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Introduction

The Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO) and the secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) agreed to issue biennially the Bulletin of Industrial Statistics for Arab Countries. The public and private sectors, experts and researchers in the field of industrial and economic development in Arab countries, as well as regional and international organizations rely on the bulletin as one of the most important sources of information for industrial statistics in Arab countries. It forms a reference for accurate and reliable data and statistical indicators covering the entire Arab region.

Industrial statistics are compiled according to methodologies, definitions, classifications and recommendations that are internationally agreed upon and that are based on the conceptual framework of the System of National Accounts 2008. Therefore, applying these recommendations will help improving the quality of National Accounts Statistics, and publishing industrial statistics with higher reliability, flexibility and consistency, to meet the needs of data users in the public or private sectors and the requirements of international and regional organizations.

This seventh issue presents a set of main indicators relating to industrial production, and average wages of employees in manufacturing industries on the basis of international definitions and concepts of industrial statistics.

In addition, the bulletin shows the detailed industrial statistics for each Arab country, which cover the number of establishments, number of employees, wages and salaries, output, value added, industrial production index numbers and the main industrial products.
Data in this bulletin are based on official sources; inter alia, ministries of industry in Arab countries, specialized industrial databases, as well as national statistical offices. International statistical publications of the United Nations and other international organizations are also used as sources.

Having published this bulletin, we hope we were successful serving all users of industrial statistics. We welcome suggestions, views and updates that contribute to the improvement of future issues of this publication on the e-mail address designated for that purpose: bisac@aidmo.org.

In order to improve the quality of statistical data in future issues of this industrial bulletin and make them more useful to users, we count on the cooperation of Arab national statistical offices and researchers in the industrial sector, in particular through providing ESCWA and AIDMO with high quality industrial statistical data.

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