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**Provisional agenda and dates for the  
fortieth session of the Commission****Draft multi-year programme of work for the  
Statistical Commission 2008-2011****Note by the Secretary-General**

In accordance with a request of the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1999/51, a proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission is set out below. Reflecting comments from members and observers of the Commission and a review of its workplans by the United Nations Statistics Division, the programme of work constitutes a revision of the draft multi-year programme of work for 2007-2010 (E/CN.3/2007/29) considered by the Commission at its thirty-eighth session.

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## Proposed multi-year programme of work for the Statistical Commission 2008-2011

<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>
1. Demographic and social statistics				
(a) Population and housing censuses	X	X	X	X
(b) Human settlements statistics		X		
(c) Paris Group on Labour and Compensation (city group)		X		X
(d) Health statistics	X	X	X	X
(e) Social statistics			X	
(f) Poverty statistics			X	
(g) Education statistics	X		X	
(h) Statistics of drugs and drug use		X		
(i) Washington Group on Disability Measurement (city group)		X		X
(j) Migration statistics		X		
(k) Employment statistics	X	X		
(l) Gender statistics		X		
2. Economic statistics				
(a) National accounts	X	X	X	X
(b) Agricultural statistics			X	
(c) Wye Group on Statistics on Rural Development and Agriculture Household Income (city group)	X		X	
(d) Industrial statistics	X		X	
(e) Round table on Business Survey Frames (city group)	X		X	
(f) Energy statistics		X		X
(g) Oslo Group on Energy Statistics (city group)		X		X
(h) Distributive trade statistics	X		X	
(i) International merchandise trade statistics	X		X	
(j) Statistics of international trade in services	X		X	
(k) Statistics of services		X		
(l) Voorburg Group on Service Statistics (city group)		X		X
(m) Information and communication technologies statistics		X		
(n) Tourism statistics	X		X	
(o) Finance statistics			X	
(p) International Comparison Programme	X	X	X	X
(q) Ottawa Group on Price Indexes (city group)	X		X	
(r) Price statistics		X		
(s) Statistics of science and technology	X			
(t) Delhi Group on Informal Sector Statistics (city group)	X		X	
(u) Integrated economic statistics	X		X	
(v) Short-term economic indicators		X		

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3. Natural resources and environment statistics				
(a) Environment statistics	X		X	
(b) Environmental accounting	X		X	
(c) London Group on Environmental Accounting (city group)			X	
4. Activities not classified by field				
(a) Coordination and integration of statistical programmes	X	X	X	X
(b) Programme questions (United Nations Statistics Division)	X	X	X	X
(c) Management issues in national statistical offices		X		
(d) Statistics of human development	X			
(e) Implementation of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics		X		
(f) International economic and social classifications	X		X	
(g) Common open standards for the exchange and sharing of data and metadata	X	X		
(h) Presentation of statistical data and metadata		X		
(i) Coordination of ongoing methodological work		X		
(j) Statistical capacity-building		X		X
(k) Dissemination of statistics by the United Nations Statistics Division	X			
(l) Development indicators	X	X	X	X
(m) Follow-up to Economic and Social Council policy decisions	X	X	X	X
(n) Working methods of the Statistical Commission		X		
(o) Principles governing international statistical activities	X			
(p) Regional statistical development	X	X	X	X
<b>Total number of items</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>15</b>

### Programme reviews

2003: Statistics of services

2004: Social statistics

2005: Energy statistics

2006: Industrial statistics

2007: Education statistics

2008: Employment statistics

2009: Quality assurance frameworks (proposed)

2010: Research and development statistics (proposed)