International Recommendations for Industrial Statistics 2008

With a view to establishing a uniform pattern for the measurement of economic activities on a comparable basis, international recommendations have been formulated by the United Nations for the collection of statistics on a number of economic activities. The Statistical Commission, at its thirty-ninth session, held in New York from 26 to 29 February 2008, adopted part I of the draft IRIS 2008, containing the recommendations for statistical units, characteristics of statistical units, data items and their definitions and the data items for international reporting, as the international recommendations for industrial statistics. The Commission also endorsed part II of the document, containing guidance on performance indicators, data sources and data compilation methods, data-collection strategy, data quality and metadata, and dissemination of industrial statistics, as supplementary guidance for the implementation of the international recommendations.

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