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RELATIONS AMONG STATISTICAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS

Note by the secretariat

Note: The Working Party, at its fifty-fourth session, asked the secretariat to prepare a note about the correlation of various classification systems in use in the UNECE (TRANS/WP.6/145 para. 9). A chart is presented overleaf that outlines the relations between the major UN and EU classifications of Activities and Products.

The classification system for transport statistics, the NST2000, is closely related to the CPA and the corresponding CPC.

The previous classification systems for commodities in transport statistics, the NST/R and the corresponding CTSE, were closely related to the SITC.

Because transport also comprises non-commercial goods like removal goods and household waste it would not be appropriate to replace the NST2000 with e.g. CPA or a trade nomenclature. Also the classification of unknown types of unitized goods, e.g. goods in containers, requires special treatment. Accordingly, there is a need for a separate classification to be used in transport statistics.

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Worldwide UN

EU level

National level

ACTIVITIES

ISIC Rev. 3

NACE Rev. 1

National versions of NACE Rev. 1

PRODUCTS

CPC

CPA

National versions of CPA

PRODCOM

National Versions of PRODCOM

Foreign Trade Statistics

Harmonized System (HS)

Combined Nomenclature (CN)

SITC Rev.3
Legend:

CPA – Classification of Products by Activity
CPC – Central Product Classification
ISIC – International Standard Industrial Classification
NACE – Nomenclature générale des activités économiques dans les Communautés européennes
        General Industrial Classification of Economic Activities within the European Communities
NST – Nomenclature statistique des transports
        Standard Goods Nomenclature for Transport Statistics
PRODCOM – PRODucts of the European COMmunity
SITC – Standard International Trade Classification