

Abstract for “The Dutch National Accounts Revision, Impact on 2010”

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From a historical point of view, an overall revision of the Dutch National accounts has resulted in an increase in GDP, both as a result of renewed benchmarking and as a consequence of conceptual alignment to the new guidelines of the SNA 2008 / ESA 2010. The benchmark revision for the year 1995 led to an upward adjustment of 12 billion euro (4,1%) and for the year 2001 to an adjustment of 18 billion euro (4,3%).

This study will present the results of the 2010 revision of the Dutch National accounts on the level of GDP, to be published in the first half of 2014. It will show the effects of the benchmarking process as well as the consequences of the conceptual changes, notably the treatment of expenses on research and development and military weapons as capital expenditure. The level adjustment may also lead to revisions in GDP growth rates. The numerical results of the revision will be presented and discussed.