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Budget Practices and Procedures

Purpose

The goal of this survey is the regular updating of a database on Budget Practices and Procedures in over 60 countries (including all OECD countries) to meet the mandate of the PUMA Committee and of the Senior Budget Officials group. The data collected will enable these groups to compare and contrast national practices and provide for well-informed analysis and quantitative measures. It will lead to a better understanding of budget practices and aid in the development of common practices or standards. The data collected will allow the OECD as well as other interested parties to carry out substantial analyses of budgeting issues.

Objectives and outputs

The database provides comparable information on nearly 300 aspects of the budget formulation, approval, implementation and audit phases in each OECD member country. The database is a fundamental resource that forms the basis for the OECD's analytical work. The collection of this data is unique. Apart from some targeted and limited country surveys, for the most part this data does not exist. The budget database provides a unique and comprehensive resource for government practitioners, Parliaments, academics, international organisations and non-government organisations, ranging from international associations to advocacy and grassroots groups. The data collected will enable these groups to compare and contrast national practices and provide for well-informed analysis and quantitative measures. It will lead to a better understanding of budget practices and aid in the development of common practices or standards. The data collected will allow the OECD as well as other interested parties to carry out substantial analyses of budgeting issues.

Non-member countries involved in the activity:

Albania

Databases

Budget Practice and Procedure Survey

Main Developments for 2005

General aspects:

The database will be made available to the public on the OECD web site and the database interface will be improved.

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E-Government

Purpose

The purpose of the activity is to help strengthen statistical capacity in support to the e-government project areas of work and to the preparation of the e-government peer reviews.

Objectives and outputs

The objective of the activity is to support the statistical analysis in the area of e-government statistics, monitoring and evaluating e-government and the business case for e-government. In particular, the activity aims to assess the existence of a correlation between agency and ministry characteristics (i.e. size, existence of an e-government plan, indicated priorities) and the level of progress in implementing e-government initiatives.

Databases

OECD E-government Database

Main Developments for 2005

General aspects:

Updated questionnaire and use for a larger sample of countries.

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Public Sector Employment, Pay and Salaries

Purpose

Collect statistical data on public sector employment, pay and salaries for member countries.

Objectives and outputs

Assemble statistical data regarding public sector employment, pay and salaries on a biannual basis, in order to elaborate the main indicators and to gain a comprehensive overview of the evolution of the public sector.

Databases

Public Sector Employment, Pay and Salaries

Main Developments for 2005

General aspects:

No major changes.