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Resources on International Trade in Services Statistics and Tourism

UN ServiceTrade Metadata:

Responsible agency: Central Statistics Office Ireland http://www.cso.ie/

Methodological framework: The definitions recommended in the BPM5 and the Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services form the basis of the information collected and compiled (although the level of detail provided does not extend fully to that specified in the latter manual).

Data sources: The quarterly imports and exports figures for services are compiled largely from the enterprise survey returns described above. Data on travel are obtained using the quarterly results from the CSO’s surveys of tourism and travel, while administrative data sources are used to estimate government services. Another miscellaneous data collection is undertaken and covers (i) receipts and expenditure by embassies, (ii) activities of shipping and airline companies, (iii) payments of royalties and fees arising from the entertainment business (e.g., music, film), and (iv) services associated with international bloodstock breeding activity in Ireland. Within the overall data collection arrangements, information on the counterpart's country is collected to facilitate a geographical breakdown of the results.

The service component of the monthly b.o.p. estimates are obtained largely using an ARIMA modelling approach.

Source: ECB (2007)


National Statistical database: Central Bank of Ireland

National metadata: N/A

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