

## **Russian Input-Output Survey for Compilation Benchmark Input-Output Tables for 2011: the Experience and the First Results**

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Benchmark Input-Output Tables, based on the data of special input-output survey, play significant role not only for exhaustive and qualitative estimates of GDP, but also for meeting interests of its users, and first of all, the government. They effectively ensure the consistency among GDP estimates by production, income and expenditure approaches at a detailed level of industries and products and improve the overall quality of the national accounts. These tables provide not only an accurate and detailed picture of the economy, but also a powerful tool for macro-economic analysis and forecast in the fields of production, demand, price, and so on.

The last benchmark IOTs for Russia were compiled for reporting year 1995. In March 2009 the government of Russian Federation issued an order providing a legal and financial basis for organization a special input-output survey for compilation benchmark IOTs for reporting year 2011. The paper will describe the methodological aspects and the main peculiarities of the input-output survey for 2011 in Russia. Special attention will be paid to the practice and the problems in carrying out of this survey. This paper will contain some figures characterizing the first results of this survey.