

FW: Quick question on macrovalidation

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Dear team

I have found the source of our number for consumption. Please see below from Haleema (our former colleague in PCBS).

All the best  
Arden

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Dear Arden,

Many thanks for your email and efforts in reviewing and reconsidering the data based on our discussion. Within this context and in reference to your inquiry, kindly note that the data on H.H national consumption figure (55,087,244,186) includes East Jerusalem in (NIS) for the national accounts data (estimates) for 2017 at current prices and the data source is Administrative records. It should be noted that the said data were provided by our National Accounts Department through a WDI-related questionnaire.

On another hand, the second item amounted to (56,174,637,938.66) was derived from the PECS Survey; thus, the two figures are not comparable since they are from different sources.

Kindest regards,  
Haleema

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Dear Jawad, Dear Haleema

Thank you again for a more interesting and productive meeting last week. Since that meeting we have been re-looking at the macrovalidation. We always assumed that the data in the WDI excluded east Jerusalem, so we were excluding it from the validation. However, if we include it, then we get a number that is way closer to what we have in the WDI. So my question is whether you could confirm if the national consumption aggregate that PCBS submitted for the WDI in fact includes east Jerusalem?

Including East Jerusalem	PECS (NIS)	Admin data (NIS)	Ratio
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VAT/HH consumption	56,174,637,938.66	55,087,244,186	102%
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Thank you and all the best  
Arden

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