Aggregate Control and Public Sector in NTA

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I. Public Sector in NTA

the public sector-

an <u>intermediary</u> that compels reallocations across <u>age groups</u> and/or across time.

Coverage of Public Sector

By #4.112 of SNA, "the general government sector consists of the following group of resident institutional units:

 (a) All units of central, state or local government;
 (b) Social insurance funds at each level of government
 (c) All non-market NPIs that are controlled and mainly financed by government units.

 Public enterprises or profit-making activities

(e.g., monopoly) are not included.

Q: China as an exception?

Public and Private Sectors in NTA

Lifecycle Deficit Private Public Less: Labor Income Lifecycle Reallocations Asset Reallocation Assets Income (private+public)

Less: Saving (private+public)

Transfers

Private Public



Institutional Units in NTA



Institutional Units in NI



Six Institutional Units in NI

NI sectors	NTA data source	
1. The general government sector	NI, aggregates	
2. The household sector	FIES, individual	
3. The financial corporations sector		
4. The non-financial corporations sector		
5. The non-profit institutions serving households sector		
6. Rest-of-World	NI, aggregates	

II. Aggregate Controls

General Guideline Use NI figures as aggregate control variables Rearrange NI terms into NTA format Use NNP figures NNP = GNP - depreciation GNP = GDP + overseas income of nationals - factor cost paid to foreigners

Aggregate Controls (2)

What for? To adjust individual data in FIES to aggregate data in NI

- To account for non-HH private sectors, which does not appear in FIES
 - (Q: should we consider incorporating the enterprises directly?)
- To account for ROW

NTA and NI

same economic concept

production in the economy is equal to the income earned, and is equal to total spending.

consistency

NTA aggregates are equal to NI

syst different welfare concerns

- NTA: by individual or by age group
- NI: national aggregates

NTA Identity



i: individual or age group

NI Identity

• $C + I + G (+X - M) = Y_L + Y_A$

some adjustment needed for open economy-shown later



From NTA to NI



Main Items to Adjust

- proprietor's income
- depreciation
- net export
- indirect taxes
- Medicare/NHI, and pension programs
- statistical discrepancy

Proprietor's Income

NTA: Entrepreneurial income, selfemployment...

NI: operating surplus (in Taiwan, net of asset income), proprietor's income (in US) ...

Rule: 2/3 to Labor Income, 1/3 to Asset Income

Net Exports

To take care of ROW:

- = balance of payments (if positive, an increase in foreign reserves)

Net Exports=

- net compensation of employees from ROW...... \boldsymbol{Y}_L
- net prop & entrp income from ROW...proprietor's income
- net transfers from ROW.....transfers
- net borrowing from ROW net savings

Depreciation

To take care of Savings:

Saving = Gross Investment Depreciation Net borrowing from ROW

Indirect Taxes

Consumption related taxes:

- by equivalent scale, or age profile of specific commodities (e.g., tobacco), ...
- e.g., Import duties, VAT, ...
- (Issue: Tax incidence fell on those who pay:
 - What about Taiwan, with small % of consumer
 - goods imports—13% in 1998, 8.2% in 2004?)
- Asset related taxes:
 - By age profile of asset income

Social Insurances

- reallocate to public in-kind benefit
 - (1) deduct the social insurance benefit from Private Consumption
 - (2) reallocate as a government in-kind benefit
- other issues
 - If the imputed benefits of social insurances appear in private consumption (in FIES), it should de removed (as in the case of Taiwan)
 - The aggregate is separately estimated from other sources, such as National Health Accounts...

Statistical Discrepancy

Adjust income and indirect figures proportionally

see website-methodology-aggregate controls- US example

Other Variables

Other variables can be drawn directly, or calculated from results above.

●e.g., Private C = Health (out-of-pocket)

+ Education (out-of-pocket)

+ other consumptions

more example

- $Y_L =$ compensation of employees (incl. labor earning,
 - employer provided benefits—bonus, housing, social insurance premium...)
 - + 2/3 of proprietor income
 - + indirect taxes allocated to labor income
 - + net compensation from ROW
- Y_A = returns to assets (interest, dividends, rents)
 - + 1/3 of proprietor income
 - + indirect taxes allocated to asset income
 - subsidy

Intra-household Transfer

- By definition, intrahousehold transfer sums to zero for each household. And national total is zero.
- The aggregate controls are derived from the main variables used to estimate intrahousehold transfers.
- The adjustment factor differs by variable, but is invariant by age, individual and household

YL, labor income	The aggregate value of labor income is estimated using compensation of employees, household operating surplus, indirect taxes and import duties. Refer equation (1.7).		
TGCash, public cash transfers	Includes pension, health insurance, social assistance and any other public cash. Each type of the cash transfers are adjusted separately for the aggregate control.		
TGTax, public tax	All the taxes paid by individuals.		
TPB, interhousehold transfers	If we assume that the income survey is representative, we use the aggregate value from the household survey. Otherwise, we use a proxy adjustment factor from other income or expenditure variable.		
CC, current consumption	Three different adjustments are made separately for this current consumption: Education, health and other consumption.		
CD, durable consumption	urable Imputed rental value of owner-occupied housing and the flow of services from consumer durables.		

IV. Public Accounts

Public Consumption:
 Education, Health, Other public C
 Social insurances
 Public Asset Income
 Public Savings
 Public Transfers (to Private)

Inflow and Outflow

inflows = in-kind transfers + cash transfer
 + social insurance benefits

outflows = taxes + social insurance premiums

budget deficits = inflow - outflow (surpluses = outflow - inflow)

Allocating to Age Groups

For Public accounts, we allocate the aggregates to different ages.

Note that in the estimation of private sector accounts, we begin with individual data and then perform aggregate controls.

Age Reallocation

Age reallocations occur as beneficiaries of such programs belong to different age groups from the taxpayers who fund them.



Outflows of Public Transfer

🖢 Taxes...

- The age pattern of the outflows depends on how the programs are financed - the age variation of the economic resource being taxed and the age variation in the rate of taxation.
- Some programs are financed by <u>dedicated sources</u> (e.g., property taxes in the US are used to finance public education), others are by <u>general taxes</u>. In Taiwan, for example, there are virtually no dedicated taxes.

Taxes

Generational accounting (GA) assumes that the incidence of the tax falls on the entity that pays the tax: payroll taxes are paid by workers, sales tax by consumers, property tax by owners of property, and so on (Auerbach and Kotlikoff 1999).

We follow the GA methods, but with some modifications.

Types of Taxes

Direct taxes

- personal and corporate income taxes
- estate and gift tax, financial transactions tax, land tax, other property tax...

Indirect taxes

- custom duties, sales tax, license tax, ...
- monopoly profits,...
- Fines and regulatory expenses
 - treated as direct taxes

Subsidies

treated as deductions from indirect taxes

**Direct Taxes

#personal (and corporate) income taxes

- #estate and gift tax, land tax, other
 property tax,...
- \rightarrow allocated according to
- #financial transactions tax, ...

Allocating Direct Taxes

Direct taxes (and regulatory expenses) are levied according to taxpayers' own declaration on labor income or property income.

- Obtain the aggregate figure from macro sources.
- Get age profile of direct taxes from income and expenditure surveys.

Inflows of Public Transfers

Cash transfers social assistance,... In-kind transfers (from Government) Consumption) #public education *national defense, administration, ... Social insurances

Cash Transfers

Cash public transfer inflows are typically targeted and often vary substantially with age.

E.g., Old-age Farmer's Welfare Allowance Program (1995-) in Taiwan

Allocate Cash Transfers

If age pattern of beneficiaries can be decided from income surveys or other sources,

#allocate the aggregate figure according to the age distribution of income level, age, ethnicity, ...

Otherwise (or for simplicity)

#allocate on per capita basis

In-kind Transfers

- Administration, defense, public health,...
 - Allocate on per capita basis in the same way as untargeted cash transfers
- Education
 - Allocate to enrolled students

Estimating Education

- Question: Is government final consumption spent only, or mostly, on public schools?
 - If yes, the figure is allocated on public school students. Otherwise, it is allocated to all students.
- Need the following data

 (1) enrollment rate by school level (and by age)
 (2) education expenses by school level

Social Insurances

National Health Program
 National Pension Program
 For both programs, we need to find out the age distribution of beneficiaries (and contributors).

National Health Program

Need the following statistics
 Aggregate total
 Age distribution of contributors
 Age distribution of beneficiaries

 By age
 By amount

Example: Age Pattern of Beneficiaries

Year 2001				
age group				
0-4	11,718	45-49	1,405,285	
5-9	25,511	50-54	1,037,632	
10-14	36,073	55-59	588,997	
15-19	183,024	60-64	500,439	
20-24	1,018,085	65-69	392,495	
25-29	1,604,543	70-74	391,199	
30-34	1,600,092	75-79	262,535	
35-39	1,644,471	80-84	132,526	
40-44	1,561,169	85+	70,153	

National Pension System

National Pension Program Need the age profiles of contributors and beneficiaries. Not yet implemented in Taiwan, but there are Labor Insurance, Government Employee Insurance,... (Q: Do we consider these pension systems?)

Social Insurances Programs in Taiwan

	program			
A1.	Government Employee Insurance (GEI)			
A2	Retired Government Employees Insurance (RGEI)			
A3	Health Insurance for Government Employees' Dependents (HIGED)			
A4	Health Insurance for Retired Government Employees (HIRGE)			
A5	Health Insurance for Spouses of Retired Government Employees (HISRGE)			
A6	Insurance for Teaching and Administrative Staffs of Private Schools (ITASPS)			
A7	Insurance for Retired Teaching and Administrative Staffs of Private Schools (IRTASPS) until 1985.6; Health Insurance for Retired Teaching and Administrative Staffs of Private Schools (HIRTASPS)			
A8	Health Insurance for Spouses of Retired Teaching and Administrative Staffs of Private Schools (HISRT ASPS)			
A9	Health Insurance for Dependents of Teaching and Administrative Staffs of Private Schools (HIDT ASPS)			
A10	Insurance for Government Employees and Teaching and Administrative Staffs of Schools (GEI)			
В	Labor Insurance (LI)			
С	Farmer's Health Insurance (FHI):			
D	Servicemen's Insurance (SI)			

Allocating Direct Taxes

Asset-related taxes

Income taxesFees, fines and other taxes