

Russian's foreign trade relations researches as an integrated part of an IO analysis

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The paper concerns researches in the field of Russian's foreign trade relations, which accompany compilation of expert IO tables for pre-forecast year. The necessity of these researches for creation of the information database of the IO tool is described. Also the analytical potential is assessed for analysis of shifts in competitive ability of domestic goods and services, as well as factor analysis of processes in import consumption and import substitution. Authors bring up some methodological problems which arise while constructing import resources use table (so called "import matrices") and impede systems and complex approach to analysis of foreign trade, production, final consumption and gross capital formation.

The paper provides the results of the quantitative analysis in the export/import structural changes which took place in the Russian's economy during the last decade. These shifts are due to price and physical volume changes. Authors make conclusions about positive and negative trends which had place in Russian foreign trade. Authors also discuss perspectives of Russia's entry to the WTO as well as extension of the Customs Union (The Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kirghizia and the Russian Federation).