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Abstract

Hungary has been working on the integration of the SUT compilation into the National Accounts for several years. In the frame of this improvement special attention is made to the compilation of Use table for Imports as well. The aim at this paper is to describe the most recent improvement in this field. That is an integrated approach to constructing the Use table for imported goods and services using the data from different and incomplete sources. The main used data sources are the databases of the import flows of goods at the most detailed level of Combined Nomenclature (CN) and of services by EBOPS nomenclature cross classified with the importing industry and with the different type of transaction (normal flows, subcontracting, re-imports). This basic data comes from the foreign trade statistics. The first part of this paper gives an overview on the methodological aspects and the data sources. The second part of this paper focuses on the solutions of problems raised during the allocation of imports by use categories. As a result of this improvement our Use table at basic prices can be split up into two parts: from domestic production and from Imports. This distinguish is important to compile the SUT/IOT for EU aggregates.