

**- Presentation of ESANE, the French system of business statistics  
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The French structural business statistics are produced with the process ESANE (Elaboration des Statistiques ANnuelles d'Entreprises: Production of annual business statistics) that relies heavily on the annual statements of benefits provided by the enterprises to the tax authorities. But the only use of administrative sources is not sufficient for this development: in particular, the breakdown of turnover of each enterprise according to the different activities undertaken by it is not available. A statistical survey is conducted among a sample of enterprises to collect a set of supplementary informations to those existing in the administrative sources.

The process ESANE is a mixed device, which, in particular, conducts a specific phase to obtain consistency of the informations available in both types of sources (administrative, statistical). Specific statistical procedures have been developed to produce estimates from this composite material.