Name of the Tool	KOSIS - KOrean Statistical Information Service

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URL	kosis.kr/eng
Subject	Statistics - Korea
Accessibility	Free
Language	English and Korean
Publisher	Statistics Korea

Brief History	KOSIS (Korean Statistical Information System) was introduced in 1991 & started to act as national statistical database service. In 1998, KOSIS service was launched in English and since then it was used by general users on PCs. Windows – supported KOSIS service was introduced in 2003. First year plan of the KOSIS Development Project was introduced in 2006. 'Regional Economic Dashboard' was started by KOSIS in 2011. Additional data visualization features were added here in 2012.
Scope and Coverage	KOSIS offers a convenient one-stop service to full range of major domestic, international and North Korean statistics. Currently, official statistics produced by over 120 statistical agencies covering more than 500 subject matters as well as the latest data on international finance and economy from international organizations (i.e. IMF, World Bank, OECD) are available on KOSIS. It also covers official statistics on 226 subject matters.
Kind of Information	It provides list of statistical databases. Some of those databases are on population, employment/labor/wage, price/household income and expenditure, health/society/ welfare, environment, agriculture, forestry and fishery, mining and manufacturing industry/energy, construction/housing/land, transportation/information and communication, trade/service industry, economy, education/culture/science, administration etc.

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Official statistics status can be known from here. According to current update, official statistics on 1013 subject matters (94 designated statistics and 919 general statistics) are officially approved by Statistics Act. The statistics can be seen in two ways:

- Statistics by agencies and
- Statistics by sections

Those statistics are given in tables as follows:

Statistics by Sections

as of 05.04.2017 (1:00) (Unit : Kind, %)

Section	Total		By kind		By compiling method		
	Number	Ratio	Designated	General	Survey	Administrative	Analytic
Total	1013	100	94	919	448	462	103
Population	42	4.1	4	38	3	25	14
Employment · Wages	38	3.8	8	30	30	7	1

In the bulletin board, the news releases are given in table with no., title, date and count. Table is looked like:

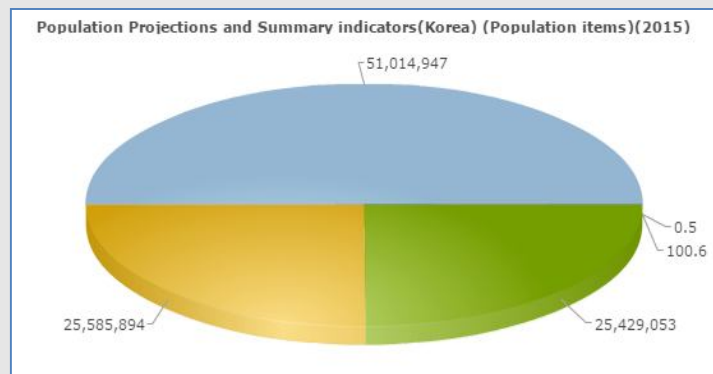| No.	Title	Date	Count
1929	Consumer Price Index in April 2017	2017-05-02	686
1928	The Index of Services in March 2017	2017-04-28	10207
1927	Monthly Industrial Statistics, March 2017	2017-04-28	17505

In the 'homo statisticus' required data can be seen after providing some basic information. Data are provided with source and reference year. Such as, total female population of Seoul gives the following result:

Female population of Seoul
51.1%

Reference year :2017 Source :Statistics Korea, Population Projections

Many statistical indicators are highlighted with related statistical information. After clicking on each of them, graphical representations can be seen. Such as, population projections and summary indicators (Korea) (population items) shows following result:

Population Projections and Summary indicators(Korea) (Population items)(2015)
- 51,014,947
- 0.5
- 100.6
- 25,585,894
- 25,429,053

Special Features	
	➢ Advance search facility is available.
	➢ Reports can be downloaded in various formats like CSV, excel etc.
	➢ Related sites are linked with it. Such as, Statistics Korea, Statistical Shopping Mall etc.

Arrangement Pattern	News releases are given in descending chronological order as given below:

Consumer Price Index in April 2017	2017-05-02
The Index of Services in March 2017	2017-04-28
Monthly Industrial Statistics, March 2017	2017-04-28
Vital Statistics in February 2017	2017-04-26

Remarks	KOSIS is considered as a gateway for Korea's official statistics. This site provides a large range of easy-to-comprehend contents for general users and referential information to facilitate users with easy and fast access to information they need.
Comparable Tools	➢ Statistics of Korea (kostat.go.kr/eng/) ➢ Republic of Korea | Data and Statistics - knoema.com (https://knoema.com/atlas/republic-of-korea)
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