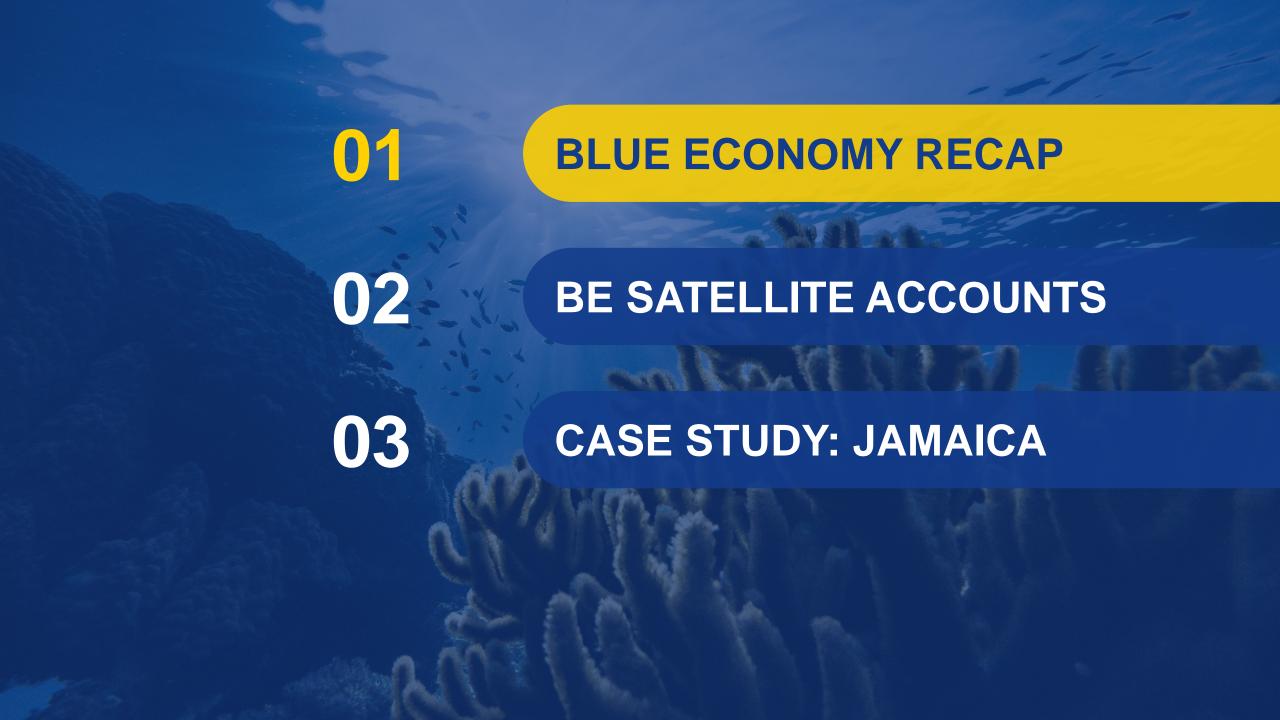


The Economic Impact of the Caribbean Blue Economy

BLUE ECONOMY SATELLITE ACCOUNTS

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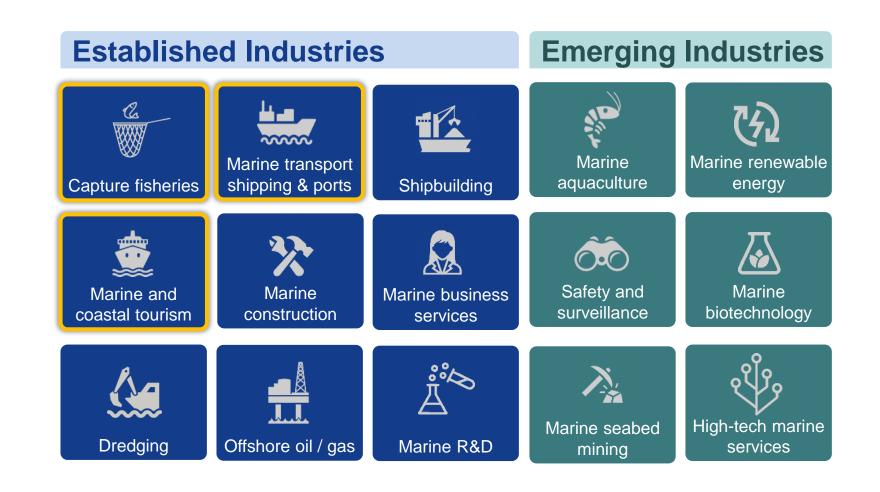
What do we mean by "Blue Economy"?



99 Blue Economy:

A sustainable ocean economy, where economic activity is in balance with the long-term capacity of ocean ecosystems to support this activity and remain resilient and healthy."

Economist Intelligence Unit 2015



How important is the Blue Economy?





40%

of the world's population lives at or near the coast

880 million

people depend on the fisheries and aquaculture for their livelihoods, many from developing and coastal states

In the Caribbean...



of the region's economy was generated in the ocean in 2012

By 2030, ocean-based industries will provide:



40 million

direct full-time equivalent jobs - up from 31 million in 2010



US\$3 trillion

value added to global economy, - doubling from 2010



Coral reefs reduce

97% of wave energy,

acting as a barrier from storms



Some countries have an **EEZ** that is

75x larger

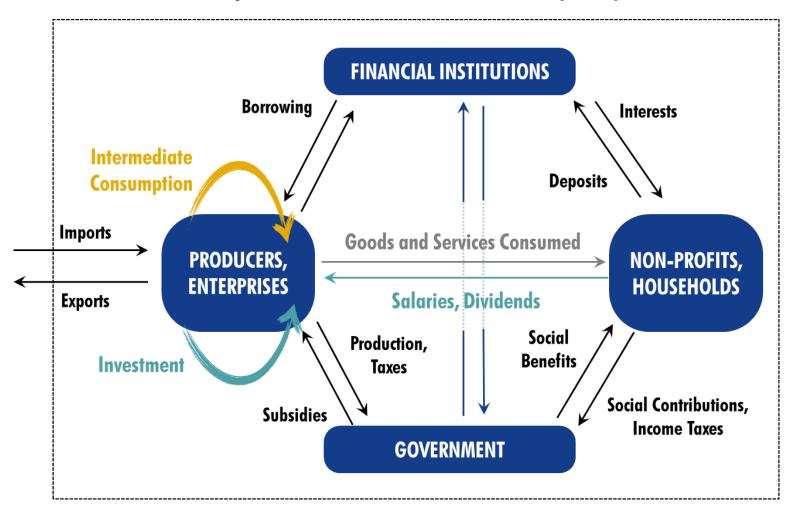
than the land area



How is economic activity currently measured?



System of National Accounts (SNA)



There is a unique interaction between the economic agents in the economy.

These transactions are what the SNA tries to measure.

Source: EUROSTAT

How is economic activity currently measured?





Total production by all producers



Intermediate Demand

Outputs from producers that are used as inputs by other producers (intermediate consumption)



Final Demand

Outputs from producers that are consumed by other economic agents such as: households, government, financial institutions

How is GDP calculated?



Gross Valued Added $(GVA)^n =$

 $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{production}_i - \text{intermediate}$ consumption_i

GDP at current market prices =

GVA at basic prices

- + taxes on products
- less subsidies on products

Supply-Use Framework



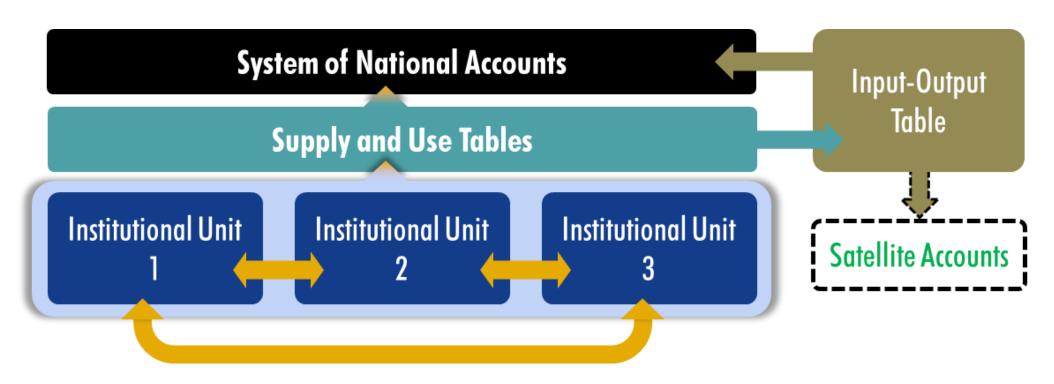




How does micro-level data link to the overall SNA?



System of National Accounts Process



What is the value of a Satellite Account?





Satellite Accounts provides micro-analysis on a specific area of activity in the SNA

PRECISE

Enables meticulous analysis of the economic benefits of a certain sector or set of activities

COMPARABLE

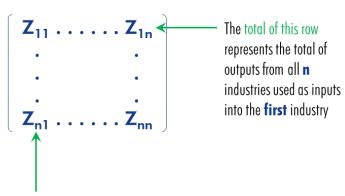
Benefits can be more accurately compared across country and over time

What is the Leontief Inverse Matrix methodology?



Understanding the **2** matrix:

There are ${\bf n}$ industries in the BE that use other BE products as intermediate inputs



The total of this column represents the total of outputs from the **first** industry used as inputs into all **n** industries

Understanding the **1** matrix:

This represents the final demand in each of the **n** industries

The total of this column represents the total final demand of all **n** industries

Understanding the **O** matrix:

This represents the total output for each of the **n** industries that are used as either for final demand or as inputs into all (not just BE) industries

The total of this row represents the total output of all **n** industries

Understanding the i matrix:

This **nxn** matrix, called the identity or unit matrix, is a standard feature of linear algebra

STEP 1 Calculate $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Z} \div \mathbf{0}$

A is the share of industry output used as inputs in each of the n industries

STEP 2 Calculate the (i-A) matrix = \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc

STEP 3 Calculate the inverse of the (i-A) matrix = $(i-A)^{-1}$

STEP 4 Calculate x = (i-A)-1+f



What activities are included in the Jamaica BESA?





Including: marine transport, cargo handling, cold storage, operation of piers and docks, and related services

What is the BE's impact on Jamaica's GDP?



Blue Economy Industry Indicator

Percentage of Gross Value Added (Direct and Indirect)

Indicator	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Visitor Accommodation	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
Maritime Transport	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	2.1
Fishing	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Tourism and Recreation Services	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9
BE Activities	6.4	6.5	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.9

Blue Economy

activities had a

measureable and direct

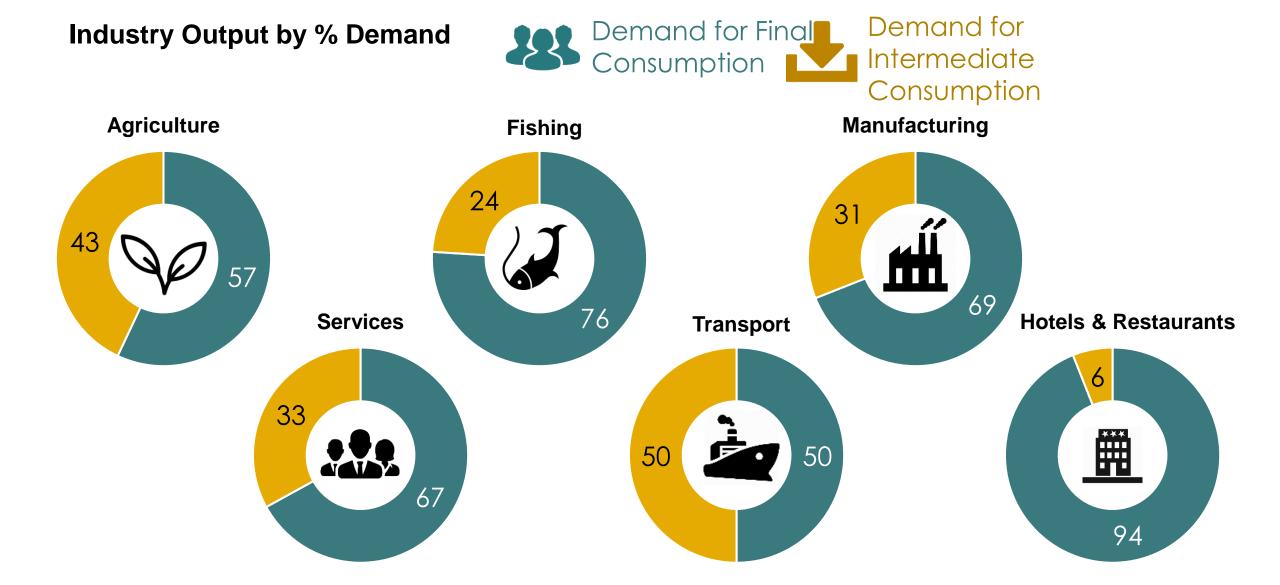
← impact of 6.9%

of GDP in 2017

On average, the BE was **6.7%** of GDP between 2012 and 2017

How do BE investments flow through the economy?

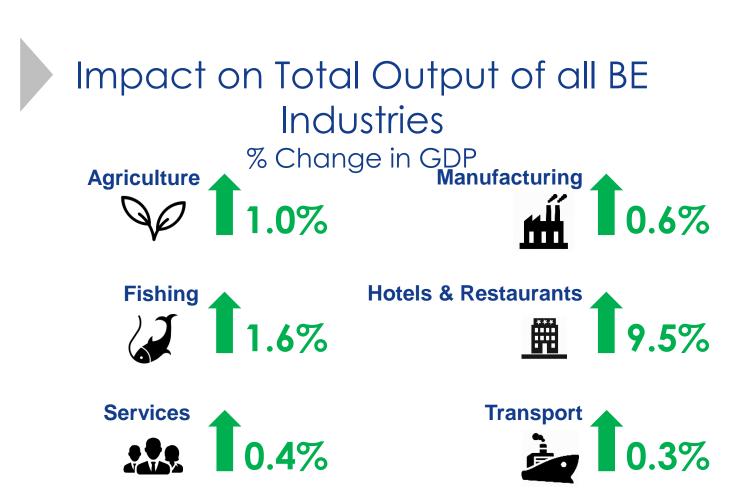




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