



Your appreciation of Quality in the CSO and the SSA (Your observations are strictly confidential)
Your Assessment of Quality in the Statistical System of Afghanistan, please respond y/p/n or leave blank if you don't know. – The questionnaire reflects to IMF-Data Quality Assessment Framework as the guiding reference

Quality Dimensions	Elements	Indicators	Ass.CSO
			Yes(y)/ partial(p)/ no(n)
1. Prerequisites of quality <i>The environment is supportive of statistics.</i>	Legal and institutional environment, <i>The environment is supportive of statistics.</i>	1.1. The responsibility for collecting, processing, and disseminating the statistics is clearly specified	
		1.2. Data sharing and coordination among data producing agencies are adequate	
		1.3. Individual reporters' data are to be kept confidential and used for statistical purposes only.	
		1.4. Statistical reporting is ensured through legal mandate and/or measures to encourage response.	
	Resources - <i>Resources are commensurate with needs of statistical programs</i>	1.5. Staff, facilities, computing resources and financing are commensurate with statistical programs,	
		1.6. Measures to ensure efficient use of resources are implemented.	
	Relevance- <i>Statistics cover relevant information in the subject field</i>	1.7. The relevance and practical utility of existing statistics in meeting users needs are monitored,	
	Other quality management issues -	1.8. Processes are in place to focus on quality	
		1.9. Processes are in place to deal with quality considerations in planning the statistical program	
		1.10. Processes are in place to monitor the quality of the statistical program.	
2. Assurances of integrity <i>The principle of objectivity in the collection, processing, and dissemination of statistics</i>	Professional standards	2.1. Statistics are produced on an impartial basis	
		2.2. Choices of sources and statistical techniques as well as decisions about dissemination are taken solely by statistical considerations.	
		2.3. The appropriate statistics entity is entitled to comment on erroneous interpretation and misuse of statistics.	
	Transparency	2.4. The terms and conditions under which statistics are collected, processed and disseminated are available to the public.	
		2.5. Products of statistical agencies/units are clearly identified as such.	
	Ethical standards	2.6. Guidelines for staff behaviour is in place and is well known to the staff.	
3. Methodological soundness <i>The methodological basis for the statistics follows internationally accepted standards, guidelines or good practices</i>	Concepts and definitions / scope of work follow internationally accepted statistical frameworks standards and guidelines / good practices.	3.1. The overall structure in terms of concepts and definitions / scope / classification/ sectorization follows internationally accepted standards, guidelines, or good practices	
		3.2. Methods are communicated and transparent to users	
4. Accuracy and reliability <i>Source data and statistical techniques are sound and statistical outputs portray reality.</i>	Source data- Source data available provide an adequate basis to compile statistics.	4.1. Source data are obtained from comprehensive data collection programs that take into account country-specific conditions.	
		4.2. Source data collection reasonably approximates the planned definitions, scope, classifications, valuation, and time of recording required.	
		4.3. Source data are timely.	
	Assessment of source data.	4.4. Source data- -including censuses, sample surveys, and administrative records - are routinely assessed. e.g. for coverage, sampling error, response error and non sampling error: the results of the assessments are monitored	



	Statistical techniques-	4.5. Data compilation employs sound statistical techniques to deal with data sources.	
		4.6. Other statistical procedures (e.g., data adjustments and transformations, and statistical analysis employ sound statistical techniques	
	Assessment and validation of intermediate data and statistical outputs	4.7. Intermediate results are validated against other information where applicable.	
		4.8. Statistical discrepancies and other potential indicators or problems in statistical outputs are investigated.	
	Revision studies-	4.9. Studies and analyses of revisions are carried out routinely and used internally to inform statistical processes (see also 5.8.).	
5. Serviceability <i>Statistics, with adequate periodicity and timeliness, are consistent and follow a predictable revisions policy</i>	Periodicity and timeliness	5.1. Periodicity follows dissemination standards	
		5.2. Timeliness follows dissemination standards	
	Consistency	5.3. Statistics are consistent within dataset.	
		5.4. Statistics are consistent or reconcilable over a reasonable period of time	
		5.5. Statistics are consistent or reconcilable with those obtained through other data sources and/or statistical frameworks.	
	Revision policy and practice	5.6. Revisions follow regular and transparent schedule.	
		5.7. Preliminary and/or revised data are clearly identified	
5.8. Studies and analyses of revisions are made public (see also 4.9).			
6. Accessibility <i>Data and metadata are easily available and assistance to users is adequate.</i>	Data accessibility-Statistics are presented in a clear and understandable manner	6.1. Statistics are presented in a way that facilitates proper interpretation and meaningful comparisons (layout and clarity of text, tables, and charts)	
		6.2. Dissemination media and format are adequate	
		6.3. Statistics are released on a preannounced schedule.	
		6.4. Statistics are made available to all users at the same time.	
		6.5. Statistics not routinely disseminated are made available upon request.	
	Metadata accessibility-	6.6. Documentation on concepts, scope, classifications and basis of recording, data sources, and statistical techniques is available and differences from internationally accepted standards, guidelines or good practices are annotated.	
		6.7. Levels of detail are adapted to the needs of the intended audience.	
	Assistance to users-Prompt and knowledgeable support service is available.	6.8. Contact points for each subject field are publicized	
		6.9. Catalogues of publications, documents, and other services, including information on any changes, are widely available	