C-5: Water supply industry and population connected to water supply industry

Glossary, abbreviations and units of measurement

Glossary:

Gross freshwater supplied by water supply industry (ISIC 36): Water supplied by water

supply industry to the user. Includes losses during transport. The water supplied by water supply industry for the

operation of irrigation canals is excluded.

Losses during transport: The volume of water lost during transport between a point of

abstraction and a point of use, and between points of use

and reuse. Includes leakages and evaporation.

Net freshwater supplied by water supply industry (ISIC 36): Gross freshwater supplied by

water supply industry minus freshwater losses during

transport.

Water supply industry (ISIC 36): Public or private bodies whose main functions are

water collection, treatment and distribution activities for

domestic and industrial needs.

Abbreviations:

AQUASTAT: FAO's global information system on water and agriculture

ECE: United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

EEA: European Environment Agency

EU: European Union

Eurostat: European Union Statistical Service

FAO: Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations

IRWS: International Recommendations for Water Statistics

UNCSD: United Nations Commission for Sustainable Development

UNSD: United Nations Statistics Division

WHO: World Health Organization

WMO: World Meteorological Organisation

Units of measurement:

m³: cubic metre