

# Notes to tables

All the tables in this *Quarterly Bulletin* have been scrutinized and revisions were made to the classifications and the statistics with a view to improving and updating them where possible. The territorial coverage of all tables was changed and only the Republic of South Africa and South West Africa are now regarded as the domestic territory, while Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland are treated as foreign countries.

Although many tables are affected by these revisions, the most important changes were made to the national accounts and balance of payments statistics. The latter have already been published in the *Quarterly Bulletin* of December 1970 and a statistical presentation is now given in the Supplement to this issue of the *Bulletin*, containing a description of the main changes of concepts, definitions and territorial coverage and presenting tables with comparable balance of payments data for the period 1946 to 1970.

The national accounts statistics have also been completely revised from 1946 onwards. Tables S-65 to S-74 contain annual figures on the new basis for the period 1963 to 1970 and quarterly figures for 1969 and 1970. Comparable figures for the period from 1946 onwards, together with a brief description of the main changes in concepts and classifications, will be published in a Supplement to the June issue of the *Quarterly Bulletin*.

The main revisions and additions to the national accounts data may be summarised as follows:

- (1) Statistics are now based on the concepts and classifications of the United Nations' new manual *A System of National Accounts*, Studies in Methods, Series F, No. 2, Revision 3, 1968.
- (2) Seasonally adjusted quarterly figures are published for the first time in Table S-65.
- (3) More statistics are now given at constant 1963 prices (Tables S-66 and S-68).
- (4) Revised figures and new classifications are given for private consumption expenditure (Tables S-68 and S-69) fixed investment (Table S-71) and changes in inventories (Table S-72).

# Opmerkings oor tabelle

Al die tabelle in hierdie *Kwartaalblad* is deeglik ondersoek en hersienings is aan die indelings en die statistiek aangebring ten einde dit, waar moontlik, te verbeter en op datum te bring. Die gebiedsdekking van al die tabelle is verander en slegs die Republiek en Suidwes-Afrika word nou as die binnelandse gebied beskou terwyl Botswana, Lesotho en Swaziland as vreemde lande behandel word.

Alhoewel baie tabelle deur die hersienings geraak word, is die belangrikste veranderings aan die nasionale rekeninge- en betalingsbalansstatistiek aangebring. Laasgenoemde is reeds in die Desember 1970 *Kwartaalblad* gepubliseer en 'n statistiese aanbieding word nou in die byvoegsel tot hierdie uitgawe van die *Kwartaalblad* gegee wat 'n beskrywing van die belangrikste hersienings aan die konsepte, definisies en gebiedsdekking bevat, tesame met tabelle wat vergelykbare betalingsbalansgegevens vir die tydperk 1946 tot 1970 aantoon.

Die nasionale rekeninge-statistiek vanaf 1946 is in sy geheel hersien. Tabelle S-65 tot S-74 bevat jaarsyfers op die nuwe basis vir die tydperk 1963 tot 1970, en kwartaalsyfers vir 1969 en 1970. Vergelykbare syfers vir die periode vanaf 1946, tesame met 'n kort beskrywing van die belangrikste veranderings in konsepte en indelings, sal in 'n byvoegsel tot die Junie-uitgawe van die *Kwartaalblad*, gepubliseer word.

Die belangrikste veranderings en byvoegings tot die nasionale rekeninge-gegevens kan soos volg saamgevat word:

- (1) Die statistiek is nou op die konsepte en indelings van die Verenigde Volke Organisasie se nuwe handleiding *A System of National Accounts, Studies in Methods, Series F, No. 2, Rev. 3, 1968* gebaseer.
- (2) Seisoensaangesuiwerde kwartaalsyfers word nou vir die eerste keer in tabel S-65 gepubliseer.
- (3) Meer statistiek word nou teen konstante 1963-pryse gegee (tabelle S-66 en S-68).
- (4) Hersiene syfers en nuwe indelings word gegee vir private verbruiksbesteding (tabelle S-68 en S-69), vaste investering (tabel S-71) en veranderings in voorrade (tabel S-72).