



Who we are

The Solomon Islands National Statistics Office (SINSO) is a division in the Ministry of Finance and Treasury.

Guided under the Statistics Act 1970 (Amendments 2007), the Census Act 1959, the SINSO is mandated to compile and disseminate official statistics of the Solomon Islands.

The SINSO serves as the leading source of quality data about the population and the economy. We honor privacy, protect confidentiality and conduct our work openly. We are guided on this mission by our strong and capable workforce our readiness to innovate and abiding commitment to our customers. It is our goal to provide the best mix of

timeliness, relevance, quality, and services cost for the data we collect.

The Government Statistician (GS) and his Statistics Management team lead the SINSO.

The office is made up of four sections; the Economic Statistics Unit, Social and Demography Statistics Unit, Census and Survey Statistics Unit and Executive Management and Support Services Unit. Altogether there are 26 staff (including the GS) in the department carrying out duties ranging from collecting, compiling, analysing and disseminating information in the various subjects in the different sections.



Project Coordinator for the National Agriculture Survey Project, Charles Oloka canvassing Questionnaire with a Coffee farmer at Kolokarako ward in the Highlands of Guadalcanal province.

Our Aims/Ojectives

- To implement a set of standards, methods and organizational structures which allow comparable, reliable and relevant statistics to be produced for the Solomon Islands.
- To provide the Solomon Islands Institutions and the governments of the Provinces with the information needed to implement, monitor and evaluate Solomon Islands policies.
- To disseminate our Statistics to the Solomon Island public and enterprises and to all economic and social agents involved in decision making.
- To endeavor to improve the statistical systems of the Provinces and support their development in moving towards a market economy.
- Solomon Islands Statistics Office at the service of the Solomon Islands Government.
- Solomon Islands Statistics office at the service of other Solomon Islands Institutions and external users.
- Helping to develop the Solomon Islands Statistical System.
- Boosting staff motivation and satisfaction.
- Improving the quality of our products and services.
- Boosting our internal productivity.

Our Legitimacy based on:

- The primary legislation, the Statistics Act of 1970 and the Census Act 1959 and subsequent amendments to these legal instruments.
- The recognition by our users of an added value service provided in a cost-effective way.
- The universal recognition of Solomon Islands Statistics professional independence as demonstrated by the degree of confidence shown in Solomon Islands Statistics staff, in their probity and in the quality of our products, methods and services.
- The recognition given by regional organizations and other National Statistical Offices in the region to our role of primary partner.

What we do

As a Central Statistical Agency of the Government guided under the Statistics Act 1970, (Amendments 2007, the Census Act 1959), our role is to:

•Design standardized statistical instruments for producing Solomon Islands' statistics: harmonized classifications, organizational methods and structures, technical standards.

•Harmonise statistical information: drawing up a set common concepts, languages and tools for producing statistics.

•Produce Solomon Islands' statistics: consolidate the statistics of the Provinces and ensuring that they are compara-

ble.

•Supply statistical information: identify, analyze and interpret Solomon Islands' statistical data.

•Disseminate statistical information.

•Coordinate the Solomon Islands Statistical System.

•Advise statistical systems: help to improve the national statistical systems and promote good practice within the Solomon Islands Statistical System.

•Promote research and development: encourage research into techniques and tools for collecting, processing and analyzing data.

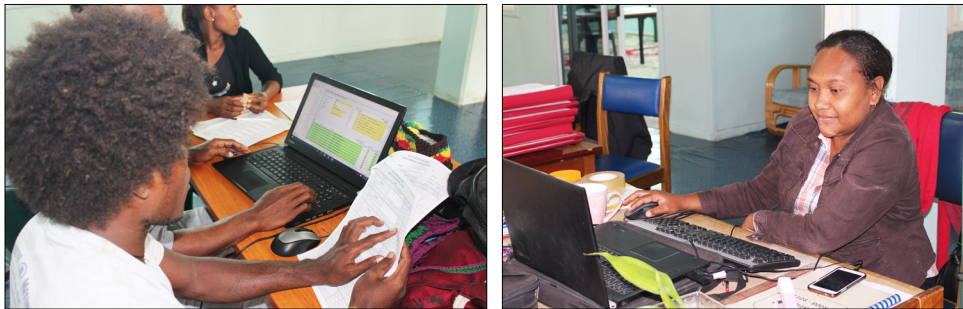


(L-R) Government Statistician, Douglas Kimi, MoFT Minister Hon. Manasseh Sogavare, World Bank Consultant, Professor John Gibson, Country Representative of the World Bank, Dr. Guido Rurangwa and the Australian High Commissioner to the Solomon Islands, His Excellency, Mr. Roderick Brazier with copies of the Poverty Maps-Ward Level report that was launched on Monday 25 June, 2018. The report publication was a collaborative work between the NSO, World Bank and the Australian Government. Photo: SINSO Media

Our Values

Recognizing the principles of international law, we have adopted the following as our rules of professional conduct:

- User satisfaction through constant improvement of the quality of our service and our products.
- Professional independence and impartially.
- Scientific rigour.
- Protection of statistical confidentiality.
- Transparency to our respondents.
- Respect for our colleagues.
- Respect for cultural differences within a common Solomon Islands culture.
- Participation and teamwork.
- Individual development.
- Responsibility, motivation and involvement for all.



Data officers doing data entry work for the Village Resource Survey at the NSO in Honiara. Photo: SINSO Media

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