



Tourism Satellite Account

Glossary

Basic prices

Real production costs, including taxes on production and less subsidies on production, but exclusive of taxes and subsidies on products and deductible value added tax.

Business trips

Trips made by employed and self-employed persons within the context of their occupation for their employer or business and which are not remunerated from within the place visited.

Depreciation

Estimate of loss in value of fixed production assets (machines, real estate) in the production process.

Domestic tourism

Trips made by residents.

Domestic visitors

Visitors with usual residence in Switzerland.

Final demand

Value of goods and services which are used for the immediate satisfaction of individual and collective human needs.

Foreign visitors

Visitors with permanent residence abroad.

Gross domestic product

The GDP quantifies the economic performance of the national economy. It is an estimate of the value of goods and services produced in a country as far as they are not used as input for the production of other goods or services, before deduction of depreciation. Equal to the sum of the gross value added from all sectors, plus taxes on products and less subsidies on products.

Gross value added

The GVA describes the arising increase in value of goods from the manufacturing process, before deduction of depreciation. It is equal to output (measured at basic prices) less intermediate consumption (measured at purchasers' prices).

Inbound tourism

Trips to Switzerland from persons living abroad.

Input-output table

Shows in table-form which goods are produced and used by which branches.

Intermediate consumption

Goods and services which are used in the manufacturing process. In the national accounts intermediate consumption is calculated at purchasers' prices.

National accounts

Accounting system which records all transactions taking place in the national economy. Core variables calculated are gross domestic product and gross national income.

Outbound tourism

Trips made by Swiss residents with destination abroad.

Output

Value of domestically manufactured goods and services at basic prices.

Private trips

All non-business-related trips.

Purchasers' prices

Manufacturing costs plus taxes on products less subsidies on products plus transport costs and trade margins.

Resources

Volume of goods and services (of domestic and imported origin).

Same-day visitors

Visitors on trips not involving overnights stays.

Subsidies on products

Subsidies which are allocated per value unit or physical unit of a good or service.

Synthesis statistic

A statistic which is composed of various basic statistics or parts of them. The statistics are in general harmonized, i.e. the basic statistics are not used as such but are first matched to each other. The statistics used for both the tourism satellite account and the national accounts are synthesis statistics.

Taxes on production

Taxes which are levied on manufacturing, but which cannot be related to individual value units or physical units of goods or services (e.g.: tax on toxic emissions).

Taxes on products

Taxes which are levied per value unit or physical unit of a good or service (e.g.: tobacco tax per packet of cigarettes).

Tourism characteristic products

Products which, in the absence of visitors, in most countries would probably cease to exist in meaningful quantity or for which the level of consumption would be significantly reduced. These products are defined in the TSA: RMF.

Tourism connected products

A residual category, including those products that have been identified as tourism-specific in a given country but for which this attribute has not been acknowledged on a worldwide basis.

Tourist

Visitor who stays overnight.

Use of production

Consumption and export of goods and services.

Visitor

Traveler on trip outside his/her usual environment.

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