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# CSO Statistical Online Survey

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## Central Government

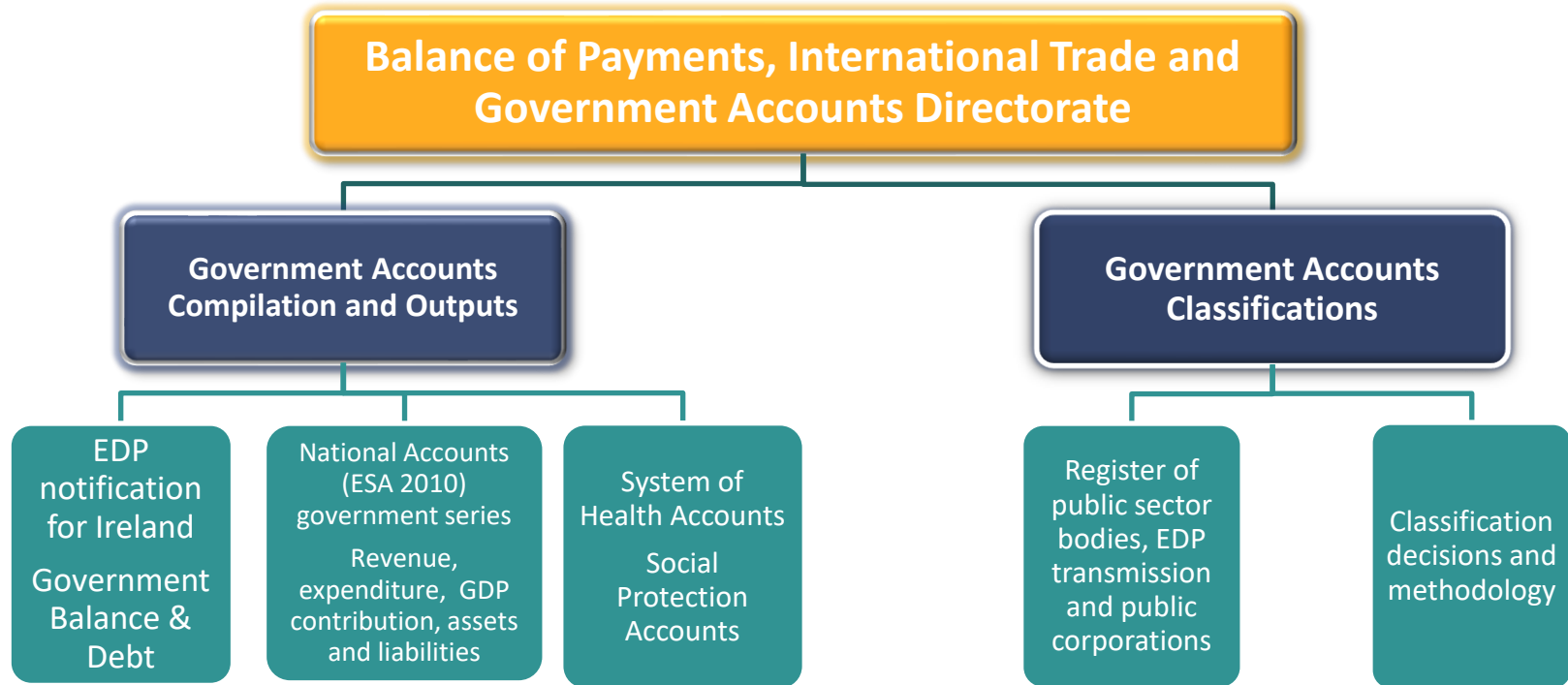
## Controlled Entities

Demo Online Survey

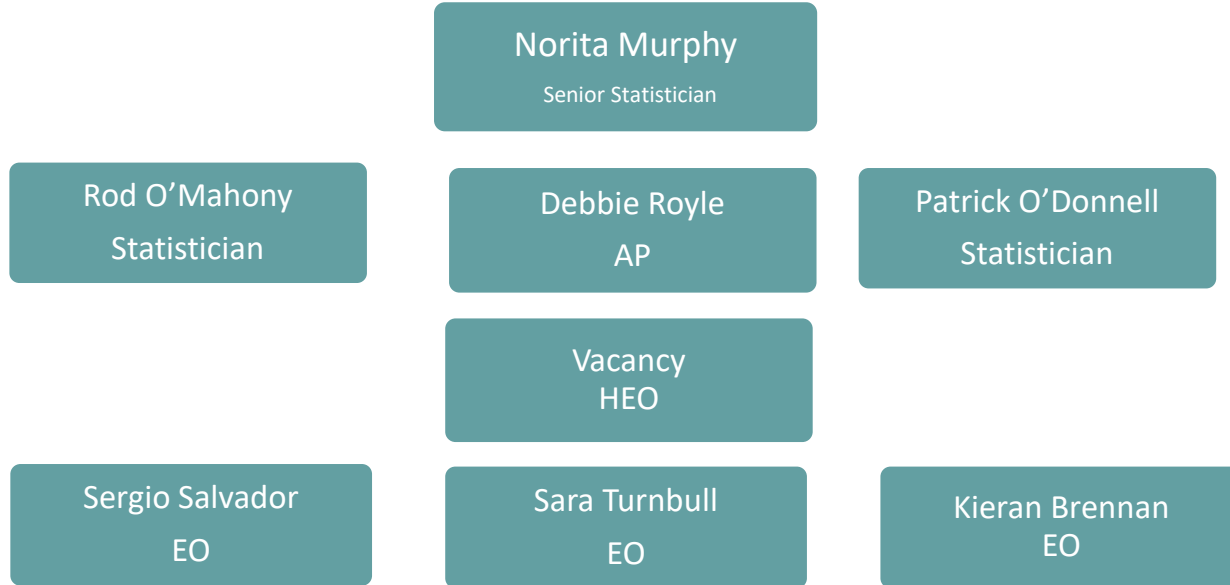
Government Accounts Classifications Division

18<sup>th</sup> January 2024

# Structure of Division - functions



# Classification Division



# Overview – Government Accounts

## Government Accounts Classifications

- What is “in” government?
- Monitors developments in public sector bodies and reviews key government contracts, such as Public Private Partnerships, in terms of their statistical classification for government accounts

## Government Accounts Compilation and Outputs

- Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP) and Government Finance Statistics (GFS)



# Role of Classifications Division

- Joint annual surveys
  - Central Government Departments – with the Department of Public Expenditure, NDP Delivery and Reform
  - Local Authorities – with the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Collate data on public corporations
- Compilation and publication of the Register of Public Sector Bodies
  - Published twice yearly April / October
  - Provides the basis for the preparation of Government Finance Statistics (GFS) and Excessive Deficit Procedure (EDP)



# Users of data include

- Eurostat
  - Transmission to Eurostat of all Non-Commercial Agencies by NACE and by sub sector in March and September
  - Public Corporation data on Government controlled units classified outside General Government to Eurostat in December
- Published on [DPER](#) Open Data Portal
- Entities listed on the Department of Finance Statutory Instrument – General Government Secured Borrowings Order





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# Background Information

# Benefits to online (eQ) survey

- Reviewed feedback from 2023 survey
  - reduced number of questions
  - more user friendly
  - quicker to complete
- Online survey enables
  - Direct contact with relevant respondents
  - Better breakdown of entities within the departments
- Improve the timeliness of providing data to other users
- 195 individual surveys covering the 18 government departments & 577 entities
- Liaising with approx. 300 contacts



# Central Government survey

- Annual online survey (eQ)
- Collects list of all bodies under the aegis of Central Government Departments
- Informs the statistical classification for all entities under the aegis of Central Government:
  - Voted Departments / Additional Votes / Extra Budgetary Funds
  - Non-Commercial Agencies under the aegis of Central Government
  - Social Security Funds
  - Commercial Non-Financial Corporations
  - Commercial Financial Corporations
- Issued January, collecting information T – 12months
- Data used to compile:
  - Publication of Register of Public Sector Bodies
  - Transmission to Eurostat on government-controlled units by subsector and Nace
  - Public Corporations data

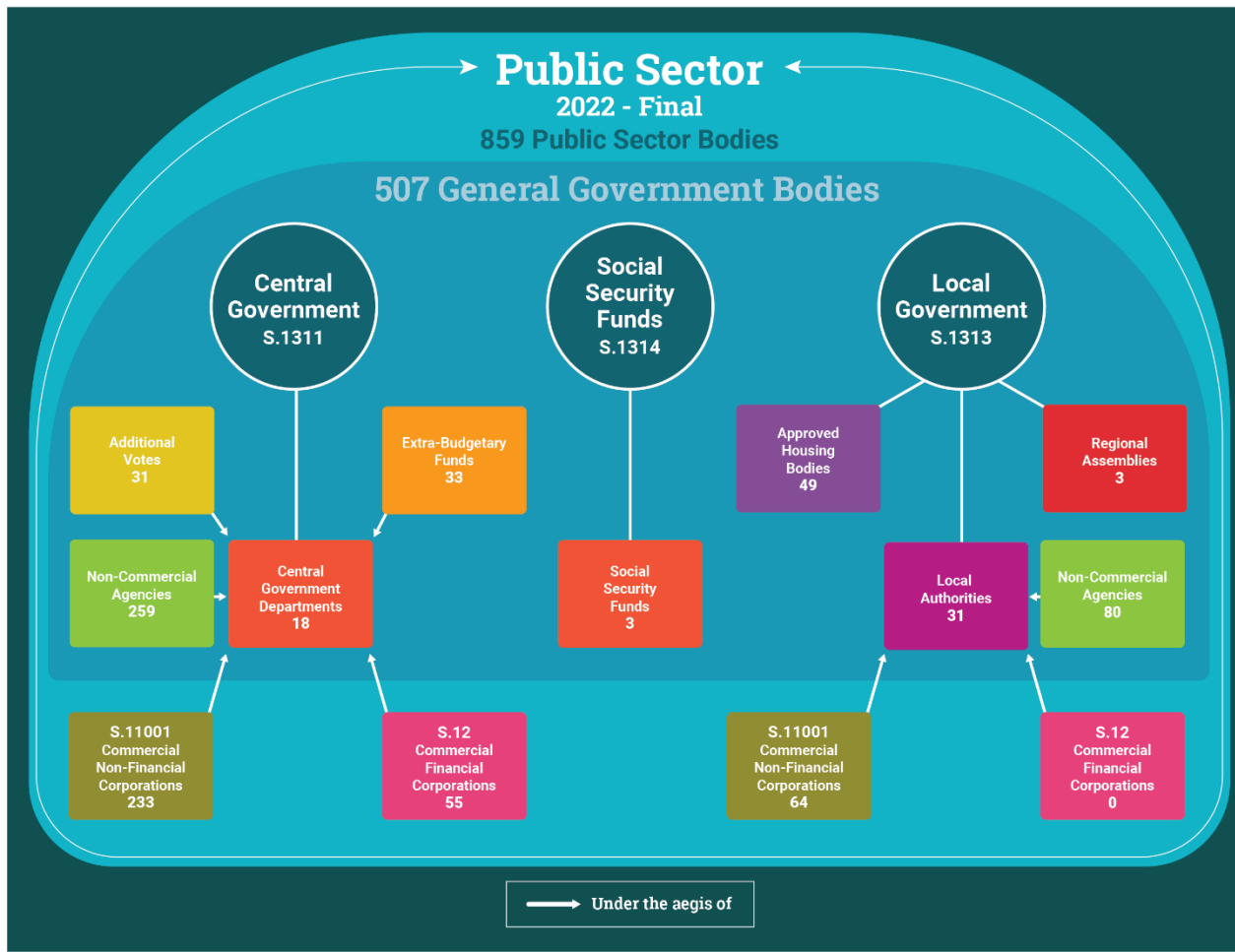


# Outputs

- Data collected and published in the Register of Public Sector bodies feeds other CSO data and outputs and external organisations
  - Compilation and Outputs - use bodies listed in general government sectors (central and local government and social security funds) for government finance statistics
  - National Accounts
  - Central Business Register – Use data to capture list of all bodies in public sector and assign a business register number for internal CSO use
  - Sector Accounts – included in the national breakdown of all sectors in the domestic economy
  - Classifications is the only division that has the authority to birth an entity into general government.
- External organisations that use data
  - Eurostat / Central Bank / DPER / Department of Finance / other departments / researchers



# Breakdown of Public Sector



# Aim of Survey

- To collect a detailed list of **all** entities under the aegis of departments
- Government Accounts Classifications Division determines the statistical classification of the entities assessing factors such as:
  - is it an institutional unit?
  - does it receive government funding?
  - the level of control the department has over the entity
- The classification criteria comply with detailed European rules and guidelines





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# Important Information



# Online survey

New questions introduced

URL Link to open survey - <https://launch.survey.cso.ie/>

Link to survey booklet - <https://eforms.cso.ie/public/eFormSurveyInfo/NatAcc.htm>

Survey booklet contains detailed instructions on how to complete survey

Please read survey booklet before completing survey

Survey booklet opens in a separate tab and makes it possible to navigate easily between the survey booklet and survey



# Completing the online survey

Individual login and pin issued to relevant contacts within departments

Can have between 1 to 20 entities listed within one survey

Information collected from previous surveys is pre-filled where possible

Please update the contact details of the person responsible (from within parent department) for that entity

Option to indicate any change to the entity and this will bring you to a new page of questions to complete

All questions are mandatory, please select '0' if question not applicable

Please add any additional or new entities under the aegis of your department that are not being captured



# Submitting the online survey

Deadline to submit – **2nd February 2024**

**14 days** to complete and submit – or data lost

Review and edit

Save and print – **5 minutes**

Once survey is submitted it cannot be changed

Please contact [gfs\\_classifications@cso.ie](mailto:gfs_classifications@cso.ie) with any queries or revisions

We may contact you to verify data





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# Demo of Online Survey



# Starting the Survey

Select one of the 4 options below,



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### Q2. Please provide details for the following entity:

**Government Department:** Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

**Entity Name:** Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission

**Business Registration Number:** EN12630918

**Principal Activity:** O Public Admin. & Defence; Compulsory Social Security

**Parent Entity:** -

**Description of Entity:** Vote

**Tax ID/Registered Charity Number:** 3326442GH

**CRO Number:**

#### Q2.1 Is this entity ...

Active

Ceased

Liquidated

Dormant

Save and continue

[Choose another section and return to this later](#)




# Active Entities

Where active was selected in the previous question;

If no change has been made since last years survey, select 'No' to move to the next Entity.

If there has been any changes since last year's survey, select 'yes'.

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Save and complete later 

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### Q2.5 Has there been a change to this entity?

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**CRO Number:**

Yes

No

Save and continue

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# Active Entities with Change(s)

Provide the details of the change(s) before continuing to the next entity

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## Q2. Details of change to entity:

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**Entity Name:** Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission

**Business Registration Number:** EN12630918

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**Parent Entity:** -

**Description of Entity:** Vote

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**CRO Number:** -

### Q2.6 Date of when change(s) comes into effect

Day Month Year

### Q2.7 Details of what change(s)

Change of Name of entity to ABC Ltd.

You have 964 characters remaining

### Q2.8 Please enter any additional information/comments regarding this entity

Entity is due to merge with XYZ Ltd. in 2024

You have 956 characters remaining

Save and continue

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# Dormant, Ceased or Liquidated Entities

Where an entity is Dormant, Ceased or Liquidated you will be asked to provide some details before continuing to the next entity in the survey



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## Q3. Dormant/Ceased or in Liquidation

**Government Department:** Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth

**Entity Name:** Adoption Authority of Ireland (AAI)

**Business Registration Number:** EN12645303

**Principal Activity:** O Public Admin. & Defence; Compulsory Social Security

**Parent Entity:** -

**Description of Entity:** Non-Commercial Agency under the aegis of Department

**Tax ID/Registered Charity Number:** 9599929M

**CRO Number:** -

Q3.2 Please provide the date when entity became dormant/ceased or liquidated:

Day Month Year

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Q3.3 If ceased or liquidated provide details of assets and liabilities

No Assets or Liabilities

You have 976 characters remaining

Q3.4 Please enter any additional information regarding this entity

N/A

You have 997 characters remaining

Save and continue

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# New Entities

For any new entities/entities that should be added to the survey for next year please fill out the Details as per the example



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## Details of New Entity 1

If a detail is not applicable to the entity please enter zero.

### Government Department

Department of XYZ

### Entity Name

Entity XYZ

### Vote number

999

### Parent Entity

Entity ABC

### Principle Activity

Administration

### CRO Number

123456

Please provide the Tax ID for the entity above:

123456

### Level Of Control:

What level of control does the Department have over the entity? Such as financial support, Board of Directors, etc.

100%

### Reporting/Governance:

What is the entities reporting/governance structure and how does it report to its parent department?

Entity reports to its parent entity

### Non-Exchequer Income:

Does this entity have non-Exchequer income? If so what type e.g. fees for services, levies etc.

€100 fee for services

### Date body was established:

Day Month Year

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Please provide any additional information that you feel might be relevant:

You have 1000 characters remaining

Save and continue



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# Live Demonstration



# Contact Details

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Questions?

