



8. General Statistics Strategy

At the present stage, the Strategy in the state statistics field is anchored on fundamentals of policy implementation for building of free market economy, formation of civil social system and extending of democracy principals. In this respect the statistics reform is proceeding, following the regulation of statistical relations – the application of initiated legislative reforms, that will enable to ensure mainly the statistics implementation in compliance with the international standards (adopted by UN Statistical Commission). The statistics should ensure the impartiality (independence), urgency, efficient work, confidentiality of initial (nominal) data, study of statistical information users' needs, etc. during the program work to satisfy the needs of state bodies, international organizations, business and scientific and general public spheres.

From the viewpoint of strategy implementation in the state statistics field, more over 360 integrated indicators by the “State Statistical Work Program 2000” are collected using 225 statistical reporting forms (in preliminary informational volume consisting of over 0.5 mln. pages). It was foreseen to conduct 23 sample surveys in 2000 using the information of over 30 administrative registers, as well as 930 communities and 11 marz municipalities. The collected information is exposed to logical, arithmetical and methodological control, processing, by applying the principals of international methodology and turned into a statistical product-providing the information in publications and other forms.

Particularly it is foreseen:

- ✓ to extend and distinguish the tools (including also the specialised, branchal, spherical and regional registers, business-register) for collection of statistical information, as well as the sample surveys through introduction of the contemporary statistical methods, stipulated

by the growth of the types of economic and other-character - activities and the number of entities implementing these types of activity,

- ✓ to ensure the comparability of the initial statistical information and summary statistics with both the international accounting, reporting and analysing standards and the interdepartmental ones in the context of the tasks related to integration to the world economy in addition to statistics methodology, regular updating of the used techniques, information technologies, applying of unified classifications, as well as introduction of staff's training system,
- ✓ to bring the coverage of indicator's system to the accordance with acquirement of the possibility to reflect the social and economic situation of the country and all the main processes related to the trends formation in transition to free market economy,
- ✓ to come to international standards on statistics, particularly to reorganize the structure and composition of the output materials (bulletins, reports, handbooks) in order to completely and operatively meet the needs of users of the statistical "product", to apply the international information dissemination standards (particularly to subscribe to the IMF's "General Data Dissemination System"), as well as to widely use the electronic ways of information dissemination,
- ✓ to intend the work on introduction of the system for providing with the paid statistical services, besides the state order, aimed at increasing of statistics usefulness and efficiency,
- ✓ to arrange the statistical databases, particularly to enhance the branchal and territorial registers and co-ordinate their activity,
- ✓ to ensure the structural changes promoting to operation of active system of branchal and by-domains statistical registers' establishment and activity co-ordination by statistical three-level subordination system (republican, marz and community) and by co-ordination (ministries, departments and the Central Bank of RA) from the viewpoint of operation of the state statistical system as inclusive as possible by the all-governmental and administrative and territorial divisions,
- ✓ to deepen and extend as regularly as possible the work with the users aimed at harmonization of the communicational characteristics on the base of definition of statistical information publicity, and classification of its users (state bodies, scientific and educational system, business, general public, public and international organizations, mass media, near and far countries and other units),
- ✓ to update and define the list of statistical work included in the Annual

Program, the periodicity of their presentation and terms of implementation, coverage, the surveys to be carried out by NSS of RA, the list and periodicity of statistical handbooks, bulletins and other publications to be published, the list of organizations, state and local self-government bodies and other administrative registers and list of summary statistical data (information), presented by them, the list of statistical information users, the composition of information provided free of charge and order of its presentation.