

# Workshop on the Revision of Recommendations for International Merchandise Trade Statistics

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# Commodity Classification and Quantity Measurement

## A. Commodity Classification

- I. Harmonized System (HS) 2, 4 & 8 digits
- II. Sections I – XXI
- III. End-use 0 – 9

## B. Quantity Measurement

- I. Quantity (Gross Weight & Net Weight) in KGs
- II. Supplementary Units (SU)

## C. Report using the UN Recommendations for IMTS

## A. Commodity Classification

HS revised in 2007 based on 2002 rev.

- A total of 99 chapters are available for commodity classification of which chapters 77, 98 & 99 are reserved for future use in HS.
- HS 4 digit, Division : total numbers are 1098,
- HS 6 digit, Position : not in use at the moment,
- HS 8 digit, Commodity level : total numbers are 6875,
- The SITC is not used in Ethiopia.

### Sections

How HS's are categorized in each section

Section I covers HS codes 1 – 5

Section II covers HS codes 6 – 14

Section III covers HS code 15

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- Section IV covers HS codes 16 – 24
- “ V “ HS “ 25 – 27
- “ VI “ HS “ 28 – 38
- “ VII “ HS “ 39 & 40
- “ VIII “ HS “ 41 – 43
- “ IX “ HS “ 44 – 46
- “ X “ HS “ 47 – 49
- “ XI “ HS “ 50 – 63
- “ XII “ HS “ 64 – 67
- “ XIII “ HS “ 68 – 70
- “ XIV “ HS “ 71
- “ XV “ HS “ 72 – 83
- “ XVI “ HS “ 84 & 85
- “ XVII “ HS “ 86 – 89
- “ XVIII “ HS “ 90 – 92
- “ XIX “ HS “ 93
- “ XX “ HS “ 94 – 96
- “ XXI “ HS “ 97 - 99

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End-use classifications are grouped in to 10  
main groups

0 - RAW MATERIALS (00-08)

1 - SEMI-FINISHED PRODUCTS (10-19)

2 – FUEL (20-24)

3 - CAPITAL GOODS (TRANSPORT) (30-36)

4 - CAPITAL GOODS (AGRICULTURE) (40-44)

5 - CAPITAL GOODS (INDUSTRIAL)(50-59)

6 - CONSUMER GOODS (DURABLE) (60-66)

7 - CONSUMER GOODS (NON-DURABLE) (70-77)

8 – MISCELLANEOUS (80-85)

9 – UNSPECIFIED (91)

## B. Quantity Measurement

- Quantities are taken in Kilograms for both Gross Weight and Net Weight
- Supplementary Units are added beginning 2007 data

**UN – Unit/Number**

**LT – Liter**

**KGM – Kilogram**

**MTR – Meter**

**MTK – Square Meter M<sup>2</sup>**

**MTQ – Cubic Meter M<sup>3</sup>**

**NPR – Pair**

**STM – Stem (only for cut flower)**

KT - Karat

30 – Gram

33 – Ton (1000kgs)

50 - Gallon

56– Dozen

58 – Factor for sure tax/Coffee

59 – Carton

99 – Undefined

## C. Reports Compiled Using the UN Recommendations for IMTS

- Reports are compiled at 8 digit commodity level, summed up at 4 digit division and 2 digit chapters level,
- All sections are covered in the import i.e., summary of each section,
- End-use summary by category for import value only.

Note: 1. In our data base we have data on CPC but don't publish it in our merchandise trade statistics.

2. We don't use ISIC for IMTS but use it in other economic surveys.