

## Kiribati

### Table B. Data Categories and Indicators Real Sector

**DATA CATEGORY:** Labour Market Indicators  
National Descriptor: Combined Employment, Unemployment, Wages/earnings  
(if different, please indicate)

**CORE INDICATORS:** Employment

**ENCOURAGED EXTENSIONS:**  
(as applicable)  
Country-Specific Indicator:  
(if different, please indicate)

**Information applies to:** Data Category Only  
(select from drop down list)

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#### I. Data Characteristics

##### Coverage

Briefly describe the key characteristics of the data; i.e., the features of which a user must be aware to use the data appropriately. These include the unit of measure, scope (e.g., geographic, institutional, product), statistical characteristics (e.g., seasonal adjustment, index number base year), basic data source, and accounting conventions.

There is very little direct data for labour market indicators, what there is comes generally from surveys for other purposes and administrative data. There has never been an employment survey carried out; however statistics for employment are collected in the Population Census and related data can be derived from Kiribati National Provident Fund (KNPF) records based on membership contribution. Only employment data are published in the main Census Reports, these are produced after the Census conducted every 5 years, in English. Preliminary results can be produced 6-8 months after enumeration, more detailed analysis after 18 months or more.

<b>Periodicity:</b> <i>Identify the frequency of compilation and dissemination of the data (e.g., monthly, quarterly, annual)</i>
Quinquennial
<b>Timeliness:</b> <i>Identify the lapse of time between the end of a reference period (or a reference date) and the dissemination of the data.</i>
Not published in own right - broad census data available 6-8 months after collection (7th of November 2000 in the Census year)

<b>II. Quality</b>
<b>Documentation of Methodology:</b> <i>Identify any publicly available statement of methodology that describes how the data are compiled and the sources of data.</i>
Census data are classified by the ILO's International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO 88), census questionnaires and instructions to enumerators are included in the published Census Reports.
<b>Data to Support Cross-checks and Assurance of Reasonableness:</b> <i>Describe the kind and extent of detail of published data, the statistical frameworks (including accounting identities and statistical relationships), and the comparisons and reconciliations that are available to assist users in assessing the quality of the data.</i>
None

<b>III. Plans for Improvement</b>
<i>Describe short-term (in the next year) and medium-term (2-5 years) plans for making improvements in the data category and note any improvements that have been implemented in the past two years. Technical or other assistance needs that may be required for implementing these plans should also be noted, if applicable. If it has been determined that there are no shortcomings that need to be addressed, this determination should be explicitly stated.</i>
<b>Recent Improvements:</b> None
<b>Short-Term Plans:</b> To conduct an employment survey and/or a business survey that will include questions on employment
<b>Medium-Term Plans:</b> To develop a definition of "unemployment" relevant to Kiribati. (It is by no means certain that this will be possible, in which case there will continue to be no official estimates of unemployment in Kiribati.) Develop a formal system using KNPF records to measure formal employment and average earnings, by broad industry (ISIC) - this will be dependent on re-related national accounts development which will include a feasibility study for using KNPF data as a source for wages and employment
<b>Technical Assistance/Financing Needs/Other Prerequisites:</b>
<b>Short-Term:</b> TA for planning surveys Financial assistance to conduct survey
<b>Medium-Term:</b> Related to needs for assistance with developing national accounts

<b>IV. Dissemination Formats</b>
<i>For each publication or data release, check the box corresponding to the frequency of release and indicate the title and language(s) on the next line. Identify an appropriate contact person, if different from first page.</i>
<b>Hard Copy:</b>
<b>News Release:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Population census reports, produced every 5 years, well publicised at time of release and summary reports

are freely available on request at that time	
<b>Publication:</b>	
<i>Weekly:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Monthly:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Quarterly:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Annual:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other:</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
As for News Release above: Details are published in the census report which is conducted every five years and reports issued by the NSO	
<b>Electronic:</b>	
<i>Internet:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other Online:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>CD-ROM:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Diskette:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other (specify):</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>None:</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>