Developing the use of administrative data sources in economic, social and population statistics

State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan has created working groups in 2016, consisting of representatives of government bodies.

The main task of working groups was to determine the potential administrative source, to set up agreements, and take necessary steps for the integration of data.

In addition, for the purposes of further acceleration and planning of work in the field of administrative data in the approved by the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan in 2018 "State program for the development of official statistics of the Republic of Azerbaijan for 2018-2025" was included item 5.3.2 on implementation of "Integration of data bases of state bodies in the statistical database of data through the gateway of e-government".

In 2019 signed agreements with SSC, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection Ministry of Education, State Migration Services and etc.

The data transmitting from Ministry of Labor and Social Protection to State Statistical Committee has been set up. Works on transmitting data of other institutions steel going on.

Administrative data to be submitted to the SSC of Azerbaijan through these agreements will be used to calculate indicators for social, economic, demographic, and SDG, as well as to prepare data on business demography and identify business groups by expanding the scope of the State Register of Statistical Units.

Measures taken in the field of administrative data will reduce the indicators in the existing official statistical reporting forms, thereby reducing the reporting burden on respondents, saving time and financial means allocated for data collection.

Population and housing census in the Republic of Azerbaijan in 2019

The population census 2019 was conducted in the traditional method (face to face survey).

Inclusion of new questions to the questionnaire on census was important, and for this reason new questions were added to the questionnaire in accordance to the fundamental principles of the un conference of European statisticians’ recommendations for the 2020 censuses of population and housing:

- «Stateless person»;
- «Can you implement simple mathematical operations (addition, deduction, multiplying, dividing) »;
- Questions to identify labour force, as well as potential labour force, population employment (self-employment), unemployment, outside labour force, including persons engaged in own-use production;
- Questions about disability and persons with limited health;
- Expansion of the set of questions on housing and living conditions.

At the same time, in order to obtain detailed information about refugees and IDPs, opposed to previous censuses, 2009 and 2019 censuses questionnaire included the question “Are you refugee or IDP”. At the moment of census, the refugees and IDPs were interviewed in the place of their actual residence.