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PART 1

NEWS ITEMS

RATIONALIZATION OF IRON AND STEEL STATISTICS

At its 15th meeting on 21 and 22 March 1977, the Steel Statistics Committee finalized the extensive rationalization programme for iron and steel statistics introduced in April 1976 and discussed for the first time on 10 and 11 February 1977. The new surveys and publications programmes will be fully implemented at the end of 1978.

The aim of the rationalisation was to adapt iron and steel statistics to present-day production and market conditions and related information requirements. This entailed, in addition to revision of their factual content, a review of the frequency of the surveys and publications.

The main points of the rationalization programme were as follows :

1. Surveys programme :

- Elimination of the existing imbalances between technico-quantitative and economic statistics and, connected with this, between the very detailed analysis of supply and the inadequate analysis of demand. This imbalance was based essentially on concepts stemming from the period of controls which prevailed when the ECSC was established. Since then, however, sales problems have superseded supply problems. Without neglecting the important aspect of the supply of raw materials, it was therefore necessary to place great emphasis on sales and market problems.
- Adaptation of the survey periods to actual information requirements, i.e. more rapid short-term acquisition of important cyclical data together with longer periods for typical structural data (e.g. discontinuation of monthly surveys of the supply of raw materials, limiting them to quarterly or annual surveys).
- General reduction in the quantity of iron and steel statistics, thus easing the burden on the undertakings and their associations and the statistical authorities.

The total simplification in regard to the amount of data in the questionnaires is around 35 % per calendar year.

2. Publications programme

- Separation of cyclical and structural data : the former belong in a rapid short-term publication, the latter in a quarterly or annual publication. Longer-term statistics must not delay the punctual publication of primarily or exclusively short-term data.
- Separation of detailed special data on less important questions from the basic data required urgently in the short term. Only the latter, as representative main items, are to be included in short-term publications in the form of a few major variables.
- Avoidance of duplication (publication of the same data in different series) and concentration on essentials.

It was accordingly decided :

- 1) to publish from January 1978 a new series entitled "Monthly Bulletin of Iron and Steel Statistics", consisting of approximately 20 pages of tables;
- 2) to reduce the quarterly bulletin from 270 to around 100 pages;
- 3) to publish the "Iron and Steel Yearbook", which has previously appeared every two years, annually as an annex - reduced to the essential items (around 250 pages instead of 440 as before)- to the third quarterly bulletin.

Despite the introduction of the monthly bulletin, there is a reduction of around 35 % here as well (850 instead of 1 300 pages a year).

The yearbook "External trade - ECSC products" will continue to appear and thus constitute an important addition to the annual publications programme. Similarly, the (internal and confidential) special volumes entitled "Special steels" and "General data" (Community totals for all questionnaires) will be continued in unchanged form. The special volumes "Deliveries to categories of users" (sectors) and "External trade" (extended in scope) will appear annually instead of quarterly. The special volume "Maximum production achieved" has been discontinued.

The results of the programme may be summarized as follows :

1. greater efficiency for users of the iron and steel statistics;
2. saving of effort and cost in the compilation and processing of data.

RAW MATERIALS SUPPLY BALANCES

In view of the Commission's increasing demand for statistical information on the Community's supplies of raw materials, particularly with a view to safeguarding them in the event of shortages, a new working party on "Raw materials supply balances" was set up at the end of 1976 under the Committee on Industrial Statistics. It met for the first time on 29 and 30 March 1977. It was decided to draw up annual supply balances (beginning with 1975 as the reference year) for the following 19 raw materials :

I. Metallic raw materials :

1. Non-ferrous metals : aluminium, lead, copper, zinc, tin;
2. Other metals : chromium, iron cobalt, manganese, molybdenum, nickel, niobium, platinum, tantalum, titanium, vanadium, tungsten.

II. Non-metallic raw materials :

Phosphates, cotton.

The balances are drawn up for the individual Member States as well as for the Community as a whole. Their special feature is that they show the level of supply and the supply structures (geographical and sectoral), generally at six different production stages. For metals these stages are : ores - oxides, hydroxides and salts - intermediate products - crude metals - recovery - processed metals. The technical coherency of the various types of raw materials is thus shown at the same time. In addition, general balances are drawn up in order to establish the overall connection between the origin and final consumption of the raw material.

These balances are supplemented by

- annual cross-tables on the trade flows in the 19 raw materials;
- pluri-annual balances for the most important of the above-mentioned raw materials;
 - for the USA and Japan, the major consumer countries in addition to the Community;
 - for the main producer countries.

The first results should be available by the autumn and are to be discussed at the next meeting on 24-26 October 1977. At the same meeting the difficult problem of conversion from material-tonnes into metal-tonnes will be considered.

EVOLUTION OF PRODUCER PRICES FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS IN 1976 ⁽¹⁾

In 1976, the differences between the levels of the indices of prices of agricultural products in the member countries of the Community were much more pronounced than during previous years. From a level of 100 in 1970, the indices vary from a little less than 150 (in the Netherlands and in the Federal Republic of Germany) to more than 265 (in Ireland and the United Kingdom).

	Total		Vegetable products		Animals and animal products	
	1976	$\frac{1976}{1975}$	1976	$\frac{1976}{1975}$	1976	$\frac{1976}{1975}$
EUR 9	193.5	+ 18.1%	218.2	+ 24.5%	176.7	+ 13.1%
D	149.0	+ 11.9%	177.0	+ 25.8%	139.1	+ 6.5%
F	173.1	+ 14.2%	187.8	+ 20.8%	161.4	+ 8.6%
I	229.7	+ 19.6%	233.9	+ 18.6%	222.7	+ 21.4%
N	148.1	+ 12.8%	168.0	+ 22.9%	138.2	+ 7.5%
B	159.4	+ 12.1%	191.5	+ 21.6%	145.1	+ 7.2%
L	156.8	+ 10.4%	199.1	+ 18.3%	141.3	+ 6.6%
UK	268.5	+ 30.4%	343.8	+ 52.2%	234.1	+ 19.0%
IRL	265.3	+ 28.1%	271.2	+ 24.7%	264.1	+ 28.8%
DK	181.5	+ 12.8%	188.8	+ 17.9%	179.3	+ 11.3%

At the level of 193.5, the total index for EUR 9 has increased by + 18.1% compared with 1975. During this same period, however, only Italy (+ 19.6%) shows an increase of the same order of magnitude. The increase in the total index is of the order of 12% for four countries : the Federal Republic of Germany (+ 11.9%), Belgium (+ 12.1%), the Netherlands (+ 12.8%) and Denmark (+ 12.8%); Luxembourg (+ 10.4%) and France (+ 14.2%) are placed at either extreme of this group. On the other hand, Ireland (+ 28.1%) and the United Kingdom (+ 30.4%) are well above the Community average.

The preceding table also indicates the pronounced differences between the percentage variations of the price indices for vegetable products on the one hand and animals and animal products on the other. The price index of vegetable products has increased in the whole of the Community by 24.5%, mainly as a result of the exceptional drought of 1976, while the increase in prices of animals and animal products was only 13.1% over the same period. In addition it should be noticed that the amplitudes of the variations differ considerably from country to country, since one can see for the prices of vegetable products increases of between + 17.9% for Denmark and 52.2% for the United Kingdom, while for the prices of animals and animal products the increases are from between + 6.5% in the Federal Republic of Germany to + 28.8% in Ireland.

(1) Abstract from : EC-Index of producer prices of agricultural products 1969-1976 (see part 2, page 29)

It can be seen from the following table that at the level of the whole Community the average increases are spread more evenly amongst the principal animals and animal products than among the various vegetable products.

Trend of price indices between 1975 and 1976 for the principal products in the whole of the Community (EUR 9)			
Cereals	+ 20,3%	Animals for slaughter	+ 12,2%
Root crops	+ 82,3%	of which cattle excl. calves	+ 12,2%
of which potatoes	+151,7%	calves	+ 7,4%
Vegetables	+ 22,1%	pigs	+ 12,7%
Fruit	- 2,3%	sheep	+ 21,1%
Wine	+ 19,3%	poultry	+ 9,9%
Seeds	+ 47,4%	Milk	+ 11,9%
Flowers and plants	+ 14,2%	Eggs	+ 23,2%

GAS PRICES (1)

EUROSTAT is publishing the results of a gas prices survey which provides a substantial amount of information : prices inclusive and exclusive of taxes recorded in 29 towns in the nine Member States of the Community over the 1970-76 period in respect of all types of consumers ranging from small domestic users to large industrial users. In addition to the different price levels in national currency and in European units of account, the study also gives information on the organization of the gas industry in each country as well as the relative legal, fiscal and tariff systems.

The results show clearly the upward trend of prices, increases being particularly from 1973 on : 40-100 % for small domestic users (gas for cooking) and 50-180 % in the case of domestic heating, while tariffs for industry rose even more sharply, doubling, trebling or more in the case of some of the biggest consumers.

In addition to noting this price explosion, the study comes to a number of other conclusions. An international comparison and a more detailed study of the results provide a series of observations which are summarized in the general conclusions, some of which are given below :

- the upward trend in prices is the result of the competitive market situation and, in particular, of the high rises in the prices of oil and coal;
- gas prices are slow to adjust to energy market conditions;
- because of this, natural gas consumers have an advantage over users of other sources of energy;
- the price increases hit big consumers harder than small consumers;
- gas price levels differ considerably from one town to another;

(1) See part 2, page 30

- the Community does not have a uniform taxation system and this constitutes an added factor of price divergence;

- gas prices do not follow a parallel course to those of other goods and services - generally speaking, gas prices for small domestic users have risen less than retail prices as a whole, whereas gas prices for industry have risen more rapidly than wholesale prices.

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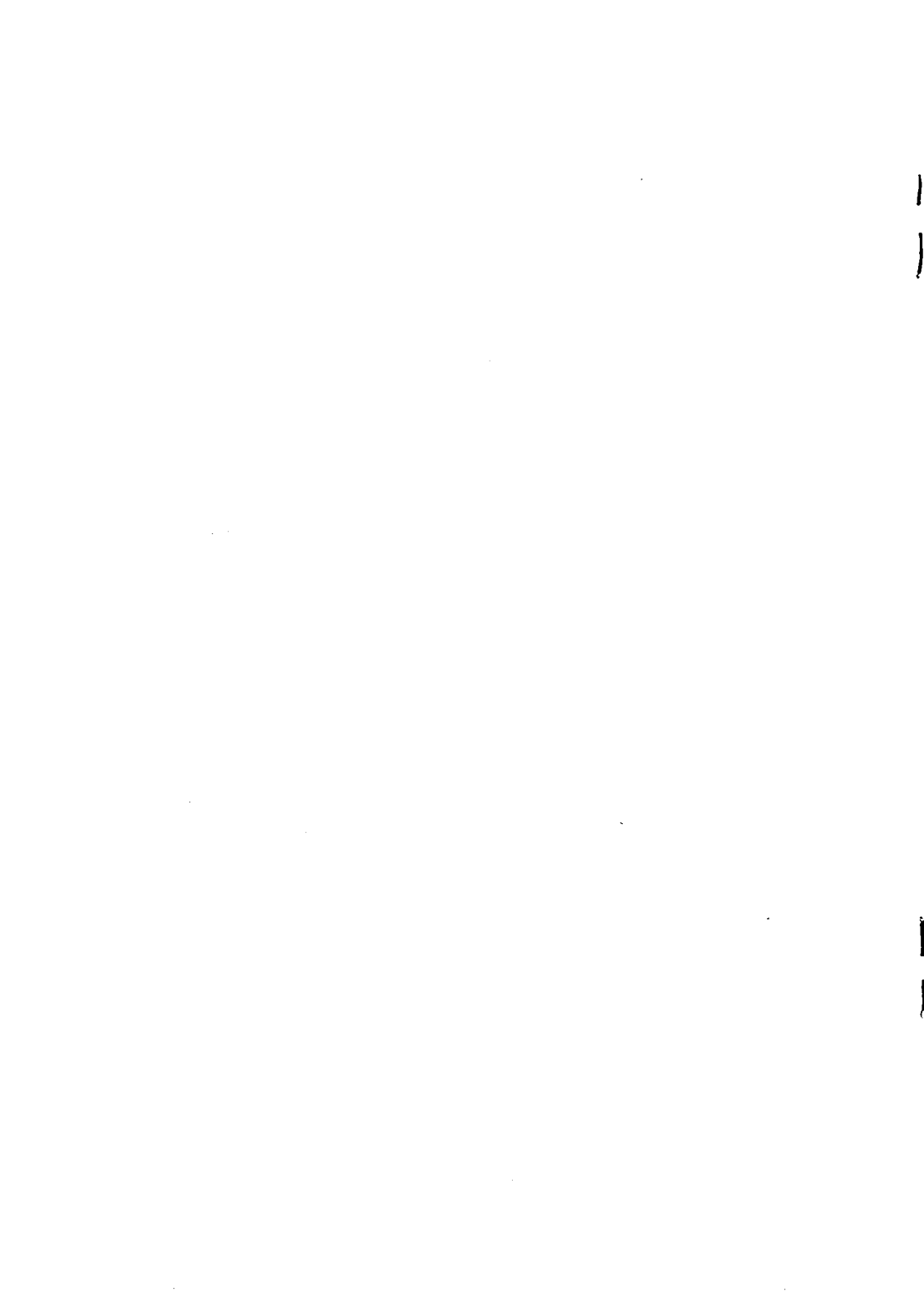
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It is the constant concern of the official statistical services to safeguard the confidentiality of the information with which they are entrusted. Each Member Country has its own customary procedures taking the form, in many cases, of national laws defining the rules of confidentiality applicable to business statistics.

These rules, which were elaborated in a national context, are now applied to Community statistics where they have led, in combination, to a far more drastic shrinkage of information than that which they cause at a national level. At the same time, in industrial circles in every Member Country, there is evident reluctance to release more information than is released by the others, apprehensions conducive to the development of a restrictive approach.

For that reason, the Statistical Office of the European Communities has decided, in agreement with the national statistical services, to examine this problem with a view to its solution. This report is a major contribution to such an undertaking. Its preparation was rendered possible by the collaboration of the various National Statistical Institutes, which not only provided the author with the necessary information regarding the laws and practices relating to the confidentiality of business statistics in their respective countries but also submitted their comments on the first version of the report. Nevertheless, as the author himself has emphasized in his preface, the opinions expressed in this document are strictly his own, and are in no way to be taken as those of the national statistical services or of the Commission of the European Communities.

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Volume 1 of this series describes the methodology established by the SOEC for the construction of input-output tables calculated, from the year 1970 on, according to Community rules. A general description of the input-output table is given, with some detail on its various components and their relationships. The classifications and the accounting rules which are used are defined by a number of references to the European System of integrated economic Accounts (ESA). The last chapter shows a few examples of the way in which the tables can be used for economic analysis.

Each of the volumes 2 to 7 deals with the input-output table of one country (United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Italy, Belgium, Germany, France). In each volume, the first part describes the problems encountered when using the Community classifications and methods and the adjustments made in order to improve comparability from one country to another. A short description of the table is also given. The second part is composed of the input-output table expressed in units of account EUR, tables of direct coefficients (vertical and horizontal) and several tables of indirect coefficients (inverse matrix, content of imports, content of primary inputs in the final uses).

Volume 8 will put together the tables for the countries and the one for the Community. Volume 9 will present the corresponding coefficient tables and will include a comparative analysis of the economic structure of the various countries.

Purple series : The methodology of the United Kingdom balance of payments

Price : £	4.80
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Approximately 188 pages Format A 4

Edition E/F to be published in May 1977

This publication describes the concepts, definitions and methods which have been used by the authorities of the United Kingdom in compiling the balance of payments for the year 1974.

The work consists of three chapters. In the first chapter the principles which govern the United Kingdom balance of payments are described globally and, in some cases, compared to the recommendations formulated by the International Monetary Fund. The second chapter describes in detail the composition of each balance of payments item and the criteria adopted for breakdown. The last chapter gives an overall view of the sources and methods used to calculate or estimate the data of each balance of payments item.

The text has been supplemented by a glossary of terms and by a number of annexes which for the 1974 data give, on the one hand, an analytical view of the underlying transactions and the adjustments which have been made and, on the other, indicate the relation between the items of the British balance of payments and those of the presentation recommended by the International Monetary Fund.

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Multilingual edition to be published in May 1977

In this publication the Statistical Office of the European Communities presents the preliminary results of the labour force sample survey carried out in member countries in the Spring of 1975 in compliance with Regulation (EEC) N° 2640/74 of the Council of 15 October 1974.

Although the 1975 survey is the seventh in the series organised by the Statistical Office, this is first occasion since the inquiry of 1960 in which it has been possible to carry out the survey in all member countries.

The 1975 survey comprises a basic and a supplementary questionnaire. The former relates to

- a) the individual characteristics of all persons in the households surveyed,
- b) the occupational characteristics of these persons (status, type of activity, hours of work etc.) at the time of the survey and one year prior to it,
- c) persons seeking employment, taking account of the type of employment sought, reasons for seeking it and length of time spent seeking it.

The supplementary questionnaire relates to the working conditions of persons in employment.

The present publication deals only with the principal aspects of the basic survey.

The material derived from the analysis of the supplementary questions on working conditions will form the subject of separate publications of EUROSTAT.

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		B Germany	853 pages
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		B Italy	829 pages

This survey was carried out simultaneously and using the same methods in the six founder Member States of the Common Market.

The main aim of the survey was to measure variations in real earnings according to personal characteristics (sex, age, qualifications, length of service, etc.) and structural characteristics (employment sector, size and geographical location of the firm or the enterprise) and to show the correlation between employment structures and the scale of earnings.

The results have been published in the form of two separate volumes for each country containing the following :

Volume A : Analysis of general results followed by a résumé of these results in the form of a statistical annex.

Volume B : Detailed statistical tables covering each of the 71 headings of the NACE (General industrial classification of economic activities within the European Communities) used in the breakdown of the results.

Before publication of the results for each country a methodological volume was issued.

Structure of earnings in wholesale and retail distribution,
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Price :		
complete series		per volume
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Volume 1 - Methods and Definitions : 223 pages
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This survey has been conducted simultaneously, and according to identical methods, in the 9 countries of the European Community.

Its essential objective was to obtain details of the earnings and of individual characteristics (sex, age, level of professional qualification, length of service, etc.) of employed persons, and of the structure (branch of activity, size, etc.) of the enterprises employing them, in order to bring out the relationships between these facts and the levels of remuneration.

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Green series : Statistics of animal production 1964-1975

Price : £	5,-
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The Statistics of animal production is a publication which comprises data on livestock numbers, herd size, slaughterings, external trade in live animals, production by species and by country and supply balance-sheets of meat by calendar years.

The publication is divided into 4 parts :

- A. Livestock numbers
- B. Herd size
- C. Meat production
- D. Balance-sheets by calendar years.

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This publication updates the statistical series published in "Agricultural statistics" Nr. 2/1974. Part I concerning "Land use" contains results for EUR-9 for the years 1958, 1965 and 1973 to 1975. Part II concerns the production of cereals, dried pulses, root and industrial crops in EUR-9. This new title replaces the term "crop production" previously used. The publication contains data for three years (1973 to 1975) for an increased number of headings.

EC-Index of producer prices of agricultural products

Price : £	4.65
DKr	46,30
US\$	9
FB	300

59 pages Format A 4

Multilingual edition published in May 1977

This publication is a treatise. It contains the description of the method, the composition and, enriched by graphs, the evolution of the new EC-Index (EUR-9) of the producer prices for agricultural products (base 1970 = 100).

The field of observations covered by the index has been enlarged with regard to the former EC-Index (EUR-6). Numerous seasonal products have been included. Whereas on the annual basis the index comprises also the prices for fruit and vegetables, this information is not yet available at monthly level.

The evolutions presented are concerning the months from January 1960 to December 1975. The updating of this index will be done regularly in the monthly bulletin "Selling prices of agricultural products".

Red series : Geonomenclature 1977-1976

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Editions E/F, D/I to be published in June 1977

The study gives the results of the enquiry into gas prices for the period 1970-76 in the nine countries of the Community, with a breakdown covering 29 locations and indication of three values (price without taxes, taxes, selling price). The results are presented in tabular form, illustrated with graphs, and accompanied by a commentary for each country covering : organisation, regulations, tariffs, taxes and detailed analysis of prices. The study concludes with an international comparison for the gas industry overall.

EUROSTAT PERIODICALS

Orange series : Monthly general statistics bulletin

price

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