

APPENDIX A

CALCULATION OF COMPETITORS' PRICE

Competitors' price is defined in this study as the export prices of major competitors in the same export industry in the world market. Major competitors are the top largest suppliers of export products in each industry categorized in the same Harmonized System (HS) 4-digit and 6-digit as those classified by the Ministry of Commerce (MOC), Thailand. Owing to large amounts of product groups classified into 4-digit and 6-digit HS code according to the MOC, samples of these product groups that have large share in each export industry are selected.

Export prices of the same sampled HS code of the major competitors are used to calculate export price index of each competitor in each industry. Export price indexes of four major competitors are weighted averaged by export share, resulting in the competitors' price index of each industry.

Since the period of this study covers seven year period, there is possibly a change in export structure or the compositions of exports. Regarding to this, the fixed base price index may not efficiently represent the real movement of price. The chained price index is preferred because the prices of the current period are compared to those of the previous period instead of the base year. In this study, the competitors' price index is constructed using the similar method applied by MOC in export price index construction.

Export price index in the year 2000 (base year)

The export price index in the year 2000 which is the base year (the same base year as of MOC in Thailand's export price index calculation) is calculated using the *Fixed Laspeyres* price index which has the following formula.

$$I_t = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^t q_i^0}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^0 q_i^0} \times 100$$

$$I_t = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (p_i^0 q_i^0) \times \frac{p_i^t}{p_i^0}}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^0 q_i^0} \times 100$$

where I_t is export price index in dollar terms at period t

p_i^t is export price in dollar terms of goods i at period t

p_i^0 is export price in dollar terms of good i at the base year (average in 2000)

$p_i^0 q_i^0$ is value of export of good i at the base year

Export price index after the year 2000 (base year)

The formula used is **Chain Fixed Laspeyres**

$$I_{t,n} = I_{t-1,Dec} \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{p_i^{t,n}}{p_i^{t-1,Dec}} \times p_i^{t-1} q_i^{t-1} \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_i^{t-1} q_i^{t-1}} \right)$$

where n is month 1,2,.....,12

$I_{t,n}$ is export price index at month n of year t

$I_{t-1,Dec}$ is export price index at December of year $t-1$

$p_i^{t,n}$ is export price in dollar terms of good i at month n of year t

$p_i^{t-1,Dec}$ is export price in dollar terms of good i at December of year $t-1$

$p_i^{t-1} q_i^{t-1}$ is value of export of good i of year $t-1$ (used as weight)

The export price in dollar terms (p) and quantity (q) are extracted from the “*average price*” and “*quantity*” series of World Trade Atlas (WTA), respectively. Only products that are continuously exported are included in the construction of price index.

For each export industry, the competitors’ price index is the weighed average of the four major competitors’ export price index. The components of export products and the weights of each competitor are presented as follows.

Table A1
List of Countries and Export Products at HS 4-digit and 6-digit Level
Selected in Calculation of Competitors' Price Index

Canned fish & seafood			
China	Denmark	Spain	Germany
160520	160520	160520	160520
160414	160414	160414	160414
160420	160420	160420	160420
160510	160590	160590	160510
160590	160411	160413	160590
160413	160415	160415	160413
160411	160540	160540	160411
160415	160419	160419	160415
160540			160419
160419			

Chemical products			
Germany	USA	Belgium	Japan
3824	2901	3204	2902
3204	2933	2803	2901
2803	3204	3808	2933
3808	2803	2916	3824
292241	3808	292241	3204
	2916		2803
	292241		3808
			2916
			291736
			292241

Garments			
China	Hong Kong	Italy	Turkey
6111	6113	6209	6209
6209	610510	610510	610510
6113	610910	610910	610910
610510	620342	620342	620342
610910	611020	611020	611020
620342	620462	620462	620462
611020	610990	610990	610990
620462	611030	611030	611030
610990	610711	610711	610711
611030	620520	620520	620520
610711	620630	620630	620630
620520	620343	620343	620343
620630	610343	610343	610343
620343	610610	610610	610610
610343	610520	610520	610520
610610	611090	611090	620333
610520	620333	620333	620452
611090	620452	620452	620443
620333	620443	620443	620463
620452	620463	620463	610821
620443	610821	610821	620530
620463	620530	620530	620469
610821	620469	620469	610822
620530	610822	610822	611430
620469	611430	620193	620193
610822	620193	620433	620433
611430	620433		
620193			
620433			

Furniture and parts			
China	Italy	Germany	Denmark
940360	940360	940360	940360
940161	940161	940161	940161
940169	940169	940169	940169
940340	940190	940190	940190
940390	940340	940340	940340
940320	940390	940390	940390
940350	940320	940320	940320
940380	940350	940350	940350
	940380	940380	940380

Motor cars, parts and accessories			
Germany	USA	Canada	France
870421	870421	870421	870421
870323	870323	870323	870323
870431	870431	870431	870431
870322	870322	870322	870322
854430	870332	870332	854430
870332	870333	870333	870332
870333	870324	870324	870333
851220			851220
870324			870324

Plastic products			
Germany	USA	China	Italy
3820	3920	3920	3920
3821	3918	3921	3918
3819	392321	3918	3919
392321	392329	3919	392321
392690	630533	392321	392690
392329		392690	392329
392490		392329	392490
		392330	
		630533	
		392490	

Rubber products			
Germany	Japan	USA	France
4011	4011	4011	4011
4014	4014	4005	4014
4005	4005	4007	4005
4007	4007	4009	4007
4013	4009	4013	4013
401519	4013	401519	401519
401699	401519	401511	401699
401511	401699		401511
401693	401693		401693

Iron & steels and their products			
Germany	Japan	Belgium	Italy
7326	7326	7326	7326
7208	7208	7208	7208
7209	7209	7209	7209
7219	7219	7219	7219
7318	7308	7318	7318
7307	7318	7307	7307
7306	7307	7306	7306
7216	7306	7216	7216
7210	7216	7210	7210
	7210		

The importance of each competing country in each export industry is ranked by their export value in the world market. Data for each country's export value is obtained from the Global Trade Atlas (GTA). Competitors' price (pc) of each export industry is measured by:

$$pc = \sum_{i=1}^4 w_i pc_i$$

where pc_i be the export price index of competing country i and w_i be weight assign to competing country i .

The weights assigned to countries selected in calculation of competitors' price index for each export industry are tabulated in Table A2.

Table A2
Weights Assigned to Countries Selected in
Calculation of Competitors' Price Index

Canned fish & seafood			
China	Denmark	Spain	Germany
0.64	0.13	0.12	0.11
Chemical products			
Germany	USA	Belgium	Japan
0.27	0.27	0.26	0.20
Textiles			
China	Hong Kong	Italy	Turkey
0.49	0.28	0.12	0.11
Furniture and parts			
China	Italy	Germany	Denmark
0.36	0.33	0.23	0.08
Motor vehicles			
Germany	USA	Canada	France
0.43	0.22	0.20	0.15
Plastic products			
Germany	USA	China	Italy
0.34	0.31	0.18	0.17
Rubber products			
Germany	Japan	USA	France
0.29	0.28	0.24	0.19
Iron & steels			
Germany	Japan	Belgium	Italy
0.34	0.25	0.21	0.20