

Technical Notes on the 2005-2010 BPM6-based BOP Series, as of March 2014

Following the implementation of the compilation framework based on the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual, 6th Edition (BPM6) in March 2013, the BSP is releasing the backtracked BOP monthly data series from 2005-2010. Apart from the conversion to BPM6 format, the revisions to the backtracked BOP data series mainly reflected the use of new data sources and estimation methodologies to generate more accurate and reliable BOP statistics.

	Change from BPM5	Other Changes Reflected
A. Current Account		
1. Trade in Goods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net of goods for processing and other consigned items which were reclassified to services • Repairs on goods reclassified to services • Goods under merchanting reclassified from services 	Reflects additional valuation adjustments; and post-audit adjustments
2. Trade in Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net of goods for processing and other consigned items which were reclassified from goods • Repairs on goods reclassified from goods • Goods under merchanting reclassified to goods • Inclusion of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) data 	Post-audit adjustments; includes additional and revised data from official sources; and reflects updated estimates of IT-BPO services
3. Primary Income	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exclusion of FISIM data 	Post-audit adjustments; includes revised data from official sources; and estimates on interest on intercompany loans
4. Secondary Income		Use of data from Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development's (OECD) Report on Grants to the Philippines; post-audit adjustments; and use of additional data sources on personal transfers
B. Capital Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exclusion of Migrants' Transfers in both Receipts and Payments 	Reflects estimates based on data from OECD's Report; and post-audit adjustments
C. Financial Account	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change in computation of balances (BPM5: Liabilities less Assets ; BPM6: Assets less Liabilities) 	Reflects reclassification of OBUs from Other Sectors to Deposit-Taking Corporations, Other than Central Bank
1. Direct Investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use of asset-liabilities (data are organized according to whether the investment relates to an asset or a liability) rather than directional principle (direct investment is shown as either direct investment abroad or direct investment in the reporting economy) 	Post-audit adjustments
2. Portfolio Investment		<p>For Assets: Reflects data updates from Coordinated Portfolio Investments Survey (CPIS) for Other Sectors; adoption of the recommendations of the IMF technical assistance mission on the Depository Corporations Survey (DCS); and post-audit adjustments</p> <p>For Liabilities: Adoption of the recommendations of the IMF technical assistance mission on the DCS; change in data source from IOD's BSP-registered portfolio investments to PSE's foreign buying/(selling) of listed shares and IOD's outstanding peso-denominated securities held by custodian banks for non-residents; and post-audit adjustments</p>
3. Financial Derivatives		Post-audit adjustments
4. Other Investments		Adoption of the recommendations of the IMF technical assistance mission on the DCS; final data from data sources; and post-audit adjustments
Overall BOP Position		For 2010, reflects updated data based on revised accounting policies and methodology in the computation of foreign exchange gains and losses