Notes to tables

Unit trusts - Table S-34

In the unit trusts table KB225, the time series 'total assets at book value' has been terminated as international statistical guidelines only require reporting at market value in line with the industry practice of marking assets to market.

Gross fixed capital formation - Tables S-120 and S-121

Statistics South Africa (Stats SA) took responsibility for the estimation and dissemination of gross domestic product (GDP) from the expenditure approach on 8 June 2016. The publication of gross fixed capital formation by kind of economic activity – as set out in the first six columns of tables KB615, KB616, KB617 and KB618 – will be discontinued in the *Quarterly Bulletin* starting from the December 2017 issue to align these data sets with those published by Stats SA.

Change in inventories – Tables S–126 and S–127

Change in inventories data published in tables KB624 and KB625 now resemble those published by Stats SA. In table KB624, change in inventories was previously published at book value, with valuation adjustment identified separately. In both tables KB624 and KB625, change in inventories in the manufacturing sector is no longer disaggregated into private business enterprises and other manufacturers, and in the trade sector, it is no longer disaggregated into wholesale and retail trade, catering and accommodation, and other. Furthermore, industrial and commercial inventories at current and constant 2010 prices are no longer published. As from the current issue of the *Quarterly Bulletin*, the valuation adjustment is now included in the sectoral data.

Consumer prices: All urban areas – Tables S–140, S–141, S–142, S–143 and S–156

The consumer price indices for all urban areas in tables S-140 and S-141 (which are based on the Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose and published by Stats SA from January 2008 onwards) as well as the percentage changes over 12 months in these indices in tables S-142, S-143 and S-156 were, wherever possible, statistically linked to the historical consumer price index for metropolitan areas (which is based on the International Trade Classification that Stats SA discontinued after December 2007).