

GFS Notice of Decision

1.31 Treatment of the transfer of leased assets at the end of the lease period

GFS Notice of Decision1:

The update to the *GFSM 2014* will clarify that the preferred recording of the return of a leased asset is as the built up of a financial claim over the duration of the lease that is extinguished at the time of the transfer of the asset.

The updated GFSM will explain that where practical difficulty exists in estimating the residual value of the asset at the end of the lease accurately, it is appropriate to record at the time of the transfer any such residual value of the leased good as a current or capital transfer, depending on the nature of the product under the lease agreement.

In addition, the updated GFSM will clarify that in using the split asset approach to natural resources, the transfer of the residual value of the leased assets at the end of the leased period shall be proportional to the value of the assets recorded in the balance sheet of the lessee.

GFS Related Documents:

GFS Proposed Recommendations Document	<u>GFSM PR 1.31</u>
GFS Discussion Note	Not applicable
GFS Global Consultations	<u>April 2025</u>
Discussions at GFSAC Meeting(s)	May 2025
SNA/BPM Related Documents:	
Guidance/Issue Note	SNA Action Point A.16
Global Consultation(s)	SNA: September 2023
Discussions at the AEG/BOPCOM ² Meeting(s)	AEG: March 2023

¹ The final language used in the updated GFSM will be subject to review during the manual drafting phase to ensure consistency throughout the updated GFSM.

² AEG = Advisory Expert Group on National Accounts, BOPCOM = Balance of Payments Committee