



STATUS OF FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS

Country Presentation
Statistics – Tanzania

OUTLINE

- Introduction



INTRODUCTION

- National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) was officially launched as an Executive Agency on 26th March 1999.
- The NBS has been mandated to carry out statistical activities in Tanzania
- The Role
 - To provide statistics to different users
 - To provide statistical services
 - Focal points for Statistics Issues



WHY IMTS?

- National and regional policy formulation and planning depends on reliable and timely data of international Merchandised Trade Statistics (IMTS)
- Gross Domestic Product (GDP) depends on IMTS
- BOP depends on IMTS to measure the country's level of international trade and investment position



SCOPE AND TIME OF RECORDING

- All goods which add or subtract from the stock of material resources of Tanzania are recorded.
- The Customs Department under the Statistics unit in Customs is responsible for compilation
- The time of recording is referred to the date of lodging the customs declaration



INCLUSIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

○ *Excluded from Imports:*

- Traveler's sample, except in the case of goods subject to duty which are not re-exported,
- Motor vehicle imported on temporary unless such vehicles are not subsequently re-exported.
- Naval and military stores,
- Goods in transit,
- Diplomatic goods imported by diplomats or cleared ex-bond for their use
- Monetary gold
- Currency notes (intrinsic value)
- Goods for the president (personal items)
- Goods for exhibition unless sold to the local market and taxes paid
- Smuggled goods
- Drugs (Cocaine, marijuana)
- Prohibited animal trophies (Elephant, rhino)
- Personnel effects (clothes, fridge etc)



INCLUSIONS AND EXCLUSIONS CONT....

○ *Excluded from Exports:*

- Traveler's sample
- Passengers baggage
- Naval and military stores
- Transactions of gold between central banks or monetary authorities. These are considered as transactions in monetary gold.
- Issued banknotes, securities and coins in circulation,
- Goods temporarily admitted or dispatched,
- Goods consigned to and from territorial enclaves.
- Smuggled goods
- Drugs (Cocaine, Marijuana)
- Prohibited animal trophies (Elephant, rhino)



INTER ALIA GOODS FOR PROCESSING

- The experience we have might be different from other countries since we don't have much to import for the processing. In terms of exported goods for processing, only value added of re-imported goods is recorded.
- Trade between related parties
 - Not so clear, but we do trade with RoW



FISH CATCH AND BUNKERS

- Goods included as imports are those acquired by national vessels or aircraft from foreign vessels or aircraft in the economic territory of a country, or are landed in national ports from foreign vessels or aircraft.
- Also, goods to be included in the export are those which Supplied to foreign vessels or aircraft in the economic territory of a country.



TRADE SYTEM

- **General Trade System**

- The IMTS are produced by the *GTS* as per recommendations of UNSD).
- Data are recorded when goods cross the frontiers of the recording statistical territory.
- Direct imports + goods entering BW

- **Special Trade System**

- However, *Home Use Statistics* are compiled and produced by using *STS* for monitoring revenue collection from international merchandise trade. (*Administrative data*)
- Direct imports + goods from bonded warehouse



CUSTOMS PROCEDURE CODES

- *Re –imports*
- All temporary exported goods which are for processing or repair when they are imported back, they are considered to be re-imports.

- *Re-exports*
- All imported goods which are subsequently exported either under drawback or not under drawback including ships' or aircraft's' stores.

- *Domestic Exports*
- All Goods grown, produced or manufactured in Tanzania which are exported to foreign countries, or sold as ships' and aircraft's' stores.

- *Direct Imports:*
- All goods entering the economic territory of a compiling country
- (directly cleared for home use and those declared for warehousing)



Thank you for listening

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