

Tourism statistics, balance of payments and statistics on international trade in services

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I. Sources of information for BOP purposes

Information sources used in estimation of income and payments:

1. Bank records (international transaction notification systems)
2. Administrative border control
3. Border survey of visitors
4. Surveys of visitors at:
 - 4.1. Households
 - 4.2. Tourism accommodations
 - 4.3. Tourism sites
 - 4.4. Means of transport
5. Surveys of tourism intermediaries (agencies and tour operators)
6. Other (specify: data exchange with another country, ...)

I. Sources of information for BOP purposes

Balance of Payments	Number of countries using particular sources of information									
	1	2	3	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.4	5	6	
Travel										
- Total:	0	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	
business	0	6	3	1	1	0	0	2	2	
personal:	0	6	3	1	1	0	0	2	2	
health-related	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	
education-related	0	3	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	
others	0	4	3	0	1	0	0	1	0	
International transport of passengers										
- Total:	2	3	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	
air	2	4	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	
maritime	2	4	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	
others	0	4	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	

II. Manual on Statistics of international trade in services, 2010

Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services 2010 (MSITS-2010) adopted by the UN Statistical Commission. Prepared by:

United Nations

Statistical Office of the European Union

International Monetary Fund

Organization for economic cooperation and development

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

The World Tourism Organization

The World Trade Organization

<http://unstats.un.org/unsd/tradeserv/TFSITS/manual.htm>

II. Manual on Statistics of international trade in services, 2010

MSITS contains recommendations on:

Statistics of trade in services between residents and non-residents

Foreign affiliates statistics (FATS) and the international supply of services

In particular, recommended:

Compilation of trade in services statistics by partner countries

Use of the Extended Balance of Payments Services Classification (EBOPS)

III. Statistics of international trade in services by partner countries

Trade by partner countries

The need for detailed geographical distribution of statistical data on the different types of services provided by and consumed in each country is recognized - based on the country of residence of trading partners.

IRTS 2008 also identifies country of origin and country of destination using residency of visitors.

Comparison of the data compiled by partner countries (method of "mirror statistics") is an important way of analyzing and improving quality of statistics on trade in services and tourism statistics.

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III. Statistics of international trade in services by partner countries

MSITS-2010 recommends that the international trade in services by trading partners is compiled at least at the level of 12 major components of services classification of BPM6, and, where possible, at a more detailed level.

However, it is recognized that the compilation of statistics by trading partners is a difficult task.

With this in mind, MSITS 2010 therefore recommends that compilers give priority to obtaining data on trade in services with the main trading partners.

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IV. Extended BOP classification of services.

The Manual recommends the use of standard services components as they are provided in the balance of payments. It also proposes an additional breakdown of selected services.

The alternative breakdown of services is intended for a more detailed analysis in the context of GATS negotiations and in order to strengthen the linkages with tourism statistics and national accounts.

IV. Extended BOP classification of services

Travel – Standard and supplementary components (SC)

4.1 Business

(SC) 4.1.1 Acquisition of goods and services by border, seasonal, and other short term workers

(SC) 4.1.2 Other

4.2 Personal

(SC) 4.2.1 Health-related

(SC) 4.2.2 Education-related

4.2.3 Other

Alternative components for travel (for both business and personal travel)

4a.1 Goods

4a.2 Local transport services

4a.3 Accommodation services

4a.4 Food-serving services

4a.5 Other services

Of which:

4a.5.1 Health services

4a.5.2 Education services

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Transport - Standard and supplementary components (SC)

3.1 Sea transport

3.1.1 Passenger

(SC) Of which: 3.1.1.a Payable by border, seasonal, and other short-term workers

3.1.2 Freight

3.1.3 Other

3.2 Air transport

3.2.1 Passenger

(SC) Of which: 3.2.1.a Payable by border, seasonal, and other short-term workers

3.2.2 Freight

3.3 Other

3.3 Other modes of transport

3.3.1 Passenger

(SC) Of which: 3.3.1.a Payable by border, seasonal, and other short-term workers

3.3.2 Freight

3.3.3 Other

3.4 Postal and courier services

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Transport - Extended classification of services MSITS 2010

Extended classification of other modes of transport

3.5 Space transport

3.6 Rail transport

3.6.1 Passenger

3.6.2 Freight

3.6.3 Other

3.7 Road transport

3.7.1 Passenger

3.7.2 Freight

3.7.3 Other

3.8 Inland waterway transport

3.8.1 Passenger

3.8.2 Freight

3.8.3 Other

3.9 Pipeline transport

3.10 Electricity transmission

3.11 Other supporting and auxiliary transport services

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Special supplementary component in BOP:

4.0 Tourism-related services in travel and passenger transport

Cooperation of compilers of balance of payments and tourism statistics should be significantly improved!

	AZE	BLR	GEO	KAZ	MDA	RUS	UKR	UZB
Do you compare your Inbound/Outbound visitor expenditure statistics and the Balance of Payments Travel (Credits/Debits) and International Passenger Transportation items?								
Yes	X			X			X	
No		X		X	X			X



Thank you for your attention!

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