

**Coverage of IMTS, inclusions
and exclusions**

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Agenda Item 11

IMTS, Concepts and Definitions
Chapter I: Coverage and time of recording

IMTS, Compilers Manual :
Chapter 5: Coverage and Time of Recording

Coverage – General Guideline

As a general guideline, it is recommended that international trade statistics record all goods which add to or subtract from the stock of material resources of a country by entering (imports) or leaving (exports) its economic territory.

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Customs procedures under the Revised Kyoto Convention covering goods (crossing an international border) to be **included** in trade statistics.

- (a) Clearance for home use ;
- (b) Outright exportation ;
- (c) Re-importation in the same state ;
- (d) Customs warehouses ;
- (e) Temporary admission for inward processing ;

Coverage of IMTS (cont.)

Customs procedures **included** in trade statistics

- (f) Temporary exportation for outward processing ;
- (g) Free zones ;
- (h) Processing of goods for home use ;
- (i) Customs formalities in respect of postal traffic ;

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Customs procedures to be **excluded** in trade statistics.

- (a) Temporary storage of goods ;
- (b) Commercial means of transport ;
- (c) Customs treatment of stores ;(some)
- (d) Customs transit ;
- (e) Trans-shipment ;
- (f) Temporary admission subject to re-exportation in the same state ; (exhibitions and fairs)
- (g) Carriage of goods coastwise.

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE INCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Non-monetary gold**
- Un-issued banknotes and securities, and coins not in circulation**
- Goods traded in accordance with barter agreements**
- Goods traded on government account**
- Food and other humanitarian aid**
- Goods for military use**

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE INCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Goods acquired by all categories of travelers**
- Goods on consignment**
- Goods used as carriers of information and software**
- Goods for processing**
- Goods which cross borders as a result of transactions between parent corporations and their direct investment enterprises (affiliates/branches)**

Section 12: Inclusions

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| 12.04 | goods traded in accordance with barter agreements |
| 12.05 | goods traded on government account |
| 12.06 | food and other humanitarian aid |
| 12.07 | goods for military use |
| 12.08 | goods transferred from foreign enclaves (embassies, military or other foreign installations) |

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| 12.04 | goods traded in accordance with barter agreements | | | | |
|-------|---|---------------|-------|------|-------|
| 12.05 | goods | 121 Countries | | | |
| | | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| 12.06 | food | 12.04 | 65.4 | 27.1 | 7.5 |
| 12.07 | goods | 12.05 | 80.0 | 15.5 | 4.5 |
| | | 12.06 | 76.4 | 21.8 | 1.8 |
| 12.08 | goods (embassies, military or other foreign installations) | 12.07 | 59.6 | 34.9 | 5.5 |
| | | 12.08 | 31.7 | 63.5 | 4.8 |

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| 12.04 | goods traded in accordance with barter agreements | Eastern and Southern Africa (12) | | | |
|-------|---|----------------------------------|-------|------|-------|
| 12.05 | goods traded | | | | |
| | | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| 12.06 | food and | 12.04 | 16.7 | 50.0 | 33.3 |
| | | 12.05 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 33.4 |
| 12.07 | goods for | 12.06 | 66.6 | 16.7 | 16.7 |
| | | 12.07 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 33.4 |
| 12.08 | goods traded (embassies) | 12.08 | 66.6 | 16.7 | 16.7 |

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- 12.13 goods for processing (i.e., goods sent abroad or brought into your country for processing, including processing under contract and processing under the inward processing procedure)
- 12.14 *If Yes, do you record goods for processing and the goods resulting from such processing on a gross basis before and after processing?*

Section 12: Inclusions

| 12.13 goods for processing (i.e., goods sent abroad or brought into your country for processing, including processing procedures) | 121 Countries | | | |
|---|---------------|-------|------|-------|
| | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| | 12.13 | 86.0 | 9.3 | 4.7 |
| | 12.14 | 79.2 | 19.5 | 1.3 |

12.14 *If Yes, do you record goods for processing and the goods resulting from such processing on a gross basis before and after processing?*

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| 12.13 goods for processing (i.e., goods sent abroad or brought into your country for processing, including processing procedures) | Eastern and Southern Africa (12) | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|-------|------|-------|
| | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| | 12.13 | 66.6 | 16.7 | 16.7 |
| | 12.14 | 50.0 | 50.0 | 0.0 |

12.14 *If Yes, do you record goods for processing and the goods resulting from such processing on a gross basis before and after processing?*

Special Issues

Goods for processing (inward and outward)

- ✓ **When does the country of origin change?**
- ✓ **Can you link goods imported for processing with goods being exported (or enter free circulation) after processing?**
- ✓ **Do you have information regarding change of ownership (i.e. can you identify manufacturing under contract – i.e. oil refining?)**

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE INCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Returned goods**
- Electricity, gas and water**
- Goods dispatched through postal or courier services**
- Migrants' effects**
- Goods transferred from or to a buffer stock organization.**

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE INCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Goods under financial lease**
- Ships, aircraft and other mobile equipment**
- Goods delivered to or dispatched from offshore installations located in the economic territory of a compiling country (from or to the economic territory of another country)**

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12.20 migrants' effects

12.21 goods transferred from or to a buffer stock organization

12.22 goods under financial lease (i.e., a lease of one year or more)

12.23 ships, aircraft and other mobile equipment

Section 12: Inclusions

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|-------|--|----------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 12.20 | migrants' | 121 Countries | | | |
| 12.21 | goods transported by | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| | organized | 12.20 | 48.5 | 48.5 | 3.0 |
| 12.22 | goods transported | 12.21 | 48.9 | 36.7 | 14.4 |
| | year or more | 12.22 | 67.0 | 26.4 | 6.6 |
| | | 12.23 | 78.0 | 17.4 | 4.6 |
| 12.23 | ships, aircraft and other mobile equipment | | | | |

Section 12: Inclusions

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|-------|----------------------|---|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 12.20 | migrants' effects | Eastern and Southern Africa (12) | | | |
| 12.21 | goods transported by | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| | organized | 12.20 | 50.0 | 33.3 | 16.7 |
| 12.22 | goods transported | 12.21 | 20.0 | 60.0 | 20.0 |
| | year or more | 12.22 | 16.7 | 50.0 | 33.3 |
| | | 12.23 | 66.7 | 0.0 | 33.3 |
| 12.23 | ships | | | | |

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE INCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Fish catch, minerals from the seabed and salvage landed from foreign vessels in national ports or acquired by national vessels on the high seas from foreign vessels are to be included in import statistics**
- Bunkers, stores, ballast and dunnage (acquired from or landed by (or supplied to) foreign vessels or aircraft in the economic territory of a country)**
- Empty bottles**
- Waste and scrap**

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE EXCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Monetary gold**
- Issued banknotes and securities and coins in circulation**
- Goods temporarily admitted or dispatched**
- Goods in transit**

Section 13: Exclusions

Do you exclude from trade statistics the following:

13.01 monetary gold (i.e., that gold which is exchanged between national or international monetary authorities or authorized banks)

13.02 issued banknotes and securities and coins in circulation

13.03 goods temporarily admitted or dispatched

13.04 goods in transit

Section 13: Exclusions

Do you exclude

121 Countries

| | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
|---|----------|-------|------|-------|
| 13.01 monetary gold (i.e., that gold which is exchanged between national or international monetary authorities or authorized banks) | 13.01 | 83.8 | 13.3 | 2.9 |
| 13.02 issued banknotes and securities and coins in circulation | 13.02 | 91.6 | 8.4 | 0.0 |
| 13.03 goods temporarily admitted or dispatched | 13.03 | 75.7 | 20.6 | 3.7 |
| 13.04 goods in transit | 13.04 | 86.9 | 10.3 | 2.8 |

13.04 goods in transit

Section 13: Exclusions

Do you exclude from trade statistics the following:

| | | Eastern and Southern Africa (12) | | | | |
|-------|---|----------------------------------|------|-------|------|------|
| | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % | | |
| 13.01 | monetary transactions between authorities | 13.01 | 66.6 | 16.7 | 16.7 | aged |
| 13.02 | issues of currency | 13.02 | 66.7 | 33.3 | 0.0 | |
| | | 13.03 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 33.4 | |
| 13.03 | goods | 13.04 | 50.0 | 33.3 | 16.7 | |
| 13.04 | goods in transit | | | | | |

Specific guidelines regarding GOODS TO BE EXCLUDED IN IMTS

- Goods consigned to and from territorial enclaves**
- Non-financial assets, ownership of which has been transferred from residents to non-residents, without crossing borders**
- Goods treated as part of trade in services (travelers purchases– below threshold, newspapers direct subscriptions, purchases by embassies etc. for own use, software developed to order, original recordings, blueprints)**

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE EXCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Fish caught on the high seas by national vessels of a country and landed in its economic territory**
- Goods which are acquired and relinquished within the compiling country, by non-residents, within the same recording period, and which do not cross the frontiers of this country**
- Goods under operational lease**

**Specific guidelines regarding
GOODS TO BE EXCLUDED IN IMTS**

- Goods lost or destroyed after leaving the economic territory of the exporting country but before entering the economic territory of the intended importing country**
- Empty bottles (for re-filling)**
- Waste and scrap (with no positive value)**

**GOODS TO BE EXCLUDED
BUT Recorded Separately for SNA/BOP purposes**

- Mobile equipment that changes ownership while outside the country of residence of its original owner**
- Fish catch, minerals from the seabed and salvage sold from national vessels in foreign ports or from national vessels on the high seas to foreign vessels**
- Bunkers, stores, ballast and dunnage that are acquired (or supplied) by national vessels or aircraft outside the economic territory of a country**

**GOODS TO BE EXCLUDED
BUT Recorded Separately for SNA/BOP purposes**

- Goods purchased by international organizations located in the economic territory of a host country, from the host country, for their own use**
- Goods for repair**
- Goods entering or leaving the economic territory of a country illegally**
- Goods lost or destroyed after ownership has been acquired by the importer.**

Section 13: Exclusions

13.22 goods for repair;

if Yes, please indicate in Comments whether you record the transaction separately.

13.23 *If No (so, if you include goods for repair), do you value goods for repair at the value of the repair only?*

Section 13: Exclusions

13.22 goods for
if Yes, record

121 Countries

| Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| 13.22 | 52.0 | 43.9 | 4.1 |
| 13.23 | 42.3 | 30.8 | 26.9 |

13.23 *If No (so, if you include goods for repair), do you value goods for repair at the value of the repair only?*

Section 13: Exclusions

13.22 goods for repair;

if Yes, please indicate in Comments whether you record it

| | | Eastern and Southern Africa (12) | | | |
|-------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------|------|-------|
| 13.23 | <i>If M</i> | Question | Yes % | No % | N/A % |
| | <i>you</i> | 13.22 | 33.3 | 50.0 | 16.7 |
| | <i>repa</i> | 13.23 | 25.0 | 0.0 | 75.0 |

Special Issues

Goods for repair

- ✓ **How do you define goods for repair?**
- ✓ **How do you identify (and exclude) goods for repair?**



Thank you for your
attention

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