



# Food Balance Sheets (FBS)

FBS component: Residual or Other Uses

# Learning Objectives

At the end of this session, the audience will know:

- a) The purpose of the residuals and other uses component of the FBS

# Outline

Residuals or other uses - definition,  
purpose and use

# Residuals or other uses

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- Is a unique balance sheet element, in that its purpose and calculation will vary depending upon the needs of the country in question
  
- The individual country may not wish to utilize this category at all

# Residuals or other uses

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1. First of all, this category can be **calculated ex-post** as a balancing item at the SUA level
2. This strategy should only be utilized when the **imbalances in the equation are small**
3. There may also be cases where “residual and other uses” is utilized to capture some category that the country itself deems **important to include in the FBS**

# Residuals or other uses

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While the Guidelines have strived to cover all possible commodity utilizations with the previously identified categories, **it is possible that there are additional uses for certain commodities in certain countries that country-level FBS compilers will want to account for separately**

**E.G. Food available for consumption by refugees**

In this case:

- No specific data sources or imputation methods can be recommended
- Users are encouraged to consult experts on the commodity supply chain in question

# References

- *Guidelines for the compilation of Food Balance Sheets* (FAO, 2017), chapter 3.5, section 3.5.11 (Global Strategy & FBS Team)
- *The FAO source book for the compilation of Food Balance Sheets* (FAO, 2016) (Global Strategy & FBS Team)





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