



# Executive summary of Statistics Portugal and ONA Annual Work Programme 2018

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## 1. Overview

In 2018, Statistics Portugal (SP) will continue its Mission in an effective, efficient and exempt production and dissemination of official statistical information of quality relevant for the whole society, in accordance with the principles of the European Statistics Code of Practice.

The Work Programme of statistical activities to be developed in 2018 by Statistics Portugal (SP) is properly aligned with the Portuguese Major Plan Options for 2018 and the Annual Working Statistical Programme of the Commission, and shall comply with reporting obligations and methodological requirements set by European and national legislation. It is also in line with the General Guidelines of Official Statistical Activity (LGAEO) 2018-2022 for the National Statistical System.

The statistical activity of the other national authorities (ONA), producing official statistics by delegation of SP, will be driven by the same framework documents, and is an integral part of this Work Programme.

A new edition of the European Statistics Code of Practice will enter into force in 2018, incorporating the changes arising from the revision of EP and Council Regulation n. 223/2009, and including an additional principle on coordination and cooperation.

In 2018 SP will perform 234 statistical operations, 198 of which will be statistical operations corresponding to the delivery of 684 statistical results. ONA will perform 76 statistical operations, corresponding to the delivery of 323 statistical results.

It is expected the issue of 69 publishing titles, predominantly in electronic media, 32 of which are the responsibility of SP and 37 of ONA.



Also in 2018 SP will elaborate its Strategic Program for 2018-2022, which will be aligned with the General Guidelines of Official Statistical Activity (LGAEO) 2018-2022.

Keeping the greatest relevance in the SP and ONA agendas, inter-institutional coordination actions will continue for the appropriation of administrative and other types of data for statistical purposes – held by both Public Administration and private entities –, aiming at the continued reduction of the burden on respondents and production costs. In this context, the participation of SP in the SIMPLEX + Program is highlighted, through the actions "SP Single Information +" and "SP on-line surveys".

Feasibility studies will continue for the current use of unstructured information (big data and other) and web scraping in the statistical production and validation processes, as well as, with the same goals, but not only, the actions of technological modernization throughout the production process. These will also aim to manage the reception, storage and processing of large volumes of data, including administrative data, used for statistical production and dissemination.

SP Portal - the official statistics website - will continue to be the privileged way for the dissemination of official statistics and will be the object of continuous improvement actions. The project for the construction of a new official statistics website will be continued within the scope of SAMA 2020.

Actions aiming at increasing statistical literacy and promoting official statistics will continue to play a strategic role, adapting services and products to the needs and characteristics of different types of users.

## **2. Some Statistical activities and Surveys to be developed in 2018 by the SP and ONA could be highlighted**

### ***2.1 Concerning the statistical production process***

- Preparing the Agricultural Census 2019.
- Continuing the preparation of the Population and Housing Censuses 2021 and running the first test.
- Continuing the preparation of the Resident Population Frame, aiming at the annual availability of information on Census variables.
- Conducting the Plantation of Fruit Trees Survey.
- Conducting the Framework regulation Costs of Context.
- Conducting the International Sourcing Survey.



- Beginning the change of the Portuguese National Accounts base (2017=100), with disclosure expected in 2019.
- Compiling the Input-Output Symmetric Matrix 2015.
- Conducting the Survey on Volunteer Work 2018.
- Compiling the Social Economy Satellite Account 2016 (discloser in 2019).
- Compiling the Sea Satellite Account 2013-2016 (discloser in 2019).
- Improving the methodology for calculating the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and the Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices (HICP), namely through the use of administrative data for the social rents segment of the Housing Rents Survey and the introduction of Scanner Data methodology in the calculation of the CPI.
- Implementing and disseminating the Construction Cost Index for New Dwellings (2015=100), including the retropolated time series and updated methodological documentation.
- Preparing the National Health Survey 2019.
- Disclosing the Housing Prices Statistics at Local Level on a quarterly basis, for cities with more than 100 thousand inhabitants and Metropolitan Areas.
- Preparing the Survey on Energy Consumption in Households, in partnership with DGEG/MEC.

From the activities to be carried out by ONA within the scope of producing official statistics by delegation of SP, which form an integral part of this Work Programme, the following are highlighted:

- Development of a general and by sector Barometer of remuneration differences between women and men; and a Study about implementing a balance of the remuneration differences between women and men, by company. [GEP/MTSSS]
- Launching the new Portal. [GEP/MTSSS]
- Conducting a pilot survey on Students with Special Educational Needs in Higher Education. [DGEEC/MEd/MCTES]
- Consolidating the new set of concepts in the area of Education. [DGEEC/MEd/MCTES]
- Coordinating the TALIS 2018 Survey, in Portugal. [DGEEC/MEd/MCTES]
- Mapping the new international criminal statistics classification system (ICCS) to respond to international questionnaires and other projects under the Justice Statistics Information System. [DGPI/MJ]



- Concluding the implementation of the project for the new processing and dissemination subsystems of the Justice Statistics Information System (information query); conducting the presentation and dissemination sessions of the new online consultation system. [DGPI/MJ]
- Creating indicators in the official statistics Portal on fishing quotas. [DGRM/MM]

## **2.2 Concerning statistical cooperation:**

- Participating actively in various European structures, particularly the European Statistical System (ESS), namely in European Statistical System Committee, and intensifying partnerships with Member States and Eurostat, according to the goals set in the ESS Vision 2020.
- Participating in the meetings of the Council's *Working Party on Statistics*.
- Participating in the *ESSnet on Big Data and Task Force Big Data*.
- Participating in the *European Statistical Forum (ESS+ESCB)*.
- Participating in the Eurostat Task Force for the proper implementation of Regulation n. 223/2009 of the European Statistics (revised in 2015), promoting the adoption of the measures which are necessary for its fulfilment.
- Implementing the Action Plan arising from the recommendations of the Peer review exercise relating to Portugal.
- Cooperating in the development of the statistical systems of other countries, in particular with Portuguese-speaking countries, both at a bilateral level and in the framework of CPLP (Community of Portuguese-speaking countries).
- Participating in the Follow-up of Agenda 2030 and in the process of monitoring the Sustainable Development Objectives.

## **3. Human and Financial Resources**

In order to implement the Work Programme for 2018, both at SP and ONA, 779 are allocated, from which 657 belong to SP.

For the production of official statistics in 2018, namely for household data collection, SP estimates the use of an average of 500 interviewers simultaneously.

The implementation of this Work Programme entails an overall cost of EUR 36.9 million, EUR 32 million of which are SP's responsibility.



#### 4. Objectives in the context of the Assessment and Responsibility Framework (QUAR 2018)

According to the methodology established in SIADAP Assessment and Responsibility Framework (QUAR) for 2018, as well as the guidelines provided by the coordinating entity at the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, SP has set the following as its objectives:

##### Effectiveness Objectives

- O1. Extending the availability of official statistical information and improving its accessibility.

##### Efficiency Objectives

- O2. Pursuing the introduction of collection modes technologically more advanced and friendly for the respondent, ensuring time and quality gains.
- O3. Intensifying the appropriation of administrative and geospatial data for statistical purposes, aiming, in particular, to reduce the statistical burden and increasing the quality of national official statistics.

##### Quality Objectives

- O4. Providing, in a timely manner, official statistical information of quality and relevant to the Society.
- O5. Improving communication with Society, aiming to raise its level of statistical literacy, concerning i) the correct understanding and best use of statistical information; ii) Society's responsibility in the production of official statistics, when responding to SP surveys.

#### 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);
- Department for Strategic Planning 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).