

Quality declaration Mail and Courier Activity

0.General Information on Statistical Products		
0.1	Title	Mail and Courier Activity
0.2	Subject Area	Transport
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0.4	Purpose and History	To provide users with actual information on mail and messenger activity (mail, letters, post cards, parcels, packages, and profit from) parcel delivery, postal and messenger communication services (excluding VAT and costs). The calculation of indicators has a long history and has been maintained since the 30-es of the 20 th century. It has been regularly improved throughout the years to ensure the comparability with international classifications, composition and of indicators and other standards.
0.5	Users and Application	The main users of the statistical information are the public administration and local self-government bodies, public, scientific-educational, financial organizations, business society, mass media, international organizations, etc. Information on mail and messenger activity is applied for the purpose of strategy development in the mentioned field, analysis of business environment and solutions
0.6	Information Sources	The main information source used includes data collected on monthly, quarterly and annual basis from legal persons and sole proprietors.
0.7	Legal Authority to Collect Data	The data are collected based on the Law on "Official Statistics" and "Five Year Statistical Program", as well as the Resolution No. 05-N of RA State Council on Statistics "On Approval of the Procedure for the collection of statistical data" dated 20 June 2016 and Resolution "On Approval of Annual Statistical Program".
0.8	Response Burden	Response burden is not measured.
Content		
1.1	Description of the Content	Post and Messenger Communication Services comprise postal and messenger postal items, postal services, messenger services and special postal services.

		<p>Postal and Messenger services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • receipt, handling, transportation and delivery of • letters, parcels and packages from national post offices. • handling of poste restante correspondence, sales of stamps, postcards, and envelopes • contract based delivery of periodicals, • special postal services, messenger services (Feldeger delivery services), • receipt, handling, distribution and delivery of letters, parcels and packages from other organizations (non-postal).
1.2	Statistical Concepts	<p>Basic Concepts</p> <p>The volumes of postal and messenger services are calculated per communication types: domestic and international, of which to CIS countries.</p> <p>Postal Activities imply an integrated production technological complex of technical and transportation means which provides the receipt, handling, transportation and delivering of postal items as well as postal money transfer.</p> <p>Postal delivery is defined as the receipt, handling, transportation, and delivery to the addressee of postal items (addressed letter correspondence, postal parcels and containers, printed publications with respective packing).</p> <p>Postal Services is defined as an action or activity of receipt handling, transportation, and delivery of postal items (excluding special delivery), as well as implementation of postal money transfers and delivery of subscribed periodicals.</p> <p>Messenger communication service is a type of postal activity, during which the postal item is accompanied by the same legal person or sole proprietor throughout the entire delivery period, i.e. from sender to the addressee.</p> <p>Special communication service is a type of postal service which ensures receipt, handling and delivery of special items (postal items containing confidential information and articles, precious metals, gems, as well as adornments made thereof, Republic of Armenia monetary marks, foreign currency, protected only by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia and international agreements, which are sent or received by legal persons or sole proprietors).</p>

		<p>Structure and technical means of postal and messenger network include postal offices (except those close to railway stations), post offices near railway station, postal and messenger communication divisions, acting postal boxes, franking machines, stamp-cancellation machines, newspaper and journal packs, devices for sorting of parcels, packets, wrapper, letter- sorting sets, all types of conveyers and transporters, other technical means.</p> <p>Branch coverage</p> <p>Statistical observations of postal and messenger communication activity include Conveyance and Reserve Economy section (H) of the Armenian Classifier of Types of Economic Activities (NACE Rev. 2), which includes all road transportations: timber, animals, frozen stuff, heavy-loaded, piled cargo, including cistern conveyance, including transportation of milk collected from farms, transportation of cars, litter and other waste (except for collection and processing services), including also renting of trucks with a driver or an operator, as well as postal and messenger services.</p> <p>The postal and messenger activity part includes postal and messenger activities, i.e. receipt, transportation and delivery of parcels, packets, letter correspondence of different weights. This includes also activities of the national operator of postal communication, and other organizations rendering postal and messenger communication services.</p> <p>This part includes postal activity implemented on the basis of universal agreement, as well as other postal and messenger communication activities.</p> <p>The following are included here:</p> <p>1) activity of the national operator of postal communication: postal activity implemented by one or more operators pursuant to universal agreement. It includes also infrastructure services, including services of retail trade spots, maintenance, operation of sorting and handling machines, collection of postal items and transportation to post offices. Postal items include letters, postcards, publications (newspapers, periodicals, advertising material, etc.), parcels, packets, wrappers, as well as delivery of other services provided for by universal agreement.</p>
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2.Time		
2.1	Reference Period	Monthly, quarterly
2.2	Date of Publication	The up to date data are published on the 35 /36 th day of the month following the reference period. Annual data are published in the 4 th quarter of the year following the reference period.
2.3	Punctuality	Data are published according to schedule of annual programs publication and no delays from defined deadlines have been recorded.
2.4	Frequency	Monthly, quarterly
3.Accuracy		
3.1	Overall Accuracy	<p>There are no specific quantitative evaluations related to the overall accuracy.</p> <p>The information is mainly based on the sample survey of legal persons and individual entrepreneurs.</p> <p>The obligatory provision of statistical reports by them is fixed in the legal acts regulating the statistics sector. The response rate is around 98%.</p>
3.2	Sources of Inaccuracy	Exhaustive survey of all enterprises is conducted based on the statistical business register data.

		In case of no submission of statistical data on defined date the data of the previous period are repeated.
3.3	Measures on accuracy	-
4.Comparability		
4.1	Comparability over Time	Before 1998 the data (indicators) were provided in accordance with the All Union Classification of Branches of Economy (AUCOBONE). During the years 1998-200 the 3rd revision of the International Classifications of Branches of economy (ISIC) was in use (UN). Since 2002 the data are provided in accordance with the Republic of Armenia classifications of main activity (worked out by the NSS based on NACE international classifications of branches of economy). Since 2010 the second revision is used.
4.2	Comparability with other Statistics	There is comparability with other sources, for example the survey of economic activities of enterprises.
4.3	Coherence between Provisional and Final Statistics	Data published for the first time are called preliminary data. In case of changes the data are followed by explanatory notes. The preliminary data are reviewed based on the clarifications and corrections introduced by the economic subjects or other checks. The final data are provided in annual publications.
5.Accessibility		
5.1	Forms of Dissemination	<p>Publications</p> <p>Monthly publication</p> <p>"Socio-Economic Situation of the Republic of Armenia" monthly information report" information monthly report (in Armenian). "Information on Socio-Economic Situation of the Republic of Armenia on Major Macroeconomic Indicators" (Armenian, Russian, English)</p> <p>Annual publications: "Statistical Yearbook of Armenia" (Armenian, Russian and English). "Armenia in Figures" Statistical Handbook (in Armenian and English).</p> <p>Databases</p> <p>http://armstatbank.am/pxweb/hy/ArmStatBank/?rxid=602c2fcf-531f-4ed9-b9ad-42a1c546a1b6</p> <p>Internet Address</p> <p>The publications are available in electronic format on the web in Armenian (full version), Russian and English via the following address: https://www.armstat.am/en/?nid=82</p>

5.2	Basic Material: Storage and Usability	<p>The report forms submitted by the respondents are preserved both in paper and electronic forms. The electronic data base contains information on;</p> <p>For legal entities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) legal person's code b) registration number of the tax payer c) state register regular number d) full name of the legal person e) legal type of the enterprise f) location of the of the legal person activity (postal address), phone number, as well as email addresses (if necessary) g) the volume of construction (without VAT and other indirect taxes), <p>For individual entrepreneurs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) name and the last name, b) the code of the taxpayer , c) state registration number d) location of the of the individual entrepreneurs activity (postal address), phone number, as well as email addresses (if necessary) <p>the volume of the construction done (without VAT and other indirect taxes).</p>
5.3	Documentation	Information is available under the General Statistical Business-Process Model at https://www.armstat.am/en/?nid=672 .
5.4	Other information	<p>More detailed information on calculation of the main indicators on postal and messenger activity is provided in Annex 2 approved by Resolution No. 64-N of RA State Council on Statistics dated 12 November 2018 on approval of RA statistical report Form 1-POST (monthly) "On Postal and Messenger Activity" and the instruction for filling it in".</p> <p>Additional information on the methodology used is available in "The RA Statistical Yearbook", Social-Economic Situation of the Republic of Armenia" monthly informative report (Armenian and Russian) .</p>
6. Supplementary Documentation		
6.1		No supplementary documentation is available.

