

Home Page

The screenshot shows the KOSIS website interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "KOSIS, a window to the world" and a search icon. Below the search bar is a navigation menu with four items: "Statistical Database", "Visualization", "Bulletin Board", and "About KOSIS".

The main content area features a large banner for "Unemployment Rate ('17.03)" with a value of "4.2 %". To the right of the banner is a "Major Indicators of Korea" table:

Indicator	Value
Population Projections ('17)	51,446,201 (persons)
Life Expectancy at Birth ('15)	82.1 (years)
Death Rate ('15)	541.5 (per 100,000 people)
Consumer Price Indices ('17.04)	102.66 (2015=100)
Gross domestic product ('16)	1,637,420.80 (billion won)
Population in old ages ('17)	13.8 %
Total Fertility Rate ('16)	1.170 (persons)
Unemployment Rate ('17.03)	4.2 %
Monthly Average Household Income ('16.4/4)	4,312,029 (won)
Housing Supply Rate ('15)	102.3 %

Below the banner is a "Statistical Database" section with a grid of categories:

- Population/Household
- Environment
- Transportation/Information and Communication
- Finance/Banking/Insurance
- Employment/Labor/Wage
- Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery
- Wholesale and Retail Trade/Service Industry
- Trade/Foreign Exchange/Balance of Payments
- Price/Household Income and Expenditure
- Mining and Manufacturing Industry /Energy
- Economy/Corporate Business (Company)
- Education/Culture/Science
- Health/Society/Welfare
- Construction/Housing/Land
- National Accounts/Regional Accounts/National Wealth
- Administration

At the bottom, there is a "Visualization" section with tabs for "News Releases", "FAQ", and "Q&A". A "Pop-up Zone" on the right contains a notice about the "English version of KOSIS" providing official statistics on 225 subject matters of 54 statistical agencies as of JAN. 1, 2017.

Logo



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.

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:

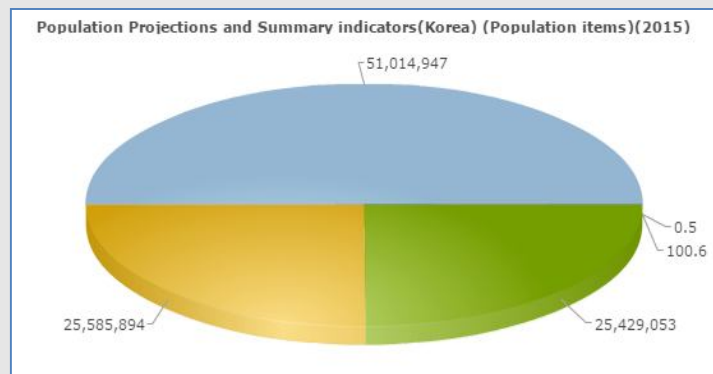
No.	Title	Date	Count
1929	Consumer Price Index in April 2017	2017-05-02	686
1928	The Index of Services in March 2017	2017-04-28	10207
1927	Monthly Industrial Statistics, March 2017	2017-04-28	17505

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:



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:



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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4th May' 2017.