

This guide introduces users to the World Bank's Enterprise Survey replication package, which replicates the firm-level Global Indicators Database. It includes step-by-step instructions on how to use the package to generate the firm-level Global Indicator Database from 2009 onwards using the firm-level cross-country database found on the [Data Portal](#). The replication package contains the following subfolders:

1. **do_files** folder: this folder contains all the Stata do-files that are used to replicate the indicator. The file titled “1_main.do” sets up the environment and executes the other do files in sequence to produce the database. The users need to run only this do-file.
2. **input_files** folder: this folder contains all the input files used in the indicator run. Users do not need to open the folder.
3. **output** folder: this folder stores the replicated firm-level Global Indicator Database after the replication process is complete.

Step-by-step instructions:

Users can follow these steps to run the replication package and produce the firm-level Global Indicator Database of the World Bank Enterprise Surveys:

1. **Download the files:** from the Enterprise Survey front page, navigate to [Data Portal](#) (<https://login.enterprisesurveys.org/>). From the “Combined Data” tab, download the cross-country standardized surveys database, with the file name ***StandardizedNew-2006-2025-core4.zip (or the most recent available standardized file)***.
2. **Prepare the data:** unzip both the *StandardizedNew-2006-2025-core4.zip* and save the database named *New_Comprehensive* from the *StandardizedNew-2006-2025-core4.zip* to the replication folder.
3. **Run the replication:**
 - a. Use Stata to open the *1_main.do* file in the *do-file* folder under the replication folder.
 - b. In the do-file, define the following two paths:
 - i. use the path of the replication folder as the *global_directory*.
 - ii. enter the name of the cross-country standardized database (from step-2 above) as *input_new_comprehensive*.
 - c. Execute *1_main.do* using Stata. This will automatically execute the other do files needed to process the data and generate the firm-level Global Indicator Database.
4. **Locate the output:** After the run, the firm-level Global Indicator Database can be found under the output subfolder. The file will be named *ES-Indicators-Database-Global-Methodology.dta*.

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