

How to Capture Multinationals in National Accounts

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The structure in the Swedish economy is time-glass-shaped, i.e. many large companies and many small companies. This medium size companies are few due to historical reasons. The sensitivity in the economy increases as the large companies usually work on an international basis, with a minor part of the business based in Sweden. Although, the head office is usually based at home.

For National Accounts, it is of utmost importance to know the largest companies very well, not only the Swedish part of the organisation but also the international part of business. Therefore, a special unit for the 50 largest companies has been established for some years.

Since 2011 the unit for larger companies has started to work in closer corporation with National Accounts. Special areas will be studied to have a better understanding for what data that is of high importance to national accounts. The goal is that all important data/events for these companies will be available before calculation begins. This paper will report for the ongoing work in this area and also show some case studies for special areas.