



Role of NSOs in the production of information on government, victimisation and justice

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Outline

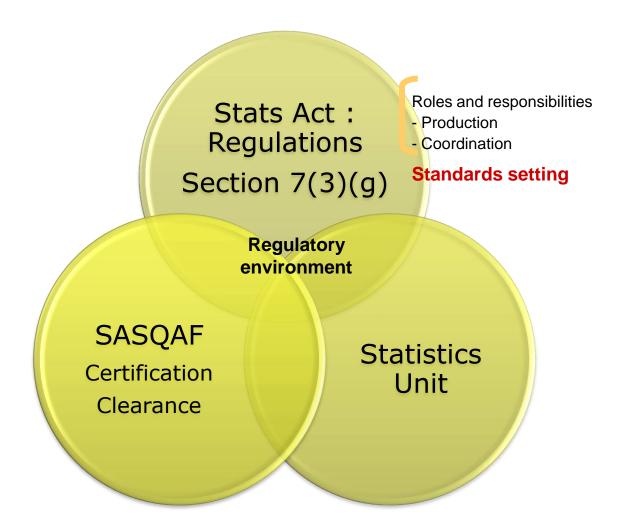


- Legislative Framework
- Role players in crime statistics in South Africa
- Collaboration with SAPS
- International support required



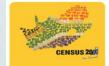
Legislative Framework







Role players in crime statistics in South Africa







Focus



 Victimisation surveys (individuals and households)

 Administrative records but so far only with South African Police Services



Partnership with SAPS



June 2011, National Commissioner for the SAPS approached the Statistician General for a collaboration on crime statistics

- Climate :
 - Misperceptions about Police crime stats
 - Mistrust
 - Allegations of manipulation



Outputs of the partnership



- Establishment of a task team on crime statistics
- MOU
- Policy document
- Standards Document
- Implementation
- Certification of crime stats as official statistics
- Ongoing technical support



Policy Document Processes



Roundtable discussion: User needs

Desk Top Research

Diagnostic assessment

International Benchmarking



Progress on the policy document



- Stats SA worked closely with SAPS to understand the data collection process and given access to the SVC of reported crime statistics
- A draft policy document has been formulated and contains but is not limited to the following:
 - Roles and responsibilities
 - Counting rules
 - Distinction between operational and strategic statistics
 - Quality assurance process which is underpinned by the South African Quality Assessment Framework (SASQAf)
 - Dissemination policy
- The policy document is awaiting sign off



Way forward



Establishment of a crime stats subsystem which will cover the following topics:

- Victimisation (households, individuals and businesses)
- Statistics on government
- Justice statistics

International support required from INEGI, UNODC and the Centre for Excellence





Thank you