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Expenditures on Statistics and Related Research, Analysis, and Service, Twenty Federal Civilian Agencies

	<i>Year ended June 30</i>				
	1929	1934	1939	1948	1949 (est)
	(thousands of dollars)				
<i>20 agencies</i>	5,246	6,346	11,438	26,397	30,025
<i>5 public purpose collection agencies</i>	4,279	5,386	8,126	19,966	23,365
Bur. of Census (Commerce) ^a	2,209	2,940	2,270	9,642	12,870
Bur. of Agr. Eco. (Agriculture) ^b	1,271	1,600	3,400	4,400	4,400
Bur. of Labor Stat. (Labor) ^c	523	625	2,131	4,278	4,479
Nat. Off. of Vital Stat. (Public Health Serv.) ^d	—	—	—	966	907
Bur. of Mines (Interior) ^e	276	221	325	680	709
<i>15 other statistical agencies</i>	967	960	3,312	6,431	6,660
Div. of Res. & Stat. (Fed. Res. Bd.) ^f	117	153	294	773	860
Council of Economic Advisers ^g	0	0	0	350	300
Div. of Stat. Standards (Budget Bur.)	0	0	125	373	325
Fiscal Division (Budget Bur.) ^h	0	0	14	296	335
Soc. Sec. Adm. (Fed. Sec. Agcy.) ⁱ	0	0	779	1,219	1,175
Bur. of Internal Rev. (Treasury) ^j	312	346	520	1,104	1,145
Interstate Commerce Commission ^k	264	204	270	610	639
Agr. Res. Adm. (Agriculture) ^l	63	99	447	484	489
Off. of Technical Staff (Treasury) ^m	9	14	30	45	42
Railroad Retirement Board ⁿ	0	0	189	323	357
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. ^o	0	0	173	222	276
Fish & Wildlife Serv. (Interior) ^p	42	45	110	205	256
Maritime Commission ^q	125	63	234	189	215
Federal Communications Commission ^r	0	0	82	162	165
Comp. of Currency (Treasury) ^s	35	36	45	76	81

These statistics include operating data collected by the agencies to guide in administration, byproduct data gathered as an incident to administration, and data compiled to serve public purposes. Unless otherwise indicated in the notes, the expenditures cover costs of collecting and editing, tabulating and presenting, analyzing and interpreting. They do not include printing and binding, accounting or other housekeeping data, or collection costs when these are inseparable from nonstatistical regulatory or enforcement operations.

No adjustment was made for the considerable rise in prices and salaries which swelled the 1948 and 1949 figures relatively to the 1939 and 1934. The 1949 figures do not include the expected supplemental appropriations for the increase in pay authorized by Public Law 900.

^a Bureau of Census expenditures for 1939 do not include Works Progress Administration funds used to pay 2,774 WPA workers employed on Census projects. The 1929, 1934, and 1939 programs of the Census Bureau did not include foreign trade statistics, the current population survey, or other current work on the scale developed by 1948.

Under the Social Security Act of 1935 the Census Bureau has the nonstatistical task of supplying Age and Citizenship Certification. The appropriation for this task was therefore deducted.

The 1948 and 1949 figures include funds available for statistics provided to other agencies or to private business. The 1948 figure includes the part of the \$4 million appropriated for the 1947 Census of Manufactures that was obligated in 1948. The 1949 figure includes the balance for the Census of Manufactures as well as the sum appropriated for preparatory work for the Census of Business and the 17th Decennial Census.

^b Bureau of Agricultural Economics expenditures include appropriations, reappropriations, and loan authorizations for economic investigations and crop and livestock estimates, with amounts for 1934, 1939, and 1948 adjusted for comparability with appropriation structure in the 1949 budget estimate. Data for 1929 were lacking; the figure is an estimate derived by allotting to the Bureau for 1929 the percentage (29.7) of the total of all public purpose collection agencies that prevailed in 1934. The 1948 and 1949 figures do not include funds for activities under the Research and Marketing Act of 1946.

^c Bureau of Labor Statistics expenditures include costs of printing and binding and of statistical services rendered to other agencies or to private business. The 1949 figure is estimated from appropriations in 'The Budget' for 1950.

^d The National Office of Vital Statistics was part of the Census Bureau in 1929, 1934, and 1939.

^e Bureau of Mines expenditures equal the total appropriation under Economics of Mineral Industries Branches, including funds deducted for administrative services of the Bureau of Mines ranging from 4 to 8 percent.

^f The total budget of the Division of Research and Statistics is included even though its work is not entirely statistical. As a rough balance to this overstatement of statistical expenditures the cost of statistical work (which cannot be segregated) of the Division of Bank Operations (total budget \$206,330 in 1948) was omitted. Figures for calendar 1929, 1934, and 1939 are given under these years; figures for calendar 1947 and 1948, under 1948 and 1949 respectively. Expenditures for the last quarter of 1948 are partly estimated.

The Division of Research and Statistics is classed as an analysis and service agency because its work is primarily statistical and analytical to aid the Board in carrying out its monetary and credit responsibilities.

^g Expenditures of the Council of Economic Advisers include printing and binding costs.

^h Expenditures include those of the Budget Control Unit which was transferred to the Estimates Division in 1949.

ⁱ Social Security Administration expenditures include budgets of the Bureau of Research and Statistics; Analysis Division, Bureau of Old-Age and Survivors Insurance; Program Division, Bureau of Employment Security; Statistics and Analysis Division, Bureau of Public Assistance; Division of Statistical Research, Children's Bureau; Office of the Actuary. The 1949 figure is based on preliminary estimates of allotments for statistical activities. It excludes the budget for statistical activities of the Employment Service which was transferred to the Bureau of Employment Security of the Social Security Administration as of July 1, 1948.

^j Bureau of Internal Revenue expenditures include only salary expenditures of the Statistical Division.

^k Interstate Commerce Commission expenditures include the total budget of

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the Bureau of Transport Economics and Statistics. The cost of relatively small amounts of statistical work carried on in the Bureaus of Motor Carriers, Safety, Valuation, Locomotive Inspection is excluded.

¹ Agricultural Research Administration expenditures include budgets of the Family Economics Division of the Bureau of Human Nutrition and Home Economics, and Division of Dairy Herd Improvement Investigations of Bureau of Dairy Industry. They exclude statistical expenditures of the Bureaus of Animal Industry and of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering (amounting in 1948 to \$5,000 and \$4,000, respectively, or less than 2 percent of the total of the other two).

² The Office of Technical Staff was established by Treasury Order 92, dated September 23, 1947. Predecessor organizations in the Treasury Department were the Section of Statistics (est. Dec. 6, 1921), of Financial and Economic Research (est. June 3, 1927), and the Division of Research and Statistics (est. Sept. 17, 1934). See Appendix D, note j.

³ These amounts represent 85 percent of the total budget of the Office of Director of Research, an estimate made by the Director. The 1939 figure is assumed to be the same as that for 1940-41.

⁴ Expenditures of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation include printing and binding costs.

⁵ Fish and Wildlife Service data include expenditures of the Statistical, Market News, Economics, and Cooperative Marketing Sections of the Branch of Commercial Fisheries for 1939, 1948, and 1949, and of the Statistical Section alone for 1929 and 1934. Printing and binding costs are included.

⁶ Maritime Commission expenditures, furnished by the Commission, include only personnel costs of the Research Division. For fiscal 1929 and 1934 the data are for the Shipping Board, the Shipping Board Bureau of the Commerce Department, and the Merchant Fleet Corporation, predecessor agencies of the Maritime Commission.

⁷ These figures combine total salaries of personnel in the Economics and Statistics Division and allocations for the following statistical costs: duplicating, tabulating, travel, machine rentals, printing and binding, supplies and materials, furniture and fixtures. These various costs are estimated for 1939, account being taken of the fact that in 1939 the Federal Communications Commission did not have the Economics Analysis Group.

⁸ Comptroller of the Currency expenditures include only the annual cost of salaries for statistical personnel. Since this agency changed from a fiscal to a calendar year basis in 1942, the figures given in the table for 1948 and 1949 relate, respectively, to expenditures in calendar 1947 and 1948.