



General Classification of Economic Activities - NOGA

Description

The General Classification of Economic Activities (NOGA) is an essential tool for structuring, analyzing and presenting statistical information. It enables the statistical units "enterprises" and "establishments" to be classified by their economic activity and categorized into coherent groups. It can be used to depict the real situation as accurately and comprehensively as possible.

The NOGA takes into account both the framework conditions set by the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community (NACE) and the needs of various interest groups in Switzerland.

Actual version:
NOGA 2008

Previous versions:
NOGA 2002 (valid from 1.2002 to 12.2007)
NOGA 1995 (valid from 1.1995 to 12.2001)

Methodology

Hierarchical structure with 5 levels: Section (1 capital letter), Division (2 digits), Group (3 digits), Class (4 digits) and Type (6 digits).

NOGA is compatible with NACE up to the fourth level (class). The last level (type) allows to take into account the specificities of the Swiss economic fabric.

A NOGA code is assigned to each enterprise and each business registered in the Business and Enterprise Register (BER).

Application fields:
- Statistics: classification and comparison of statistics (at national and international levels)

Policy on revisions

Routine revisions:
None

Methodology revisions:
According to the rate of revisions of the International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities (ISIC) and the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community (NACE).

Legal bases

None

Organization

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