



The World of To-Day: Official Statistics What They Contain and How to Use Them (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from The World of to-Day: Official Statistics What They Contain and How to Use Them In order that a Government should perform its administrative and executive functions efficiently, it is necessary that it should be adequately informed on such subjects as the size and local distribution of the population, the resources of the country, the national income and taxable capacity, the magnitude of internal and external trade, and the means of communication. As the duties thrown on the administration have increased, knowledge of social conditions, of health, of the details of the economic situation and of many other affairs has become more and more necessary. The measurable aspects of these subjects form the material of national statistics, which are called official when the information is collected and tabulated by Government departments. Such statistics were in the past primarily for the use of the administration and were often kept private; but since the actions of Government have become more directly the concern of the people as well as of Parliament, administrative statistics have been published, and especially...

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