

Comments on draft SNA
Chapter 21: Measuring corporate activity

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This template allows you to record your comments on draft SNA chapter 21 “Measuring corporate activity” and, at the same time, makes it easy for us to use your comments in considering revisions to the draft chapter. You may complete any or all parts of the template.

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Part I: General comments

In the space below, please provide any general comments. This may cover e.g. the structure of the chapter, issues missing and (lack of) consistency with other chapters of the 2008 SNA.

General comments:

General comment	We attentively have read the draft for this new SNA-chapter. Although we have not spotted obvious mistakes, we unfortunately cannot see the need nor necessity to have this chapter in the SNA-2008, partly because certain sections are simply redundant (e.g.). Therefore we suggest to transfer the points thought of as important to existing chapters (eg the section C on sub-sectors in amore elaborated form to chapter 4 on units, section D on corporations in different countries to chapter 26 on RoW, or section F on consequences of financial distress to chapter 22 on General Government).
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Part II: Comments on specific draft paragraphs and sections

All comments on specific draft paragraphs are welcome. They can be about e.g. scope, content and clarity. Proposing a concrete alternative text or table is also possible. For the paragraphs in separate sections, separate forms are used for providing and collecting comments (see below).

A. Introduction (paragraphs 21.1-21.6)

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21.1	Click here and start typing.
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B. The demography of corporations (paragraphs 21.7-21.22)

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21.7	Click here and start typing.
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C. Sub-sectors (paragraphs 21.23-21.26)

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21.23	Click here and start typing.
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D. Relations between corporations in different economies (paragraphs 21.27-21.45)

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21.27	Click here and start typing.
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E. The contribution of assets to production (paragraph 21.46)

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F. The consequences of financial distress (paragraphs 21.47-21.53)

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21.47	Click here and start typing.
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G. Links to commercial accounting (paragraphs 21.54-21.59)

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Part III. Other specific comments

You are welcome to make other specific comments. To assist you in doing so, the following points are provided as a guide to the types of points on which you might wish to comment. Note, though, that you are not restricted to commenting on only these points.

1. Are the examples of how to record changes in corporate structure clear and sufficient?
2. Is the description of FDI adequate as an introduction to the fuller description in the benchmark definition?
3. Should there be more discussion about the consequences of financial distress?

Specific comments:

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