Before the Uganda Bureau of Statistics was established as an autonomous government agency, the then Department of Statistics in the Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development was conducting household surveys and it was taking well over a year after data collected for results to be published and disseminated to users. The new Board of Directors of the Bureau demanded that survey results be published and disseminated within six months of completing field work. To the surprise of all users, the Bureau was able to produce preliminary results from the following survey even before field work ended. Capturing data at the same time as questionnaires were filled in, as opposed to getting all questionnaires filled in before data were captured as was the practice before. This was a quick win which did not require commitment of new resources but rather changing the method of doing things.

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