

**Comments on draft SNA chapter:
Chapter 24: The households sector**

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This template allows you to record your comments on draft SNA chapter 24 “The households sector” 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	Unfortunately we are not convinced, that this new chapter really is needed in the future SNA-2008. We would prefer to integrate the essential parts in other existing chapters and to produce a more elaborated handbook in addition..
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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 24.1-24.5)

General comment	
24.1	a) How do self-employed fit into this description?
24.1*	b) typo: fixed instead of foxed capital.

* Insert rows in this Word table for each paragraph on which you wish to comment.

B. Sub-sectoring households (paragraphs 24.6-24.21)

General comment	
24.10	With increasing income not necessarily the amount of food declines, but its share.
24.17*	Logically it should read either “second way” or “alternative way”.

* Insert rows in this Word table for each paragraph on which you wish to comment.

C. Households as producers (paragraphs 24.22-24.36)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
24.24	Is it really necessary to discuss the problem of purchaser’s prices in this chapter?
24.35	We welcome para. 24.35, were some borderline cases in the field of paid domestic services are now clarified. However, this should be mentioned in the core chapter of the SNA..

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D. Households as consumers (paragraphs 24.37-24.40)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
24.37	Click here and start typing.
*	Click here and start typing.

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E. Household income (paragraphs 24.41-24.45)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
24.41	Click here and start typing.
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F. Household wealth and associated income flows (paragraphs 24.46-24.50)

General comment	Why do we need the heading “1. consumer durables” if there is no other heading ??
24.46	
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G. Data sources (paragraph 24.51)

General comment	Click here and start typing.
24.51	A quantitative comparison between private consumption and income of households from household budget survey and from national accounts was presented for Germany at the 30th general conference of IARIW in August 2008 (session 5).
*	Click here and start typing.

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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 there any other considerations or options for sub-sectoring households that you would wish to see included?
2. Are there any other aspects of household production that should be elaborated in the chapter?
3. Are there any other references you would suggest including?

Specific comments:

Specific comments	Click here and start typing.
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