System of Environmental Economic Accounting

Introduction to Core Accounting Principles on SEEA and SNA

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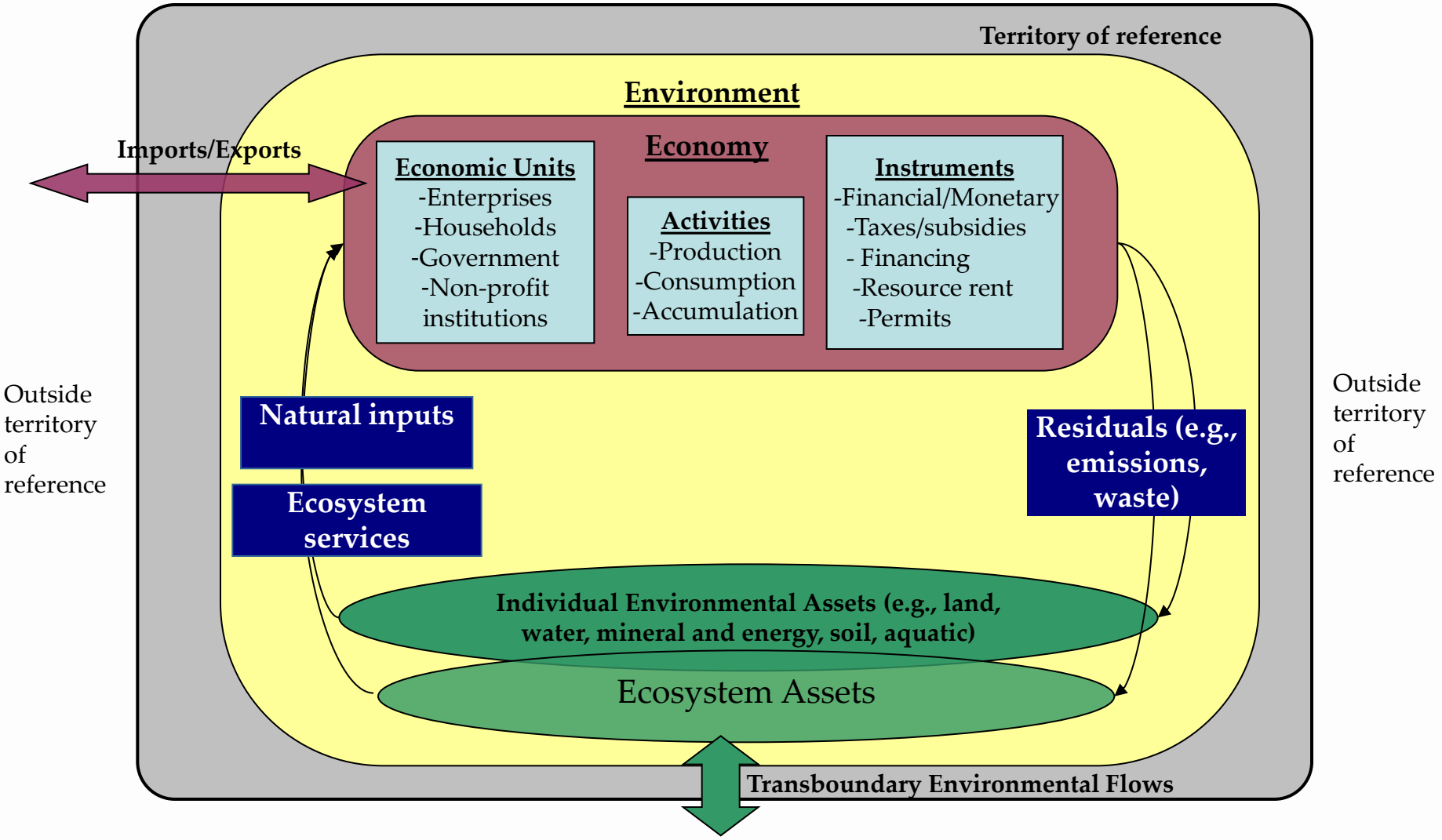
Objectives of the Session

- Define the scope of measurement in the SEEA
  - Defining the economy and the environment
  - The production boundary
  - Economic units – sectors and industries
- The accounting structure of the SEEA
- SEEA Central Framework
- SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting

SEEA Conceptual Framework



Defining the Economy

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Defining the "Economy"

- Economic activities
  - > Production, Consumption, Accumulation
- Economic products
  - > Goods and services
- Economic assets
  - > Produced, Non-produced, Financial assets
- Economic units
  - > Establishments, enterprises, households, governments
- Economic territory
  - > Residence, geographic coverage

Constituents of an Economy?

Institutional unit: an entity capable of owning assets, incurring liabilities, carrying out economic activities taking decisions on all aspects of economic life and engaging in transactions with other entities.

Economic Territory: The geographic territory administered by the government of the country within which persons, goods, and capital can circulate freely.

The economic territory in which an institutional unit has its centre of predominant economic interest [2008 SNA] is the residence of the unit.

Some Questions – Domestic Economy

State whether TRUE of FALSE.

1. Foreign students staying for three years are consid
2. A branch of Citi Bank (an American bank) in Tokyo is a Japan.
3. Australian crew of a ship of a Japanese company are
4. Non-residents are not considered to be owners of imm
5. All unincorporated businesses without separate account household sector
6. Branch of foreign NPI serving residents households is resident NPISH.
7. Central Bank is part of the general government sector.
8. A branch of a Japanese company in Thailand is resident of

Q 1. FALSE

Q 2. TRUE

Q 3. FALSE

Q 4. TRUE

Q 5. TRUE

Q 6. TRUE

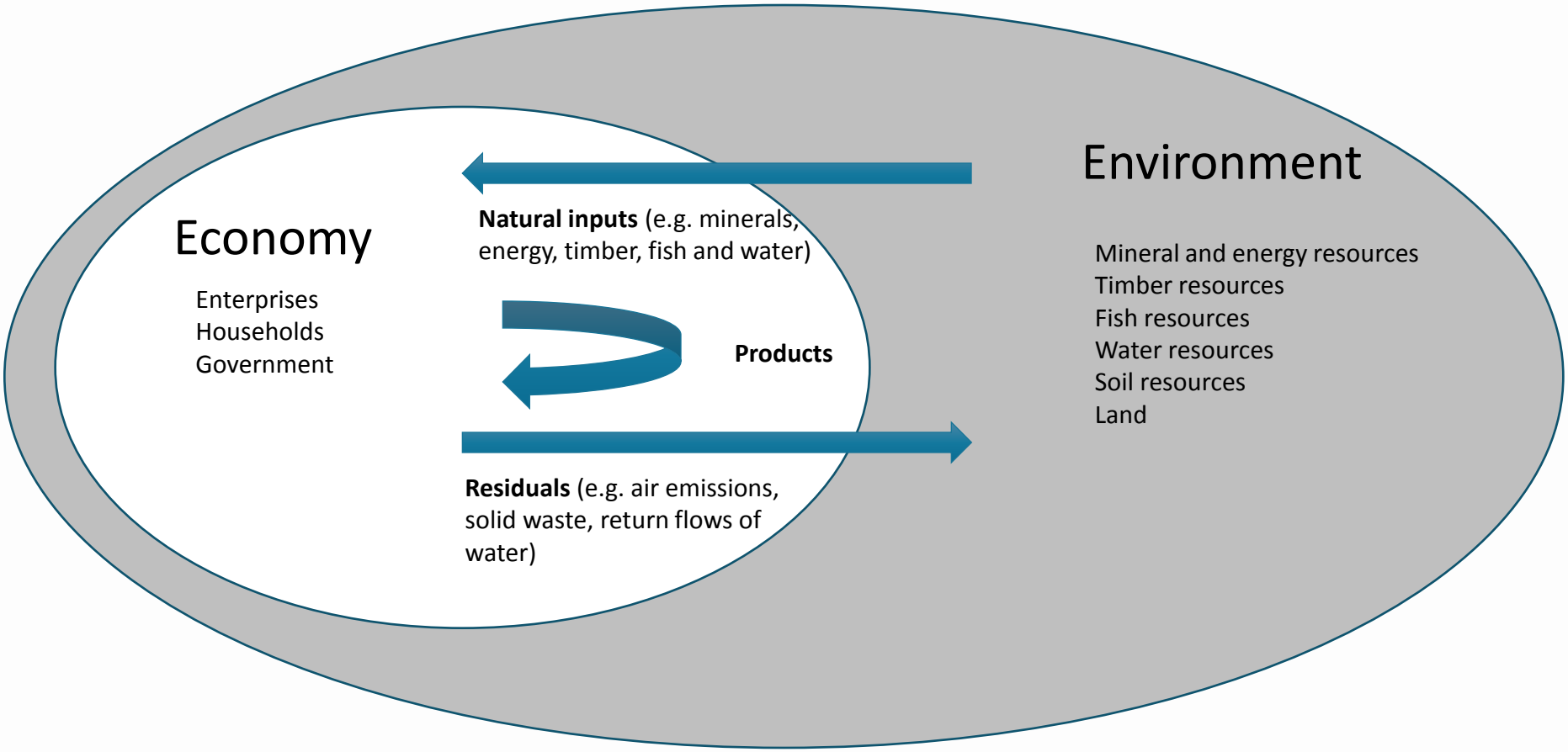
Q 7. FALSE

Q 8. TRUE

The Production Boundary

- "Production is an activity carried out … by an institutional unit that uses inputs of labour, capital and goods and services to produce outputs of goods and services" (2008 SNA, 6.24)
- In practice:
  - Exclude things you do only for yourself
  - Exclude household production of services for itself
    - Except rent of owner-occupiers & wages of domestic staff
  - Include household production of goods for itself
    - Agricultural products, fishing, fuelwood, clothes, furniture, water, energy
  - Include concealed and illegal activity

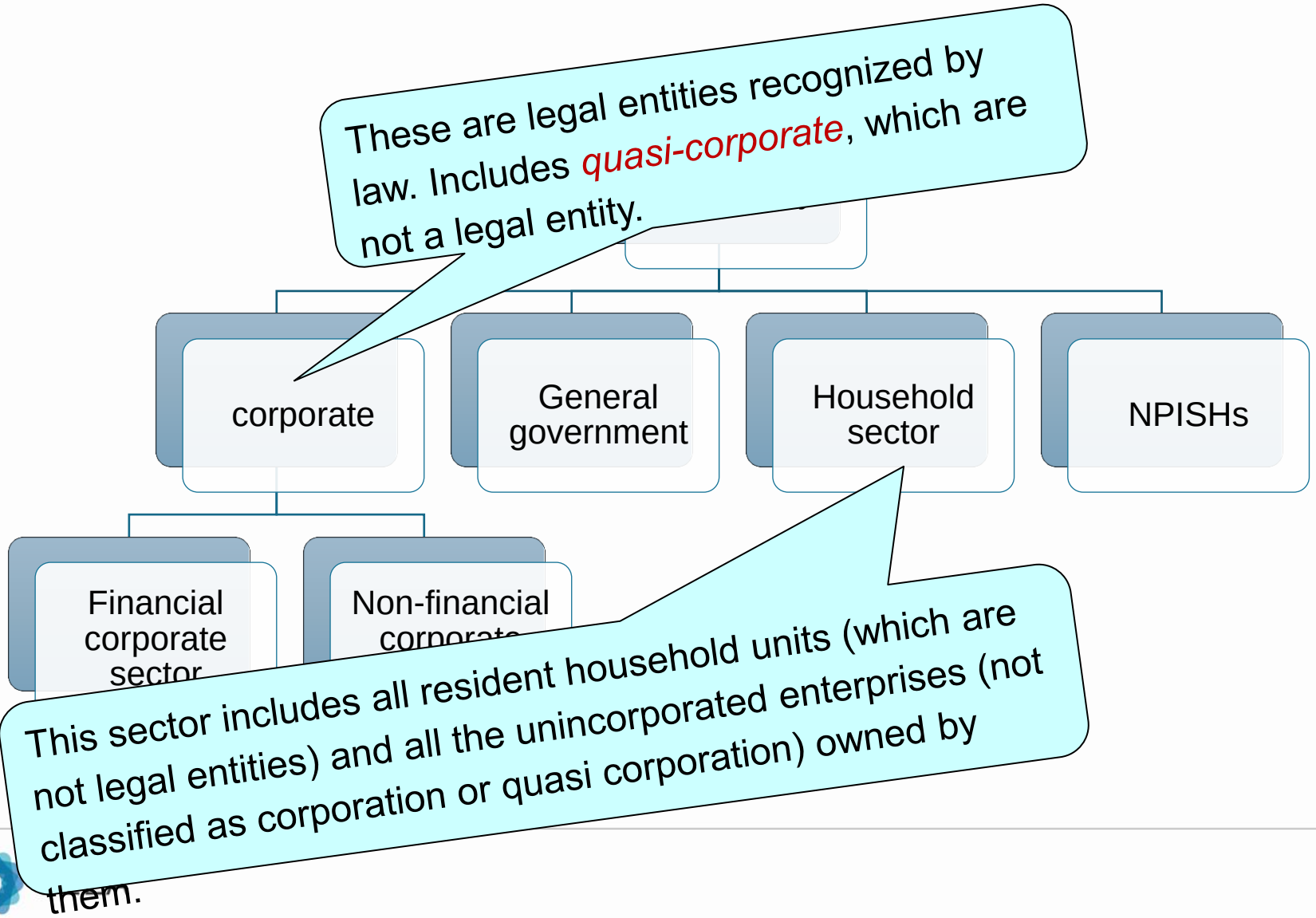
Physical Flows in the SEEA



Types of Output and Production

- Market output
  - Transactions between economic units at market prices
- Non-market output
  - Not transacted at market prices (government education, health)
  - Valued at cost of production
- Own-account production (within establishments)
  - For own final consumption (e.g. subsistence agriculture) : INCLUDED
  - For own final capital formation (e.g. building own house) : INCLUDED
  - For own intermediate consumption : EXCLUDED (except ancillary activity)

Institutional Sectors



Enterprises, Establishments and Industries

- Enterprises
  - Institutional units from the perspective of being producers of goods and services
- Establishments
  - Enterprises in a single location performing a single or predominant type of productive activity
- Industries
  - Groupings of establishments undertaking similar types of productive activity

Key Messages

- Many aspects to defining the economy
- Measurement boundaries are important to understand
  - > Production boundary key determinant of the size of GDP
- Own- account activity needs special consideration
- Economic (institutional) units can be seen from two key perspectives
  - > Institutional sector: Similar economic behaviours / legal basis
  - > Industry: Similar productive activities

Defining Environmental Assets

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Discussion:

What “Things” Might be Considered Environmental Assets?

Definition of Environmental Assets

"Environmental assets are the naturally occurring living and non-living components of the Earth, together constituting the bio-physical environment, which may provide benefits to humanity"

2012 SEEA Central Framework 2.37

Definition of Environmental Assets

Individual environmental assets / resources

- Timber
- Water
- Soil
- Fish

Ecosystems

- Forests
- Lakes
- Agricultural areas

Scope of Individual Resources

1	**Mineral and energy resources**
1.1	Oil resources
1.2	Natural gas resources
1.3	Coal and peat resources
1.4	Non-metallic mineral resources (excluding coal and peat resources)
1.5	Metallic mineral resources
2	**Land**
3	**Soil resources**
4	**Timber resources**
4.1	Cultivated timber resources
4.2	Natural timber resources
5	**Aquatic resources**
5.1	Cultivated aquatic resources
5.2	Natural aquatic resources
6	**Other biological resources** (excluding timber resources and aquatic resources)
7	**Water resources**
7.1	Surface water
7.2	Groundwater
7.3	Soil water

Physical and Monetary Scope

- In principle, when accounting for environmental assets in physical terms include all environmental assets whether or not they have a monetary value
  - All land in a country is included in physical land accounts
  - Also timber resources, other biological resources, soil, inland water resources
- Mineral and energy resources scope is known deposits
- Aquatic resources scope is all resources within EEZ plus rights on high seas
  - In practice limit to commercial stocks and subsistence

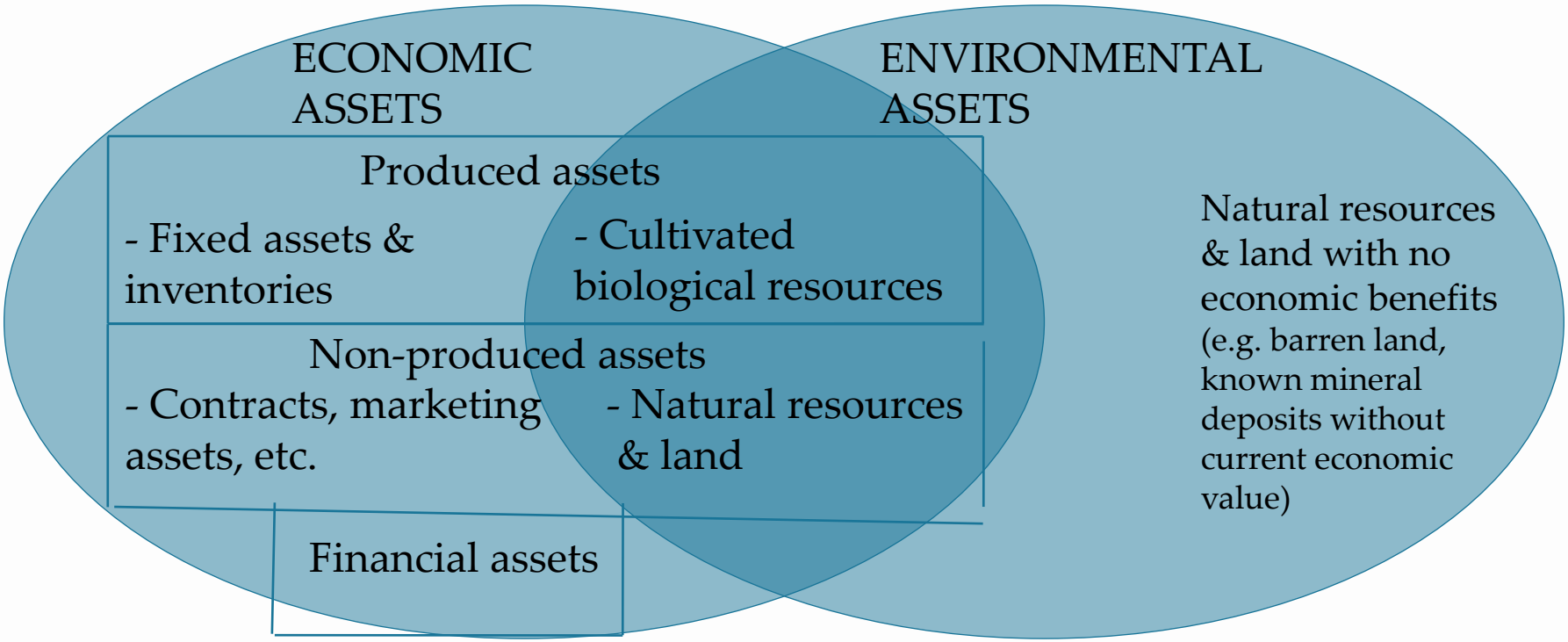
Key Points and Boundary Issues

- Distinct treatment of land
  - Account for its provision of space / area not the resources that are within it
- Include natural and cultivated biological resources
- Oceans and atmosphere excluded
- Stocks of potential energy from renewable sources excluded
  - E.g. solar, wind, tidal power
  - Slight exception for hydropower

Ecosystem Assets

- Areas comprising combinations of individual resources (timber, soil, water, etc) but also having ecological processes and characteristics
- Aim to assess
  - Condition of the ecosystem within an area (i.e. how is it functioning, quality of processes)
  - Flow of ecosystem services to economic and human activity
- Ecosystem asset accounting measures environmental impact rather than environmental pressures

Economic and Environmental Assets



Key Messages

- Environmental assets can be seen from two perspectives: individual resources & ecosystems
- Both natural and cultivated resources are included in scope
- Scope is generally broader in physical terms than in monetary terms
- Land is accounted for in terms of area/space

Exercise:

Defining the scope of measurement

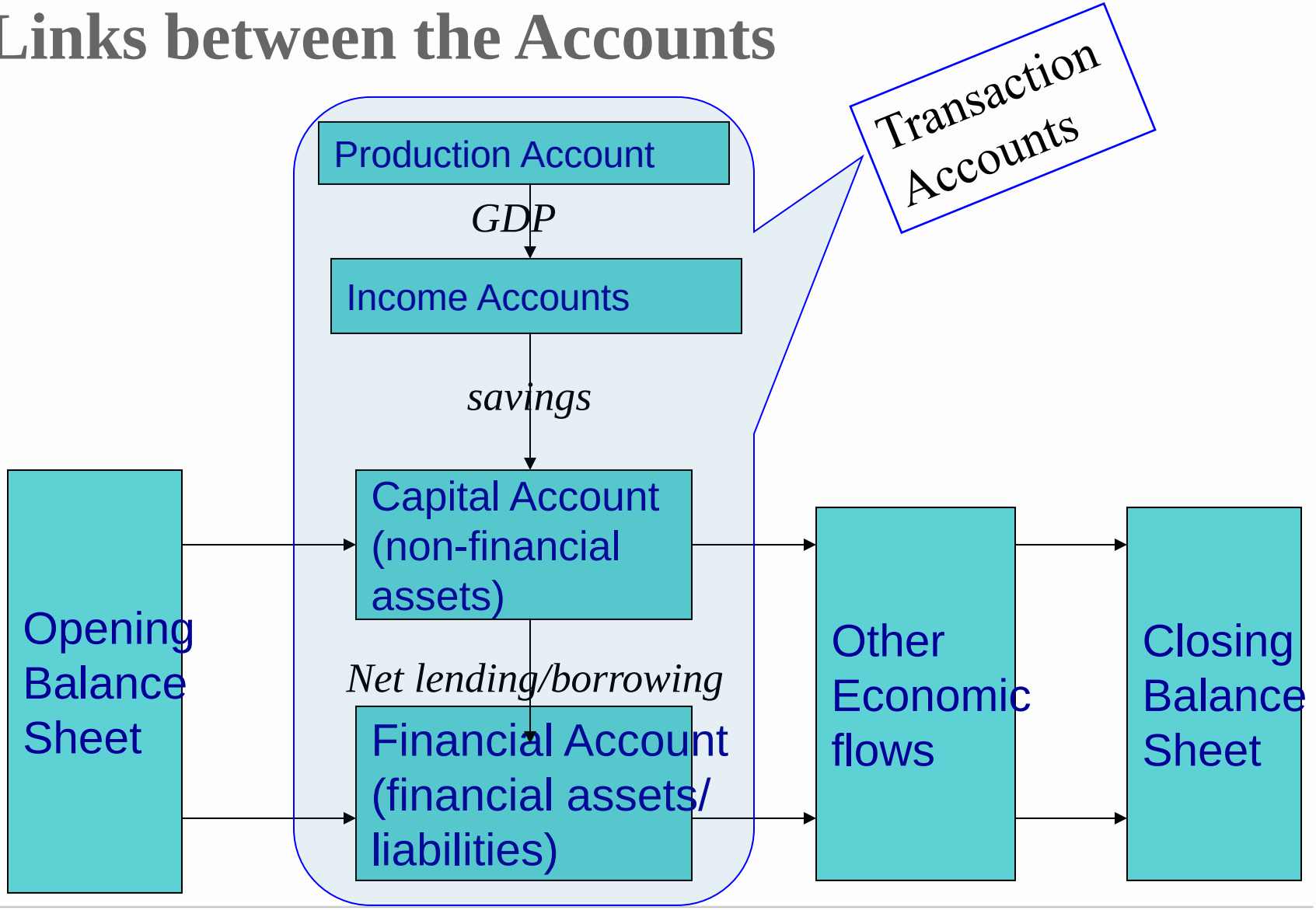
The Structure of Accounts

Sequence of Accounts

- Describes sequence of interconnected flow accounts linked to different types of economic activity taking place within a given period of time, together with balance sheets that record the values of the stocks of assets and liabilities held by institutional units or sectors at the beginning and end of the period
- Each flow relates to a particular kind of activity such as production, or the generation, distribution, redistribution or use of income

Sequence of Accounts

Links between the Accounts



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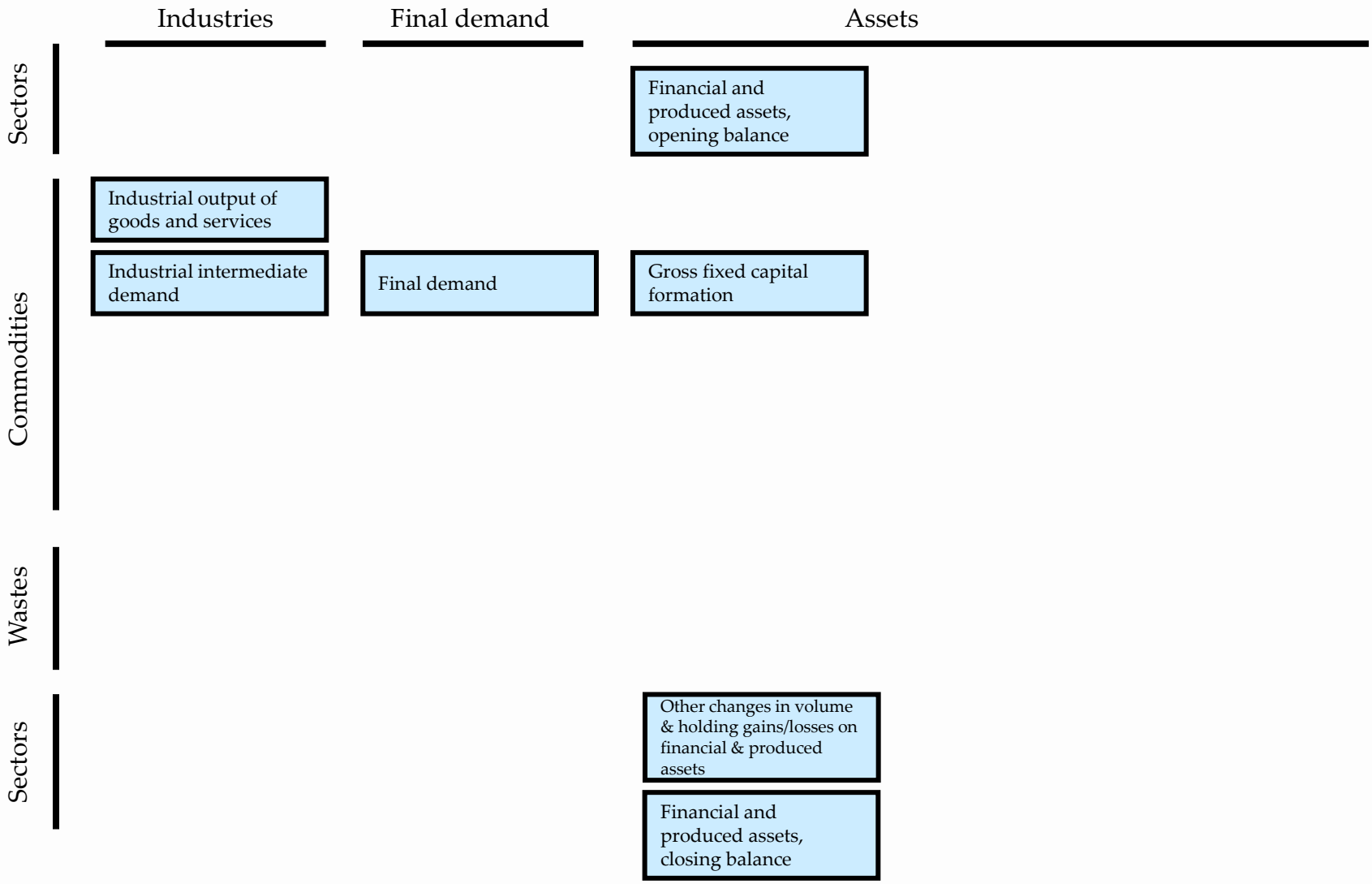

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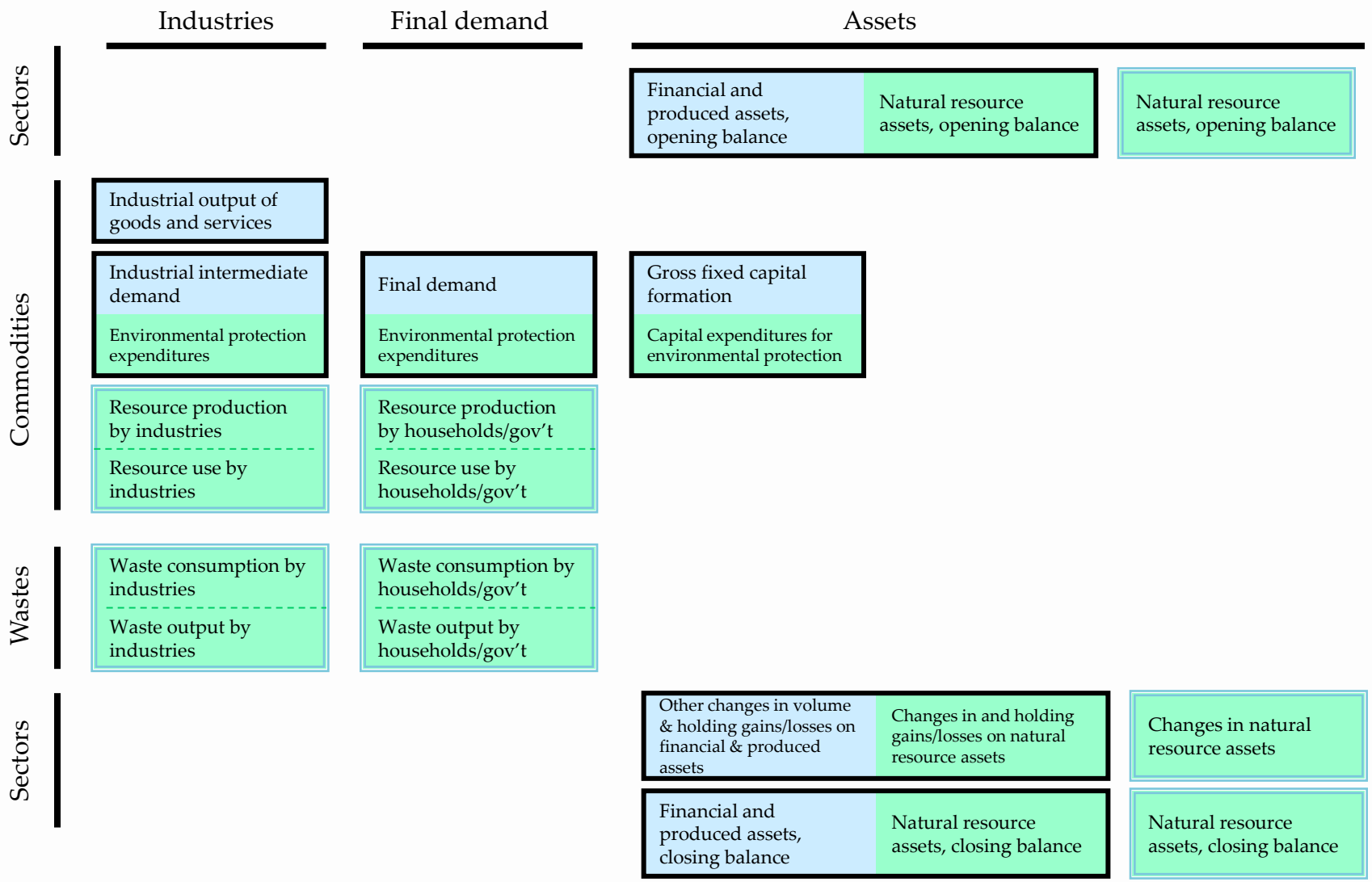

Supply and Use Tables

- Matrices that record how supplies of different kinds of goods and services originate from domestic industries and imports and how those supplies are allocated between various intermediate or final uses, including exports
- Involve the compilation of a set of integrated production and generation of income accounts for industries by drawing upon detailed data from industrial censuses or surveys
- Provide an accounting framework within which the product flow method of compiling national accounts, whereby the total supplies and uses of individual types of goods and services have to be balanced with each other, can be systematically exploited

Basic Supply and Use Table

	Industries	Households	Government	Accumulation	Rest of the world	Total
Supply table						
Products	Output				Imports	Total supply
Use table						
Products	Intermediate consumption	Household final consumption expenditure	Government final consumption expenditure	Gross capital formation (incl. changes in inventories)	Exports	Total use
	Value added					

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Supply table – show the flows relating to the production, generation, and supply of natural inputs, products and residuals by different economic units by different economic units or the environment

Supply table

	Production; Generation of residuals		Accumulation	Flows from the rest of the world	Flows from the environment	Total
	Production; Generation of residuals by industries (incl. household production on own account) - classified by ISIC	Generation of residuals by households	Industries - classified by ISIC			
Natural inputs					A. Flows from the environment (incl. natural resource residuals)	Total Supply of Natural Inputs (TSNI)
Products	C. Output (incl. sale of recycled and reused products)			D. Imports of products		Total Supply of Products (TSP)
Residuals	I1. Residuals generated by industry (incl. natural resource residuals) I2. Residuals generated following treatment	J. Residuals generated by household final consumption	K1. Residuals from scrapping and demolition of produced K2. Emissions from controlled landfill sites	L. Residuals received from rest of the world	M. Residuals recovered from the environment	Total Supply of Residuals (TSR)
Total supply						

Use table

	Intermediate consumption of products; Use of natural inputs; Collection of residuals	Final consumption*	Accumulation	Flows to the rest of the world	Flows to the environment	Total
	Industries - classified by ISIC	Households	Industries - classified by ISIC			
Natural inputs	B. Extraction of natural inputs B1. Extraction used in production B2. Natural resource residuals					Total Use of Natural Inputs (TUNI)
Products	E. Intermediate consumption (incl. purchase of recycled and reused products)	F. Household final consumption (incl. purchase of recycled and reused products)	G. Gross Capital Formation (incl. fixed assets and inventories)	H. Exports of products		Total Use of Products (TUP)
Residuals	N. Collection and treatment of residuals (excl accumulation in controlled landfill sites)		O. Accumulation of waste in controlled landfill sites	P. Residuals sent to the rest of the word	Q. Residual flows to the environment Q1. Direct from industry and households (incl. natural resource residuals & landfill emissions) Q2.Following treatment	Total Use of Residuals (TUR)
Total use						

Use table – show the flows relating to the consumption and use of nature inputs, products and residual by different economic units or the environment

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Integration of Asset Accounts and Supply and Use Tables (1/2)

Accumulation Column

Environment Column

Supply table in monetary terms

	Production (incl. household production on own account) Industries – classified by ISIC				Flows from the Rest of the World		Total
Products	Output				Imports		
Total							

Use in monetary terms

	Intermediate consumption	Final consumption		Accumulation	Flows to the Rest of the World		Total
	Industries – classified by ISIC	Households	Government				
Products	Intermediate consumption	Household final consumption expenditure	Government final consumption expenditure	Gross capital formation	Exports		
Total							

Supply table in physical terms

	Production; Generation of residuals			Accumulation	Flows from the Rest of the World	Flows from the Environment	Total
	Industries (including household production on own account) – classified by ISIC	Generation of residuals by households					
Natural inputs						Flows from the environment	
Products	Output				Imports		
Residuals	Residuals generated by industry	Residuals generated by household final consumption		Residuals from scrapping & demolition of produced assets Emissions from controlled landfill sites	Residuals received from rest of the world	Residuals recovered from the environment	
Total							

Use in physical terms

	Intermediate consumption; Use of natural inputs; Collection of residuals	Final consumption		Accumulation	Flows to the Rest of the World	Flows to the Environment	Total
	Industries – classified by ISIC						
Natural inputs	Extraction of natural inputs						
Products	Intermediate consumption	Household final consumption		Gross capital formation	Exports		
Residuals	Collection and treatment of residuals			Accumulation of waste in controlled landfill sites	Residuals sent to the rest of the world	Residual flows to the environment	
Total							

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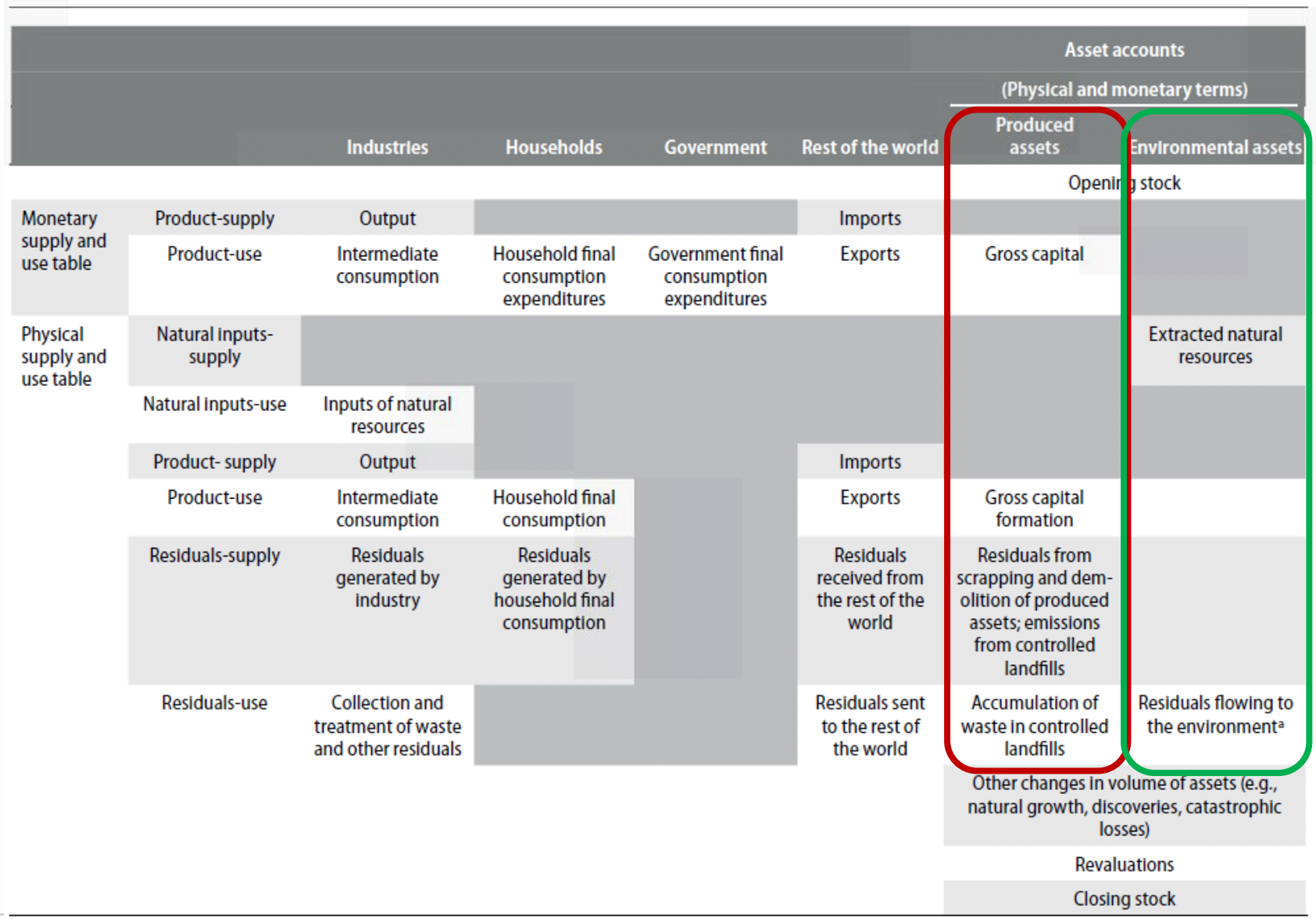
Integration of Asset Accounts and Supply and Use Tables (2/2)



						Asset accounts (Physical and monetary terms)	
		Industries	Households	Government	Rest of the world	Produced assets	Environmental assets
						Opening stock	
Monetary supply and use table	Product-supply	Output			Imports		
	Product-use	Intermediate consumption	Household final consumption expenditures	Government final consumption expenditures	Exports	Gross capital	
Physical supply and use table	Natural inputs-supply						Extracted natural resources
	Natural inputs-use	Inputs of natural resources					
	Product- supply	Output			Imports		
	Product-use	Intermediate consumption	Household final consumption		Exports	Gross capital formation	
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	Residuals-use	Collection and treatment of waste and other residuals			Residuals sent to the rest of the world	Accumulation of waste in controlled landfills	Residuals flowing to the environment[a]
						Other changes in volume of assets (e.g., natural growth, discoveries, catastrophic losses)	
						Revaluations	
						Closing stock	

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Natural resource assets and produced assets

annual (dollars x 1,000,000)

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Categories	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Non-financial assets	7,416,200	6,629,425	7,313,829	7,960,934	8,041,096
Produced non-financial assets	4,187,815	4,246,166	4,408,493	4,639,292	4,895,157
Residential structures	1,654,058	1,687,356	1,778,316	1,871,006	1,980,938
Non-residential structures	1,319,709	1,328,319	1,393,163	1,489,886	1,588,777
Machinery and equipment	311,551	324,913	304,853	307,726	325,358
Intellectual property products	186,567	189,216	193,329	199,999	207,612
Consumer durable goods	465,860	476,435	495,912	513,720	525,196
Inventories	244,505	233,382	236,050	249,915	259,899
Weapons Systems	5,565	6,545	6,870	7,040	7,377
Non-produced non-financial assets	3,228,385	2,383,259	2,905,336	3,321,642	3,145,939
Land	1,805,153	1,931,790	2,037,456	2,202,114	2,360,816
Timber	131,789	71,567	122,276	120,499	113,133
Subsoil resource stocks	1,291,443	379,902	745,604	999,029	671,990
Selected energy resources[1]	987,017	256,900	516,642	679,642	441,628
Selected mineral resources[2]	304,426	123,002	228,962	319,387	230,362

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Footnotes:

1. Includes crude oil, natural gas, crude bitumen and coal.
2. Includes gold, iron, copper, nickel, lead, zinc, molybdenum, uranium, diamonds and potash.
3. Corrections have been made to the following variables for 1990 to 2012: Selected energy resources; Subsoil resource stocks; Non-produced non-financial assets; Non-financial assets.

Source: Statistics Canada. *Table 378-0005 - Natural resource assets and produced assets, annual (dollars),* CANSIM (database). (accessed: 2014-06-06)

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Source: Statistics Canada

Key messages

- All economic stocks and flows can be organized and placed in context
- National accounting is not only output and intermediate consumption
- One account is not sufficient – different questions require a focus on different accounts and balancing items
- The accounting system is complete and internally consistent

The SEEA Central Framework

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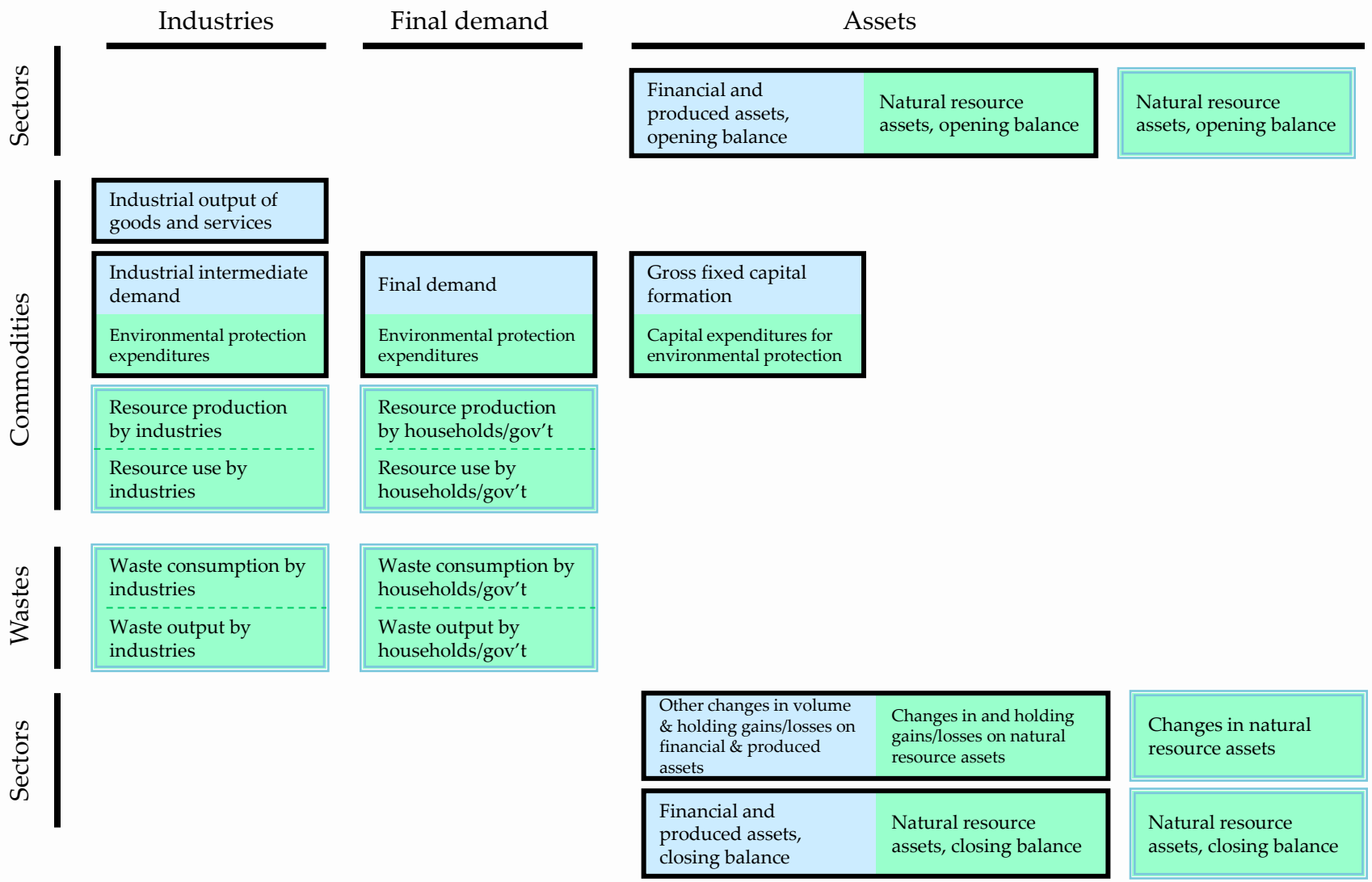

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Asset accounts

Asset accounts	***Topics covered (detailed definition)***
Mineral and energy resources	Physical and monetary accounts for minerals and energy stocks (oil, natural gas, coal and peat, non-metallic minerals and metallic minerals) (CF 5.172)
Land	Physical and monetary accounts for land, land cover, land use and forest (CF 5.235)
Soil resources	Area and volume of soil resources (CF 5.318)
Timber resources	Physical and monetary accounts for timber resources (CF 5.343)
Aquatic resources	Physical and monetary accounts for fish, crustaceans, molluscs, shellfish and other aquatic organisms such as sponges and seaweed as well as aquatic mammals such as whales. (CF 5.393) (CO2, pollutants) (CF 3.233)
Other biological resources	Cultivated animals and plants including livestock, annual crops such as wheat and rice, and perennial crops such as rubber plantations, orchards and vineyards. (CF 5.462)
Water resources	Stock of water resources (CF 5.471)

General structure of the physical account for environmental assets (physical units)

	Mineral & energy resources	Land (incl. forest land)	Soil resources	Timber resources		Aquatic resources		Water resources
				Cultivated	Natural	Cultivated	Natural	
Opening stock of resources	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Additions to stock of resources								
Growth in stock	na	Yes*	Soil formation Soil deposition	Growth	Natural growth	Growth	Natural growth	Precipitation Return flows
Discoveries of new stock	Yes	na	na	na	na	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*
Upwards reappraisals	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Yes*
Reclassifications	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Total additions to stock								
Reductions in stock of resources								
Extractions	Extractions	na	Soil extraction	Removals	Removals	Harvest	Gross catch	Abstraction
Normal reductions in stock	na	na	Erosion	Natural losses	Natural losses	Normal losses	Normal losses	Evaporation Evapotranspiration
Catastrophic losses	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes*
Downwards reappraisals	Yes	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes	Yes*
Reclassifications	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	na
Total reductions in stock								
Closing stock of resources	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Example:
Monetary stock accounts for crude bitumen in Canada

Table 153-0005[1, 2]

Value of established crude bitumen reserves

annual (dollars x 1,000,000)

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Value	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Reconciliation account, established crude bitumen reserves, opening stock[3]	107,560.2	111,305.7	197,972.4	167,541.6	437,070.6	143,720.4	301,647.0
Reconciliation account, established crude bitumen reserves, additions[3]	1,185.8	105,844.5	11,345.0	89,040.4	68.2	97.3	2,872.7
Reconciliation account, established crude bitumen reserves, depletion[3]	3,934.1	3,894.6	3,685.9	7,725.0	2,931.7	6,378.5	9,359.3
Reconciliation account, established crude bitumen reserves, revaluation[3]	6,493.8	-15,283.1	-38,089.8	188,213.5	-290,486.7	164,207.9	81,064.9
Reconciliation account, established crude bitumen reserves, closing stock[3]	111,305.7	197,972.4	167,541.6	437,070.6	143,720.4	301,647.0	376,225.2

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Footnotes:

1. Data source: Statistics Canada, Environment Accounts and Statistics Division.
2. For concepts, sources and methods, see "Concepts, Sources and Methods of the Canadian System of Environmental and Resource Accounts", catalogue number 16-505-GPE.
3. The reconciliation account entries are calculated using the present value methodology.
4. Negative values for net price I, net price II and present value are set to zero.

Source: Statistics Canada. *Table 153-0005 - Value of established crude bitumen reserves, annual (dollars),* CANSIM (database). (accessed: 2014-06-06)

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Flows accounts

Physical flow accounts	***Topics covered (detailed definition)***
Full set of supply and use tables for materials	All resources and materials (energy, water, air emissions, water emissions, solid waste) (CF 3.45)
Economy-wide material flow accounts (MFA)	Supply and consumption of energy; air emissions, water emissions, and solid waste (CF 3.279)
Physical supply and use tables for water (PSUT water)	Supply (precipitation) and consumption of water (CF 3.186)
Physical supply and use tables for energy (PSUT energy)	Supply and consumption of energy (CF 3.140)
Air emissions accounts	Air emissions (CO2, pollutants) (CF 3.233)
Water emissions accounts	Water emissions (CF 3.257)
Waste accounts	Solid wastes (CF 3.268)

- CF = Central Framework, white cover edition, refers to paragraph number

Example: Supply and Use table for Air Emissions

SUPPLY

USE

	Supply table for air emissions									Use table for air emissions	
	Generation of emissions								Accumulation	Total supply of emissions	Flows to the Environment	Total use of emissions
	Industries					Households			Emissions from landfill		Emissions released to the environment	
	Agriculture	Mining	Manufacturing	Transport	Other	Transport	Heating	Other				
Type of substance												
Carbon dioxide	10 610.3	2 602.2	41 434.4	27 957.0	82 402.4	18 920.5	17 542.2	1 949.1	701.6	204 119.6	204 119.6	204 119.6
Methane	492.0	34.1	15.8	0.8	21.9	2.4	15.5	1.7	222.0	806.3	806.3	806.3
Dinitrogen oxide	23.7		3.5	0.8	2.6	1.0	0.2	0.1	0.1	32.0	32.0	32.0
Nitrous oxides	69.4	6.0	37.9	259.5	89.0	38.0	12.1	1.3	0.3	513.6	513.6	513.6
Hydroflourocarbons			0.3		0.4					0.7	0.7	0.7
Perflourocarbons												
Sulphur hexaflouride												
Carbon monoxide	41.0	2.5	123.8	46.2	66.2	329.1	51.2	5.7	1.1	666.9	666.9	666.9
Non-methane volatile organic compounds	5.2	6.5	40.0	16.4	27.2	34.5	29.4	3.2	0.9	163.3	163.3	163.3
Sulphur dioxide	2.7	0.4	28.0	62.4	8.1	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.0	102.5	102.5	102.5
Ammonia	107.9		1.7	0.2	0.9	2.3	11.4	1.2	0.2	125.9	125.9	125.9
Heavy metals												
Persistent organic pollutants												
Particulates (incl PM10, dust)	7.0	0.1	8.5	9.3	4.4	6.0	2.8	0.5	0.0	38.5	38.5	38.5

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Example: Air emission accounts in Denmark

Air Emission Accounts by industry and type of emission Denmark 2012

	Carbon dioxide incl. biomass (CO2), 1000 tonnes	Carbon dioxide excl. biomass (CO2), 1000 tonnes	Carbon dioxide from biomass (CO2), 1000 tonnes	Suphur dioxide (SO2), tonnes	Nitrogen oxides (NOX), tonnes	Ammonia (NH3), tonnes	Nitrous oxide (N2O), tonnes	Methane (CH4), tonnes	Non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC), tonnes	Particulate matter < 10 µm (PM10), tonnes	Sulphur hexafluoride (SF6), tons CO2-equivalents
Total	93 274	78 117	15 156	233 261	1089 108	76 222	21 557	262 535	108 838	48 188	117 852
Households	12 083	7 903	4 180	1 608	20 164	1 501	319	6 438	29 527	17 391	0
Total industries	81 190	70 214	10 976	231 652	1068 945	74 721	21 238	256 097	79 311	30 796	117 852
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	2 528	2 264	264	1 336	19 908	73 447	17 515	200 933	4 258	7 176	0
B Mining and quarrying	1 932	1 777	155	180	7 380	0	37	2 663	3 982	116	0
C Manufacturing	6 537	5 801	736	4 999	12 331	379	101	2 606	31 492	811	66 369
D_E Utility services	24 017	14 599	9 419	2 833	15 111	703	917	48 443	1 681	797	11 036
F Construction	1 509	1 444	65	9	7 451	64	52	52	2 711	869	40 447
G_I Trade and transport etc.	42 969	42 793	176	222 148	1001 308	74	2 532	1 220	33 525	20 602	0
J Information and communication	101	96	5	5	304	4	3	11	92	21	0
K Financial and insurance	65	62	3	8	180	3	2	7	29	11	0
LA Real estate activities and renting of non-residential buildings	97	91	6	1	403	3	3	4	47	23	0
LB Dwellings	39	37	2	0	145	1	1	3	18	11	0
M_N Other business services	403	381	22	11	1 430	17	13	29	393	105	0
O_Q Public administration, education and health	846	727	119	98	2 489	19	57	109	863	230	0
R_S Arts, entertainment and other services	148	142	6	23	505	6	5	17	220	25	0

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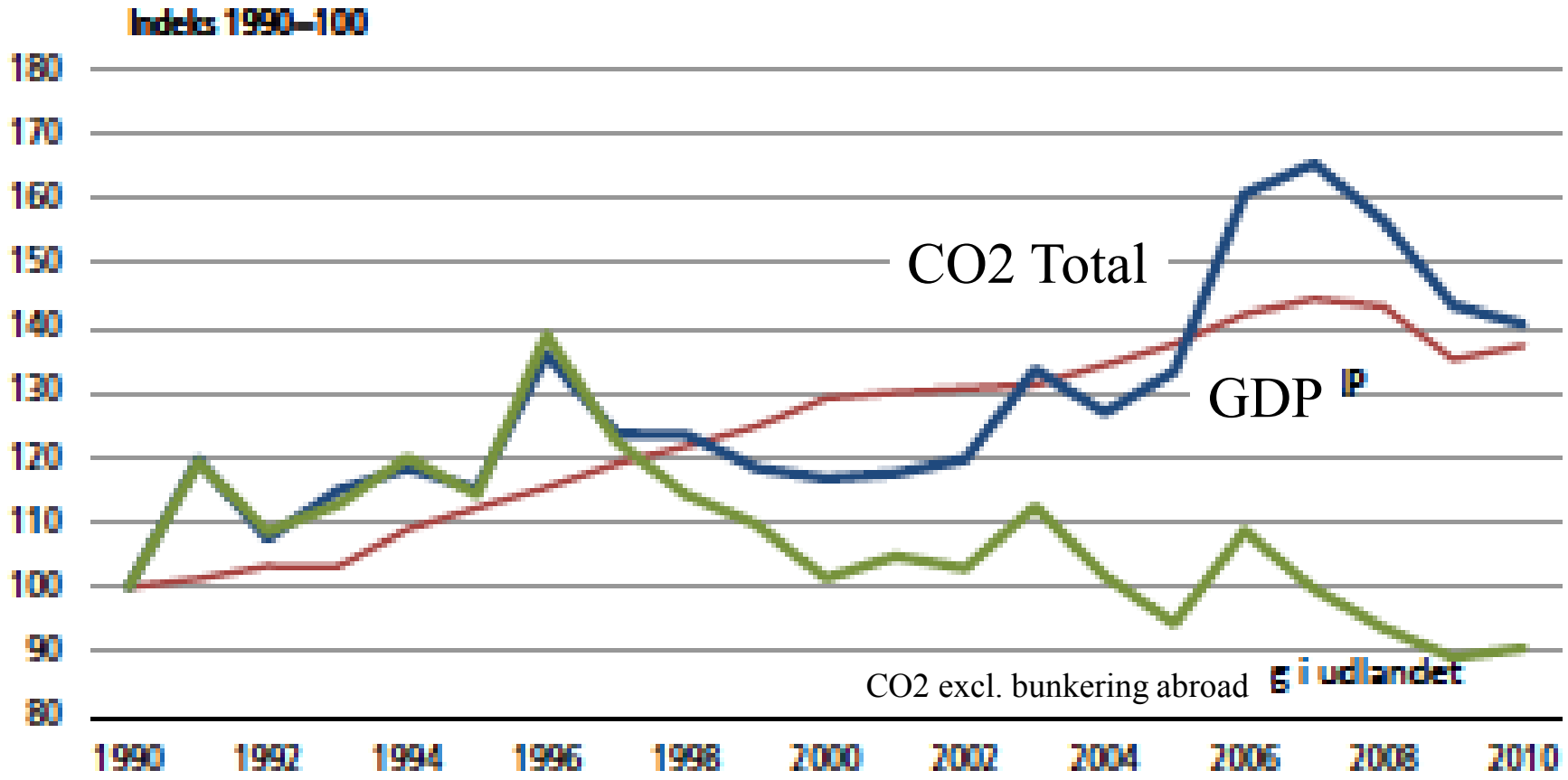
Source: Statistics Denmark

Indices (1990 = 100) for greenhouse effect and GDP (2000 prices)



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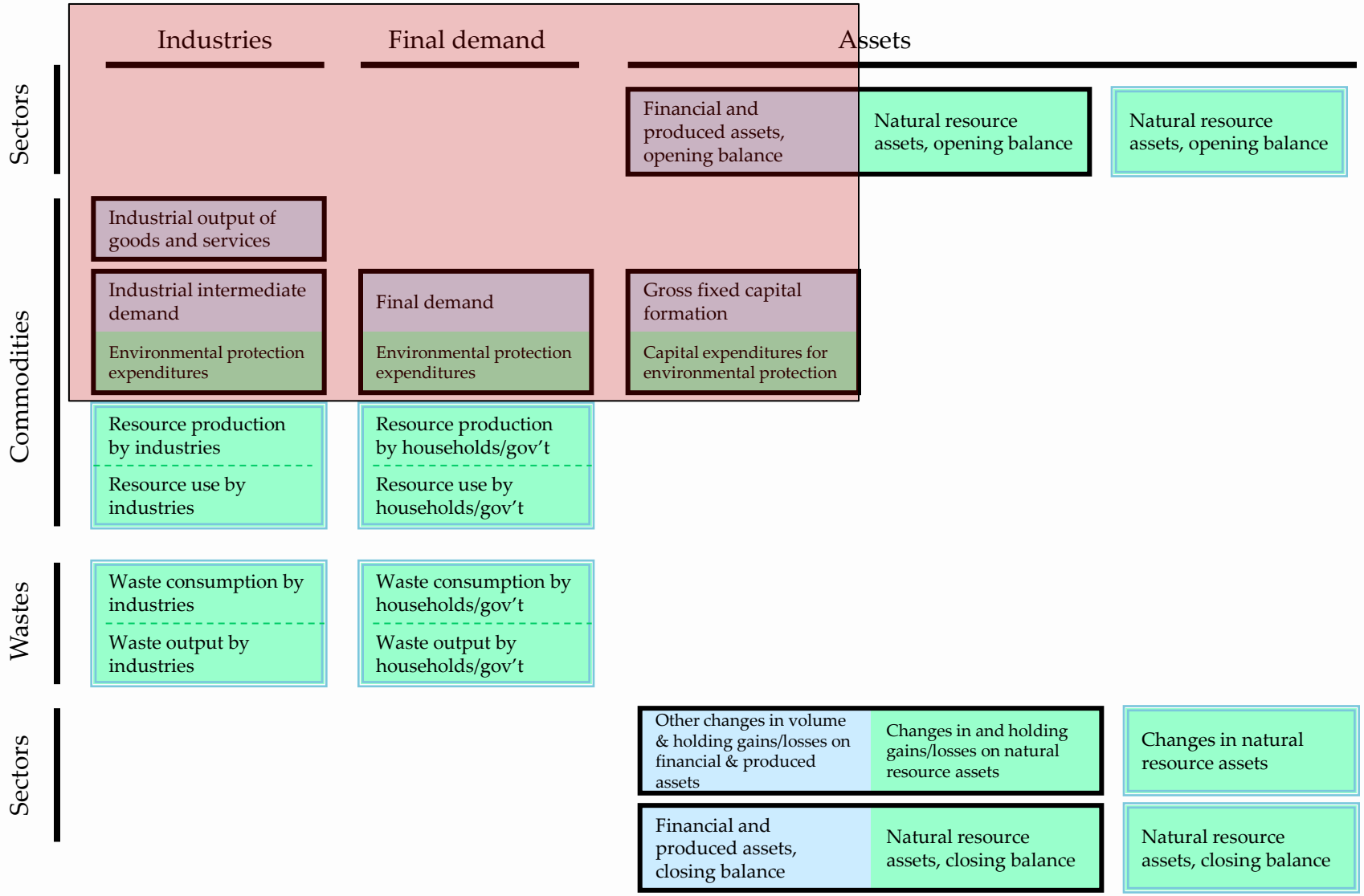
Environmental activity accounts



Activity/purpose accounts

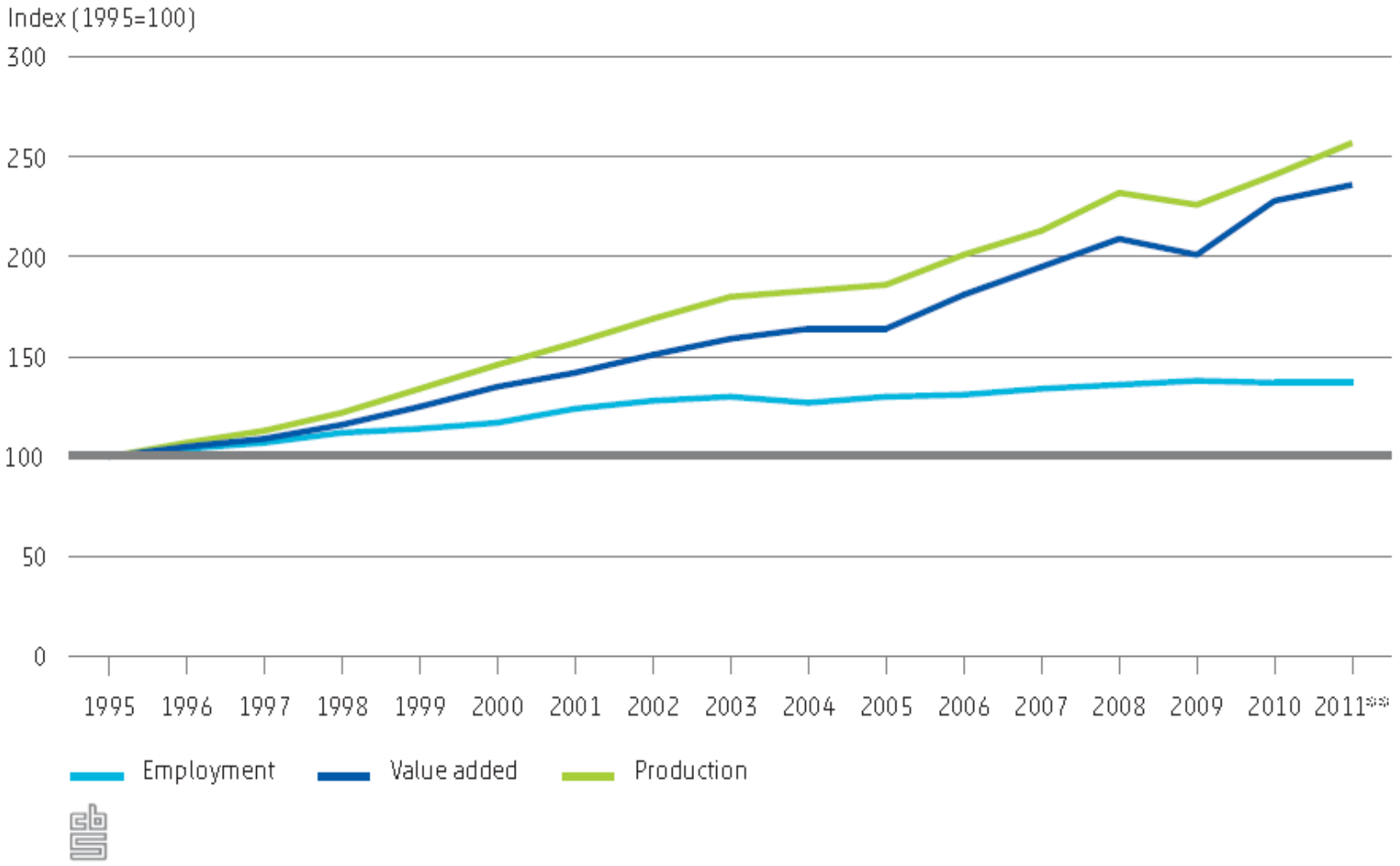
Monetary flow accounts	***Topics covered (detailed definition)***
Environmental protection expenditure accounts (EPEA)	Output of EP services in economy and expenditures on EP goods and services by resident units (CF 4.45)
Resource use and management accounts (RUMEA)	Production, supply and use, expenditures on and financing of resource management (CF 4.121)
Environmental goods and services sector (EGSS)	Characteristics of all producers of products intended for environmental protection and resource management (CF 4.95)
Environmentally related payments by government	Environmental subsidies, social benefits to households, investment grants and other current and capital expenditures (CF 4.138)
Environmentally related payments to government	Environmental taxes (taxes on products, production and income; other current taxes and capital taxes) and other payments to government (rent, sales of some goods and services, some fines and penalties) (CF 4.149, CF 4.159)
Permits and licenses to use environmental assets	Permits to extract and harvest natural resources (CF 4.174)
Emissions permits	Permits for the use of the environment as a pollution sink (emissions permits) (CF 4.182)
Costs related to termination of fixed assets	Environmental consequences of disposing of fixed assets (nuclear power plants, oil rigs and other equipment, landfills, mines, etc.) (CF 4.194)

Example: Environmental Goods and Services Sector (EGSS) in Netherlands

Activity	Main source
Sewage and refuse disposal services	National accounts, supply and use tables
Wholesale in waste and scrap	National accounts, supply and use tables
Environmental related inspection and control	Employment registers
Government governance related to the environment	Environmental Statistics, EPE statistics
Organisations and associations on the environment	Employment registers and business register
Internal environmental activities at companies	Environmental Statistics, EPE statistics
Renewable energy production	Energy Statistics, Renewable energy statistics
Energy saving and sustainable energy systems	Own constructed database and Production Statistics
Insulation activities	National accounts
Organic agriculture	Agriculture statistics, area of organic agriculture
Recycling	National accounts, supply and use tables
Second hand shops	Production Statistics
Water quantity control by waterboards	National accounts, Government accounts
Environmental advice, engineering and other services[1]	Own constructed database and Production Statistics
Industrial environmental equipment[1]	Own constructed database and Production Statistics
Environmental technical construction[1]	Own constructed database and Production Statistics
Environmental related education	Education statistics

Source: Statistics Netherlands

Employment, production and value added in the EGSS in Netherlands



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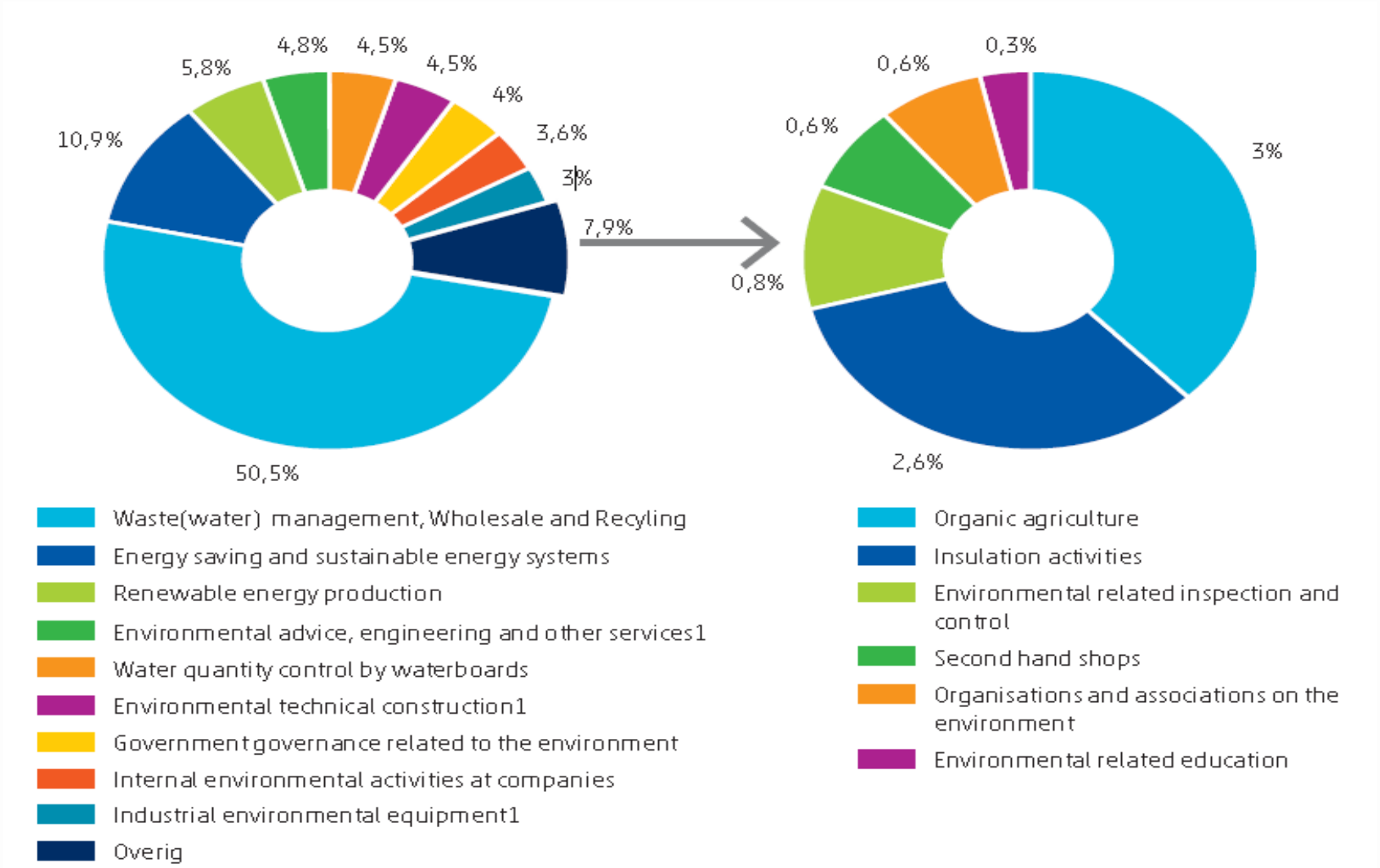
Distribution of value added EGSS over different activities in Netherlands, 2011



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One Environment: Two Perspectives

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Central Framework:
Individual Environmental Assets/Resources

- Timber
- Water
- Soil
- Fish

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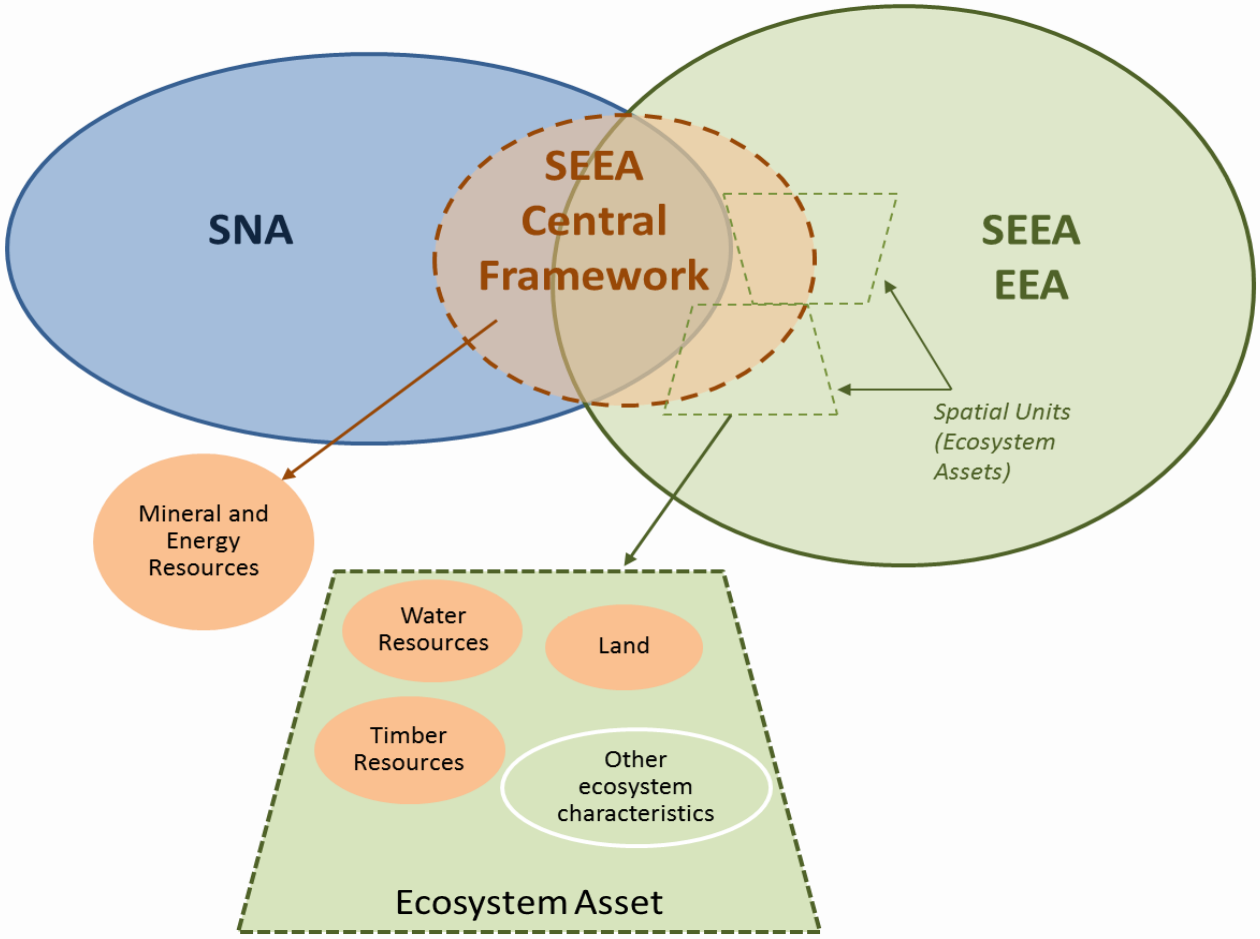
Experimental Ecosystem Accounts:
Ecosystem Assets (spatially based)

- Forests
- Lakes
- Agricultural areas

Ecosystem Assets are environmental assets viewed from a systems perspective

SEEA Conceptual Framework



SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting

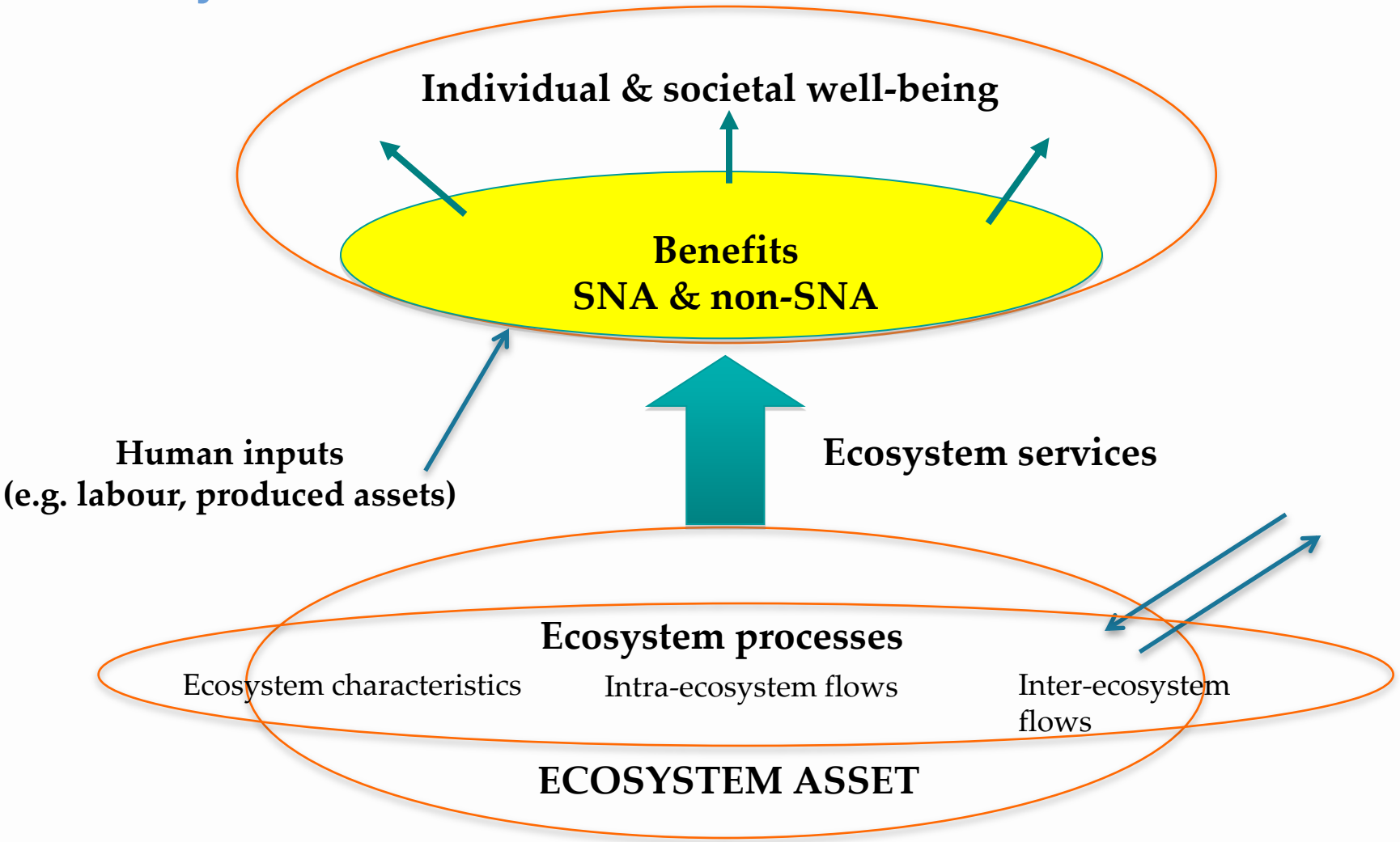
- An integrated measurement framework for ecosystem **stocks** (assets) and **flows** (services)
  - > It covers "natural" as well as human-dominated systems such as croplands and intensive pastures
  - > It takes a detailed spatial approach (maps and statistics)
- A synthesis of current knowledge on ecosystem services, ecosystem condition and related concepts
  - > "Experimental" because significant measurement challenges remain and further testing of concepts is needed

SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounting

Measures the contributions of **ecosystems** to economic and other human activity in an accounting framework:

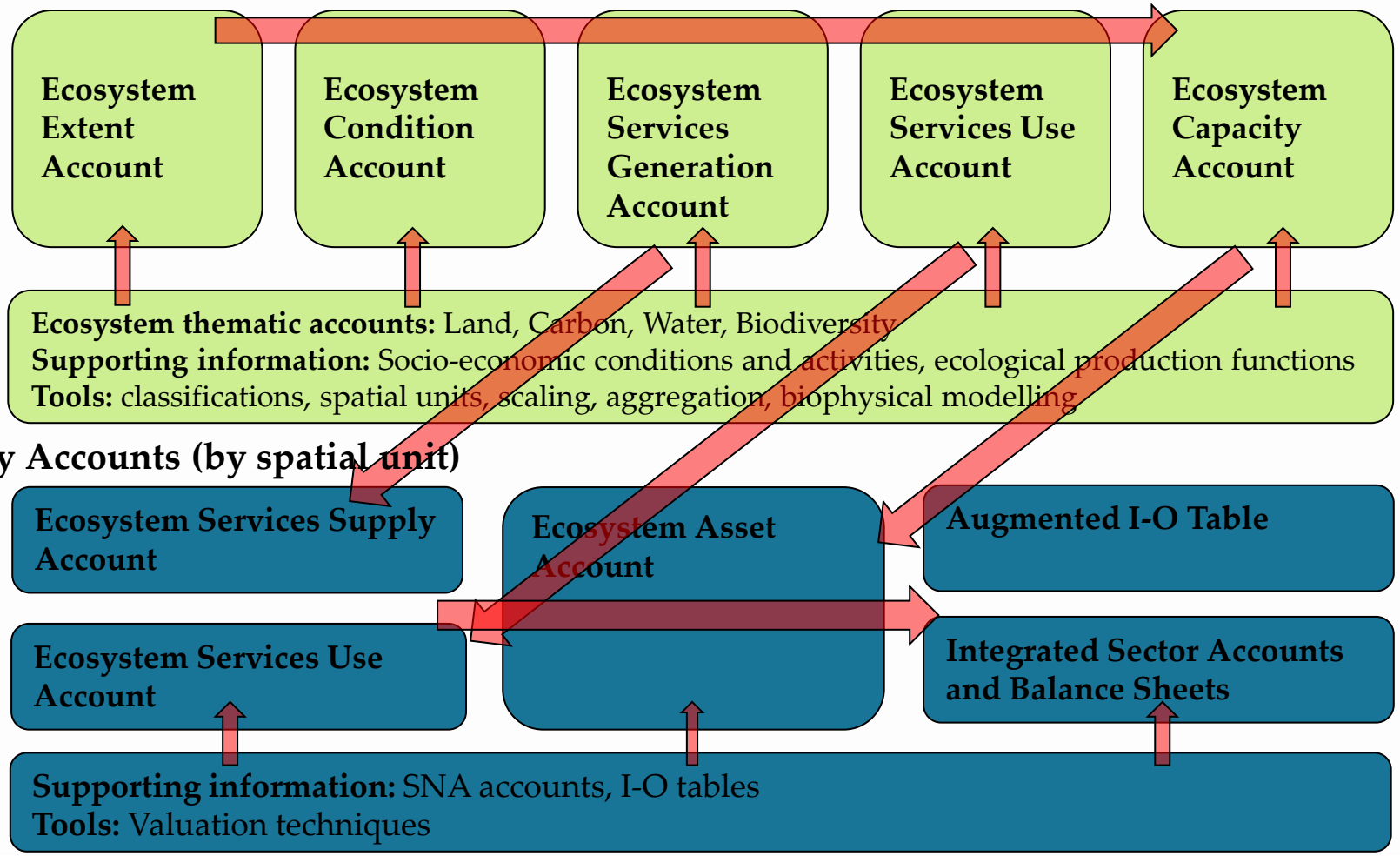
- Ecosystem Assets and Condition
- "Final" Ecosystem Services (Production):
  - **Provisioning services**: represent the material and energy contributions generated by or in an ecosystem
  - **Regulating services**: regulation of biological, hydrological and climate processes
  - **Cultural services**: generated from the physical settings, locations or situation that give rise to intellectual and symbolic benefits obtained by people from ecosystem through recreation
- With thematic accounts for Carbon, Biodiversity and Water

Linking ecosystem assets and well-being through ecosystem services



SEEA-EEA accounts and linkages

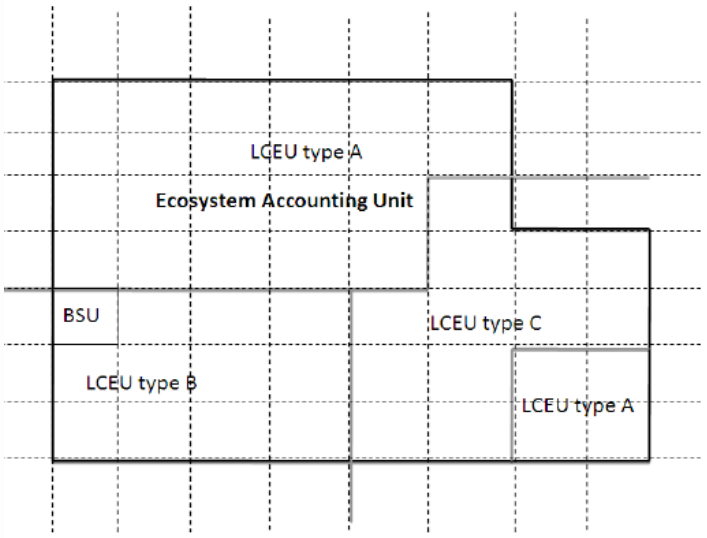
Physical Accounts (by spatial unit)



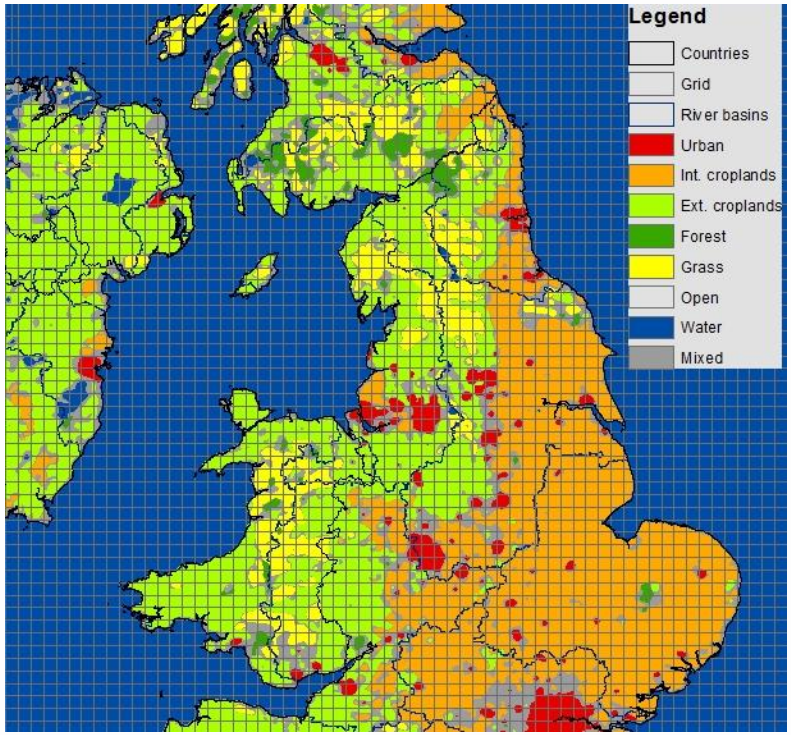
Spatial data perspective: harmonizing reporting units

- Measurement units for social, economic and environmental parameters remain untouched
- New accounting and reporting units created for ecosystem accounting purposes

Stylised depiction of relationships between BSU, LCEU and EAU



Overlay of units (UK)

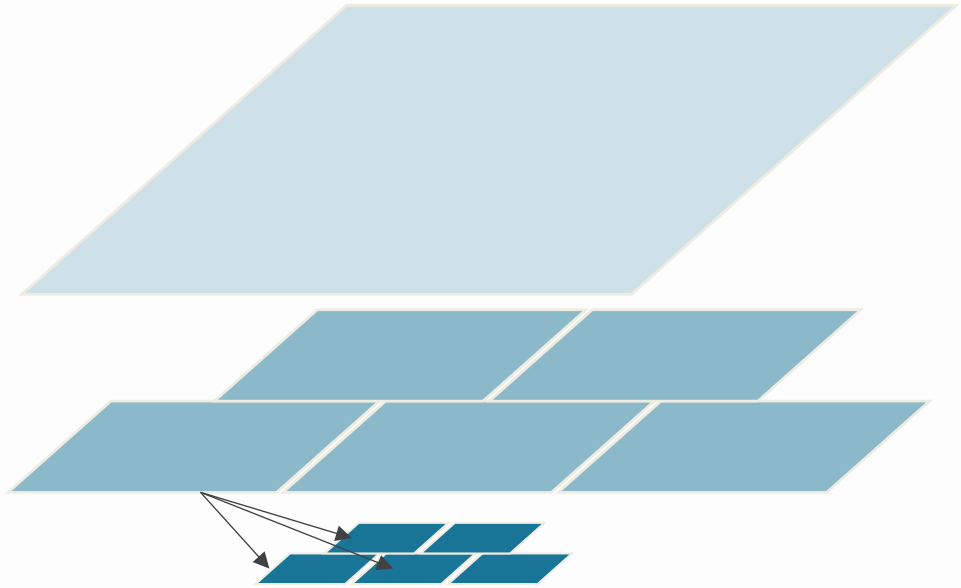


Statistical units

Ecosystem Accounting Unit (EAU)

Land Cover/Ecosystem Functional Unit (LCEU)

Basic Spatial Unit (BSU)



Country

State

Region

Statistical Areas

Parcel

Grid cell
(e.g. 20m x 20m or 100m x 100m)

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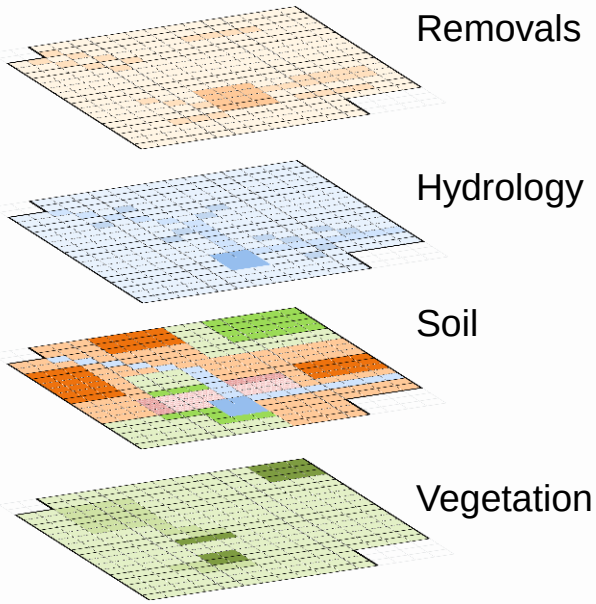
Example: Carbon account

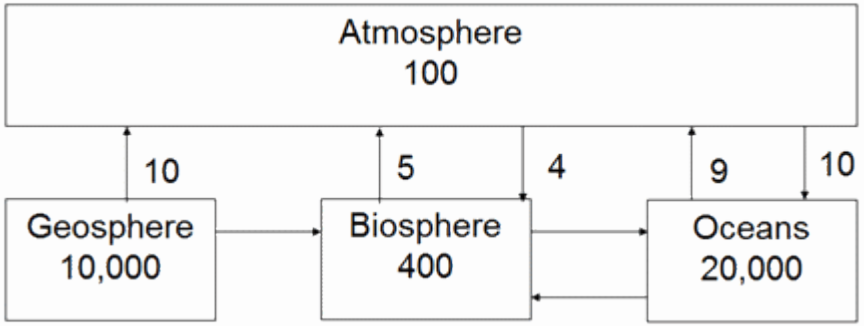
Maps



Tables

	Geocarbon	Biocarbon	Oceans	Atmosphere
	billion tonnes C			
Opening stock	10,000	400	20,000	100
Additions	-	4	10	24
Reductions	10	5	9	14
Closing stock	9,990	399	20,001	110

Scaling
Biophysical modelling



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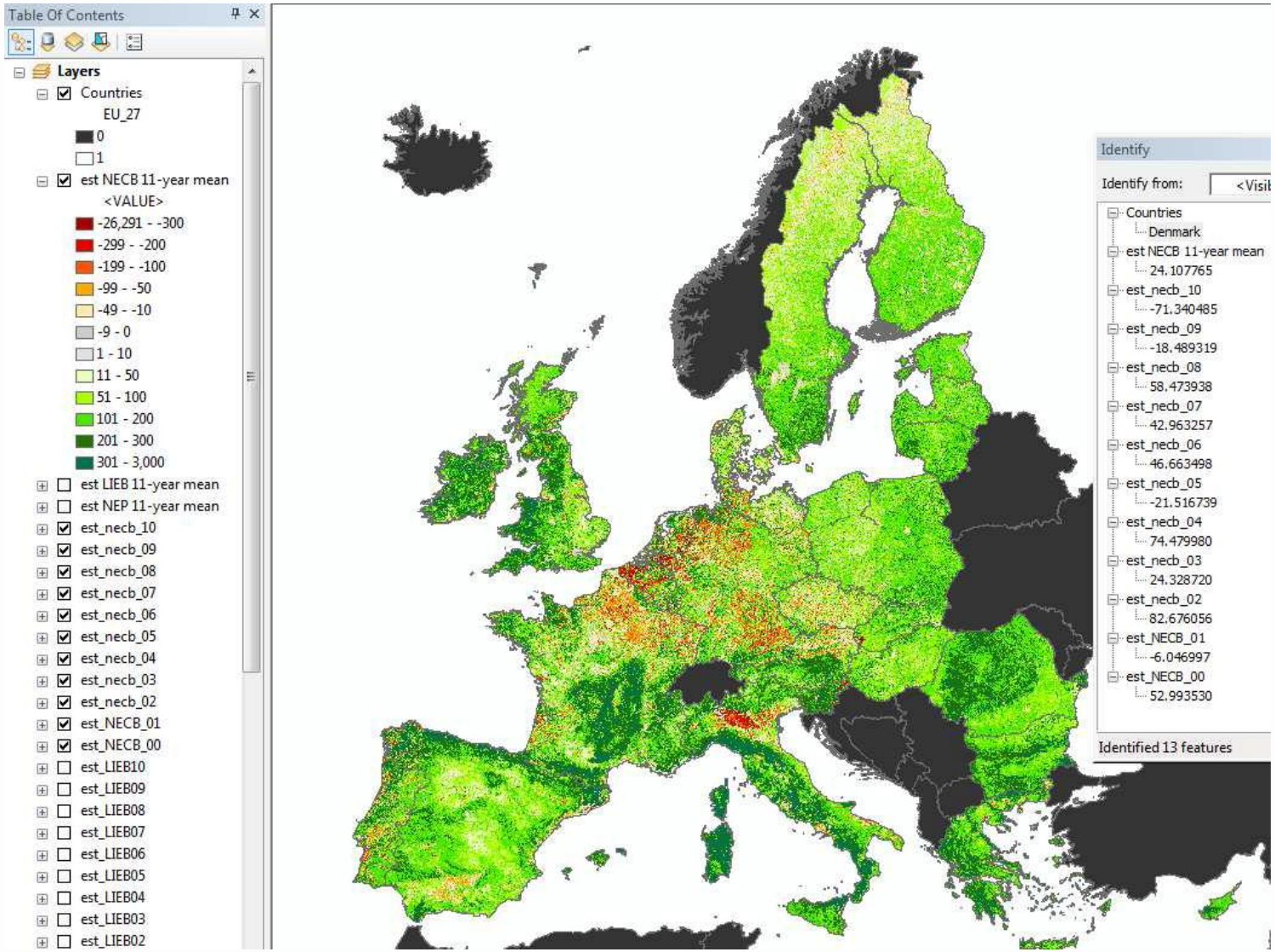
European Union – Map of carbon sequestration



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Example: Carbon Accounting in Australia

Primary reservoir	Geocarbon (Mt C)	Hectares (million)	Biomass carbon (Mt C)	Soil organic carbon (Mt C)	Total biocarbon (Mt C)
Biocarbon					
Natural ecosystems					
Rangelands		596.3	6,374	6,603	12,977
Non rangelands:					
Eucalypt native forests		16.7	4,671	3,753	8,424
Shrub lands & woodlands		14.7	500	636	1,137
Grass, shrub & heath lands		1.6	37	51	87
Rainforests		2.3	1,225	252	1,477
Other		0.7	15	16	32
Marine ecosystems		1.8	114	1,084	1,198
Fresh water ecosystems		9.9	4	7	11
Total Natural ecosystems		**644.0**	**12,941**	**12,402**	**25,343**
Semi-natural ecosystems					
Highly modified rangelands		50.0	750	1,500	2,250
Grazing in modified pastures outside rangelands		32.9	132	1,315	1,447
Total Semi-natural ecosystems		**82.9**	**882**	**2,815**	**3,697**
Agricultural ecosystems					
Cropping		25.5	102	1,022	1,124
Irrigated agriculture		2.6	12	105	117
Plantation wood		2.4	177	120	296
Reservoir/dam		0.6	1	6	7
Other		6.3	120	244	363
Total Agriculture ecosystems		**37.4**	**412**	**1,497**	**1,907**
Settlements		2.6	30	79	108
Other		0.5	7	19	26
Total Settlements and Other		**3.1**	**37**	**98**	**134**
Total biocarbon[d]		**767.4**	**14,270**	**16,811**	**31,081**

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