

The construction of input-output tables and the use of supply-use tables in input-output analyses: a review

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Addressing the choice of method for constructing input-output tables from supply and use tables has generated a sizeable amount of literature not free of controversy. The most widely used methods are the product-technology model and the fixed product sales structure model, but a wide range of alternative models have been proposed. The merits and demerits of the available methods will be investigated and an attempt will be undertaken to answer the question “what method to use under what circumstances?” In addition, this paper also discusses the latest advances in the development of policy analyses using supply and use tables directly, instead of through input-output tables.