

**QUALITY: Data and methods
that produce assured statistics**

Q2: SOUND METHODS

BASIS

Methods based on good practice or scientific principles or professional consensus [Q2.1]



HARMONISATION

Use recognised standards, classifications, definitions; be consistent and coherent; explain reasons and implications [Q2.2]



TRANSPARENCY

Be open about methods, giving reasons for choice, proportionate to the complexity [Q2.3]



LIMITATIONS

Explain implications, including bias and uncertainty, and any steps taken to reduce impact [Q2.4]



COMMUNICATION

Advanced notice of method changes, explain nature and extent, provide a back series [Q2.5]



COLLABORATION

With topic and method experts, other producers [Q2.6]

