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REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL MODEL OVERVIEW

Introduction

This overview summarizes the design of the current operational version of the Regional-Industrial Model (RIM) used by Informetrica to support its Provincial Forecast Service. The major goal of the model is to provide long-term regional forecasts and impact statements consistent with the view of the national economy provided by The Informetrica Model (TIM). What follows is a description of the general characteristics, the regional dimensions, and the major sectors of the model.

Consistent with Informetrica's policy of using the best available tools and data for its analysis, RIM is continuously being developed and improved. The process of development to date is discussed in the RIM Status Reports (RIM #1 and RIM #2).

Other documentation available includes the RIM Model Book, which lists all model variables, equation coefficients, and equation cross-references. Also a number of working papers discuss specific aspects of the development of the unique RIM database as well.