Industrial products in kind specified in the Nomenclature of Industrial Production (PRODCOM.BG)

Methodological notes

Purpose and use

The survey provides data on industrial articles manufactured and sold, as well as on industrial services rendered through survey, which covers enterprises which carry out industrial activity as primary or as secondary.

The purpose of the survey is to collect statistics for each product in the national Nomenclature of Industrial Production (PRODCOM.BG) for which it is known that production and/or sales exist on the basis of a representative sample of enterprises manufacturing industrial goods and rendering industrial services.

Legal acts

- Statistics Act;
- National Statistical Program;
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 973/2007 of 20 August 2007 amending certain EC Regulations on specific statistical domains implementing the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Revision 2;


Classifications used

The national version of the Classification of Economic Activities (NACE.BG 2008) is used to be identified a main activity of the enterprise at the class level (4-digit code).

The national version of the Classification of Products by Activity (CPA.BG 2015) is used for definition of product groups to be surveyed. CPA includes product groups referring to one class of economic activity and classifies products (goods and services) which have common characteristics.

The Nomenclature of Industrial Production (PRODCOM.BG) is disaggregation of product categories and subcategories in the national version of the Classification of Products by Activity (CPA.BG 2015) to product headings which can be measured by physical units.

PRODCOM.BG is a hierarchical system for classification of industrial goods and services which consists of lists of classes from the national version of the Classification of Economic Activities (NACE.BG Rev.2). Headings in each class are set out in ascending order of their PRODCOM.BG codes, grouped according to the corresponding CPA.BG 2015 headings.

Each PRODCOM.BG heading contains:
- eight-digit numeric heading code;
- heading description;
- corresponding Combined Nomenclature code (CN code);
In accordance with the Statistics Act the national Nomenclature of Industrial production (PRODCOM.BG) is used for collecting, processing and dissemination of statistical data on total production and sales for each one product in PRODCOM.BG in terms of quantity and/or value.

PRODCOM.BG ensures national unity and compatibility with European and international standards for statistical and other economic surveys as well as for analyses of industrial production.

PRODCOM.BG enables consistent link of production data to foreign trade statistics. Coverage of headings in PRODCOM.BG is defined by one or more headings of the Combined Nomenclature of the European Community which is based on the Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System. In principle the General Rules for the Interpretation of the Harmonized System can be applied also to PRODCOM.BG headings.

PRODCOM.BG is identical to the List of products (Prodcom List) used for the survey of industrial production in the European Community. It is revised each year reflecting the latest changes and modifications made in the Prodcom List. The changes enter into force on January 1st of the year following their adoption.

**Definition and sources of information**

**Statistical survey**

The Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 of 19 December 1991 on the establishment of a Community survey of industrial production states that all EU enterprises which carry out one or more of the industrial activities, i.e. activities classified in Sections B and C of NACE Rev.2, should be covered by the survey.

For data collection an annual questionnaire on industrial products manufactured and sold is used.

**Main statistical indicators**

**Volume of total production** - the actual production which has been carried out during the reference period, irrespective of whether this production has been sold, put on stocks or used for further processing by the same enterprise. Production of products on the basis of contract processing is included as well. The enterprise physically carrying out the production, i.e. the subcontractor, reports the quantity of total production.

**Volume of Total production on the basis of contract processing** - the actual production which has been carried out during the reference period by the subcontractor.

**Volume of sold production** – the own production sold during the reference period irrespective of when it has been manufactured. In cases of production on the basis of contract processing the principal who receives the finished goods and sells them reports the volume of sold production.

**Value of sold production** - the value of the own production sold during the reference period (thousand BGN), excluding VAT and excise duties. In cases of production on the basis of
contract processing the principal who receives the finished goods and sells those reports the value of sold production.

**Volume of production sold on the domestic market** – the own production sold during the reference period irrespective of when it has been manufactured. In cases of production on the basis of contract processing the principal who receives the finished goods and sells those reports the volume of sold production.

**Value of production sold on the domestic market** - the value of the own production sold during the reference period (thousand BGN), excluding VAT and excise duties. In cases of production on the basis of contract processing the principal who receives the finished goods and sells those reports the volume of sold production.

**Total fee paid to the subcontractor** – the fee received by the subcontractor for the work done (thousand BGN, excluding VAT and excise duties).

**Fee paid to the subcontractor by the foreign principal** - the fee received by the subcontractor for the work done (thousand BGN, excluding VAT and excise duties) from the foreign principal.

**Other sources**

For within NACE Rev.2 class 10.51 “Operation of dairies and cheese making” is used data collected by the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Forestry, Agrostatistics Department in accordance with Article 5 (3) of Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 and the Strategy for Development of the National Statistical System.

**Coverage, design and sample size**

The survey is sample-based. The sample model ensures 90% coverage of sold production in terms of value at the national level for each NACE 2008 class.

The target population covers all non-financial enterprises which manufacture at least one industrial product (commodity or service) included in the Nomenclature of Industrial Production (PRODCOM.BG).

For selection of sampling units the following SBS indicators are used:

- four-digit NACE code of the main enterprise activity;
- receipts from sales of production and services for industrial enterprises (the main activity is classified under NACE Rev.2 07.10 - 33.20 and 38.32);
- industrial turnover for non-industrial enterprises.

The sample design applied is a cut-off sample, which means that it is a full coverage survey with a cut-off threshold. To ensure 90% coverage of national production per defined NACE 2008 class a lower threshold is used for several NACE 2008 classes.

**Confidentiality**

The national rules of confidentiality are defined in the national Statistics Act. According to the article 25 The National Statistical Institute, the Bodies of Statistics and their officials cannot make public or provide individual statistical data and statistical information, which aggregates the data on less than three statistical units or population, in which the relative share of studied parameter of a unit is equal or over 85 per cent of the total volume of this parameter for all population units.
Publicity and transparency

Data on the industrial products manufactured and sold aggregated by product subcategories of the Classification of Products by Activity (CPA.BG 2015) is posted on the NSI’s website in accordance with the dates indicated in the NSI release calendar.

Detailed information according to Statistics Act for all indicators and PRODCOM.BG product headings is accessible and provided on request. All users are treated equitably.

Information on the total production of particular products and product groups as well as explanatory notes are published in the Statistical Reference Book and Statistical Yearbook.

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