

Coordinating the National Statistical System (Guatemala)

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The National Statistical System

- The national statistical system (NSS), in Guatemala, it is part centralized and part decentralized, because some administrative registers reside at the NSO, for example, statistics on Domestic violence, while others are found within government organizations, such as vital statistics. Here the major statistics producer is RENAP, because its role is to give information on births, deaths, marriage and divorce.
- The legislative act that governs the NSS is our law, la Ley Orgánica del INE, Decreto Ley 3-85. This law is not completely up to date with our current needs.
- The NSO receives its official mandate from this act, particularly in Chapter II, article 6. “Sectorial Coordinating Offices” have been created to coordinate what is in the mandate.

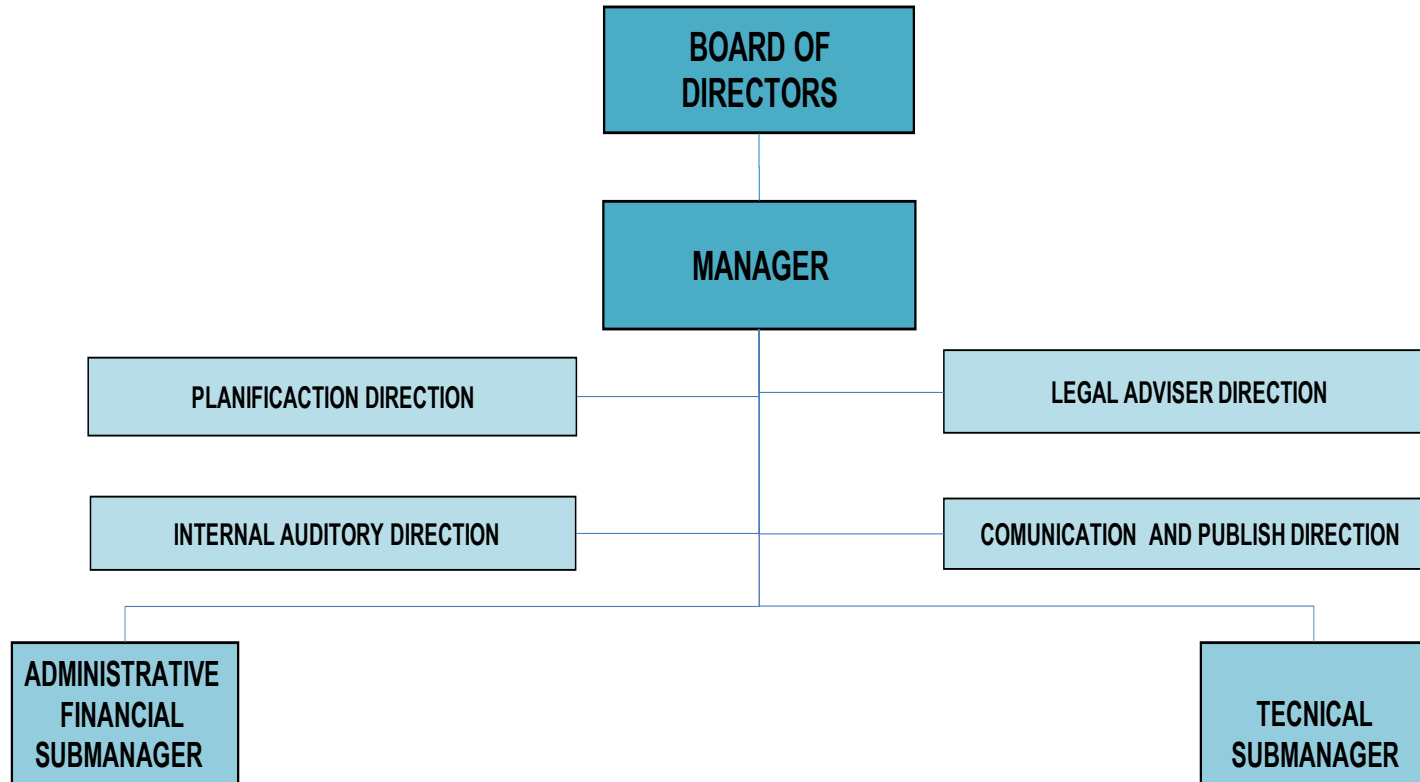
Where is the NSO located within the Government Structure

- The NSO reports to the Minister of the Economy and is semi-autonomous. The NSO is governed by the Junta Directiva (Board of Directors), headed by the Minister of the Economy as its president. Also, there is an Executive Manager, nominated by the President of the Republic.

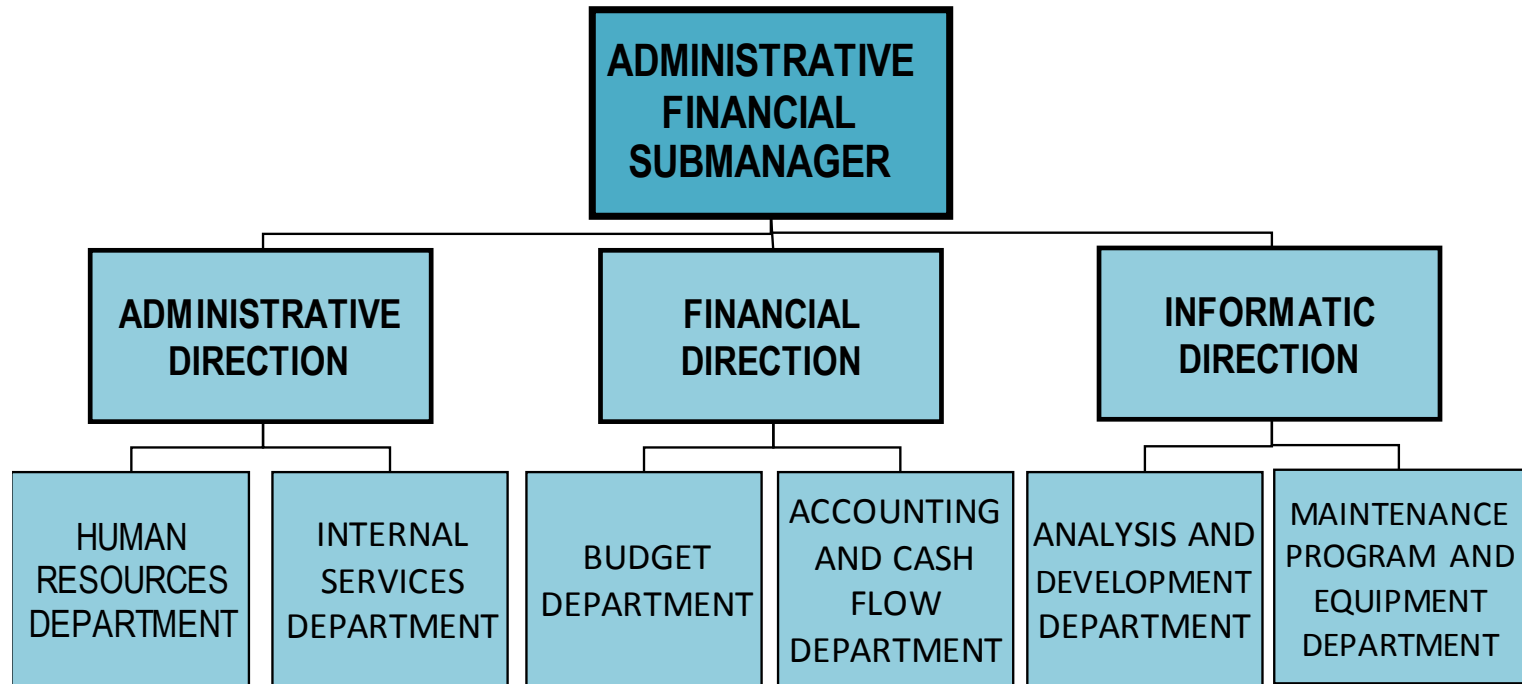
The National Statistical Office

- The NSO is financed by the central government and supported by international organizations.
- The Junta Directiva (Board of Directors) and the National Statistics Commission are the agencies that guide our programs and priorities.

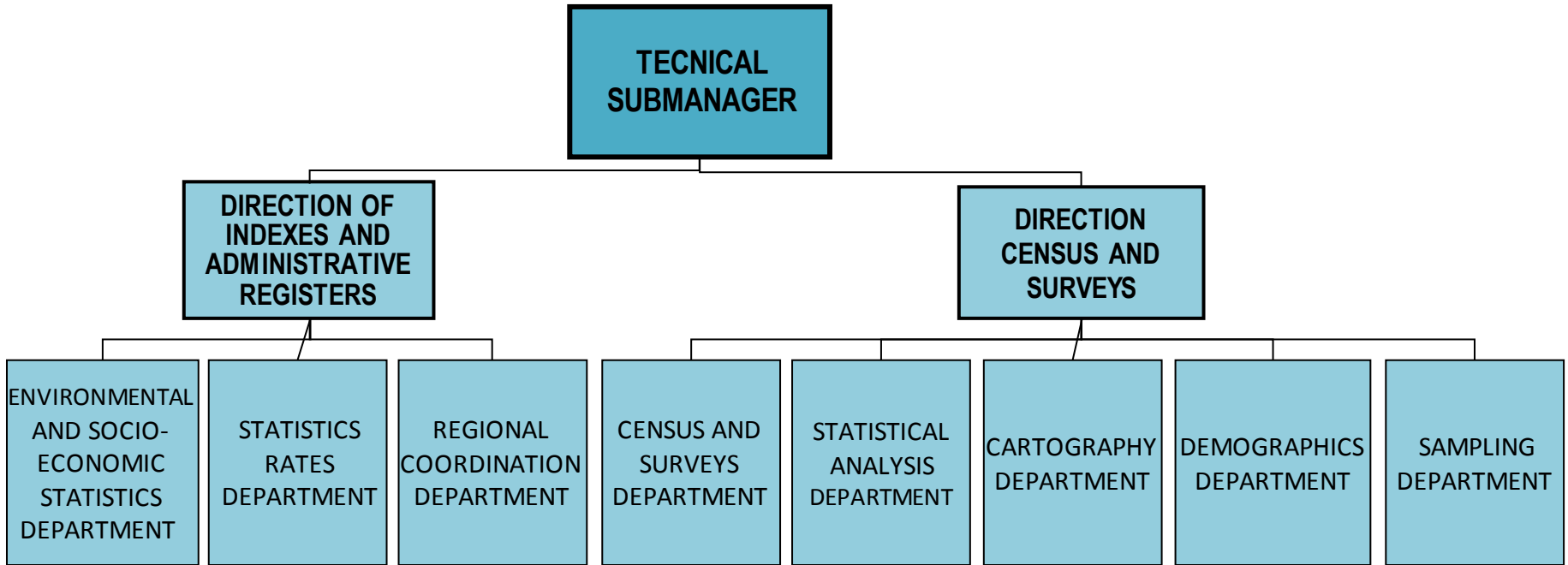
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Current issues and priorities

Priorities:

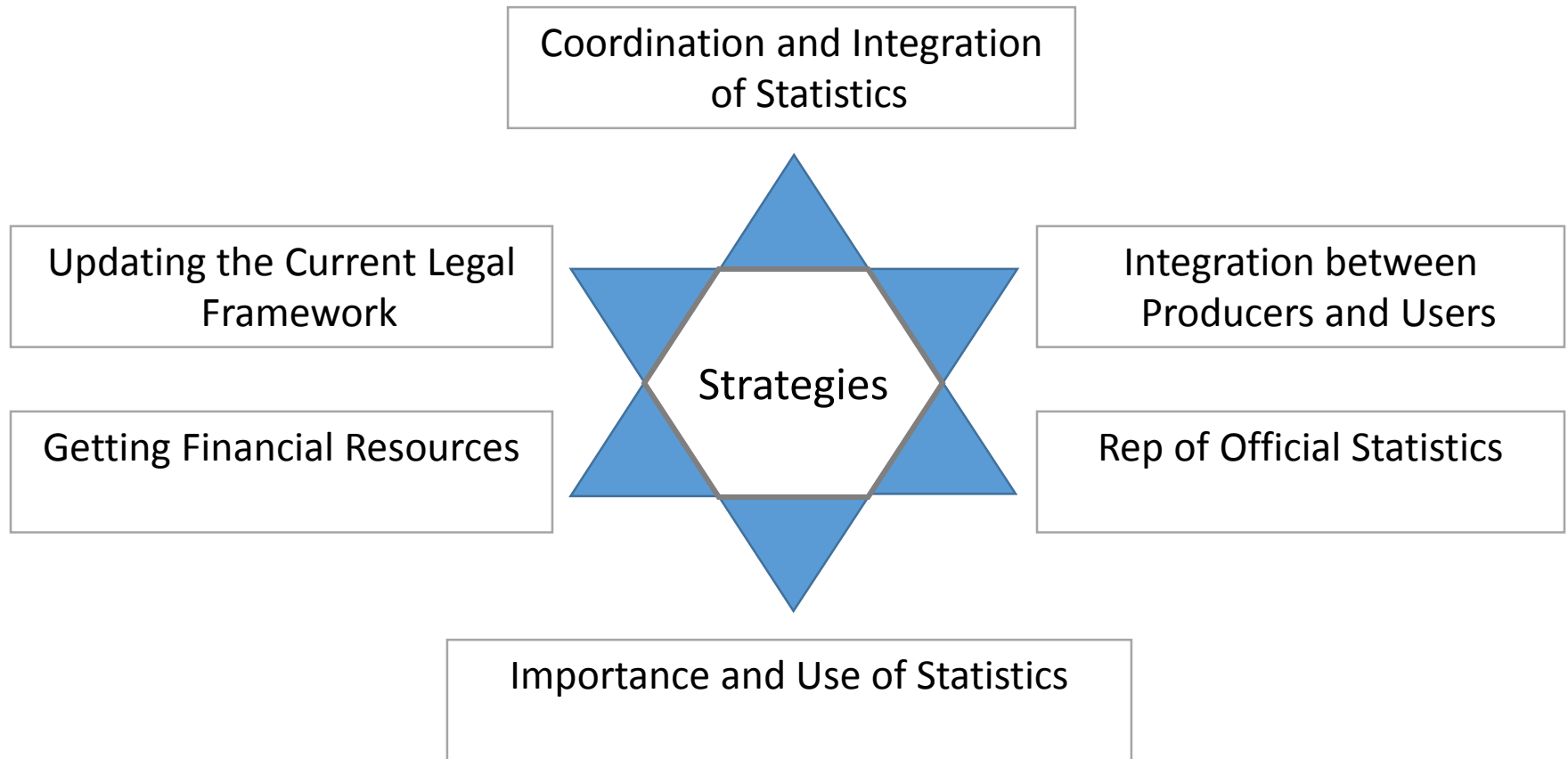
- Design and implement national statistical policy to collect, produce, analyze and disseminate reliable, timely, transparent and efficient statistics.
- Plan, direct, coordinate and supervise the activities of the NSO.
- Institutional strengthening through modernization and implementation of process reengineering, allowing the production of quality statistics, timely, reliable and useful to national and international needs.

Current issues and priorities

Challenges:

- Effectively coordinate the NSO that operates through Sectorial Offices (OCSE).
- Lack of financial, technological and skilled human resources.
- Financial and technical dependence.
- Standardize the information with other institutions that generate information on the subject and application of international standards.
- Resistance to change.
- Instability of higher authorities, each change of government usually changes the Executive Manager.

National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS)



Nacional Statistical Office (NSO) and National Statistical System (NSS)

What does the NSO do?

The NSO in Guatemala has the objective of formulate and carry out national statistical policy, as well as plan, conduct, coordinate and supervise the activities of the National Statistical System.

Article 2, Ley Orgánica del INE

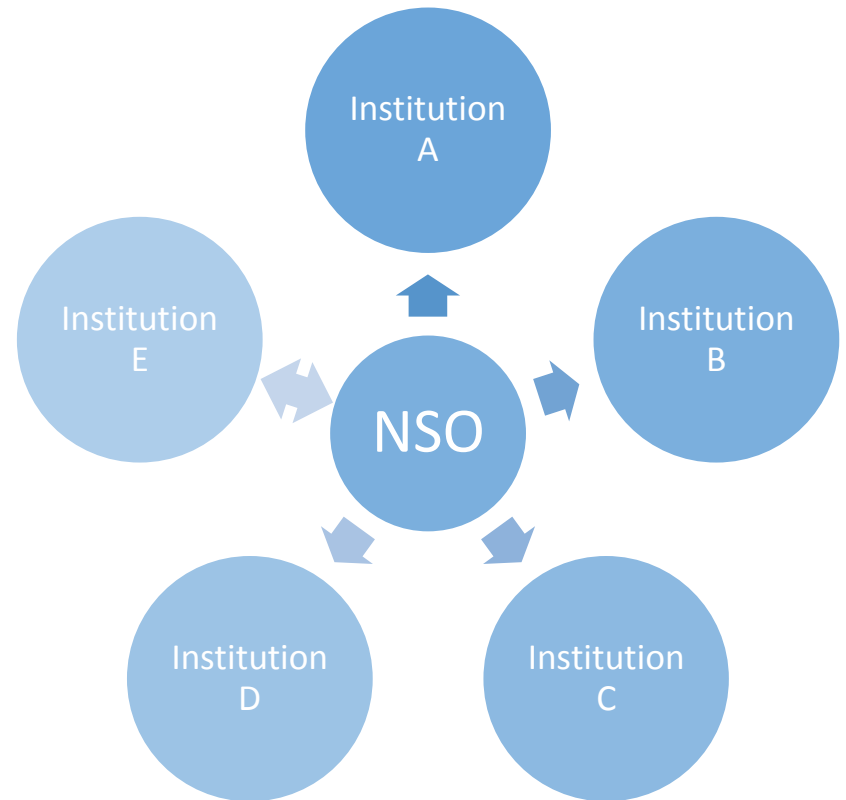
Double role of NSO



National Statistical System

The NSS is the collection of all institutions of the State that, undertake activities related to the production, collection, analysis and dissemination of statistical information.

Article 6, Ley Orgánica del INE



How does the NSO Operate?

National Statistical System


**Statistical Sectorial,
Coordinating Offices**

**National
Statistical
Office**


Statistical Sectorial Coordinating Offices, (OCSE)

These are technical inter-institutional boards, coordinated by the NSO, where producers and users meet to organize, integrate and standardize the process of statistics of specific theme.

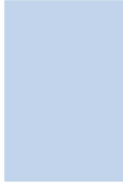
Cronology of OCSE




Health OCSE,
2005




Environment OCSE,
2007



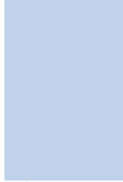
Gender & Ethnicity
OCSE, 2009



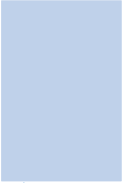
Employment OCSE,
2013



Security OCSE,
2013



Turism OCSE,
2013



Education OCSE,
2013



Nutritional feed Security
OCSE, 2014



MSMEs OCSE, 2015

Principal Achievements

- Redesign and implementation of the Death and Birth Certificates, unique in the country.
- Basic Health Indicators generated, Years 2007-2009 and 2010-2012.
- Environment Statistical Observer, of Guatemala, magazine.
- Environment Statistics Indicators, 2010-2012.
- Indicators for Gender Analysis, Publication.
- Organization and Execution of three Congresses on Gender and ethnicity.

Principal Achievements

- Presentation of National Employment and Income Survey results ENEI, 1 and 2, 2013.
- Test to prioritize indicators on violent deaths.
- Test to prioritize indicators on university education.
- Knowledge on Educational Information System.
- Socialization of producer and user forms.

All the products and information produced by the OCSE will be on the web page of NSO.

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