

Experimental Calculations Based on Outcomes of the Guidance Note F.2: *Asymmetric Treatment of Retained Earnings*

Instructions

To coordinate efforts with the recently completed consultation of balance of payments compilers on compiling reinvested earnings (RIE) for cross-border portfolio investment, this questionnaire and accompanying excel work sheet (available for download here) seek feedback from national accounts compilers on the feasibility of compiling RIE for public corporations and for private domestic equity stakes and the methods/data sources used in the estimation of the provided experimental (supplementary) calculations.

For each question, please provide the answer by clicking the relevant check box or by typing in the framed textboxes, which will automatically expand to fit the text.

Please note that the survey may reach one or more contacts in your agency; however, only one response is expected. A printable version of the questionnaire and the guidance note are available at the SNA Consultations webpage of the United Nations Statistics Division.

In addition to answering this online questionnaire, **please fill out the accompanying excel work sheet** and send it to: SNA-Globalization@imf.org and copy sna@un.org.

We look forward to and highly appreciate your collaboration.

Sincerely,
Joint Globalization Task Team

Please provide your information below:

Country _____
Institution/Organization _____
Name _____
Position/Title _____
Email _____

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Retained Earnings

1. Please describe the statistical method used to estimate total retained earnings for financial and nonfinancial corporations resident in your economy.

Public financial corporations _____

Public nonfinancial corporations _____

Private financial corporations _____

Private nonfinancial corporations _____

2. Please indicate the main data sources used for the calculations of retained earnings for public institutional units (e.g., financial statements, surveys, inter-corporate ownership information etc.).

3. Please indicate the main data sources used for the calculations of retained earnings for private institutional units (e.g., security-by-security database, financial statements, enterprise surveys, inter-corporate information etc.).

4. Please describe any new data, compared with the sources used for your national accounts' calculations, that have been used in the calculations of total retained earnings.

Allocation to Equity Holder Sector as Reinvested Earnings

5. Please explain the data sources and methods used to allocate reinvested earnings to equity holders.

Public financial corporations _____

Public nonfinancial corporations _____

Private financial corporations _____

Private nonfinancial corporations _____

6. Please list any equity holder sector (or subsector) for which the calculations have not been made and briefly explain the reasons for the exclusion from the calculations.

7A. Do you have any plans to obtain additional data on outstanding equity holders?

- Yes
- No

This Question is Conditionally Hidden if: (7A = No)

7B. Please briefly describe your plans:

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Regular Compilation

8A. Would it be possible to undertake the proposed calculations on an ongoing basis?

9. If so, what will be the frequency for the proposed calculations?

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Public nonfinancial corporations	<hr/>
Private financial corporations	<hr/>
Private nonfinancial corporations	<hr/>

10. What other data sources that were not available for experimental calculations do you need to compile these statistics?

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Private corporations	<hr/>
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11. Please provide any other comments on the calculation of reinvested earnings for domestic public and private corporations.

12. In order to maximize transparency, we would like to publish responses to global consultations.

Do you give consent that your response to this questionnaire can be published?

- Yes
- No

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