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Abstract:

Findings with our I-O model decomposing import demand generation revealed that petroleum products sector was a far outlier as the domestic destination sector and raw petroleum was significant as the origin sector in the Turkish economy during 1973-1996. Furthermore findings with our similar model incorporating relative price effects indicated that petroleum products were leading in price increases in the same era. These exercises were carried with data in producers' prices. A similar work in basic prices for 1998 however found that Turkey's dependence on oil imports was significant, but not outstanding. We attribute this controversy to net indirect taxes. We develop a methodology which defines the discrepancies between technical coefficients based on data in basic prices and in producers' prices in terms of net taxes incurred during interindustrial transactions. We find that data in basic prices lead to larger import generation coefficients and dependency on oil imports is underestimated with data in producer's prices.

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