NIGERIA LABOUR FORCE SURVEY (NLFS), 2024

Survey Methodology

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Introduction

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Why conduct the LFS?

- The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is the principal vehicle for providing current labour market information

- LFS is used to provide the quarterly changes in the labour market indicators which includes:
  - Labour Force Participation Rate
  - Employment-to-population Ratio
  - Share of employed people in self-employment
  - Time-related underemployment
  - Unemployment Rate
  - Youth Unemployment Rate
  - Wage Employment Rate
  - Informal Employment
  - Etc.

Survey Objectives

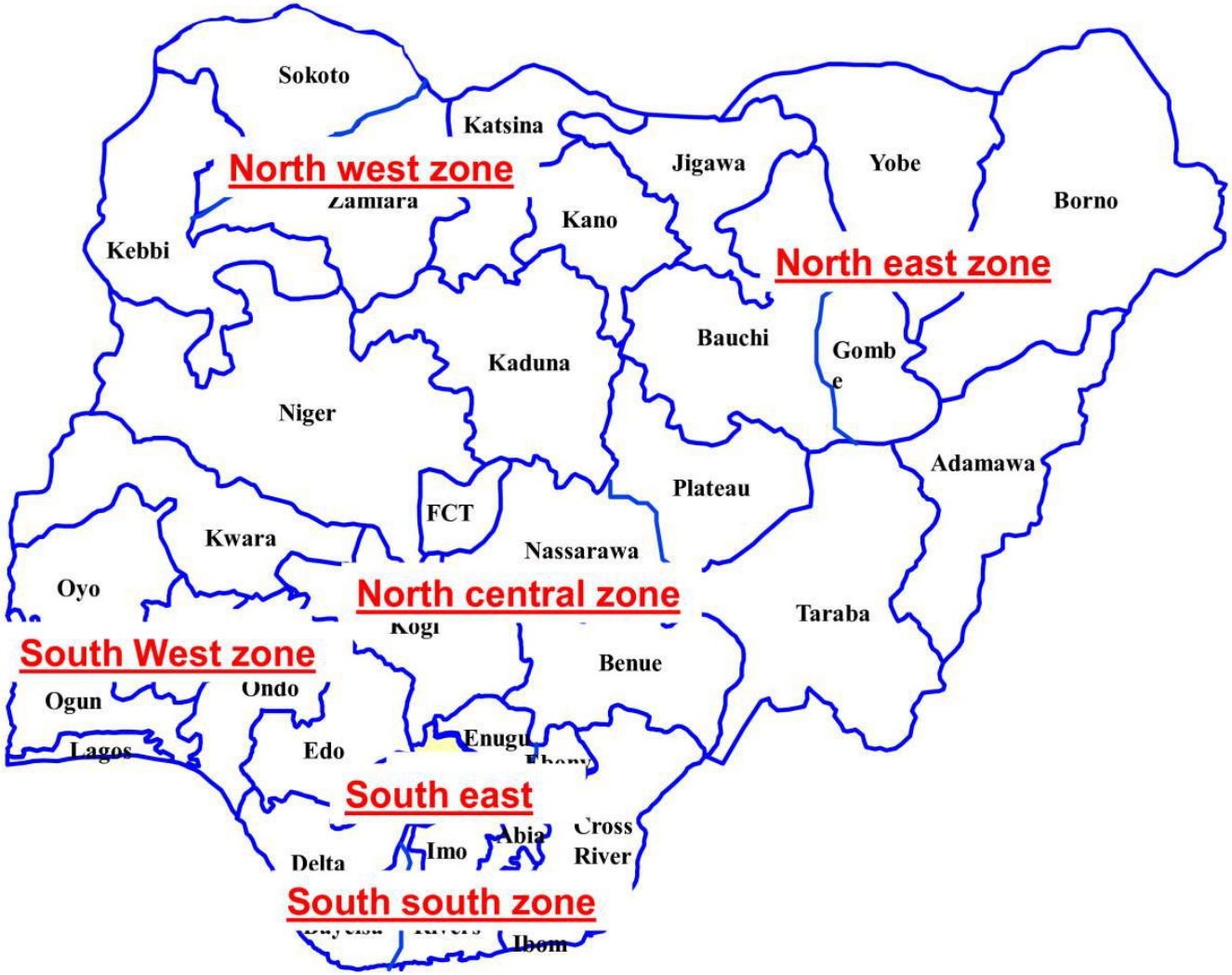
To produce a snapshot and measure current trends in key labour market statistics in Nigeria; this includes employment, unemployment, labor force participation, and key job characteristics

To compare the labour market statistics at the national, regional, state and global level

To measure Nigeria's labour supply for monitoring and planning purposes

To measure progress towards targets such as full productive employment, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), labour informality, sustainable economic growth, and decent work for all

Coverage



- Urban and rural areas will be covered

Scope

- Identification information of EAs and HHs
- Demographic Characteristics (Inclusion of Disability Questions)
- Education
- Employed at Work (ATW)
- Temporary Absence (ABS)
- Agricultural Work and Market Orientation (AGF)
- Characteristics of Main and Secondary Job, Working Time and Income
- Unemployment and Out of Labour Force

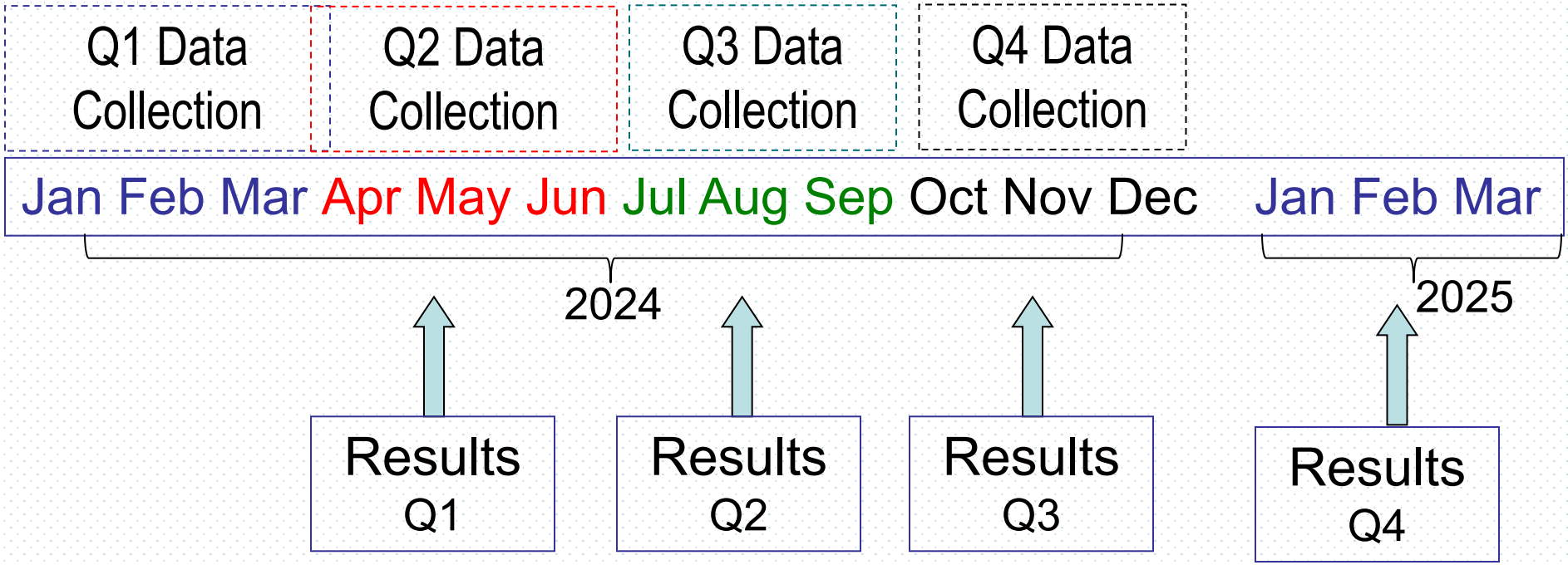
Sample Design

- The National frame of EAs demarcated for the proposed 2023 Housing and Population Census is used to select the study units
- A household listing exercise will be carried out on quarterly basis to update the sampling frame from which households will be selected for interview
  - For Q1 2024, the frame of EAs covered in the last quarter of 2023 will be used since it is still fresh and with minimal attrition
- A two-stage cluster sampling design will be adopted for this survey:
  - The first is the selection of Enumeration Areas while,
  - The second is the selection of households
- All eligible household members 5 years and above will be interviewed for the labour force component

Sample Design…

- First Stage Selection
  - Ninety -Six (96) EAs will be selected in each State
  - 24 EAs will be canvassed quarterly in each State
  - Nationally, a total of 3,552 EAs will be covered in the 36 States of the Federation and FCT
- Second Stage Selection
  - 10 HHs will be systematically selected per EA
  - 240 HHs will be interviewed every quarter in each State
  - A total of 35,520 HHs will be covered Nationwide
- There will be six (6) reserved HHs in each EA to cater for replacement in the first quarter of data collection after which four (4) reserves will be made for the remaining
- The sample is designed to report at State and National level

Conducting and Reporting the NLFS



Report each year on additional aspects of:

- Employment
- Unemployment & not economically active

Annual report in first quarter (Jan – March) 2025

Survey Instruments/Equipment

- The survey instruments:
  - NLFS Paper Questionnaire
  - EA Sketch Maps
  - List of Selected Households
  - Manual of Instruction

- Survey Equipment
  - Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI)

Recruitment of Field Staff

- Existing NLFS team in various states will continue the data collection

- Two field staff from the Nigeria Living Standards Survey (NLSS) teams will join the existing NLFS team only in Quarter 1 for data collection

  - The best 2 enumerators of NLSS as determined by the ToE assessment (exam) will be moved to join in the survey (NLFS)

- Thereafter, they will serve as standby in their various states for the remaining quarters

Training for Fieldwork

- There will be two (2) levels of training
- First level is the Training of Trainers (ToT)
  - Participants at this level includes:
    - Trainers/Monitors
    - Data Assistants
    - Data Editors
    - Coordinators
    - Stakeholders
    - Etc.
- This will be conducted at NBS Headquarters, Abuja
- Training will last for three (3) days

Training for Fieldwork…

- Second level is the Training of Enumerators (ToE)
  - Participants at this level will include:
    - 18 Trainers
    - 222 Enumerators
    - 37 Scrutiny Officers
    - 37 State Officers
    - 6 Zonal Controllers
    - 8 Coordinators
    - Stakeholders
    - Etc.
- The training will be held at six (6) designated zonal centers
- It will last for four (4) days

Training for Fieldwork…

S/No	Training Centres	States	Training Venue
1	Ibadan	Ekiti, Lagos, Ogun, Ondo, Osun, Oyo, Edo, Kwara	
2	Calabar	Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa, Cross River, Delta, Rivers	
3	Enugu	Abia, Anambra, Ebonyi, Enugu, Imo	
4	Gombe	Adamawa, Bauchi, Borno, Gombe, Taraba, Yobe	
5	Kano	Jigawa, Kaduna, Kano, Kebbi, Katsina, Sokoto, Zamfara	
6	Nasarawa	Benue, FCT, Kogi, Nasarawa, Niger, Plateau	

Fieldwork Arrangement for Data Collection

- Three (3) teams will be constituted in each state and FCT in the first quarter (January – March 2024)
- Each team will consist of two (2) persons
  - 6 field staff per state
- One (1) scrutiny officer will supervise the teams in each state
- By the second quarter i.e. from April 2024, we will go back to two (2) teams per state as it was in 2022/2023

Fieldwork Arrangement for Data Collection….

- Each team is expected to cover a total of 8 EAs in Q1 and 4 EAs per month from Q2
- 10 HHs will be interviewed in each EA
- Fieldwork will last for 40 days in Q1 and 20 days per month from April to December

Monitoring of Fieldwork

- Monitoring of fieldwork will be done by:
  - NBS Headquarters staff
  - NBS State Officer and
  - NBS Zonal Controllers
- Thirty-seven (37) NBS H/Q Monitors will monitor for a period of 5 days
- NBS State officer will monitor throughout the fieldwork
- Spot checking of EAs will be adopted for efficient and effective quality data collection

Coordination

- Members of the directorate of NBS will Coordinate the Survey

- Activities to be Coordinated will include:
  - Training at NBS Hqtrs and at the State level
  - Fieldwork
  - Data processing
  - Report Writing

- Coordination will last throughout the survey period

Data Transmission and Quality Checks

- The records will be transmitted electronically i.e. on-line, real-time

- Data editors will also review incoming data from their respective teams on a daily basis to either approve or reject for correction

Data Processing and Analysis

- The data processing system will be carried out as follows:
  - Data Cleaning/Validation
  - Data Editing
  - Tabulation
  - Table Generation/Analysis
  - Etc.

Report Writing

- Experienced report writers from NBS will write the report

Data Archiving, Documentation and Dissemination

- Data management toolkit will be used to:
  - Document
  - Disseminate and
  - Archive the data

- The result will be hosted on NBS website

www.nigerianstat.gov.ng

Time-Line of Activities

S/No	Activities	Duration	Date
1	Training of Trainers *(ToT)*	3 days	4th – 6th Jan 2024
2	Training of Enumerators *(ToE)*	4 days	12th – 15th Jan 2024
3	Fieldwork	12 months	17th Jan 2024

End of Presentation

Thanks for your attention

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