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**Using the SNA and SAMs for a better (socio-)economic modelling.**

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## **Abstract**

A SAM (Social Accounting Matrix) approach can be an important aid for the modelling of economic policy and a valuable support in the decision-making process, since it provides a description of the measurable part of a society's activity.

Richard Stone made the first and most fundamental contribution to the System of National Accounts (SNA), implemented by the United Nations. Benefiting from successive improved versions since 1953, this system has defined the rules for using the above-mentioned measurement tool. In turn, statistical offices have considered these rules and adapted them to their specific realities, thus defining their own systems, which they have then used as guidelines for measuring the activity of their countries or groups of countries. With these successive improvements, as embodied in the SNA's latest version from 2008, the description of the activity of a society, its specific characteristics and the problems that it faces have become more realistic. Therefore, the use of the SNA in a SAM-based approach will certainly contribute towards a better modelling of economic policy.

Numerical and algebraic versions of the SAM will be examined, with special attention being paid to the former and to the method of its construction from the SNA. Its basic structure and its consistency within the whole system will be studied, as well as any possible disaggregations, extensions, aggregates, indicators, and balances that can be calculated. Other aspects beyond that basic structure will also be examined.

An application will be made to Portugal.

**Key words:** Social Accounting Matrix; National Accounts; Economic Modelling; Socio-Economic Modelling

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## **1. Introduction**

In this paper, the Social Accounting Matrix (SAM) will be presented as a tool for measuring the society's activity. This approach – the SAM-based approach – can be analysed in different perspectives.

The SAM is a square matrix, in which the sum of the rows is equal to the corresponding sum of the columns. In keeping with what is conventionally accepted, the entries made in the rows represent resources, incomes, receipts or changes in liabilities and net worth, whilst the entries made in columns represent uses, outlays, expenditures or changes in assets. Thus, each transaction, which is representative of the measurable part of a society's activity, is recorded only once, in a cell of its own. Besides a rest of the world account, these figures include both production and trade accounts and institutional accounts, which can be further subdivided into yet other accounts, defined in accordance with the purposes of the study that is being made and the available information.

With the SAM, the description of a society's activity can be either empirical or theoretical, depending on whether it is presented in a numerical or an algebraic version, respectively.

The national accounts, based on the United Nations System of National Accounts (SNA), will be considered the base source of information in the SAM-based approach, which adopts a conceptual framework based on the works of Graham Pyatt and his associates.

Section 2 presents both the numerical and algebraic versions and the corresponding perspectives of analysis in a SAM-based approach. Section 3 provides some methodological details regarding the construction of numerical versions of SAMs, together with aggregates, indicators and balances that can be calculated and the different possibilities of analysis provided by such versions. Certain aspects that lie outside the basic structure will also be examined.

The concluding remarks, presented in Section 4, systematise the main ideas of the previous sections in order to show how a SAM-based approach, using the SNA, can be a valuable contribution for a better (socio-)economic modelling.

## **2. SAM: its numerical and algebraic versions**

Richard Stone and Graham Pyatt played a key role in the implementation of the SAM-based approach. Both worked on the conceptual details of that approach: the former worked more in numerical terms, within the framework of a system of national accounts, while the latter worked more in algebraic terms, mainly within the scope of input-output analysis. Their work has been decisive for understanding the importance of the SAM as a measurement tool.

In the foreword to the book that can be said to have been a pioneering work in terms of the SAM-based approach, “Social Accounting for Development Planning with special reference to Sri Lanka”, Richard Stone stated that the framework of the system of national accounts can be rearranged and “the entries in a set of accounts can be presented in a matrix in which, by convention (...), incomings are shown in the rows and outgoings are shown in the columns; and in which, reflecting the fact that accounts balance, each row sum is equal to the corresponding column sum.” That matrix, with an equal number of rows and columns, is the SAM, in the construction of which “it may be possible to adopt a hierarchical approach, first adjusting the entries in a summary set of national accounts and then adjusting subsets of estimates to these controlling totals.” (Pyatt and Roe, 1977: xix, xxiii).

In turn, in the abstract to his article, “A SAM approach to modeling”, Graham Pyatt says: “Given that there is an accounting system corresponding to every economic model, it is useful to make the accounts explicit in the form of a SAM. Such a matrix can be used as the framework for a consistent dataset and for the representation of theory in what is called its transaction form.” In that transaction form (or TV (transaction value) form), the SAM can be seen ... “as a framework for theory” and its cells...“can be filled instead with algebraic expressions, which describe in conceptual terms how the corresponding transaction values might be determined”. Thus, the SAM is used as “the basic framework for model presentation.” (Pyatt, 1988: 327; 337).

Looking at the question from the perspectives outlined above, it can be said that a SAM can have two versions: a numerical version, which describes the activity of a society empirically; and an algebraic version, which describes that same activity theoretically. In the former version, each cell has a specific numerical value, with the sums of the rows being equal to the sums of the columns. In the latter version, each cell is filled with algebraic expressions that, together with those of all the other cells, form a SAM-based model, the calibration of which involves a replication of the numerical version.

In the words of Graham Pyatt, “the essence of (...) the SAM approach to modelling is to use the same SAM framework for both the empirical and the theoretical description of an economy.” (Pyatt, 1988: 337).

At the same time, from the words of Richard Stone quoted above, it can be concluded that the national accounts and their underlying system play a decisive role in determining the SAM design, since they guarantee the quality of the available data and consequently give credibility to the SAM-based approach.

In 1953, with the first and most fundamental contribution written by that same author, the United Nations implemented the System of National Accounts (SNA), which had successive versions

until 2008 (ISWGA, 2008). This system establishes the rules for measuring the activity of countries or groups of countries, which, in turn, have been adopted and adapted to specific realities by the corresponding statistical offices.

The construction of numerical versions of SAMs from that system will be examined below. [For the construction of a specific algebraic version, see Santos (2010; 2009).]

The design of any version of a SAM will depend on the purposes for which it is to be used. However, by adopting the SNA as the underlying base source of information, a basic structure can be defined and the consistency of the whole system can be ensured.

### **3. Constructing numerical versions of SAMs from the SNA**

The latest versions of the SNA have devoted a number of paragraphs to discussing the question of SAMs. The 2008 version mentions SAMs in Section D of Chapter 28, entitled “Input-output and other matrix-based analysis” (ISWGA, 2008: 519-522), in which a matrix representation is presented of the accounts identified and described in the whole SNA. This representation is not to be identified with the SAM presented in this paper, although they both cover all the transactions recorded by those accounts. The SAM that will be presented below results from the work that the author of this paper has undertaken within a conceptual framework based on the works of Graham Pyatt and his associates (Pyatt, 1988 and 1991; Pyatt and Roe, 1977; Pyatt and Round, 1985) and from an effort that she has made to reconcile that framework with what has been defined by (the successive versions of) the SNA.

Working within the framework of the European System of National and Regional Accounts in the European Community of 1995 (the adaptation for Europe of the 1993 version of the SNA), Santos (2007) makes an application to Portugal at an aggregate level, explaining the main differences between these two matrices. Because the general differences between the accounts identified and described in the 1993 and 2008 versions of the SNA are not significant, this analysis still remains valid.

The starting point for any study seeking to adopt a SAM-based approach should be the design of the SAM, i.e. the classification of its accounts. This should include identification of the problem to be studied, the purpose of that same study and knowledge of the available information.

As mentioned above, the national accounts will be considered as the base source of information. Thus, accepting that the SNA is the system underlying the national accounts, the following sections will set out the guidelines for gaining knowledge of the available information, showing its flexibility and its possibilities for characterising any problem and achieving the purposes of any study.

### 3.1. Basic structure and consistency with the whole system

Adopting the working method recommended by Richard Stone in the second paragraph of Section 2 of this paper, the basic structure for the SAM presented here will be a summary set of the national accounts and the controlling totals for the other levels of disaggregation.

In keeping with what has been the norm so far, the design of the SAM will, on the one hand, follow the conceptual framework of the works of Graham Pyatt and his associates and, on the other hand, will adhere to the conventions and nomenclature defined by the SNA. Appendix B presents an application of the following explanation to Portugal in 2007, whose national accounts adopt the European System of National and Regional Accounts in the European Community (ESA) of 1995, based on the 1993 version of the SNA. For the level of detail that is possible within the scope of this paper, the differences between the versions of 1993 (and the corresponding ESA) and 2008 of the SNA are not relevant.

Table 1 shows the above-mentioned basic structure, representing nominal transactions (“t”) with which two indexes are associated. The location of these transactions in the matrix framework is described by those indexes, the first of which represents the row account and the second the column account. Each cell of this matrix will be converted into a submatrix, with the number of rows and columns corresponding to the level of disaggregation of the row and column accounts.

**Table 1.** The basic SAM

	p	a	f	dic	dik	dif	rw	total
p – products	$t_{p,p}$	$t_{p,a}$	0	$t_{p,dic}$	$t_{p,dik}$	0	$t_{p,rw}$	$t_p$
a – activities	$t_{a,p}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	$t_a$
f – factors	0	$t_{f,a}$	0	0	0	0	$t_{f,rw}$	$t_f$
dic – (domestic) institutions’ current account	$t_{dic,p}$	$t_{dic,a}$	$t_{dic,f}$	$t_{dic,dic}$	0	0	$t_{dic,rw}$	$t_{dic}$
dik – (domestic) institutions’ capital account	0	0	0	$t_{dik,dic}$	$t_{dik,dik}$	$t_{dik,dif}$	$t_{dik,rw}$	$t_{dik}$
dif – (domestic) institutions’ financial account	0	0	0	0	0	$t_{dif,dif}$	$t_{dif,rw}$	$t_{dif}$
rw – rest of the world	$t_{rw,p}$	$t_{rw,a}$	$t_{rw,f}$	$t_{rw,dic}$	$t_{rw,dik}$	$t_{rw,dif}$	X	$t_{rw}$
total	$t_p$	$t_a$	$t_f$	$t_{dic}$	$t_{dik}$	$t_{dif}$	$t_{rw}$	X

Sources: Santos (2010).

Note: The first three accounts (p = products, a = activities and f = factors (of production)) are the production and trade accounts of the economy and the next three accounts (dic = current; dik = capital; dif = financial) are the accounts of the (domestic) institutions. The last account (rw = rest of the world) represents the “outside” part of the (domestic) economy.

Table 2 shows the transactions of the National Accounts recorded in the cells of the basic SAM, which will continue to be the same if some disaggregation, or even extension, is performed – thereby preserving the consistency of the whole system.

**Table 2.** The National Accounts transactions in the cells of the basic SAM

SAM			National Accounts transactions	
row	column	Description (valuation (see Note a))	(SNA) code	Description (valuation (see Note a))
p	p	trade and transport margins	---	trade and transport margins
a	p	production (basic prices)	P1	output (basic prices)
dic	p	net taxes on products (paid to domestic institutions – general government)	D21- -D31	taxes on products <i>minus</i> subsidies on products
rw	p	net taxes on products (paid to the RW)		
		imports (cif prices)	P7	imports of goods and services (cif prices)
p	rw	exports (fob prices)	P6	exports of goods and services (fob prices)
p	a	intermediate consumption (purchasers' prices)	P2	intermediate consumption (purchasers' prices)
p	dic	final consumption (purchasers' prices)	P3	final consumption expenditure (purchasers' prices)
p	dik	gross capital formation (purchasers' prices)	P5	gross capital formation (purchasers' prices)
f	a	gross added value (factor cost)	D1 D4 B2g B3g	compensation of employees net property income gross operating surplus gross mixed income
dic	a	net taxes on production (paid to domestic institutions - general government)	D29- -D39	other taxes on production <i>minus</i> other subsidies on production
rw	a	net taxes on production (paid to the RW)		
dic	f	gross national income	B5g	gross national income
rw	f	compensation of factors to the RW	D1 D4	primary income paid to/received from the rest of the world compensation of employees net property income
f	rw	compensation of factors from the RW		
dic	dic	current transfers within domestic institutions	D5 D6 D7 D8	current taxes on income, wealth, etc. social contributions and benefits other current transfers adjustment for the change in the net equity of households in pension funds reserves
rw	dic	current transfers to the RW		
dic	rw	current transfers from the RW		
dik	dic	gross saving	B8g	gross saving



SAM			National Accounts transactions	
row	column	Description (valuation (see Note a))	(SNA) code	Description (valuation (see Note a))
dik	dik	capital transfers within domestic institutions	D9	capital transfers
dik	rw	capital transfers from the RW		
rw	dik	capital transfers to the RW		
dik	dif	- net borrowing (see Note b)	B9	net borrowing
dif	dif	financial transactions within domestic institutions	F1 F2 F3 F4 F5 F6 F7	monetary gold and special drawing rights (SDRs) currency and deposits securities other than shares loans shares and other equity insurance technical reserves other accounts receivable/payable
rw	dif	financial transactions to the RW		
dif	rw	financial transactions from the RW		
p	total	aggregate demand	row sum of the p account's cells (see above)	
total	p	aggregate supply	column sum of the p account's cells (see above)	
a	total	production value	P1	output (basic prices)
total	a	total costs	column sum of the a account's cells (see above)	
f	total	aggregate factors income	row sum of the f account's cells (see above)	
total	f		column sum of the f account's cells (see above)	
dic	total	aggregate income	row sum of the dic account's cells (see above)	
total	dic		column sum of the dic account's cells (see above)	
dik	total	investment funds	row sum of the dik account's cells (see above)	
total	dik	aggregate investment	column sum of the dik account's cells (see above)	
dif	total	total financial transactions	row sum of the dif account's cells (see above)	
total	dif		column sum of the dif account's cells (see above)	
rw	total	transactions value to the rest of the world	row sum of the rw account's cells (see above)	
total	rw	transactions value from the rest of the world	column sum of the rw account's cells (see above)	

Source: Santos (2010).

Notes:

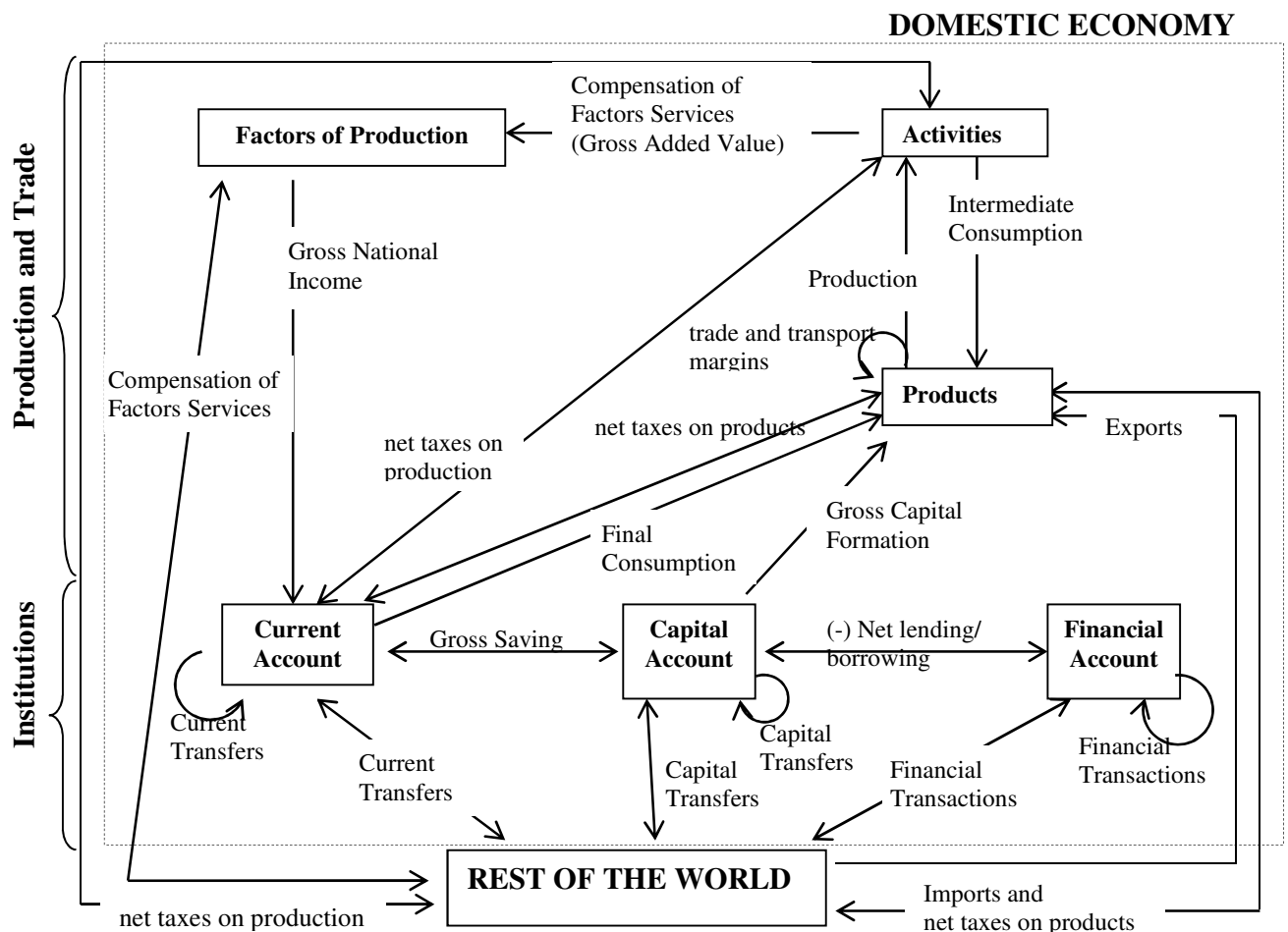
- a. In the transactions represented by the cells whose rows and/or columns represent production accounts, as well as in the aggregates and balances that can be calculated from these, as will be seen in Section 3.3, the following types of valuation are identified (regardless of whether one is working with current or constant (price) values): factor cost; basic, cif and fob prices; purchasers' or market prices. Appendix A specifies these levels.
- b. In the National Accounts, the net lending (+) or borrowing (-) of the total economy is the sum of the net lending or borrowing of the institutional sectors. This represents the net resources that the total economy makes available to the rest of the world (if it is positive) or receives

from the rest of the world (if it is negative). The net lending (+) or borrowing (-) of the total economy is equal (but with an opposite mathematical sign) to the net borrowing (-) or lending (+) of the rest of the world.

In the SAM's capital account, this is considered as a component of investment funds, required/not required to cover aggregate investment. In other words, it is the financing requirement/capacity of the economy that will be covered/absorbed by financial transactions (from/to the rest of the world, since the national funds are not enough/in excess). Therefore, if there is net borrowing, we have a financing requirement that is covered by financial transactions, i.e. a resource of the capital account (row) and a use of the financial account (column). If there is net lending, we have a financing capacity that will be absorbed by financial transactions, i.e. a resource of the financial account (row) and a use of the capital account (column).

Schematically, the flows between the described accounts represent the circular flows in the economy that, using the SAM description, can be seen in Outline 1.

**Outline 1:** The nominal flows between the accounts of the basic SAM



Source: Santos (2009: 6)

The SAM blocks, identified in Table 3, are submatrices or sets of submatrices with common characteristics. The specification of these blocks will be made below and involves an identification of the transactions of the National Accounts.

**Table 3.** The basic SAM by blocks

	p	a	f	dic	dik	dif	rw
p – products	TTM ( $t_{p,p}$ )	IC ( $t_{p,a}$ )	0	FC ( $t_{p,dic}$ )	GCF ( $t_{p,dik}$ )	0	EX ( $t_{p,rw}$ )
a – activities	P ( $t_{a,p}$ )	0	0	0	0	0	0
f – factors	0	CFP_GAV ( $t_{f,a}$ )	0	0	0	0	CFP ( $t_{f,rw}$ )
dic – (domestic) institutions' current account	NTP ( $t_{dic,p}$ )	NTA ( $t_{dic,a}$ )	CFP_GNI ( $t_{dic,f}$ )	CT ( $t_{dic,dic}$ )	0	0	CT ( $t_{dic,rw}$ )
dik – (domestic) institutions' capital account	0	0	0	S ( $t_{dik,dic}$ )	KT ( $t_{dik,dik}$ )	NLB ( $t_{dik,dif}$ )	KT ( $t_{dik,rw}$ )
dif – (domestic) institutions' financial account	0	0	0	0	0	FT ( $t_{dif,dif}$ )	FT ( $t_{dif,rw}$ )
rw – rest of the world	IM&NTP ( $t_{rw,p}$ )	NTA ( $t_{rw,a}$ )	CFP ( $t_{rw,f}$ )	CT ( $t_{rw,dic}$ )	KT ( $t_{rw,dik}$ )	FT ( $t_{rw,dif}$ )	0

Source: Santos (2009; 2010)

Description:

- a) Production – P (cell:  $t_{a,p}$ ) represents the output of goods and services (transaction P1 of the National Accounts).
- b) Domestic Trade is represented by the value of domestically transacted products, which can be either domestically produced or imported.
  - b.1) Intermediate Consumption – IC (cell:  $t_{p,a}$ ) consists of the value of the goods and services consumed as inputs through a process of production, excluding those fixed assets whose consumption is recorded as consumption of fixed capital (transaction P2 of the National Accounts).
  - b.2) Final Consumption – FC (cell:  $t_{p,dic}$ ) consists of the expenditure incurred by resident institutional units on those goods or services that are used for the direct satisfaction of individual needs or wants, or the collective needs of members of the community (transaction P3 of the National Accounts).
  - b.3) Gross Capital Formation – GCF (cell:  $t_{p,dik}$ ) includes: gross fixed capital formation (transaction P51 of the National Accounts), changes in inventories (transaction P52), and acquisitions minus disposals of valuables (transaction P53).

- c) External Trade – includes the transactions in goods and services from non-residents to residents, also known as imports (transaction P7 of the National Accounts), or IM (cell:  $t_{rw,p}$ ), and the transactions in goods and services from residents to non-residents, also known as exports (transaction P6 of the National Accounts), or EX (cell:  $t_{p,rw}$ ).
- d) Trade and Transport Margins – TTM (cell:  $t_{p,p}$ ) are realised on goods purchased for resale and are a part of the production of wholesale trade services, retail trade services and the repair services of motor vehicles, motorcycles and personal and household goods. They amount to zero, since they are negative in relation to the three above-mentioned activities (because the corresponding value has already been recorded in the production submatrix), but are positive and have the same amount in relation to all the other ones.
- e) Net indirect taxes or net taxes on production and imports
  - e.1) Net Taxes on Production – NTA (cells:  $t_{dic,a}$ ;  $t_{rw,a}$ ) represents the (other) taxes on production (transaction D29 of the National Accounts) minus the (other) subsidies to production (transaction D39 of the National Accounts).
  - e.2) Net Taxes on Products – NTP (cells:  $t_{dic,p}$ ;  $t_{rw,p}$ ) represents the taxes on products (transaction D21 of the National Accounts) minus the subsidies on products (transaction D31 of the National Accounts).
- f) Compensation of factors of production – CFP (cells:  $t_{f,a}$ ;  $t_{dic,f}$ ;  $t_{f,rw}$ ;  $t_{rw,f}$ ) consists of the income of the institutional sectors originating from the compensation of the services provided through their real and financial assets to the activities of production and to the rest of the world, namely compensation of employees (transaction D1 of the National Accounts) and compensation of own-account assets, including the compensation of employers and/or own-account workers, and of capital, namely property income (transaction D4, balances B2g and B3g of the National Accounts).
- g) Current Transfers – CT (cells:  $t_{dic,dic}$ ;  $t_{dic,rw}$ ;  $t_{rw,dic}$ ) includes: current taxes on income, wealth, etc. (transaction D5 of the National Accounts); social contributions (transaction D61); social benefits in cash (transaction D62); other current transfers (transaction D7); and the adjustment made for the change in the net equity of households in pension fund reserves (transaction D8).
- h) Capital Transfers – KT (cells:  $t_{dik,dik}$ ;  $t_{dik,rw}$ ;  $t_{rw,dik}$ ) includes: capital taxes (transaction D91 of the National Accounts), investment grants (transaction D92); other capital transfers

(transaction D99); and acquisitions less disposals of non-financial non-produced assets (transaction K2)

- i) Financial Transactions – FT (cells:  $t_{dif,dif}$ ;  $t_{dif,rw}$ ;  $t_{rw,dif}$ ) represents the transactions in financial assets and liabilities between institutional units, and between these and the rest of the world. They are classified as monetary gold and special drawing rights; currency and deposits; securities other than shares; loans; shares and other equity; insurance technical reserves; and other accounts receivable/payable (F1-7 of the National Accounts).
- j) Gross Saving – S (cell:  $t_{dik,dic}$ ) measures the portion of aggregate income that is not used for final consumption expenditure and current transfers to Portuguese institutions or to the rest of the world.
- k) Net borrowing/lending – NLB (cell:  $t_{dik,dif}$ ).

The net lending (+) or borrowing (-) of the total economy is the sum of the net lending or borrowing of the institutional sectors. It represents the net resources that the total economy makes available to the rest of the world (if it is positive) or receives from the rest of the world (if it is negative). The net lending (+) or borrowing (-) of the total economy is equal (but with an opposite mathematical sign) to the net borrowing (-) or lending (+) of the rest of the world.

Here, those amounts that fall short of (+) or exceed (-) the investment funds used to cover aggregate investment are recorded in the capital and financial accounts, since they are financial transactions either from the rest of the world (in the case of net borrowing) or to the rest of the world (in the case of net lending). This is why the mathematical signs defined in the first paragraph of this item have been exchanged.

The construction of a SAM is easier when this is performed by blocks.

The integrated economic accounts table is equivalent to a summary of everything that is measured by the SNA. According to paragraph 2.75 of the 2008 SNA “The integrated economic accounts use (...) three of the conceptual elements of the SNA (...) [institutional units and sectors, transactions and assets and liabilities] together with the concept of the rest of the world to form a wide range of accounts. These include the full sequence of accounts for institutional sectors, separately or collectively, the rest of the world and the total economy.” (ISWGNA, 2008: 23). Table B.1 is an illustration of this situation for Portugal. Based on that table, and in view of the previous description, it can be said that all the transactions recorded by the national accounts are considered in the cells of the SAM.

Therefore, as mentioned above, and again using the words of Richard Stone, the basic SAM that has just been described is the most aggregate “summary set of national accounts” and can represent a first level of the intended hierarchical method (approach), with all the controlling totals for the next level of that hierarchy.

### **3.2. Disaggregations and extensions**

Some other levels of the above-mentioned hierarchical method can be identified within the national accounts, providing other controlling totals for greater levels of disaggregation – with or without national accounts.

Thus, with the expected appearance of quarterly national accounts, although these will not be as complete as the annual ones, it will be possible to make some disaggregation in terms of time.

Furthermore, disaggregations can be made in terms of space, since regional accounts are also considered (Santos, 2011, is an example of this). Here, with the same SNA, it is possible to work with regions and countries, either individually or as a group. It would even be possible to think in world terms, if the SAM could be adopted worldwide.

Some descriptions in the following subsections are taken from Santos (2007), so that the analysis is based on the version of 1993 of the SNA. However, as has already been mentioned, because the level of detail is not particularly profound, there are no significant differences.

Extensions are also possible, either from the national accounts or from other sources of information.

The 2008 SNA dedicates its Chapter 28 to “Satellite accounts and other extensions” (ISWGNA, 20008: 523-544), where the main idea is to serve specific analytical purposes, in a way that is consistent with the central framework, although not fully integrated into it (ISWGNA, 2008: 37-38). In this respect, the author would like to support Steven Keuning and Willem Ruijter’s idea of a “complete data set” which “could be tentatively labelled: a System of Socio-economic Accounts” (Keuning and Ruijter, 1988: 73).

#### **3.2.1. Production and trade accounts**

In the basic structure described above, the production and trade accounts are the accounts of products, activities and factors of production. These accounts correspond respectively to the SNA accounts of goods and services, production and the primary distribution of income. Thus, within these accounts and depending on the available level of disaggregation, it can be seen how the available products are used, with some details being provided about the process of production

and about how the incomes resulting from that process and the ownership of assets are distributed among institutions and activities (Santos, 2007).

The SNA uses the Central Product Classification (CPC) Version 2 (completed in December 2008) to classify products (ISWGNA, 2008: 19), which are organised into 10 sections, with it being possible to go to the 5th level of disaggregation within each of these.

In turn, the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities (ISIC) Revision 4 (officially released in August 2008) is used to classify the activities (ISWGNA, 2008: 20), organised into 23 sections, the disaggregation of which is perfectly consonant with that of the product classification. The Supply and Use Table provides this information, usually at an intermediate level of disaggregation.

As described above, in the characterisation of the block representing the compensation of factors of production, the possible disaggregation from the tables published by the national accounts is between labour (or the compensation of employees) and what the author called the compensation of own-account assets, which includes the compensation of employers and/or own-account workers, and the compensation of capital, namely property income. Such information can only be derived from the Integrated Economic Accounts Table if the products and activities accounts are not disaggregated, or from the Supply and Use Table if those accounts are disaggregated. Appendix B, which contains the above-mentioned application to Portugal, in which the products and activities accounts are not disaggregated, presents the possible disaggregation of the factors of production accounts (Table B.3) based on the Integrated Economic Accounts (Table B.1).

The extensions for tourism and health are presented by the SNA as examples of satellite accounts (ISWGNA, 2008: 531-534; 538-542).

### **3.2.2. Institutions and Rest of the World accounts**

In the basic structure described above, the accounts of the domestic institutions are divided into current, capital and financial accounts. These accounts correspond respectively to the following SNA accounts: secondary distribution of income, redistribution of income in kind and use of income; capital; and financial accounts. Within these accounts, depending on the available level of disaggregation, the current accounts show how the national income is transformed into disposable income through the receipt and payment of current transfers, and how the latter is distributed between final consumption and saving. In turn, the capital account records the transactions linked to acquisitions of non-financial assets and capital transfers involving the redistribution of wealth, whereas the financial account records the transactions in financial assets

and liabilities between institutional units, and between these and the rest of the world (Santos, 2007).

All the linkages between the domestic economy and the rest of the world, i.e. all the transactions between resident and non-resident units, are recorded both in the SAM and in the SNA through the rest of the world account (Santos, 2007).

Chapter 4 of the 2008 SNA specifies the institutional sectors, including the rest of the world, and their possible disaggregation, which in some cases can be taken as far as the third level (ISWGNA, 2008: 61-85), although normally it cannot be taken beyond the first level. In the case of the rest of the world, such disaggregation will certainly depend on the country, or group of countries, that adopt and adapt this system.

At the first level of disaggregation, the accounts of the institutions, as well as the rest of the world account, are part of the Integrated Economic Accounts Table. Higher levels of disaggregation, whenever these are possible, are usually published in separate accounts.

Even at the first level of disaggregation, any work conducted with the institutional sectors requires, in addition to the Integrated Economic Accounts or the Accounts of the Institutions, the so-called “from whom to whom matrices”, which are not normally published, but can be acquired from the national statistical offices. These matrices make it possible to fill in the cells of the submatrices of transactions taking place within domestic institutions, recorded in the above-described blocks of current and capital transfers and financial transactions.

As far as this aspect is concerned, the author would like to underline the importance of the information provided by the possible disaggregations of the financial account, especially in a SAM framework, in which interactions can be identified at many different levels.

The disaggregation of specific institutional sectors makes it possible to analyse the most diverse aspects of a society’s activity: income distribution, with disaggregated households and factor of production accounts (Santos, 2009, is an example of this); the role of the government and its subsectors, with a disaggregated general government (Santos, 2004 and 2007a, are also examples); the role of the non-profit institutions serving households, as well as of the non-financial and/or financial corporations, etc.

Appendix B, which contains the above-mentioned application to Portugal, presents a possible disaggregation of the institutions’ current and capital accounts (Table B.3), made from the Integrated Economic Accounts (Table B.1) and the “from whom to whom matrices”, described in the sources of the corresponding table (B.3). Due to the unavailability of “from whom to whom matrices” for financial transactions, the financial account could not be disaggregated.



### 3.3. Aggregates, indicators and balances

As was seen above, all the transactions of the national accounts are covered by the SAM, so that macroeconomic aggregates, indicators and balances can be identified from it (see the description of the cells or blocks in Tables 1 or 3).

Gross Domestic Product at market prices ( $GDP_{pm}$ ), which is usually considered the main macroeconomic aggregate, can be calculated in the three known approaches:

- Production approach:  $GDP_{pm} = P - IC + NTP = t_{a,p} - t_{p,a} + (t_{dic,p} + \text{(part of)} t_{rw,p})$ ;
- Expenditure approach:  $GDP_{pm} = FC + GCF + Ex - IM = t_{p,dic} + t_{p,dik} + t_{p,rw} - \text{(part of)} t_{rw,p}$ ;
- Income approach:  $GDP_{pm} = GAV + NTP + NTA = t_{f,a} + (t_{dic,p} + \text{(part of)} t_{rw,p}) + (t_{dic,a} + t_{rw,a})$ .

Domestic Product can be converted into National Product by adding the compensation of factors received from the rest of the world and deducting the compensation of factors and the net indirect taxes (on both products and production) sent to the rest of the world. Thus, from the described cells of the basic SAM,  $GDP_{pm}$  can be converted into Gross National Product at market prices ( $GNP_{pm}$ ) or Gross National Income ( $GNI_{pm}$ ), as follows:  $GDP_{pm} + t_{f,rw} - t_{rw,f} - t_{rw,a} - \text{(part of)} t_{rw,p}$ . On the other hand, as the SAM directly provides Gross National Income at factor cost, this can also be calculated just by adding the net indirect taxes (on both products and production) received by domestic institutions:  $t_{dic,f} + t_{dic,p} + t_{dic,a}$ .

In turn, Gross aggregates can be converted into Net aggregates (and balances) by deducting the consumption of the fixed capital (transaction K1 of the National Accounts, which lies outside the basic SAM, as will be seen in Section 3.4, but is part of the Integrated Economic Accounts)

Disposable Income (Domestic or National; Gross or Net) is also very important and can be calculated by adding to  $GNI_{pm}$  the net current transfers received by domestic institutions:  $GNI_{pm} + ((\text{received})t_{dic,dic} + t_{dic,rw}) - ((\text{paid}) t_{dic,dic} + t_{rw,dic})$ .

Gross Saving (S) and Net Lending or Borrowing (NLB) are given directly by the SAM, through  $t_{dik,dic}$  and  $t_{dik,dif}$ , respectively.

It is also possible to calculate structural indicators of the functional and institutional distribution of generated income, as well as indicators of the use of disposable income.

In the functional distribution of generated income, the distribution of gross added value (at factor cost, GAV) among factors of production is given by the structure of the submatrix in the cell ( $t_{f,a}$ ) of the basic structure, with its level of detail depending on the disaggregation of the activities (column account) and of the factors of production (row account).

In the institutional distribution of generated income, the distribution of gross national income (at factor cost, GNI) is given by the structure of the submatrix in the cell ( $t_{dic,f}$ ) of the basic structure. In this case, the level of detail will depend on the disaggregation of the factors of production (column account) and of the current account of the domestic institutions (row account).

As was seen above, by excluding from gross national income the current transfers paid to other institutions and to the rest of the world, and by including the current transfers received from the other institutions and from the rest of the world (and, in the case of the government, the net indirect taxes), the institutional distribution of gross disposable income can also be studied. In turn, the use made of gross disposable income is divided into final consumption and saving, although non-financial and financial corporations do not have any final consumption.

Some additional data can allow for the study of additional details, for instance *per capita* indicators with demographic information.

The main items in the balance sheets of the institutional sectors and of the rest of the world can be calculated from the respective rows and columns. The former will be referred to as budgets and the latter as the balance of payments. Their total balance is their net lending/borrowing (NLB); the current budget balance is the respective gross saving (S); and the capital balance is the difference between the first and the second.

The results of an application to Portugal can be seen in Appendix B.

### 3.4. Going beyond the basic structure

In order to improve the snapshot given by the SAM, as described above, some rearrangements could be made to the described cell contents and/or some zero cells could be filled in. This can be done either within and/or outside the scope of the SNA

a) Within the scope of the SNA, the following topics are examples of rearrangements that could be made to the described cells' contents (the described cells can be identified in Tables 1 or 3) in order to avoid the existence of negative cells in the SAM. This would help to improve its definition (incomings in rows and outgoings in columns) and facilitate the application of certain balancing methods, whenever necessary.

a.1) Instead of working with net indirect taxes, it is possible to work with taxes and subsidies separately. The taxes on products and on production could be recorded in the above-described NTP ( $t_{dic,p}$ ;  $t_{rw,p}$ ) and NTA ( $t_{dic,a}$ ;  $t_{rw,a}$ ) blocks, respectively. The subsidies on products could be recorded in cells  $t_{p,dic}$  and  $t_{p,rw}$ . The subsidies on production would then be recorded in cells  $t_{a,dic}$  and  $t_{a,rw}$ .

- a.2) The net lending or borrowing (NLB) could be recorded in cells  $t_{dik,dif}$ , in the case of net borrowing, and in cells  $t_{dif,dik}$ , in the case of net lending.
- b) Still working within the scope of the SNA, some new data could be considered, either in addition to other data or as possible replacements for these figures.
  - b.1) The consumption of fixed capital could be included in  $t_{p,dik}$ .
  - b.2) The production of the institutional sectors could be included in  $t_{dic,p}$ . In the basic structure, production is recorded in cells  $t_{a,p}$ .
  - b.3) The intermediate consumption of the institutional sectors could be included in  $t_{p,dic}$ . In the basic structure, intermediate consumption is recorded in cells  $t_{p,a}$ .
- c) Outside the scope of the SNA, working either within or outside the framework of the satellite accounts, the inclusion of the following aspects could be considered.
  - c.1) The expansion of the production boundary, for example recording the services that households deliver to themselves. The extension to unpaid household activity is presented by the SNA as an example of satellite accounts (ISWGNA, 2008: 542-543).
  - c.2) The consideration of informal aspects of the economy, to which SNA dedicates the Chapter 25 (ISWGNA, 2008: 471-482).
  - c.3) The (re)analysis of the imputations; the underlying methodologies and possible adjustment.
  - c.4) Demography and the activity of the population of working age, their time use, skills, etc.
  - c.5) The rethinking of the way in which the factors of production are worked upon and the possible consideration of natural resources and their relationship with the society's activity. The extension to environmental accounting is presented by the SNA as an example of satellite accounts (ISWGNA, 2008: 534-538).
  - c.6) Stocks of capital and wealth.

The author knows that the implementation and study of some of these topics, especially those referred to in subsection c), could become valuable research projects, and that, in fact, some of them are already part of the SNA's research agenda. However, the aim here is to show that, although the SAM-based approach (especially when based on the SNA) is a very complete and credible measurement tool, there is still much that can be done to improve it.

It should be noted that the SAM-based approach involves both a numerical and an algebraic version of the SAM. As was mentioned above, in the former version, each cell assumes a specific numerical value, with the sums of the rows being equal to the sums of the columns, whereas, in the latter, each cell is represented by algebraic expressions that, together with those of all the other cells, represent a SAM-based model, the calibration of which involves a

replication of the numerical version. Without undermining that principle, SAM-based models can be developed and extended. Such extensions can be supported by additional data, encompassing aspects such as those referred to in c.4-6). Santos (2009) is an example of such research, where the use of some of the aspects referred to in c.4) was tested and proved to be possible.

#### **4. Concluding remarks**

Together, the United Nations System of National Accounts (SNA) is flexible enough and the Social Accounting Matrix (SAM)-based approach versatile enough to contribute towards a better (socio-) economic modelling. Under such conditions, the sectors of production can be worked upon in conjunction with the institutional sectors, using the national accounts as the base source of information.

A SAM-based approach incorporates two versions of the SAM. A numerical version of the SAM describes the activity of a society empirically. In this version, each cell has a specific numerical value, with the sums of the rows being equal to the sums of the columns. In turn, an algebraic version describes that same activity theoretically. Each cell of the latter version contains algebraic expressions that, together with those of all the other cells, make up a SAM-based model, the calibration of which involves a replication of the numerical version. Without altering this principle in any way, SAM-based models can be developed with extensions and can be supported by additional data.

Using the SNA in a SAM-based approach will facilitate:

- Multi-period and dynamic analysis, since national accounts are published regularly.
- Identification of the network of nominal links existing within the (socio-)economic system, allowing for the particularisation of regions, products (goods and services), activities (industries), institutions or sets of institutions (households, enterprises, government), etc.
- Study of the processes of production, trade and the distribution, redistribution and accumulation of income.
- Evaluation of the impacts of alternative policy measures and the consequent policy decision, i.e. the processes of decision-making and decision-taking.
- Better use of the quantitative information available, since the SNA has developed national accounts that are increasingly consistent and in harmony with all other statistics.

However, both within and outside the scope of the SNA, there are several important aspects that still need to be completed. Some rearrangements can be made to the described cell contents

and/or some zero cells can be filled in. Coverage of those aspects could establish the essential difference between the SAM-based approach described in this paper and any other approach to (socio-) economic modelling.

Therefore, unless they have certain specific studies that they wish to undertake, rather than use their resources to construct National Accounting Matrices or Social Accounting Matrices, the Statistical Offices and other producers of national accounts should seek to provide the most complete and accurate information possible (bearing in mind what was said in Section 3) to those who have to undertake specific tasks of their own. This will enable them to use and manipulate the data according to their needs.

By using a SAM-based approach, with a consistent and credible numerical version and a corresponding well-defined algebraic version of a SAM, it will be possible to achieve better (socio-) economic modelling. A SAM that is suitably designed to address a specific problem or set of problems can result in a fully interlinked macro-model, which can play an invaluable role, for example, in providing quantitative advice to policymakers.

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## **Appendices**

## **Appendix A. Levels of valuation**

The following types of valuation are identified in the transactions represented by those cells whose rows and/or columns are production accounts, as well as in the aggregates and balances that can be calculated from these, regardless of whether one is working with current or constant (price) values: factor cost; basic, cif and fob prices; purchasers' or market prices.

Factor cost represents the compensation of the factors (or the primary incomes due to labour and capital) used in the production process of the domestic economy, excluding taxes on production and imports (taxes on products and other taxes on production) and subsidies (subsidies on products and other subsidies on production). This type of valuation is considered in the SNA (Paragraph 265) to be complementary (ISWGNA, 2008: 22).

When other taxes on production, net of other subsidies on production, are added to the production value of the domestic economy at factor cost, we obtain the basic prices for the production that will be transacted in the domestic market and the fob (free on board) price level of the part that will be exported. Imports, valued at cif (cost-insurance-freight included) prices, will be added at this level to the unexported part of domestic production that will be transacted in the domestic market.

Purchasers' or market prices relate to those products, either domestically produced or imported, that are transacted in the domestic market. Here, the basic/cif prices will be increased by adding to them the trade and transport margins and the taxes net of subsidies on products.



## Appendix B: Application to Portugal

Table B.1. Portuguese Integrated Economic Accounts for 2007 (in millions of euros)

Current accounts											
Uses											
Accounts	Total	Goods and Services Account (Resources)	S.2 Rest of the World Account	S.1 Total of the Economy	S.15 NPISHs	S.14 Households	S.13 General Government	S.12 Financial Corporations	S.11 Non-Financial Corporations	Transactions and other flows, stocks and balancing items	
I. Production / external account of goods and services	68 045	68 045								P.7	Imports of goods and services
	54 514		54 514							P.6	Exports of goods and services
	317 058	317 058								P.1	Output of goods and services
	171 360			171 360	2 238	12 667	7 048	5 207	144 201	P.2	Intermediate consumption
	23 059	23 059		23 059						E.21-E.29	Net taxes on products
	168 737			168 737	2 677	22 323	23 131	18 978	79 828	B.1g/B.1g	Gross added value/gross domestic product
	29 351			29 351	531	8 376	3 237	679	15 263	K.1	Consumption of fixed capital
	140 386			140 386	2 125	20 882	19 874	10 305	64 235	B.1n/B.1n	Value added, net/Net domestic product
13 531			13 531						B.1i	External balance of goods and services	
II.1 Primary distribution of income accounts	83 123		247	82 876	2 313	5 600	20 271	4 137	50 556	D.1	Compensation of employees
	24 982			24 982	4	635		30	652	E.2	Taxes on production and imports
	- 2 808			- 2 808	- 184	- 793	- 341	- 9	- 909	D.3	Subsidies
	46 612			46 612	544	6 822	3 281	6 815	29 229	B.2g	Gross operating surplus
	17 076			17 076		17 076				B.2g	Gross mixed income
	28 618			28 618	- 8	604	- 56	6 142	13 936	B.2e	Net operating surplus
	14 719			14 719		14 719				B.2e	Net mixed income
	76 611		12 609	83 201	165	8 101	4 621	26 645	23 469	D.4	Property income
	163 394			163 394	946	117 680	22 877	5 918	15 972	B.5g	Gross national income/ Gross balance of primary incomes
	135 043			135 043	395	109 104	19 620	5 245	679	B.5n	Net national income/ Net balance of primary incomes
II.2 Secondary distribution income account	16 112		21	16 092	6	9 717	21	1 399	4 949	D.5	Current taxes on income, wealth, etc
	25 264		71	25 193		25 193				D.61	Social contributions
	29 742		48	29 694	49	48	24 611	3 271	1 715	D.62	Social benefits other than social transfers in kind
	17 222		4 702	12 520	67	3 837	3 859	2 278	2 480	D.7	Other current transfers
	165 107			165 107	3 199	115 202	32 232	5 000	9 473	B.6g	Gross disposable income
136 756			136 756	2 648	106 627	28 975	4 327	- 5 821	B.6n	Net disposable income	
E.3. Redistribution of income in kind account	22 143			22 143	3 415		18 728			D.63	Social transfers in kind
	166 187			166 187	- 216	137 345	13 694	5 088	9 473	B.7g	Gross adjusted disposable income
	136 756			136 756	- 767	128 769	18 247	- 4 327	- 5 821	B.7n	Net adjusted disposable income
II.4. Use of income account	166 187			166 187	3 199	115 202	32 232	5 088	9 473	B.8g	Gross disposable income
	136 756			136 756	2 648	106 627	28 975	4 327	- 5 821	B.8n	Net disposable income
	143 634			143 634	3 415	107 220	32 959			P.4	Actual Final Consumption
	143 634			143 634		128 363	14 272			P.3	Final consumption expenditure
	569			569				569		D.8	Adjustment for the change in the net equity of households in pension funds reserves
	21 473			21 473	- 216	8 551	- 767	4 432	9 473	B.9g	Gross saving
	- 6 878			- 6 878	- 767	- 25	- 4 034	3 759	- 5 821	B.9n	Net saving
17 162			17 162						B.12	Current external balance	
Accumulation accounts											
Changes in Assets											
III.1 Capital accounts										B.9g	Gross saving
										B.9n	Net saving
										B.12	Current external balance
										D.9	Capital transfers, receivable
										D.9	Capital transfers, payable (-)
	10 283		16 221	- 4 937	- 478	61	- 4 681	3 761	- 4 281	B.10.1	Changes in net worth due to saving and capital transfers
III.1.2 Acquisitions of non-financial assets account	38 634			38 634	547	9 287	4 113	1 683	23 003	P.5	Gross capital formation
	- 28 351			- 28 351	- 551	- 8 576	- 3 257	- 673	- 15 293	K.1	Consumption of fixed capital (-)
			160	- 160	5	- 2 915	- 79	59	2 771	K.2	Acquisitions less disposals of non-produced non-financial assets
			15 061	- 15 061	- 479	2 265	- 4 777	2 692	- 14 762	B.9	Net lending (+) / borrowing (-)
Changes in Liabilities											
II.2 Financial account	112 824		38 471	74 353	15 972		- 688	45 717	13 352		Net acquisition of financial assets
											Net incurrence of liabilities
			1	- 1				- 1		F.1	Monetary gold and SDFs
	29 618		13 983	15 635	10 117		- 401	6 408	- 289	F.2	Currency and deposits
	28 669		17 792	10 871	1 821		- 76	9 147	- 21	F.3	Securities other than shares
	24 712		3 306	21 406	1 588		- 2 047	26 687	5 178	F.4	Loans
	5 406		2 677	2 729	- 1 376		1 502	2 776	27	F.5	Shares and other equity
	5 929		10	5 919	5 787		1	- 1	132	F.6	Insurance technical reserves
	8 296		702	7 594	- 1 765		333	701	8 325	F.7	Other accounts receivable/payable
										B.9 F	Net lending (+) / borrowing (-)

**Table B.1.** Portuguese Integrated Economic Accounts for 2007 (in millions of euros) (continued)

										Current accounts		
										Resources		
Code	Transactions and other flows, stocks and balancing items	S.11	S.12	S.13	S.14	S.15	S.1	S.2	Goods and Services Account (Uses)	Total	Accounts	
		Non-Financial Corporations	Financial Corporations	General Government	Households	NPISHs	Total of the Economy	Rest of the World Account				
P.7	Imports of goods and services							68 045		68 045		
P.6	Exports of goods and services								54 514	54 514		
P.1	Output of goods and services	223 729	16 185	30 179	42 050	4 915	317 058			317 058		I. Production & external account of goods and services
P.2	Intermediate consumption								171 360	171 360		
D.21-D.31	Net taxes on products						23 039			23 039		
B.1g/B.1'g	Gross added value/gross domestic product	79 528	10 978	23 131	29 383	2 677	168 737			168 737		
K.1	Consumption of fixed capital											II.1. Generation of income account
B.1n/B.1'n	Value added, net/Net domestic product	64 235	10 305	19 874	20 808	2 125	140 386			140 386		
B.1l	External balance of goods and services							13 531		13 531		
D.1	Compensation of employees				82 871		82 871	252		83 123		
D.2	Taxes on production and imports			24 527			24 527	454		24 982		
D.3	Subsidies			- 1 421			- 1 421	- 1 388		- 2 808		II.2. Allocation of primary income account
B.2g	Gross operating surplus	29 229	6 815	3 201	6 822	544	46 612			46 612		
B.3g	Gross mixed income				17 076		17 076			17 076		
B.2a	Net operating surplus	13 936	6 142	- 56	604	- 8	20 618			20 618		
B.3a	Net mixed income				14 719		14 719			14 719		
D.4	Property income	10 212	25 749	1 390	19 011	568	56 929	19 081		76 011		
B.5g	Gross national income/ Gross balance of primary incomes	15 972	5 918	23 877	117 680	946	163 394			163 394		
B.5a	Net national income/ Net balance of primary incomes	679	5 345	19 630	109 104	395	135 043			135 043		II.2. Secondary distribution income account
D.5	Current taxes on income, wealth, etc			16 084			16 084	28		16 112		
D.61	Social contributions	1 711	3 773	19 621	50	49	25 204	60		25 264		
D.62	Social benefits other than social transfers in kind				29 600		29 600	142		29 742		
D.7	Other current transfers	934	2 257	2 141	6 667	2 325	14 324	2 899		17 222		
B.6g	Gross disposable income	9 473	5 000	32 232	115 202	3 199	165 107			165 107		II.3. Redistribution of income in kind account
B.6n	Net disposable income	- 5 821	4 327	28 975	106 627	2 648	136 756			136 756		
D.63	Social transfers in kind				22 143		22 143			22 143		
B.7g	Gross adjusted disposable income	9 473	5 000	13 504	137 345	- 216	165 107			165 107		
B.7n	Net adjusted disposable income	- 5 821	4 327	10 247	128 769	- 767	136 756			136 756		
B.6g	Gross disposable income	9 473	5 000	32 232	115 202	3 199	165 107			165 107		
B.6n	Net disposable income	- 5 821	4 327	28 975	106 627	2 648	136 756			136 756		
P.4	Actual Final Consumption								143 634	143 634		II.4. Use of income account
P.3	Final consumption expenditure								143 634	143 634		
D.8	Adjustment for the change in the net equity of households in pension funds reserves				569		569			569		
B.8g	Gross saving											
B.8n	Net saving											
B.12	Current external balance											
										Accumulation accounts		
										Changes in liabilities and net worth		
B.8g	Gross saving	9 473	4 432	- 767	5 551	- 216	21 473			21 473		III.1. Change in net worth due to saving and capital transfers account
B.8n	Net saving	- 5 821	3 789	- 4 824	- 35	- 767	- 6 978			- 6 978		
B.12	Current external balance							17 162		17 162		
D.9	Capital transfers, receivable	1 661	7	1 135	209	290	3 303	241		3 544		
D.9	Capital transfers, payable (-)	- 122	- 4	- 1 112	- 124	- 1	- 1 362	- 2 181		- 3 544		
B.16.1	Changes in net worth due to saving and capital transfers	- 4 281	3 761	- 4 891	61	- 478	- 4 937	15 221		10 283		III.2. Acquisitions of non-financial assets account
P.5	Gross capital formation								38 634	38 634		
K.1	Consumption of fixed capital (-)											
K.2	Acquisitions less disposals of non-produced non-financial assets											
B.9	Net lending (+) borrowing (-)											
	Net acquisition of financial asset											
	Net insurance of liabilities	25 278	43 609	3 636	14 861		87 384	25 440		112 824		
F.1	Monetary gold and SDFs											
F.2	Currency and deposits		19 770	928			20 698	9 120		29 818		
F.3	Bonds (other than shares)	6 050	16 124	1 107	20		23 301	5 362		28 663		III.2. Financial account
F.4	Loans	16 097	477	979	12 090		29 643	5 068		34 711		
F.5	Shares and other equity	1 929	- 1 478				451	4 956		5 407		
F.6	Insurance technical reserves	431	5 499				5 930	- 1		5 929		
F.7	Other accounts receivable/payable	771	3 217	622	2 751		7 361	935		8 296		
B.9 F	Net lending (+) borrowing (-)	- 11 926	2 108	- 4 324	1 111		- 13 031	13 031				
	Statistical discrepancy	2 836	- 584	453	- 875		2 030	- 2 030				

Sources: Statistics Portugal (INE); Portuguese Central Bank (Banco de Portugal)

**Table B.2.** Portuguese basic SAM for 2007 (in millions of euros)

	p	a	f	dic	dik	dif	rw	total
p – products	0	171 360		141 615	38 634		54 514	406 123
a – activities	317 058							317 058
f – factors		146 564					13 056	159 620
dic – (domestic) institutions' current account	22 876	230	140 287	80 940			4 841	249 175
dik – (domestic) institutions' capital account				21 473	1 122	15 061	2 341	39 997
dif – (domestic) institutions' financial account						48 913	38 471	87 384
rw – rest of the world	66 188	-1 096	19 333	5 147	241	23 410		113 223
total	406 123	317 058	159 620	249 175	39 997	87 384	113 223	

Source: Table B.1.

Note: Direct purchases abroad by residents are considered as a current transfer to the rest of the world.

**Table B.3.** Portuguese basic SAM for 2007 (in millions of euros), with disaggregated factors of production and the (domestic) institutions' current and capital accounts (in millions of euros)

		Outlays (expenditures)		PRODUCTION						INSTITUTIONS											REST OF THE WORLD	TOTAL	
				PRODUCTS	ACTIVITIES	FACTORS			CURRENT ACCOUNT					CAPITAL ACCOUNT					FINANCIAL ACCOUNT				
						Labour (employees)	Own Assets	Total	Households	Enterprises (nonfinancial corporations)	Financial corporations	Government	NonProfitInstitutionsServingHouseholds (NPISH)	Total	Households	Enterprises (nonfinancial corporations)	Financial corporations	Government		NonProfitInstitutionsServingHouseholds (NPISH)			Total
Incomes (receipts)		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16						
PRODUCTION	PRODUCTS	1	0	171 360	0	0	0	105 201	0	0	32 999	3 415	141 615	9 287	23 003	1 683	4 113	547	38 634	0	54 514	406 123	
	ACTIVITIES	2	317 058	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	317 058	
	FACTORS	Labour (employees)	3	0	82 876	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	247	83 123
		Own Assets	4	0	63 683	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12 809	76 498
		Total		0	146 564	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13 056	159 620
INSTITUTIONS	CURRENT ACCOUNT	Households	5	0	0	82 871	34 809	117 680	792	1 715	5 093	25 060	64	32 725	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4 162	154 567
		Enterprises (nonfinancial corporations)	6	0	0	0	15 972	15 972	1 711	0	705	141	0	2 557	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88	18 617
		Financial corporations	7	0	0	0	5 918	5 918	5 143	627	133	24	29	5 957	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	11 948
		Government	8	22 876	230	0	- 230	- 230	29 427	6 423	1 429	21	27	37 328	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	518	60 723
		NonProfitInstitutionsServingHouseholds(NPISH)	9	0	0	0	946	946	521	149	44	1 660	0	2 374	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3 320
		Total		22 876	230	82 871	57 416	140 287	37 594	8 914	7 405	26 905	121	80 940	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4 841	249 175
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	Households	10	0	0	0	0	8 551	0	0	0	0	8 551	0	0	2	75	0	77	- 2 265	3 048	9 411	
		Enterprises (nonfinancial corporations)	11	0	0	0	0	0	9 473	0	0	0	9 473	0	0	0	749	0	749	14 762	- 1 859	23 125	
		Financial corporations	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	4 432	0	0	4 432	0	0	2	1	0	3	- 2 692	- 55	1 688	
		Government	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 767	0	- 767	11	22	0	0	1	34	4 777	1 181	5 225	
NonProfitInstitutionsServingHouseholds(NPISH)		14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	- 216	- 216	0	0	259	0	259	479	26	549		
Total		0	0	0	0	0	8 551	9 473	4 432	- 767	- 216	21 473	11	22	4	1 084	1	1 122	15 061	2 341	39 997		
FINANCIAL ACCOUNT	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48 913	38 471	87 384		
REST OF THE WORLD	16	66 188	- 1 096	252	19 081	19 333	3 221	230	111	1 586	0	5 147	113	100	0	28	0	241	23 410	X	113 223		
TOTAL		406 123	317 058	83 123	76 498	159 620	154 567	18 617	11 948	60 723	3 320	249 175	9 411	23 125	1 688	5 225	549	39 997	87 384	113 223	X		

Sources: Statistics Portugal (*INE*); Portuguese Central Bank (*Banco de Portugal*)  
 (Integrated Economic Accounts – Table B.1; “from whom to whom matrices” for the transactions D39 and D5-9 – see Table 2).

**Table B.4.** Portuguese macroeconomic aggregates in 2007 (in millions of euros)

		millions of euros
Gross domestic product at market prices (GDP)		168 737
Gross national income (at market prices) (GNIMP)		163 394
Gross Disposable Income (DI), of:	Households	115 771
	Non-financial corporations	9 473
	Financial corporations	4 432
	General government	32 232
	Non-profit institutions serving households	3 199
	Total	165 107

Source: Table B.3.

**Table B.5.** Portuguese functional distribution of the income generated in 2007 (in percentage terms)

	%
Factors of Production (generated income = gross added value, at factor cost)	
Labour (employees)	56.5
Own assets (employers and/or own-account workers; capital)	43.5
Total	100.0

Source: Table B.3.

**Table B.6.** Portuguese institutional distribution of the income generated in 2007 (in percentage terms)

	Factors of Production		
	Labour (employees)	Own assets (employers and/or own-account workers; capital)	Total
Institutions (generated income = gross national income)			
Households	100.0	60.6	83.9
Non-financial corporations		27.8	11.4
Financial corporations		10.3	4.2
General government		- 0.4	- 0.2
Non-profit institutions serving households		1.6	0.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Table B.3.

**Table B.7.** Portuguese distribution and use of disposable income among institutions, in 2007  
(in percentage terms).

	Distribution of Disposable Income	Use of Disposable Income	
		Final Consumption	Saving
Households	70.1	92.6	7.4
Non-financial corporations	5.7		100.0
Financial corporations	2.7		100.0
General government	19.5	102.4	- 2.4
Non-profit institutions serving households	1.9	106.7	- 6.7
Total	100.0	87.0	13.0

Source: Table B.3.

**Table B.8.** Portuguese government and households budget in 2007 (in millions of euros)

	Resources or Receipts (row)		Uses or Expenditure (column)			Balance		
		Government	Households		Government	Households	Government	Households
1. Current Account (a)		60 723	154 567		61 490	146 015	- 767	8 551
	Gross National Income at factor cost	- 230	117 680	Final Consumption	32 999	105 201		
	Net taxes on production	230	0	Current transfers to Portuguese institutions	26 905	37 594		
	Net taxes on products	22 876	0	Current transfers to the RW	1 586	3 221		
	Current transfers from Portuguese institutions	37 328	32 725					
	Current transfers from the RW	518	4 162					
2. Capital Account		1 215	3 125		5 225	9 411	- 4 010	- 6 286
	Capital transfers from Portuguese institutions	34	77	Gross Capital Formation	4 113	9 287		
	Capital transfers from the RW	1 181	3 048	Capital transfers to Portuguese institutions	1 084	11		
				Capital transfers to the RW	28	113		
3 = 1 + 2 (b)		61 938	157 691		66 715	155 426	- 4 777	2 265

Source: Table B.3 (rows/columns 5, 8, 10 and 33)

(a) Balance = Gross saving

(b) Balance = - Net lending (+)/borrowing (-)

**Table B.9.** Portuguese balance of the transactions with the rest of the world or balance of payments in 2007 (in millions of euros)

	Resources (row)		Uses (column)		Balance
1. Current Account		72 411		89 573	-17 162
- Goods & Services	Exports	54 514	Imports	68 045	-13 531
- Income	Compensation of factors from the RW	13 056	Compensation of factors to the RW	19 333	-6 277
- Current Transfers	Current transfers from the RW	4 841	Current transfers to the RW + net taxes on production to the RW + net taxes on production to the RW	2 195	2 646
2. Capital Account	Capital transfers from the RW	2 341	Capital transfers to the RW	241	2 101
3 = 1 + 2 (Balance = Net borrowing)		74 752		89 813	- 15 061
4. Financial Account	Financial transfers from the RW	38 471	Financial transfers to the RW	23 410	15 061
5 = 3 + 4 = Total		113 223		113 223	0

Source: Table B.3 (row/column 16)