand the application of data science and artificial intelligence in official statistics				staff in training courses on the application of data science and artificial intelligence in statistics	statistics related to data science and artificial intelligence	science and artificial intelligence in official statistics through highly qualified personnel capable of responding to modern challenges
8.4.6.	Organizing a Statistics Olympiad for upper-grade pupils and university students	SSC	MSE	2030	Development of the regulations for a Statistics Olympiad for upper-grade pupils and university students	Organizing a Statistics Olympiad	Enhancing statistical literacy of upper-grade pupils and university students and increasing their interest in data analytics-related professions
8.5. Identification of strategic development priorities of the national statistical system							
8.5.1.	Conducting a global assessment (external audit) of the national statistical system	SSC	SCS, MFA	2026–2027	Implementation of organizational measures related to conducting a global assessment (external audit) of the national statistical system	Publication of the final report on the results of the global assessment (external audit)	Identification of further steps for modernizing the statistical system in line with the latest international standards based on the recommendations
8.5.2.	Conducting a user satisfaction survey among users of official statistics	SSC		2026–2030	Development of a questionnaire for user satisfaction survey among users of official statistics and conducting the surveys	Development of relevant proposals based on the analysis of the results of surveys conducted among users of official statistics	Improving the quality of statistical services provided by statistical authorities based on the results of surveys, identification of further steps for enhancing the communication with users
8.5.3.	Preparation of the draft State Program on the Development of Official Statistics for 2031-2035	SSC		2029–2030	Development of the initial draft State Program, taking into account the results of the global	Coordination of the draft State Program with relevant state bodies (agencies)	Identification of the tasks assigned to the national statistical system in order to improve

					assessment of the national statistical system and the results of the user satisfaction survey on the use of official statistics	and submission for approval	information provision in line with state policy on socio-economic development
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Note. It is recommended that the Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Azerbaijan participate in the implementation of the measures specified in paragraph 8.1.1.6 of the Action Plan; that the Central Bank of the Republic of Azerbaijan participate in the implementation of the measures provided for in paragraphs 8.1.2.1, 8.1.2.2, 8.1.3.3, 8.1.3.5, as well as subparagraphs 8.2.5 and 8.5.1 of the Action Plan; that the Azerbaijan Trade Unions Confederation participate in the implementation of the measures provided for in paragraph 8.1.1.1 of the Action Plan; and that the National Confederation of Entrepreneurs (Employers) Organizations of the Republic of Azerbaijan participate in the implementation of the measures provided for in paragraph 8.1.1.1 of the Action Plan.

9. ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CM – Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MIA – Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MENR – Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MSE – Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan

ME – Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MJ – Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MLSPP – Ministry of Labour and Social Protection of Population of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MES – Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MFA – Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MEC – Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MA – Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MF – Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MC – Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MDDT – Ministry of Digital Development and Transport of the Republic of Azerbaijan

MH – Ministry of Health of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SCC – State Customs Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SSC – State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SCUPA – State Committee on Urban Planning and Architecture of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SMS – State Migration Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SBS – State Border Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SCISSS – Special Communication and Information Security State Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan

SAACMC – State Agency for Antimonopoly and Consumer Market Control under the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan
ASWRA – Azerbaijan State Water Resources Agency
STA – State Tourism Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan
IPA – Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan
FSA – Food Safety Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan
ANAS – Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences
AZCON – Azerbaijan Transport and Communications Holding (AZCON)
Azerkosmos – Space Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Azercosmos)
SOCAR – State Oil Company of the Azerbaijan Republic