High Level Seminar on the Future of Economic Statistics for the Arab Region

Agenda Item 2

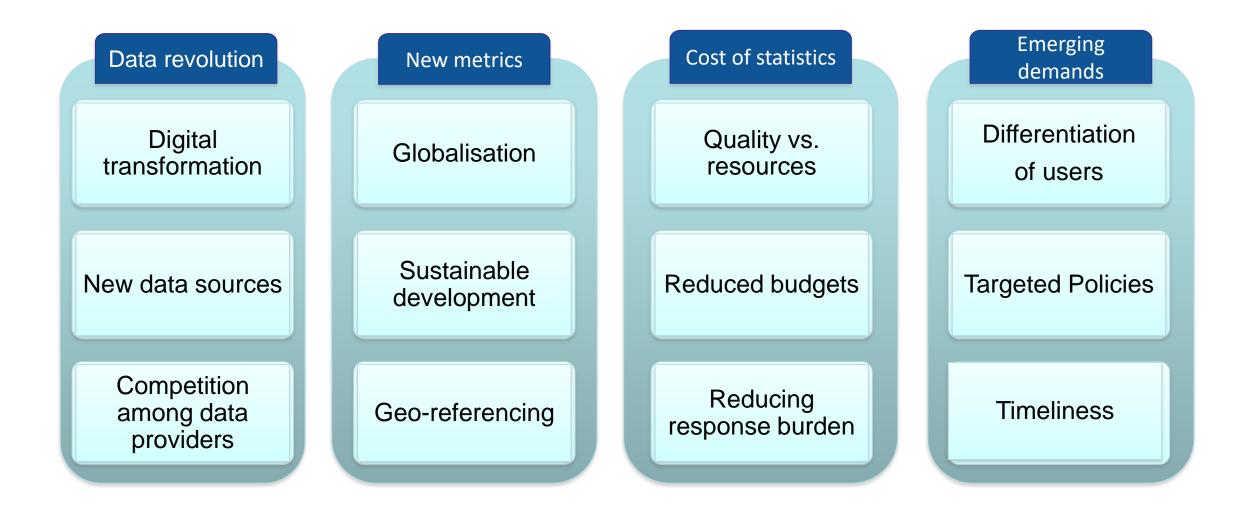
New Data Sources, Methods, Roles and Services

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This Presentation Will Cover:

- Drivers of Change
- New data sources and methods 'Big' and Administrative
- New statistical products
- New roles for the NSO

Drivers of innovation and modernization



New data sources and methods

- Scanner (Transactions) Data Well Established
 - CPI
 - SUT and IOT
- Card Payments Data Pioneer Project
 - BOP Services and off-shore internet purchases
- Payroll Data Investigations and research
 - Administrative data also continues to evolve
 - 'Real-time' admin is now becoming available

Scanner Data

- Now provides the majority of price observations in the CPI
- Weekly delivery of data from major retailers
- Covers all geographic regions, all product groups, all transactions
- Starting to use in the Supply-Use Tables
- CPI will be annually reweighted based on these Tables
- Product level detail with both expenditures (\$) and quantities
- Developments facilitated by UN Global Platform

UN Global Working Group on (Big) Data for Official Statistics

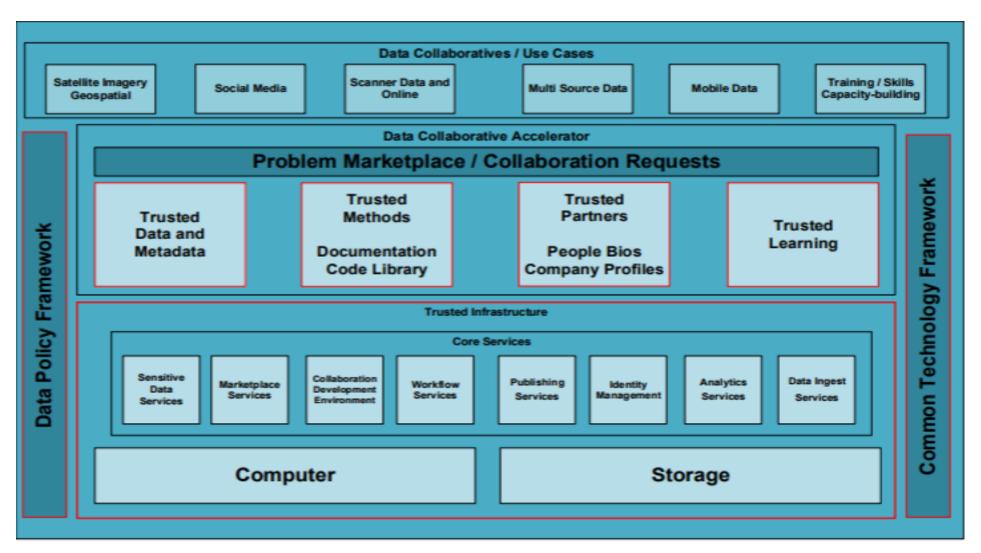
• Genesis



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GWG Global Platform Architecture



GWG Global Platform - what will be delivered?

A federated technical infrastructure which will allow **Trusted Partners** to access and collaborate with:

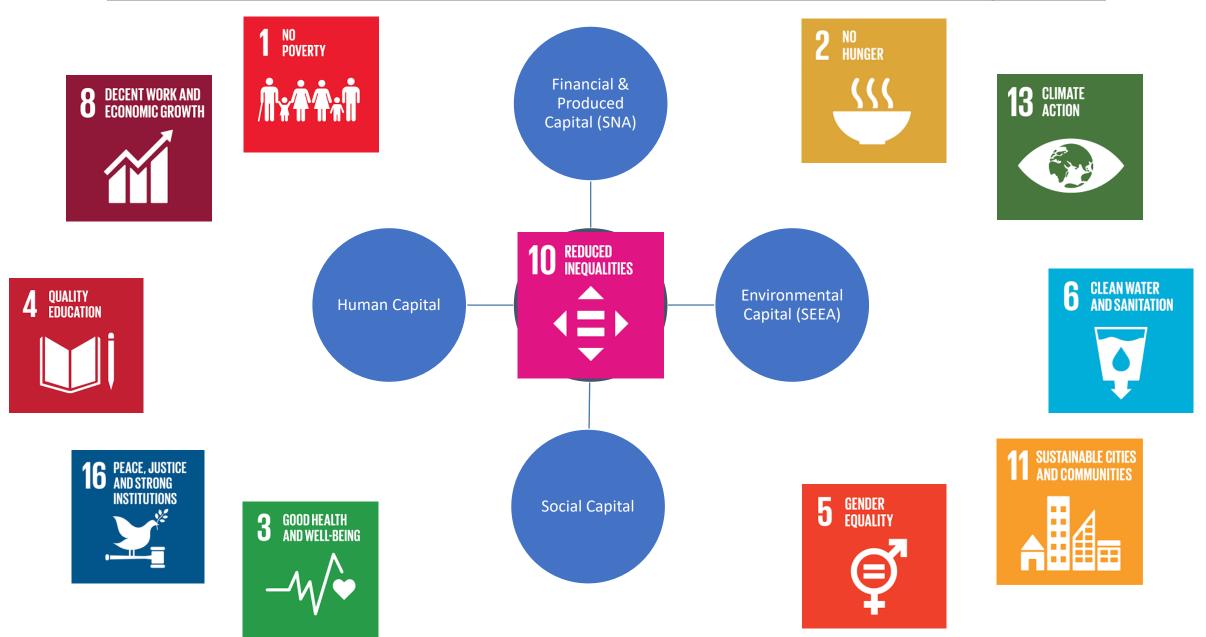
- Trusted Data
- Trusted Methods
- Trusted Learning materials

A series of **Data Collaboratives** have been set up to facilitate the development and sharing of new analytical methods, initially based on the GWG Task Teams

New statistical products

- Engage with users both bilaterally and through established user groups
 - Economic Statistics User Group
 - Labour Statistics User Group, Environmental Statistics User Group etc
- Identify gaps and priorities
 - See the Accounts as one key mechanism for meeting these priorities
 - Reuse data, methods, systems etc

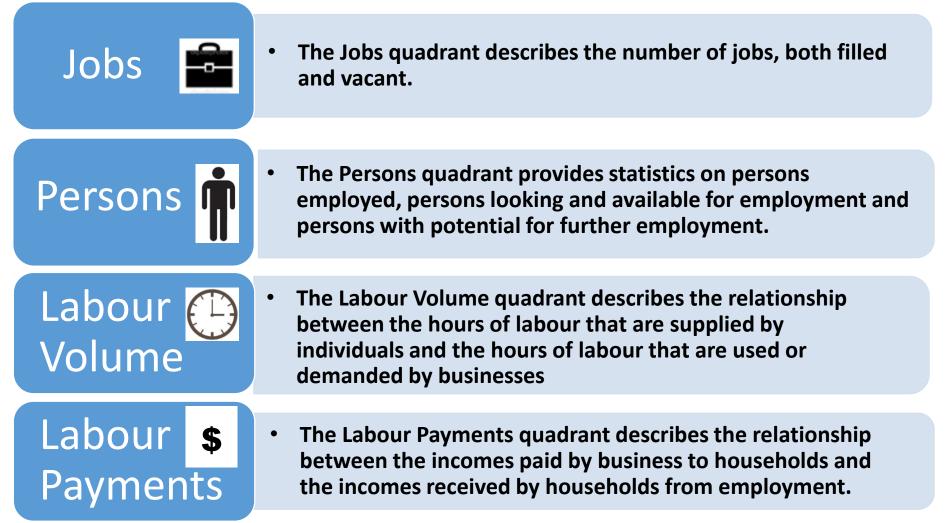
Macro Accounts – Coherent and Complete



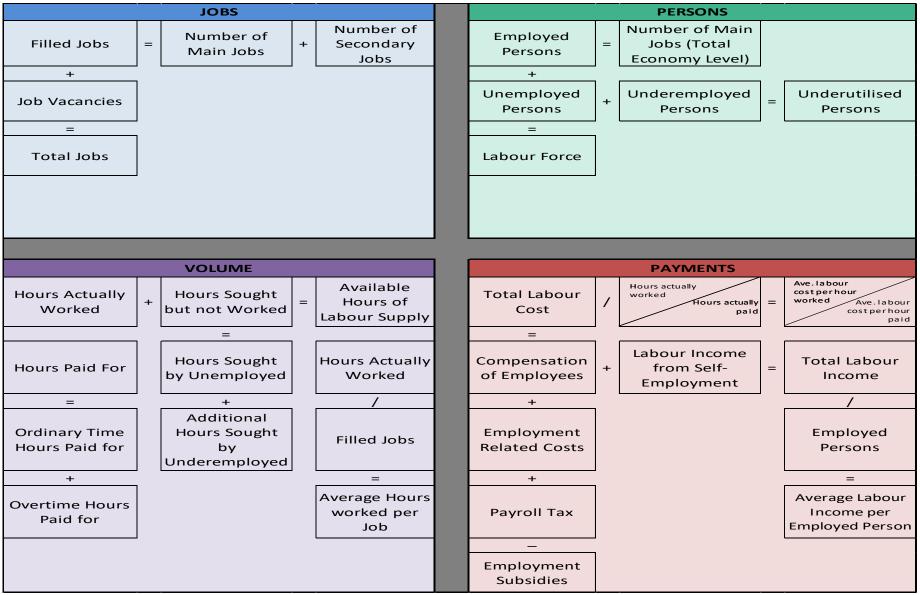
New Types of Accounts

- System of Environmental-Economic Accounts
- Distributions of Incomes, Consumption and Wealth
- Satellite Accounts to meet specific needs:
 - Tourism
 - Digital
 - Cultural & Non-Profits
 - Health
- Labour Accounts

Four quadrants



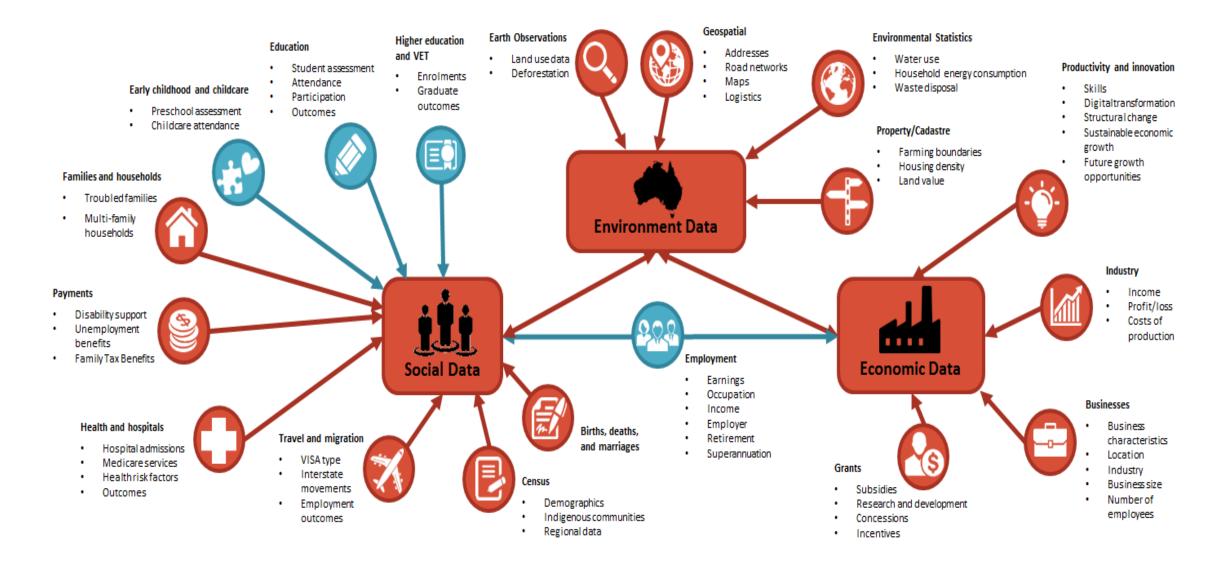
Labour Account Identities



New Role

- Data Custodian: Managing Data as a Service
- Whole of Government Initiative: Data as an Asset
- Unit Level (Micro) Linked Data: Data is Secure and Private
- Research and Policy Making Studies: Data is Accessible

Microdata – Integrated and Accessible



Date Is Safe: Five Safes Approach



Challenges and Opportunities

- Extraordinary high demand for this service. How to scale while maintaining security and trust? Need to industrialise currently bespoke processes
- Work out how to use this data in 'traditional' statistical products. Complementary rather than competing activity



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