

# **USES OF MIRROR DATA**

**examples from the  
BIS International Banking Statistics  
and other external statistics**

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# THE 2 MAIN QUESTIONS: WHY?

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## WHY MIRROR DATA?

- **Mirror data:** different sources that capture similar concepts
- **Mirror data** are **important statistical tools** that that allows common data items to be validated across statistical domains. Promotes **consistency** and **accuracy, raise statistical quality standards**

## WHY THIS PAPER?

- Existence of **common data elements:** BIS International Banking Statistics (BIS IBS), International Investment Position (IIP) and other external sources (IMF CPIS, BIS IDS)
- Validity of **mirror relationship** at a country aggregated data level [consistency tests]
- Possible **reasons for differences** between pair of mirror data [fill gaps?]

**Background:** This topic was discussed in Biennial meeting of central bank experts (2017) on BIS international banking and financial statistics (Swapn with a colleague from Bank of Canada explored the issues). Agreed to jointly explore further, develop methodological framework and provide guidance

# CONSISTENCY TESTS



## LD1

**INTERBANK CLAIMS** and **INTERBANK LIABILITIES** comparison for **LOANS** and **DEPOSITS** based on **BIS LOCATIONAL BANKING STATISTICS BY RESIDENCE (LBS\R)**

$$\text{Interbank claims (liabilities)}_{i;j}^{LBS\R} \approx \text{Interbank liabilities(claims)}_{j;i}^{LBS\R}$$

*“i” is the reporting country and “j” the counterparty (reporting) country*

This comparison is only possible among LBS reporting countries. We use reported bilateral positions and aggregate to overall positions.

For a give reporting **country i**, the **net interbank claims/liabilities** are defined by:

$$\text{Net interbank claims} = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^x \text{Claims}_i^j - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^x \text{Liabilities}_j^i \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Net interbank liabilities} = \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^x \text{Liabilities}_i^j - \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i \neq j}}^x \text{Claims}_j^i$$

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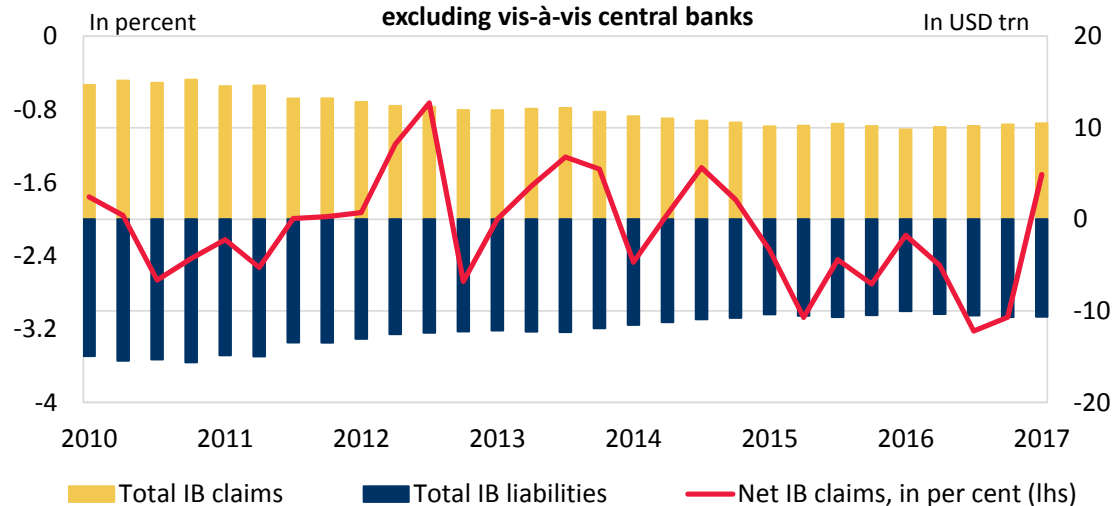


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### CROSS-BORDER NET INTERBANK CLAIMS IN REPORTING COUNTRIES

excluding vis-à-vis central banks



Between **2011** and **2017** the size of **net claims differences**, at the level of all reporting countries, **fell from -2,2% to -1,5%** of the stock of net interbank claims.

### POSSIBLE REASONS TO THE DIFFERENCES

- Coverage CB's positions
- Definition of bank sector
- Instrument breakdown
- Valuation
- Banking laws
- Legal/confidentiality restrictions
- Different reporting practises

# CONSISTENCY TESTS



## LD2

**DOMESTIC CLAIMS** in **ALL CURRENCIES**, **LOCAL CLAIMS** in **ALL CURRENCY** and **LOCAL LIABILITIES** in **LOCAL CURRENCY** vis-à-vis residents of the respective reporting countries between **Consolidated Banking Statistics by Immediate Counterparty Basis (CBS\IC)** and **Locational Banking Statistics by Nationality (LBS\N)**

$$LBS\N\ claims_i^{Domestic\ All\ excl.intragroup} \approx CBS\IC\ claims_i^{Domestic\ All}$$



$$LBS\N\ claims_i^{Local\ in\ all\ currencies\ excl.intragrop} \approx CBS\IC\ claims_i^{Local\ in\ all\ currencies}$$

$$LBS\N\ liabilities_i^{Local\ in\ local\ currency\ excl.intragroup} \approx CBS\IC\ liabilities_i^{Local\ in\ local\ currency}$$

### POSSIBLE REASONS TO THE DIFFERENCES

- Coverage
- Different geographical coverage (CBS\IC vs LBS\N)
- Different scope of consolidation (CBS\IC vs LBS\N)
- Reporting issues

# CONSISTENCY TESTS



## LD3

**LOANS** and **DEPOSITS** comparison between **BIS Locational Banking Statistics by Residency (LBS\R)** and **IMF International Investment Position (IIP)**

$$LBS\backslash R \text{ assets}_i^{\text{Loans and deposits}} \approx IIP \text{ assets}_i^{\text{Loans and deposits}}$$

$$LBS\backslash R \text{ liabilities}_i^{\text{Loans and deposits}} \approx IIP \text{ liabilities}_i^{\text{Loans and deposits}}$$



### POSSIBLE REASONS TO THE DIFFERENCES

- Geographical breakdown on interest owned not yet paid
- Reporting population may be different
- Inclusion of inter-office positions – equity and retained earnings in the LBS/R loans and deposits
- Exclusion of repo transactions in the IMF IIP and the inclusion of covered bonds in the LBS/R (Liabilities) ==> country specific reason

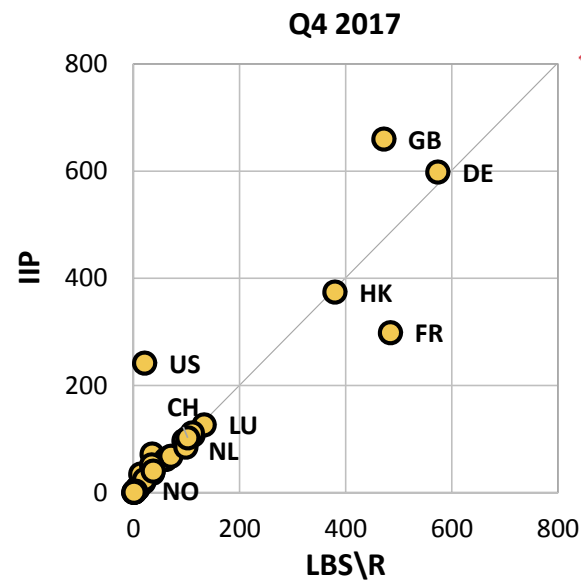
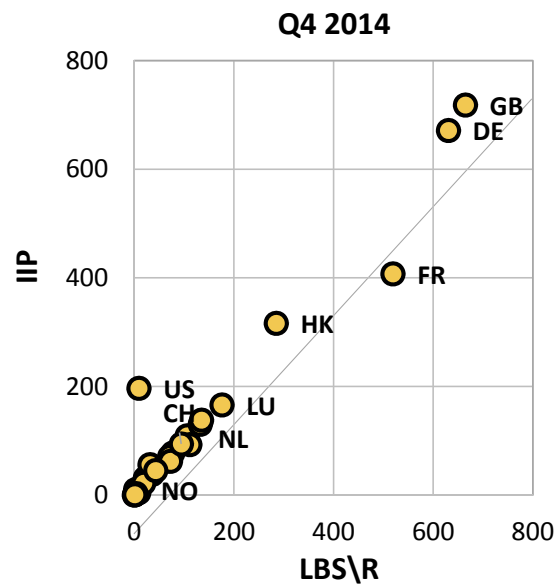
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## DS1

**CROSS-BOARDER DEBT SECURITIES CLAIMS** comparison between **BIS Locational Banking Statistics by Residency (LBS\R)** and **IMF International Investment Position (IIP)**

$$LBS\ R \text{ assets}_i^{\text{Cross-border debt securities}} \approx IIP \text{ assets}_i^{\text{Debt securities}}$$



### POSSIBLE REASONS TO THE DIFFERENCES

- Coverage sources
- Definition treatment of instruments

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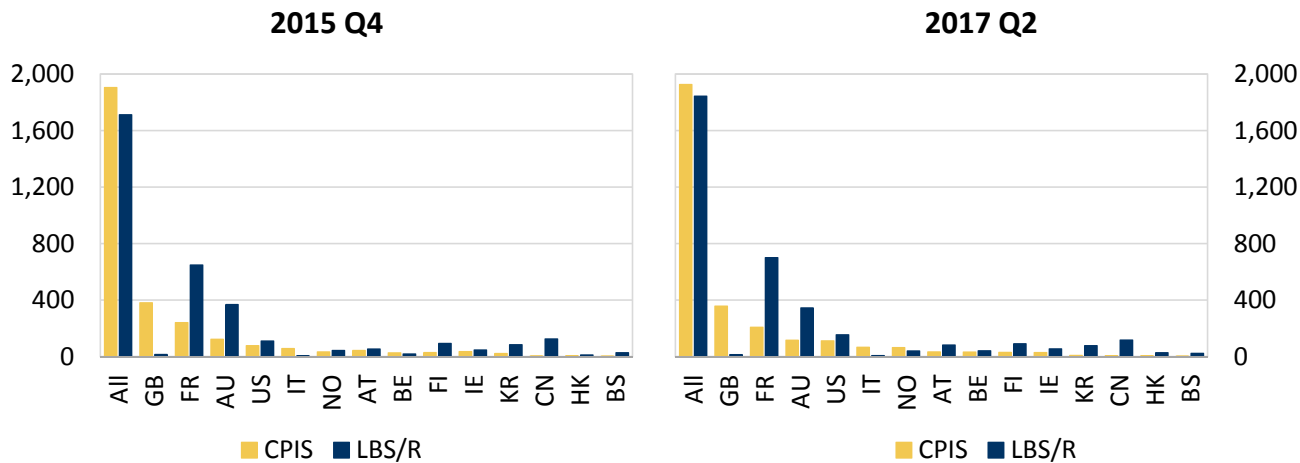


## DS2 | CROSS-BORDER DEBT SECURITIES LIABILITIES comparison between BIS Locational Banking Statistics by Residency (LBS\R) and the IMF Coordinated Portfolio Investment Survey (CPIS)

$$LBS\backslash R \text{ liabilities}_{i,j}^{\text{Cross-border debt securities}} > CPIS \text{ liabilities}_{i,j}^{\text{Derived debt securities}}$$

### CROSS-BORDER DEBT SECURITIES LIABILITIES OF BANKS BY ISSUING COUNTRY

Amount outstanding; in billions of US dollars



### POSSIBLE REASONS TO THE DIFFERENCES

- Frequency vintages
- Reporting population
- Practical issues in knowing residency of holder of liabilities (LBS\R)
- Different sources
- Different valuation



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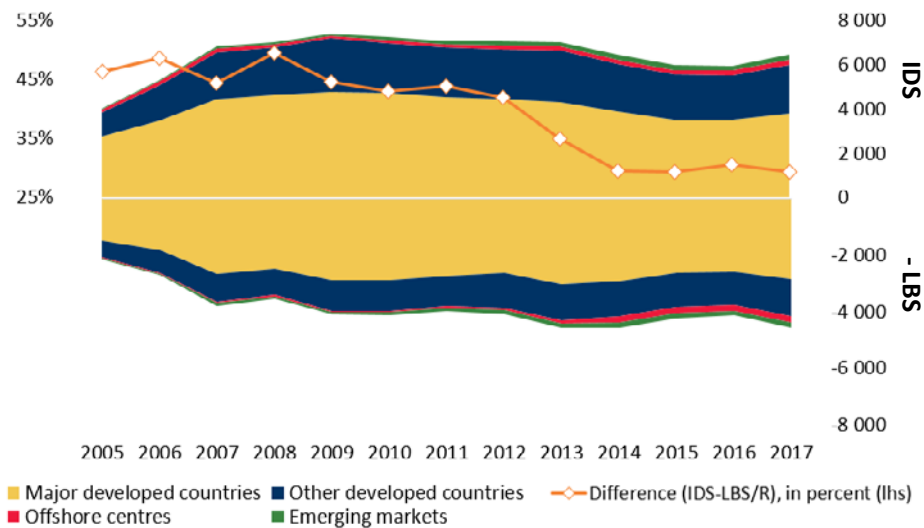


## DS3

**INTERNATIONAL DEBT SECURITIES LIABILITIES** comparison between **BIS Locational Banking Statistics by Residency (LBS\R)** and the **International Debt Securities (IDS)**

$$LBS\backslash R \text{ liabilities}_i^{\text{international debt securities}} \approx \text{International liabilities}_i^{\text{debt securities}}$$

**INTERNATIONAL DEBT SECURITIES LIABILITIES OF BANKS IN LBS\R REPORTING COUNTRIES BY ISSUER REGION**  
in billions of US dollars



### POSSIBLE REASONS TO THE DIFFERENCES

- Concepts
- Definition
- Sources
- Practical issues in knowing residency of holder of liabilities (LBS\R)



## WHY SHOULD WE USE MIRROR DATA?

1

**Improve quality, better estimates and fill-in data gaps** (need granular level details)

2

**Data availability in multiple sources** albeit with **reporting differences**

3

Our approach offers tools and consistency tests to **validate data quality/reconciliation** amongst countries, different datasets aiming to complement statistical analysis

4

**Similarities and differences** between different **data domains**, once explored and explained would help data analysts to a better **understand** of **correctly use statistical data**

5

**BIS, IMF and other international institutions** should play an active role in implementing consistency tests to permit comparable analyses and help countries to improve statistical data

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# QUESTIONS?

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