

# CZECH APPROACH TO PRICE AND VOLUME MEASURES OF GLOBAL PRODUCTION

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#### **Motivation**

- Globalization
- Introduction of ESA 2010
  - Fully implemented in September 2014
  - Revision of time series (1990 onwards)
  - New approaches implemented



#### Price and volume measures in the Czech Republic

- Annual national accounts are deflated within supply and use tables
- Product division: CPA 2 or 3 digit
- Transformation from purchasers' prices to basic prices
- Consistent deflation of exports and imports in supply and use side



#### **Deflation of foreign trade**

- Following types of exports and imports are recognized:
  - Goods
    - Merchanting
    - Re-exports
    - Other goods
  - Services
    - Processing services
    - Purchases of residents / non-residents
    - Other services
- Specific deflation method is applied on each type
- Product breakdown



## **Deflation of merchanting**

- Export of merchanting (traditional merchanting)
  - Net principle of recording (margin only)
  - Sales / purchases surveyed directly
  - Product that is traded (e.g. CPA 35)
  - Ratio of margin to basic prices cannot be used
    - Basic prices = 0
    - See the example:

Product (CPA code)	Label	Purchasers' prices	Trade margin	Basic prices
35	Electricity, gas, steam	100	100	0
46	Wholesale trade service		-100	100
	Total	100	0	100



## **Deflation of merchanting**

- Double deflation method
  - Purchases
  - Sales
- PPI of countries where goods are purchased / sold
  - Actually group of countries
  - Product structure: no information from the survey
    - Assumption NACE ~ CPA



## **Deflation of merchanting**

- Inverse (negative) merchanting
  - Not recognized by ESA 2010
  - Mirror case of traditional merchanting
  - Deflation
    - Import price indices



#### Re-export

- Similar to merchanting
  - Difference in physical movement (crossing borders of domestic economy)
  - Gross recording according to Manuals
- Deflation
  - Import: price indices of import
  - Export: price indices of import (goods)
    - ratio of margin to basic prices (margin)



# **Processing services**

- Deflation discussed during Task Force on Price and Volume Measures (2015 2016)
- Czech approach
  - Export: PPI
  - Import: import price indices



#### **Conclusion**

- Globalization influences deflation techniques
- No special price indices available
- Intermediation services evolve (e.g. Uber)





# Thank you for your attention