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## THE HARMONISED INPUT-OUTPUT TABLES AND THEIR USES

### the harmonized input-output tables

#### Data available

An input-output table gives a complete, consistent and detailed description of all flows of goods and services between the branches of the economy of a country and between that country and the rest of the world. It presents a description of the economic structure of a country. At international level, EUPOSTAT's harmonized input-output tables enable one to compare the economic structures of the Member States of the EEC for a given year, and to compare the medium-term development of their structures.

EUROSTAT now has(\*) "five-yearly" harmonized input-output tables for each of the Member States for the years 1959, 1965 (for six countries) and 1970 (for nine countries). The next part of this series of tables, referring to the year 1975, should be made available to EUPOSTAT between September 1979 and mid-1980.

One essential characteristic of the five-yearly tables is the existence of tables showing imports (see page 8), allowing a detailed analysis of the relations of the branches with the rest of the world.

EUROSTAT also has input-output tables without detailed tables of imports, compiled on an annual basis from 1971 onwards. In accordance with the European System of integrated economic accounts (ESA), these tables are prepared when the definitive annual national accounts are drawn up. In recent years it has been found that certain countries are unable to send EUPOSTAT annual input-output tables. The input-output tables available are those referring to the years 1971 to 1974 (for Italy), 1971 to 1973 (for France and the Netherlands), and 1971 and 1972 (for the United Kingdom).

The input-output tables are drawn up by the national statistical institutes using a common method (with the same nomenclature, valuation and conventions) which is

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(\*) Requests for these data, which are available in the form of computer printout or on magnetic tape, should be sent to Division B 2 of EUROSTAT.

set out in the ESA. Hence the economic variables embodied in the input-output tables are consistent with the data in the annual national accounts.

#### Level of detail

The level of detail for the five-yearly and annual input-output tables is 44 branches of economic activity, defined by reference to the NACE-CLIO nomenclature, in the following categories : 'Agriculture, forestry and fisheries' (one branch); production of energy goods (five branches); manufacturing industry (twenty branches); 'building' (one branch);, market services (thirteen branches) and non-market services (four branches).

While this level of detail is inadequate for economic studies relating to individual products, it does provide enough detail for a breakdown of macroeconomic variables into major sectors. In addition, the level of 44 branches is a convenient intermediate level allowing a satisfactory transition between the various national nomenclatures and the Community nomenclature.

#### Tables of imports

In the five-yearly input-output tables gathered by EUPOSTAT, each item in the table of intermediate consumption and the table of final uses is broken down into three components, corresponding to the origin of the goods and services concerned :

- goods and services produced in the country
- goods and services imported from the rest of the EEC
- goods and services imported from non-member countries.

The five-yearly input-output tables therefore include, in addition to the usual tables (showing intermediate consumption, final uses, primary inputs and resources), two tables of imports (EEC and non-member countries) showing in detail the uses of imported products.

This information is essential for the preparation of the input-output table for the whole of the Community; here the national input-output tables converted into a single unit of account are added together and intra-Community trade must be shown separately in each cell of the tables and entered as 'Community' production. EUROSTAT has drawn up a consolidated input-output table of this kind

for the whole of the Community for the years 1965 (for the Six) and 1970 (for both the Six and the Nine).

The information given in the tables of imports is also extremely useful in many economic studies. For example, it can be used for international comparisons of the amount of Community imports contained directly in a branch's input, or to measure the gradual integration of the Member States' economies by calculating the direct and indirect content of Community imports for a given product at different periods.

#### Time limit for compilation of input-output tables

The agreements between EUROSTAT and the national statistical institutes state that the five-yearly input-output tables must be provided four years after the end of the reference period (hence at the end of 1979 for the 1975 tables). This period is three years for the annual tables. This length of time is required because of the large quantity of detailed information to be collected and the need to reconcile large numbers of statistics from different sources and of different quality (such as industrial surveys, tax data, external trade statistics and specific surveys). It is not unusual, in several countries, for the collation work required for producing a definitive input-output table to take three years after the end of the reference period. Also, in certain Member States which have retained a system different from the Community one for national purposes, the national table has to be converted into Community terms, which further delays the completion of the tables.

During periods of regular growth and relative price stability, economic structures could be considered as stable, and these delays were of little consequence for users. However, because of the structural changes which have occurred since 1973, some doubt has been cast on the aptness, for certain current economic applications, of using the 1970 structure as such. However the fact remains that the structure and detail of the tables do make it possible to update, on the basis of more recent partial information, the main parameters for the models derived from the input-output tables.

### Other data linked with the input-output tables

Other more recent and less detailed data consistent with the input-output tables can be used in conjunction with them, namely :

- annual national accounts for individual branches, relating to : value added, employment (25-branch level), consumption of households by function, and capital formation by branch and product;
- external trade statistics, grouped according to the branches of activity shown in the input-output tables.

These data are at present available for each year up to 1977 for most of the Member States.

### Uses of the EUROSTAT input-output tables

#### Measurement of interrelationships

Calculations using the technical coefficient matrices and the inverse matrix, based on classic hypotheses of the proportionality of a branch's purchases to its level of production, can be used to measure the links between one branch and another, or indeed between final uses and primary inputs.

In this way, EUROSTAT used the input-output table for the years 1959, 1965 and 1970 to calculate the direct and indirect contents of value added and imports of each of the products, for each Member State. By using the detailed data on external trade, it was also possible to calculate the demand created in each

Member State by an increase in the consumption of households in a given country (\*).

These calculations are also carried out at the request of Commission departments. Recently, for example, requests have been received to calculate :

- imports induced by exports, for each Member State;
- the energy content of the principal industrial products.

#### Impact calculations

EUROSTAT has developed two impact models; these are input-output models corresponding to Leontief's classic hypotheses :

- The production model, which takes a final demand specified by the user as the basis for calculating the direct and indirect effects of this demand on each branch and on the economy as a whole, in terms of production, value added, compensation of employees, indirect taxes, etc.

These impact calculations are carried out at the request of users. In the past two years, 240 impacts have been calculated in response to requests received from Commission departments, the European Investment Bank and various university institutes.

- The price model, which, under given assumptions of increases in the prices of imported products or in the amount of primary inputs (wages or taxes), calculates the induced increases in the prices of the output of branches, and the increase in implicit prices for the various categories of final demand (consumption of households, capital formation).

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(\*) This type of calculation is described in the article entitled 'The harmonized input-output tables for the EEC countries and their use to compare the economic structures of the EEC member countries' presented by C. DEWALEYNE and J.M. SEYLER at the 7th International conference on input-output techniques held in Innsbruck in April 1979.

In recent months, such calculations have been carried out at the request of Commission departments as part of the work to study the repercussions of oil price increases.

By their very nature, these models are built for simulation exercises. Exogenous changes in technical coefficients or import shares can be introduced at the request of users.

. Future work

1. Between now and mid-1980, most of EUPOSTAT's work on the input-output tables will be devoted to processing the 1975 tables received from the Member States (and Greece and Spain), which will involve : checking data, harmonizing the tables, and distributing the raw data and the main structural parameters calculated from the tables to users. Since the methodology for the 1975 tables is identical to that used for the 1970 tables, it will be possible to study the economic development of the countries over this period, and to assess the effects on their economic structure of the events which have occurred since 1973.
2. The updating of the existing impact models with 1975 data does not pose any problems. Also, work is already in progress to collect more recent data on national accounts and external trade (up to 1978), so that the main coefficients used in the models can be updated as quickly as possible.
3. 1980 will also see the introduction, alongside the 1975 input-output tables, of data expressed in physical quantities showing production, imports and uses of energy goods for each of the branches. Thus in autumn 1980 we will have a consistent set of data, for the main Community countries, describing flows of energy goods in terms of both value and quantity, with a good level of detail (differentiating between 10 types of energy goods). The data will, like those expressed in

terms of value, be updated to 1978. It will then be possible to measure the direct and indirect energy content of each of the products in detail, and to gauge the impact in terms of energy resources of different final demands (exports, investment projects, households' consumption, etc.). Work has already started on programming the calculations for the Energy input-output tables, coordinated by the Energy Statistics Division of EUROSTAT.





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