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CAYMAN ISLANDS COUNTRY REPORT

Please see hereunder Paper entitled 'Cayman Islands Country Report'.

AREA OF STATISTICS	DATA PRODUCTION (Tables etc.)	DATA DISSEMINATED	DATA GAPS	BEST PRACTICES/ CHALLENGES	RESOURCES REQUIRED	USE OF TECHNOLOGY
National Accounts	<p>Latest - 2011 GDP by Production Approach, Current and Constant</p> <p>2011 GDP by Generation of Income</p>	Current and Constant GDP for 2011 using both the Income and Production approaches	Some gaps in the available data on agriculture; quarrying volume indicators.	<p>Developed in 2008 using 1993 SNA, with some 2008 SNA adopted, eg, FISIM</p> <p>Low but improving response rate to survey.</p> <p>Secondary data are usually consolidated; this limits our ability to adjust the data for individual companies.</p> <p>Statistics Law was amended in 2010 to give ESO authority to conduct surveys</p> <p>GDP estimates and Business Register utilizes ISIC Rev 4.</p> <p>The treatment of Special Economic Zone (SEZs) locators vis-à-vis BMP5.</p> <p>These are exempt companies under Companies Law and are therefore exempt from Stats Law.</p>	<p>Need technical assistance for implementation of GDP by expenditure.</p> <p>Need technical assistance for implementation of a PPI especially for the service sector.</p>	

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Balance of Payment	<p>2006-2011 Current Account</p> <p>Currently working on the compilation of the 2011 and 2012 Financial and Capital Accounts of the Balance of Payments</p>	Current account December 2011	Lack of capital and financial accounts data.	<p>Recently developed in 2008 using BMP5.</p> <p>2013 Economic Survey response rate has improved but is still low</p> <p>Limited access to administrative data for financial services</p> <p>Excel-based data processing has limitations. Require a more robust software.</p> <p>The treatment of off-shore companies poses challenges. Currently treated as non-residents but BPM5/6 treat them as residents although they have no physical presence. Also, exempt from participating in surveys under Stats Law.</p>	<p>Software program for BOP compilation</p> <p>In-house computer programmer</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>Two Statisticians participated in United Nations Regional Workshop on Travel and Tourism Statistics, Roseau, Dominica, 14-17 May 2013</p> <p>IMF/CARTAC Mission Nov 12-15, 2013 to assist in BPM6 transition (BOP + IIP), and review financial and capital accounts estimates</p>	

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Trade	Annual trade and quarterly trade statistics by SITC, and Country of Origin. Quarterly trade reports started in 2012	2012 Annual Foreign Trade Statistics Report Quarterly (Q1 and Q2) 2013 Trade Bulletins	Missing and incorrect codes, missing value and/or quantity.	New Harmonised System for coding customs goods that replaced the Cayman Islands Tariff codes was introduced at Customs Department. Expansion of the tariff codes from four digits to eight digits. System of linking trade data SITC to CPC and COICOP was developed at the ESO.	ESO, Customs and Chamber of Commerce collaborated in training staff and importers on the harmonised system and TRIPS. Staff members attended training on the custom trade processing system - Total Revenue Integrated Processing System(TRIPS).	Integrated Revenue Processing System (TRIPS) was introduced in May 2013
Consumer Price Index	1991-2013	Quarterly Reports	Weights are based on 2007 HBS. Weights for items such as housing whose prices have persistently gone down since 2007 may now be over-weighted.	Prices are collected monthly for volatile items. Efficient data processing software that allows multiple entries (CPI-PRO)	New HBS being planned, with TA from CARTAC, to be implemented Oct 2014-Sept 2015.	CPI-PRO

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Labour Force	2012 LFS Report Data collection 2013 (October-November) on-going	2012 LFS Report	The LFS questionnaire was re-designed to capture information on training and usual economic status. It still does not capture informal activities.	Sampling frame is based on Census 2010 household data base, with updates taken in July-Aug 2013 Teleform is used to produce questionnaires and process data in-house. Industry codes are based on ISIC Rev.4. Immigration Department and Department of Employment Relations collaborate with ESO in the use of ISIC and ISCO codes for work permit holders and job seekers, respectively.	Hand-held data collection devices should be explored.	Cardiff Teleform for data capture and SPSS for data cleaning and processing.

ICP	<p>Q1 to Q4 2012 prices validated</p> <p>All special surveys – education, equipment, government employment, education prices and employment and MORES</p>	<p>To be disseminated through the Global Report in March 2015</p>	<p>GDP by expenditure</p>	<p>Note: Borrowed expenditure ratios from Bermuda and Bahamas in developing GDP by expenditure</p>	<p>Required for next phase – expenditures approach GDP which will require an HBS</p>	
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Immigration Data			No information on emigration	Detailed information available on immigrants (work permit holders) compiled by the Immigration Department		
Tourism data	2012	2012 Compendium of Statistics	Tourism expenditure data outstanding for 2008 onwards.	Survey methodology (by Dept of Tourism) need to be reviewed.		
Agriculture statistics	2012	2012 Compendium of Statistics	Mainly livestock (now includes poultry) and sales of fertilizers information. Lacks information on acreage cultivated.			
Violence against Women	2012	2012 Compendium of Statistics(Protective Services)	Limited to offences against the person	Require an evaluation of the RCIPS reporting structure and compilation of information on reported cases of violence against women.		
Education	2012	2012 Compendium of Statistics		Data to estimate gross and net enrolment rates are now available. Now includes Early Childhood Care and		

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Health Statistics	2012	2012 Compendium of Statistics		Education Enrollment and Staffing. In previous years there was information on Primary, Secondary and Tertiary enrolment, Examination Results and Library Statistics Information on the ten leading causes of Resident deaths by Rank and Sex for 2012 and statistics on Immunization are now included		
	2012	Chronic Disease Risk Factor Survey (Report by the Ministry of Health: Chronic Disease Risk factor Survey Report including Fact Sheet and data Book)		Survey methodology was adopted from PAHO	CIG received TA from Pan American Health Organization	PDAs were used by ESO for the first time to collect data from households. These were on loan from CAREC

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