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# Status of the Implementation of the ICP 2021 Cycle in the Arab Region

**UN-ESCWA**

**International Comparison Program (ICP)**

**Meeting of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group (IACG)**

**October 24-28, 2022**

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# Updates on Country Participation

Bahrain	Egypt	Iraq	Jordan	Kuwait	Libya
Lebanon	Mauritania	Morocco	Oman	Palestine	Qatar
Saudi Arabia	Sudan	Syria	Tunisia	United Arab Emirates	

# Survey Implementation

Data Collection Timetable

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Household Consumption (Quarterly)	Q1 Data Collection			Q2 Data Collection			Q3 Data Collection			Q4 Data Collection		
Rentals (Semi-Annual)						H1 Data Collection						H2 Data Collection
Private Education (Annual)										Collection of academic year 1 and academic year 2 Data		
Government Compensation (Annual)					Data Compilation							
Construction (Annual)									Data Collection			
Machinery & Equipment (Annual)										Data Collection		

# Survey Implementation

## Main HHC Survey

- Quarterly collection during 2021 for most countries – some countries are collecting in 2022
- Semi-annual collection for FETI on a yearly basis

## Rentals

- Semi-annual collection on a yearly basis

## Private Education

- Annual collection on a yearly basis

## Government Compensation

- Annual collection on a yearly basis

## Construction

- Annual collection on a yearly basis

## Machinery and Equipment

- Annual collection on a yearly basis

# Survey Implementation

Collected all surveys in 2021	Collecting all surveys in 2022	Other Cases
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bahrain</li><li>• Iraq</li><li>• Jordan</li><li>• Lebanon</li><li>• Oman</li><li>• Palestine</li><li>• Saudi Arabia</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kuwait</li><li>• Libya</li><li>• Mauritania</li><li>• Sudan</li><li>• Syria</li><li>• UAE</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Egypt: Special treatment for HHC – we have allocated someone to work particularly on Egypt looking at actual data from the CPI and online tools and incorporating extrapolated data; Special surveys in 2022</li><li>• Qatar: Special surveys and HHC-FETI were collected in 2021 while the rest of HHC was collected in 2022</li><li>• Tunisia: Construction and M&amp;E will be collected in 2022 while the rest of the data is provided for 2021</li></ul>

## Expenditure Compilation

Expenditure compilation is performed annually in the Arab region using the MORES form

The most recent expenditures received from member countries are for 2020

NSOs are currently working on the compilation of expenditure data for 2021

# Data Submission

## 2021 Data



Most of the data collected for 2021 has been submitted by member states' NSOs



A few surveys are undergoing revision and validation and are yet to be submitted

## 2022 Data

We have started receiving 2022 data

We should be receiving all 2022 data [HHC-FETI and special surveys] in Q1 2023

## Data Validation

We are performing rounds of national data validation

A regional inter-country validation workshop for 2021 data will be conducted in Q1 2023



PPP  
Estimation  
Status: 2017  
to 2022

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2021 PPP regional forecasts had been already produced and published

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Final 2021 PPPs based on actual data will be computed during 2023

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2022 preliminary PPPs will also be computed along with 2021 regional results

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PPPs for 2017 and interim years [2018-2019-2020] will be updated and finalized as well

# Upcoming Workshops and Meetings

- **National Capacity Building Workshop on Price Statistics, Survey Implementation and Innovation, 21-24 November 2022**

A national workshop will be held for the UAE's NSO on the implementation of the ICP price surveys and compilation of expenditure data as well as the improvement of price statistics

- **Regional Workshop on the inter-country validation of 2021 Price data for the different ICP surveys, January 2023**

## Outreach Activities and Announcements

- A special session will be conducted on the ICP in the Arab region at the upcoming Statistical Committee meeting next month, which will serve to raise awareness on the importance of PPPs and their evolving uses.



Thank you

