

National Summary of Economic Statistics



Viet Nam¹

Population: 95.5 million (2017)

GDP Per Capita (2011 PPP Dollar): 5,838 Country Income Grouping (ESCAP): Low income

National Statistical Website: https://www.gso.gov.vn/Default_en.aspx?tabid=491



National statistical system

Statistical legislation

Legislative status: Has a statistical act for producing official statistics

- Protects confidentiality of respondent's information
- Requires a transparent statistical system
- Protects independence of official statistics from political influence
- X No response: Allows agencies in the national statistical system to acquire administrative data for statistical purposes

National Strategy for the Development of Statistics

National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS)

- Developed and implemented
- Available on public website

Includes

- Issues related to coordination across the national statistical system
- Issues related to existing statistical legislation
- Issues related to government support and advocacy

- Detailed action plan
- Monitoring and review process
- X No response: Linked to country's National Development Plan

Practical arrangements for the implementation of the NSDS

• There is sufficient government support

 Advocacy activities are planned and/or conducted for securing government support

Dissemination

- A data dissemination policy in place and available to users
- Contact information is published
- Statistical publications, documents, and other services, including information on data charges available to users
- A data bank/hub for users to access published statistics
- X No response: An advance release calendar is published

Coordination among producers of economic statistics

- Clearly specified responsibility of producing the Core Set² of Economic Statistics among agencies
- Plans currently being implemented or under development to improve coordination of production of economic statistics
- X Systems not in place that allow for data sharing among data producing agencies

Advocacy for economic statistics

- Regular activities to enhance awareness and use of official economic statistics among users (e.g. government, universities and research organisations)
- Regular users' surveys to assess users' needs and satisfaction

X No response: Other user engagement activities

² The Core Set of Economic Statistics, including detailed descriptions of each Core Set item is available at http://undocs.org/en/E/ESCAP/CST(2)/4



¹ This national summary is based on information provided by Viet Nam to ESCAP as part of the Regional Programme for the Improvement of Economic Statistics in Asia and the Pacific. Further information is available at https://communities.unescap.org/economic-statistics



Statistics training

Has a dedicated unit within the national statistical system or government that oversees staff training in general

Induction programmes on statistics (basic statistical concepts and processes) are organized for:

- Statistical staff working on economic statistics in the National Statistical Office (NSO)
- Statistical staff working on economic statistics in other agencies

Specific training on economic statistics is provided to:

- Statistical staff working on economic statistics in the NSO
- Statistical staff working on economic statistics in other agencies



Statistical infrastructure

Data Quality Assessment Framework (DQAF) • There are plans to develop a National DQAF Metadata • Statistical Business Register (SBR) is available • The SBR is accessible by data producing agencies X No response: Access to the SBR among data producing agencies is limited/constrained by legislation, data confidentiality or other reasons X No response: Metadata are accessible via a public website

Key statistical collections	Frequency	Time of first release (No of months after reference period)	Support from external partners (Technical and/or financial)
Labour Force Survey	Every quarter	2.5-3	Yes
Household Income and expenditure survey	Every year	7	Yes
Enterprise/Establishment Survey	Every year	15	No response
Population Census	Every 10 years	12	Yes
Economic Census	Every 5 years	12	No
Agriculture Census	Every 5 years	6	No





Core Set of Economic Statistics

Core S	et Items		Status	Recommended frequency	Reported frequency	Reasons for unavailability
9	Prices and	Consumer price index	•	Quarterly	Monthly	
5	costs	Producer price index	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
		Commodity price index	В	Monthly	Quarterly	
		External merchandise trade price indices	В	Monthly	Quarterly	
		Wages / Earnings data	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
		Labour costs index / Wage index	х	Quarterly	Not available	3, 4, 5, 6 (P)
/ / = \	Demand and output	GDP (production) nominal and real	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
		GDP (expenditure) nominal and real	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
		External trade - merchandise	•	Monthly	Monthly	
		External trade - services	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
		STI - industry output	•	Quarterly	Monthly	
		STI - services output	В	Quarterly	Annually	
		STI - consumer demand	•	Quarterly	Monthly	
		STI - fixed investment	В	Quarterly	Annually	
		STI - inventories	В	Quarterly	Annually	
		Economy structure statistics	•	Every 5 years	Every 5 years	
		Productivity	•	Annually	Annually	
/ YA\	Income and wealth	Integrated national accounts for the total economy	•	Annually	Quarterly	
		Institutional sector accounts	х	Annually	Not available	3, 4, 5, 6 (P)
		Balance of payments	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
		International investment position	х	Annually	Not available	3, 4, 5, 6 (P)
		External debt	•	Quarterly	Monthly	
		Income distribution	•	Every 5 years	Every 2 years	
	Money and banking	Assets / liabilities of depository corporations	х	Monthly	Not available	3, 4, 5, 6 (P)
		Broad money and credit aggregates	х	Monthly	Not available	3, 4, 5, 6 (P)
		Interest rate statistics	•	Monthly	Weekly	
	Government	General government operations	В	Quarterly	Annually	
		General government debt	В	Quarterly	Annually	
	Labour market	Labour supply and demand	•	Annually	Quarterly	
		Hours worked	•	Quarterly	Quarterly	
	Natural resources and environment	Natural resources	•	Annually	Annually	

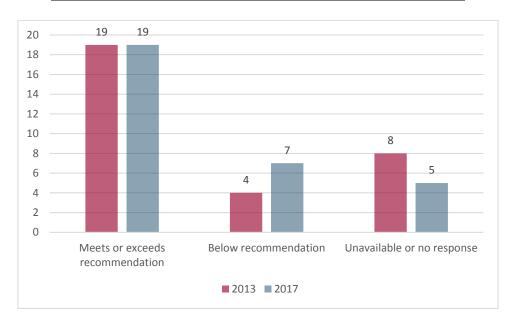
- Meets or exceeds recommended frequency
 Below recommended frequency
 Unavailable or no response
 Not relevant
 Low priority/ Importance
 No/ Insufficient funding
 No/ Inadequate source data

- 5 No/ Inadequate manpower
 6 Lack of skills/ expertise
 7 Inadequate IT systems
 8 No clear stakeholder and /or champion
 9 Other
 P Plan to overcome constraint

- N No plan to overcome constraint



Production of the Core Set of Economic Statistics, 2013 and 2017



Developments since 2013

- Statistical strategic plan or National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS) now includes issues related to government support and advocacy;
- Production of three Core Set Items: Commodity price index, External merchandise trade price indices and Income distribution.



