

Estimating Time-series SUTs for the United States

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In the United States, economic censuses are conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau every five years—for years ending in two and seven. The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) uses the results of these economic censuses to generate very detailed benchmark supply-use tables (SUTs). Using both extrapolation and interpolation techniques, BEA leverages these detailed tables in combination with a variety of data sources to develop annual SUTs that are published for intercensal years. In addition, similar data sources and techniques are used to develop the quarterly SUTs which underpin BEA's quarterly GDP-by-industry statistics. In this paper, we present and discuss the methodologies used to develop these non-benchmark SUTs.