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<b>Abstract</b>	<p>The Statistics Center is the sole source of official statistics in the Emirate. It aims to develop and provide accurate and reliable statistics on the social, economic, environmental and other situations to decision and policy-makers, the public, the mass media, the business community, researchers and the international community, without prejudice to the confidentiality of individual data set forth in accordance with the provisions of this law and data dissemination policy approved by the Management Council.</p> <p>The Center's strategy was developed through a systematic approach that conforms to the best international practices in this regard, having started with an assessment of the current situation of statistical work to pinpoint strengths and weaknesses. The process followed in the formulation of the strategy focused on the achievement of the priorities of Abu Dhabi Government's comprehensive policy agenda as well as the vision of Abu Dhabi Economic Vision 2030. In addition, SCAD's strategy seeks to meet the emirate's present statistical needs through its stated vision, mission and values.</p>
<b>GIS Profile</b>	<p>The Statistics Center is working with the ADSIC/ AD-SDI team to develop a GIS strategy to build the GIS capacity of the Center that will evolve into a detailed roadmap and implementation strategy. In parallel, the Center has completed earlier 2009 the Strategy for the Geo Census 2010 and coordinated with ADSIC/ AD-SDI to ensure that the Census 2010 will be spatially enabled using sound SDI and GIS practices.</p> <p>Concurrently, the Statistics Center is working toward spatially enabling the various types of surveys that are conducted annually by the Center including house hold, remote areas and infrastructure surveys; this is happening through coordination with the AD-SDI Community.</p> <p>In addition, SCAD has initiated an interest group with representation from various entities in Abu Dhabi to compile the community requirements and priorities for census and surveys that will be included in the Statistics Center prioritized implementation strategy. The GIS technology will be a useful support tool to capture and analyze the spatial dimension of the community requirements.</p>
<b>SDI Involvement</b>	<p>The Statistics Center involvement with AD-SDI started back in 2007 where the statistics function used to be carried out under the Department of Planning and Economy (DPE). At that time, a joint effort between DPE and ADSIC/ AD-SDI team culminated in spatially enabling the census 2005 outcomes. This resulted in more than 30 data products from Geo Census 2005 that were published on the AD-SDI Portal and that were highly demanded since then by the AD-SDI Community.</p> <p>Some of the Geo Census 2005 products that were aggregated at sector level or equivalent administrative boundaries and presented on digital maps included census total population, unemployed population, population density map, community facilities locations such as petrol stations, mosques, police stations, health facilities, etc., student population, proximity analysis to public schools and police stations, age distribution, married population, male/ female proportion, low cost housing, illiteracy proportion, higher education, nationalities distribution, expatriates population, employed population, average population per building, etc.</p> <p>At present, the Statistics Center is collaborating with ADSIC and the AD-SDI Community for the preparation of the Geo Census 2010. In this project, SCAD will leverage the available basemap data and administrative boundaries from MSD, SRC, the municipalities and other key stakeholders. The census information will be geocoded to the buildings where all types of statistics can be developed in the future with qualitative outcomes. Concurrently, SCAD is working with the ADSIC/ AD-SDI team to explore the best means to spatially enable the surveys and statistics that are produced by SCAD annually.</p>
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