How are Supply, Use and Input-Output Tables, the basis of our analyses, compiled?

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Users of supply, use and input-output tables (SUIOT) are always looking for most recent and detailed data to feed into their models and research, but often they have to face limitations in data. This paper aims to provide an insight how the SUIO tables are compiled in European countries and why the most detailed information is not always available.

The first part of the paper will focus on the wide range of data sources used by European Countries (e.g. surveys, administrative data etc.) feeding into tables. Part two will concentrate on the compilation process of different tables (e.g. frequency, timeliness, revisions etc.) and provide information about several compilation stages (working level, balancing, dissemination). Finally, dissemination of tables, indicators, multipliers, specific accounts etc. will be discussed. Results presented in this paper will be based on survey carried out by Eurostat, European Commission.