INTRODUCTION

In April 2002, within the framework of the Project Component “Business Statistics” TACIS Program, the National Statistical Service of RA (NSSRA), with the aim to collect complete information, conducted the sample survey of investments implemented in the real assets of industrial, transport and communication organizations, based on annual results of 2001.

The sample survey covered 1963 industrial, transport and communication organizations in ten marzes of the Republic and Yerevan city.

The sample of the survey of investments implemented in the real assets was designed according to the stratification method, by applying the Neyman's formula.

Considering the fact that the electric and thermal energy production volumes have a big share in the total volume of industrial product, the organizations of energetic sphere have been surveyed exhaustively. The organizations rendering transport and communication services, as well as the organizations not included in the official statistics observation field, have been surveyed exhaustively, too.

The survey was conducted through the questionnaire “Form No1 – Investment” that has been designed by the Working Group of the "Business Statistics" Project and methodologically examined and approved by the experts from FSO Germany.

The questionnaire and instruction for its completion were wholly brought into compliance with the methodology and requirements existing in this domain in the international practice.

The indicators included in the questionnaire characterised the investments implemented in the real assets by directions, main spheres, financing sources, goals, as well as by factors influencing on investment environment. They will give the possibility to complement and update the information base on investments.