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PSPGEN064 Interrogate and analyse statistical data

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Modification History

Release	Comments
1	This unit was released in PSP Public Sector Training Package release 1.0 and meets the Standards for Training Packages. This unit supersedes and is equivalent to PSPGOV523A Interrogate and analyse statistical data. • Unit code updated • Content and formatting updated to comply with new standards • All PC transitioned from passive to active voice

Application

This unit describes the skills required to apply techniques to analyse statistical data. It includes planning the analysis, applying statistical concepts and processes, determining strengths and weaknesses of the analysis and producing further statistics.

This unit applies to those working in generalist and specialist roles within the public sector.

The skills and knowledge described in this unit must be applied within the legislative, regulatory and policy environment in which they are carried out. Organisational policies and procedures must be consulted and adhered to.

Those undertaking this unit would work independently seeking advice as required, performing complex tasks in a range of familiar contexts.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to unit at the time of publication.

Competency Field

General

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Elements describe the essential outcomes	Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. Where bold italicised text is used, further information is detailed in the range of conditions section.

1. Plan analysis	1.1 Choose analysis and descriptive tools and techniques appropriate to the nature of the information and the required outcome. 1.2 Determine priority of data to be interrogated in consultation with suitably qualified people, and organise work. 1.3 Reflect an understanding of the nature of the program or activity from which the data is obtained in the analysis of material. 1.4 Reflect an understanding of the way in which the data is structured in the system in the analysis. 1.5 Reflect the likely statistical indicators of the results in the analysis.
2. Apply statistical concepts and processes	2.1 Use software to retrieve data and present it in the required format. 2.2 Perform quantitative or qualitative analyses to obtain required outcomes. 2.3 Use analysis and descriptive tools and techniques appropriately given the nature of the information and the required outcomes. 2.4 Express preliminary results in accordance with the required detail, format and timeframe of the project. 2.5 Perform analysis.
3. Determine strengths and weaknesses of analysis	3.1 Identify sources of error and describe as required. 3.2 Identify and describe limitations in the methodology as appropriate. 3.3 Verify the conduct and results of analysis by a suitably qualified person.
4. Produce further statistics	4.1 Calculate summary statistics from the given dataset as required.

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills are embedded within the elements and performance criteria of this unit.

Unit Mapping Information

This unit supersedes and is equivalent to PSPGOV523A Interrogate and analyse statistical data.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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Assessment Requirements for PSPGEN064 Interrogate and analyse statistical data

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1	These Assessment Requirements were released in PSP Public Sector Training Package release 1.0 and meet the Standards for Training Packages. Assessment Requirements created drawing upon specified assessment information from superseded unit

Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the candidate must demonstrate evidence of performance of the following on at least one occasion.

- applying legislation, regulations and policies relating to statistical analysis
- using at least one statistical analysis package
- utilising the most relevant data capture (software)
- using GIS and web mapping/web GIS tools to access and/or manipulate data
- using a spreadsheet or database package for data analysis
- using statistical tools to collect, store and analyse data
- calculating growth rates and percentage change over time
- applying analytical problem solving
- communicating statistical concepts
- being able to “listen” to data needs and use appropriate statistics, including mean, median, mode, standard deviation

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence must satisfy all of the requirements of the elements and performance criteria. If not otherwise specified the depth of knowledge demonstrated must be appropriate to the job context of the candidate.

- public sector legislation including WHS and environment, regulations, policies, procedures and guidelines relating to statistical analysis
- the limitations of the data and statistics used
- the concept of variation
- changes occurring over time
- relevance of the calculated statistics and the meta-data associated with these statistics

- the importance of selecting the appropriate statistical analysis
- the method of selecting the appropriate statistical analysis
- sources of expertise within the organisation

Assessment Conditions

This unit contains no specific industry-mandated assessment conditions. Guidance on suggested and recommended conditions and methods can be found in the Implementation Guide.

Assessors must satisfy the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

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