



Executive summary of Statistics Portugal and ONA Annual Activities Report 2015

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1. Overview

The development of SP and ONA statistical activity in 2015 still had as framework the Annual Work Programme of the European Commission and the Annual Work Programme, operational documents for medium-term strategies, european and national, defined, respectively, in the "Community Statistical Programme for European Statistics" and in "General Guidelines of Official Statistical Activity" (LGAE0) 2013-2017.

The performance of SP in 2015 can be assessed by means of:

- The self-evaluation of its QUAR 2015, in which a percentage of 122,658% was achieved, justifying the proposed mention of "Good".
- The evaluation of the implementation of all activities in the Work Programme 2015 points out to an overall implementation rate of 87,7%, while making use of higher volume of human resources, more 0,6% than initially planned, and with a lower expenditure, about 14,8% less than initially budgeted.
- The maintenance of high satisfaction levels of statistical information clients/users, measured by regularly conducted User Satisfaction Surveys, which showed a slight increase compared to 2014.

2. Some Statistical activities and Surveys developed in 2015 by the SP and ONA could be highlighted

2.1 Concerning the statistical production process

- a) Concerning **cost and burden reduction on respondents:**



- Developing the study "Potential administrative Sources for statistical purposes" in the context of the Working Group to the Statistical Simplification within the framework of the Inter-ministerial Network for Administrative Modernization (RIMA), which SP is part.
 - Extending the use of Automatic Data Transmission to the Survey on Hospitals (IHSP) and Repair Works/International Trade, Import and Export (IREPIMP and REPEXP), which now covers 14 surveys.
 - Widening the use of electronic collection and introduction of new procedures, allowing, in particular, the reduction in mail and communications costs.
- b) Concerning the improvement of the efficiency of the **data collection process**:
- Continuing the study for the electronic collection of prices and quantities of products marketed by relevant national chains (scanner data), in particular as regards the definition of its specificity in the operational component. Implementation of an Integrated Process of Consistency Analysis, by comparing the information reported by companies to the various SP surveys, as well as the Simplified Business Information (IES).
 - Intensifying the use of electronic data collection in business surveys, with its extension to more statistical operations, as well as the use of Automatic Data Transmission by XML.
 - Providing a tailored report to the companies in return for their efforts in the participation of SP's surveys, to raise awareness regarding the usefulness of statistical information and also as a tool for the knowledge of their relative market-positioning in the national productive apparatus.
- c) Concerning the **statistical production process**:
- Conducting the feasibility study for the adoption of a new census model, to be implemented in 2021, supported, as far as possible, by the incorporation of data from administrative sources.
 - Preparing the inventory of sources and methods of National Accounts, in compliance with EU regulations.
 - Reformulating the inventory of Excessive Deficit Procedure, adapting it to the results from the changes resulting from changes in the basis of National Accounts and the implementation of ESA 2010.
 - Completing Culture Satellite Account – 2010/2012 and Health Satellite Account – 2010/2014.



- Updating the time series of the Integrated Business Accounts System (SCIE), according to the New Base of National Accounts.
- Implementing the Survey on Households Expenditure, undertaken every five-years, with the reference data period of 2015.
- Conducting the ad hoc module of the Labour Force Survey on work organization and working time.
- Implementing the International Tourism Survey, undertaken on an irregular basis with the reference data period of 2015/2016.
- Reformulating the Road Freight Survey, for implementation in 2016.
- Implementing, for the first time in Portugal, statistics on the use of pesticides in cooperation with Directorate General of Food and Veterinary Sciences (DGAV).
- Integrating administrative data of education in cooperation with the DGEEC / MEC.
- Updating and developing of school performance indicators for public disclosure in the website Infoescolas. [DGEEC / MEC]
- Developing indicators and calibrating scales of assessment grids applying to POCH, as part of the 2020 Portugal project. [DGEEC/MEC]
- Widening the scope of statistics on Occupational Accidents to information on accidents on the job. [GEE/ME]
- Strengthening the administrative sources of data analysis in the area of Justice. [DGPJ/MJ]
- Developing a new statistical activity called Statistics of Public Mediation Systems. [DGPJ/MJ]
- Analyzing the results of institutional cooperation INE / DGRM on the achievement of socio-economic information on aquaculture and the processing industry of fishery products. [DGRM / MEM]

2.2. Concerning the dissemination process

- Anticipating the provision of Annual National Accounts for t+21 months, compared to the timetable set out in the ESA 2010 transmission program (t+36 months).
- Implementing and disseminating the results of the Survey on Business Context Costs.
- Disseminating the results of the perspectives on Exports of Goods Survey – 2015.
- Disseminating, for the first time, preliminary data on the statistics of Branches of Foreign Companies for the year 2014.



- Disseminating the main results of the National Health Survey (INS) 2014, held in cooperation with the National Health Institute Dr. Ricardo Jorge (INSA).
- Disseminating the final and provisional results of Income and Living Conditions Survey (EU-SILC) 2014.
- Disseminating the main results of Income and Living Conditions Survey (EU SILC 2015), for the first time in the same year in which the survey was carried out: 18th December.
- Producing and disseminating the results of the 2015 edition of the Well-being Index for Portugal.
- Disseminating the Study on Local Purchasing Power (11th edition).
- Disseminating the results of the new version of statistical study Regional Development Composite Index (ISDR) and its partial indexes of competitiveness, cohesion and environmental quality, to the NUTS 2013 at level 3, improving the standard of provision of information in 9 months.
- Providing new indicators in the official statistics website, including estimates of quarterly flows between the states of labor market and monthly estimates of employment and unemployment.
- Disseminating about 600 new indicators according to geography NUTS 2013 in the official statistics website.
- Defining the indicators and data availability for the Operational Programmes. [DGEEC/MEC]
- Editing the publication "The numbers of Justice" 2014. [DGPJ/MJ]
- Editing publications "Energy in Portugal - Key figures" (2005-2013) and "Energy in Portugal", 2013. [DGEG/ME]
- Disclosing of 98.6% of the planned statistical information (for SP and ONA) and within the time limit laid down at 96.9% of the situations.

2.3. Concerning statistical cooperation:

- Participating in relevant task forces at European level, notably on the "Implementation of the amendments to Regulation 223/2009 on European Statistics"; "Peer Reviews to ESS – Round 2014/2015", "2020 Vision for the ESS" and "Single Market Statistics" (SIMSTAT).



- Implementing the “National Statistical Systems Training Programme for the Portuguese-speaking African countries and Timor-Leste” - Phase 3 (2015), in the context of the CPLP (Community of Portuguese-speaking countries).
- Completing the Peer Review to Portugal, addressed on SP and ONA, on the implementation of the European Statistics Code of Practice, the SP coordination function within the SEN and issues related to cooperation / integration at the level of the European Statistical System (ESS).
- Continuing the regular monitoring by SP of the implementation of delegation protocols concerning the delegated statistical activities.

3. Human and Financial Resources

SP and ONA allocated to the activities foreseen in the 2015 Work Programme - a total of 738 workers belonging to the staff (619 on SP and 119 on ONA), and a total of EUR 33 196 920 (89,7 % of SP responsibility).

4. Objectives in the context of the Assessment and Responsibility Framework (QUAR 2015)

The objectives established by SP within its Assessment and Responsibility Framework (QUAR), assessed in this Report, took into account SP Mission and Vision, the LGAEO 2013-2017 as well as the Work Programme for 2015:

Effectiveness Objectives

- O1. Consolidating the provision of official statistical information and extending its accessibility. (LGAEO 2013/2017 - Obj1/LA17, Obj1/LA18)
- O2. Increasing statistical literacy in society, identify user needs, expand the provision of official statistical information and improve its accessibility. (LGAEO 2013/2017 - Obj2/LA16)
- O3. Keeping the high quality statistical cooperation with countries belonging to CPLP (Community of Portuguese-speaking countries) in spite of limited resources. (LGAEO 2013/2017 - Obj3/LA10)
- O4. Completing successfully the process of Peer Review of the European Statistics Code of Practice and ensuring the implementation of the actions derived from its recommendations. (LGAEO 2013/2017 - Obj1/LA1)

Efficiency Objectives

- O5. Intensifying the use of more advanced collection modes and user-friendly to the respondent, ensuring time and quality gains. (LGAEO 2013/2017 - Obj1/LA9)



O6. Intensifying contacts and studies for the appropriation of administrative data for statistical purposes, aiming among others the adoption of a new model in Census 2021. (LGAE0 2013/2017-Obj1/LA2, LA3, LA4 e LA5)

O7. Continuing the upgrading of the infrastructure of statistical production systems (collection, transfer and storage of data). (LGAE0 2013/2017 - Obj1/LA6 e LA7)

Quality Objectives

O8. Providing, in a timely manner, high quality official statistical information relevant to society. (LGAE0 2013/2017- Obj2/LA1; Obj2/LA5; Obj2/LA7)

5. List of other National Authorities (ONA)

- Directorate General of Education and Science Statistics of the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Science, Technology and Higher Education (DGEEC/Med/MCTES);
- Directorate General for Justice Policy of the Ministry of Justice (DGPJ/MJ);
- Strategic Studies department of the Ministry of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security (GEP/MTSSS);
- Directorate-General for Energy and Geology of the Ministry of Economy (DGEG/MEc);
- General Directorate of Natural Resources, Marine Resources and Safety Services of the Ministry of Sea (DGRM/MM).

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