# Comments on draft SNA chapter: Chapter 19: Population and labour inputs

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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:

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#### Part II: Comments on specific draft paragraphs and sections

All comments on specific draft paragraphs are welcome. They can be about e.g. scope, content and clarity. Proposing a concrete alternative text or table is also possible. For the paragraphs in separate sections, separate forms are used for providing and collecting comments (see below).

### A. Introduction (paragraphs 19.1-19.8)

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19.1	Click here and start typing.
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## B. Population (paragraphs 19.9-19.14)

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19.14	For the first sentence, it is suggested to spell out clearly that the estimates of ICP are PPP-adjusted or comparable estimates of GDP levels.
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# C. Measuring the labour force (paragraphs 19.15-19.37)

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## D. Standardized measures of labour inputs (paragraphs 19.38-19.55)

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19.46	The concept of working time in SNA differs from that of ILO in that unpaid overtime work is excluded in the former but included in the latter. This point should be made clear when explaining working time in para. 19.46.
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### E. Estimating labour productivity (paragraphs 19.56-19.68)

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# F. A note on source data (paragraphs 19.69-19.74)

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## 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 the details of the labour force and the differences between the ILO and SNA conventions sufficiently clear?
- 2. Is the discussion of standardised labour inputs sufficient?
- 3. Is the discussion of labour productivity sufficient?
- 4. Can you recommend references to be included?

#### Specific comments:

Specific	The chapter may be structured in a way that the following 4 parts can be more
comments	clearly distinguished to the readers :-
	(1) definitions of employment and related terminologies according to ILO;
	(2) SNA's interpretation of employment, which is based on the delineation
	between compensation of employees and other kinds of receipts (e.g. workers
	in quasi-corporations are classified as employees in SNA context, whereas
	volunteers with no remunerations of any kind are not);
	(3) coverage of employment for assessing productivity in relation to SNA
	production activities, which considers resident producer units instead of

resident individuals (para. 19.27-19.29); and

(4) other issues (e.g. jobs and employees, non-observed economy).

The classification in relation to social accounting matrices may be discussed.

A diagrammatic illustration of various definitions, such as that in figures 17.1 and 17.2 of 1993 SNA, would be helpful.

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