

Dissemination Practices

Kenya's Experience

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Background Information: Dissemination

- Currently, the dissemination of International Merchandise Trade Statistics is through publications on quarterly and annual basis. Their compilation nevertheless is done on monthly basis.
- Dissemination is mostly done in S.I.T.C coding system.

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- The Monthly Trade Report (MTR) which are accumulated to obtain an Annual Trade Report (ATR) are in the following seven table format: -

Dissemination Cont.

- Direct imports table
- Imports for home use table
- Domestic Exports table
- Country by Article (CA)/Article by Country (AC) table
- Re-exports (by commodity) table
- Re-exports (by country) table
- Balance of trade table

Dissemination Cont.

- These publications are available to the users and form the core of information dissemination as regards trade statistics in general. Other avenues of disseminating trade data are through hard copies and diskettes for ad-hoc data requests.
- With the advancement in Information Technology, the Kenya Revenue Authority is exploring the possibility of using the Internet as an alternative avenue for accessing trade data which leave them essentially unchanged.

Dissemination of Data Quality

- The issue of inclusion of data quality in IMTS, Rev.3 is indispensable in the current changing modern world.
- As most researchers (Economic analysts) are interested in S.I.T.C coding system, there is need to revise the same regularly for common use by all the countries alongside HS coding system.

The End

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