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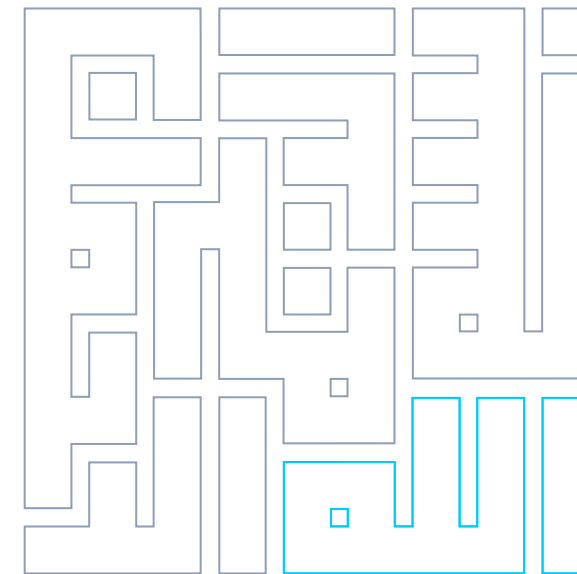


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01

Introductory Section





Chairman's Foreword

Faisal Alibrahim

Minister of Economy and Planning
Chairman of GASTAT's Board of Directors

The year 2025 marked a distinguished milestone for the General Authority for Statistics (GASTAT), characterized by a number of key achievements and accomplishments. During this year, official statistical work in the Kingdom completed 65 years, representing an important milestone in the Kingdom's national development journey. The year also witnessed the issuance of the Statistics Law in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as well as the completion of GASTAT's three-year institutional strategy, which played a significant role in advancing statistical work and enhancing the production of accurate and reliable statistics that support decision-making and strategic planning.

In this context, GASTAT achieved numerous accomplishments in developing statistical products and economic, social, and environmental indicators. It also made notable progress in digital transformation, building digital infrastructure, and strengthening national and international partnerships, as part of its commitment to governance, transparency, and institutional sustainability.

During 2025, GASTAT continued to perform its national role as the official reference for implementing statistical work in the Kingdom. This was achieved through strengthening the performance of the statistical ecosystem, developing statistical products and indicators, and adopting international best practices and methodologies in line with the requirements of Saudi Vision 2030.

This progress was reflected in the Kingdom's growing international presence in the statistical field and the strengthening of its position in international forums. These efforts culminated in the Kingdom's election as a member of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (HLG-PCCB), as well as its election as Co-Chair of the Working Group on Data Governance of the United Nations Statistical Commission. The year also marked the launch of the "Road to Riyadh" events in preparation for hosting the 6th United Nations World Data Forum (UNWDF) in November 2026.

Reaffirming our unwavering support for GASTAT's endeavors, we expect this report's outputs to inform decision-makers, enhance stakeholder trust, and consolidate the Kingdom's standing in international statistical indicators and classifications—reflecting the comprehensive renaissance and unprecedented developmental and economic transformation underway in the Kingdom.

Finally, it is my honor to extend the highest expressions of gratitude, appreciation, and recognition to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud and to His Royal Highness the Crown Prince, Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud for the support extended to the statistical sector. This support reflects a firm belief in its vital role and its positive impact on the Kingdom's journey of development and prosperity, particularly under the ambitious Saudi Vision 2030.

This support has significantly contributed to strengthening the Kingdom's position within the international statistical community through its indicators and statistics, which play an important role in measuring progress toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and many other global targets.



President's Foreword

Fahad Aldossari

President of GASTAT

On the occasion of the 65th anniversary of the Kingdom's official statistical establishment, I am honored to present GASTAT's 2025 Annual Report, which showcases a year marked by notable achievements and institutional developments, reflecting the dedicated efforts to strengthen the position of official statistics and support the Kingdom's comprehensive development journey. It also highlights the key strategic initiatives and the progress made in developing statistical products, while outlining the opportunities, challenges, and future aspirations.

GASTAT focused during this year on developing its statistical products based on approved international standards and methodologies. This included enhancing existing products and introducing new products and indicators, in addition to strengthening the use of multiple data sources and benefiting from administrative records, which contributed to expanding comprehensiveness, increasing levels of coverage and detail, improving quality, and meeting the diverse needs of users.

The year also marked the completion of the implementation of GASTAT's Institutional Strategy (2023–2025), which was centered on advancing the statistical ecosystem and driving institutional transformation. The strategy placed strong emphasis on delivering high-quality statistical products, enhancing data dissemination and accessibility, strengthening stakeholder engagement at both the national and international levels, as well as developing digital infrastructure and reinforcing institutional capabilities.

The report further outlines GASTAT's endeavors in fostering statistical collaboration regionally and globally. GASTAT continued its preparations to host the 6th UNWDF, scheduled to be held in November 2026, through the launch of the "Road to Riyadh" events. These included organizing the Second Statistical Forum for Universities and Statistical Associations at Jeddah University, coinciding with World Statistics Day under the theme "Statistics for Sustainable Opportunities," in addition to a number of panel discussions and workshops attended by leading experts and specialists in the statistical field.

GASTAT also hosted the 40th meeting of HLG-PCCB, in addition to participating in and hosting the meetings of GCC Permanent Committee for Statistical Work in Riyadh.

In sharing this annual report, we reaffirm our commitment to continuing the development of the national statistical ecosystem by strengthening the role of statistics as a fundamental pillar for supporting decision-making, expanding the scope of statistical products, and adopting modern technologies, in a manner that contributes to achieving the objectives of Saudi Vision 2030 and supports the Kingdom's comprehensive development journey.

Executive Summary

In 2025, GASTAT continued its efforts to advance national statistical work and reinforce the role of statistics in supporting planning and decision-making. The year also marked a range of developments and initiatives that contributed to enhancing statistical products, strengthening institutional performance, and expanding the Kingdom's presence in the statistical field at both the regional and international levels.

One of the most notable developments during the year was the issuance of the Statistics Law, which replaced the State General Statistics Law and the General Population Census Law. The new law aims to regulate statistical work in the Kingdom, enhance its effectiveness and comprehensiveness, improve the quality of statistics, and strengthen their role in supporting development plans and decision-making. It also defines the roles and responsibilities of GASTAT, public entities, private establishments, and individuals.

The year also marked the completion of the implementation of GASTAT's Institutional Strategy (2023–2025), which contributed to advancing statistical work and elevating institutional maturity. This was achieved by delivering high-quality statistical products, adopting international best practices in the statistical field, and strengthening collaboration and partnerships with stakeholders both nationally and internationally. In addition, efforts were made to enhance the dissemination of statistical products and indicators and facilitate access to them through various channels, develop advanced digital infrastructure, leverage modern technologies, and build GASTAT's institutional capabilities.

As part of the development of statistical products during the implementation of its strategy, GASTAT undertook comprehensive efforts to enhance economic, social, environmental, and geospatial statistics. This included the introduction of more than 35 new statistical products, in addition to the development of over 30 existing products. The areas of development encompassed reviewing methodologies and aligning them with international standards, diversifying data sources, expanding coverage and level of detail, and increasing the frequency of publication. These efforts were reflected in the Kingdom's improved performance in international indicators related to statistical work. Saudi Arabia continued to advance in the World Bank's Statistical Performance Indicator, achieving a score of 83.3%, advancing three positions among G20 countries and ranking first among Arab countries. The Kingdom also advanced by 92 positions in the Open Data Inventory since the launch of its Vision, while GASTAT received the highest rating in the Data Adequacy Assessment (DAA) issued by the International Monetary Fund in the areas of national accounts and prices.

These achievements also contributed to Saudi Arabia's successful bid to host the 6th UNWDF, scheduled to be held in Riyadh in November 2026. In preparation for this global event, GASTAT launched the "Road to Riyadh" events, a 12-month series of activities designed



to support preparations for hosting the Forum. The initiative includes more than 15 events ranging from workshops, forums, and meetings held both in person and virtually bringing together experts and specialists in the statistical field from within the Kingdom and around the world. Within the framework of its international engagement, the Kingdom was also elected as a member of the HLG-PCCB, and as Co-Chair of the Working Group on Data Governance under the United Nations Statistical Commission. In addition, GASTAT hosted several regional and international meetings that further strengthened the Kingdom's role in advancing statistical work regionally and globally.

At the national level, GASTAT continued to strengthen partnerships and institutional integration with various entities. It organized the First Saudi Statistics Forum, bringing together heads and representatives of national statistical offices, international organizations, and experts and specialists in statistical work at the national, regional, and international levels. The forum featured five specialized panel discussions and marked the signing of eight memoranda of understanding with several local and international entities. GASTAT also organized the Second Statistical Forum for Universities and Statistical Associations at Jeddah University, coinciding with World Statistics Day. In addition, it launched the Statistical Innovation Lab to develop innovative solutions in the statistical field and to enhance the participation of researchers and practitioners in developing statistical products and processes. GASTAT also launched the Microdata Lab to enable entities and researchers to conduct studies and analytical work, in addition to launching the second edition of the "Saudi Statisticians" Program to empower national talents to pursue postgraduate studies in statistics.

In terms of organizational excellence, GASTAT achieved notable progress across several performance indicators. It attained the "advanced stage" rating in the 2025 Performance Management Practices Assessment issued by the National Center for Measuring the Performance of Public Entities (ADAA). It also implemented 11 quality standards across multiple domains, including quality management, compliance, information technology, business continuity, risk management, and legal affairs. Furthermore, GASTAT received the National Enterprise Architecture Accreditation Certificate at the Digital Government Forum 2025 and achieved a digital maturity level of 86% in the Digital Transformation Measurement Index issued by the Digital Government Authority. GASTAT also recorded high levels of compliance across several indicators issued by ADAA, including those related to the quality of employment data, budget disbursement, the final accounts, and spending efficiency.

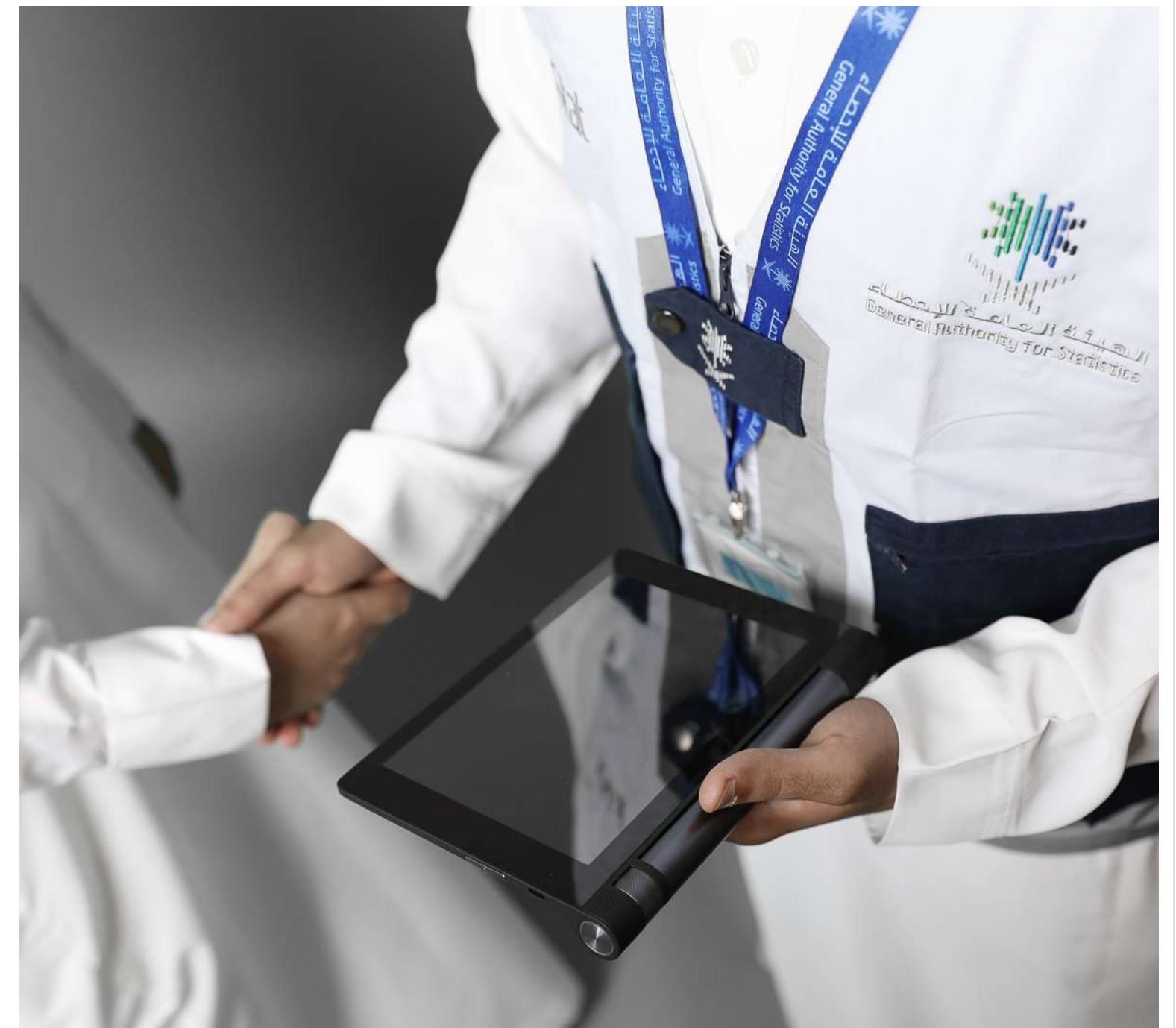
These efforts represent a continuation of the Kingdom's ongoing journey in advancing statistical work and further developing statistical products while strengthening institutional capabilities. They reflect a sustained commitment to meeting evolving development requirements and paving the way for a new phase of progress and advancement, in which the national statistical ecosystem further strengthens its integration and the Kingdom's position in the statistical field is reinforced at both the regional and international levels.

Key Definitions

Term	Definition
GASTAT	General Authority for Statistics.
Board of Directors	Board of Directors of the Authority.
Public Entities	Ministries as well as public agencies, institutions, and authorities, including companies wholly owned by the State.
Private Establishment	Companies, including those in which the State is a shareholder, sole proprietorships, civil society associations and organizations, and the like.
Individuals	Natural persons who are required, for statistical purposes, to provide the Authority with data about themselves, other individuals, or their activities.
Statistics	Data, information, and indicators that are collected on the circumstances and activities of society using scientific methods, classifications, and concepts to reach findings, projections, and decisions based on specific variables.
Census	The process of collecting data and information or counting using the complete enumeration method of a population or a specific community.
Official Statistics	Quantitative or qualitative information or indicators issued by the Authority in the statistical fields.
Statistical Fields	The three main statistical fields, which are social statistics, including demographics, social conditions, education, housing, etc.; economic statistics, including national accounts, businesses, industry, commerce, technology, etc.; and spatial statistics, including the environment, tourism, agriculture, etc.

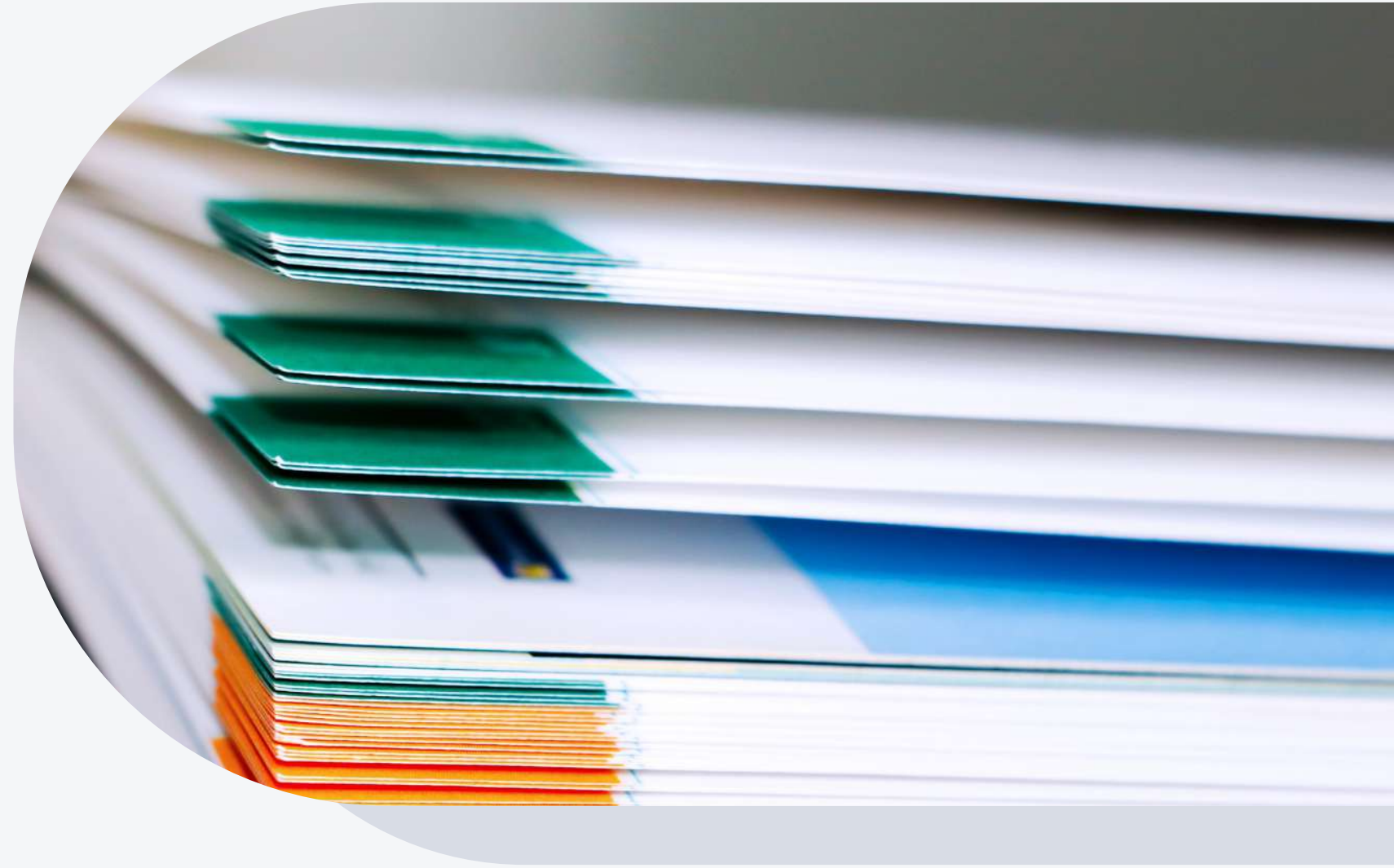
Term	Definition
Data	Numbers and descriptive characteristics relating to statistical fields and the circumstances and activities of society, whether as individual data or as a set of individual data.
Metadata	Information that describes statistical data and processes in a standardized manner by providing information on data sources, methods, definitions, and classifications.
Information	Data that are processed by tabulation, analysis, summarization, or any other processing method to become statistically meaningful.
Indicators	Measures that represent the statistical data of a specific period of time and a specific location as well as other specific parameters.
Surveys	The process of collecting data from their sources based on a set of predetermined questions or variables, whether through the complete enumeration method, statistical sampling methods and techniques, or any other statistical method.
Statistical Work	Any study, research, survey, or poll, including any work related to statistical fields, whether in whole or in part.
Administrative Records	Paper or electronic records in which data and information relating to statistical fields and the circumstances and activities of society are documented at public entities and private establishments as well as records of the production processes of such entities and establishments.
Statistical Services	Activities that are part of or related to statistical work, including the provision of consultations on the design of surveys, research, and studies, the selection of samples, the analysis and interpretation of results, and the like.

Term	Definition
Publication	Making official statistics, statistical analyses and services, and metadata available to all users.
Survey sample	A sample is a representative portion of the overall statistical population, selected according to specific scientific criteria and statistical methodologies to study a particular phenomenon or topic. Data is collected through various methods, including telephone interviews, field visits, or online self-enumeration, with the objective of generalizing the findings to the original population. Depending on the subject of the study, the sampling unit may consist of individuals, households, or establishments.
Field Survey	One of the most prominent statistical tools used to gather data on specific phenomena under investigation. The field researcher gathers survey data directly through on-site visits and personal interviews with the study sample members within their actual environment.
Telephone Survey	A method for collecting data and information on a specific topic directly from the field, using phone calls instead of in-person visits and interviews. Researchers engage with the sample members by telephone to ensure that data is captured and completed with high accuracy.
Self-Completion	This method allows respondents to complete the survey questionnaire independently via an online link within the designated survey period.
Field Researcher	Employee responsible for gathering data from households and establishments.



02

**Detailed
Report**





Introduction

GASTAT's Annual Report for the fiscal year (2025) was prepared in compliance with the requirements of Article (29) of the Council of Ministers Law issued by Royal Order No. (A/13) dated 3 Rabi' Al-Awwal 1414H. The article stipulates that all ministries and other government entities shall submit to the Prime Minister, within ninety days from the beginning of each fiscal year, a report on the achievements realized compared with the objectives set out in the general development plan during the previous fiscal year, the difficulties encountered, and any proposals they deem appropriate to improve the progress of work. The report was also prepared in light of the Annual Report Preparation Guide for Government Agencies issued by the National Center for Measuring the Performance of Public Entities (ADAA).

GASTAT's Annual Report for 2025 documents GASTAT's works and achievements during the year. The report comprises three main sections. The first section presents an executive summary of the key projects and achievements realized throughout the year. The second section, titled "Detailed Report," highlights key strategic updates, statistical products, development works, and supporting and enabling work paths, in addition to the challenges, opportunities, and future aspirations. The third section presents GASTAT's current situation in terms of organizational, administrative, and operational aspects.

Strategic Direction

Stemming from GASTAT's role in issuing, developing, and publishing official statistics, and in providing statistical data and indicators in social, economic, environmental, and spatial domains, and with the aim of strengthening GASTAT's contribution and role at the national and international levels, GASTAT implemented its institutional strategy that focused on delivering high-quality statistical products, applying international best practices in the statistical field, enhancing effective cooperation with key stakeholders inside and outside the Kingdom, building effective partnerships, expanding availability of open data, facilitating access to statistical products and indicators through various channels, developing an advanced and highly efficient digital infrastructure, leveraging state-of-the-art technologies, and strengthening GASTAT's institutional capabilities.



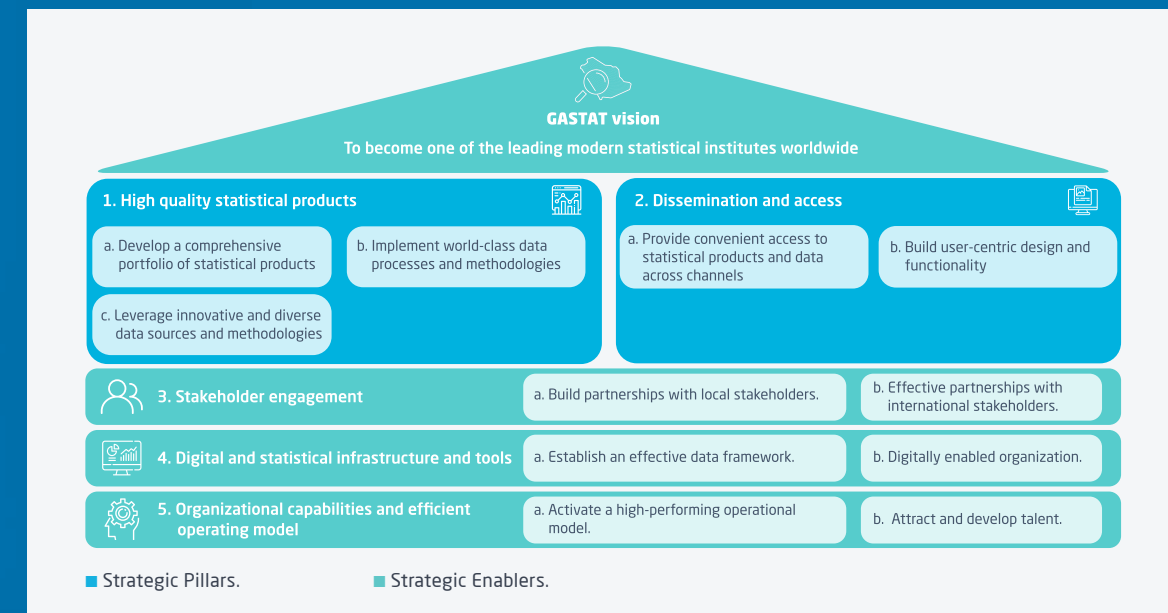
Vision

To become one of the leading modern statistical institutes worldwide.



Mission

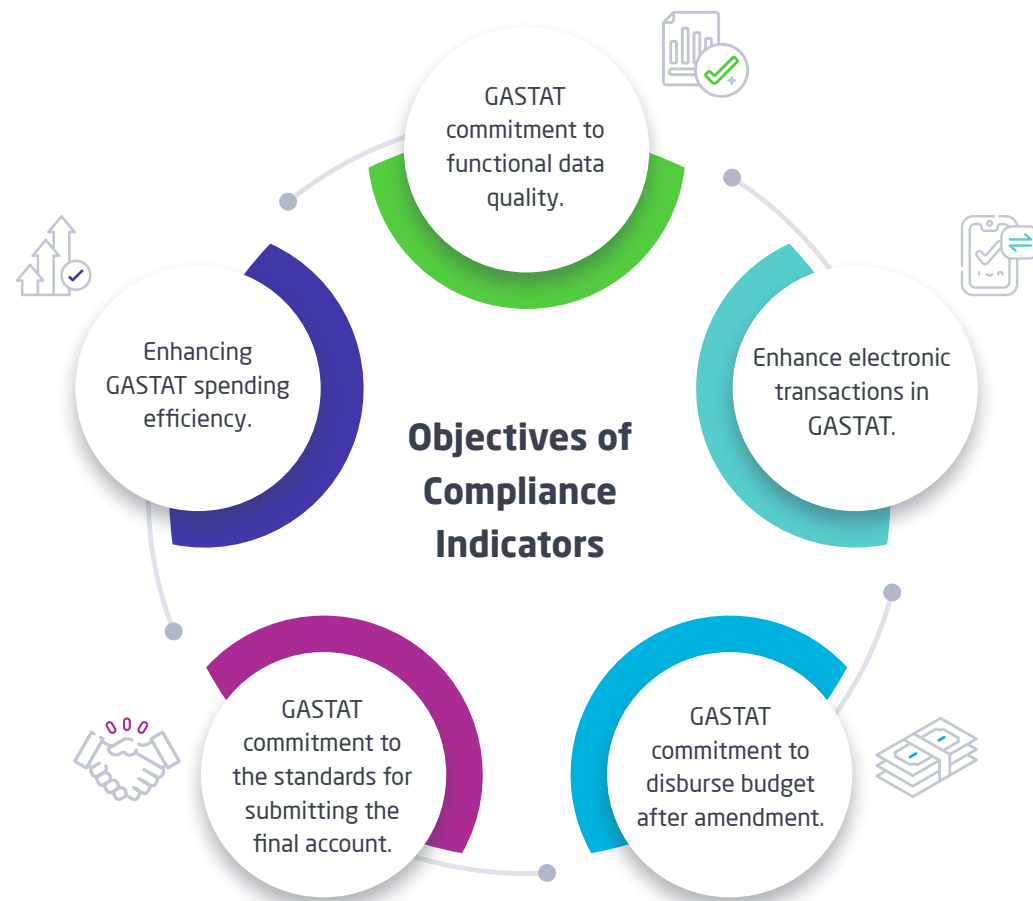
Providing accurate, comprehensive, and high-quality statistical information and data that cover all aspects of life in the Kingdom, including social, economic, environmental and spatial dimensions.



Performance Summary

01. Performance Indicators

Performance of Compliance Indicators ⁽¹⁾



1. Compliance indicators are indicators issued by the National Center for Measuring the Performance of Public Entities (ADAA) with the aim of providing information of agency performance through the core indicator values used to measure performance.

Performance Indicator Name	General Target for 2025	Indicator Status ⁽¹⁾	Actual Value	Target Value	Measurement Period
Objective 1: GASTAT commitment to functional data quality.					
GASTAT Functional Data Quality Indicator	94%	●	99.4%	94%	Q4 2025
Objective 2: Enhance electronic transactions in GASTAT.					
Percentage of GASTAT Commitment to Digital Transformation Standards.	-	●	86.13%	-	2025
Objective 3: Government entities' commitment to disburse budget after amendment (GASTAT)					
GASTAT commitment to disburse budget after amendment Indicator	100%	●	98%	100%	2024
Objective 4: GASTAT commitment to the standards for submitting the final account.					
GASTAT Final Account Submission Indicator	90 days	●	83 days	90 days	2024
Objective 5: Enhancing public sector spending efficiency (GASTAT)					
Evaluating GASTAT Spending Efficiency Opportunities Indicator	3 points	●	3 points	3 points	Q4 2025

1. **Indicator Status:**

- Fully Achieved (99% and above)
- Not Currently Measured
- Partially Achieved (85% - 99%)
- No actual value or target is delivered
- Not Achieved (less than 85%)

Strategic Performance Indicators:

Performance Indicator Name	General Target for 2025	Indicator Status	Actual Value	Target Value	Measurement Period
Objective 1: High-quality statistical products.		Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy.			
Number of Innovative Methodologies Introduced in accordance with International Standards.	7	●	3	7	2025
Percentage of Statistical Products Using a Mix of Diverse Data Sources with Survey Data.	90%	●	96.2%	90%	2025
Percentage of Closed Gaps for Statistical Products.	100%	●	100%	100%	2025
Average score of published statistical products that fulfill international quality standards for quality dimensions.	4.5	●	4.5	4.5	2025
Objective 2: Dissemination and Access.		Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy.			
Annual growth in number of visitors to products and statistical publications across GASTAT platforms.	5.47M	●	9.5M	5.47M	2025
Percentage of statistical products published according to specified schedule.	85%	●	91%	85%	2025
Average end-user satisfaction across channels.	85%	●	+90%	85%	2025
Objective 3: Stakeholder Engagement.		Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy.			
Percentage of external data sets technically linked through strategic partnerships within ecosystem.	40%	●	41.8%	40%	2025
Percentage of statistical products which methodologies have been studied with relevant stakeholders.	95%	●	100%	95%	2025
Number of active memorandums of understanding (MoUs) with priority global entities.	50%	●	54.5%	50%	2025
Average stakeholder satisfaction with GASTAT interaction and services.	85%	●	+90%	85%	2025
Objective 4: Digital Infrastructure.		Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy.			
GASTAT Percentage in Digital Transformation Maturity Index issued by Digital Government Authority.	90%	●	86.1%	90%	2025

Performance Indicator Name	General Target for 2025	Indicator Status ⁽²⁾	Actual Value	Target Value	Measurement Period
Objective 5: Organizational Capabilities & Efficient Operating Model.		Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy.			
Variance Between Actual Expenditure & Approved Budget.	± 10%	●	-1.4%	±10%	2025
Average employee assessment scores for required abilities and skills.	85%	●	85.5%	85%	2025
Percentage of employees consistently participating in their learning process.	+ 90%	●	100%	+ 90%	2025
Percentage of documented policies and procedures and follow-up.	+ 95%	●	+ 95%	+ 95%	2025
High-performing employee retention rate.	+ 80%	●	93.8%	+ 80%	2025
Active commercial services provided by SDC.	5	●	6	5	2025

1. Indicator Status: ● Fully Achieved (>99%). ● Partially Achieved (85% - 99%). ● Not Achieved (<85%).

02. Performance of Strategic Initiatives

Initiatives Aligned with the Saudi Vision 2030:



Initiative	Initiative Status	Start Date	Status	Actual Completion Percentage	Planned Completion Percentage	End Date	Vision Realization Program (if applicable)
Objective: Providing High-Quality Services for Pilgrims and Umrah Visitors							
Initiative to establish information registry & national statistical guide for the Hajj & umrah services sector	●	October 18, 2022	Completed	100%	100%	February 18, 2025	Pilgrims Experience Program (PEP)

GASTAT's Strategic Initiatives:



Initiative	Initiative Status ⁽¹⁾	Start Date	Status	Actual Completion Percentage	Planned Completion Percentage	End Date
Objective 1: High-quality Statistical Products Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy						
Bridging gaps in statistical products	●	May 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2025
Enhancing statistical data products quality.	●	July 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2024
Activating multiple data sources for statistical products	●	August 2022	Completed	100%	100%	April 2025
Objective 2: Dissemination and Access. Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy						
Improving users accessibility to data	●	August 2023	Completed	100%	100%	July 2024
Secure researchers access to microdata	●	June 2024	Completed	100%	100%	December 2024
Improving GASTAT's platforms	●	August 2023	Behind Schedule	88%	100%	July 2025
Objective 3: Stakeholder Engagement Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy						
Creating user groups in major sectors	●	July, 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2023
Establishing advisory group	●	February 2024	Completed	100%	100%	August 2024
Strengthening strategic international partnerships	●	July 2023	Completed	100%	100%	June 2024

Initiative	Initiative Status ⁽¹⁾	Start Date	Status	Actual Completion Percentage	Planned Completion Percentage	End Date
Objective 4: Digital infrastructure Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy						
Transition to institutional data lake	●	June 2023	Completed	100%	100%	May 2024
Building Statistical Registers	●	May 2023	Completed	100%	100%	March 2025
Designing and implementing innovative data collection methodologies	●	October 2022	Completed	100%	100%	December 2024
Implementing the Digital Transformation Plan	●	January 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2025
Objective 5: Organizational Capabilities & Efficient Operating Model Objective Type: GASTAT Institutional Strategy						
Development of the Contact Center	●	June 2023	Completed	100%	100%	November 2024
Development of Branches	●	March 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2023
Activation of the General Department of Quality, Methodologies, and Innovation	●	September 2022	Completed	100%	100%	December 2024
Activation of the Project Management Office (PMO)	●	February 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2023
Development of Financial Planning	●	July 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2023
Activation of Training Programs	●	June 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2023
Activation of Performance Management	●	June 2023	Completed	100%	100%	December 2023

Status: ● On Track, variation of ≤ 5%. ● Behind Schedule: Variation between > 5% to ≤ 15%. ● Significantly Behind Schedule: Variation of > 15%.

Statistical Work Indicators

No.	Statistical Publication	Key Indicators
01	Consumer Price Index for December 2025	Annual inflation in the Kingdom is 2.1% in December 2025, compared to the same month in 2024
02	Real Estate Price Index for Q4 2025	Real estate prices decreased by 0.7% in Q4 2025 on an annual basis.
03	Wholesale Price Index for December 2025	Wholesale Price Index (WPI) in Saudi Arabia increased by 3.1% year-on-year in December 2025.
04	Producer Price Index for November 2025	Producer Price Index in the Kingdom increased by 1.0 % in November 2025 on an annual basis.
05	Construction Cost Index (CCI) for December 2025	CCI in the Kingdom increased by 1.1% in December 2025 on an annual basis.
06	Annual average of Consumer Price Index for 2025	Annual inflation average of consumer prices in the Kingdom increased by 2.0% for 2025, compared to 2024.
07	Annual average of Wholesale Price Index (WPI) for 2025	Annual average of WPI increased by 2.0% during 2025, compared to 2024.
08	Physical Activity Statistics for 2025	59.05% of individuals (aged 18 years and above) practice physical activity for (150 minutes) per week.

No.	Statistical Publication	Key Indicators
09	Health Care Statistics 2025	The coverage rate of essential health expenditures for the population reached 96.23%.
10	Health Status Statistics for 2025	The percentage of the population (aged 15 years and above) who rated their health status as good or better reached 99.2%.
11	Education and Training Statistics 2025	The completion rate in primary education reached 99.61%, while the completion rate in intermediate education reached 99.06%.
12	Environmental Statistics Publication for 2024	The proportion of land affected by desertification declined to 5.9%.
13	Digital Economy Statistics for 2024	The share of the digital economy in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's GDP reached (16.0%) during 2024.
14	Food Security Statistics 2024	The Kingdom achieved self-sufficiency rates of 121% in dates and 131% in dairy products in 2024.
15	Warehousing and Logistics Statistics for 2024	The number of existing logistics centers activated in the Kingdom increased to 23 centers in 2024.
16	Non-profit Sector Organizations Statistics in 2024	Non-profit sector revenues in the Kingdom recorded a growth of 22.0% during 2024.
17	Research and Development Statistics 2024	Spending on research and development increased by 30.4 % during 2024.
18	Livestock Statistics 2024	Kingdom's sheep stock exceeded 22 million heads, and its camel stock approached 2.25 million heads during 2024.
19	Oil and Gas Statistics 2024	Levels of production, exports, and consumption in oil sector declined during 2024.
20	Electricity Statistics for 2024	The total amount of electricity transmitted through the grid increased by approximately 5.7% in 2024.
21	Household Energy Statistics for 2024	Electricity consumption in the residential sector reached 161,207 GWh in 2024.
22	Early Childhood Development and Child Wellbeing Statistics 2025	82.4% of children in the Kingdom (aged 24 - 59 months) are progressing positively in terms of health, education, social and psychosocial well-being.
23	Agricultural Statistics Publication for 2024	Date production in the Kingdom reached 1,923 thousand tons in 2024.

No.	Statistical Publication	Key Indicators
24	Household Environment Statistics Publication for 2024	99.98% of the Kingdom's population benefited from basic drinking water services in 2024.
25	Elderly Statistics Publication for 2025	The number of elderly individuals (aged 60 years and above) reached 1.7 million in 2025, representing 4.8% of the Kingdom's population.
26	Business Demographics Statistics for 2024	The rate of newly established business entities in the Kingdom's business sector reached 31.3% during 2024.
27	Waste Accounts for 2024	The total amount of waste recorded from various economic activities, along with household waste in the Kingdom, reached approximately 135.1 million tons in 2024.
28	Women's Health and Reproductive Care Statistics Publication for 2025	The percentage of mothers who made at least four visits to a healthcare provider before delivery reached 89.6% during 2025.
29	ICT Access and Usage by Establishments Statistics for 2024	The percentage of establishments with Internet access in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia reached 98%.
30	Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) Statistics for 2024	The total operating revenues of micro, small, and medium enterprises reached SAR 1,720 billion in 2024, with an annual growth rate of 7.0%.
31	Labor Market Statistics for Q3_2025	The unemployment rate for the working-age population reached 3.4% in Q3.
32	Labor Market Statistics for Q3_2025	The employment rate among the working-age population reached 64.6% in Q3.
33	Labor Market Statistics for Q3_2025	The unemployment rate among Saudi working-age individuals reached 7.5% in Q3.
34	Labor Market Statistics for Q3_2025	The employment rate among Saudi working-age individuals reached 45.3% in Q3.

Key Activities and Achievements in 2025



During 2025, GASTAT continued to strengthen its central role in supporting data-driven decision-making and in developing the national statistical system according to the international best standards. These efforts reflected its ongoing mission to provide reliable and comprehensive data, enable local and international partnerships, and build national capacities. The specialized initiatives launched by GASTAT also contributed to enhancing the Kingdom's regional and international standing and supporting the Saudi Vision 2030 objectives.

The following highlights the key activities and achievements during 2025:

01. The Kingdom made a significant leap in the Open Data Inventory Report for 2024 issued by the Open Data Watch, advancing 28 places to reach 9th place among G20 countries.



02. The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia strengthened its position in the Statistical Performance Indicator (SPI) issued by the World Bank, which measures the efficiency of statistical systems in 188 countries worldwide, achieving an overall performance rate of 83.3% in 2024 assessment compared to 81.5% in 2023. The Kingdom maintained its lead among Arab countries and advanced 3 ranks among G20 countries to reach 11th place.



03. Electing the Kingdom as a member of the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building (HLG-PCCB) for statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.



04. Electing the Kingdom as co-chair of UN Working Group on Data Governance (WGDG).



05. Hosting the 40th meeting of UN High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity Building for statistics (HLG-PCCB).



06. Launching "Road to Riyadh" events in preparation for hosting the 6th UN World Data Forum in November 2026.



07. Hosting the 13th meeting of the GCC Permanent Committee for Statistical Work in Riyadh.



08. Participating in the 12th meeting of the GCC Permanent Committee for Statistical Work to enhance cooperation and integration in statistical fields.



09. Organizing the first quarterly workshop titled: "Saudi statistical data... a Pivotal Role in Supporting National Development" as part of "Road to Riyadh".



10. Hosting the 13th meeting of the GCC Permanent Committee for Statistical Work, including a dialogue session titled: "International Statistical Standards and the Role of GCC Statistical Offices in Development and Implementation" as part of "Road to Riyadh" Program events.



11. Participating in the 56th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission meeting.



12. Celebrating 65 years since the establishment of official statistical work in the Kingdom.



13. Ongoing development of statistical products and indicators, reaching a statistical portfolio of approximately 80 products.



14. Organizing the 2nd Statistical Forum for Universities and Statistical Associations at the University of Jeddah, coinciding with World Statistics Day, under the theme: "Statistics for Sustainable Opportunities".



15. Organizing the first Saudi Statistics Forum, with participation of heads and representatives of national statistical offices and international organizations.



16. GASTAT's score in the Digital Transformation Measurement Index increased to 86%.



17. GASTAT advanced from the (transitional) to (advanced) phase in the Performance Management Practices assessment issued by ADA.



18. Announcing results of the first Statistical Knowledge Competition, launched by GASTAT in collaboration with the Ministry of Education, and winning educational administrations were honored.



19. Making statistical information request service available through Tawakkalna app.



20. Achieving the National Enterprise Architecture Accreditation Certificate at Digital Government Forum 2025.



21. Honoring GASTAT among the supporting & enabling entities at NIDLP Annual Ceremony 2025.



22. Establishing the first Statistical Innovation Lab in the Kingdom, in collaboration with universities and private sector.



23. Launching the second edition of the Saudi Statistician Program to enable young national talents to pursue postgraduate studies in statistics.

24. Awarding scholarships to five students to pursue a Master's degree in the fields of Statistics and Data Analysis, and Statistics and Data Sciences.

25. Launching the Microdata Service.

26. Obtaining four new standard quality certifications & maintaining eleven existing ones.

Royal Orders & Council of Ministers' Resolutions Regarding GASTAT 2025

Instrument Type	Number	Date	Title	Actions Taken	Implementation Status
Royal decree	29/M	10 / 02 / 1447AH	Approving Statistics Law in the form attached to the resolution.	Working on the statutory documents related to the enforcement of the Law in February 2026.	Completed
Telegram	11116	9 / 2 / 1447AH	GASTAT's Annual Report for the Fiscal Year 1445/1446 (2024).	The Report was submitted for completing the required matters.	Completed





01 Economic Statistics Path

Economic Statistics are a primary focus of GASTAT, including statistics about national accounts, prices, business and trade. Economic Statistics Indicators are derived from a balanced combination of statistical surveys and multiple data sources, including administrative records, in accordance with international standards and methodologies, to support decision-making and enable both the public and private sectors and investors to access reliable economic information that reflects the performance and development of the economy.



01.

National Accounts and Prices Statistics

A set of economic indicators is produced to measure national economic performance, including flash estimates of GDP growth rate, quarterly and annual national accounts indicators, supply and use tables; and input–output tables. The field of price statistics focuses on monitoring price changes, including Consumer Price Index (CPI), Real Estate Price Index, average prices of goods and services, and Wholesale Price Index (WPI), as well as new products such as, Producer Price Index (PPI), Construction Cost Index, and regional Purchasing Power Parities (PPP) Index.

Key Statistical Products Include:

01. Flash Estimate of GDP:

The process of estimating the growth rate of real GDP, conducted shortly after the end of the reference quarter and before the publication of the actual quarterly figures, when the data on the quarter are still incomplete. Such estimates aim to produce comprehensive and up-to-date statistics and indicators related to the quarterly flash estimates of real GDP in line with international standards, and to provide forecasts of quarterly real GDP growth for beneficiaries from government entities.

02. Quarterly GDP:

This publication includes a detailed report on quarterly national accounts indicators compared with the corresponding period of the previous year. This publication also contains tables on GDP by economic activity, organizational sectors, spending aspects, such as government consumption expenditure, private consumption expenditure, capital formation, and exports and imports, presented at both current and constant prices, in accordance with the moving series methodology, as well as seasonally adjusted real GDP.

This publication aims to provide accurate and regularly updated statistical data and indicators on the Saudi national economy, facilitating the measurement of economic growth & assessment of different economic sectors. This supports decision-making and contributes to providing accurate economic data to investors through the application of international standards and practices, such as meeting the requirements of the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) issued by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).



03. Annual National Accounts Publication:

This publication includes indicators on Gross National Income (GNI) and disposable income, in addition to a range of analytical tables that highlight national economy paths, such as the annual GDP growth rate and its components, and the interrelationships among major economic aggregates.

The publication aims to provide reliable data that support understanding the dynamics of the economy, monitoring growth trends, and evaluating the effectiveness of economic policies.

04. Supply & Use Tables and Input-Output Tables:

Supply and Use Tables provide a comprehensive structure of economic activities and products, allowing for measurement of key economic aggregates like GDP (through production, income, and expenditure approaches) in accordance with the methodologies of National Accounts System (SNA). They provide an analysis of products categorized by data sources in Supply Table, distinguishing between local production and imports. On the other hand, Use Table shows details of intermediate consumption of economic activities, final consumption expenditure (by households, government and non-profit organizations), gross fixed capital formation, changes in inventories, and exports. Input and Output Tables are a crucial instrument for comprehending GDP components, shedding light on the interconnections within the national economy and mutual interactions among different activities. Each activity utilizes products of other activities either as intermediate consumption or for fixed capital formation, while products of a given activity may serve as intermediate or capital uses in other activities. Input & Output Tables appear as activities produced at row level, and as consumed at column level. These tables facilitate economic planning and policy-making, enabling government agencies to develop more effective and accurate development programs.



05. Price Statistics:

Key Statistical Products Include:

■ Consumer Price Index (CPI):

A monthly economic indicator that measures relative changes in the prices of a fixed basket of goods and services, reflecting consumer expenditure patterns in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, over a given period compared to a reference period. This indicator serves as a primary tool for measuring inflation and deflation rates and is widely used in economic and statistical reporting and analysis. CPI is based on data collected from detailed field surveys, in addition to administrative records data, and aims to:



- Monitor changes in retail prices of goods and services included in the consumer basket.
- Provide a time series of statistical data on price indices.
- Classify statistics by consumption categories, including index and monthly and annual rates of change.
- Measure inflation or deflation
- Provide data that support the development of economic and social policies.
- Contribute to international and regional demands.

Price data are used to estimate a wide range of indicators, such as:

- Indices and change rates by category of expenditure (for reference month).
- Indices by region, category of expenditure, and annual and monthly changes rates.
- Indices by category of expenditure, and annual and monthly changes rates.

- Indices by region and annual and monthly changes rates.
- The annual average of the index.

■ Wholesale Price Index (WPI):

Wholesale Price Index (WPI) is a monthly statistical product that aims to measure the rate of change in prices of locally produced and imported goods in primary markets (wholesale markets) between two different time periods over time. Price data is collected from three cities: Riyadh, Jeddah, and Dammam. WPI is produced by GASTAT in line with Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) requirements. WPI aims to:

- Monitor and track changes in wholesale prices of goods and services.
- Provide a time series of statistical data on wholesale price indices.
- Conduct local, regional, and international benchmarks.

■ Real Estate Price Index (REPI):

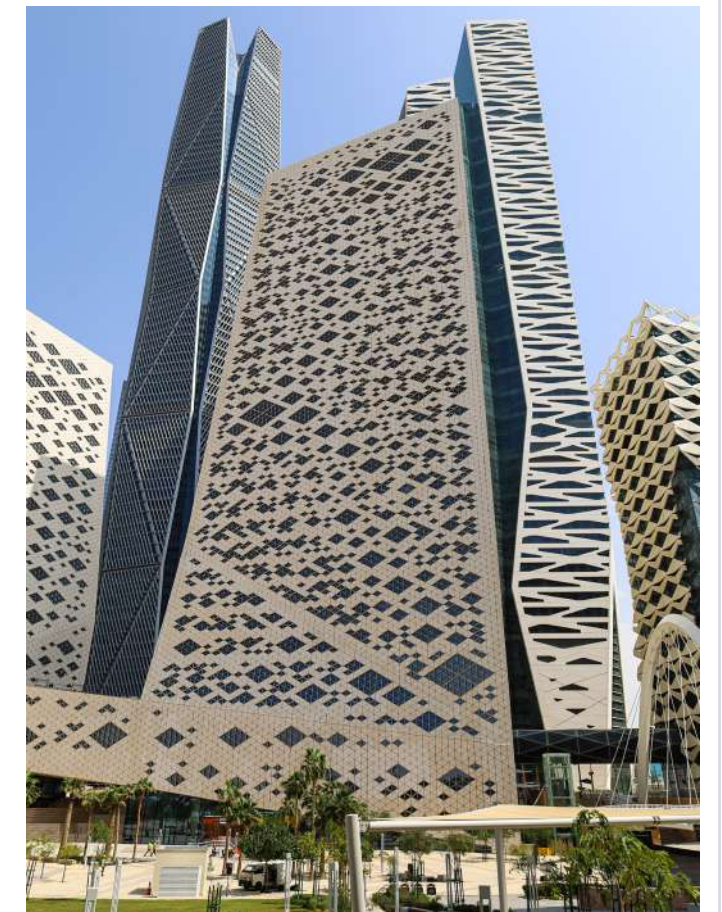
Real Estate Price Index (REPI) is a tool designed to measure relative change in real estate prices in the Saudi market over time, based on the data of real estate transactions value. REPI is published quarterly and is categorized by real estate sector (residential, commercial, and agricultural). REPI is measured using an advanced, internationally recognized methodology to ensure accuracy and reliability. This methodology involves collecting and analyzing real estate transaction data, classifying properties by region and type, and comparing current prices with base-period prices. This enables accurate measurement of price changes, offers a clear insight into market trends, and supports informed decision-making in the real estate sector.

REPI uses advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence and geospatial data processing and considers the expanded geographic coverage within cities compared with the previous index, thereby providing wider representation of the Kingdom's thirteen regions. The publication aims to:

- Provide advanced real estate statistical indicators that measure performance of real estate market in KSA.
- Meet local, regional and international demands.

■ Average Prices of Goods and Services (APGS):

Average Prices of Goods and Services (APGS) is a statistical product that measures the average prices of a group of goods and services in the Saudi market, according to a statistical methodology characterized by comprehensiveness, flexibility and quality, reflecting price movements and influencing factors. The price basket consists of 170 items, and the product currently covers 16 cities, including: Riyadh, Makkah, Jeddah, Taif, Madinah, Qassim, Dammam, Al-Hofuf, Abha, Tabuk, Hail, Arar, Jizan, Najran, Al-Baha, and Al-Jouf. The product is published on a monthly basis. APGS aims to:



- Measure changes in prices of goods and services purchased by consumers.
- Provide price data for main goods related to housing construction, such as: (Steel, cables, cement, lumber, ready-mix concrete).
- Provide data that can be relied upon in economic and statistical analyses of future price movements and forecasts over different time periods.

■ **Key achievements by GASTAT in the development of national accounts and price statistics products in 2025 include:**

○ **Comprehensive GDP Update:**

The comprehensive GDP update holds particular importance in view of the Kingdom's transformation under Saudi Vision 2030 and the fundamental structural changes in its economy. The development of infrastructure and logistics services, the significant expansion of tourism, changes in consumption patterns, the empowerment of the private sector, and the emergence of new sectors, such as culture and entertainment, financial technologies, and digital economy, require a review of GDP estimates in accordance with SNA recommendations and international best practices. Accordingly, GASTAT implemented the Comprehensive GDP Update project to enhance the utilization of administrative records, develop more specialized surveys to monitor structural changes, and improve the accuracy and comprehensiveness of GDP measurement. The results of the Kingdom's comprehensive GDP update were published on 1 May 2025.

This update has enabled the measurement of the following sectors' contribution to GDP:

- Culture Sector.
- Sports sector.
- Tourism sector.

○ **Consumer Price Index (CPI) Update:**

GASTAT conducted a comprehensive review of CPI, in line with international best practices and relevant global guidelines. This review aims to enhance the accuracy of measuring actual inflation in the Saudi economy and to improve the quality of CPI results.

Key updates under this methodology included enhancing the price data collection process, revising the consumer basket weights, and diversifying data sources. The weights were derived from the 2023 Household Income and Expenditure Survey, in addition to household consumption data from the national accounts. Housing data were sourced from Ejar platform supervised by REGA while several other basket components were based on administrative records of various government agencies. Additionally, the reference year of the index was updated from 2018 to 2023 to ensure that the index accurately reflects real consumption patterns.

Furthermore, GASTAT expanded the geographical coverage of surveyed POSs in each city to ensure full population coverage and diversity of consumer groups. Using spatial mapping, the sample frame was updated by reviewing coverage, increasing



and redistributing retail outlets to ensure an even spread across the Kingdom's cities according to population density and concentration. Coverage was expanded by mapping and identifying retail stores, increasing the total number of outlets in the latest framework to 82,000 compared with 32,000 in the previous framework. The monthly points-of-sale sample increased from 8,700 to 14,000 POS, while the number of basket items was raised to 582 according to the latest classifications, compared with 490 items in the previous methodology, reflecting consumer behavior and preferences. Geographical coverage was also expanded by increasing the number of cities covered by the survey, which increased from 16 to 23, allowing GASTAT to

publish index results for all administrative regions of the Kingdom.

GASTAT also adopted the latest version of United Nations Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP2018), introducing new levels for indicator calculation and result extraction, while linking it to the previous version (COICOP1999). The moving series methodology was applied through the annual updating of relative weights (consumer basket weights), in order to reflect the latest economic changes.

GASTAT has published the results using the updated methodology effective from August 2025 publication.



○ Wholesale Price Index (WPI) Update:

GASTAT conducted a comprehensive review of WPI, which included several updates, such as: updating the weights of the wholesale basket items and the data collection mechanism, in order to improve the quality of results, enhance the price data collection process, update wholesale basket weights, and diversify data sources based on value of local production, value of imports, and results of agricultural statistics. In addition, GASTAT updated the reference year of the index from 2014 to 2023 to ensure that it accurately reflects actual expenditure patterns.

Furthermore, GASTAT expanded the geographical coverage of surveyed POSs in each city to achieve full population coverage, by reviewing coverage and increasing and redistributing retail outlets to ensure an even spread across the Kingdom's cities according to population density and concentration. Coverage was expanded by mapping and identifying wholesale stores, increasing the total number of outlets in the latest framework to +16,000 compared with 5,655 in the previous framework. The monthly points-of-sale sample increased from 2,157 to

4,431 POS, while the number of basket items was raised to 554 according to the latest classifications, compared with 343 items in the previous methodology. Geographical coverage was also expanded by increasing the number of cities surveyed, increased from 3 to 23, representing 13 administrative regions, allowing GASTAT to publish index results for all administrative regions of the Kingdom. GASTAT also adopted the latest version of United Nations Central Product Classification (CPC 2.1) released in 2015, which is a unified international standard for classifying goods and services, and linked to the previous version (CPC 2.0) in order to reflect the latest economic changes.

GASTAT intends to publish the results using the updated methodology during 2026.

○ Average Prices of Goods and Services (APGS) Update:

GASTAT conducted a comprehensive review of APGS Index, based on the updated COICOP 2018 classification, issued by IMF, instead of COICOP 1999. As part of the update, the basket of goods and services was expanded to include 232 items, with data collected from sixteen cities, including: Riyadh, Makkah, Jeddah, Taif, Madinah, Qassim, Dammam, Al-Hofuf, Abha, Tabuk, Hail, Arar, Jizan, Najran, Al-Baha, and Al-Jouf. This expansion aims to improve index accuracy and enhance the statistical representation of the local market, by better reflecting current consumption patterns, increasing basket coverage, and minimizing distortions associated with the previous classification. GASTAT aims to publish the product after the update in 2026.

■ During 2025, GASTAT developed and introduced several statistical products under the national accounts and price statistics, including:

○ Project: Producer Price Index (PPI):

In its ongoing pursuit of developing high-quality statistical products, GASTAT launched the Producer Price Index (PPI), incorporating it into the suite of price-related economic indicators. The index aims to monitor changes in the prices of locally produced goods from the producers perspective. This allows for the measurement of price changes at the production level before they reach the final consumer. The new index, which uses 2023 as the base year, included: First Phase: Core economic activities within four main sectors. Data Collection: Conducted through a statistical survey of a sample of 1,004 establishments. The relative importance of each economic activity was calculated based on the data of Structural Business Survey 2023, ensuring the value added reflects

the weight of each activity within the index to guarantee accurate representation of actual economic changes. The index covers the following activities: Mining and quarrying; manufacturing; electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply; and water supply, sewerage, and waste management, and remediation activities, in accordance with the International Standard Industrial Classification and the National Classification of Economic Activities (ISIC4). Products were classified according to CPC2.1, covering ores and minerals, electricity, water, gas, food products and beverages, textiles and apparel, leather products, metal products, machinery and equipment, and other transportable goods. GASTAT began publishing the PPI in October 2025.



○ Project: Construction Cost Index (CCI):

In a significant step toward supporting the construction sector, GASTAT launched the CCI which contributes to providing accurate and reliable estimates of construction project costs based on a comprehensive analysis of the latest available data on the prices of raw materials used in building and construction, labor costs, machinery and equipment rental costs, and energy costs. The index serves as an important tool for monitoring price developments at the project level by tracking price movements of construction inputs across 51 items of goods and services, with prices collected monthly from more than 2,500 establishments.

The index was developed based on the framework of economic establishments, identifying the added value of the targeted economic activities within the survey, and determining the goods and services included in the CCI through contracting companies and establishments related to the construction sector. It covers all regions of Saudi Arabia and aims to:

- Monitor and track changes in prices of goods and services involved in construction costs.
- Identify demand volume for construction materials based on price fluctuations.

GASTAT published the results of this index starting with the June 2025 publication.

○ Project: Purchasing Power Index (PPI) for Saudi Regions:

PPI is considered one of the most vital economic tools for measuring disparities in price levels and the cost of living between different regions or countries. Within this framework, GASTAT is working on developing a Purchasing Power Index at the regional level



across the Kingdom. By adhering to international best practices and standards, the project aims to measure the actual purchasing power of the population and accurately analyze regional economic disparities. The development of this index includes defining data frameworks, designing the sample, constructing the basket of goods and services, and applying standardized calculation methodologies.

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Business and Trade Statistics

During 2025, GASTAT continued to develop and produce economic statistical products and indicators supporting the business and trade sectors. This year also saw the release of a package of periodic statistical publications for several key economic sectors, including business, international trade, investment, and digital economy. Additionally, a range of economic indicators were calculated and made available to measure the performance of various sectors. These indicators were presented within statistical products prepared according to an integrated methodological framework based on statistical surveys and other data sources, such as administrative records. As part of its ongoing development, GASTAT worked to enhance the level of granularity, apply international best practices, and launch new statistical products that meet national needs for modern economic indicators. The following highlights the key statistical products in this area:

01. Industrial Production Index (IPI):

This statistical product provides short-term indicators that help measure changes in production levels across a range of economic activities, including mining and quarrying; manufacturing; electricity, gas, steam, and air conditioning supply; water supply,

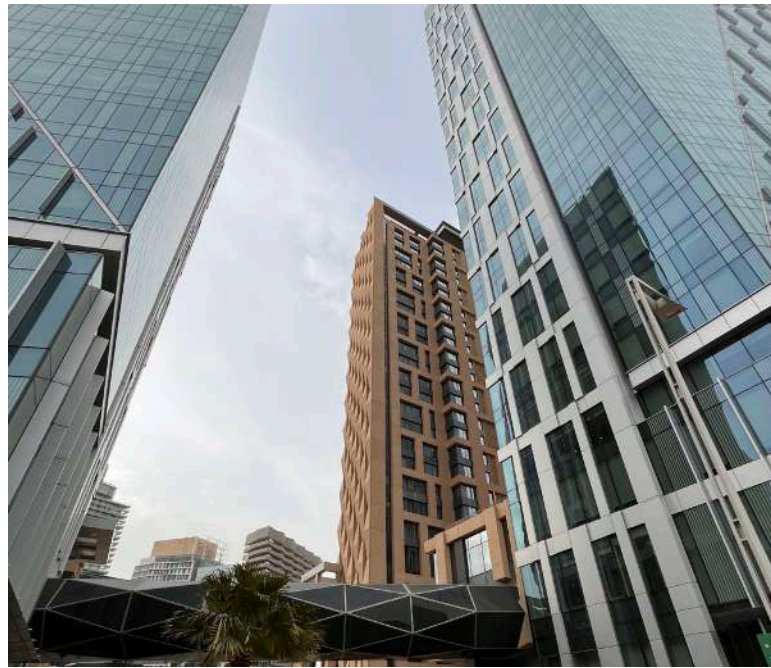
sewerage, and waste management, and remediation activities.

The product aims to:

- Provide short-term indicators to monitor production level fluctuations in industrial activities.
- Meet the needs of government entities and researchers for statistical data and information related to industrial production.
- Provide statistics suitable for local, regional, and international comparisons.
- Support economic studies and analyses.

02. Structural Business Statistics:

This economic product is one of the most prominent statistical products launched by GASTAT, serving as the fundamental pillar for business and trade sector statistics. The survey targets all business establishments in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and is conducted annually. It provides statistical indicators that help interpret the economic landscape, identify opportunities and challenges facing the business sector, and measure growth rates. Furthermore, it meets the increasing demand for detailed economic data from local and international organizations. Collaboration and integration



with government entities and private sector establishments have resulted in a wide range of specialized statistical indicators. These include operating revenues, operating expenses, employee compensation, and capital formation, all classified by economic activity. The product aims to:

- Produce detailed economic indicators for the business sector, including wages, salaries, allowances, and benefits, as well as the purchase and sale of fixed assets, allowing for an accurate reading of sectoral performance.
- Update the Statistical Business Register and publish specialized sectoral data through economic publications classified up to the fourth level of the National Classification of Economic Activities (ISIC4), enhancing data comprehensiveness and accuracy.
- Provide reliable indicators that facilitate local, regional, and international comparisons, enabling the preparation of

studies and analyses necessary for developing strategies and development plans.

03. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Statistics:

In collaboration with the Ministry of Investment and the Saudi Central Bank, GASTAT prepares and publishes Foreign Direct Investment indicators periodically (quarterly and annually) to provide a precise and comprehensive picture of foreign investment movements in the Kingdom. Quarterly statistics include measuring inflows, outflows, and net investment, while annual statistics focus on monitoring investment balances, total flows, and analytical indicators. FDI statistics are considered among the most critical strategic economic data, as they reflect the attractiveness of the Kingdom's investment environment and enable investors to make informed decisions, and enhance the competitiveness of the national economy at both regional and international levels. These statistics aim to:

- Accurately monitor investment flows and balances.
- Analyze the distribution of investments by economic activity and country to measure the contribution of each sector and nation to economic development.
- Track FDI sectoral trends.
- Support decision-making and enhance investor confidence by providing reliable indicators aligned with international standards.

04. Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs) Statistics:

SME statistics provide accurate and comprehensive data on enterprises within this sector across various economic activities in the Kingdom. This product reflects the structure of the micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) sector and measures its contribution to GDP, while monitoring its evolution and growth

within the national economy. These statistics focus on providing detailed indicators including operating revenues, operating expenses, employee compensation, and operating surplus, offering a holistic view of this vital sector. Furthermore, they highlight the distribution of establishments by size and economic activity, facilitating a more precise understanding of business structures. Notably, two new statistical indicators have been introduced within the SME statistics framework. These statistics aim to:

- Measure the business structure of MSMEs in the Kingdom and identify their economic characteristics by size and activity.
- Provide detailed data on economic activities by enterprise size to produce indicators showing growth rates and development trends for each activity.



- Analyze the contribution of economic activities to economic development by determining the relative importance of each activity within the SME sector.
- Expand coverage & improve the overall comprehensiveness of statistical data.

05. Research & Development (R&D) Statistics:

This statistical product provides comprehensive data and indicators regarding the R&D sector in Saudi Arabia. It involves collecting information from various economic activities to produce indicators on expenditure volume by sector and the number of researchers and employees specialized in R&D fields. This product is part of the annual economic statistics and aims to:

- Measure the scale of the R&D sector by producing detailed indicators across economic sectors, including: The levels of expenditure and funding and the number of researchers and employees.
- Provide statistical indicators to support planning, policy development, and the assessment of their impact.
- Enhance the Kingdom's international competitiveness by monitoring national indicators, comparing them with international indicators, and measuring the contribution of R&D to GDP.

06. International Trade for Goods Statistics:

International Trade for Goods reports are economic assessments conducted by GASTAT through the collection and processing of administrative records. These reports provide statistical data on the volume of imported and exported goods between the Kingdom and the rest of the world, contributing to the improvement of the Kingdom's Balance of Payments and Trade Balance. The reports aim to:

- Provide data to measure the volume of the Kingdom's international trade on a monthly, quarterly, and yearly basis.
- Supply export and import data for goods according to the Harmonized System classification (HS).
- Deliver international trade data at both the commodity and country levels.
- Utilize data for regional and international benchmarks, as well as for conducting studies and analyses

07. Non-Profit Sector Statistics:

These economic statistics provide comprehensive data on non-profit organizations as independent entities that operate systematically and continuously to achieve public or private benefit, without distributing financial returns to their members. This is in accordance with the definition approved in the National Strategy for the Non-Profit Sector and international statistical standards. These statistics provide detailed indicators based on non-profit organization classifications, enabling the tracking of growth trends, measurement of annual changes, and precise analysis of the development of sector activities. The statistical product targets all non-profit organizations in the Kingdom, whether governmental, public, or private, offering an integrated set of economic indicators that help understand the sectors' structure and enhance data reliability.



Since their launch in 2018, these statistics have undergone significant development in methodology and classification, coinciding with the adoption of the updated UN methodology for Satellite Account on Non-profit and Related Institutions, in addition to the adoption of a new classification for non-profit organizations. This has expanded the survey scope to include broader categories such as: Royal Foundations, Professional Bodies, Universities, and other non-profit entities. GASTAT further developed these statistics for the 2025 survey to increase comprehensiveness by including Homeowners' Associations, linking the International Classification of Non-Profit Organizations (ICNPO) with the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC Rev. 4), and adding a spatial dimension by providing results at the administrative region level within the Kingdom. The number of main and sub-indicators has also been increased. The statistics aim to:

- Measure expenditure within the non-profit sector and analyze spending patterns and core activities.

- Determine the workforce size in the non-profit sector by monitoring the number of employees and their distribution by activity.
- Measure the contribution of the non-profit sector to the GDP as a supporting pillar for economic and social development.

08. Short-Term Business Statistics:

This statistical product measures the short-term performance of various economic sectors through monthly indicators that track developments and growth rates across all economic activities within both public and private sector establishments. The publication frequency has shifted from quarterly to monthly, meeting the needs of government entities and the private sector for high-frequency economic indicators. These include operating revenues and employee compensation. The methodology was updated in accordance with international best practices,

transitioning from the use of absolute values to index numbers and increasing reliance on administrative data. Furthermore, data sources were strengthened to better reflect actual changes in the business sector. The development also included the inclusion of new indicators, such as bankruptcy filings and building permits, aimed at improving the quality and reliability of short-term statistics. The product aims to:

- Update time series for economic activities to ensure the provision of accurate, up-to-date data that reflects the reality of business sector performance.
- Provide monthly economic indicators to monitor short-term trends in the economy and measure cyclical changes across various sectors.
- Support decision-makers and investors with reliable data that assists in monitoring economic performance and making informed decisions based on accurate information and the latest international standards.

09. Digital Economy Statistics:

A statistical product designed for measuring the state of the digital economy in the Kingdom, in order to meet the requirements of local, regional, and international organizations and entities concerned with this field. These statistics aim to:

- Provide accurate statistical data and indicators on the digital economy.
- Support scientific research to enhance and develop the digital economy in the Kingdom.
- Conduct local, regional, and international benchmarks on digital economy.

10. ICT Access & Usage Statistics by Households and Individuals:

This statistical product is an essential tool for understanding how households and individuals benefit from modern technologies, and for measuring their level of availability and use. It aims to provide accurate data and indicators regarding ICT Access and Usage by Households and Individuals in the Kingdom, support scientific research by making available the necessary data to conduct relevant studies and research, and enable local, regional, and international benchmarks in this field. In this context, GASTAT has developed ICT Access and Usage Statistics by Households and Individuals by producing reliable indicators reflecting the usage of the Internet, smart devices, and digital services; raising data quality and improving the efficiency of data collection; aligning indicators with international standards to enhance their global comparability; as well as including new indicators that reflect modern technological developments.

11. ICT Access and Usage by Establishments:

GASTAT has worked on developing statistics on ICT access and usage by establishments by producing indicators regarding the use of the Internet, smart devices, and digital services. This product aims to provide accurate data and indicators regarding ICT access and usage among establishments, support scientific research by enabling the conduct of studies and research that contribute to enhancing and developing the use of these technologies in the Kingdom, and enable local, regional, and international comparisons in this field.



12. International Trade in Services Statistics:

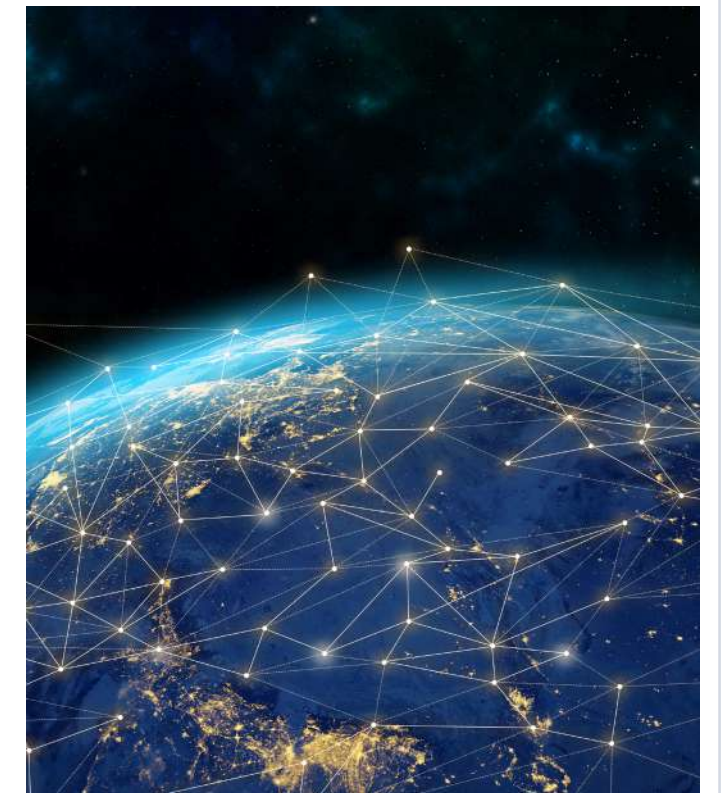
The International Trade in Services Statistics product provides detailed data on the movement of services between the Kingdom and other countries by offering accurate data on exports and imports of services, in accordance with the Extended Balance of Payments Services Classification (EBOPS 2010), which provides an integrated methodological framework for classifying international services at a more detailed level. The product aims to:

- Measure the volume of trade exchange in services between the Kingdom and other countries of the world, and monitor the sector's development as a key driver of economic growth.
- Enhance the quality of national accounts and balance of payments by providing reliable data that supports the preparation of accurate and comparable economic indicators.
- Support local and international studies and benchmarks, and decision-making by providing analyzable statistical data that contribute to economic assessment and policy formulation.

13. Business Demographics Statistics:

It provides statistical and economic indicators that contribute to understanding the characteristics and dynamics of the business community during an annual measurement period. The product provides detailed data on active, newly established, and closed business entities, disaggregated by geographical distribution and economic activities, enabling the monitoring of changes in the business sector over time. The product aims to:

- Measuring the dynamics of the business community by monitoring active, newly established, and closed business entities by activity and geographical location.
- Providing accurate and up-to-date statistical indicators that reflect the development of the business sector and support



the relevant government agencies in planning and decision-making.

- Promoting data alignment with international standards to support regional and international benchmarks and meeting the needs of partners and beneficiaries of the product.

14. Business Confidence Statistics:

The Business Confidence Index (BCI) reflects the perceptions and expectations of non-oil private sector establishments regarding current and future economic developments. It is based on surveys covering multiple



aspects, including production, input costs, employment, expansion plans, and growth. The index serves as a proactive tool to monitor the level of optimism or caution in the business sector, measure trends in economic activities in the Kingdom by reflecting current and future expectations in the short term—particularly in the industrial and services sectors—identify activities that support economic growth, and track business sector performance to anticipate economic cycles, turning points, and growth rates. GASTAT has developed Business Confidence Statistics by launching the index for the first time in the Kingdom, based on international best practices in proactive economic surveys, relying on manuals and guidelines issued by relevant international organizations, and in line with stakeholder needs.

15. Wholesale and Retail Trade Statistics:

This product is one of the newly introduced economic statistical products, providing a package of short-term economic indicators to track and analyze the performance of the wholesale and retail trade sector in the Kingdom. This product aims to:

- Update the economic data series for wholesale and retail trade activities.
- Provide data on wholesale and retail trade activities to prepare indicators that help measure growth rates.
- Meet the requirements for compiling national accounts in accordance with the latest international systems.
- Provide indicators for the index and growth rates for employee compensation, operating revenues, and e-sales.

■ New Products Developed During 2025:

○ Job Vacancies Statistics:

GASTAT launched a new economic project during 2025 aimed at measuring vacancy statistics as a key economic indicator reflecting the growth rates of unoccupied job opportunities in the labor market by tracking the volume of these opportunities and their changes. These statistics contribute to identifying the most job-generating economic activities and monitoring labor market dynamics in the short term. Data is collected in accordance with International Labour Organization (ILO) standards and on a quarterly basis, enabling the analysis of growth rates and identification of the most job-intensive activities, supporting labor market policies, and boosting recruitment efforts. This product aims to:

- Monitoring labor market dynamics and understanding short-term changes in job availability across various economic activities.
- Identifying the most job-generating economic activities and sectors.
- Improving the comprehension of functional gaps between supply and demand within the market.

○ Construction & Real Estate Activities Statistics:

It is one of the newest statistical projects launched by GASTAT, targeting business establishments operating in construction and real estate activities, with the aim of providing detailed indicators that enable an accurate reading of the performance level of establishments and the landscape of the construction market in the Kingdom. The project focuses on producing financial indicators reflecting the financial and structural status of the establishments, alongside future activity indicators contributing to monitoring sector developments and upcoming project opportunities, and actual activity indicators to track construction performance in practice. This product aims to:

- Measuring the impact of construction activity on economic development by analyzing its contribution to GDP and its role in economic growth.
- Providing detailed indicators of the financial and operational performance of construction establishments, including expenses, revenues, compensation of employees, and project classification by type and nature of business.
- Enhancing the comprehensiveness and quality of statistics by covering the entire construction cycle, providing detailed indicators according to the national classification of economic activities, and relying on multiple data sources in accordance with international best practices.





Key achievements of GASTAT in Economic Statistics during 2025 can be summarized as follows:

- Overarching update of GDP.
- Measuring the contribution of the tourism, culture, and sports sectors to the national economy.
- Introducing the Construction Cost Index (CCI).
- Developing the updated Consumer Price Index (CPI) and publishing it at the level of the Kingdom's regions.
- Developing and disseminating Business Demographics Statistics, providing accurate indicators on the dynamics of the business community in the Kingdom by monitoring active, newly established, and closed business entities by activity and geographical location.
- Developing the Research and Development product by introducing additional indicators and providing the same to UNESCO for publication.
- Developing and disseminating Short-Term Business Statistics by converting the same into monthly indicators, and updating the methodology in accordance with international best practices.
- Developing and disseminating detailed indicators for the Statistics of Non-Profit Sector Organizations in accordance with international best practices.
- Developing and disseminating BCI for the first time in the Kingdom, and implementing a monthly survey in accordance with international best practices to produce a proactive time series reflecting the expectations of non-oil private sector establishments.
- Developing and disseminating statistics of International Trade in Services Statistics to provide detailed and accurate data on exports and imports of services between the Kingdom and the countries of the world in accordance with the EBOPS 2010 classification.
- Developing and disseminating ICT Access and Usage Statistics.
- Developing and updating the base year of CPI.
- Developing and updating the base year of WPI.
- Adopting modern methodologies in line with international practices.
- Improving data collection methods for economic statistics products and diversifying their sources.
- Introducing Producer Price Index (PPI).
- Developing average prices of goods and services and expanding the basket of goods and services.

02 Social Statistics Path

Social statistics are among the key statistics produced by GASTAT, as they focus on monitoring the demographic and social characteristics of society. They cover a wide range of fields, most notably: Household Income and Expenditure, Labor Market Statistics, Gender and Diversity, Population Estimates, Education and Training Statistics, Skills and Adult Learning, Sports, Culture and Recreation, and the Safety Index. These statistics contribute to building a comprehensive national statistical database that reflects the reality of Saudi society. They are produced in accordance with internationally recognized standards and best practices, ensuring data quality, reliability, and comparability.



01.

Labor Market and Living Conditions Statistics

Labor market and living conditions statistics are a key component of social statistics, given their central role in measuring the economic level and quality of life of society. They provide data and indicators on the labor market and the living conditions of households in terms of income and expenditure, lifestyles, and the study of individuals' patterns and behaviors in their daily lives. The report below highlights key statistical products:

01. Labor Market Statistics:

These statistics are issued on a quarterly basis throughout the year and serve as a periodic reference for measuring labor market developments in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Key indicators include:

- Unemployment rate.
- Labor force participation rate.
- Employment-to-population ratio.
- Average weekly working hours.
- Average monthly wage.

2. Household Income and Expenditure Statistics:

Income and expenditure statistics serve as a key reference for monitoring the living conditions of households in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and provide statistics on income and spending patterns. Key indicators include:



- Average household final consumption expenditure.
- Average individual final consumption expenditure.
- Percentage of expenditure on basic goods and services.
- Average monthly disposable household income.
- Average monthly disposable income per individual.
- Percentage distribution of household disposable income by income source.

3. Consumer Confidence Publication:

An index that measures the change in the level of optimism or pessimism among consumers regarding the economy in the near future, through an economic survey that captures consumers' opinions, perspectives, and conditions concerning the current situation, in addition to their expectations about future economic conditions. Key indicators include:

- Overall consumer confidence index.
- Economic conditions index.

4. Culture and Entertainment Statistics:

These statistics monitor cultural and entertainment patterns among the population and provide indicators on participation in cultural and entertainment activities, supporting planning for the cultural industry and the development of the entertainment sector. Key indicators include:

- Participation rate in cultural and artistic activities.
- Attendance rate at events, exhibitions, and festivals.
- Levels of interest in reading, music, and films.
- Participation of the population in recreational and sports activities.

5. Safety Index:

A statistical index that measures levels of safety and security in Saudi society. It provides data on the extent to which the population feels safe, thereby supporting policies and plans aimed at enhancing safety and quality of life.



02.

Population, Health and Education Statistics

These statistics aim to provide comprehensive indicators and data on the demographic, housing, health, and educational characteristics of the population, including women, youth, and persons with disabilities. Their importance lies in providing detailed data derived from household surveys to support the development of estimation and forecasting models in line with statistical standards, and to meet national, regional, and international data needs.

The report highlights the following key statistical products issued by GASTAT:

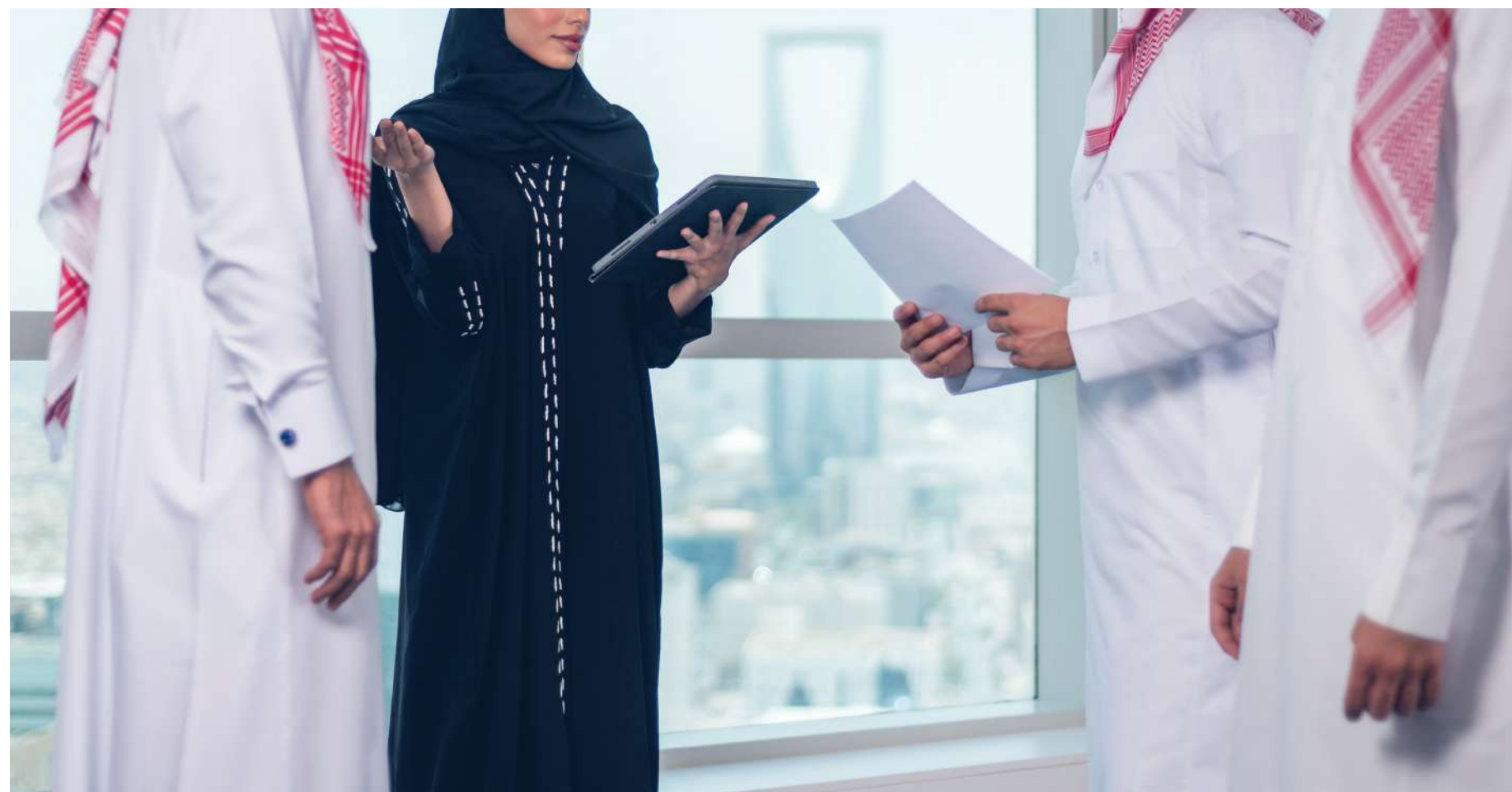
01. Population Estimates:

Population estimates are a dynamic tool for tracking changes in population size and their age, gender, and geographical distribution. They are based on a statistical model that relies on census results as the baseline, in addition to administrative records related to birth rates, death rates, and population movements. The key indicators covered by this product are:

- Total population size.
- Population growth rates.
- Age and gender structures.

02. Elderly Statistics:

These are specialized statistics that monitor the demographic, social, and economic situation of the elderly in the Kingdom.



Their importance lies in providing indicators that contribute to understanding their characteristics in a way that supports quality of life and well-being plans. The key indicators are:

- Percentage of the elderly of the total population.
- Age and gender distribution of the elderly.
- Percentage of dependency, marital and employment status, and indicators of access to social care.
- Health and social care indicators.

03. Women's Health, Care and Reproductive Statistics:

These are annual statistics highlighting health-related indicators for women and the levels of reproductive care provided to them, contributing to the assessment of maternal and childcare services in the health sector. These statistics provide indicators on the care provided to women, including:

- Fertility rates.
- Regular medical care before and after birth.
- Use of family planning methods.
- General health indicators & early screening for women.

04. Health Status Statistics:

These are annual statistics presenting health-related indicators based on individuals' self-reports and results of national surveys. Their importance lies in providing a clear picture of the overall health situation of adults and children, in monitoring the prevalence of various health conditions. The key indicators covered by this publication are:

- Self-assessed health status.
- Self-assessed mental health.
- Percentage of regular health check-ups.

05. Health Care Statistics:

These are annual Statistics that contribute to understanding the level of health coverage and ease of access to care services for the population. This product includes a number of indicators related to the efficiency of the health system, the assessment of medical services provided, and the extent of health insurance coverage. The key indicators are:

- Percentage of health insurance coverage.
- Rates of visits to health facilities.
- Satisfaction with the medical services and consultation provided.
- Unmet health care needs.

06. Early Childhood Development and Child Well-Being Statistics:

This is an annual publication concerned with measuring the physical, cognitive, and social development of the children in their early stages. It provides indicators reflecting the availability of a healthy environment conducive to early childhood development. The key indicators are:

- Positive and stimulating home environment for learning.
- Enrollment in early education programs (kindergarten).
- Use of digital devices.
- Possession of children's books.

07. Healthcare Establishments and Workforce Statistics:

This is an annual product concerned with inventorying and assessing the capabilities of the health sector in terms of infrastructure and human resources. It provides an overview of the geographical distribution of health facilities and medical staff, and the extent to which they correspond to population density. The key indicators are:

- Number of hospitals and health centers.
- Number of beds per 100,000 population.
- Number of medical personnel (physicians, nurses, and health practitioners).
- Geographical distribution of health facilities.

08. Education and Training Statistics:

This is an annual statistical publication that provides detailed data on completion rates for educational stages, assessment of the quality of the school environment, and monitoring participation in training programs. The key indicators are:

- Completion rates for educational stages (primary & intermediate).
- Indicators of behavior and educational engagement.

- Parental involvement in monitoring their children's educational progress.
- Student participation rates in training programs.

09. Adult Skills and Learning Statistics:

These are annual statistics concerned with monitoring lifelong learning, skills development, and educational attainment of individuals. They also provide national indicators related to the Sustainable Development Goals, specifically Goal 4 on ensuring inclusive and quality education and promoting lifelong learning opportunities. The key indicators covered by these statistics are:

- Participation rates of youth and adults in formal and non-formal education and training, and the percentage of those willing to participate.



- Educational attainment indicators & average years of schooling.
- Literacy rates among the adult population.

10. Disability Statistics:

This is a statistical publication concerned with providing detailed and comprehensive data on persons with disabilities in the Kingdom. The importance of this product lies in providing a database of indicators and data that track demographic, geographical, and employment distributions of persons with disabilities, in addition to measuring their use of and need for assistive devices. The key indicators covered by this product are:

- Prevalence rates by type and severity of disability, and need for assistive devices.

- Relative distribution of persons with disabilities by type of disability and severity level.
- Relative distribution of persons with disabilities by employment status and causes of disability.
- Educational and occupational characteristics of persons with disabilities.

11. Gender and Social Statistical reports:

These reports rely on an integrated methodology that combines and cross-analyzes data from multiple sources to produce in-depth analytical reports for the following groups:

- Saudi Household Statistics Report.
- Saudi Women Statistics Report.
- Youth Statistics Report.

03 Environmental and Spatial Statistics Path

Within this path, GASTAT produces and publishes environmental and spatial products that include qualitative indicators covering a number of vital sectors, including environment and energy, mining, agriculture, transport and logistics, tourism, and Hajj and Umrah. These statistical products rely on multiple data sources, including administrative records, specialized surveys, and satellite data and imagery.



.01 Environment and Natural Resources Statistics

Below are the key statistical products issued by GASTAT in this area:

01. Household Environment Statistics:

A statistical publication based on a household survey that collects data on access to water and sanitation services, as well as waste disposal methods, in order to measure Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6) indicators. It also monitors the main environmental pollutants affecting households and assesses the level of environmental awareness among household members. Key indicators covered in this publication include:

- Percentage of households relying on bottled water as their primary source of drinking water.
- Percentage of households relying on the public water network as their primary source of drinking water.
- Percentage of population benefiting from basic drinking water services.
- Percentage of population benefiting from safe drinking water services.
- Percentage of population benefiting from proper management of basic sanitation services.
- Percentage of population benefiting from proper management of safe sanitation services.
- Percentage of population benefiting from proper management of basic waste collection services.

02. Environmental Statistics:

These statistics are among the new statistical products developed in 2025, providing a set of indicators that reflect the state of the environment in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the factors affecting it. They rely on data from statistical surveys and administrative records from relevant authorities, including information on natural resources such as water and soil, as well as data on environmental pollutants affecting air, water, soil, and climate. These statistics aim to organize environmental statistics within an internationally recognized framework, provide accurate data that contribute to the calculation of Sustainable Development Goal indicators, and feed into climate change-related indicators. They also monitor the available volume and stock of natural resources, supporting the development of environmental statistical work in the Kingdom. This publication includes detailed indicators covering the following areas:

- Environmental conditions and quality.
- Environmental resources and their use.
- Waste.
- Human settlements and environmental health.
- Environmental protection and resource management.

These statistics also cover several key indicators, including:

- Total wild and marine reserve areas.
- Per capita share of green spaces.
- Average concentration of Particulate Matter (PM10).
- Average concentration of Particulate Matter (PM2.5).
- Average concentration of Ozone (O₃).
- Percentage of land affected by desertification.
- Total number of endangered wild plants & animal species.



03. Climate Change Statistics:

These statistics are produced in accordance with the statistical framework of the Global Set of Climate Change Statistics and Indicators developed by the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD). Key indicators include:

- Annual sea-level change in the Red Sea.
- Annual sea-level change in the Arabian Gulf.
- Average temperature change.
- Average sea surface temperature change in the Red Sea.
- Average sea surface temperature change in the Arabian Gulf.
- Precipitation change rate.
- Percentage of the wild reserves area of the Kingdom's total land area.

04. Water Accounts (System of Environmental-Economic Accounting) SEEA:

These statistics provide indicators on water resources and their uses in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, in accordance with the Environmental-Economic Accounting framework and the National Classification of Economic Activities. They cover several key indicators, including:

- Total water supply from natural resources.
- Supply of non-renewable groundwater.
- Total water consumption.
- Water consumption by economic sectors.
- Total distributed water.
- Household's water consumption per capita.

05. Waste Accounts (Environmental-Economic Accounting):

These are among the new statistical products developed in 2025, reflecting the importance of waste data in the Kingdom, the diversity of its sources, and the need for a unified and reliable statistical product. The development of this product is based on a review of successful international practices in waste accounting and on advanced global tools and methodologies, which show that environmental-economic accounting for waste provides an effective framework to meet this need. This framework relies on the construction of Supply and Use Tables, which are central tools in waste accounting, showing the quantities of waste generated by economic activity (supply) and how it is managed, treated, or disposed of (use). These statistics help fill gaps, improve the quality of environmental data, and enhance the efficiency of waste management in the Kingdom. Key indicators include:

- Total quantity of waste.
- Percentage of waste reused or recycled.
- Quantity of hazardous waste.
- Daily average of municipal solid waste generation per capita.
- Percentage of municipal solid waste of total waste.
- Percentage of hazardous waste reused or recycled.

06. Land Accounts (Environmental-Economic Accounting):

These statistics monitor changes in land cover and land use in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. They rely on a multi-source approach

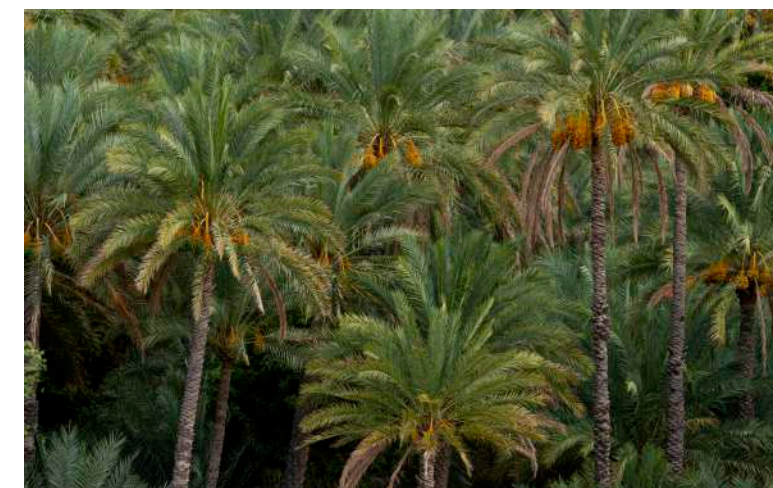
that integrates remote sensing data derived from satellites, administrative records, and geostatistical models, enabling the production of statistics that reflect the interactions between natural resources and human activities. Key indicators include:

- Change in the area of built-up regions.
- Change in the area of rangelands.
- Change in the area of bare grounds.
- Change in the area of agricultural land.
- Change in land area used for environmental functions & restoration.
- Change in the area of built-up area and related areas.

07. Agricultural Statistics:

These are annual statistics that cover data on cereals and fodder, open-field and greenhouse vegetables, cut flowers, palm trees and permanent trees, fertilizers and pesticides, organic farming, agricultural loans and bank credit, as well as exports, imports, and international indicators across the administrative regions of the Kingdom. Key indicators include:

- Planted and harvested areas of cereal and fodder crops and production quantity across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.



- Planted area of greenhouse vegetables and production quantity across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.
- Planted area of open-field vegetables and production quantity across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.
- Total number of palm trees, including the number of fruitful trees, and production quantity across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.
- Total number of permanent trees (excluding palm trees), including the number of fruitful trees, and production quantity across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.

08. Food Security Statistics:

These are annual statistics related to the status of food security in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. They focus on indicators related to the four dimensions of food security: food availability, food access, food utilization, and food supply stability. Key indicators include:

- Per capita share of food supply (available for consumption) of plant and livestock products.
- Self-sufficiency rate for plant and livestock products.
- Total GDP Per Capita.
- Per capita share of food loss and waste in the Kingdom.
- Agricultural Orientation of Government Expenditures.

09. Agriculture and Fisheries Statistics (Environmental-Economic Accounting):

These are statistics that present data on the production, supply, and consumption of plant, livestock, and fishery resources in the Kingdom. They include data on agricultural assets, as well as physical and monetary



Supply and Use Tables (SUT) for crops, livestock, and fish. They aim to organize data to enable the description and analysis of the relationship between the environment and economic activities related to agriculture and fisheries. Key indicators include:

- Percentage of domestic production out of the total supply of agricultural crops.
- Value of domestic production for livestock and plant resources.
- Total supply and use of agricultural crops.
- Total supply and use of livestock.
- Total supply and use of fisheries.

10. Livestock Statistics:

These are annual statistics that present updated data on livestock in traditional holdings, poultry, organic farming, honey production, as well as exports, imports, and credit loans across the administrative regions of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Key indicators include:

- Number of cattle projects by project type across the administrative regions in the Kingdom, and raw milk production quantity.

- Number and quantity of broiler chicken production and the quantity sold across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.
- Table egg production quantity from specialized poultry projects across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.
- Number of livestock categorized by age group and gender across the administrative regions of the Kingdom.

11. Fishery and Aquaculture:

These are annual statistics that present updated data on fishing in the Kingdom, covering both traditional and industrial methods along the coasts of the Arabian Gulf and the Red Sea. It also includes data on aquaculture projects, foreign trade of marine products, and loans granted for fishing and aquaculture activities. Key indicators include:

- Fish and shrimp catch in the Arabian Gulf and the Red Sea.
- Aquaculture projects.
- Fish and shrimp production from aquaculture projects.
- Commodity production inputs for aquaculture projects.
- Exports and imports of marine products.
- Development loans granted for fishing and aquaculture projects.

12. Energy Statistics (Environmental-Economic Accounting):

The Energy Accounts statistics provide comprehensive data on the production, supply, and consumption of energy resources in the Kingdom. It includes statistics for energy-related assets, as well as quantitative supply and use tables for various energy products, such as crude oil, petroleum products, natural gas, and electricity. Key indicators include:

- Total primary production of fossil fuels.
- Total energy supply.
- Total energy exports.
- Total energy imports.
- Total final energy consumption.
- Total final consumption of petroleum products.
- Total final energy consumption by households.

13. Renewable Energy Statistics:

These statistics provide data and indicators on progress made in the renewable energy sector through the status of renewable energy projects in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. It also covers comprehensive information on the types of exploited renewable energy sources, their production capacities, investment volumes, and energy procurement costs, thereby promoting the transition toward clean energy and sustainability. Key indicators include:

- Total capacity of operational renewable energy projects.
- Total investment volume in operational renewable energy projects.
- Total number of residential units estimated to be supplied with electricity from renewable energy.
- Number of operational renewable energy projects.

14. Mineral Resources Statistics:

One of the new statistical products that aims to provide a set of data and indicators reflecting the status and developments of the mining sector in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. These statistics rely on administrative records received from the relevant

entities to ensure the accuracy and comprehensiveness of information related to different minerals. They provide detailed indicators on issued mining licenses, international trade in minerals (exports and imports), in addition to spatial data reflecting the geographical distribution of the number of discovered mineralization sites in the Kingdom. Key indicators include:

- Total issued mining licenses.
- Total number of discovered mineralization sites in the Kingdom.
- Total number of mineralization sites of very high importance.
- Total aluminum exports.
- Total aluminum imports.
- Total phosphate fertilizers exports.
- Total phosphate fertilizers imports.

15. Electrical Energy Statistics:

These are annual statistics that provide data and indicators on electrical energy in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and cover peak load data, available capacities, and annual electricity production and consumption. It also provides data on power plant capacities, energy losses, and the per capita and per subscriber share of energy sold. Key indicators include:

- Total electrical energy sent to the network.
- Total licensed electrical energy generation capacity.
- Total electrical energy consumed.
- Percentage of electrical energy loss in transmission and distribution networks.
- Average annual electrical energy consumption per capita in the residential sector.
- Average annual electrical energy consumption per consumer in the residential sector.
- Average annual electrical energy consumption per household in the residential sector.

16. Household Energy Statistics:

These are annual statistics that provide data on the use of energy sources in households within the Kingdom, including electricity, fuels, biomass, and photovoltaic (solar) energy. They estimate the consumption shares of different energy forms and energy conservation methods, as well as the extent of households' willingness to use renewable energy. The publication also aims to provide a comprehensive statistical database on energy consumption behavior and energy efficiency in the residential sector, thereby supporting national energy policies and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Key indicators include:

- Percentage of households using gas (cooking gas) for cooking.
- Percentage of households using electricity for cooking.
- Percentage of households using iron gas cylinders.
- Percentage of households using fiber gas cylinders.
- Percentage of households with thermal insulation.
- Percentage of households highly concerned with conserving electricity consumption in the dwelling.
- Percentage of households applying energy-saving guidelines for electrical appliances.
- Percentage of households interested in using solar energy in the dwelling.

17. Oil and Gas Statistics:

These are annual statistics that provide comprehensive data and key indicators on the oil and gas sector in the Kingdom. The publication covers crude oil, natural gas, and petroleum products, including production, consumption, exports, imports, reserves, and stock changes, within a statistical framework that reflects the overall status and performance of the sector. Key indicators include:

- Total crude oil production.
- Total crude oil consumption.
- Total crude oil exports.



- Total crude oil imports.
- Total natural gas production.
- Total natural gas consumption.

18. Energy Efficiency Statistics:

These are annual statistics that provide comprehensive data on energy intensity indicators and achieved savings, in addition to consumption indicators across the buildings, industrial, transport, and government sectors, as well as energy efficiency performance and conservation efforts.

- Energy consumption intensity by sector.
- Primary energy savings from energy efficiency initiatives by sector.
- Electricity consumption rate by buildings sector.
- Electricity consumption rate by residential sector.
- Electricity consumption rate by commercial sector.
- Electricity consumption rate by government sector.

02.

Tourism and Transport Statistics

GASTAT produces statistical indicators in the fields of transport, logistics, tourism, and Hajj and Umrah. The following are the main statistical products provided by GASTAT in this area:

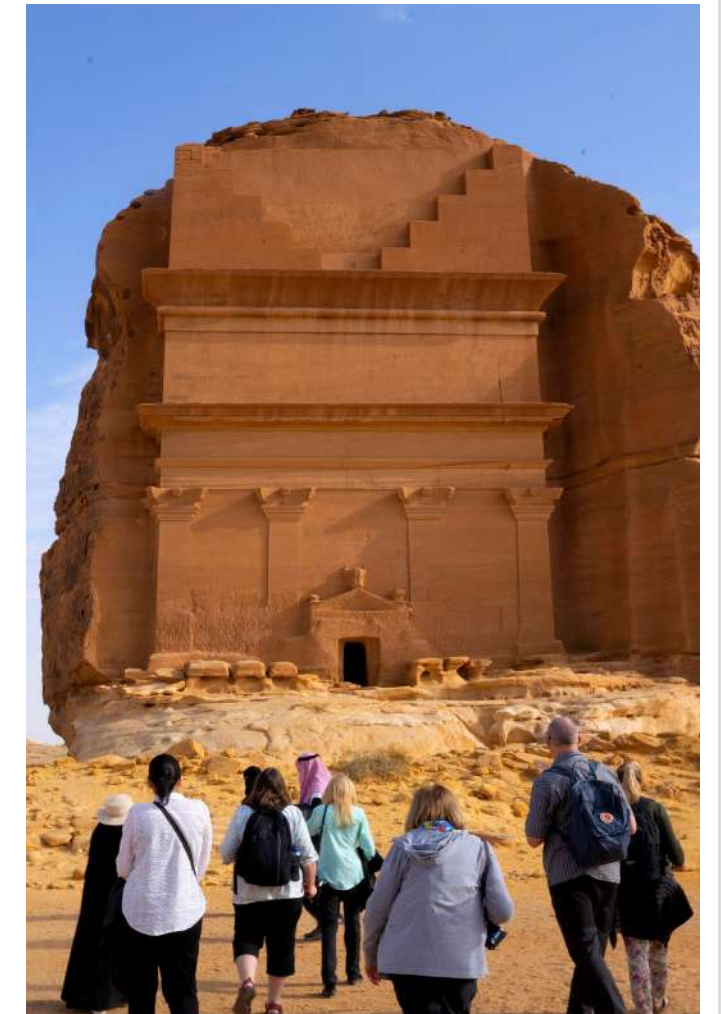
01. Tourism Establishments Statistics:

This is a quarterly statistical product that relies on multiple data sources, including administrative records and surveys, aiming to provide data on employees in tourism activities, as well as indicators for tourism hospitality facilities across the Kingdom and its administrative regions. Key indicators covered by this publication include:

- Number of employees in tourism activities and their characteristics.
- Number of licensed tourism hospitality facilities.
- Room occupancy rate in licensed tourism hospitality facilities.
- Average daily rate in licensed tourism hospitality facilities.
- Average length of stay in licensed tourism hospitality facilities.

02. Hajj Statistics:

This is an annual statistical product that provides comprehensive data on the number of pilgrims and their distributions. It tracks pilgrims coming from inside and outside the Kingdom, and analyzes their distributions by nationality and means of transport.





It also monitors the levels of health and security services provided to them, thereby supporting planning, organization, and measuring the efficiency of services during the Hajj season. Key indicators covered in this publication include:

- Number of pilgrims from inside and outside the Kingdom by sex and nationality.
- Relative distribution of international pilgrims by point of entry (air, road, and sea).
- Total number of pilgrims benefiting from the Makkah Route Initiative.

03. Umrah and Visit Statistics:

This is a quarterly statistical product that provides comprehensive data on the number of Umrah performers and visitors, their demographic characteristics, and their arrival and stay patterns. This contributes to supporting planning, enhancing the efficiency of services provided to the Guests of Allah, and improving the

services offered to Umrah performers and visitors. Key indicators covered in this publication include:

- Total number of Umrah performers.
- Total number of internal Umrah performers.
- Total number of external Umrah performers.
- Total number of visitors to Madinah.
- Total number of internal visitors.
- Total number of external visitors.

04. Road Transport Statistics:

This is an annual publication that provides data and indicators on passenger movement through public transport and road ports, in addition to freight movement through road ports, infrastructure, and road traffic. Key indicators include:

- Number of public transport passengers.
- Imported and exported freight volume through land ports.

- Traffic injuries, fatalities, and accidents.
- Number of registered and roadworthy vehicles.
- Number of new driving licenses issued during the year.
- Number of renewed driving licenses during the year.

05. Maritime Transport Statistics:

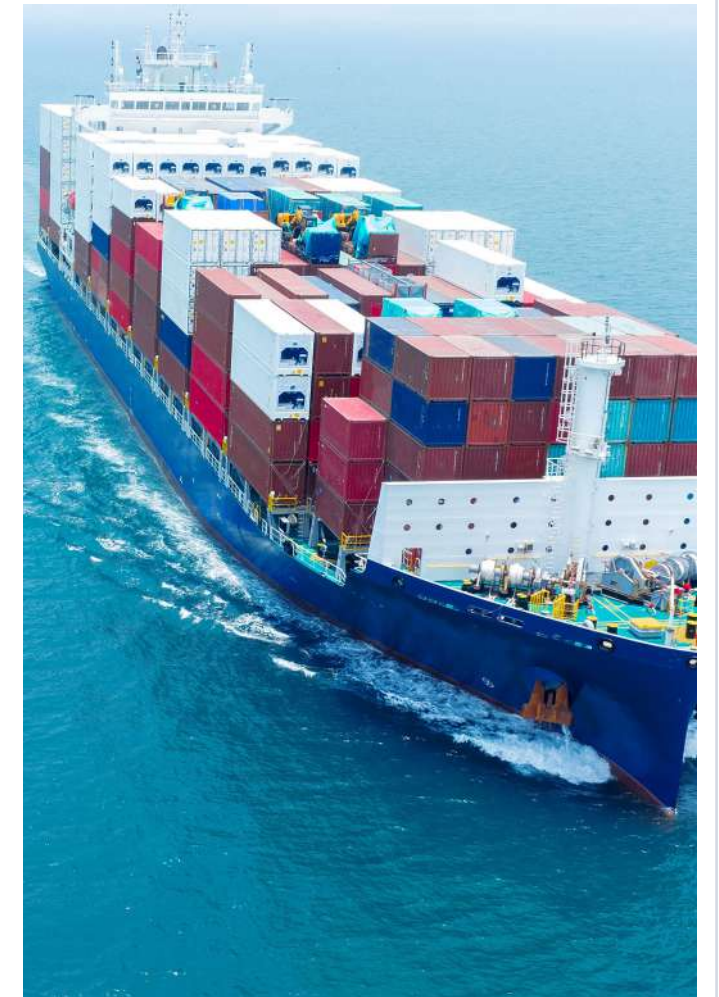
This is an annual statistical product that provides indicators in the field of maritime transport, covering passenger arrivals and departures through Saudi ports, the volume of cargo unloaded and loaded at the Kingdom's ports, in addition to ship traffic through these ports. These statistics also help meet the increasing demand for maritime transport data and support policy planning related to developing supply chain infrastructure. Key indicators covered by this publication include:

- Outbound cargo volume.
- Inbound cargo volume.
- Number of outbound containers.
- Number of inbound containers.
- Number of arriving passengers.
- Number of departing passengers.

06. Air Transport Statistics:

This is an annual statistical product that provides statistics and indicators on the air transport system, covering flight, passenger, and freight movement through commercial and general aviation. It enables understanding the state of air transport in the Kingdom, supports local, regional, and international comparisons, and contributes to strategic planning and the development of the aviation sector. Key indicators include:

- Number of arriving and departing passengers on international and domestic flights.
- Number of arriving and departing international & domestic flights.
- Inbound, outbound, and transit air freight volumes.
- Handling capacity.
- Air connectivity index.



07. Railway Transport Statistics:

This is an annual statistical product that provides data on passenger arrivals and departures via railway, transported freight volumes, and number of trips, enabling a clear understanding of the railway transport situation in the Kingdom. Key indicators include:

- Intercity railway passenger trips.
- Number of intercity railway passengers.



- Number of intracity railway passengers.
- Number of freight trips on railways.
- Railway freight volumes.

08. Warehousing and Logistics Statistics:

It is a statistical publication concerned with providing indicators and data related to warehousing and the logistics sector, such as the number of post offices, the number of warehouses, the number of logistics licenses, and the volume of goods transported across transport sectors (road, railway, maritime, and air), in addition to other indicators that contribute to enabling studies and research in the field of warehousing and logistics. Key indicators include:

- Number of logistics centers.
- Number of postal service sales outlets.
- Number of commercial warehouses.
- Number of construction warehouses.
- Number of valid licenses for freight and postal transport.
- Number of licensed delivery app companies for freight transport.

- Percentage of establishments using multimodal transport for mail and parcels.

09. Services Statistics:

The publication presents data on service establishments available in the cities and villages of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, whether educational, administrative, social, agricultural, public governmental, or private, through a comprehensive enumeration of administrative records data, distributed according to the administrative divisions and population clusters of the Kingdom. Key indicators include:

- Number of schools in the Kingdom.
- Number of branches and offices of the Ministry of Environment, Water, and Agriculture in the Kingdom.
- Number of Saudi Red Crescent ambulance centers in the Kingdom.
- Number of Civil Defense centers in the Kingdom.
- Number of commercial bank branches in the Kingdom.

Main achievements realized in the field of environmental and spatial statistics are as follows:

- **Adding over 200 new indicators to statistical publications:**

This contributed to enhancing the availability of statistical data in the fields of environment, agriculture, energy, tourism, Hajj and Umrah, and transport and logistics, which enhanced transparency and enabled government entities and the private sector to use data for planning and decision-making. It also contributed to supporting the monitoring of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) indicators and strengthening the competitive advantage of these sectors.



- **Developing Environmental Accounts (Land, Energy, Water, Agriculture and Waste):**

This is a strategic achievement that supports efficient management of natural resources and sustainable economic planning. Its impact economically includes improving investment targeting and reducing waste. Socially, it enhances quality of life, protects the environment, and ensures balanced development for current and future generations



- **Utilizing Aerial Imagery Data:**

This contributes to updating and improving agricultural and environmental statistics by providing information and data that support the efficient management of natural resources.



01 Enabling Path

The development of statistical work relies on an integrated ecosystem of enabling and supporting technical and institutional tracks that contribute to enhancing the efficiency of the statistical system and sustaining its development. Within this framework, the enabling path focuses on developing institutional enablers for statistical work, including aspects related to strategy and organizational excellence, quality, methodology and innovation, data collection and management, strategic communication, development of national and international partnerships, legal and legislative frameworks, governance, risk management and compliance, and provision of specialized services through the Statistical Development Center. Below is an overview of the main efforts and initiatives in these areas.



01 Strategy and Organizational Excellence

Strategy and Organizational Excellence is concerned with strategy, project management and organizational excellence at GASTAT. This contributes to achieving GASTAT's objectives and enhancing its performance efficiency. The department works on developing the strategy in alignment with strategic directions and future aspirations. It monitors strategy implementation and measures organizational performance by tracking indicators, issuing periodic reports, addressing challenges, and improving achievement levels. It also oversees the monitoring of strategic projects and initiatives, enhancing their execution efficiency and managing risks and change requests. Additionally, it oversees institutional policies and procedures, instills concepts of organizational excellence and quality, and participates in organizational awards and accreditations. It contributes to raising organizational awareness in strategy, project management, and organizational excellence by organizing workshops, awareness programs, and introductory meetings. Key achievements during 2025 included:

- GASTAT progressed to the (Advanced Stage) in the assessment issued by the National Center for Performance Measurement (ADAA) regarding the evaluation of performance management practices for GASTAT (2025) in the fields of strategy management, performance management, initiative management, and change management and performance culture.
- GASTAT obtained (4) standard quality specifications in the fields of quality, compliance, legal, information security, information security risks, business continuity, information technology, risks, project management, code of conduct, and competency management and human resources development.



The most important activities implemented during 2025 include:

- Working on developing the strategy for the next phase by identifying strategic directions, setting strategic goals and pillars, defining targets, and establishing initiatives.
- Enhancing organizational awareness in strategy, project management, and organizational excellence by implementing a series of awareness initiatives, conducting specialized workshops, broadcasting awareness newsletters via internal communication channels, and hosting field experts.
- Building strategic partnerships in project management and enhancing performance culture through the signing of memoranda of cooperation.
- Developing and updating organizational policies and procedures, and managing the continuous improvement of business and administrative processes according to best practices, which contributes to enhancing organizational performance and raising the readiness for participation in local and international awards, as well as obtaining certificates and international accreditations.

02 International Indicators

It focuses on monitoring and tracking the requirements of international reports and indicators by studying both outgoing reports and incoming requests from international organizations. It coordinates with relevant departments within GASTAT and with concerned entities at the national level to fulfill the required indicators and questionnaires, and ensures the availability and updating of data according to approved international standards. It also provides international organizations with this data, thereby enhancing the accuracy of national data representation in international reports and indicators.

Key Achievements and Activities during 2025:

- Improving GASTAT performance in publishing economic indicators according to IMF requirements for 2025.

International Performance Indicator Name ⁽¹⁾	Objective of	Source	Year of Publication	Indicator status ⁽²⁾	Actual Value	Measurement Period
Statistical Performance Indicator	2024	World Bank	2025	●	83.3	Annually
Open Data Inventory Report	2024	Open Data Watch	2024	●	73	Annually

(1) Enter the international indicator name, ensuring it is the most recent version. If the source provider updates the methodology, a supporting note should be provided.

(2) Status Indicator Colors:
 ● On Track: Variance of 5% or less.
 ● Behind Schedule: Variation of more than 5% up to 15%.
 ● Significantly Behind Schedule: Variation of > 15%.

- Providing 100% of all indicators required by the GCC Statistical Center regarding the Kingdom's data in the Gulf Common Market for 2024.
- Working on approximately 170 requests received by GASTAT from international organizations during 2025 regarding the fulfillment and updating of data and questionnaires across all social, economic, environmental, and geospatial fields and sectors.
- Providing data for SDGs indicators.



03 Strategic Communication

GASTAT operates through this track to enhance strategic communication efficiency, improve GASTAT's public image, and solidify its identity and status. This is achieved by developing communicative messages, unifying media discourse, marketing statistical content, raising societal awareness of indicators and statistical figures, publishing reports and statistics in both Arabic and English, and facilitating access to them via the official

website in multiple formats. Additionally, GASTAT focuses on building effective media partnerships and highlighting its efforts, initiatives, and programs across all forms of media. Numerous projects were executed, resulting in significant achievements throughout this reporting year across various domains. **The following highlights some of these achievements:**

01. Marketing & Awareness:

GASTAT concentrates its marketing and awareness efforts on publishing all news, reports, and statistical publications through its official channels and overseeing website development. Additionally, GASTAT publishes statistical content to raise community awareness of statistical concepts and indicators by preparing, reviewing, and proofreading Arabic content, including official statements, news, and press releases, and the production of videos and graphic designs. Furthermore, it launches awareness campaigns directed at external audiences and reviews written and visual organizational content to ensure language consistency and adherence to identity.



02. Translation:

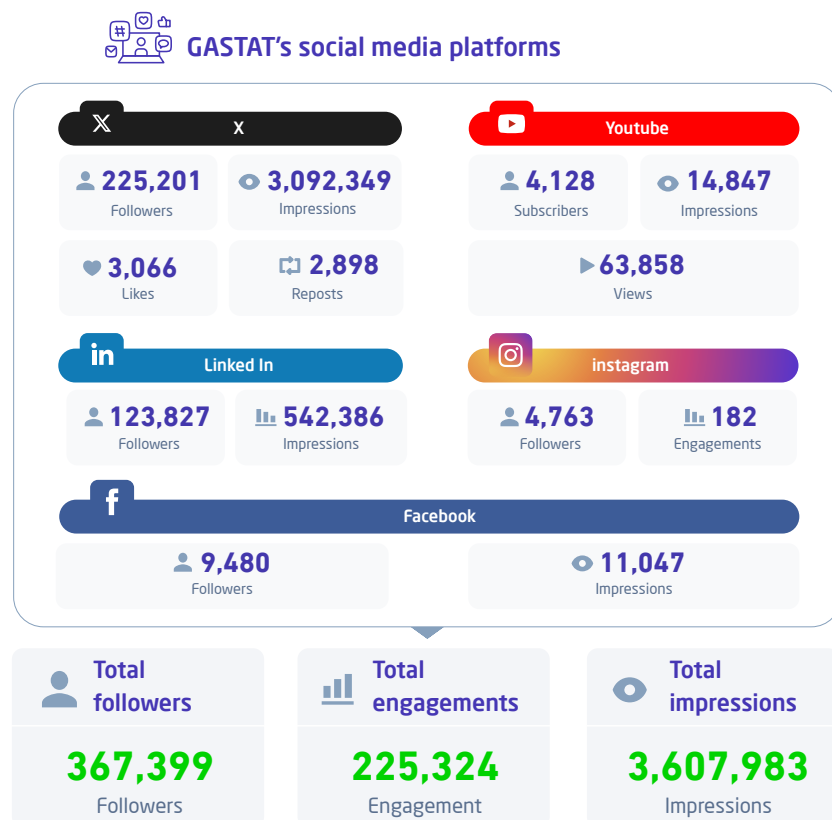
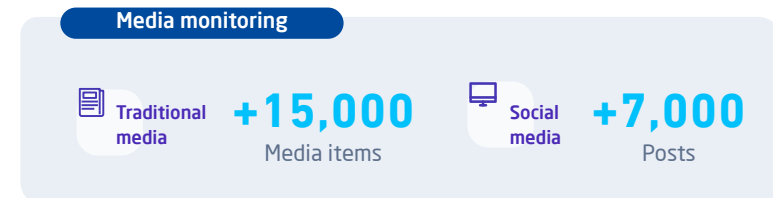
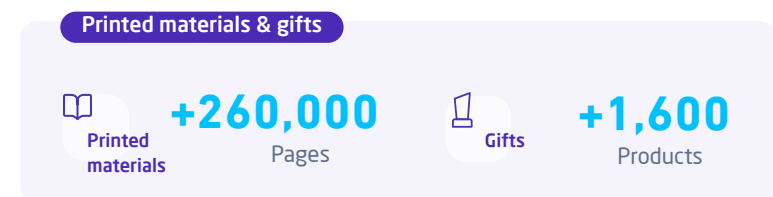
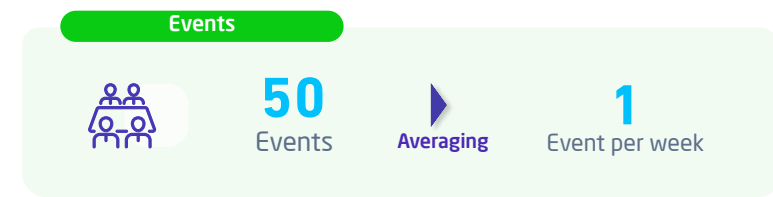
The Translation Department provides integrated linguistic services that support strategic communication and enhance the quality of statistical content. This is achieved through the standardization of terminology, ensuring the accuracy and integrity of communication messages, and enabling effective access to multilingual audience, thereby contributing to raising statistical awareness and strengthening the institutional image. The department has also developed mini-glossaries aimed at standardizing the use of linguistic identity and terminology across GASTAT, particularly for non-statistical staff.

In addition, it has organized workshops and training programs for GASTAT's employees to enhance awareness of language skills and highlight the role of translation within statistical organizations. Among its key achievements is the development of a Unified Media Content Terminology List for the 6th UNWDF 2026 and the Road to Riyadh. The department also launched the Glossary of Statistical Terms, which currently includes more than 1,300 statistical terms. Furthermore, it updated the Editorial Policy for Content Writing and Translation within GASTAT, revised the Writing Numbers in Statistical Publications and Reports, and developed a guidance card for drafting statistical publication content.



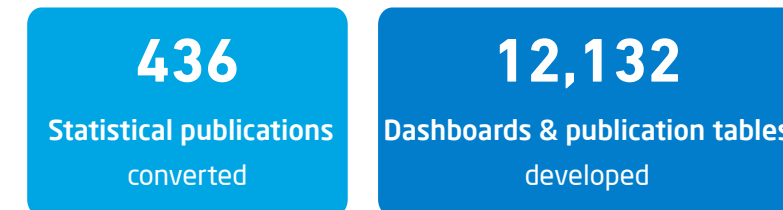
03. Media Outreach:

Media Outreach is concerned with highlighting GASTAT's efforts, work, and statistical products in local and international media and digital platforms, implementing internal events, preparing news and media reports, analyzing reactions to published media materials, and contributing to raising statistical awareness. **Among its most prominent activities are:**



04. Data Visualization:

Data Visualization is concerned with preparing and developing visual representations of statistical data by transforming tables and raw data into designs, charts, and interactive dashboards. This contributes to simplifying the presentation of indicators and statistical results, making them easier to understand and interpret for different user groups, while ensuring consistency with GASTAT's organizational identity. **Among the most important activities in this field during 2025:**



04. Legal Affairs

This path is concerned with the regulatory aspects related to GASTAT's work and jurisdictions, ensuring their alignment with relevant laws, regulations, decisions, and instructions and the proper implementation of them. It also contributes to establishing a work environment based on compliance with the relevant laws, regulations, and decisions. Many achievements were realized during 2025, including:

o Issuance of the Statistics Law:

Pursuant to the provisions set forth in the Law enacted by Royal Decree No. (M/29) dated 10/02/1447 AH, the Legal Affairs Department has drafted the related regulatory instruments, namely:

- Implementing Regulation of the Statistics Law.
 - Rules and Procedures for the Committee for Reviewing Violations of the Provisions of the Statistics Law and its Regulation.
 - Table of classification of violations and penalties of the Statistics Law and its Regulation.
 - Charter of Statistical Work Ethics and Statistical Services.
- This integrated regulatory framework serves to operationalize statistical work, ensure its comprehensiveness, and govern the relationship between GASTAT and other relevant entities, in addition to protecting GASTAT legally before judicial authorities.

During 2025, it handled various lawsuits before the courts and represented GASTAT, as follows:



Number of final judgments classified by subject of the case	
Contract-related cases	8
Employment rights-related cases	8

Number of final judgments classified by law	
Labor law	13
Government tenders and procurement law	1
Civil service law	2

Further Achievements in Legal Affairs:

- Providing more than 114 legal studies and consultations related to GASTAT's work and jurisdictions, contributing to compliance with laws and regulations and reducing risks.
- Preparing and reviewing more than 40 documents of regulations, policies, and documents related to GASTAT's work to enhance governance and transparency.
- Drafting and reviewing the legal aspects of more than 38 agreements and memoranda of cooperation with public and private entities, and preparing their templates.
- Conducting legal review of 102 contracts.
- Participating in 40 committees affiliated with the Bureau of Experts at the Council of Ministers, covering topics including

annual reports of government entities, periodic reports prepared by government entities on specific topics, drafting and reviewing legislative projects, discussing and signing draft memoranda of understanding, indicators and measurements, and multiple topics related to GASTAT's jurisdictions, in addition to topics related to human rights.

GASTAT also worked on training and developing its employees in the field of legal development to build specialized legal competencies that contribute to improving the quality of work.



The department also contributed to raising awareness and transferring legal knowledge to GASTAT employees by holding a number of workshops introducing the provisions of the Statistics Law, in addition to participating in activating the International Law Day.

05 Data Collection

This path is concerned with implementing field, telephone, and self-reported data collection operations and supervising the implementation of statistical surveys in a manner that ensures the quality of data collection through continuous monitoring of researchers' performance and enhancing the quality of surveys implemented for the economic, social, and environmental and spatial sectors, as well as the Statistical Development Center. Its tasks include planning, organization, and follow-up; managing researchers; applying communication rules; and monitoring data quality and adhering to approved quality standards. **Among the most prominent activities in this path for 2025:**

- Implementing data collection operations for 207 statistical surveys.
- Establishing & operating the Statistical Survey Operations Center.
- Achieving an average waiting time of 4 seconds for incoming calls to the unified number.
- Contracting field researchers under annual contracts, while applying the flexible work approach through the Mrn platform.
- Training employees on the skills and techniques required to enhance data collection efficiency.
- Leveraging Data Lake in supporting data collection activities.

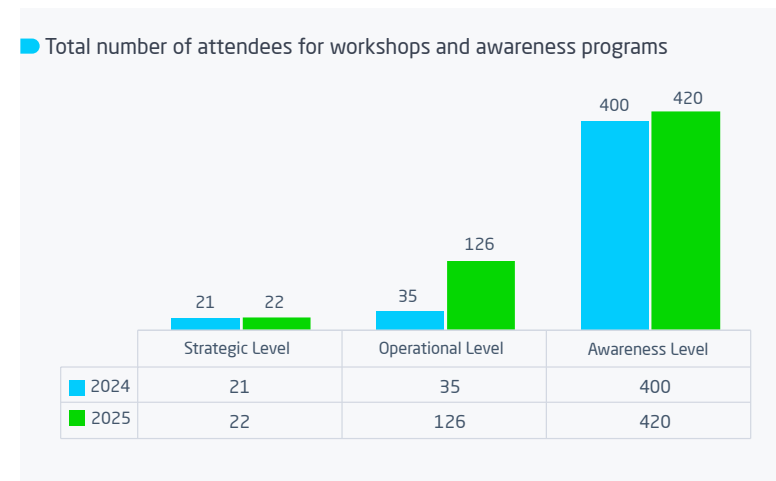


06 Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC)

It is concerned with establishing and implementing regulatory frameworks and policies to ensure the soundness of organizational performance, compliance with laws and regulations, enhancing organizational readiness, and reducing operational and technical risks. It also involves identifying, analyzing, and assessing risks that may affect the achievement of GASTAT's objectives and the efficiency of its operations, and developing the necessary plans and procedures to mitigate their impact. Furthermore, it promotes a risk management culture among GASTAT employees and ensures the integration of strategic and operational plans to support business continuity. Its responsibilities include preparing the risk appetite, monitoring key risk indicators and risk registers, preparing periodic reports at both strategic and operational levels, as well as managing crises and enhancing organizational readiness to address various national challenges.

Significant Achievements of 2025:

- Enhancing governance and procedures.
- Automating risk operations (Archer Program).
- Activating and operating the Crisis and Emergency Center.
- Obtaining accreditations such as ISO 31000 & ISO 22301.
- Enhancing cooperation with government entities and conducting a set of joint exercises.
- Implementing awareness and training programs to raise awareness and strengthen GASTAT employees' capabilities in efficiently handling risks and emergencies, providing training and awareness content, organizing workshops and knowledge sessions, and publishing internal media messages that contribute to promoting the culture and increasing organizational readiness.



07 Quality, Methodologies, and Innovation

This path focuses on following the latest trends and practices in international and regional statistical methodologies, and on developing and applying statistical methodologies and standards, including sampling, design, and techniques, contributing to improving the quality of statistical operations and outputs.

○ Key Projects & Achievements in 2025:

Reviewed and updated methodology and quality reports for 74 statistical products, designed samples for 70 products, calculated weights for 26 products, and studied the sampling frames for 53 products. It also prepared and presented scientific material on survey response cases to participants in 65 training programs, in addition to delivering two “Knowledge Hour” sessions directed at GASTAT employees as part of the Knowledge Transfer Initiative.

○ Methodology and Quality Reports:

Methodology, quality, and innovation reports are prepared, reviewed, and updated, covering elements related to statistical methodology such as the statistical unit, statistical population, reference area, number of survey units, data sources, frequency and method of data collection, extrapolation, and weighting. These reports are published on GASTAT's website alongside the publication of the statistical product results and data, enhancing transparency and ensuring that statistical methodologies are clear and easy for beneficiaries to understand, in accordance with international recommendations and best practices.



The following table shows the number of methodology and quality reports that were reviewed and updated during 2025 by field:

Statistical Fields		
Economic statistics	Social statistics	Environmental & Spatial Statistics
36	12	17

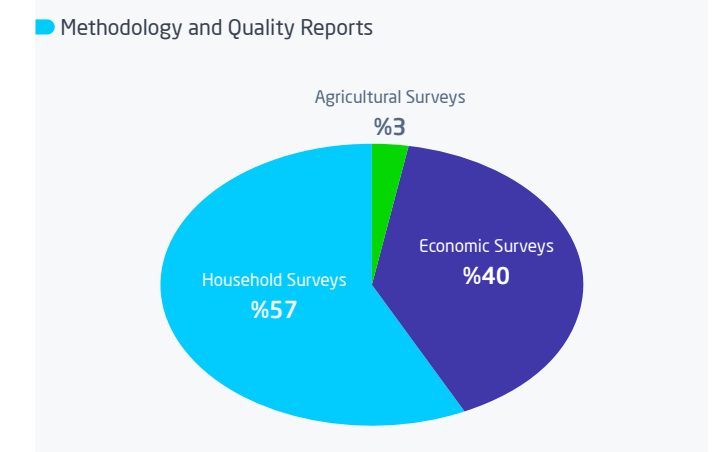
○ Sample Design for Statistical Products:

This field covers the sampling and design of statistical products to support the implementation of statistical surveys and statistics production. Sampling and design were done for 70 surveys, weights calculation to estimate population values, and sampling frame studying, as shown in the table below:

Type of Survey	Design and Sampling	Weight Calculation	Sampling Frame Study
Economic Surveys	25	4	22
Household Surveys	44	21	30
Agricultural Surveys	1	1	1
Total	70	26	53

Training material was prepared for participants in implementing statistical surveys to explain how to handle response cases in surveys. It was delivered through 65 training programs, taking into account the type of survey (Household, Economic, or Agricultural) and the data collection method (Field or Telephone). This ensures that implementation procedures are aligned with the nature of each survey and that consistency and accuracy are achieved in handling response cases, as shown in the table below:

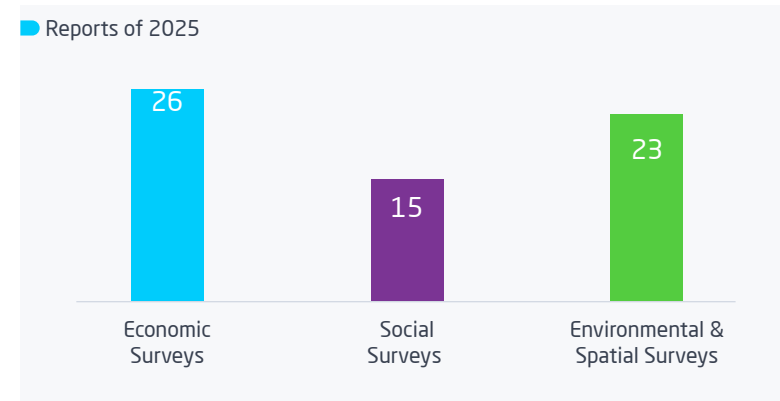
Type of Survey	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Economic Surveys	3	10	10	3	26
Household Surveys	5	10	17	5	37
Agricultural Surveys	1	1	-	-	2
Total	9	21	27	8	65



As part of the Knowledge Transfer Initiative, two Knowledge Hours were delivered for GASTAT employees, covering the following topics:

- Generic Statistical Business Process Model (GSBPM).
- Methodology for calculating the response rate.

In line with the commitment to applying international best practices, methodology and quality reports for statistical products were documented and prepared to enhance transparency and clarify the procedures followed in producing statistics. During 2025, more than 64 methodology and quality reports were issued, covering various statistical products and activities, reflecting adherence to international standards and strengthening the reliability of the outputs, as shown below:



As part of enhancing quality, a number of works were implemented, including:

- Developing methodology and quality reports.
- Developing a mechanism for assessing product quality.
- Building a mechanism for corrective action plans.
- Establishing the Quality Portal methodology.
- Documenting the department's work procedures.
- Implementing a coding system for the department's outputs.
- Promoting a culture of quality.

○ Classifications:

According to the organizational regulation of GASTAT, as stipulated in Article (4), GASTAT is the entity concerned with statistics, the sole official reference for implementing statistical work, and its technical supervisor and regulator. In order to achieve its objectives, it is mandated to "prepare national statistical manuals and classifications in accordance with international standards." Accordingly, a number of activities were carried out in the field of classifications during 2025, the most notable of which are as follows:

Key Classification Activities & Achievements During 2025:

- Preparing a draft of the Saudi Standard Classification of Sector Type
- Preparing the initial draft of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF).
- Preparing a draft of the Saudi Product Classification.
- Preparing a draft of the Classification of Employment Status.
- Updating the Saudi Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (COICOP).
- Updating the glossary of statistical terms, previously known as the "Guide to Statistical Definitions, Terms, and Concepts."
- Developing the Classifications Portal.
- National Classification of Economic Activities
- Saudi Standard Classification of Occupations (SSCO)
- Preparing a version of the Saudi Classification of Activities for Time Use Statistics (SCATUS).
- Updating policies and procedures for the management of classifications.

○ Survey Design and Testing:

During 2025, GASTAT planned and designed its surveys and data collection tools, reviewed statistical objectives and the methodology for calculating indicators, and aligned surveys with the appropriate data collection method. This also included designing survey questionnaires in a manner that links questions to the indicators to be measured. The questionnaires were tested using several methods, most notably cognitive testing to assess the survey sample's understanding of the questionnaire questions,

and usability testing to evaluate the respondent's experience during completion, contributing to improving the design of survey tools and enhancing the quality of the data targeted to be produced from the surveys.

The most prominent achievements in this field include the following:

- Reviewing and designing 35 statistical surveys.
- Conducting 15 cognitive tests.
- Preparing a question bank.
- Preparing a series of guidelines for statistical survey design.
- Developing usability tests.
- Working on establishing a Design Performance Observatory (DPO).

○ Innovation:

GASTAT works on enhancing innovation in developing statistical processes through the Innovation Lab, which focuses on providing innovative solutions in statistics and promoting the participation of researchers and stakeholders in developing ideas and initiatives, supporting the development of statistical products and processes.

Key Projects & Achievements in 2025:

During 2025, the Innovation Lab focused on activating the innovation system through four main objectives: innovative projects, promoting an innovation culture, managing innovative ideas, and internal innovation. This focus was reflected in the following activities:

● Innovative projects in partnership with external researchers:

Completion of the first innovation cycle:

- Including three innovative projects:
- Life Quality Measurement Tool at the individual opinion level.
- Dynamic Population Model.
- Methodology for Sample Size Estimation.

Launch of the second innovation cycle:

Coinciding with World Statistics Day, it included four innovative projects:



- 1) Using AI to estimate the green cover percentage in mountainous areas.
- 2) A model for utilizing unstructured data.
- 3) Methodology for monitoring urban expansion.
- 4) Estimating statistics for small areas.

Promoting an Innovation Culture:

- Activating the Innovation Ambassadors Program and holding 16 brainstorming sessions to enhance the innovation culture and exchange ideas.

Managing Innovative Ideas:

- Launching the Innovation Lab Ideas Platform and the Statistical Innovation Platform.
- Receiving more than 100 ideas submitted through the Innovation Lab Ideas Platform.
- Evaluating all submitted ideas within the innovation scope according to the approved Standards.
- Creating the Statistical Innovation webpage on GASTAT's official website.

Internal Innovation:

- The Innovation Lab works on three internal innovation projects:
- Question Bank, in collaboration with the Survey Design & Testing Department.
 - Automated Occupational Classification, in collaboration with the Classifications Department.
 - Financial Statements Extraction, in collaboration with the National Accounts Department.

08 Data Management and Governance

This path focuses on building an integrated ecosystem for data management and governance, ensuring data quality and reliability, and maximizing its use in the production of official statistics. In 2025, national data governance policies and frameworks were implemented and aligned with international best practices and standards, while internal and external integration was strengthened. These efforts contributed to enhancing institutional maturity, improving data management efficiency, and supporting the sustainability of statistical work. The report below highlights the main performance indicators for this path:



Domain	Indicator	Target	Achieved	Indicator Status
international Indicators	Compliance with IMF Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) requirements	Full compliance	Full compliance	On track
GCC Indicators	GCC Common Market Indicators	100%	100%	On track
International cooperation	International requests processed	-	187 applications	On track
Sustainability	Publication of SDGs Indicators	Publication according to schedule	Publication according to schedule	On track

This path also contributed to enhancing institutional maturity, as shown in the following indicators table:

Indicator	Target	Achieved	Indicator Status
Level of Institutional Data Management Maturity	Avantgarde	Avantgarde	On track
Percentage of Structured Data Classified	85%	90%	Exceeded target

o Data Management Office:

DMO worked on establishing a comprehensive governance framework covering the data lifecycle, ensuring the protection of personal data, and enhancing compliance with national regulatory frameworks. Its work strategy and internal policies were approved, providing an integrated institutional framework that guides governance efforts. DMO's efforts culminated in two notable achievements: Raising GASTAT's data management maturity level to the leading stage within the National Data Indicator «NDI», with tangible progress in the operational excellence component of the Index. GASTAT received recognition from the Saudi Data and AI Authority (SDAIA), being selected as one of the top six government entities out of 214 in 2025 in the «NDI» Indicator evaluation.

Key operational achievements include:

- Classifying 90% of GASTAT's structured data according to the approved standards.
- Conducting 13 specialized workshops in data governance and management, contributing to knowledge dissemination and consolidating best practices within GASTAT.



o Data Management Center (DMC):

Key Activities of DMC in 2025:

Microdata:

DMC achieved significant progress in organizing and providing access to microdata by launching a dedicated portal for request management, operating the Microdata Lab and API services, processing 78 research requests, and providing public use files to support research and innovation. These efforts ensure secure and organized access to the data.

Data Lake:

DMC continued developing the Data Lake by upgrading systems, enhancing operational performance, and equipping technical teams with effective analytical tools. These efforts strengthen infrastructure readiness and support future expansion plans.

Metadata Quality:

DMC worked on standardizing metadata delivery standards, enhancing their content, and addressing technical challenges related to the Arabic language, thereby promoting transparency and facilitating data usability for beneficiaries.

NDI Indicator:

Through this path, GASTAT developed the NDI Indicator, enhancing maturity across key areas. The indicator progressed from the development phase to full operational implementation, positively reflecting on institutional compliance and overall data quality.

Statistical Records:

During 2025, work focused on developing statistical records as a unified database for processed administrative data, in addition to enhancing systems to automate requests and linkages, improving coordination efficiency and operational sustainability.

Advanced Analytics and Artificial Intelligence:

During 2025, efforts focused on expanding the use of advanced technologies such as artificial intelligence and spatial analysis by developing a strategic roadmap, creating interactive dashboards, producing statistical maps, and activating pilot spatial portals, thereby improving user experience and enhancing operational efficiency.

09 National Partnerships

National partnerships support GASTAT's work by coordinating efforts and strengthening collaboration with various entities to achieve shared objectives and enhance the quality of statistical work. In this context, GASTAT continued to reinforce partnerships with government, private, academic, and non-profit sectors, supporting the integration and sustainability of the National Statistical System. It also enhanced communication with partners and facilitated the exchange of statistical data and information, helping to meet the statistical requirements of different entities and utilize administrative data from partner organizations.

Key Achievements in 2025:

- Meeting partners' needs for statistical data and indicators, contributing to enhanced stakeholder satisfaction with GASTAT's interactions and services.
- Supporting GASTAT's requirements for administrative data from partner entities.
- Strengthening partnerships with the private sector by collaborating with companies to provide data that supports statistical publications and indicators, contributing to the development of statistical products.
- Implementing agreements and memorandums of understanding with various entities to support the exchange of statistical data and information and enhance joint collaboration.
- Coordinating meetings and sessions with partner entities to monitor partnership activities and strengthen cooperation in statistical work.
- Organizing workshops and specialized seminars in collaboration with partners to promote knowledge and experience sharing in statistical work.
- Utilizing digital channels to communicate with citizens and residents and support the implementation of statistical surveys.

10 International Partnerships

During 2025, GASTAT played an active and prominent role at both regional and international levels. It was selected as co-chair of the Data Governance Group and assumed the chairmanship of the Working Group on Data Governance (WGDG), reflecting the Kingdom's role in supporting international efforts in data governance and statistical work. In this context, GASTAT hosted the 40th meeting of the United Nations High-Level Group for Partnership, Coordination, and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda (HLG-PCCB), which included a specialized workshop held on the sidelines of the meeting, as well as a number of bilateral meetings with international counterparts, contributing to expanding cooperation and exchanging expertise.

In the same context, GASTAT strengthened its international partnerships by signing five memoranda of understanding with Qatar, the United Arab Emirates, Oman, Finland, and Estonia.

Key achievements in 2025 included:

- Launching Road to Riyadh (R2R) events during the Second Statistical Forum for Universities and Statistical Associations, in preparation for Saudi Arabia hosting the 6th United Nations World Data Forum in 2026.
- GASTAT joining PARIS21.
- Hosting the 13th meeting of the GCC Permanent Committee for Statistical Work.
- Participating in the 14th session of the Statistical Committee of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) in Türkiye.
- Participating in the 50th Board of Trustees meeting of the Arab Institute for Training and Statistical Research, and extending an invitation for the next meeting to be hosted in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

- Participating in the Technical Committee on Statistics of the League of Arab States meeting, and extending an invitation for the next meeting to be hosted in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.



11 Statistical Development Center (SDC)

The SDC delivers statistical services to clients from government, private, and non-profit sectors through the implementation of statistical work and projects at various stages, including methodology, sample design, questionnaire design, data collection, indicator calculation, and statistics production. The SDC works closely with GASTAT's statistical specialists to produce accurate and reliable statistical outputs that support the needs of different entities.

Key achievements in 2025 included:

- Implementing several statistical projects throughout the year, resulting in the delivery of multiple statistical products to clients.
- Preparing monthly and quarterly reports on key survey results, metadata reports, and publication tables.
- Completing activities under the initiative to develop the Information Register and the National Statistical Directory for the Pilgrim Experience Program (PEP) sector (servicing the guests of the Two Holy Mosques), an initiative linked to Saudi Vision 2030.
- Measuring client satisfaction by updating the customer satisfaction questionnaire and sharing it with the entities benefiting from the implemented services, which showed a high level of satisfaction.

02 Supporting Path

Alongside the enabling path, which focuses on developing organizational enablers for statistical work, the support path concentrates on operational and technical aspects that enhance institutional efficiency and sustainability. This track covers several areas that strengthen the institutional work environment and support the effective implementation of statistical operations, most notably Information Technology and Organizational Culture. The following section provides an overview of the key efforts and achievements in these areas.



01 Information Technology (IT)

IT:

Within the context of digital transformation, IT has emerged as a key pillar supporting statistical work, contributing to improved operational efficiency and effectiveness. GASTAT has focused on this area by investing in advanced digital infrastructure and employing technological solutions to support its statistical operations. These efforts have helped enhance data quality, accelerate statistical production, and expand the range of services offered to beneficiaries. The following highlights the key achievements in IT during 2025:

o Data Lake:

Data Lake was developed to support the Data Lakehouse, serving as a platform to implement best practices in data management through governance, quality, analytics, integration, and sharing. This enables business sectors to develop unified statistical models that support the construction and calculation of indicators. A unified publication modeling approach was adopted following the SDMX methodology, alongside automating validation and testing procedures, while ensuring compliance with cybersecurity and data governance requirements to allow safe and structured use of data, thereby enhancing its reliability and supporting statistical operations efficiently.

o Activating Services on Tawakkalna Platform:

In line with GASTAT's efforts to enhance operational efficiency, improve beneficiary experience, strengthen integration across national systems, and facilitate access to statistical services, GASTAT activated a set of services through Tawakkalna application. These services include:



- **Field Researcher ID Verification:** enabling entities and citizens to verify the identity of field researchers accredited by GASTAT, thereby enhancing trust and ensuring the integrity of field operations.
- **Statistical Information Request:** providing a direct and easy channel to request statistical data or indicators via the application, contributing to improved beneficiary experience and facilitating access to statistics.



○ Integration with Government Entities via GSB:

The Government Service Bus (GSB) is a key pillar supporting digital transformation and strengthening integration among government entities in the Kingdom by enabling secure and efficient exchange of data and services. During 2025, work continued on developing and enhancing the integration system with beneficiary government entities through the GSB, as follows:

- Providing statistical data services through technical integration with relevant government systems, thereby enhancing the sustainability and reliability of information exchange.
- Processing more than 3.9 million transactions through GSB.
- Exchanging approximately 135 GB of data via GSB.

- Providing over 25 secure virtual workspaces that enable access to and work on data within a protected environment in compliance with security and monitoring standards, thereby reinforcing information protection.

○ Digital Transformation Measurement Index 2025:

Under the Digital Transformation Measurement Index issued by the Digital Government Authority, GASTAT achieved a digital maturity level of 86.13%. This was the result of adopting digital solutions, developing technical infrastructure, and improving beneficiary experience through digital platforms. This achievement reflects GASTAT's commitment to applying digital standards, enhancing operational efficiency, and providing statistical services that support the development of statistical work and improve the digital services offered to beneficiaries.

○ Service Availability and Improvement:

Improving the availability of digital services for GASTAT's employees, where the average service completion time is two working days, and the satisfaction rate with the digital services provided reached 80%.

○ National Institutional Infrastructure:

GASTAT achieved the National Institutional Infrastructure Certification (Level 3) and was recognized among several government entities participating in the Digital Government Forum 2025. This achievement was the result of GASTAT's commitment to developing an advanced organizational digital environment, contributing to enhancing data-driven government performance, and aligning its efforts with the national digital transformation agenda.

○ Improvement of Service, Incident, and Change Management Systems:

The service, incident, and change management system was improved through automation of procedures and the application of approved best practices, contributing to higher service quality and a reduction in recurring incidents. These enhancements focused on boosting operational efficiency, accelerating incident response, and ensuring effective change management, thereby maintaining system stability and supporting business continuity.

○ Implementation of Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plans:

GASTAT successfully executed its Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery plans, achieving 100% compliance with cyber resilience controls after the successful completion of disaster recovery tests.

02 Organizational Culture

Organizational culture focuses on embedding professional values and enhancing employee engagement at GASTAT, contributing to increased productivity and creating an attractive and motivating work environment. During this year, several social, health, and sports initiatives and activities were implemented to strengthen and reinforce these values in the workplace. Key achievements in this field:

- The employee engagement level at GASTAT reached 3.88.
- Knowledge was documented and transferred across departments to ensure continuity of institutional knowledge.
- GASTAT employees participated in sports activities aimed at promoting health and physical activity.
- Programs were implemented to introduce and instill GASTAT's values among its employees.
- Initiatives were carried out in change management to support the development of the institutional work environment.

○ Key Projects and Achievements

- Developing and adopting GASTAT's organizational values, and implementing an awareness plan and communication campaigns for GASTAT employees.
- Developing and adopting the change management methodology and models, and conducting awareness workshops for GASTAT employees.
- Appointing and training Change Ambassadors from various departments within GASTAT.
- Developing and adopting the Knowledge Management methodology, implementing documentation and knowledge transfer procedures for GASTAT employees, and developing an electronic platform to facilitate access to knowledge content.

- Implementation of programs and initiatives to enhance the work environment and strengthen employee engagement within GASTAT, including a number of initiatives and activities, as detailed below:

Cultural Initiatives	Accomplishment	Definitions
“Thank You” Initiative	340 Employees	Recognition of GASTAT staff who achieved operational accomplishments or demonstrated excellence in the performance of their duties.
“Your Voice is Heard” Initiative	Implementing 75% of the proposed ideas.	Receiving new feedback and ideas and implementing them to enhance the work environment.
Internal events and national days calendar	100%	100% implementation rate of activities aimed at enhancing the work environment and employee engagement.
Community service and volunteering	More than 215 employees	Participation of GASTAT staff in volunteer activities and community service.
Health Comes First	More than 335 employees	Participation of GASTAT staff in promoting public health awareness and supporting work-life balance.
Awareness and Communication Campaigns for Departments	More than 95 Campaigns	A visual and written communication channel aimed at enhancing cultural awareness among GASTAT staff.



Key Opportunities and Aspirations for 2026

Opportunity	Influence
Enhancing the use of advanced technologies and new data sources to develop statistical methodologies and improve the efficiency of statistical production.	Improving the speed and accuracy of statistical production and enhancing the efficiency of statistical operations.
Developing and expanding statistical records by maximizing the use of data assets and integrating them with administrative register data.	Facilitating timely, periodic, and high-quality access to data, ensuring the sustainability required for statistical production.
Expanding and enhancing statistical products by increasing indicators, coverage, and levels of detail to meet users’ needs.	Increasing the diversity and coverage of indicators to meet the needs of decision-makers, statistical data users, and international reporting requirements.
Developing national competencies in the field of statistics through the launch and implementation of professional statistical certification programs.	Enhancing technical competencies in the field of statistics.
Expanding international collaboration with statistical offices and global organizations to exchange expertise and best practices.	Strengthening the Kingdom’s role in the international statistical ecosystem, exchanging expertise in the statistical field, and aligning national practices with international standards and best practices.

Key Challenges in 2025

Challenge	Classification	Influence	Proposed Solutions
Obtaining administrative records data required for producing statistical indicators and products with the necessary detail, quality, and timeliness.	Organizational	Related statistical products were affected in terms of publication timeliness, level of detail, and coverage.	Enhance partnership and collaboration with relevant entities by establishing agreements and memoranda of understanding to govern statistical operations.
Meeting the increasing demand for new indicators and statistics, which requires additional surveys and operational costs.	Strategic	Difficulty in meeting new requirements, or affecting other projects and operations as a result of shifting priorities.	Prioritizing indicators based on national needs and international requirements, and coordinating with relevant committees and entities.
Aligning and coordinating at the national level to unify statistical concepts, definitions, and classifications, and to apply international standards and methodologies.	Technical	Variance in concepts and classifications, affecting the comparability of statistics and the consistency of indicators.	Activating joint technical teams and committees to ensure the consistent application of classifications, definitions, and approved standards and methodologies.



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01 Statistics Law

The issuance of the Statistics Law stands as one of the most significant achievements of 2025. Issued by Royal Decree No. (M/29) dated 10/02/1447 AH, replacing the General State Statistics Law issued by Royal Decree No. (23) dated 07/12/1379 AH, and the General Population Census Law issued by Royal Decree No. (M/13) dated 23/04/1391 AH. The Law aims to regulate statistical work in the Kingdom, enhance its effectiveness and comprehensiveness, and improve the quality of statistics to deepen their impact on supporting development plans and decision-making. Furthermore, the Law regulates the roles and responsibilities between GASTAT, public entities, private establishments, and individuals. The Law is scheduled to enter into force in mid-February 2026.

02 GASTAT's Regulation

Presented below is GASTAT's Regulation issued by the Council of Ministers' Resolution No. (11) dated 13/01/1437 AH, including all subsequent amendments:

- **Article 1:**

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings assigned to each of them:

Regulation	GASTAT Regulation
Regulation	Regulation of the General Authority for Statistics
Board	Board of Directors of the Authority.
Public Entities	Ministries as well as public agencies, institutions, and authorities, including companies wholly owned by the State.
Private Establishments	Companies, including those in which the State is a shareholder, sole proprietorships, civil society associations and organizations, and the like.
Data	Numbers and descriptive characteristics relating to statistical fields and the circumstances and activities of society, whether as individual data or as a set of individual data.
Individual Data	Data that identifies a legal person, provided by them upon re-quest.
Statistical Fields	The three main statistical fields, which are social statistics, including demographics, social conditions, education, housing, etc.; economic statistics, including national accounts, businesses, industry, commerce, etc.; and spatial statistics, including the environment, tourism, agriculture, etc.
Administrative Records	Paper or electronic records in which data and information relating to statistical fields and the circumstances and activities of society are documented at public entities and private establishments as well as records of the production processes of such entities and establishments.
Information	Data that are processed by tabulation, analysis, summarization, or any other processing method to become statistically meaningful.
Indicators	Measures that represent the statistical data of a specific period of time and a specific location as well as other specific parameters.
Statistics	Data, information, and indicators that are collected on the circumstances and activities of society using scientific methods, classifications, and concepts to reach findings, projections, and decisions based on specific variables.
Statistical Work	Any study, research, survey, or poll, including any work related to statistical fields, whether in whole or in part.

Regulation	GASTAT Regulation
Surveys	The process of collecting data from their sources based on a set of predetermined questions or variables, whether through the complete enumeration method, statistical sampling methods and techniques, or any other statistical method.
Statistical Services	Detailed statistical work, including the provision of statistical consultancy services on the preparation of surveys, research, and studies, as well as samples selection, analysis, and interpretation of results, and so on.
Statistical Documents	Maps, charts, records, guides, methodologies, sample lists, and other tools used in statistical work.
Coordinating Committee	A standing committee formed to coordinate statistical work that is carried out by relevant public entities.
GASTAT Freelancers	People who are not employed within GASTAT but hired to implement surveys.

● **Article 2:**

- GASTAT shall enjoy a public juridical personality, and financial and administrative independence. It is organizationally linked to the Minister of Economy and Planning.
- GASTAT shall be headquartered in the city of Riyadh and set up branches and offices in any of the Kingdom's regions.

● **Article 3:**

Regulation process aims at organizing and activating Kingdom statistical work through the creation and implementation of a comprehensive, accurate, and unified statistical ecosystem, as well as development of necessary plans and programs to meet statistical needs, and elaborate development plans, scientific research and various activities.

● **Article 4:**

GASTAT shall be the entity in charge of statistical affairs, the only official reference to implement statistical work, and technical

supervisor and regulator thereto. Therefore, in order to achieve its desired objectives, GASTAT shall:

- Prepare and follow up on implementation of a national strategy for statistical work in coordination with relevant public entities once approved and suggest periodical amendments thereto.
- Carry out statistical work in accordance with recognized international standards, including the need to:
 - Identify statistical work methodology.
 - Prepare and implement surveys.
 - Conduct studies and research.
 - Analyze data and information.
 - Document & save data and information in statistical documents.
- Collect, record and compile data and information that cover all aspects of life in the Kingdom from different sources, as well as gather, classify and analyze data and information from public entities and private establishments' administrative records and extract their indicators.
- Prepare, use, update and develop national statistical guides and classifications in accordance with national standards when needed.

- Prepare statistical publications and reports of surveys and research.
- Create a comprehensive system of national statistical databases for different statistical areas.
- Create a central information system at the national level that can be automatically associated with all public entities.
- Provide public entities and private establishments with statistical work, and statistics-related consultancy and technical services.
- Provide public entities with suggestions and proposals to develop and transform all statistical work and information systems into a comprehensive, accurate and unified statistical system.
- Produce and develop official statistics independently, publish them inside the Kingdom, and provide public entities, private establishments, individuals, and international authorities with official statistics in accordance with statutory procedures.
- Coordinate and cooperate with counterparts in other countries, and regional and international organizations and authorities with respect to statistical aspects in accordance with statutory procedures.
- Prepare and implement statistical work-related programs and courses, as well as train and qualify specialized cadres.
- Represent Kingdom internally and externally with respect to the General Authority for Statistics competencies in accordance with statutory procedures.
- Raise statistical awareness, as well as prepare and implement the necessary plans and programs to ensure community interaction with statistical work.
- Publish the statistics for all beneficiaries at the same time and enable advance access to statistics for specific and documented reasons, in a way that would not affect the statistics' content or date of publication.

● **Article 5:**

GASTAT shall proceed with collecting statistical plans and programs-related data through its employees or representatives, if necessary, in accordance with the applicable regulations and procedures.

● **Article 6:**

- GASTAT shall provide official statistics for free.
- Without prejudice to paragraph (1) of this article, the General Authority for Statistics shall conduct surveys, prepare statistical research and studies, and provide statistical services, consultations, and training courses in a commercial manner, subject to fees and costs.

● **Article 7:**

Article seven was amended by virtue of resolution No. (212) dated 15/03/1441AH corresponding to 12/11/2019 regarding the amendment of GASTAT regulation, which stated that GASTAT president shall be appointed and dismissed by a Board resolution, and the president shall organizationally be linked to the Minister of Economy and Planning who chairs the GASTAT Board.

1. Board consists of the following members: GASTAT Board

- Minister of Economy and Planning Board Chairman
- Minister of Energy Member
- Minister of Finance Member
- Minister of Human Resources and Social Development Member
- Minister of Education Member
- Minister of Industry and Mineral Resources Member
- NIC Director Member
- President of the General Authority for Statistics Member
- Two specialists in the field of GASTAT business (appointed by Council of Ministers' Resolution based on the nomination of the Board Chairman) Two members

- Board Chairman selects a vice chairman from members referred to in paragraphs (B) (C) (D) (E) (F) (G) of

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paragraph (1) of this Article. (In accordance with Council of Ministers' Resolution No.745, dated 23/11/1441AH).

● Article 8:

GASTAT Board shall oversee management of GASTAT affairs, and shall take all necessary decisions to achieve GASTAT purposes within the limits of the provisions of this Law. Moreover, the Board shall have the following powers:

1. Approving GASTAT general policies, plans, & operational programs.
2. Approving GASTAT Organizational Structure.
3. Approving bylaws, technical regulations, procedures, rules and standards related to GASTAT activities.
4. Approving and submitting GASTAT draft budget in accordance with the regulatory procedures.
5. Approving GASTAT balance sheet, auditor report, and annual report in accordance with the regulatory procedures.
6. Forming Coordination Committee, naming its members based on their nominations, and approving relevant regulations thereof.
7. Approving remuneration of GASTAT representatives and those it seeks assistance other than its employees, in agreement with MOF and HRSD Ministry.
8. Approving any fees or costs for statistical work, statistical services, consultations, and training courses implemented by GASTAT, as well as for providing data.
9. Accepting donations, gifts, endowments, wills, grants, and aid provided to GASTAT in accordance with the regulatory procedures.
10. Appointing an external auditor & an internal financial controller.
11. Forming committees and authorizing the same with the necessary powers to achieve the tasks assigned thereto.

GASTAT Board may delegate some of these tasks to whomever it deems appropriate among GASTAT officials, as required by its workflow.

12. Approving administrative and financial regulations adopted by GASTAT, provided that the approval of the financial regulations and provisions that have a financial impact in

the administrative regulations shall be in agreement with the MOF and HRSD Ministry. (Pursuant to Council of Ministers Resolution No. (198) dated 24/03/1442AH).

● Article 9:

1. Board meetings shall be held at GASTAT headquarters, and may be held in another location within the Kingdom when necessary.
2. Board shall meet at least three (3) times a year upon an invitation by the Chairman and whenever the interest of GASTAT so requires. The invitation must be accompanied by the meeting agenda. Board Chairman shall call for a meeting upon the request of at least five (5) of its members. For the meeting to have the necessary quorum, it must be attended by the majority of Board members, including the Chairman of the Council or his deputy. Board shall issue its decisions with the majority of the votes of the members present. In the event of equal votes, the side with which the Chairman voted shall prevail. The objecting member may record his objection and the reasons for objection in the minutes of the Board meeting.
3. Board deliberations and decisions shall be recorded in minutes signed by the Chairman of the meeting and the attending members. GASTAT shall communicate these decisions to the parties directly concerned with these decisions in the appropriate manner.
4. Board member may not abstain from voting on the Board decisions or authorize another member to vote on his behalf in the event of his absence.
5. Board member may not disclose any of GASTAT secrets known throughout his membership.
6. Board may invite to attend its meetings whomever it deems appropriate, without having the right to vote.

● Article 10:

The entry to this article has been amended in accordance with Council of Ministers Resolution No. (212) as follows:

GASTAT shall have a president who shall be appointed or discharged from his position by a decision of GASTAT Board, and shall be subject directly to the Minister of Economy and Planning, who chairs GASTAT Board, which consists of Their Highnesses, and Excellencies. GASTAT president shall be the Executive Officer of GASTAT management, whose responsibilities are concentrated within the limits of this Law, and shall exercise the following powers:

1. Supervising GASTAT employees as per the powers vested thereof and as determined by regulations.
2. Supervising GASTAT technical, administrative, and financial business, and expressing opinions on statistical matters for public authorities.
3. Approving the methods and procedures for implementing statistical programs related to the following:
 - A. Collecting, classifying, analyzing, extracting, and publishing statistical information issued by GASTAT.
 - B. Developing the content of statistical publications and publications issued by GASTAT, in addition to the timing and methods of their distribution and publication.
4. Proposing GASTAT plans and programs, and submitting the same to the Board.
5. Proposing GASTAT organizational structure, and submitting the same to the Board.
6. Chairing the Coordination Committee and proposing regulations related thereto.
7. Proposing remuneration of GASTAT representatives and those it seeks assistance other than its employees, and submitting the same to the Board.
8. Proposing the preparation of executive working mechanisms related to fees and costs for statistical work carried out by GASTAT for private enterprises, as well as for providing data, and submitting the same to the Board.
9. Issuing orders for GASTAT expenses according to the approved annual budget.
10. Following up on the implementation of Board decisions.
11. Submitting periodic reports to the Board on GASTAT business, achievements, and activities.

12. Submitting suggestions to the Board regarding issues within its jurisdiction.
13. Supervising the preparation of GASTAT draft budget, annual report, and balance sheet, & presenting the same to the Board.
14. Representing GASTAT before judicial authority and other authorities.
15. Issuing the necessary decisions to implement the provisions of this Law and approved regulations, rules, and procedures, according to the powers vested thereof.
16. Exercising the powers vested by the Board's decisions and GASTAT rules and regulations.
17. Any other task assigned by the Board. The Chairman may delegate some of the powers of GASTAT President to other GASTAT employees.

● Article 11:

GASTAT shall have an independent budget issued by a Royal Decree.

● Article 12:

1. GASTAT resources shall consist of the following:
 - a. Funds allocated to GASTAT in the state's general budget.
 - b. All movable and immovable funds transferred to GASTAT from other government agencies.
 - c. Fixed and movable assets at its disposal.
 - d. Investment returns of its financial resources.
 - e. Fees received for providing its services.
 - f. Financial fines and penalties owed to GASTAT.
 - g. Donations, gifts, endowments, wills, grants, and aid accepted by the Board.
 - h. Any other resources approved by the Board.
2. GASTAT funds shall be deposited in a special account at the Saudi Central Bank ("SBC"), from which funds shall be disbursed according to GASTAT approved budget.

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Article 13:
GASTAT fiscal year is the Kingdom fiscal year. As an exception, GASTAT first fiscal year shall begin on the effective date of this Law and end at the end of the Kingdom fiscal year.

Article 13 Bis:
GASTAT employees shall be subject to the provisions of the Labor Law and the Social Insurance Law. (Pursuant to Council of Ministers Resolution No. (198) dated 24/03/1442 AH).

Article 14:
GASTAT shall submit its balance sheet to the Council of Ministers within ninety (90) days from the end of the fiscal year, along with a copy to the General Court of Audit ("GCA").

Article 15:
GASTAT shall submit to the Prime Minister within ninety (90) days from the end of the fiscal year, an annual report on the achievements accomplished by GASTAT in comparison to the previous year's general development plan, challenges encountered, and recommendations for streamlining GASTAT workflow.

Article 16:
Without prejudice to GCA right to monitor GASTAT accounts, the Board shall appoint an external auditor (or more) from among natural or legal individuals licensed to work in the Kingdom, and shall determine their fees. In the event of multiple auditors, they shall be jointly liable for their work before GASTAT. The auditor's report shall be submitted to the Board, along with a copy to GCA

Article 17:
This Law shall be published in the Official Gazette, and shall come into effect ninety days from the date of its publication, repealing all provisions conflicting therewith.

03 Board of Directors in 2025:

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01	Chairman of the Board, Minister of Economy and Planning	H.E. Faisal Alibrahim
02	Minister of Energy	HRH Prince Abdulaziz Bin Salman Al Saud
03	Minister of Finance	H.E. Mohammed Aljadaan
04	Minister of Human Resources and Social Development	H.E. Eng. Ahmed Alrajhi
05	Minister of State, Member of the Council of Ministers	H.E. Dr. Hamad Al Alsheikh
06	Minister of Industry and Mineral Resources	H.E. Bandar Alkhorayef
07	Minister of Education	H.E. Yousef Albenyan
08	Director of National Information Center	H.E. Dr. Essam Alwegait
09	President of the General Authority for Statistics	Dr. Fahad Aldossari
10	Expert in the field of statistics	Ms. Sarah Alsuhaimi
11	Expert in the field of statistics	Mr. David Kalisch

GASTAT Board of Directors held three meetings in 2025, which are:



Following are the most prominent decisions made by the Board of Directors in 2025:

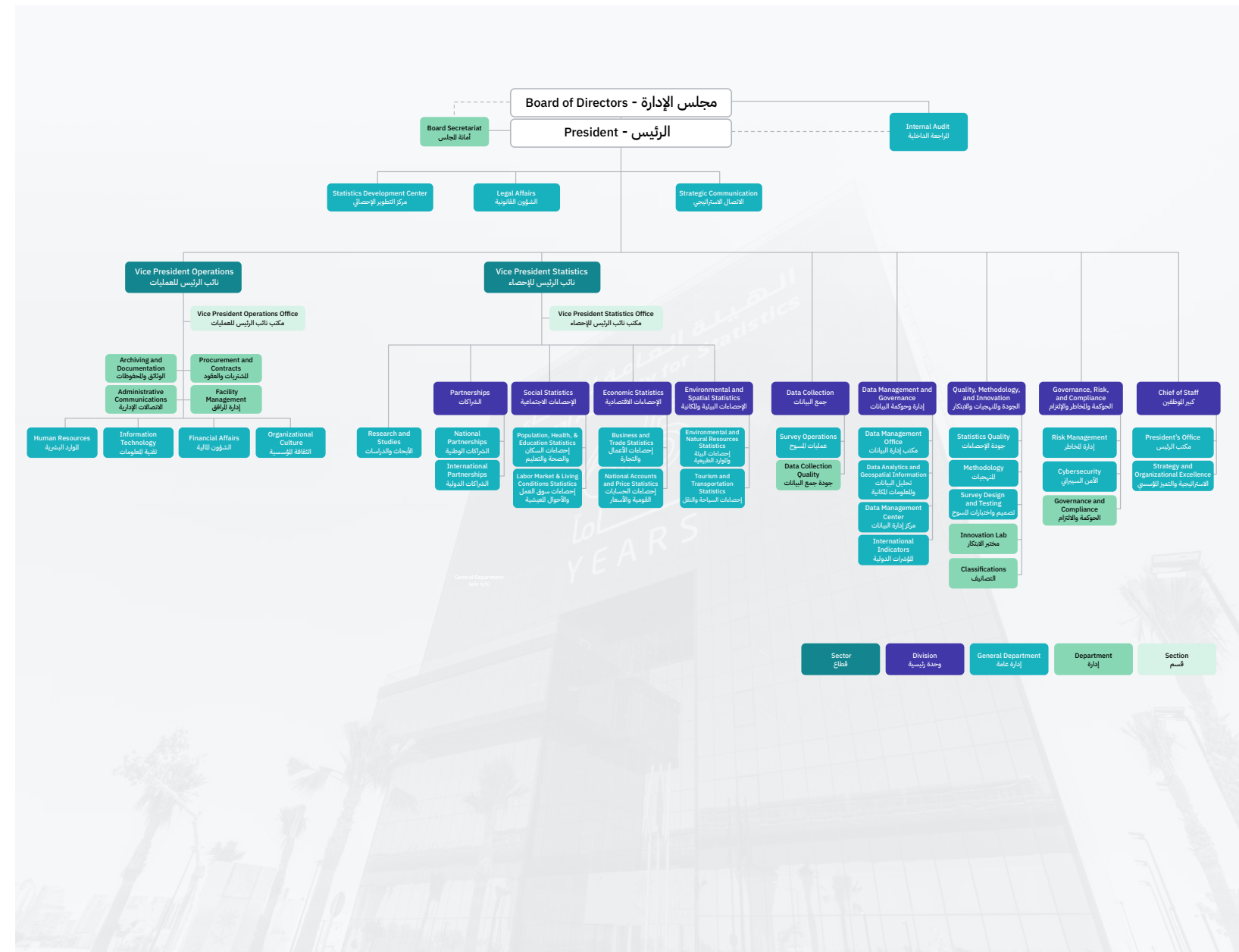
1. Approval of strategic directions.
2. Approval of the works regulations of GASTAT Board of Directors.
3. Approval of the regulations and charter of Audit and Risk Committee.
4. Approval of GASTAT's annual report for 2024.
5. Approval of GASTAT Final Account for fiscal year (1446/1445 AH)
6. Approval of GASTAT external auditor's report for fiscal year 2024.
7. Approval of the updated regulations of Nominations and Remuneration Committee (NRC).
8. Approval of GASTAT financial statements for fiscal year 2024.
9. Approval of GASTAT draft budget for fiscal year 2026.

04 Committees Associated with GASTAT's Board of Directors

Nominations and Remuneration Committee:
Nominations and Remuneration Committee (NRC) is one of the committees of GASTAT's Board of Directors. NRC considers topics related to nominations, performance assessment criteria, annual remuneration, job succession plans, labor force planning, and human resources related administrative regulations as per the approved committee regulations.

Audit and Risk Committee:
Audit and Risk Committee is one of the committees of GASTAT's Board of Directors. It considers topics related to GASTAT's supervisory and financial systems, procedures and controls, particularly the ones related to internal audit, risk management, financial reports, external auditor and compliance as per the approved committee regulations.

05 Organizational Structure



06 Human Resources

The Human Resources Department at GASTAT focuses on developing human capital and enhancing its competencies to support the achievement of GASTAT's strategic objectives and ensure institutional sustainability. Its responsibilities include talent acquisition, talent development, HR operations management, and fostering a supportive work environment and internal communication to improve institutional performance. Key activities and initiatives implemented during 2025 include:

N.	Initiative Name	Status	Impact
1	Upgrading benefits and compensations	Completed	Upgrading the performance efficiency and acquiring national competencies by developing benefits, remuneration and compensations in alignment with the unified regulations, strengthening job satisfaction and contributing to personnel stabilization and encouragement to achieve GASTAT's strategic objectives efficiently and effectively.
2	Upgrading governance manuals	Completed	Increasing the quality of internal governance by developing human resources policies and manuals to achieve consistency with employee aspirations and promote organizational fairness and clarity, supporting the stability of work environment and the effective and sustainable achievement of strategic objectives.
3	Linking Mrn platform with Tawakkalna platform for those working in statistical surveys	Completed	Upgrading the efficiency of labor market and enhancing the governmental digital transformation.
4	Launching the Future Leaders Program	Completed	Empowering a generation of distinctive leaders by investing the capabilities of high-performance personnel and refining their leadership and administrative skills to qualify them to lead strategic initiatives in the future.
5	Second edition - Saudi Statistician Program	Completed	Launching a foundational path to train national competencies specializing in statistics to establish a professional base capable of supporting GASTAT's statistical work requirements.
6	Employee Sending Program (2024-2025)	Completed	Investing in human capital by sending employees to advanced academic programs, aiming to develop highly qualified competencies in the field of statistical work.

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○ A Statement of the Sent, Deputed for 2025:

Data	Target Number	Actual Number	Percentage of actual to target in the number of sent/ deputed	DISCIPLINE
Master's degree	5	5	100%	- Statistics and Data Analysis - Statistics and Data Sciences

○ Statement of Those Enrolled in Training Programs for 2025:

Data	Category	Enrolled		
		Target	Achieved	Percentage of Achieved to Target
Guiding Direction	Administrative	46	46	100%
Future Leaders	Administrative/Professional	20	20	100%
Performance Enhancement Initiative	Professional	51	42	82%
Professional Courses: General Skills Programs	Professional	86	90	100%
Knowledge Transfer	Technical	195	195	100%
Technical Courses: Specialized Programs	Technical	764	760	99%
Saudi Statisticians	Other	10	10	100%
Total		1172	1163	99.2%

○ Current Human Resources Situation:

Job Category	Total Jobs						Numbers				
	Approved Jobs for the Current Fiscal Year	Occupied Jobs at the End of the Current Fiscal Year	Percentage of Occupied Jobs to Approved Jobs	Occupied Jobs at the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	Change in Labor Force	Vacancies at the End of the Current Fiscal Year	Promotions	Appointments	Separation from Service	Retirement	Termination
Retired	1087	958	88%	845	113	129	322	7	47	1	2

○ Current status of filled positions as of the end of fiscal year 2025:

Number of filled positions	Nationality	Males	Females
958	100% Saudi	655	303

07 Financial Affairs

Finance is responsible for efficiently and transparently managing financial resources, enhancing financial planning, and developing financial reports that support decision-making and resource allocation, contributing to the achievement of strategic objectives and ensuring expenditure efficiency across various projects. In addition, it focuses on promoting transparency in financial operations, thereby enhancing the quality of internal control.

Among the Key Financial Activities in 2025:

- Issuing financial statements up to the end of Q3 for fiscal year 2025, as part of the accrual basis transformation initiative.
- GASTAT achieved the objectives of the supervisory efficiency initiative by fulfilling the transformation requirements in the target paths for applying self-supervision, based on the supervisory efficiency assessment report issued by the Ministry of Finance, with a final evaluation score of 99% across three levels:
 - Evaluating the effectiveness of supervisory administrations.
 - General controls for information technology.
 - Controls for operation categories subject to financial control.
- Improving the efficiency of periodic financial reporting, reflecting GASTAT's commitment to transparency, financial accountability, accuracy in performance monitoring, and supporting decision-making.

○ Budget and Expenses:

To achieve its financial objectives, GASTAT focused on improving financial planning mechanisms by preparing its annual budget with high accuracy and monitoring its execution periodically, in line with the instructions for implementing the State's general budget. GASTAT utilized the available liquidity within its approved 2025 fiscal year budget, achieving a spending rate of 99% by year-end. GASTAT aims to further enhance this rate in alignment with its future plans through the Financial Planning Initiative.



08 Procurement and Contracts

The Procurement and Contracts Department at GASTAT supervises purchasing and contracting operations from the planning stage through execution, ensuring the highest standards of efficiency and transparency, and compliance with the Government Tenders and Procurement Law and its executive regulations. During 2025, the department continued its role in supporting the implementation of projects and operations by securing operational and technical needs, providing experts and consultants, and managing contracts and projects according to an institutional methodology that contributes to improving spending efficiency and enhancing integration among relevant departments.

Key activities accomplished during 2025 included:

- Enhancing compliance and operational governance by applying the Government Tenders and Procurement Law and its executive regulations to all operations executed during the year.
- Developing internal work procedures and operational templates to unify the procurement & contracts cycle & accelerate completion.
- Improving communication efficiency and expanding the supplier base.
- Promoting the adoption of framework agreements to enhance purchasing efficiency.
- Supporting local content by contracting qualified local suppliers.
- Improving the management of existing contracts through reviewing contracts with project-owning departments and the Finance Department to ensure adherence to the annual plan and the contractual payment schedule.
- Enhancing organizational spending efficiency by reducing small and repetitive purchasing operations and directing procurements towards priority projects.
- Participating in external specialized workshops and programs in government tenders and procurement, and contract management, which contributed to improving procurement and contracts management efficiency and raising professional knowledge levels.



09 Facilities

The Facilities Department supports the work environment and enhances operational efficiency by providing a safe, healthy, and comfortable workplace, and reducing operational costs through preventive maintenance and effective space management, thereby improving productivity, enhancing operational efficiency, and ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements, through the following key pillars:

- Providing a Safe and Healthy Environment: by implementing health and safety procedures, managing risks, and developing emergency plans to ensure a safe work environment.
- Raising Employee Satisfaction: by providing a comfortable work environment, delivering facilities services efficiently, and activating initiatives that enhance the employee experience.
- Effective Area Management: by improving office space planning and utilizing it efficiently, which facilitates workflow and strengthens communication among teams.
- Support for a Sustainable Environment: by adopting environmentally friendly practices such as energy conservation, waste management, and encouraging recycling.
- Preventive Maintenance and Cost Control: by implementing preventive maintenance plans for assets and equipment, which prevents sudden breakdowns and reduces maintenance and repair costs in the long term.
- Effective Supplier Management: by overseeing contracts with suppliers and contractors related to logistics and operational services, ensuring the provision of high-quality services at the lowest possible cost.
- Compliance with Regulations and Standards: by adhering to local and international safety and environmental standards and regulations.
- Traffic Regulation and Vehicle Fleet Management: by managing vehicle movements, receiving transportation requests for official delegations and experts, and providing shuttle transport services.



- Security and Safety Management: by mitigating internal and external risks and their impact, protecting facilities, employees, and visitors, preparing and implementing security and safety plans for all facilities, ensuring the readiness of security and safety systems such as surveillance cameras and fire protection systems, and publishing safety instructions periodically.

○ Key Achievements and Initiatives for 2025:

- Improved energy efficiency, achieving a 10% reduction in electricity consumption.
- Achieved 95% compliance in implementing the periodic maintenance plan.
- Applied standard quality specifications in environmental management, occupational health and safety, and facilities management systems.
- Closed operational service requests (cleaning and maintenance) according to approved procedures.

Projects and Initiatives	status	Impact
Relocation of GASTAT to its new headquarters in Al Arid District.	Completed	- Enhancing operational efficiency. - Improving productivity. - Rationalizing expenditures
launch of the Work Environment Ambassadors Initiative.	Completed	Enhancing communication and sense of belonging and increasing the level of employee satisfaction.
Updating Facilities Management Policies and Procedures.	Completed	Enhancing operational efficiency.
Activating the Building Access Authorization Management System.	Completed	Enhancing security and reducing risks and costs associated with security-related errors.
Conducting Evacuation Drill Scenarios at GASTAT's head-quarters and branches.	Completed	Testing building emergency preparedness and reducing potential operational risks.
Establishing the Asset Register following the inventory and handover of GASTAT's head-quarters assets.	Completed	Enhancing asset management and minimizing waste and asset-related costs.
Equipping a number of specialized facilities, including the Survey Operations Center, Innovation Lab, and Microdata Center.	Completed	Enhancing operational efficiency, strengthening risk management, and reducing potential operational losses.
Automating Facilities Management Services provided to employees.	Completed	Improving operational efficiency and reducing time and costs associated with manual processes.



Conclusion

This report highlights key developments achieved by GASTAT during 2025, including the organization of statistical work, the development and expansion of statistical products, progress in international indicators related to statistical work, enhancing the Kingdom's presence in international statistical forums, fostering partnerships and integration with various national entities, and raising institutional maturity in performance management and organizational practices.

GASTAT continues to build on its achievements, leveraging accumulated experiences and expertise spanning 65 years, which contributes to the development of statistical practices, the expansion of statistical products and indicators, and the advancement of the national statistical system in line with the requirements of the coming phase.

In the next stage, GASTAT aims to continue developing statistical work and strengthening integration within the national statistical system, supporting the Kingdom's development journey, and reflecting its leading position in the statistical field at both regional and international levels.

