UNECE Transport Statistics: Promoting Transport Indicators, Assistance and Possible Partnerships

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Overview

• WP.6 meeting
• Outputs and Promoting Transport Indicators
• International Cooperation
• Statistical Outputs
Working Party on Transport Statistics (WP.6)

- An intergovernmental body (unique within UN system) developing transport statistics methodology and collection of data.
- Part of mandate: to coordinate international organization statistical activities to improve consistency and reduce reporting burden, including with other UN agencies and regional commissions.
- In addition to ECE countries, attended by Eurostat, DG-MOVE, WHO, UNCTAD, UIC, ERA, ITF-OECD, Eurasian Economic Commission, CCNR, Danube Commission, IRF, IRU, UN-Habitat in recent years.
- Countries outside ECE region are welcome to attend and contribute.
Recent WP.6 Agenda items

• Transport SDG indicator reporting
  • The role of official statistics
  • Ways to improve reporting on 9.1.2
  • Presentation of progress on measuring 11.2.1

• Workshops on urban public transport, rail statistics & IWW statistics

• Updates on UNECE work on Statistics for SDGs

• Discussions on the Glossary for Transport Statistics

• Road safety and emissions impacts of second hand car imports

• Intermodal transport statistics
• Inland Transport Statistics: published end-2018 (every 2 years)
• Road Accident Statistics: Published November 2017, coming out end-2019
• Infocards: produced annually for the ITC (February)
Transport-related SDG Papers

- Goal: to highlight how UNECE existing data collection can measure the SDGs.
- Paper 1: Road safety statistics and the SDGs
- Paper 2: Bus statistics and the SDGs
- Paper 3: Tonne-km statistics and the SDGs
- Paper 4: Vehicle fleet age statistics and the SDGs
International Cooperation

- The Glossary 5th edition tried to be more global, but there’s still room for improvement. What additions, changes or clarifications would you propose for the ESCWA region?

- Data production: UNECE data are all available for free use at w3.unece.org/PIXWeb/en. Producing similar data for ESCWA would mean comparable statistics for 74 countries and 1.5 billion people.

- Through WP.6 UNECE coordinates work with the ITF-OECD, European Union and other UN entities. ESCWA integration into this would be beneficial.

- No country in the world can produce all of the data necessary for all SDG indicators. Regional reporting can allow for better comparisons and meaningful targets. Country-level cooperation on better reporting helps everyone.
Questions Welcome!

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