PROGRESS REPORT FROM NATIONAL BUREAU OF STATISTICS OF CHINA

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Achievements of service statistics in the last year

1. Producer Price Index for Services

NBS has researched and worked out schemes of post and telecommunications, land transport and water transport price indexes for a pilot survey.

2. Classification related to Services

- 2.1. The new "National Standard Industry Classification of all economy activities" has been implemented from 2003 monthly survey. NBS has finished the work of asserting to the new industry classification of enterprises and institutions at the basic level, and divided specialized statistics fields for each department according to the new standard.
- 2.2. "The Statistical Classification of Tertiary Industries" 1985 edition has been revised. The main changes include: agriculture, forestry, hunting, fishing service industries incorporate from former tertiary industries into primary industries. Because of revision of the new national standard industry classification, there are some adjustments thereupon between the primary industries and the secondary industries, also between the secondary industries and the tertiary industries.
- 2.3. The Statistical Standard of Enterprise Scale for manufacture, construction, wholesale, retail trade, and transportation enterprise has been updated and issued.

3. Other issues related to Services

- 3.1. Statistical regular survey of wholesale, retail trade and catering service (yearly, quarterly, and monthly) has been going on.
- 3.2. The sample survey of hotel industry has continued.
- 3.3. Regular labor and wages survey of service industries (yearly, quarterly) has been going on.
- 3.4. NBS has published data of R&D census, include industry of geological prospecting,

water conservancy, transportation, storage and post and communications, social services, hearth care, sport and social warfare, education, culture arts and radio film and television, scientific research and polytechnic services. The items include R&D personnel, R&D funds, R&D project subject, Scientific and technological activities personnel's situation, Funds raise situation of scientific and technological activities, Funds expenditure situation of scientific and technological activities.

Future plans of service statistics

1. Producer Price Index for Services

It is planned to conduct pilot survey on post and telecommunications, water transport, land transport price indexes, which will be taken in three cities: Harbin, Qingdao, and Wuhan.

2. Classification related to Services

- 2.1. We are preparing to work out national standard classification of products, which is based on National Standard Industry Classification, and linked up with International Standard Classification of CPC.
- 2.2. On the basis of new standard classification of national economy industry, NBS will study statistical classification for relevant industries, such as culture, environment, travel, information industry, etc., to meet the demand of related government ministries.

3. Other issues related to Services

- 3.1. We are preparing to set up sampling turnover statistics in the end of 2003. The coverage of industry includes: accommodation, real estate, storage, computer service, software, renting, business service, resident service, science and technology exchange and application service, social welfare, sport, recreation, etc.
- 3.2. NBS has decided to conduct the Fist National Economic Census in 2004. The coverage of the census includes all economy activities except for section of agriculture, forestry, animal husbandry and fishing.