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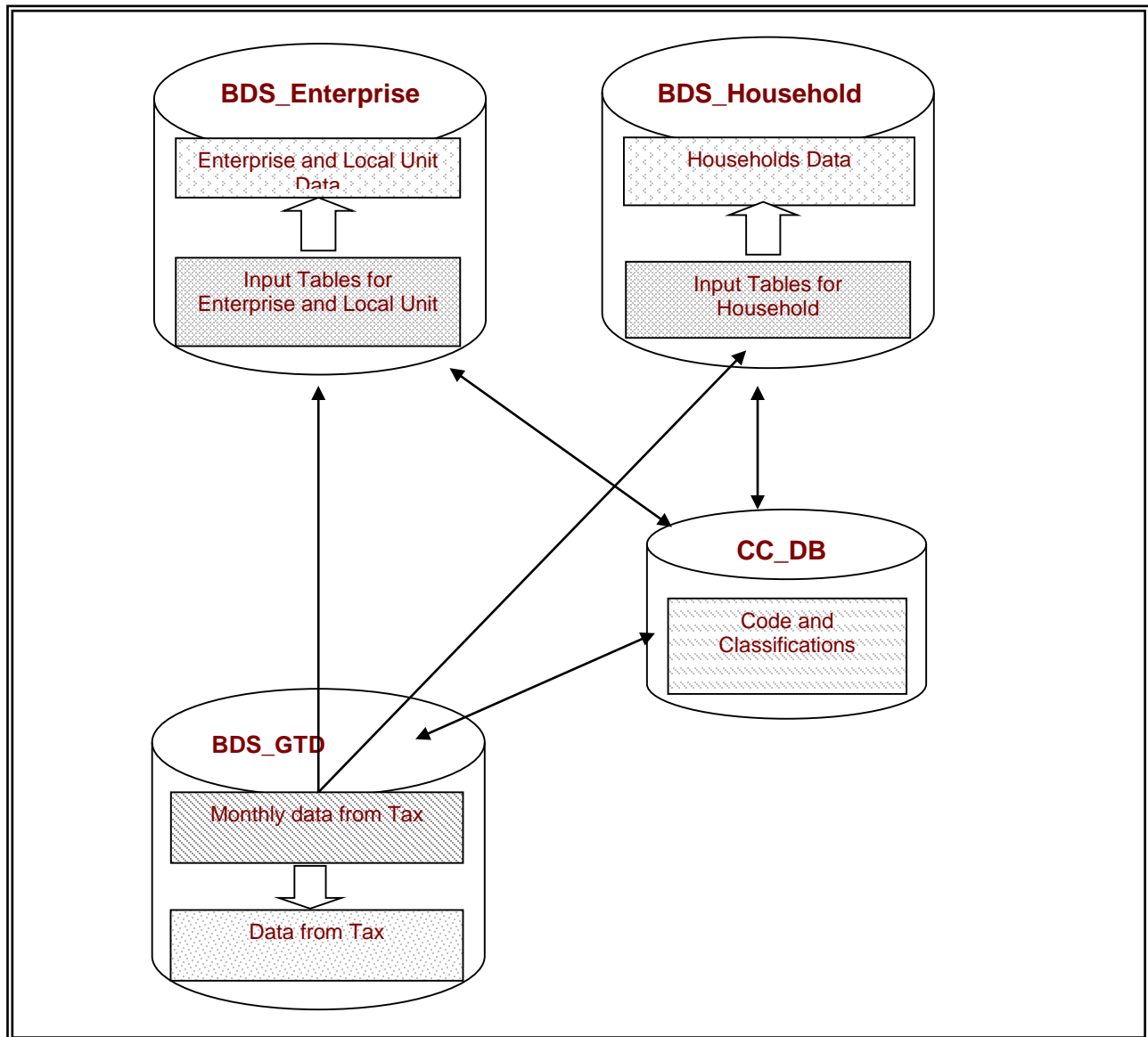 Regional Course on Statistical Business Registers

General Statistical Office (GSO) under Ministry of Planning and Investment is responsibility to conducts all survey in the National Survey Program and publics all indicators in the National Indication System. The statistical data source include 3 sources: (i) Sample survey/Census; (ii) Intergraded report regime; (iii) Administrative records. However, administrative records data is limited, GSO is using two kind of administrative data that are: the first is import and export data from Custom Agency for quick report, the second is Business data for statistic (BDS) that is used to build sample framework

The BDS is managed by Methodology and ITC Department, and has been building up from the statistical surveys/censuses data, the Tax registration database of the Tax Office and Enterprise registration database of Business registration Agency under MPI. From 2010, the Tax registration information and Business registration information is integrated in one database at national database level. The Tax registration data cover all Enterprise in Business registration but also include some other kind of Enterprise that is not resisted by Business registration Agency and Household business. The data is updated every month and include the information:

1. TTC_Payer: general information of enterprise, household and the other taxpaying objects
2. TTC_Branch: information of branch
3. TTC_Pay: Tax information (limited)
4. TTC_Business: business activity

Enterprise survey is conducted by GSO annually and is updated to BDS after process.
The BDS system consists of four databases: the BDS_Enterprise, the BDS_Household, the CC_DB and the BDS_GTD. The BDS general schema is as follows:

A Business register for statistics should contain:

- Legal Unit
- Local Unit
- Local kind of activity unit
- Kind of activity unit

and information on how the Legal Units are related to each other through ownership.

The Tax registration database is not same with Survey database (conducted by GSO) in some indicator such as:

- The legal code: Tax office used economy, category and chapter to explain legal of Unit but GSO used legal, ownership, sector.
- The administrative code: Tax office does not update the new administrative code that was issue new format in 2004 by Government.
- The business activity code: Before 2007, VietNam used old Standard industry classification, after 2007 Government issue new Standard industry classification following international version.

The CC_DB contain all translated tables and classification, code tables purpose to convert the Tax database to the same Enterprise survey data before update to BDS. CC_DB also contain the metadata that is information to define the data and indicator we used in the BDS system.

The BDS was used to make survey sampling for some survey relative enterprise such as Construction survey, ICT survey… We are planning to make survey sampling for enterprise survey in 2016, at this time we will conduct enterprise survey at local unit level (enterprise and branch), now enterprise survey was designed to get information from enterprise only.