

PPP computation in the Arab region: strategy and improvements

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Annual PPP Computation

During the last few years, ESCWA has developed a strategy for the annual PPP computation

This strategy has undergone many improvements during this period

Given the growing uses of PPPs and their importance, the annual PPP computation conducted by ESCWA ensures that the interim PPPs for the Arab region computed between the global ICP rounds are as accurate as possible and reduces the potential errors which may arise from the rough estimates otherwise conducted by international organizations

Strategy for annual PPP computation

Actual annual data collection of all special surveys (private education; rentals; government compensation; construction; machinery and equipment)

Actual annual data collection of HHC-FETIs updated annually

Actual annual data collection of other possible HHC items

Extrapolation of remaining HHC items using official CPI data

Annual estimation of NA expenditures using MORES

Annual exchange rate and population data



Additional Improvements





PRELIMINARY LINKING TO THE USD FORECASTS OF CURRENTYEAR PPPS



In 2023, revised and final PPPs were computed for 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020



PPPs were computed for 2021 and 2022 — which will be revised during the next computation round



Preliminary PPP forecasts were computed for 2023

Thank you!