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0. INTRODUCTION

This document is updated within the framework of IPA 2019 Multi-beneficiary Statistical Cooperation Programme Service Contract No. 2020.0276. The original version was produced within the framework of IPA 2015 Multi-beneficiary Statistical Cooperation Programme.

The aim of this document is to provide a description of data sources and compilation methods, which are used for quarterly national accounts (QNA) in Bosnia and Herzegovina based on ESA 2010 methodology.

1. OVERVIEW OF THE SYSTEM OF QUARTERLY NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

The Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BHAS) has been compiling quarterly GDP since 2013. In the compilation of the quarterly GDP, two methods are used: direct methods (administrative data sources and surveys) and indirect methods (indicators).

1.1. ORGANISATION AND INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

Quarterly and annual national accounts are compiled by the Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Sector of Economic Statistics. The Economic Statistics Directorate calculates the GDP figures in accordance with the UN System of National Accounts (SNA 2008) and the European System of National Accounts (ESA 2010) manuals.

GDP is calculated according to three approaches: production, expenditure and income approach. The production approach is a leading one because of more reliable data sources.

There is no separate organisational unit for quarterly national accounts. In total, 4 persons are included in the quarterly GDP calculation, 2 from the production and income side and 2 from the expenditure side. They are responsible for annual as well as quarterly GDP calculations.

1.2. PUBLICATION TIMETABLE, REVISIONS POLICY AND DISSEMINATION OF QNA

The Agency for Statistics for Bosnia and Herzegovina (BHAS) presented for the first time quarterly gross domestic product (GDP) estimates by production approach for Bosnia and Herzegovina on June 2013. Estimates are available for the period 2006 - 2012 with a breakdown by economic activity at the section level of the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community (NACE Rev 1.1). In the early 2014 BHAS has started publishing data by new classification (NACE Rev. 2). Time series by new classification are available since 2000Q1. The estimate is publishing 90 days after the end of reference period.



GDP estimates by expenditure approach was presented for the first time on May 2015. Data by major categories of expenditure at current prices, previous year prices, prices of the reference year (2015 = 100) and real growth rates were presented. Time series by expenditure approach are available since 2000Q1. The Revision policy document is prepared and it is available on the official site.

1.3. QNA COMPILATION APPROACH

Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina compiles national accounts, including QNA, according to the concepts, definitions, classification and accounting rules of European system of account (ESA 2010). Quarterly GDP is compiled by production, income and expenditure approaches. Unlike the annual accounts for which direct measures of the variables are available, limited direct information is available on a quarterly basis and the estimates are primarily based on indicators. Indicators at detailed level of economic activities (2 digits of the NACE Rev 1.1 and NACE Rev. 2) have been used to quarterly allocate the annual estimates for years for which the corresponding annual estimates are available and to produce estimates for the most recent year for which no annual data are available.

From the technical point of view, all the tables have been prepared on Microsoft Excel. For carrying out seasonal adjustment JDemetra+ has been used.

In general: there are two main approaches for compiling QNA estimates:

- Direct approach and
- Indirect approach

The direct approach means that the quarterly values of the required variables are obtained directly from the source data (for example: output of a given activity provided by a representative quarterly establishment survey or household consumption on a specific item obtained directly from a household income and expenditure survey, the value of output, intermediate consumption and value added of utility companies from their quarterly financial statements, possibly government quarterly accounts, etc.).

The indirect approach is in fact more widely used, as there will be usually a lack of sufficient direct observation available on a quarterly basis. The indirect method means that an indicator related to the target variable is chosen to reflect its quarterly movement. The indicator can be an index, number or a value. Examples of indicators are the monthly industrial production indices, revenue from sales, output of a subset of the universe of enterprises, etc. One of the main features required for an indicator is that its annual growth will be highly correlated with the annual growth of the target variable.

GDP by expenditure approach in current prices is primarily based on direct data sources such



as: quarterly estimates by commodity flow methods. These estimates are based on detailed data on Imports and Exports at 8-digit level of foreign trade statistics nomenclature and the PRODCOM survey, regularly published monthly by Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina, quarterly Balance of Payment data (Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina) and other administrative data sources.

1.4. BALANCING, BENCHMARKING AND OTHER RECONCILIATION PROCEDURES

An important property of the quarterly national accounts is their consistency with the annual accounts, that is, the sum of the four quarters for any given year should be equal to the corresponding annual estimate. This identity is obtained by means of a statistical procedure called „benchmarking”. The Proportional Denton benchmarking method has been used in the compilation of the quarterly GDP of the Bosnia and Herzegovina, thus preserving as much as possible the intra-annual movement of the indicators but subject to the restriction that the sum of the resulting quarterly estimates should be identical to the annual data (the benchmark).

The Denton method that has been used is an Excel function for benchmarking quarterly series to annual series, which was developed by the IMF’s Statistics Department with the objective to help compilers of quarterly national accounts (QNA) in benchmarking annual national accounts (ANA) series with related quarterly indicator series. The benchmarking problem arises when time series data for the same target variable are measured at different frequencies with different level of accuracy and there is the need to remove discrepancies between annual benchmarks and corresponding sums of the sub-annual values. The optimal combination of annual levels and quarterly movements requires an adjustment, which preserves as much as possible the short-term movements in the preliminary infra-annual sources subject to the restrictions provided by the annual constraints.

The IMF manual on QNA recommends using the Denton’s proportional first differences (PFD) benchmarking method with enhancements for extrapolation. This method is optimal because it preserves as much as possible the short-term movements in the quarterly source data under the restrictions provided by the annual data and, at the same time ensures for the extrapolated quarters that the final estimate of the year is as close as possible to the unknown annual data.

1.5. VOLUME ESTIMATES

Quarterly GDP data focus on short-term movements of the economy, while the main purpose of the quarterly GDP estimate is the calculation of the volume changes. The purpose of the valuation in volume terms is to assess the dynamics of economic development irrespective of price fluctuations.



Quarterly GDP data series are presented at current prices, at prices of the previous year and chain-linked values with a fixed reference period. As requested by EU regulations and also being the most common practice among countries, quarterly volume measures of GDP, like in the annual accounts, are estimated at prices of the previous year, that is, the prices used for the derivation of the volume measures change every year to better reflect the most current structure of price relatives.

The calculation of GDP at previous year prices means that the previous year is taken as base year. In this way, the structural changes in relative prices that occurred between two consecutive years in an economy are taken into account. The measurement of the real GDP movement in year t relative to year $t-1$ requires that GDP in both years is valued at the same prices. This means that GDP in year t at constant prices, i.e. previous year prices is compared with GDP of year $t-1$ at current prices. Time series calculated at previous year prices could not be used for real growth rate calculations since data are not comparable (each year is valued at previous year's prices).

To obtain comparable series, the method of chain-linking is applied, where indicators in the form of indices referenced to the previous year are chain-linked to a single reference year. The choice of the reference year does not affect the growth rate changes, as they always remain the same. Currently, the year 2015 is used as the reference year. For the purpose of quarterly chain-linking the recommended annual overlap method is applied. This technique is used for calculating quarter-on-quarter growth rates, which are considered the most important figures for business cycle analysis.

Chain linking of quarterly data is technically more complicated than that of annual data. EU Member States and a vast majority of other countries have decided to use for the chain-linking of quarterly estimations, the average prices of the previous year (annual overlap technique), rather than the prices of the previous quarter.

1.6. SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT AND WORKING DAY CORRECTION

Seasonal adjustment is a process of time series decomposition, which removes seasonal effects on time series behavior. The seasonally adjusted series remove from the original data the quarterly seasonal fluctuations and the calendar effects. The series have been seasonally adjusted by means of the JDemetra+ software using the TRAMO-SEATS method. The direct method was used (each series was seasonally adjusted, directly). Sum of quarterly seasonally adjusted data in a year is not equal to the sum of non-seasonally adjusted data. There are no working day corrections.

In Bosnia and Herzegovina seasonally adjusted series of quarterly GDP and its components are available for all three methods of calculation: production, expenditure and income (Table 0101, 0102 and 0103).



1.7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The main page related to quarterly GDP in the Bosnia and Herzegovina can be found at:

<http://bhas.gov.ba/Home/>

Complete time series of quarterly GDP can be downloaded from:

<http://bhas.gov.ba/Calendar/Category/12?lang=bs>



2. PUBLICATION TIMETABLE, REVISIONS POLICY AND DISSEMINATION OF QNA

2.1. RELEASE POLICY

The publication timetable has not been implemented yet.

2.2. CONTENTS PUBLISHED

The following quarterly tables of the ESA 2010 Transmission Programme are published nationally at T+90 days after the end of the reference quarter:

Table 0101: Gross value added at basic prices and gross domestic product at market prices (gross value added is published in A10 breakdown). All time series are available from the 1st quarter 2000.

Table 0102: Gross domestic product at market prices by the expenditure approach. All time series are available from the 1st quarter 2000.

External users can obtain quarterly GDP data on the official website in the form of First release. The following data are published and can be downloaded in PDF form:

GDP by production approach-table 0101:

Table 1 GDP by production approach at current prices

Table.2 GDP by production approach at previous year prices

Table 3 GDP by production approach, chain linked at prices 2015

Table.3.1 GDP by production approach, chain linked at prices 2015 (real growth rates), comparison with corresponding quarter of previous year (Q/Q-4)

Table.3.2 GDP by production approach, seasonally adjusted data, chain linked at prices 2015 (real growth rates), comparison with the previous quarter (Q/Q-1)

GDP by expenditure approach-table 0102:

Table 1 GDP by expenditure approach at current prices

Table.2 GDP by expenditure approach at previous year prices

Table 3 GDP by expenditure approach, chain linked at prices 2015

Table.3.1 GDP by expenditure approach, chain linked at prices 2015 (real growth rates), comparison with corresponding quarter of previous year (Q/Q-4)



Table.3.2 GDP by expenditure approach, seasonally adjusted data, chain linked at prices 2015 (real growth rates), comparison with the previous quarter (Q/Q-1)

Transmission tables 0103 was send to Eurostat, starting with the Q12000, but not published in the Bosnia and Hercegovina at the moment.

2.3. SPECIAL TRANSMISSIONS

Quarterly GDP of the Bosnia and Herzegovina subscribes to the General Data Dissemination e-GDDS - The Enhanced General Data Dissemination System established by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

2.4. POLICY FOR METADATA

Metadata related to national accounts can be found at:

http://bhas.gov.ba/data/Publikacije/ESMS/NAC_00_Q_LOC.pdf



3. OVERALL QNA COMPILATION APPROACH

3.1. OVERALL COMPILATION APPROACH

GDP calculation by production approach is performed in two stages: calculations at current prices and previous year prices, and chain-linking results with prices of the fixed reference period.

In the first stage calculations are carried out at current prices and at prices of previous year. Estimation procedures use the Denton method for benchmarking the quarterly estimates of output and intermediate consumption to the annual benchmarks. Since benchmarking requires data on a series format, the volume indicators and benchmark estimates are rebased to the reference year (selected by convenience, first it was 2005, than 2010 and now it is 2015). The benchmarked estimates at prices of the reference period are then rebased to prices of previous year by up-scaling the data using the chain-linked annual implicit deflators. Value added at prices of previous year is obtained as the difference between output and intermediate consumption, both at prices of previous year.

In the second stage, chain-linked volume measures are calculated: series of chain-linked indices are independently calculated for sections, taxes on products and imports, subsidies on products, net taxes, GVA of all activities, GVA and GDP.

The GDP at market prices is derived from GVA at basic prices by adding taxes less subsidies on products.

GDP by expenditure approach in current prices is primarily based on direct data sources such as: quarterly estimates based on commodity flow methods. These estimates are based on detailed data on Imports and Exports at 8-digit level of foreign trade statistics nomenclature and the PRODCOM survey published monthly by Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina, quarterly Balance of Payment data (Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina) and other administrative data sources.

Final consumption expenditure of households is compiling on the very similar way as in the annual estimates. Commodity flow methods are used for the quarterly estimates of consumption of manufactured products. These estimates are based on detailed data on imports and exports at the 8-digit level of the foreign trade statistics nomenclature, the monthly PRODCOM survey, industrial production and producer price indices at the 4-digit level of the industrial classification.

Consumption of services is based mostly on indicators such as real income, population, employment, and components of the consumer price index (CPI) corresponding to the type of service. Quarterly estimates of output (derived within the framework of quarterly GDP by



production) of a given service is used as indicator if they are relevant for household's consumption. Direct data on consumption are available for utilities on a quarterly basis.

Quarterly estimates of collective and individual general government consumption expenditures are consistent with the respective estimates of output within the framework of quarterly GDP estimates by production.

There are no quarterly indicators for the estimates of NPISHs. The respective benchmarked quarterly estimates are obtained by using HFCE estimates as indicator.

Quarterly estimates of gross fixed capital formation in construction assets are obtained by benchmarking the quarterly indicator of output of the construction activity derived from quarterly GDP by production to the annual estimates of capital formation in construction assets. Commodity flow methods are used for the quarterly estimates of capital formation on machinery and equipment. This estimate is based on detailed data on foreign trade, the monthly PRODCOM survey, and the industrial production index.

Imports and exports of goods and services are based on the quarterly Balance of payments data of the Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

3.2. BALANCING, BENCHMARKING AND OTHER RECONCILIATION PROCEDURES

GDP is calculated on the basis of three approaches: the production approach, the expenditure approach and the income approach. A description of each approach is provided in the following paragraphs. GDP at market prices is the final result of the production activity of resident producer units. It can be defined in three ways:

On the basis of the production side, GDP can be measured as:

(B.1g) gross value added (at basic prices)
+ (D.21) Taxes on products
- (D.31) Subsidies on products
= (B.1*g) Gross Domestic Product at market prices

From the expenditure side, GDP can be measured as:

(P.3) + final consumption expenditure of households
+ final consumption expenditure of NPISH
+ final consumption expenditure of General Government
= total final consumption expenditure



(P.51) + gross fixed capital formation (P.52) + changes in inventories
(P.6) + exports of goods and services (P.7)- imports of goods and services
(B.1*g) = Gross Domestic Product at market prices

From the income side, GDP can be measured as:

(D.1) Compensation of employees
+ (B.2g/B.3g) Gross operating surplus / Mixed income
+ (D.2) Taxes on production and imports
- (D.3) Subsidies on production
= (B.1*g) Gross Domestic Product at market prices

While in theory each method should, conceptually, produce the same estimate of GDP, if the three measures of GDP are compiled independently using different data sources, then different estimates of GDP result.

In Bosnia and Herzegovina there are nationally published annual GDP by production, income and annual GDP by expenditure approach at current, previous year prices and chain-linked volumes.

GDP by production approach and GDP by income approach are the same in current prices, on the annual as well as on the quarterly level. Annual GDP by production approach and annual GDP by expenditure approach are not harmonising at current, previous year prices and chain-linked values.

There are also nationally published two quarterly GDP data by production and expenditure approach at current, previous year prices and chain-linked volumes. Quarterly GDP data by production approach are harmonising with annual GDP data by production approach, and quarterly GDP data by expenditure approach are harmonise with annual GDP data by expenditure approach at current, previous year prices and chain-linked volumes.

3.3. VOLUME ESTIMATES

Quarterly GDP data series are presented at current prices and as volume measures at prices of the previous year and as chain-linked values with a fixed reference period. As requested by EU regulations and also being the most common practice among countries, quarterly volume measures of GDP, like in the annual accounts, are estimated at prices of the previous year, that is, the prices used for the derivation of the volume measures change every year to better reflect the most current structure of price relatives.



However, volume values at prices of a previous year allow for the comparison of the data only between 2 successive years (data at previous year prices for any given year with the annual current price data of the previous year). In order to obtain long-term series, estimates of volume measures at prices of previous year are chain-linked (annual overlap) to produce series at a fixed reference period, thus allowing the comparison between any chosen different periods. The selected fixed reference period in Bosnia and Herzegovina was 2005, than 2010 and now it is 2015.

Individual components of the GDP by expenditure categories at constant prices are calculated by deflating each component with corresponding CPI. Estimates at previous year prices are calculated at the detailed levels (at the 4 digit or 5-digit level of the COICOP classification) of the estimates using matching categories of the CPI. Estimates of HFCE at one-digit level of COICOP are calculated as 2015 chain-linked volume measures using the annual overlap method.

Government final consumption expenditure at prices of previous year is obtained by deflating the current price estimates with the implicit deflator of output corresponding NACE in the quarterly production approach. The annual overlap method is used to estimate chain-linked volume measures at 2015 prices.

For Gross fixed capital formation at prices of previous year are obtained by deflating the current price estimates with the producer price index for machinery and equipment in the EU.

Exports and Imports of goods are deflated by detail UVI indices. Exports of services are deflated by corresponding domestic CPI, while the imports of services are delated by the CPI of main partner contries.

Starting with Q1 2017 exports of goods are deflated by industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market and imports of goods by weighted indices taking into account foreign countries producer price indices on non-domestic market, exchange rates and structure of Bosnia and Hercegovina imports by geographical breakdown.

3.4. SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT AND WORKING DAY CORRECTION

Seasonal adjustment and working-days correction

In Bosnia and Herzegovina seasonally adjusted series of quarterly GDP and its components are available for three methods of calculation: production, expenditure and income.

There are no working day corrections.



Coverage of adjusted and published figures

Breakdown and level of detail is in accordance with the ESA 2010 Transmission Programme. The following tables of ESA 2010 Transmission Programme are currently adjusted and sent to Eurostat:

- Table 0101 – Gross value added at basic prices and gross domestic product at market prices; at current, previous years' prices, chain link values and Seasonal adjusted data
- Table 0102 – GDP identity from the expenditure side at current, previous years' prices, chain link values and Seasonal adjusted data
- Table 0103 – GDP identity from the income side at current prices and Seasonal adjusted data

Method of adjustment

The TRAMO-SEATS method is used as implemented in JDemetra+ version 2.2.0 for all series in QNA. The choice between additive and multiplicative models is performed by using built-in test in TRAMO-SEATS.

Time consistency

At present, seasonally adjusted quarterly data are not consistent with the annual non-adjusted data.

Accounting consistency

At the Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina, GDP is seasonally adjusted by the direct method. The calculation of quarterly GDP by the production approach is considered to be more reliable due to the existence of exhaustive data sources and a very detailed level of calculation.

Revision policy

Currently at the Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina there is no official revision policy for seasonally adjusted data.

Policy for working-days correction

Currently at the Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina there are no working day corrections.



4. GDP COMPONENTS: THE PRODUCTION APPROACH

In this chapter the main focus is on the sources and methods for estimation of gross value added for both current prices and volume terms (chapter 4.1).

The method for estimation of FISIM is explained in chapter 4.2 as well as calculation of taxes and subsidies on products at basic prices (chapter 4.3). These variables correspond to table NAMAIN_T0101 of the ESA2010 transmission programme.

Value added at basic prices equals output at basic prices, reduced by intermediate consumption at purchaser's prices. The quarterly estimates of taxes and subsidies on products are added to the estimation of QGVA in order to obtain QGDP at market prices.

The classification of business entities by activities is in line with the KD Bosnia and Herzegovina 2010, which is directly comparable to the NACE Rev. 2 classification.

The calculation is done at the 2 digit KD Bosnia and Herzegovina 2010 levels.

4.1. GROSS VALUE ADDED

Gross value added is calculated as a difference between output and intermediate consumption.

4.1.1. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHING (A)

Calculations of value added for the agriculture, forestry and fishing activities (KD A) are done separately for agriculture (KD 01), for forestry (KD 02) and for fishing (KD 03).

Division 01: Crop and animal production, hunting and related service activities

Fixed quantity allocation of production by all individual products in the year 2005 was used for all years in the series. The weighted average prices of 2005 and 2010 were used to calculate output by product for the quarterly series. From these estimates at 2005 and later 2010 prices, a volume Laspeyres index was derived and used as the volume indicator of output. Processed agriculture products were excluded as they should be in manufacturing. Annual data on production are available 3 months after the end of the year.

An implicit Paasche type deflator was calculated based on a sample covering most of agriculture production. The deflator is obtained by dividing the estimates at current prices by the estimate at prices of previous year over the sample of products for which both quantities and prices are available on a quarterly basis. Since specific farm prices of agriculture products are available only from the first quarter of 2009, backward estimates of prices were based on corresponding changes in the CPI.



For extrapolation and preliminary estimates there are quarterly data on sales (quantities and values) by enterprises and by individual producers (namely, direct sales from enterprises and purchases from individuals). Data are based on a survey designed for the collection of prices. The details by product are satisfactory but the size of the sample may not be representative of the total population. Nevertheless, there is no other source of high frequency data. Annual production forecasts, which are lacking at present, would allow applying the same procedure as in the historical series.

For preliminary estimates (forecasts), estimates at constant prices are prepared for the quarters of 2012 by multiplying the quantities sold by the average sale price. The preliminary QNA estimates (forecasts) for the first quarter are compiled at 2005 prices by extrapolation of the estimate at 2005 of the first quarter of previous year using the over the year growth rate of the estimates at constant prices.

This procedure implies that the quarterly constant prices estimates provide an annual forecast which will change each time a new quarter is available. It is adopted because we want the annual allocation for the new year to be consistent with the quarterly allocation in the historical series (linking on the fourth quarter of previous year may change this allocation if the quarterly distribution of the indicator-the quarterly estimates at constant prices based on sales- differs from the fixed factors used in the historical series). Adopting this procedure means that estimates for previous quarters will be revised with the estimates of each additional quarter.

For preliminary estimates, the price indicator derived from the same quarterly survey on sales by dividing the current values by the corresponding values at constant prices. These implicit deflators will be chain-linked with the implicit deflators in the QNA estimates of previous year.

An alternative procedure is using an annual forecast of agriculture growth rate, used for extrapolation of quarterly estimates of previous year (the same growth rate over the same quarter of previous year for each of the four quarters).

Division 02: Forestry and logging

Although quarterly quantity production is available by type of tree for all years, there are no prices available. The sum of all quantities was used as a volume indicator. The PPI for activity 16 (Manufacture of wood and of products of wood and cork, except furniture; manufacture of articles of straw and plaiting materials) was used as price indicator. The same indicator is available for preliminary estimates.

Division 03: Fishing and aquaculture

For historical series we used quarterisation of annual estimate at current and at constant prices.



4.1.2. MANUFACTURING, MINING, QUARRYING AND OTHER INDUSTRIES (B, C, D, E)

The estimation of gross value added for the activities manufacturing, mining, quarrying and other industries (KD B, C, D and E) is carried out at 2-digit KD levels.

For the manufacturing industries (KD B, C and D) the quarterly allocation of output in the historical series and for extrapolation is based on the Industrial Production Volume indices (IPI) for each 2-digit activity. The same indicator is used for intermediate consumption, thus assuming the movement of inputs to be proportional to the movements of outputs and allowing the benchmarking procedure to correct in the QNA for the annual changes in the I/O ratios. Similarly, as prices for intermediate consumption are lacking, the same PPI for the activity is used as price indicator for intermediate consumption.

Benchmarking of output at current prices is being applied by using as indicator a preliminary value of output obtained as the product of the benchmarked values at constant prices and the PPI for each 2-digit activity. The same procedure is applied to intermediate consumption.

The volume indicator for both output and intermediate consumption is the number of employees for the activity Water supply, sewerage, waste management and remediation activities (KD E). The price indicator for output and intermediate consumption is the CPI for housing, water, electricity, gas and other fuels.

4.1.3. CONSTRUCTION (F)

The volume indicator for both output and intermediate consumption are the indices of production in construction in Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is based on the number of hours worked on sites and values of construction works.

The price indicator for output and intermediate consumption is PPI for the activity 23 (as indicator of prices of raw materials).

4.1.4. WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE, TRANSPORTATION AND STORAGE, ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICE ACTIVITIES (G, H, I)

Despite the fact that value added for KD G, H and I are usually shown at aggregated level, calculations are carried out separately for each of those activities at detailed levels.

Turnover deflated by general CPI was used as volume indicator. General CPI was used as price indicator. Estimations are carried out separately for each activity: for KD 45 - Wholesale and retail trade and repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles, for KD 46 - Wholesale trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles and for KD 47 - Retail trade, except of motor vehicles and motorcycles.



Compilation of value added for Transportation and storage (KD H) is carried out at 2-digit KD level.

For KD 49 – Land transport and transport via pipelines and KD 50 - Water transport: A composite volume index was compiled based on the structure of output updated each year, which provided output separately for road transport of goods, road transport of passengers, and railway transport of goods (about 80% of railway revenue). The relative shares in output of these categories were used to calculate an average weighted quarterly index composed by km-passengers by road, ton-km of goods by road, and ton-km goods by railway. The resulting index was used as indicator of both output and intermediate consumption. Price indicator is CPI for transport.

Data of number of passengers was used as volume indicator of output and intermediate consumption for the KD 51 – Air transport. CPI for air tickets was used as price indicator.

Turnover indices of transportation and storage activities were used as volume indicator of output and intermediate consumption for KD 52 - Warehousing and support activities for transportation. General CPI was used as price indicator.

For the KD 53 - Postal and courier activities number of letter was used as volume indicator. The CPI for postal service was used as price indicator.

Accommodation and food service activities (KD I) consists of accommodation activities (KD 55) and food and beverage service activities (KD 56). The volume indicator was derived from data on turnover of hotels (for accommodation) and data on turnover of restaurants (for food and beverage service activities) obtained from the monthly survey conducted by the entities and Brcko district deflated by the matching category in the CPI. Turnover was used as the nominal indicator.

4.1.5. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION (J)

The calculations of value added for KD J – Information and communication are carried out at 2-digit KD level. Employment was used as volume indicator for output and intermediate consumption. CPI for specific activity was used as price indicator.

4.1.6. FINANCIAL AND INSURANCE ACTIVITIES (K)

Financial and insurance activities (KD K) consist of financial services (KD 64), Insurance, reinsurance and pension funding (KD 65) and activities auxiliary to financial services and insurance activities (KD 66).



For activity KD 64 - Financial service activities, except insurance and pension funding in calculating data at previous year prices for financial intermediation, a difference between two kinds of services is made: financial services that can be directly measured (as fees and commission charges) and financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM). Estimation of financial services that can be directly measured has been made by using deflation by total CPI.

Calculation of FISIM is done in the following way:

- Average value of bank's assets and liabilities (arithmetic mean for opening and closing bank's assets and liabilities) has been deflated by total CPI;
- FISIM on loans and FISIM on deposits at current prices have been extrapolated by volume index of assets and liabilities;
- Estimation of FISIM at previous year prices is obtained as sum FISIM on loans and FISIM on deposits at previous year prices.

The consolidated report of the banking services are used to obtain data at current prices.

For the KD 65 - Insurance, reinsurance and pension funding, except compulsory social the nominal value as difference between premiums and claims has been used as indicator for output and intermediate consumption at current prices. Volume indicator was derived by deflating quarterly premiums by general CPI.

For KD 66 – Activities auxiliary to financial services and insurance activities the volume indicator of output and intermediate consumption is based on the sum of output of activities 64 and 65. The price indicator is CPI.

4.1.7. REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES (L)

For the imputation of owner occupied dwellings has been used volume indicator based on the quarterization of the annual volume measures. For intermediate consumption the benchmarked estimates of output were used as indicator. As price indicator the CPI for rentals was used.

For Real estate activities, except the imputation for owner-occupied dwellings the volume indicator is based on the number of employees. The benchmark is the total output of activity less the imputed rent. CPI for actual rentals was used as price indicator. The same indicators are used for intermediate consumption.

4.1.8. PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICE ACTIVITIES (M, N)



The calculations for KD M – Professional, scientific and technical activities and KD N - Administrative and support service activities are carried out at 2-digit KD level. Employment was used as volume indicator for output and intermediate consumption. CPI for specific activity was used as price indicator.

4.1.9. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND DEFENCE, EDUCATION, HUMAN HEALTH AND SOCIAL WORK ACTIVITIES (O, P, Q)

Number of employees was used as volume indicator. For current price, for output, composite price index made of total CPI and index of wages and salaries is used. For intermediate consumption, general CPI was used as price indicator.

$CPI_{Q1} * IC (\%) + \text{wages } Q1(\text{index}) * VA (\%)$

4.1.10. OTHER SERVICE ACTIVITIES (R, S, T, U)

Employment was used as volume indicator for output and intermediate consumption. CPI for specific activity was used as price indicator.

4.2. FISIM

Following up on the IPA 2017 work on FISIM annual FISIM series have been prepared for the years 2015 - 2020. The data for the year 2021 were prepared during IPA 2019 MBP. The allocation of FISIM over intermediate consumption, final household consumption, government consumption and NPISH consumption has also been carried out for the years 2015 – 2021. For all these activities the methodology introduced during IPA 2017 has been followed. The main data used come from the Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina (CBBH). Quarterly data for other financial institutions become available at T+4 (four months after the end of quarter T). For the annual compilation, all quarterly data sets for a given year are available. However, for quarterly compilation at T+3 this is not the case. For this reason, the initial quarterly estimates at T+3 do not include the allocation of FISIM. Only when annual FISIM has been compiled and allocated in the next year are the quarterly estimates revised to include the FISIM allocation. The only way to change this shortcoming is for the CBBH to make available its data earlier. Apart from this, the IPA 2017 project also identified problems with the quality of data needed for the calculation of FISIM. The ESA 2010 requires detailed interest and stocks of loans and deposits for the calculation of FISIM. While very detailed data on stocks exist, no interest data are available from the CBBH. The current methodology was developed during IPA 2017 and is described in the Description of the sources and methods, part A.

Due to the fact that FISIM has been already included in the annual series and that BHAS uses benchmarking procedures for disaggregation of the available annual values to quarterly data



and the extrapolation of the current year quarterly values, FISIM is automatically included in the resulting quarterly series.

4.3. TAXES LESS SUBSIDIES ON PRODUCTS

The main quarterly indicator used in the process of estimation of quarterly net taxes on products is quarterly gross value added. The calculation carried out by applying nominal indices of quarterly gross value added (Q/Q-4). When annual data become available, the quarterly estimates are reconciled ones.

Taxes on products

For the purpose of national accounts, BHAS takes the data on taxes from Indirect tax authority (ITA). Data that are indirect taxes, besides VAT, are taxes on imports and import duties, excise and all other taxes calculated on goods and services, also including sales taxes and railroad taxes. All taxes on the mentioned grounds, as well as VAT, are paid into the Single account of Indirect Taxation Authority of Bosnia and Herzegovina and allocated to the entities and the Brcko District according to the agreed ratios of distribution.

Data are not classified by types of taxes and used in the total amount for GDP calculation.

Subsidies on products

Subsidies on products and services are non-returnable payments of government institutions to market producers, provided for the production process of enterprises or for the sale or import of products.

The main data source for subsidies on products is budgetary statistics.



5. GDP COMPONENTS: THE EXPENDITURE APPROACH

Apart from the production approach, the expenditure approach of the GDP compilation is the second most important approach in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The expenditure approach measures the sum of final uses of goods and services of resident institutional units decreased by the value of import of goods and services. With the expenditure approach GDP is measured as the sum of expenditures on goods and services for final consumption and gross capital formation by units of the national economy plus exports less imports of goods and services. Final consumption is the sum of expenditures on goods and services by households, NPISH and general government. Gross capital formation is measured as the sum of expenditure on gross fixed capital formation and changes in inventories. The GDP (E) is estimated separately, in detailed structure. Finally, all these seven final uses for goods and services entering the economy are summed up.

In this chapter the main focus is on the sources and methods for estimation of QGDP by expenditure approach at current and constant prices in detail by components: household's final consumption expenditure (chapter 5.1), Government final consumption expenditure (chapter 5.2), NPISH final consumption expenditure (chapter 5.3), Gross capital formation including Gross fixed capital formation and Changes in inventories (chapter 5.4) and Exports and Imports of goods and services (chapter 5.5).

These variables correspond to table NAMA_{IN}_T0102 of the ESA2010 transmission programme.

5.1. HOUSEHOLD FINAL CONSUMPTION

Household final consumption expenditure is the largest component of the GDP by the expenditure approach.

The Household Final Consumption Expenditure (HFCE) is shown according to the national concept which is equal to the HFCE by the domestic concept less direct purchase of non-resident households on domestic territory plus direct purchases of resident households abroad.

Household expenditure for final consumption represents the value of goods and services that are purchased by resident households during a calendar year, regardless of whether they are spent in that year. The value of total spending on final consumption of households includes the consumption of resident households on both the domestic market and abroad.

As in the annual estimates commodity flow methods are used for the quarterly estimates of consumption of manufactured products. These estimates are based on detailed data on imports and exports at the 8-digit level of the foreign trade statistics nomenclature, the monthly PRODCOM survey, and industrial production and producer price indices at the 4-digit level of the industrial classification.



The domestically produced component of manufactured goods in HFCE is obtained at the 4 or 5-digit level of the COICOP classification by benchmarking the indicator to the corresponding annual estimates, where the indicators are nominal indices of production. The latter are obtained by multiplying the IPI by the corresponding PPI at the 4-digit level of the industrial classification. After the deduction of exports, and adding taxes and trade, margins the data are benchmarked to respective annual estimates using the Denton method. The sum of imported and domestically produced estimates of consumption of manufactured goods is finally aligned to the annual estimate to remove any remaining difference.

Estimates of household consumption of agriculture products are based on detailed data by Household budget survey. Consumption of fresh meat by product is based on data on slaughter. Consumption of services is based mostly on indicators such as real income, population, employment, and components of the consumer price index (CPI) corresponding to the type of service. When relevant, quarterly estimates of output (derived within the framework of quarterly GDP by production) of a given service is used as indicator of consumption. Direct data on consumption are available for utilities on a quarterly basis.

Estimates at previous year prices are calculated at the detailed levels (at the 4 digit or 5-digit level of the COICOP classification) by a deflation method using matching categories of the CPI.

Household final consumption expenditure according to the national concept is obtained by adding the expenditures of resident households abroad and by subtracting expenditures of non – resident households in the domestic territory from household final consumption expenditure according to the domestic concept.

The consumption of residents abroad and consumption of non – residents in the Bosnia and Herzegovina is based on data from the Balance of Payments, which has been regularly compiled and published by the Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The resident consumption abroad is deflated by partner country(Croatia) general CPI. The non – resident consumption in the Bosnia and Herzegovina is deflated by domestic general CPI.

5.2. GOVERNMENT FINAL CONSUMPTION

Government final consumption expenditure represents current expenditures by general government units on services to the community. These services are provided free of charge or at charges which cover only small proportion of costs, therefore the government is considered to be consumer of its own output, which has no directly observable market value. General government final consumption expenditure is further divided into expenditures for collective services and expenditures for individual services, according to the activity of general government units. Individual services are health, recreation, culture and religion, education and social protection. All other activities are considered to be collective services.



Separate estimates for collective services and individual services at current prices are based on the corresponding estimates of output in GDP by production approach, which are used as indicator in the Denton benchmarking process to the respective annual estimates. The implicit deflator of output in the quarterly production accounts is used as price indicator for obtaining the estimates at prices of previous year. The annual overlap method is used to estimate chain-linked volume measures at 2015 prices.

For Individual government consumption as indicator have been used sum of Output of P (Education) and output of Q (Health) in current prices. For the previous year prices for deflation implicit deflator of P+Q has been used. For Collective government consumption as indicator has been use output in current prices of O (Public administration). For the previous year prices for deflation implicit deflator of O has been used.

5.3. NPISH FINAL CONSUMPTION

Quarterly estimates of NPISHs are obtained by using the quarterly estimates of HFCE as indicator in the Denton benchmarking process.

5.4. GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION

Data sources for quarterly estimates for machinery and equipment are the same as for annual estimates respectively: quarterly data on imports, exports and domestic production on product level. The imported component is based on the detailed analysis and selection of capital goods at the 8-digit level of imports of goods. Annual date for taxes, percentage of annual trade margins and installation costs are added to the c.i.f. data. The resulting estimate is benchmarked to the respective annual estimate using Denton. Estimates of the domestically produced capital goods are based on nominal indicators of production at the 4-digit level of the industrial classification. After deducting exports, annual data for taxes, percentage of annual trade margins and installation costs are added. The results are benchmarked to the annual estimates using Denton. Estimates at prices of previous year are obtained by deflating the current price estimates with the producer price index for machinery and equipment in the EU.

Quarterly estimates of capital formation - construction are obtained using quarterly total output of the construction activity, both at current prices and at prices of previous year as indicator and the Denton benchmarking procedure.

No specific quarterly indicator is available for other investments. It is assumed that this component of capital formation has a similar movement as capital formation on machinery and equipment. In other words, the estimates of machinery and equipment serve as indicator in the benchmarking process of other investment.



Changes in inventories

In the absence of direct data, changes in inventories are estimated in an indirect way, by resorting to the commodity flow method (CFM). Changes in inventories are then compiled as the difference between total supply (output and imports) and total use (intermediate consumption, final consumption expenditure, gross fixed capital formation and exports).

A methodology based on commodity flows was developed during the IPA2014. Structural coefficients are based on the Supply Use Table (SUT). Since the experimental SUT that was used is still unbalanced (with large discrepancies in some product groups) results are bound to be not very good.

The methodology for the calculation of changes in inventories were to large extend reviewed during the IPA 2015 project. BHAS has made new calculation of agriculture output and recalculate quarterly data on changes of inventories using existing commodity flow method (CFM). The seasonally pattern were to same extend quarterly better distributed than in the previous calculation.

Quarterly data on changes in inventories are very limited not only in Bosnia and Herzegovina but also in lot of countries, quarterly changes in inventories plus acquisitions less disposals of valuables could be analytically treated comparing estimation of total GDP by the production approach and the sum of other components of GDP by the expenditure approach (household final consumption expenditure, NPISH final consumption expenditure, government final consumption expenditure, gross fixed capital formation and net export). Consequently, this residual may contain a statistical discrepancy. The magnitude of the resulting estimate is considered as an implicit measure of the quality of the other estimated components.

In this stage of development when Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina still do not published nationally one annual GDP by production and annual GDP by expenditure approach at current, previous year prices and chain-linked volumes, calculation changes in inventories by commodity flow method (CFM), taking into accounts structural coefficients based on the Supply Use Table (SUT) is accepted approach.

5.5. EXPORTS AND IMPORTS

The Balance of Payments of the Bosnia and Herzegovina is regularly compiled and published by the Bosna and Hercegovina National Bank. It is the main source of data for the calculation of exports and imports in the compilation of gross domestic product according to the expenditure approach at current prices.



The balance of payments of the Bosnia and Herzegovina represents a systematic overview of the value of economic transactions performed by the Bosnian residents with foreign countries within a particular period. Starting from 2012, the balance of payments is compiled according to the sixth edition of that manual (BPM6). With the beginning of the implementation of BPM6, the Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina was the first that has been implemented new methodology. Countries in EU implemented new methodology 2014.

Appliance of Balance of Payment Manual (BPM6) have caused following changes in the balance of payments current account:

Data on exports and imports include only goods for which there are a change of ownership between residents and non-residents. In other words, goods which are exported or imported for finishing, working or processing are no longer part of international trade in the balance of payments. Manufacturing services on physical inputs owned by others (finishing, working or processing) are included in the services account in BPM6 manual. The Balance of payments includes only net value of services which implies processing fee and not the value of remanufactured goods.

In BPM6 manual merchanting of goods is shown on gross principle on the Current account item Goods as a separate item. It includes the value of goods under merchanting, goods that change ownership, but are never physically present in the compiling economy. So, buying of goods is shown as imports, and selling of goods is shown as exports. Goods under merchanting are shown by transaction costs, and not by FOB values, this implies only for the country where the merchant is a resident.

Repairs of goods are no longer part of exports and imports of goods, but they are part of services.

In financial services, new thing introduced by BPM6 manual is including indirectly measured fees for financial intermediary services (Financial intermediary services indirectly measured - FISIM), that means that one part of income from investment is reclassified from the Current account item primary income to the Current account item services.

Data on exports and import of goods are taken from the Balance of payment statistics, compiled by the CBBH. Quarterly data are benchmarked to the annual estimates to remove small differences. The UVI for exports and UVI for imports had been used for deflation of goods till Q4 2016.

In order to deflate exports and imports of goods, the detailed division of total exports and imports in accordance with the Standard International Trade Classifications (SITC) was used. The value in current prices by certain items was deflated by Fisher's unit value indices.



Calculation of exports and imports of goods have been significantly improved during previous project. The improvements achieved are briefly described below.

Exports of goods are deflated by the corresponding producer price indices on non-domestic market by NACE started from the first quarter of 2017.

Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina started to produce industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market on monthly bases and published results recently. Starting with the first quarter of 2017 exports of goods is deflated by the corresponding industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market by NACE.

Imports of goods are deflated by the foreign countries industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market started from the first quarter of 2017.

For the calculation of weighted indices foreign countries industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market by NACE are used, as well as exchange rates and the structure of BHAS imports by NACE. Starting with the first quarter of 2017 imports of goods is deflated by the corresponding industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market by NACE.

Imports of goods by geographical breakdown-constant prices

Weighted indices are used as deflators for calculation of import of goods in constant prices. Geographical breakdown has been done according to BHAS data on structure of import by country of destination/origin, starting with IQ2017.

Weighted indices have been calculated using foreign countries' quarterly industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market and total, exchange rates and structure of import by country of destination/origin.

Date base includes: BHAS data base on foreign trade in goods, Eurostat, OECD price statistics data base; SORS (Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia) data bases; CNB (Croatia National Bank), CBBH (Central Bank of BiH) and National bank of Serbia data bases.

Exports and imports of services

Data on exports and imports of services are taken from the Balance of payment statistics, compiled by the CBBH. Quarterly data are benchmarked to the annual estimates to remove small differences. The General CPI of Bosnia and Herzegovina for exports is used for deflation of services while for imports of services the CPI of main partner countries is used.



6. GDP COMPONENTS: THE INCOME APPROACH

The income approach to the GDP calculation is shown in this chapter.

GDP by income approach consists of the primary income categories that resident production units and individuals receive in the process of production of goods and services. The income approach is built up from components of compensations of employees, including components wages and salaries and employers' social contributions (ch.6.1), other taxes less subsidies on production (ch.6.2), gross operating surplus and mixed income (ch.6.3).

In National accounts of Bosnia and Herzegovina the income approach of GDP is not calculated independently. Compensation of employees, other taxes on production, other subsidies on production is calculated based on the same data sources as for production approach. Gross operating surplus or mixed income is calculated as balancing items. Data are compiled at the sections level of KD Bosnia and Herzegovina 2010 which is in line with the European classification NACE Rev 2. The income approach provides estimates of the GDP and its income components at current prices.

All these data are used to prepare quarterly table NAMAIN_T0103 of the ESA 2010 transmission programme.

The main categories of income GDP are: compensation of employees, other taxes on production, other subsidies on production, gross mixed income and gross operating surplus.

The data sources for the calculation of income categories are the same as for GDP by production approach. Main data sources for legal entities are annual financial statements. This data source excludes only the households sector (entrepreneurs), for which there is still no legal framework for obligatory submission of annual financial statements. Data for unincorporated enterprises (entrepreneurs who perform their own activities) are collected from statistical surveys.

Agency for intermediation, informatics, and finances – APIF, is in charge of collection of Annual financial statements. Financial statements contain elements of revenues and expenditure, i.e. necessary elements for the calculation of output and intermediation consumption by data sources.

Sources of data for taxes on production are Ministries of Finance. The main data source for other subsidies on production is budgetary statistics.

6.1. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES

Compensation of employees includes all remuneration to employees, both in cash or in kind, that the employees receive in return for their work done, as well as all payments to the compulsory social security schemes of employees.



Compensation of employees includes two components:

Wages and salaries paid in cash or in kind,

Social contribution of employers

Basis for the calculation of quarterly data are the annual value of the compensation of employees of the previous year at the sections level of NACE Rev.2. When annually data from national accounts are available allocation by quarters is done using coefficient quarterly gross wages and salaries.

The main quarterly indicator used in the process of estimation of compensation of employees is the average monthly gross earnings. This indicator is considered to be suitable for estimation which is carried out by applying nominal indices of average monthly gross earnings to the values of compensation of employees for the same quarter of the previous year. This indicator is applied at section level NACE Rev2. When annual data become available, the quarterly estimates are reconciled ones.

6.2. TAXES LESS SUBSIDIES ON PRODUCTION

Other taxes on production are categories of GVA and consist of all payments by production units to general government institutions for the engagement in the production process independent of the quantity or value of the goods and services produced or sold. They may be payable on land, fixed assets or labour employed in the production process or on certain activities or transaction.

Other subsidies on production are current unrequited payments by general government to resident market producers. The main data source for other subsidies on production is budgetary statistics.

The main quarterly indicator used in the process of estimation of quarterly net taxes on production is quarterly gross value added. The calculation carried out by applying nominal indices of quarterly gross valued added (Q/Q-4). When annual data become available, the quarterly estimates are reconciled ones.

6.3. GROSS OPERATING SURPLUS & MIXED INCOME

Gross operating surplus and mixed income are calculated for the generation of income account as a residual item (by deducting compensation of employees, net taxes on production from gross value added calculated from the production side).



7. POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT

In this moment, there is no any data for population and employment.

7.1. POPULATION

In this moment, there is no any data for population.

7.2. EMPLOYMENT: PERSONS

For activity 1.4 for table 0110 data on total employment according to the national concept is not available.

Activity 1.5 for table 0111 (“AN series for 2010 - 2014 and 2017 - 2021 for all series for EMP, SAL, SELF (In persons)”) is done.

7.3. EMPLOYMENT: TOTAL HOURS WORKED

In this moment, there is no any data for employment.



8. FLASH ESTIMATES

In this moment, there is no current plan for real flash estimate.

8.1. FLASH GDP ESTIMATE

In this moment, there is no current plan for real flash estimate.

8.2. FLASH EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATE

In this moment, there is no current plan for real flash estimate.

8.3. OTHER EXISTING FLASH ESTIMATE, IF ANY

In this moment, there is no current plan for real flash estimate.



9. MAIN DATA SOURCES USED

Main data sources used in production process are listed in this Chapter.

The main data sources used for QNA in the Bosnia and Herzegovina are listed in the following table:

No.	Name of the data source	Prod.	Exp.	Inc.	Other
1	Purchase and direct sale/realization of agricultural products	X			
2	Production of forest assortments	X	X		
3	Indices of industrial production (IPI)	X	X		
4	Producer price index	X	X		
5	Number of employed persons	X	X		
6	Consumer price indices	X	X		
7	Indices of production in construction	X	X		
8	Distributive trade turnover indices	X			
9	Road transport, railway transport and air transport	X	X		
10	Monthly statements on deposits and bank claims	X			
11	Consolidated balance sheet of commercial banks of BH	X			
12	Data on insurance premiums and claims	X			
13	Average monthly gross earning	X		X	
14	Retail trade data/ Value indices by branches/ detail breakdown		X		
15	Tourists arrivals and nights		X		
16	Data about percentage consumption of electricity		X		
17	Data about percentage consumption of water		X		
18	Data about percentage consumption of gas		X		



19	Unit Value Indices		X		
20	Balance of Payment data		X		
21	Eurostat data base - Industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market		X		
22	Population – Live birth and A dead person		X		
23	Average real wages – real income		X		

Source 1: Purchase and direct sale/realization of agricultural products

Data on purchase and direct sale/realization of agricultural products result from the aggregation of comparable data from regular statistical surveys conducted by two entity statistical institutes and Branch Office in the Brcko District (The Quarterly Report on the Purchase of Agricultural Products from the Individual Producers - TRG 31 and the Quarterly Report on Direct Sale/Realization of Agricultural Products from Own Production of Agricultural Enterprises and Cooperatives - TRG 33).

Name of survey:	Purchase and direct sale/realization of agricultural products
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 50 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Average price and quantity of products

Source 2: Production and sales of forest assortments

The data on production of forest products presented here have been prepared on a basis of data provided by entity statistical offices underlying the regular monthly survey results.

Monthly reports are provided by all companies performing their business activities in the forestry sector and permanently producing forest products.

The data presented here cover only production of forest products manufactured out of the resources from the stateowned forest. Forest products from private forests are not covered



here. The given quantities represent net volume measured in cubic meters.

Name of survey:	Production and sales of forest assortments
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	“Manual on the economic accounts for Agriculture and Forestry EAA/EAF '97 rev.1.1” “European Framework for Integrated Environmental and Economic Accounting for Forests – IEEAF 2002”
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 45 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Production of forest assortments

Source 3: Indices of industrial production (IPI)

Industrial production index (IPI) in Bosnia and Herzegovina covers activities classified into the following sections of the KD BiH 2010: B - Mining and quarrying C - Manufacturing D - Electricity and gas supply. Industrial production indices are calculated using the Laspeyres formula.

Name of survey:	Volume indeks of industrial production
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	EU STS - Short Term Statistics EU Regulation (EC) No 472/2008
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 25 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Calculation of volume indices for B, C and D Activities



Source 4: Producer price indices

PPI in Bosnia and Herzegovina is calculated based on the representative list of products and it's producers making a sample of cca.570 producers. Each month 4 255 prices are collected directly from producers' through the unique questionnaire created in cooperation with Italian experts. The main criterion for selecting the sample of enterprises products and services that are surveyed was the volume of production and selling on the domestic market got from the Annual survey on Industrial production (IND-21). Classification of industrial products is based on the Nomenclature of Industrial Products in B&H 2010 based on the PRODCOM List 2010.

Name of survey:	Producer price indices
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	Classification of industrial products is based on the Nomenclature of Industrial Products - PRODCOM List 2010 Eurostat Handbook on industrial producer price indices (PPI)
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 25 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Producer price indices

Source 5: Number of employed persons

Data on the number of employed persons in business entities in BiH are obtained through statistical research and from administrative sources. The total number of employed persons in BiH is the data aggregated on the basis of collected and processed data from the Federation of BiH, Republika Srpska and Branch Office of Agency for Statistics of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the Brčko district BiH. The survey includes legal entities of all types of ownership, government bodies, institutions and other organizations that operate on the territory of BiH. Persons in paid employment are all persons who have signed a work contract with the employer for a fixed or unspecified period of time, irrespective of type of ownership and of whether they work full time or less than full time.

Name of survey:	Persons in paid employment by activity
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	



Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 50 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Calculation of volume indices for services, for both approaches (production and expenditure)

Source 6: Consumer price indices

The CPI in the Bosnia and Herzegovina is calculated on the basis of a representative basket consisting of about 616 different items. About 21 000 prices are collected each month in a fixed panel of outlets in twelve geographical locations. The classification of products used in the CPI is based on the Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose (COICOP). The COICOP breaks consumer expenditure into 12 different divisions of consumer goods and services.

Name of survey:	Consumer price indices
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose – COICOP Eurostat Recommendations on Harmonized Indices on Consumers Prices
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 25 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Consumer price indices on a very detail level of COICOP

Source 7: Indices of production in construction

The index of production in construction is one of the principal short-term business indicators. It approximates the evolution of the volume of production in construction within the construction sector, broken down into building construction and civil engineering works. The breakdown on the building construction and civil engineering works are based on the Classification of types of construction.



Name of survey:	The Quarterly Report on construction (K KPS GRAÐ-21)
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	EU Methodology of Short-Term Business Statistics (Theme 4, ISSN 1725- 0099; European Communities, 2006) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1503/2006 on definitions of variables, list of variables and frequency of data compilation
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 50 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Indices of production in construction

Source 8: Distributive trade turnover indices

Primary goal of distributive trade statistics is to provide timely information on change of level of realized turnover and other relevant indicators. Distributive trade turnover index is one of the key indicators of economic activity in the country which helps government bodies and private sector enterprises in the decisionmaking process. It is also applied for the estimation of trade sector output, household consumption, as well as in the calculation of national accounts.

Name of survey:	K KPS TRG 02
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	Survey methodology is completely harmonized with the one prescribed by Council Regulation (EC) No.1165/98 concerning short-term statistics from the 1998 (Annex D) and its amendments (hereinafter EU STS regulation) and with Eurostat recommendations for this statistical area.
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 55 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Distributive trade turnover indices



Source 9: Road transport, railway transport and air transport

Data on Road and Railway transport were obtained by processing monthly and quarterly statistical data from surveys conducted by the Statistical Offices at the level of entities. The reporting units for these surveys are enterprises and other business subjects engaged in domestic and international transport of passengers and goods.

Statistical data on aircraft movements, number of passengers, freight and mail transported on airports in BiH are taken from Directorate of civil aviation of BiH.

Name of survey:	K KPS TRANS 01
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	EU STS Regulation 1165/98 Statistical data for air transport are processed in accordance with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) statistical programme and standards.
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 55 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Passenger – kilometres by road; Tonne - kilometres by road, Tonne - kilometres by railway; Number of passengers; Turnover indices of transportation; Number of letters

Source 10: Report of revenues and expenses

The Banking Agency of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina has prepared the Information on the Banking System of the Federation of BiH and the Banking Agency of Republika Srpska has prepared Report on the Condition of the Banking System of Republika Srpska. These releases are based on financial statements and other information and data provided by banks.

Name of survey:	Statements and other information and data provided by banks
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly



Time of availability of results:	90 days after the end of the referent period
Main variables used in QNA:	Interest recived by banks, Interest paid by banks and Explicit charges

Source 11: Consolidated balance sheet of commercial banks of BH

The monetary statistics compiled and published by the Central Bank of Bosnia and Herzegovina produces harmonized data on the stock of financial and non-financial assets and liabilities of the financial sector of Bosnia and Herzegovina, with the tendency to expand the future coverage to the flows, depending on available resources.

Name of survey:	Consolidated Survey on commercial banks in Bosnia and Herzegovina
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	IMF Monetary and Financial Statistics Manual (MFSM 2000) The Guide for Compilation of Monetary and Financial Statistics (2007)
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 4 of 5 weeks after the end of the reporting month
Main variables used in QNA:	Assets and Liabilities

Source 12: Data on insurance premiums and claims

Insurance Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina provides and maintains all relevant data about the overall insurance market in Bosnia and Herzegovina. In accordance to the constitutional organization of Bosnia and Herzegovina there are two institutions that exercise the supervision and regulation of the BiH insurance market and its participants on entity level - the Insurance Supervisory Agency of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Insurance Agency of Republic of Srpska.

Name of survey:	
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Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 4 of 5 weeks after the end of the reporting month
Main variables used in QNA:	Premiums and claims paid

Source 13: Average monthly gross earning

Data on average monthly gross earnings are based on regular monthly survey on employment and wages (RAD -1). The survey comprises persons in employment in legal entities of all types of ownership, government bodies, institutions and other organizations. Average monthly gross earnings comprise net income of a person in employment plus contributions from gross earnings and advance income tax as prescribed by law.

Name of survey:	Average monthly gross earnings of persons in employment
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 45 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Calculation of composite index for O, P and Q Activities

Source 14: Retail trade data/ Value indices by branches/ detail breakdown

The Retail trade data survey comprises business entities /legal units which are, by the main activity, registered within retail trade, except retail trade of motor vehicles and motorcycles (division 47 - KD BiH 2010), and businesses which are, according to their main activity, classified in other activities, but also performing retail trade. For the purpose of the survey, Classification of Activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina - KD BiH 2010 was used, and it is fully compliant with the European Classification of Economic Activities - NACE Rev. 2. Survey covers the entire



territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Entrepreneurs are not included. In conducting the survey, the three statistical institutions in BiH participate. The main observation variable is monthly turnover of business entity, excluding VAT, which is in accordance with EU-STS regulation separately stated.

Name of survey:	Retail trade turnover indices
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	Classification of Activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina - KD BiH 2010 Methodology for this survey is based on the Council Regulations No 1165/98 (Annex C), 1158/05, 1503/06 and 1893/06 Concerning Short-Term Business Statistics
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 28 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Turnover of retail trade data

Source 15: Tourists arrivals and nights

Data on turnover of tourists (number of tourist arrivals and tourist nights) are collected from a regular monthly report (TU-11 form). Reports are usually made on the basis of reception records in guest books, entities and their parts engaged in organising and arranging of tourists. Observation units are all business entities /legal units which are, by the main activity, registered in accommodation activity (division 55 - KD BiH 2010), persons as well as households that rent accommodation establishments to tourists. For the purpose of the survey, Classification of Activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina - KD BiH 2010 was used, and it is fully compliant with the European Classification of Economic Activities - NACE Rev. 2. Reporting units are all business entities (enterprises, entrepreneurs, institutions, associations etc.) and parts thereof engaged in providing accommodation servi in tourism registered according to the CA BiH 2010 under section : 55.1 (hotels and similar accommodation), 55.2 (holiday and other short - stay accommodation), 55.3 (camps and camping grounds), 55.9 (other accommodation), health institutions for their facilities in which persons stay for medical rehabilitation (costs are on persons themselves), business entities and parts thereof engaged in tourist stay in rural households, houses, camps, apartments and rooms directly rented by private persons/households. Survey covers the entire territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.



Name of survey:	Tourists arrivals and nights
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	Classification of Activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina - KD BiH 2010 was used, and it is fully compliant with the European Classification of Economic Activities - NACE Rev. 2.
Periodicity:	monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 33 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Number of nights of foreign tourists

Source 16: Data about percentage consumption of electricity

Data are taken from Bosnia and Herzegovina Electricity and show percentage consumption of electricity.

Name of data source :	Bosnia and Herzegovina Electricity (EPBiH)
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available for previous year
Main variables used in QNA:	Consumption of electricity by households

Source 17: Data about percentage consumption of water

Data are taken from KJKP VIK and show percentage consumption of water.

Name of data source :	Water supply and sanitation – KJKP VIK
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Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available for previous year
Main variables used in QNA:	Consumption of water by households

Source 18: Data about percentage consumption of gas

Data are taken from Company for natural gas supply and show percentage consumption of gas.

Name of data source :	Company for natural gas supply
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available for previous year
Main variables used in QNA	Consumption of gas by households

Source 19: Unit value indices

Export and import price indices are calculated as unit value indices, in other words, indices of the change of the export and import value per quantity unit of exported/imported goods, that is, per kilogram as a uniform and comparable quantity unit for all goods.

Name of survey:	Unit value indices
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	The basic methodological principles for the calculation of export/import prices can be found in the publication entitled Methods Used in Computing the United Nations Price Indexes for External Trade, Volume I, Statistical Papers, Series M No. 82, UN, 1991, as well as in the materials entitled Statistics on the



	Trading of Goods, User Guide, Annex 8, Foreign Trade Indices, Methodology and Sources, Eurostat.
Periodicity:	quarterly, annually
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 50 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Exports and Imports Unit value indices by NACE and SITIC classification

Source 20: Balance of Payment data

The balance of payments of the Bosnia and Herzegovina represents a systematic overview of the value of economic transactions performed by the Bosnia and Herzegovina residents with foreign countries within a particular period.

Name of survey:	Balance of Payment data
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	It is compiled in accordance with the recommendations of the International Monetary Fund (Balance of Payments Manual, Fifth Edition, 1993).
Periodicity:	quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 87 days after the end of the survey period, and second version 90 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Exports and imports of goods and services

Source 21: Eurostat data base - Industrial producer price indices on non-domestic market

The Industrial producer price index measures changes of producer prices of manufactured goods produced in particular country and sold by producers on non-domestic market.

Name of survey:	Monthly Survey on Industrial Producer Prices on non-domestic market
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	Concepts and definitions used in the IND-3/KPS/M Survey are harmonized with the EU Methodology of Short-Term Business Statistics (Theme 4, ISSN 1725-0099; European Communities,



	2006) as well as with the Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1503/2006 on definitions of variables, list of variables and frequency of data compilation.
Periodicity:	Monthly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 10 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Industrial producer price indices according to NACE 2007 sections and divisions
Further adjustments made to the survey data:	Indices are calculated compared to the average of the previous year

Source 22: Population – Live birth and d dead persons

The quarterly population in the Bosnia and Herzegovina is calculated on the basis of a live birth, a dead person on quarterly level and natural increase on year level.

Name of survey:	Demography
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	The recommendations of the World Health Assembly
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 25 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Population

Source 23: Average real wages – real income

The quarterly real income in the Bosnia and Herzegovina is calculated on the basis of an average real wages and General CPI. An average wages are calculated of neto wages and general CPI. Data on average monthly gross earnings are based on regular monthly survey on employment and wages (RAD -1). The survey comprises persons in employment in legal entities of all types of ownership, government bodies, institutions and other organizations. Average monthly gross earnings comprise net income of a person in employment plus contributions from gross earnings and advance income tax as prescribed by law.



Name of survey:	Average monthly gross earnings of persons in employment
Link to surveys undertaken at the European level:	
Periodicity:	Quarterly
Time of availability of results:	Results are available 45 days after the end of the survey period
Main variables used in QNA:	Real income