



Transport statistics in Slovenia in the times of COVID-19 pandemic crisis and beyond

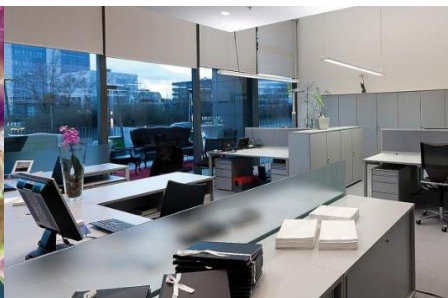
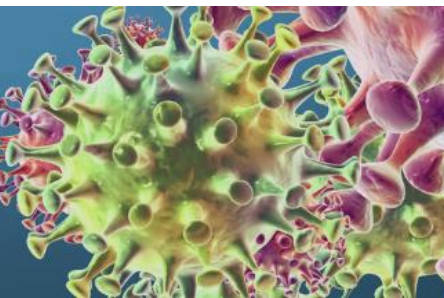
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- **Readiness** of the Slovenian NSI for such crisis
- **Organisation of the work** at the time of the crisis
- **Main priorities** at the time of the pandemic crisis
- **Setting the goals for the future** and planning of activities to reach the goals





Statistics is coming to the front

*“At a time when statistics are most needed, many **statistical systems are struggling to compile basic statistics**, highlighting once again the need to invest in data and statistics, and the importance of **having modern national statistical systems and data infrastructure**.”*

Source: *How COVID-19 is changing the world: a statistical perspective (UNSD, 2020)*

<https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ccsa/documents/covid19-report-ccsa.pdf>

16 March 2020: new reality for transport statistics in Slovenia

- **16 March:** NSI personnel started to work from/at home – without remote access to business mail inbox, databases, NSI tools
- **16 March:** prohibition of public passenger transport, prohibition of offering and sale of goods and services to consumers (including sales of cars)
- **17 March:** temporary suspension of technical inspection of vehicles and other procedures relating to car licence and tachograph workshop activities
- **Great uncertainty for the operation of the road freight** – linked to the closing of the borders
- Increased demand for delivery services
- Changed mobility patterns of population ...



Response of the NSI

- **Organisation of the work of the NSI employees at home and at the premises of the NSI**
- **Prioritising of the work: what can not be collected later?**
- **Replanning – of surveys, data procession, publications ...**
- **New sources?**





Future – can we be ready for similar crisis next time and how?

- **Working from home – remote access necessary.**
- **Stability of data sources – key element!**
 - Big advantage, if **administrative sources** are used.
 - **New sources** – if administrative data not available? Collaboration with industry data partners to fill the gaps.
 - **Alternative data sources** (big data, smart data: such as MNO data, e-tolling data, GPS data for tracking trucks, ...)

...we can never be really ready but we can try to do it better!