## Measurement Issues

## Statistical Indicators for Religious Studies: Primary Indicators of Classification in the Religious System

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This paper presents the detailed version of the statistical indicators for classification. Starting from our previous work (2007), there will be designed, for each indicator (e.g. Number of divine persons, Marriage rituals, Woman ordaining, Active methods to promote "the truth" etc.) a card that will include the following elements: definition, purpose, symbol, calculus method, formula, data needed, source of data, type, class/ category, aggregation level, interpretation and quality standards. This way of presentation will make much easier the use in a comprehensive and robust manner of the statistical indicators for religious studies by anybody who wants to conduct quantitative approaches in the religious studies.

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