

## NOTES TO TABLES

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### **Government finance - Page S-57**

A column indicating "Standing appropriations" was added to the table to enhance the comparability of this table with the budget format. These payments include guaranteed claims against government such as the subscription payments to the International Development Agency (IDA), the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) and valuation adjustment payments to the International Monetary Fund.

### **Foreign debt of government - Page S-66**

The South African authorities subscribed to the International Monetary Fund's Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) in 1996 and indicated their willingness to fully observe the specifications of the SDDS before the end of 1998. In order to observe the specifications of the SDDS, two new tables under the headings "Redemption schedule of foreign debt of government" and "Interest payment schedule of government foreign debt" were added as page S-66.

### **Financial public enterprises - Page S-82**

Data on the assets and liabilities of financial public enterprises were added as page S-82 to enhance the coverage of public-sector statistics.

### **Foreign liabilities and assets - Pages S-92 to S-97**

Two rows were added to pages S-92 and S-97 under the heading "Direct investment - Public corporations" to provide information on direct inward investment into South Africa.

### **Foreign reserves - Pages S-84, S-85 and S-102**

The country's gross and net gold and other foreign reserves have been amended owing to revised banking statistics and the reclassification of short-term foreign rand-denominated assets of the private banking sector. The rand-denominated foreign assets are no longer included as part of the country's foreign reserves. Changes in these assets of the private banking sector were reclassified as part of short-term capital movements of the monetary sector.

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