

Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers

Country progress report 2017 and future plans

Country:

Malaysia

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I. Organisation, Population and Usage of the Statistical Business Register

1. Name of the register

Malaysia Statistical Business Register (MSBR)

2. Name of the organisation responsible for holding the register

Department of Statistics, Malaysia

3. Position of the register unit in the organisation

Methodology and Research Division

4. Number of employees in the register unit (Headcount employees)

Headquarters: 18

16 State Offices: 218

5. Primary goal and use of the register

To maintain the comprehensive list of businesses and companies operating in Malaysia and establish a common framework in the creation of harmonized registers for statistical purposes. It also serves as a tool in the preparation and coordination of surveys as well as a source of information for statistical analysis of business population and demographics

6. Year of establishment of the register

1993

7. Year(s) of the main re-engineering(s) of the register

2010

8. Number of active enterprises* in the register at the end of 2017

*If it is difficult to use Enterprises, you can use Legal units instead.

Enterprises: Enterprise: 1,164,889

(Legal units: Establishment: 1,181,684)

9. Does the register have geographical coordinates assigned to every address or could they be obtained through other registers linked to it?

No

II. Progress and Developments in the Past Year

Please list main achievements (maximum 3) in the past year (2016) or the problems you have tackled. Also, please classify them according to the categories within each drop-down list.

1. Short title of work which was done

Updating of MSBR

(Category)

2. Coverage

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

The Department is currently updating MSBR in preparation for Census of Distributive Trade 2019. It involves identifying new establishments and updating current status for existing establishments in MSBR especially for distributive trade sector.

2. Short title of work which was done

Trade by Enterprise Characteristics (TEC)

(Category)

9. Planning and governance

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Integrating MSBR with trade database to describe the characteristics of the business that engage in international market. Traditional trade statistics record the type of goods that are traded across border between countries but do not describe the characteristics of the businesses that are behind these trade flow. The linkage of trade statistics with business registers allow us to describe those who are engaged in global market and their respective characteristics.

3. Short title of work which was done

Business Demography Statistics

(Category)

11. Others

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

The aim is to present the demography statistics on the active population of enterprises, the birth, survival and death. In order to produce the statistics, the key variable that are needed to be incorporated in MSBR is 'incorporation date' of the enterprises. The department received data on enterprises' 'incorporated date' from Companies Commission of Malaysia.

III. Future plans

Please list themes/projects (maximum 3) which you plan to tackle in the current (2018) and following year(s). Also, please classify them according to the categories within each drop-down list.

1. Short title of work planned

e-QIS (e-Quality Improvement Screening)

(Category)

5. Maintenance

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Currently, MSBR Quality Improvement Screening is conducted manually/traditionally by submitting questionnaire to respondents. This activity involves cost and requires manpower. The online screening system, allows screening online and it saves cost and manpower.

2. Short title of work planned

(Category)

9. Planning and governance

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

3. Short title of work planned

(Category)

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

IV. Main challenges

Please list main challenges (maximum 3) with respect to development, maintenance and use of your statistical business register. Also, please classify them according to the categories within each drop-down list.

1. Main challenge 1

(Category)

Description of the challenge

2. Main challenge 2

(Category)

Description of the challenge

3. Main challenge 3

(Category)

Description of the challenge