Business register and sampling frame for business surveys in Georgia

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General overview

- **Responsible institution**
  National Statistics Office of Georgia (GEOSTAT)

- **Legal basis**
  Law of Georgia on Official Statistics

- **Coverage**
  approximately 581 000 entities

- **Involved recourses**
  7 permanent staff from Business Statistics Division

- **Software**
  database - in MS SQL, interface - Web application.
Data sources

**Administrative sources:**
- National Agency of Public Registry (NAPR)
- Revenue Service (Tax Office)

**Surveys:**
- Quarterly and annual business surveys
- Business register update survey (monthly, computer assisted telephone interview (CATI))
- Other business surveys

*Economic census has never been carried out in Georgia!*
Structure and number of units

Number of legal units: approximately 581 000 entities

of which:

21.4 % - Trade, repair of motor vehicles, personal and household goods;
4.9% - Manufacturing industry;
4.0% - Real estate, renting and consumer services;
3.2% - community, social and personal service activities;
55.3% - activity unknown;
11.2% - other activities;
Structure of BR

Registered entities by legal forms

- Individual entrepreneur: 67%
- Limited liability companies: 25%
- Non-commercial legal persons: 3%
- Branches, representatives: 2%
- Entities of public law: 1%
- Other: 2%
Structure of BR

Registered entities by ownership type

- Private: 94%
- State: 6%
All business surveys are based on the business register;

GEOSTAT uses only one sampling frame for all business surveys;

Every year a new sampling frame is provided containing all metadata;

The business register is continuously updated during the year; the structural data and all statistical information are integrated;

Information on employment and turnover is available from administrative sources every quarter;

The NACE code is updated on a regular basis using various sources;
Business register as a basis for survey frames

**Formation of sampling frame for business surveys**

3 types of filters:

- By organizational legal form
- By kind of economic activities
- By statuses (active or non active)
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Business Register

581 000

Filters
- organizational legal form
- kind of economic activities
- statuses (active or non active)

Sampling Frame

113 000
Definition of active enterprises

Enterprise is active if:

- Turnover >0 (*VAT, revenue and other declarations*)
- Number of persons employed >0 (*VAT, revenue and other declarations*)
- Wage or number of persons employed >0 (*wage notification*)
- Profit or loss (*profit declaration*)
- Paid any kind of tax, without only property tax.
Thank you for attention!

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