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Quality Statistics for Everyone: GSS Highlights the Power of Data in National Development

On World Statistics Day, the Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) joins the global community in celebrating the essential role of data in shaping the future of nations. This year's theme, **"Quality Statistics for Everyone,"** speaks directly to the Service's core mission, to produce trusted, relevant, and high-quality official statistics that guide national development and improve lives.

The Power of Data to Transform

Quality statistics are far more than numbers. They are the foundation of progress, the mirror of national realities, and the compass for policy direction. They tell the story of our people, their living conditions, opportunities, and challenges, and ensure that decisions are based on evidence rather than assumption.

In every aspect of national life, from monitoring inflation and employment to tracking health outcomes, education levels, and population dynamics, reliable data convert development ambitions into measurable action. They enable decision-makers to see clearly, plan wisely, and act effectively, ensuring that today's policies deliver tomorrow's results.

Quality as the Cornerstone

At GSS, we recognise that the credibility of every policy depends on the integrity of the data that informs it. That is why every census, survey, and statistical release follows internationally recognised standards that ensure accuracy, consistency, and comparability.

Our work is guided by rigorous methodology and transparency, strengthening public confidence in statistics across government, business, academia, and civil society. When data are credible, policies become stronger, investments become smarter, and citizens' trust in governance grows.

Modernising for a New Data Era

As technology reshapes how societies collect and use information, GSS continues to modernise its systems. Digital tools, data science techniques, and automation have become central to how we collect, process, and disseminate data. These innovations have enhanced efficiency, reduced delays, and expanded access to real-time, high-quality information.

Yet producing data is only part of the story. Our greater responsibility is to ensure that statistics are not only available but also understandable, accessible, and actionable. Data must empower everyone, from policymakers and researchers to journalists, entrepreneurs, and citizens.

Our goal is simple but powerful: to make quality statistics an everyday tool for decision-making at all levels of society.

Making Every Number Count

We extend appreciation to our partners and collaborators across the National Statistical System whose contributions strengthen the production and use of official data in Ghana. Together, we make every number count, because behind every statistic is a life, a community, and a future that data can help improve.

As Ghana continues its journey towards evidence-based development, one message stands clear: quality statistics are for everyone and they belong to everyone.

A Shared Responsibility

This year's World Statistics Day calls on all stakeholders, in government, development agencies, the private sector, academia, and civil society, to place evidence at the centre of planning and policy. Decisions backed by quality data lead to fairer, more inclusive, and more sustainable development outcomes.

GSS, therefore, reaffirms its commitment to deepening partnerships across the National Statistical System. Working together, we can ensure that data collection is coordinated, that standards are maintained, and that every dataset contributes meaningfully to national progress.

About the Ghana Statistical Service

The Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) provides comprehensive, reliable, quality, relevant, accurate, and timely statistical information to guide national development as stipulated in Section 3 of the Statistical Service Act, 2019 (Act 1003). The organisation's vision is to be the trusted provider of official statistics for good governance, and its mission being the efficient collection, production, management, and dissemination of quality official statistics based on international standards, using competent and motivated staff for evidence-based decision-making, in support of national development.

The Statistical Service produces monthly and quarterly data on important economic indicators such as inflation, Consumer Price Index, Producer Price Index, and Gross Domestic Product. GSS also regularly generates periodic population, housing, demographic, economic, and agricultural statistics at the locality, district, and national levels from routine surveys and censuses. The statistics generated by GSS can be utilised by a wide cross-section of users, including the public sector, businesses, academia, civil society organisations, and development partners. For more information, visit www.statsghana.gov.gh.