

# Tertiary education in the statistical system of the Republic of Serbia

# Legal basis



- Law on Official Statistics
- Government decision on statistical surveys' conducting
- Annual plan and five-annual Program of official statistics

## **The role of the Office:**

- Preparation and adoption of unique statistical standards;
- Development, maintenance and using of republic administrative and statistical registers;
- Cooperation and expert coordination with bodies and organizations in charge of statistical surveys conducting;
- Cooperation with international organizations in order to establish standards and provide data comparability;

# Regular surveys conducted by tertiary statistics



- **All levels of formal tertiary education:**

- Survey on enrolled students
- Survey on new entrants students (enrolled in the first year of studies)
- Survey on graduated students
- Survey on teaching staff

- All surveys are conducted in annual periodicity
- Reporting units are all institutions in tertiary education (universities, faculties, academies and vocational higher schools), state and private, and observation unit is a student.
- Complete coverage for all levels of tertiary education (bachelor, master, PhD)
- Instruments for data collecting – Questionnaires (web and mail option):
  - Summary report for teaching staff and institution structure in tertiary education
  - Individual report for each enrolled and graduated students

# Which data are collected?



## **Tertiary education (ISCED 5, 6, 7, 8):**

- On enrolled and graduated students (all three education levels) by sex, age, previously acquired education, way of financing studies, accommodation and way of supporting during the studies, marital status, citizenship, national affiliation, working status of the students. Moreover, the data on students with disabilities who need some kind of assistance are collected, including the sorts of assistance.
- On teaching staff: data on number of teachers and assistants, teachers with a PhD, number of mentoring doctoral candidates. The data are available by sex and by Full time equivalent.
- All data are presented by fields of education (ISCED)

## **Other education data sources in SORS:**

- Labour Force Survey (LFS)
- Census of population
- Other sample-conducted surveys

# Results publishing and users



## Complex publications:

- Statistical Yearbook of the Republic of Serbia;
- Statistical pocketbook of Serbia;
- Municipalities and regions in the Republic of Serbia;
- Detailed publication on tertiary education (dedicated publication);
- Statistical release on new entrants students;
- Databases on the website of SORS and Eurostat;
- DevInfo database
- Complex international publications

## Users:

- Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development;
- Other ministries, government bodies and organizations, agencies, etc.;
- Researchers, scientific and expert workers, students;
- Economy;
- Media

# Basic indicators



- Tertiary education coverage is 50.7%
- All levels of tertiary education are attended by 262 108 students, out of which 107 473 are budget financed
- 51 596 students annually graduate/ complete particular level of studies
- Total of 17 universities:
  - State universities - 7
  - Private universities - 10
- Total of 125 faculties/ academies:
  - State faculties - 80
  - Private faculties - 45
- Higher schools - 55:
  - State higher schools - 43
  - Private higher schools – 12
- Teaching staff number 16 280: 11 503 teachers and 4777 assistants;
  - FTE 14287 teachers
  - PhD - 10 610
  - Mentoring doctoral candidates - 2 230