

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

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This template allows you to record your comments on draft SNA chapter 19 “Population and labour inputs” and, at the same time, makes it easy for us to use your comments in considering revisions to the draft chapter. You may complete any or all parts of the template.

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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 the text of chapter 19, the term output is frequently used. However, it is not always clear what is meant by output: gross output, value added or a more general concept including both. For the understanding of some paragraphs (e.g. 19.65, 19.66 but also others), it may be important to be more specific on this point.
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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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* Insert rows in this Word table for each paragraph on which you wish to comment.

B. Population (paragraphs 19.9-19.14)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
19.9	Click here and start typing.
*	Click here and start typing.

* Insert rows in this Word table for each paragraph on which you wish to comment.

C. Measuring the labour force (paragraphs 19.15-19.37)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
19.15	Click here and start typing.
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D. Standardized measures of labour inputs (paragraphs 19.38-19.55)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
19.38	Click here and start typing.
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E. Estimating labour productivity (paragraphs 19.56-19.68)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
19.56	Click here and start typing.
19.59	We do not understand the last sentence of 19.59.
19.68	In the EU-KLEMS project, much effort was put in the estimation of PPP's on the level of industries.

* Insert rows in this Word table for each paragraph on which you wish to comment.

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

General comment	Click here and start typing.
19.72	In our opinion, this paragraph is too negative in relation to the use of administrative data as a source of employment data for national accounts purposes. If these data have a good coverage and are available in due time, they most certainly can be an excellent source of information, to be preferred over and above survey data.
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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 comments	Click here and start typing.
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