Goods for processing: the case of Russia

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The 2008 SNA has significantly changed the treatment of the goods sent for processing. Updated SNA recommends to apply net recording system (without imputing a change of ownership of goods) for measurement of goods for processing, making no difference between the goods for processing domestically and abroad.

In Russia processing of goods is widespread in many sectors of economy, especially in manufacture of petroleum, chemical products, basic precious metals and other non-ferrous metals. Feature of the Russian economy is the predominance of processing within the country where one enterprise sends raw materials for processing to another domestic entity.

Estimation of goods for processing domestically and abroad is complicated task for statisticians.

The paper is focused on the methodological and practical aspects of measurement of goods for processing in the frameworks of SUT. The paper describes existing and updated approach to estimation, data used for calculation, measurement steps and problems. There are some figures in the paper showing the scale and features of this economic phenomenon in Russia.