

*Insight for Tomorrow, Statistics Korea!*

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# Gov't Policy Focus Shift

- ~ 1997 Economic Crisis

Sole emphasis on economic growth

- 2000 ~

Shift from quantitative growth to qualitative growth, improvement of QoL

# Measuring Wellbeing in Korea

Statistics Korea

1979~

Social  
indicators  
Report

2008~

Social  
Trends

2008~

Research  
on QoL  
Indicators

# Measuring Wellbeing in Korea

National Research Council

Develop the framework of  
National Wellbeing Indicators



“Statistics, Knowledge and Policy”

Charting Progress  
Building Visions  
Improving Life

# Challenges to Overcome

## Need a conceptual framework

- Conceptual foundation and solid logic
- Clear definitions & terminologies

## Strengthen statistical basis at national level

- Streamline objective + subjective indicators
- Increase international comparability

## Develop a summary measure

- Resolve controversy over weights
- Higher involvement of private sector & civil societies

*Muchas Gracias*