

Exercise 2

National Output and National Income

1. Is the following a stock or flow variable?

2.1 Inventories **STOCK**

2.2 Change in Inventories **FLOW**

2.3 Money Supply **STOCK**

2.4 Change in Money Supply **FLOW**

2.5 National Income **FLOW**

2.6 Expenditure **FLOW**

2.7 Wealth **STOCK**

2.8 Population **STOCK**

2.9 Capital **STOCK**

2.10 Interest **FLOW**

2. What is the difference between GDP and GNP? When looking at the US and China, which country do you expect to have higher GNP? Why?

- GDP is value of output produced within a country, but GNP is calculated by productions owned by country's citizens.
- I expect the US has higher GNP than China. Because the cost of production in China is lower than the US, so the US is likely to invest and produce goods in China which increases its GNP.

3. The canned apple has 5 stages of production as follows. Find the value added of each stage and the GDP value of the canned apple.

Stages of Production	Value of Sales	Value Added
Growing Apple	12	
Pickling	15	3
Canning	18	3
Shipping	20	2
Retail Sale	22	2

TOTAL VALUE ADDED $\Rightarrow 3+3+2+2 = 10$

GNP final good $\Rightarrow 22$

4. What is Transfer Payment? Why is it not included in GDP?

Transfer payment is one-way payment to person or organization without goods and services exchange. Because there's no producing products so it's not included in GDP.

5. Why are we interested in Real GDP? Explain with examples. Is there a problem associated with Real GDP?

Real GDP tells us about effects of inflation and deflation, because GDP focuses on economy's production. However, there are some problems such as: it doesn't focus on change and cannot tell the quality of citizens' lives.

6. Suppose 2018 is the base year. What can we say about Real GDP, Nominal GDP, and GDP Deflator of 2018?

We can say that GDP and nominal GDP will be equal. The GDP deflator is 100.

7. Explain three limitations of the GDP concept.

- ① Inequality: GDP has nothing to say about money distribution.
- ② Informal Economy: GDP doesn't count on unreported income manufactured in hidden part of economy.
- ③ Externality: GDP doesn't take into account the benefits on the third party.

8. In 2018, Kingdom Asgard made the following transactions. Using the expenditure approach, identify which component of GDP is affected by each transaction, and calculate the 2018 GDP.

$$\text{\$ } 7400 \quad 400 + 600 + 200 + (800 - 100) = 1900$$

- The citizens bought 8 new cars, each worth 50\$. = 400\$ consumption
- The citizens bought 4 new houses, each worth 150\$. = 600\$ investment
- The citizens grew rice for their own consumption. The rice was worth 500\$. — not GDP
- The firms bought 6 used machines, each worth 50\$. = 300\$ investment
- The firms bought 8 car parts, each worth 25\$. = 200\$ investment
- The government bought 4 new computers, each worth 50\$. = 200\$ Government spending
- The government paid 1000\$ to the poor as welfare payment. not GDP
- The citizens bought 10 imported ships, each worth 100\$. = 1000\$ import
- The firms sold 4 planes abroad, each worth 200\$. = 800\$ export

9. Suppose that there are three goods in the economy – goods A, B, and C. Calculate Nominal GDP, Real GDP, and GDP Deflator when 2012 is the base year. Also, calculate the annual inflation rate from 2014 to 2015.

Year	Price of A	Quantity of A	Price of B	Quantity of B	Price of C	Quantity of C
2012	1	3	2	3	3	3
2013	3	1	4	2	1	4
2014	2	2	3	4	2	1
2015	4	4	1	1	4	2

Year	Nominal GDP	Real GDP	GDP Deflator
2012	18	18	100
2013	15	$1 \times 4 + 12 = 17$	88.24
2014	18	$2 \times 8 + 8 = 13$	138.46
2015	25	$4 \times 2 + 6 = 12$	208.33

GDP deflator

$$= \frac{\text{Nominal GDP}}{\text{Real GDP}} \times 100$$

inflation rate from 2014 to 2015

$$= \frac{\text{new-old}}{\text{old}} = \frac{25-18}{18} = 0.39$$

10. Using the table below, calculate GNP and NNP.

	Billions of Dollars
GDP	8000
Receipts of factor income from the rest of the world	250
Payments of factor income to the rest of the world	300
Depreciation	900
Indirect taxes minus subsidies	500
Corporate profits minus dividends	500
Social insurance payments	700
Personal interest income received from the government and consumers	300
Transfer payments to persons	1100
Personal taxes	1000

$$GNP = GDP + NFFI$$

$$= GDP + \text{from aboard} - \text{to aboard}$$

$$= 8000 + (250 - 300)$$

$$= 7950$$

$$NNP = GNP - \text{depreciation}$$

$$= 7950 - 900$$

$$= 7050$$

11. Using the table below, Calculate the following items.

11.1 Gross domestic investment

$$GDI = NDI + \text{Depreciation}$$

$$= 784 + 168 = 952$$

11.2 GDP, using the expenditure approach

$$C + I + G + (X - M) = 2203 + 952 + 716.8 +$$

$$(212.8 - 235.2)$$

$$= 3849.6$$

11.3 GNP

$$GNP = GDP + NFFI$$

$$= 3186 - 168 = 3648$$

11.4 NNP

$$NNP = GNP - \text{Depreciation} ; 3648 - 168 = 3380$$

11.3 National Income, using the income approach

$$1407.07 + 257.6 + 593.6 + 182.2 + 173.9 + 34.1 + 44.8 = 2960.3$$

(Do not worry if NNP and NI differ greatly.)

Table 6.5

	Depreciation	168.0	
	Compensation of employees	1,407.7	wages
	Corporate profits	257.6	corporate profit
	Dividends	78.4	
X	Exports	212.8	
G	Government purchases	716.8	
M	Imports	235.2	
	Indirect taxes	593.6	indirect tax
	Net interest income	182.2	interest
	Net private domestic investment	784.0	
C	Personal consumption expenditures	2,203.2	
	Personal interest income	112.0	
	Receipts of factor income from the rest of the world	35.2	
	Personal taxes	627.2	
	Proprietor's income	173.9	non-corporate profit
	Payments of factor income to the rest of the world	68.8	
	Rental income	34.1	rent
	Social insurance payments	380.8	
	Subsidies	44.8	subsidy
	Transfer payments	504.0	

12. In a simple economy, suppose that all income is either compensation of employees or profits. Suppose also that there are no indirect taxes. Calculate GDP from the table below. Show that the expenditure approach and the income approach add up to the same figure.

(Hints: (1) $NNP + \text{Depreciation} = GNP$, (2) $NFFI = 0$, and (3) $NI = NNP$)

C	Consumption	9500
I	Investment	3000
	Depreciation	1750
	Profits	2400
X	Exports	850
	Compensation of employees	11500
G	Government purchases	3200
	Direct taxes	1200
	Saving	1600
M	Imports	900

• Expenditure Approach

$$\begin{aligned}
 GDP &= C + I + G + (X - M) \\
 &= 9,500 + 3,000 + 3,200 + (850 - 900) \\
 &= 15,650
 \end{aligned}$$

• Income Approach

$$NI = NNP$$

$$GNP = NNP + \text{Depreciation}$$

$$GNP = GDP \text{ when } NFFI = 0$$

$$GDP - \text{Depreciation} = \text{profits} + \text{Compensation}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 GDP &= 2,400 + 11,500 + 1,750 \\
 &= 15,650 \text{ #}
 \end{aligned}$$