

TRUSTWORTHINESS

Building confidence in the people and organisations that produce statistics and data

QUALITY

Data and methods that produce assured statistics

VALUE

Statistics that support society's needs for information

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CODE OF PRACTICE FOR STATISTICS 3.0

STANDARDS FOR OFFICIAL STATISTICS

The standards and practices required to ensure statistics serve the public good

EVERY NUMBER MATTERS

FOR PRODUCERS OF OFFICIAL STATISTICS

- Embed Trustworthiness, Quality, and Value (TQV) in every phase of statistical production
- Take an open, clear, and rigorous approach to your work
- Promote the Code as a foundation for public confidence in official statistics

EXAMPLE

An official statistics producer team revises its methodology. They publish a transparent explanation of the changes, consult users, and ensure the new approach maintains quality and relevance—demonstrating the Code's principles in action

STANDARDS FOR OFFICIAL STATISTICS

For the teams and statistical leaders responsible for producing official statistics



TRUSTWORTHINESS

- 1 Show integrity
- 2 Lead responsibly
- 3 Be transparent
- 4 Manage data responsibly



QUALITY

- 5 Prioritise quality
- 6 Be rigorous
- 7 Be open about quality



VALUE

- 8 Be relevant
- 9 Be clear
- 10 Be accessible