Trade Data Day

NTMs today, progress and statistical challenges

Joint Presentation by ITC, UNCTAD
World Bank, and WTO

Outline

- 1. Overview: NTM Data
- 2. Presentation by agencies of different data sets
 - NTM classification
 - Inventory data based on national legislation
 - Notifications and other WTO data
 - Antidumping database
 - The private sector perspective
- 3. Way forward

NTM Definition(s)

NTMs

Policy measures, other than ordinary customs tariffs, that can potentially have an economic effect on international trade in goods, changing quantities traded, or prices or both. (GNTB MAST, 2009)

NTBs: NTMs that have a 'protectionist or discriminatory intent'

Excessively strict/ complex requirements

The requirements are too strict or complex to comply with.

Procedural Obstacles

Practical challenges or administrative hurdles which make compliance with NTMs difficult.

Business Environment

General operating conditions in the country that are not related to NTMs but which may hinder company's ability to trade.

Trade Obstacles

NTM Data Basics: What data

Goods

National legislation

- Inventory data
- Notifications
- Specific Trade Concerns (STCs

Private sector perspective

- Business survey
- Complaints portal

Services

- Inventory data
- Notifications
- (STC)

- Business survey
- Complaints portal

Collaboration initiatives

- Multi-Agency Support Team (MAST):
 FAO, IMF, ITC, OECD, UNIDO, UNCTAD, World Bank and WTO (Observer EC, USDA, USITC)
- Transparency in Trade Initiative (TNT): AfDB, ITC, UNCTAD, WB; WTO linked
 - UNCTAD leads on official NTM data for goods. ITC contributes. In Africa AfDB and UNCTAD.
 - WB leads on services and on antidumping data
 - ITC leads on tariff data
- I-TIP services collaboration between WB and WTO
- I-TIP goods collaboration between WTO and UNCTAD

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International NTM classification (2012): The common language

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J DISTRIBUTION RESTRICTIONS
K RESTRICTIONS ON POST-SALES SERVICES
L SUBSIDIES (EXCLUDING EXPORT SUBSIDIES
UNDER P7)
M GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT RESTRICTIONS
N INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
O RULES OF ORIGIN
Exports P EXPORT-RELATED MEASURES

International NTM Classification

Tree structure – Example

A SANITARY AND PHYTOSANITARY MEASURES

A1 Prohibitions/restrictions of imports for SPS reasons

A2 Tolerance limits for residues and restricted use of substances

(...)

A8 Conformity Assessment related to SPS

A81 Product registration requirement

A82 Testing requirement

A83 Certification requirement

A84 Inspection requirement

A85 Traceability requirement

A851 Origin of materials and parts

A852 Processing history

A853 Distribution and location of products after delivery

A859 Traceability requirements n.e.s.

A86 Quarantine requirement

A89 Conformity assessments related to SPS n.e.s

A9 SPS Measures n.e.s.

B TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

C PRE-SHIPMENT INSPECTION AND OTHER FORMALITIES

D CONTINGENT TRADE PROTECTIVE MEASURES

E NON-AUTOMATIC LICENSING, QUOTAS, PROHIBITIONS ...

F PRICECONTROL MEASURES INCLUDING ADDIT. TAXES ...

G FINANCE MEASURES

H MEASURES AFFECTING COMPETITION

I TRADE-RELATED INVESTMENT MEASURES

At this level of coding: 122 measures in the classification

Classification of Procedural Obstacles

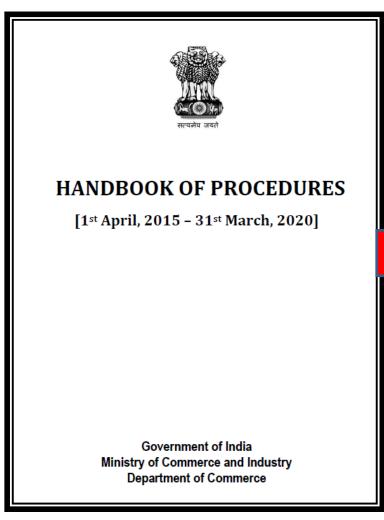
as used in ITC's business surveys on NTMs

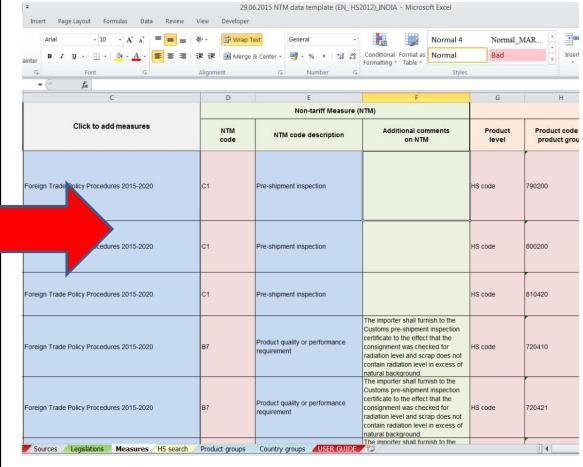
A	Administrative burdens related to regulations	 A1. Large number of different documents A2. Documentation is difficult to fill out A3. Difficulties with translation of documents from or into other languages A4. Numerous administrative windows/organizations involved, redundant documents
В	Information/ transparency issues	B1. Information on selected regulation is not adequately published and disseminated B2. No due notice for changes in selected regulation and related procedures B3. Selected regulation changes frequently B4. Requirements and processes differ from information published
С	Discriminating behaviour of officials	C1. Arbitrary behaviour of officials regarding classification and valuation of the reported product C2. Arbitrary behaviour of officials with regards to the reported regulation
D	Time constraints	D1. Delay related to reported regulation D2. Deadlines set for completion of requirements are too short
E	Informal or unusually high payment	E1. Unusually high fees and charges for reported certificate/regulation E2. Informal payment, e.g. bribes for reported certificate/regulation
F	Lack of sector-specific facilities	 F1. Limited/inappropriate facilities for testing F2. Limited/inappropriate facilities for sector-specific transport and storage, e.g. cold storage, refrigerated trucks F3. Other limited/inappropriate facilities, related to reported certificate/regulation
G	Lack of recognition/ accreditation	G1. Facilities lacking international accreditation/recognitionG2. Other problems with international recognition, e.g. lack of recognition of national certificates
Н	Other	H1. Other procedural obstacles, please specify

Official NTM data collection

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...to here

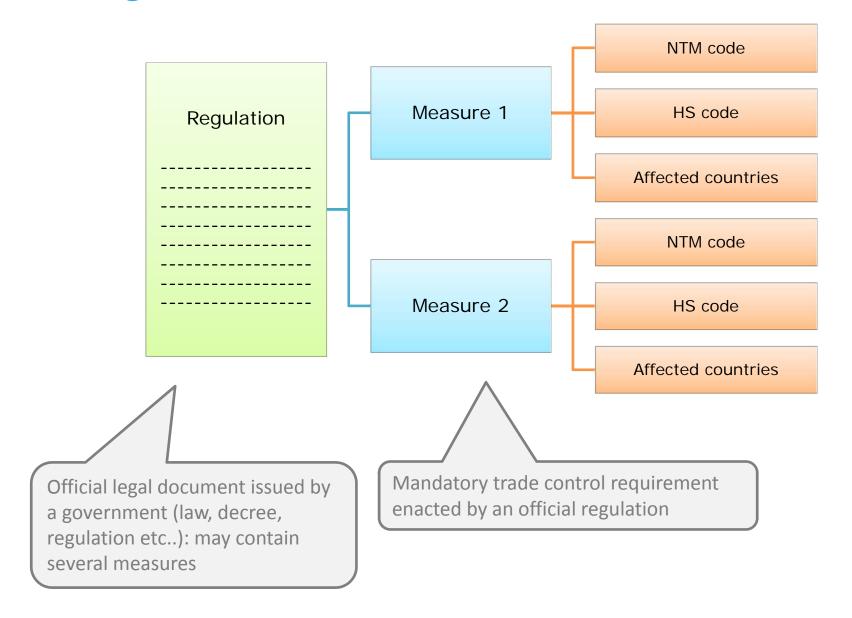




NTM data structure

- NTM Code (NTM classification)
- Measure Implementation Date
- Measure Repeal Date
- Measure Description
 Description of the measure in the regulation
- Measure Reference
 Specific place within the regulation
- Affected Products Description
 Description of affected products as stated in the regulation
- Affected Regions Description
 Description of affected countries/regions as stated in the regulation
- Notes, Optional additional notes

Regulations vs measures



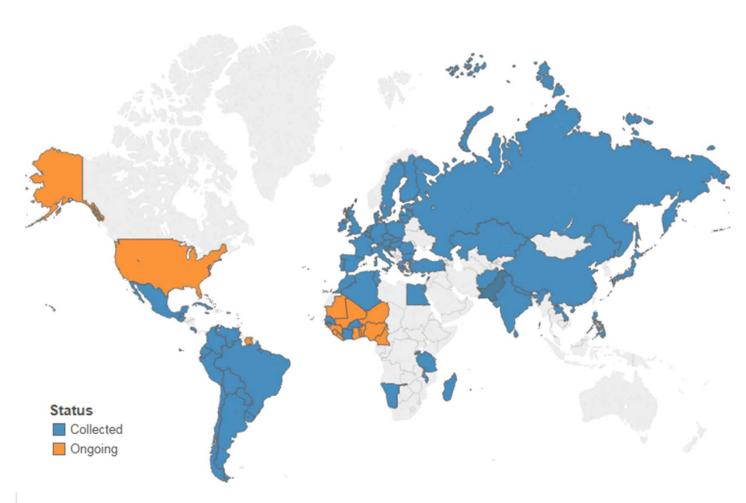
Data Availability

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Latin America and the Caribbean	North America	Europe and Central Asia	Middle East and North Africa	Sub-Saharan Africa	South Asia	East-Asia and the Pacific
Argentina	Canada	E.U.	Algeria	Benin	Afghanistan	China
Bolivia	USA	Kazakhstan	Jordan	Burkina Faso	India	Hong Kong, C
Brazil		Russia	Palestine	Cape Verde	Nepal	Japan
Chile		Turkey	Egypt	Cote d'Ivoire	Pakistan	Lao PDR
Colombia			Israel	Gambia	Sri Lanka	Philippines
Costa Rica			Lebanon	Ghana		Australia
Cuba			Morocco	Guinea		New Zealand
Ecuador			Tunisia	Liberia		
Guatemala				Madagascar		
Jamaica				Malawi		
Mexico				Mali		
Paraguay				Mauritius		
Peru				Namibia		
Uruguay				Nigeria		
Venezuela				Rwanda		
El Salvador				Senegal		
Honduras				Tanzania		
Nicaragua				Kenya		
CARICOM				Guinea		
countries				Bissau		

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WTO - Notifications of trade policy measures

Governments submit <u>official</u> <u>legislation</u>, <u>regulations</u> and <u>other measures</u>; mainly measures applied to <u>imports</u>, covering <u>most types of NTMs</u>

- One time reporting of legislation:
 - <u>Customs valuation, Pre-shipment inspection, ...</u>
- Ad hoc reporting of new/planned/changed measures:
 - SPS, TBT, Import licensing, Antidumping, safeguards,
- Full regular reporting of all measures:

•	Antidumping, countervailing duties	(semi-annual)
•	Import licensing, TRQ, Export subsidies	(annual)
•	Quantitative restrictions, state trading	(bi-annual)

- Full public dissemination via WTO documents
- Move towards <u>online notification systems</u> and database storage
- <u>Analytical online</u> dissemination through <u>I-TIP</u>

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NTMs covered by I-TIP: May 2015

- Regulatory measures
 - TBT Technical Barriers to Trade (18830)
 - SPS Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures (13380)
- Trade defense measures / trade remedies
 - ADP Anti-dumping (1769)
 - CVD Countervailing duties (118)
 - SG Safeguards (279)
- Others measures
 - SSG Special agricultural safeguards (581)
 - QR Quantitative restrictions (1351)
 - STE State Trading Enterprises (241)
- To be added by September 2015:
 - Import licensing, AG TRQs, AG Export subsidies
 - Customs valuation, Pre-shipment inspection, Rules of Origin

World Bank

Temporary Trade Barriers Database (TTBD)

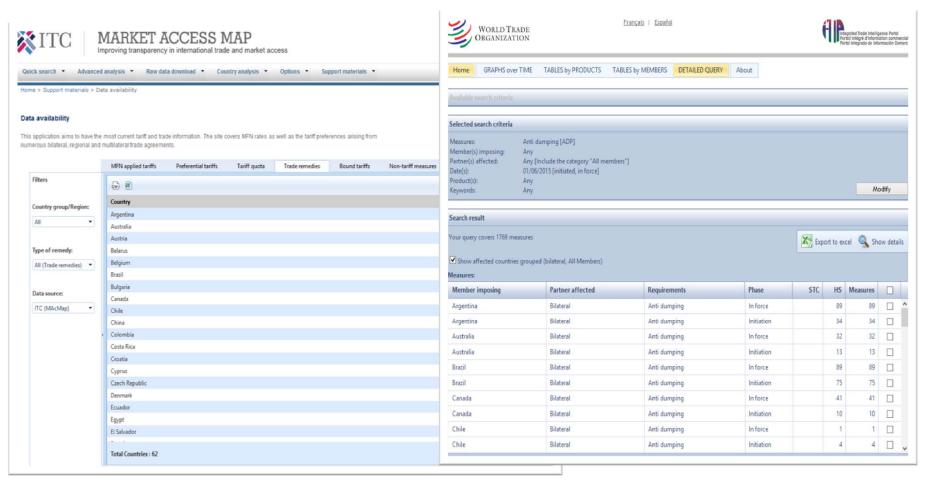
- Expanded from *Global Antidumping Database* (available since 2005)
- **1. Antidumping** (31 countries), **CVDs** (17 countries)
 - Data compiled from national government announcements (Federal Register, Official Journal) and administrative authority websites
- 2. Safeguards (WTO Agreement on Safeguards, all WTO members),
 - Data taken from what is reported to WTO Committee on Safeguards

Information available

- Dates of initiation, investigations, decisions, outcomes, including types of measures imposed
- Tariff-line product codes for each investigation
- For AD and CVD only: also available information (names) of petitioning firms, industry
 organizations, or labor groups; firm-specific outcomes for foreign firms named as targets (e.g.,
 firm-specific duties)
- Updates now collected and made publicly available annually at http://econ.worldbank.org/ttbd/

ITC-WTO Trade remedies database

- Combined ITC Macmap (35 countries in 2014) and WTO I-TIP (all WTO members) databases: National regulations with detailed information and WTO Notifications
- Antidumping, Countervailing and Safeguards measures by product, partner country, companies, type (investigation, definitive measures, revision, etc.), duties, date of implementation, official document.



Data Collection and Dissemination

Data collection is a collaborative effort

- UNCTAD, ITC, World Bank, AfDB (TNT partners)
- With other partners involved (Regional Secretariats, WTO, ...)

Data dissemination

Organization	Website	What	Registration		
ITC	www.macmap.org	Official NTM data (and other data)	Yes, no fee	The same	
UNCTAD&WB	wits.worldbank.org (TRAINS data)	Official NTM data (and other data)	Yes, no fee	NTM data	
WTO	i-tip.wto.org	Notifications	No, no fee		
WB	http://econ.worldba nk.org/ttbd	Antidumping, CVDs and Safeguards	No, no fee	40	

The private sector perspective

The International Trade Centre (ITC) supports SMEs in their efforts to internationalize.

3 Pillars of ITC's NTM programme:

Pillar 1

NTM Official Data Collection

- Codifying and classification of national trade-related regulations
- Data dissemination through Market Access Map (MAcMap)

Pillar 2

Business Surveys

 Large-scale surveys of companies on their experiences with government regulations when exporting or importing

Pillar 3

Follow Up Actions

- Design and implementation of actions to address companies' difficulties with NTMs
- E.g.: Trade ObstacleAlert (TOA) mechanism

Business Survey motivation/objectives

- Capture perception of exporters and importers on NTM-related trade obstacles, by product (HS6) and partner country
- Provide de facto (instead of de jure) evidence on NTMs
- Look at the specific role of NTMs implementation (→ procedural obstacles)
- Compile a unique set of surveys realized with a common methodology across countries (30 developing countries + EU)
- Complement other approaches (direct and indirect approaches) to measure revealed 'costs' of NTMs.

Selected questions the NTM Surveys answer

Who is affected and how much?

 Sectors, products, types of companies (women/men-owned, size, region), trade flows with which partner countries, type of trade flow (export/import), etc.

Which NTMs are perceived as burdensome?

Technical regulations, conformity assessment, rules of origin, inspections, etc.

Why are NTMs perceived as burdensome?

Strict regulations, procedural obstacles, both

What procedural obstacles do exporters/importers encounter?

• Delays, high fees and charges, large number of documents, limited testing facilities, problems with recognition of certificates, etc.

Where does the problem occur?

At home, in the partner country, institution(s) involved, ...

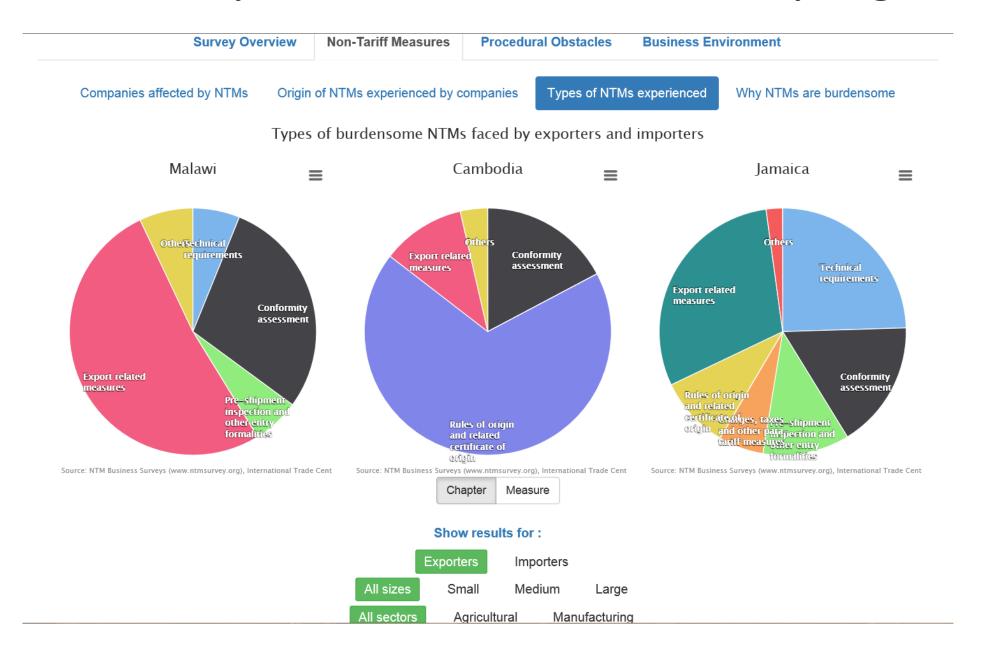
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Survey Overview Non-Tariff Measures Procedural Obstacles Business Environment Companies affected by NTMs Origin of NTMs experienced by companies Types of NTMs experienced Why NTMs are burdensome Share of companies affected by NTM-related obstacles \equiv Cambodia Malawi Jamaica Not affected Not affected Not affected Affected Affected Source: NTM Business Surveys (www.ntmsurvey.org), International Trade Centre Show results for: **Exporters** Importers Small All sizes Medium Large All sectors Agricultural Manufacturing

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Way forward

Improve data coverage

(in terms of number of countries and types of measures)

- Enhance sustainability of data collection and update
 - → national ownership
- Work towards greater accessibility to data and enhanced design of data dissemination
 - → to respond to user needs
- Refine the methodologies to assess NTM impact on trade flows and trade cost

Thank you