# Package 'harmonizer'

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cn8\_to\_bec

Concordance list between CN8 and BEC

## **Description**

Provides a dataframe which contains all CN8 product codes and related BEC codes in a given time period.

## Usage

```
cn8_to_bec(b, e, historymatrix = NULL, progress = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

b first year of intereste last year of interest

historymatrix History matrix of CN8 product codes. Provided by history\_matrix\_cn8().

progress logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

## Value

A data frame that contains all CN8 product codes and related BEC and HS6 codes in a given time period. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
CN8	character; a specific CN8 code
HS6	character; provides the HS6 classification of the CN8plus code
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregation level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification on a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits)

## **Examples**

```
cn8\_to\_bec(b = 2008, e = 2010)
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<pre>get_data_directory</pre>
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## **Description**

Provides the directory where custom data must be stored and the used data (e.g., concordance lists, list of codes) can be edited.

## Usage

## **Arguments**

path logical, determines whether the path is printed in the console

open\_explorer logical, determines whether an explorer is opened in addition. Only executable

if the directory path does not contain any blanks.

show\_data character string, which must take one of the following values: "CN8", "HS6",

"PC8" or "HS6toBEC". All available data in in the given directory is printed in the console. Only executable if the directory path does not contain any blanks.

#### Value

Returns the path (character), of the directory where custom data must be stored and the used data (e.g., concordance lists, list of codes) can be edited.

#### **Examples**

```
get_data_directory()
get_data_directory(path = FALSE, show_data = "CN8")
```

harmonize\_cn8

Harmonization of CN8 product codes

## **Description**

Provides a dataframe which contains all CN8 product codes and their history in the demanded time period, as well as harmonized CN8plus code, harmonized HS6plus code and BEC classification.

### Usage

```
harmonize_cn8(b, e, historymatrix, harmonize.to = "e",

HS6breaks = c(1992, 1996, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017),

progress = TRUE)
```

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#### **Arguments**

b first year of interest last year of interest History matrix of CN8 product codes. Provided by history matrix cn8(). By historymatrix default NULL; the function computes the needed harmonized data. harmonize.to Defines which year for harmonization is used. It may take the following values: • "e", harmonizes product codes towards year e • "b", harmonizes product codes towards year b

**HS6breaks** Vector of years, where HS6 codes were changed. Do not edit, unless additional

break is needed.

logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not. progress

#### Value

A data frame that contains all CN8 product codes and their history, harmonized CN8 plus codes, harmonized HS6plus codes, and BEC classification. The 'plus-codes' are the main outcome of the function. They provide harmonized information of the product codes, i.e. comparable codes. Every harmonization refers to the last year of interest. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Explanation character; a specific CN8 code in a given year CN8\_xxxx CN8plus character; the harmonization code for CN8, which refers to the last/first year of the time period character; the harmonization code of HS6, which refers to the last/first year of the time period HS6plus BEC character; provides the BEC classification at a high aggregation level (1 digit) character; provides the BEC classification at a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits) BEC\_agr character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in S SNA\_basic\_class numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time period

flagyear numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

#### **Examples**

flag

Variable

```
harmonize_cn8(b = 2008, e = 2010)
mydata <- history_matrix_cn8(b = 2016, e = 2018)
myharmonization <- harmonize_cn8(b = 2016, e = 2018,
                                 historymatrix = mydata)
```

harmonize\_pc8 Harmonization of PC8 product codes

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#### **Description**

Provides a dataframe which contains all PC8 product codes and their history in the demanded time period, as well as harmonized PC8plus code, harmonized HS6plus code and BEC classification.

#### Usage

```
harmonize_pc8(b, e, historymatrix = NULL, harmonize.to = "e",
              HS6breaks = c(1992, 1996, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017),
              progress = TRUE)
```

#### Arguments

b first year of interest last year of interest History matrix of PC8 product codes. Provided by history matrix pc8(). By historymatrix default NULL; the function computes the needed harmonized data.

harmonize.to Defines which year for harmonization is used. It may take the following values:

> • "e", harmonizes product codes towards year e • "b", harmonizes product codes towards year b

**HS6breaks** Vector of years, where HS6 codes where changed.

progress logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

#### Value

A data frame that contains all PC8 product codes and their history, harmonized PC8plus codes, harmonized HS6plus codes, and BEC classification. The 'plus-codes' are the main outcome of the function. They provide harmonized information of the product codes, i.e. comparable codes. Every harmonization refers to the last year of interest. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Explanation PC8\_xxxx character; a specific PC8 code in a given year character; the harmonization code for PC8, which refers to the last/first year of the time period PC8plus character; the harmonization code of HS6, which refers to the last/first year of the time period HS6plus character; provides the BEC classification at a high aggregation level (1 digit) BEC character; provides the BEC classification at a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits) BEC\_agr

SNA\_basic\_class character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in I numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time period flag

numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1 flagyear

## **Examples**

Variable

```
harmonize_pc8(b = 2009, e = 2011)
mydata <- history_matrix_pc8(b = 2015, e = 2017)
myharmonization <- harmonize_pc8(b = 2015, e = 2017,
```

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#### historymatrix = mydata)

history_matrix_cn8	History matrix of CN8 product codes	

## Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all CN8 product codes and their history in a given time period.

## Usage

```
history_matrix_cn8(b, e, c1 = 1988, c2 = 2022, progress = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

b	first year of interest
е	last year of interest
c1	first year of the concordance list
c2	last year of the concordance list
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

### Value

A data frame that contains all CN8 product codes and their history over time for the demanded time period. This dataset is the basis for the main function harmonize\_cn8() and can be obtained therewith as well. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
CN8_xxxx	character; a specific CN8 code in a given year
flag	numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time period but wa
flagyear	numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

## **Examples**

```
history_matrix_cn8(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

story_matrix_pc8 History matrix of PC8 product codes			
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## **Description**

Provides a dataframe which contains all PC8 product codes and their history in a given time period.

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### Usage

```
history_matrix_pc8(b, e, progress = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

b first year of intereste last year of interest

progress logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

#### Value

A data frame that contains all PC8 product codes and their history over time for the demanded time period. This dataset is the basis for the main function harmonize\_pc8() and can be obtained therewith as well. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable Explanation

PC8\_xxxx character; a specific PC8 code in a given year

flag numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time period but wa

flagyear numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

## **Examples**

```
history_matrix_pc8(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

pc8_to_bec	concordance list between PC8 and BEC
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## Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all PC8 product codes and related BEC codes in the demanded time period.

## Usage

```
pc8_to_bec(b, e, historymatrix = NULL, progress = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

b first year of interest e last year of interest

historymatrix History matrix of PC8 product codes. Provided by history\_matrix\_pc8().

progress logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

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### Value

A data frame that contains all PC8 product codes and related BEC and HS6 codes in a given time period. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
PC8	character; a specific PC8 code
HS6	character; provides the HS6 classification of the PC8plus code
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregation level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification on a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits)

### **Examples**

```
pc8_to_bec(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

utilize\_cn8

A possible utilization of harmonized CN8 products codes

## **Description**

Provide an application of the data frames obtained by the main function, harmonize\_cn8. To use these additional functions, data on firm-level is required, which is data that is not provided by the package.

### Usage

### **Arguments**

b first year of interest e last year of interest

firm\_data Data on firm level which must provide the following columns: "firmID", "year"

and "CN8".

harmonized\_data

Harmonized data of CN8 product codes. Provided by harmonize\_cn8(). By

default *NULL*; the function computes the needed harmonized data.

progress logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

output Defines which dataframe is returned. It may take the following values:

• "product.changes", returns all changed CN8 product codes per firm per year (see description of (a) below)

• "merged.firm.data", returns entered firm data, extended by harmonized data (see description of (b) below)

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• "all", returns both dataframes as a list

value logical, determines whether value is calculated for same/new/dropped products.

Only possible if data contains a column: "value". Value may contain different

quantities (e.g. sales [Euro] or weight [kg]).

Defines which plus-codes are used as a base for calculating added/dropped/same

products and their corresponding values. It may take the following values:

• "CN8", uses CN8plus codes for computation.

• "HS6", uses HS6plus codes for computation.

#### Value

Provides two possible data frames:

(a) One dataframe that contains all changed CN8 product codes per firm per year. In more detail, this means how many products remained the same, were added or dropped - the value of the same/added/dropped products - how many products were produced by a certain firm in a given year, and how many products were produced in the year after. As a base of this computation CN8plus codes or HS6plus codes can be used.

(b) One dataframe that is based on the entered firm data. The entered firm data is extended by harmonized data (that is "CN8plus", "flag", "flagyear", "HS6plus", "BEC", "BEC\_agr", "SNA\_basic\_class").

Table that summarizes the output, described by the notation (a) above:

Variable Explanation
firmID character; specific code that describes a firm over the years (this code does not change over period\_UL character; lower limit of the time period

period character; time period in which the product was produced

numeric; indicating if the time period is greater than one (i.e. upper limit - lower limit > 1)

same\_products

value\_same\_products

numeric; number of products that were produced in both years (i.e. remained in the product numeric; value of products that were produced in both years (i.e. remained in the product products numeric; number of added products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. added to the product numeric; value of added products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. added to the product numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. added to the products).

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Table that summarizes the output, described by the notation (b) above:

Variable Explanation

firmID character; specific code that describes a firm over the years (this code does not change over time, provide

year numeric; year in which the firm produced a product (provided by user)

character; CN8 code of firm product (provided by user)

(value) numeric; value of the corresponding product code (may be provided by user)
 ... character; additional columns from original firm data (provided by user)
 CN8plus character; final harmonization, which refers to the last year of the time period

flag character; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time peri-

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HS6 character; provides the HS6 classification of the CN8plus code

HS6plus character; also adjusts for the change lists of HS6

BEC character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregated level (1 digit)

BEC\_agr character; provides the BEC classification on a less aggregated level (up to 3 digits)

SNA\_basic\_class character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in I

### **Examples**

utilize\_pc8

A possible utilization of harmonized PC8 products codes

#### **Description**

Provide an application of the data frames obtained by the main function, harmonize\_pc8. To use these additional functions, data on firm-level is required, which is data that is not provided by the package.

#### Usage

## **Arguments**

b first year of interest e last year of interest

firm\_data Data on firm level which must provide the following columns: "firmID", "year"

and "PC8".

harmonized\_data

Harmonized data of PC8 product codes. Provided by harmonize\_pc8(). By

default *NULL*; the function computes the needed harmonized data.

progress logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

output Defines which dataframe is returned. It may take the following values:

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• "product.changes", returns all changed PC8 product codes per firm per year (see description of (a) below)

- "merged.firm.data", returns entered firm data, extended by harmonized data (see description of (b) below)
- "all", returns both dataframes as a list

value logical, determines whether value is calculated for same/new/dropped products.

Only possible if data contains a column: "value". Value may contain different

quantities (e.g. sales [Euro] or weight [kg]).

Defines which plus-codes are used as a base for calculating added/dropped/same products and their corresponding values. It may take the following values:

• "PC8", uses CN8plus codes for computation.

• "HS6", uses HS6plus codes for computation.

## Value

base

Provides two possible data frames:

- (a) One dataframe that contains all changed PC8 product codes per firm per year. In more detail, this means how many products remained the same, were added or dropped the value of the same/added/dropped products how many products were produced by a certain firm in a given year, and how many products were produced in the year after. As a base of this computation PC8plus codes or HS6plus codes can be used.
- (b) One dataframe that is based on the entered firm data. The entered firm data is extended by harmonized data (that is "PC8plus", "flag", "flagyear", "HS6plus", "BEC", "BEC\_agr", "SNA\_basic\_class").

Table that summarizes the output, described by the notation (a) above:

Variable Explanation firmID character; specific code that describes a firm over the years (this code does not change over period\_UL character; lower limit of the time period character; time period in which the product was produced period numeric; indicating if the time period is greater than one (i.e. upper limit - lower limit > 1) gap same\_products numeric; number of products that were produced in both years (i.e. remained in the product numeric; value of products that were produced in both years (i.e. remained in the product po value\_same\_products new\_products numeric; number of added products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. added to the pr numeric; value of added products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. added to the products) value\_new\_products dropped\_products numeric; number of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of numeric; value of dropped products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. removed of the value\_dropped\_products nbr\_of\_products\_period\_LL numeric; number of all products produced in the lower limit of the time period (i.e. entire pr nbr\_of\_products\_period\_UL numeric; number of all products produced in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. entire pr

Table that summarizes the output, described by the notation (b) above:

Variable Explanation
firmID character; specific code that describes a firm over the years (this code does not change over time, provide year numeric; year in which the firm produced a product (provided by user)

PC8 character; PC8 code of firm product (provided by user)

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numeric; value of the corresponding product code (may be provided by user) (value) character; additional columns from original firm data (provided by user) character; final harmonization, which refers to the last year of the time period PC8plus character; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time peri flag HS6 character; provides the HS6 classification of the PC8plus code HS6plus character; also adjusts for the change lists of HS6 BEC character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregated level (1 digit) character; provides the BEC classification on a less aggregated level (up to 3 digits) BEC\_agr character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in I SNA\_basic\_class

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