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Energy statistics manual(s) as seen by the United Nations Statistics Division

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Principles of official statistics

Principle 2. To retain trust in official statistics, the statistical agencies need to decide according to strictly professional considerations, including scientific principles and professional ethics, on the methods and procedures for the collection, processing, storage and presentation of statistical data

Principles of official statistics



Principle 9. The use by statistical agencies in each country of international concepts, classifications and methods promotes the consistency and efficiency of statistical systems at all official levels.


Overview of the situation



Manuals:


- Coverage
- Scope and
- Usage

What a manual should contain to be considered as an international standard ('core manual')



- Explain the relevance/importance of energy statistics
- Introduce data collection/capture techniques (census, surveys, using administrative records; calculated values, estimates and projections)
- Product definitions (making reference to product classifications, like HS, CPC, Prodcom)

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- Flows definitions (making reference to ISIC)
- Unit of measure
- Conversion factors
- Core set of energy statistics
- Energy balance compilation concepts
- Users perspective in using energy statistics

Does the 'standard' cover every relevant issues?



No.

Solution: an other manual

Issues to be included in the 'other manual':

- Country best practices
- Cases of treatment of flows/transactions in energy statistics where there is a deviation from the SNA recommendations
- Other relevant issues which might change time to time

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Format of the manual(s)



Electronic (with features) and printed

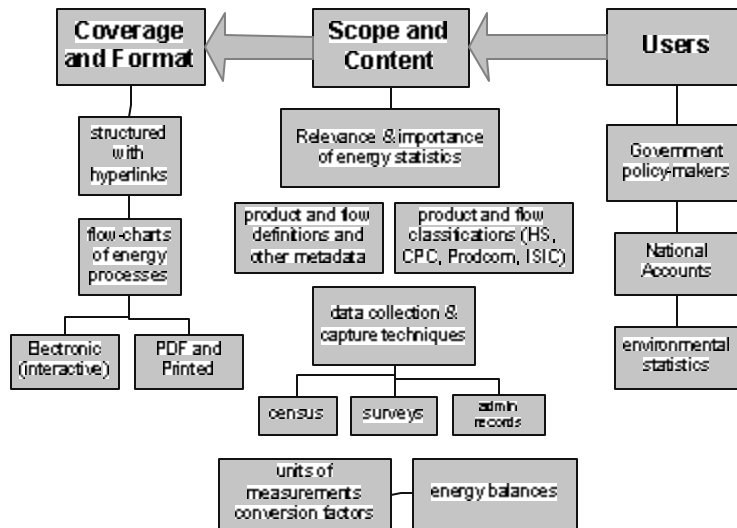
Structured with hyperlinks

Using flow-charts to explain the energy processes

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Energy Statistics Manual Structure



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