

Area sampling is a method of sampling used when no complete frame of reference is available. The total area under investigation is divided into small sub-areas which are sampled at random or according to a restricted process (stratification of sampling). Each of the chosen sub-areas is then fully inspected and enumerated, and may form the basis for further sampling if desired.

Further information

- [Handbook on Data Quality - Assessment Methods and Tools](#)

Related concepts

- [Coverage](#)