

Notes to tables

Government finance statistics of extra-budgetary institutions – Table S–65

As from fiscal 2009/10, data for *extra-budgetary institutions, non-financial and financial public enterprises and corporations* in tables S–65, S–71 and S–73 have been revised with audited annual financial statements and in accordance with the updated *Institutional Sector Classification Guide for South Africa* published in December 2011. At the macro level the revisions had no significant statistical impact on the data.

The *extra-budgetary institutions* survey has been improved and institutions such as the Armaments Corporation of South Africa (ARMSCOR), the Independent Development Trust (IDT), the South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA) and others have been included in the analysis, whereas the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS) and the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) have been moved to the analysis of *non-financial public enterprises and corporations*.

Government finance statistics of non-financial public enterprises and corporations – Table S–71

The analysis of *non-financial public enterprises and corporations* now includes additional institutions such as the CSIR, SABS, Broadband Infrastructure Company, South African Express, State Diamond Traders, and certain water authorities, whereas institutions such as ARMSCOR, SAMSA and some other minor institutions have been removed and incorporated in the analysis of extra-budgetary institutions.

Government finance statistics of financial public enterprises and corporations – Table S–73

The *financial public enterprises and corporations* analysis now excludes data for the IDT, which was moved to *extra-budgetary institutions*. Mpumalanga Housing Finance Company was removed from the analysis as from April 2010 subsequent to the merger with the Mpumalanga Economic Growth Agency, which falls under *non-financial public enterprises and corporations*.

Selected household assets and liabilities at year-end – Table S–130

This is a new table. It presents estimates of the total assets and liabilities of the household sector and selected major items on the aggregate household balance sheet, valued at year-end. The presentation of the additional table is a further step to expand the scope of South Africa's national accounts within the framework provided by the System of National Accounts (SNA), a set of guidelines that provide a comprehensive conceptual and accounting framework for macroeconomic analysis. The estimates of household assets and liabilities are compiled by the South African Reserve Bank, and will be updated annually.

National accounts: Ratios of selected data – Table S–150

A series indicating the household sector's debt-service cost relative to disposable income has been added to Table S–150. The quarterly values of the ratio reflect the interest cost of servicing the household sector's debt as a percentage of household disposable income; the data are seasonally adjusted. The annual ratio is calculated as the average of the relevant four quarterly values. The debt-service cost ratio is a frequently used measure of the interest burden of the household sector.

