



# CHINA CUSTOMS STATISTICS



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## *Introduction – Legal Base*

- Customs Law of the People's Republic of China
- Regulations on Customs Statistics of the People's Republic of China



## ***Introduction – Vision***

To provide high-quality statistical service, contributing to the developments of foreign merchandise trade and customs management of China.



## ***Introduction – Duties***

- To compile and disseminate complete, accurate and timely merchandise trade statistics;
- To carry out statistical survey, trade analysis, statistical supervision, imports & exports monitoring and early-warning;
- To provide statistical service.



## *Methodology – Coverage*

All goods that actually pass through China's customs territory, which leads to increase or decrease in the stock of material resources of customs territory, shall be recorded in customs statistics.

- before 1995: special trade system
- since 1995: general trade system



# *Methodology – Coverage*

## Inclusions:

- goods from/to abroad entering/leaving customs warehouses, bonded areas, special economic zones;
- Goods for inward processing or outwards processing, and the subsequent re-export or re-import;
- Goods on lease for one year or more;
- Goods imported or exported by foreign invested enterprises;
- International aids or donation, etc.



# *Methodology – Coverage*

## Exclusions:

- Goods in transit through China;
- Temporary import or export;
- Personal effects for passenger use;
- Currency and gold used as currency;
- Goods on lease for less than one year;
- Goods that are compensated free of charge because of damage, inferior quality;
- Goods consigned to and from territorial enclaves (embassies, foreign military and other installations), etc;





## *Methodology – Elements*

- Commodity code and description;
- Quantity and statistical value;
- Trading enterprises;
- Customs regimes;
- The mode of transport;
- The trading partners;
- The domestic locations of imports/exports;
- The date of imports/exports;
- Customs districts, etc.



# *Data Processing*

**Collection**



**Verification**

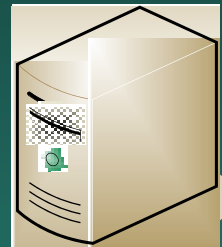


**Compilation**

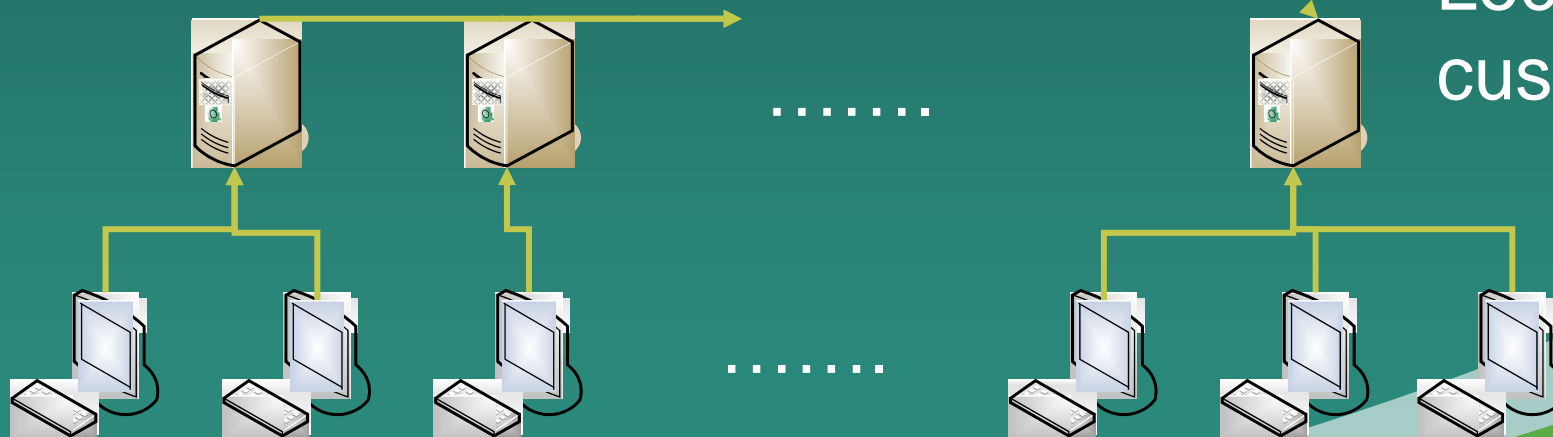


# *Data Processing – Collection*

Electronic  
transmission



Headquarter





## *Data Processing – quality control method*

- validity check

  - e.g. country code, commodity code etc.

- credibility check

  - e.g. certain customs regime can only be applied to foreign-invested firms

  - e.g. unit price of an item falls within a reasonable period



## *Data Processing – Compilation*

- Electronically processed
- “Clean” statistical information verified by customs statistics officers



## *Dissemination*

- Customs Statistics Monthly
- Customs Statistics Yearbook
- Foreign Trade Indices Monthly
- Other periodical statistics
- User-tailored statistics



## *Dissemination*

China joined IMF's General Data Dissemination System (GDDS) in 2002.

GACC publishes the next year calendar for data dissemination at the end of year ever since.



## *Dissemination*

- Statistics service are provided in headquarters as well as local customs.
- Various formats tailored to users.
- Web service at:
  - [www.customs.gov.cn](http://www.customs.gov.cn)
  - [www.chinacustomsstat.com](http://www.chinacustomsstat.com)
  - [www.hgtj.cn](http://www.hgtj.cn)