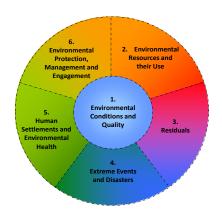
Session 1.2: Basic Set of Environment Statistics



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- This presentation has been elaborated by the Environment Statistics Section of the United Nations Statistics Division.
- It is based on Chapter 4 of the Framework for the Development of Environment Statistics (FDES 2013).



Why do we need a Basic Set of Environment Statistics?

- Tier 3

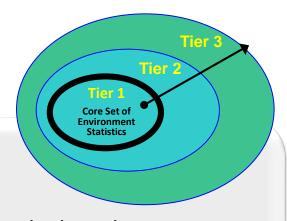
 Tier 2

 Tier 1

 Core Set of Environment Statistics
- The Basic Set was developed in response to:
 - country demand;
 - relevance of the statistics to environmental issues;
 - corresponding FDES topics.
- The statistics contained in the Set are useful for:
 - generating national sets or databases of environment statistics.
 - reporting on environment or sustainable development.
 - calculating environmental indicators.
 - generating environmental-economic accounts.



The Basic Set of Environment Statistics

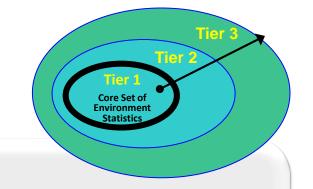


The Basic Set of Environment Statistics is:

- a comprehensive, but not exhaustive, set of statistics designed to support countries developing environment statistics programmes according to their national priorities for statistical development.
- flexible enough to be adapted to individual countries' environmental concerns, priorities and resources.
- The **Basic Set** thus features a progression of three tiers, based on the level of relevance, availability and methodological development of the statistics, where Tier 1 corresponds to the Core Set of Environment Statistics. As national priorities require and data availability and resources permit, the scope may be widened gradually to include the statistics in Tiers 2 and 3.



The Basic Set and its three tiers of statistics



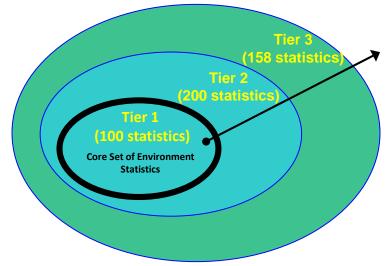
The three tiers of statistics are defined as follows:

- <u>Tier 1</u>, corresponding to the Core Set of Environment Statistics, includes 100 statistics which are of high priority and relevance to most countries and have a sound methodological foundation. It is recommended that countries consider producing them in the **short-term**.
- <u>Tier 2</u> includes 200 environment statistics which are of priority and relevance to most countries but require greater investment of time, resources or methodological development. It is recommended that countries consider producing them in the **medium-term**.
- <u>Tier 3</u> includes 158 environment statistics which are either of lower priority or require significant methodological development. It is recommended that countries consider producing them in the **long-term**.



Number of environment statistics in the Basic Set

Core Set or Tier 1 = 100 statistics Basic Set = 458 statistics



Number of Statistics	Component 1	Component 2	Component 3	Component 4	Component 5	Component 6	Total
Tier 1	32	30	19	4	12	3	100
Tier 2	58	51	34	11	22	24	200
Tier 3	51	43	5	16	20	23	158
Total	141	124	58	31	54	50	458

The Basic Set is presented in the FDES structure, supplemented with additional guidance

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Topic	(I	Bold Text - Core Set/Tier 1; Regular Text - Tier 2; Italicized Text - Tier 3)	Category of Measurement	Potential Aggregations and Scales	Methodological Guidance	
Topic 4.1.1: Occurrence of natural extreme events and disasters	a.	Occurrence of natural extreme events and disasters 1. Type of natural extreme event and disaster (geophysical, meteorological, hydrological, climatological, biological) 2. Location 3. Magnitude (where applicable) 4. Date of occurrence 5. Duration	Description Location Intensity Date Time period	By event National Sub-national	Centre for Researce on the Epidemiology of Disasters Emergency Events Database (CRED EMDAT) UN Economic Commission for Latin	
Topic 4.1.2: Impact of natural extreme events and disasters	a. People affected by natural extreme events and disasters 1. Number of people killed 2. Number of people injured 3. Number of people homeless 4. Number of people affected b. Economic losses due to natural extreme events and disasters (e.g., damage to buildings, transportation networks, loss of revenue for businesses, utility disruption)		Number Number Number Number Currency	By event By ISIC economic activity National Sub-national	America and the Caribbean (UNECLAC) Handbook for Estimating the Socio economic and Environmental Effect of Disasters • The United Nation Office for Disaster Risk Reduction	
	c.	Physical losses/damages due to natural extreme events and disasters (e.g., area and amount of crops, livestock, aquaculture, biomass)	Area, Description, Number	By direct and indirect damage	(UNISDR)	
	d.	Effects of natural extreme events and disasters on integrity of ecosystems 1. Area affected by natural disasters 2. Loss of vegetation cover 3. Area of watershed affected 4. Other	Area Area Area Description	By event By ecosystem National Sub-national		
	e.	External assistance received	Currency	By event National		

The complete Basic Set can be found at: https://unstats.un.org/unsd/envstats/fdes/basicset.cshtml



Thank you for your attention!

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