

Comments on draft SNA chapter: Chapter 18: Elaborating the accounts

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Part I: General comments

In the space below, please provide any general comments. This may cover e.g. the structure of the chapter, issues missing and (lack of) consistency with other chapters of the 2008 SNA.

General comments:

| General Comment | In general agreement with this chapter (but some remarks to some paragraphs) |
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| 18.3 | 2 nd sentence should read as: “Section C of this chapter describes briefly...” |
| 18.17 | The first sentence seems to be somewhat overbearing (“In countries with very limited statistical resources, it may not be possible to compile all three measures of GDP”). There are many countries with advanced NA systems which cannot really compile all the three approaches originally and complete, although it is pretended to do so. Therefore the text should read as follows: “ In practice in many countries it may not be possible to compile all three measures of GDP. But it seems to be necessary to compile at least two approaches in order to have a real balancing procedure and not only a simple one step approach. Indeed, it happens...” |
| 18.37 | 5 th line: Sentence in brackets should be deleted (because shares are not part of inventories). |

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| 18.48 | 2 nd sentence is not clear: (“However, definitions in section B...”). What is meant here? |
| 18.49 | 4 th line: developed |

Part II: Comments on specific draft paragraphs and sections

There is no part II for this draft chapter.

Part III. Other specific comments

You are welcome to make other specific comments. To assist you in doing so, the following points are provided as a guide to the types of points on which you might wish to comment. Note, though, that you are not restricted to commenting on only these points.

1. Are there any other major issues concerning the presentation of the accounts you feel should be covered?
2. Are the examples of possible tables in section F helpful and sufficient?

Specific comments:

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