Business Registers and industrial coding

The Gambia
Our last Economic Census

- **Was undertaken in 2014/2015**

- **The approach was** *(Phase 1 Business listing was done in 2014 followed by Phase 2 Economic Survey-Detailed enquiry)*
Economic Census 2014/2015 Cont’d

- All listed establishments were coded according to ISIC Rev.4;
- This allows to migrate NA from SNA 1993 to 2008;
- The dataset served as sampling frame to select a sample of establishments for the second phase – establishment survey 2015;
- All economic sectors are represented in the dataset;
- Sampling frame dataset is the starting point for the development of a business register;
Our next Economic Census

- Is planned for 2019
- The approach will be *(Phase 1 Business listing and Phase 2 Economic Survey-detailed enquiry)*
Business Registers

- Currently we do not have an up-to-date business register.
- We are planning to create the GBR after the matching and upcoming coding exercise with GRA and other agencies (GPPA, AG Chambers...).
- We intend to use the VAT data from GRA as well as the AG Chambers records to update the BR for deathing, birthing and change of economic activity.
What sampling techniques were used?

- All Large establishments are included and a sub-sample of Medium, Small and Micro from all sectors.
Major constraints

- Difficult to acquire Tax Identification Number (TIN) for some businesses during the survey;
- Difficult to acquire information on annual business turnover during the survey;
- Difficult in acquiring the right information sometimes;
- Lack of Industry code on the Tax systems data
- Lack of expertise in SBR
Objectives of the ISIC revision

- **Relevance**
  - Reflect new industries, new production pattern, new needs for economic analysis

- **Comparability**
  - Improve linkages to major regional classifications

- **Continuity**
  - Maintain close links to the previous version of ISIC

- **Main task:** balancing these three objectives
ISIC structure changes

- Increase in top-level categories
- Increase in overall detail
- New concepts (information, professional services, support services)
- New application rules (vertical integration, top-down method, outsourcing)

This presentation provides an overview. Specific sections will be discussed separately.
Increased detail of ISIC Rev. 4

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High-level concordance

ISIC Rev.3.1

A Agriculture, hunting and forestry
B Fishing
C Mining and quarrying
D Manufacturing
E Electricity, gas and water supply
F Construction
G Wholesale and retail trade; ...
H Hotels and restaurants
I Transport, storage and communications
J Financial intermediation
K Real estate, renting and business ...
L Public administration ...
M Education
N Health and social work
O Other community, social, personal ...
P Activities of private households
Q Extraterritorial organizations and bodies

ISIC Rev.4

A Agriculture, forestry and fishing
B Mining and quarrying
C Manufacturing
D Electricity, gas, steam ...
E Water supply; sewerage, waste ...
F Construction
G Wholesale and retail trade; ...
H Transportation and storage
I Accommodation and food service activities
J Information and communication
K Financial and insurance activities
L Real estate activities
M Professional, scientific and technical activities
N Administrative and support service activities
O Public administration ...
P Education
Q Human health and social work activities
R Arts, entertainment and recreation
S Other service activities
T Activities of households ...
U Activities of extraterritorial organizations ...
High-level structure

- A Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- B Mining and quarrying
- C Manufacturing
- D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
- E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities
- F Construction
- G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
- H Transportation and storage
- I Accommodation and food service activities
- J Information and communication
- K Financial and insurance activities
- L Real estate activities
- M Professional, scientific and technical activities
- N Administrative and support service activities
- O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
- P Education
- Q Human health and social work activities
- R Arts, entertainment and recreation
- S Other service activities
- T Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use
- U Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies
High-level structure

- A  Agriculture, forestry and fishing
  - New detail
- B  Mining and quarrying
  - Minor changes; support services
- C  Manufacturing
  - Restructuring of machinery categories
  - Moved “recycling” and “publishing” to other sections
  - Separate recognition of repair and installation
  - Minor corrections and additions
High-level structure

- D  Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
  - Water moved to section E
- E  Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities *
  - New section
- F  Construction
  - Reorganization of high-level categories (buildings vs. civil engineering vs. special trades)
High-level structure

- **G** Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
  - More detail
  - Exception for automobiles remains
- **H** Transportation and storage
  - Telecommunications moved to section J
- **I** Accommodation and food service activities
  - Minor adjustments
High-level structure

- J  Information and communication *
  - New section
- K  Financial and insurance activities
  - Recognition of trusts and funds; holding companies; minor adjustments
- L  Real estate activities
  - Separated at section level for SNA applications
High-level structure

- M Professional, scientific and technical activities
  - New section (split of old business activities)
- N Administrative and support service activities
  - New section (split of old business activities)
- O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
  - No significant change
High-level structure

- **P** Education
  - Minor change in scope; recognition of support services
- **Q** Human health and social work activities
  - New detail to reflect current operations, connection between health and social work
- **R** Arts, entertainment and recreation
  - Residual; movie and TV moved to section J
High-level structure

- **S** Other service activities
  - Residual; includes some repair services
- **T** Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use *
  - No change
- **U** Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies
  - No change
Thank you/Murakoze