

Session 3: The Macro-Fiscal Nexus

Mineral Resource Development

Ex-Ante Impact Analysis on the Case of Fiji

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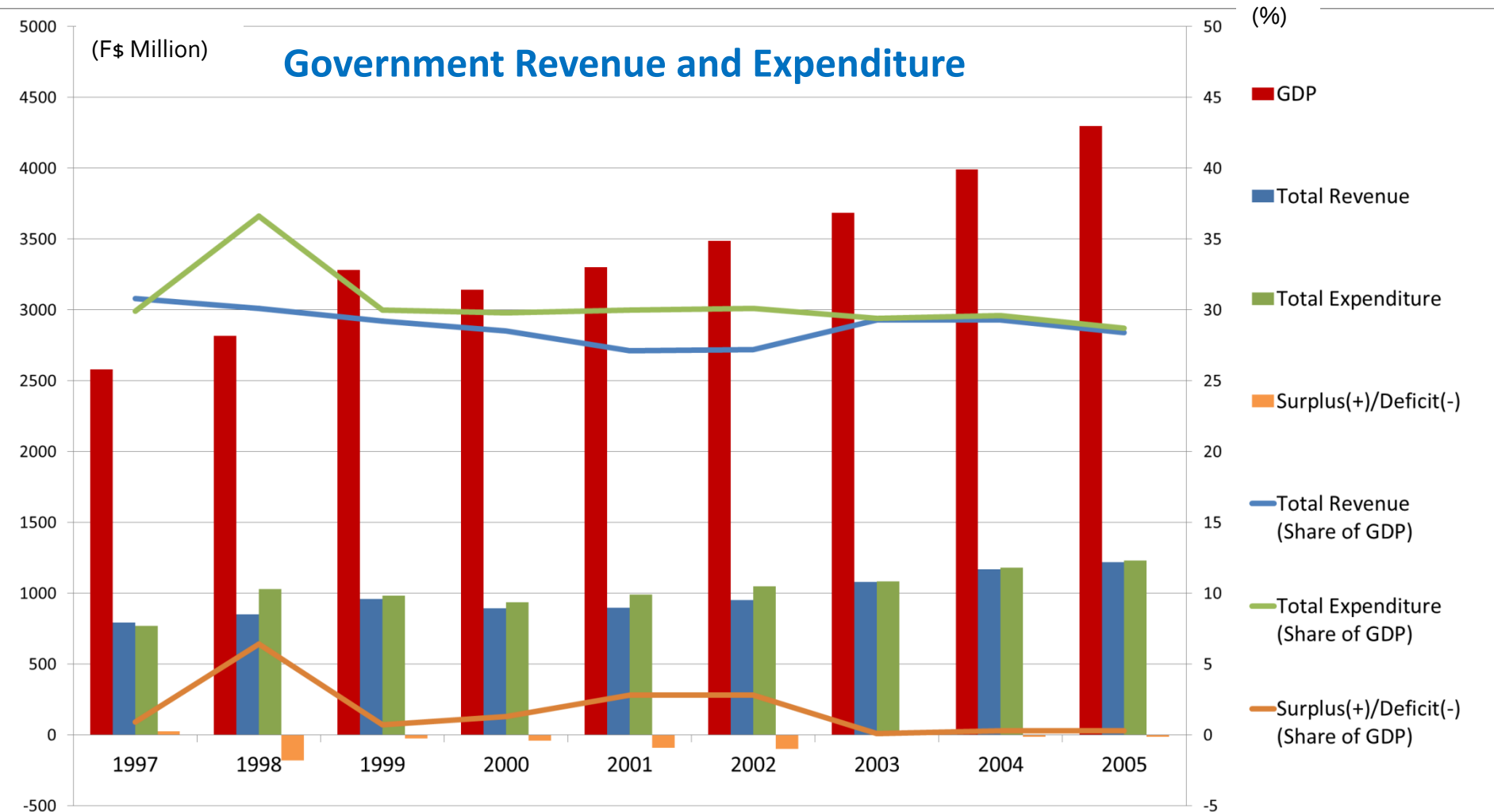
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Purpose of Presentation

- Understand characteristics of mine development in country context
- Conduct solid ex-ante analysis when making new / additional investments
- Such analysis shall assist and reveal:
 - Value of the project
 - Estimate macro impacts and risks associated with the project
 - Decision making for the investment
- Case study: Analysis of a new mine development project in Fiji (2002) submitted to the government as a policy recommendation
 - A new industry that may have potential to boost its economy

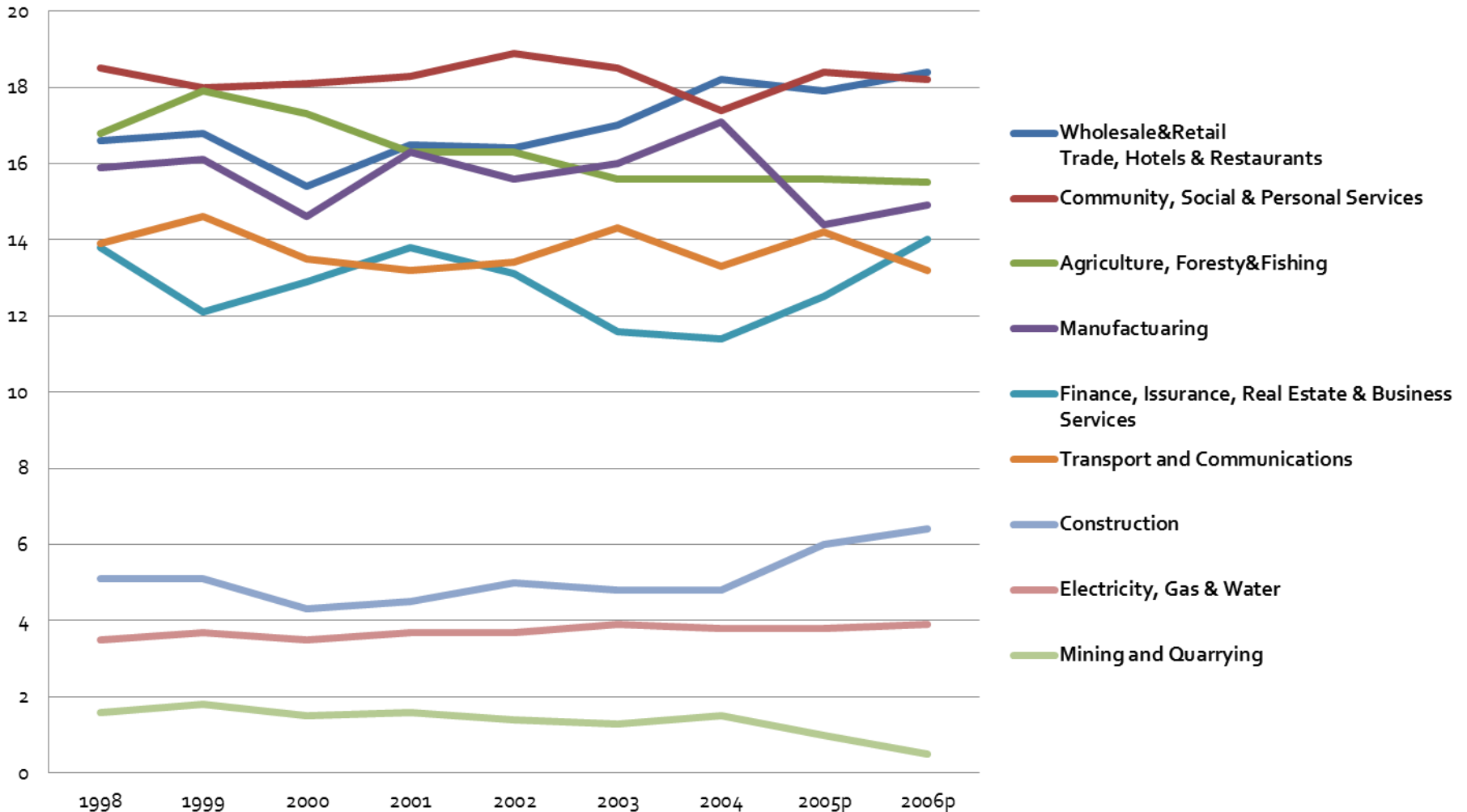
- **Background of the case project**
- **Types and methods of ex-ante analyses**
- **Results and findings from the analyses**
- **Summary and the way forward**

Background of Fiji (1)



Source: Fiji Islands Bureau of Statistics (2006)

GDP by Activity at Constant Prices of 1995 (%)



- **Production of existing industries have been stagnated ➡ Needed to diversify/transform industries**
- **A new mine development plan was proposed.**
 - **Raised concerns about macro impacts**
 - **So they need to take policy precautions**
- **Ex-ante analysis will show positive/negative impacts from the project**

Proposed Project

- Ore volume and grade: 930 million tons grading 0.43 % copper and 0.14 g/t gold with a cut-off grade of 0.30 % copper.
- Two large-scale open pits
- Production: 100,000 tons per day ore plus 125,000 tons per day waste rock
- Construction term: 3 years
- Production term: 29 years

Why Conduct Ex-Ante Analysis?

This presentation will explain necessary process for decision making on the new or expansion investment in mining industry focusing on:

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1. Financial viability– fiscal nexus

✓ Focus on government revenue

2. How mine development will affect various sectors at the national macro economy level

✓ Macro Economic Impact

3. Whether “Dutch disease” will occur from mine development and if so, its level of severity

✓ Macro Economic Phenomena

(Analysis on Project Benefit)

1. Government revenue

(Analysis on Macro Economic Impact)

2. Input-Output (I-O) model analysis

(Analysis on Macro Economic Phenomena)

3. Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) model analysis

Production value	F\$465.5 million/y (equivalent to 13.5% of 2002 Fiji GDP)
	actual production value of mining was 1.4% (as of 2002)
Export value	F\$353.9 million/y (equivalent to 30.2 % of 2002 total exports)
	Top 3 export industries (as of 2002): Tourism F\$567.6 M, Garments F\$245.4 M, Sugar F\$235M
Employees	1,200/y in operation stage for 29 years (Paid employees in mining sector: 1,724 (2000); 1,885 (2003))
figures as of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copper price: US\$1.00/lb = \$2,204/t (2002) → US\$3.44/lb = \$9,400/t (2012) Gold price: US\$350/oz (2002) → \$1,620/oz (2010) Exchange rate F\$1.00=US\$0.65 (2002) → US\$0.56 (2012)

Item	Construction stage (3 years)	Operation stage (29 years)	Comments
Benefits			
Government Revenue			
Royalties		F/S table, Total F\$ 41M	1% Net Profit or F\$1M (greater of)
Income Taxes		F/S table, Total F\$ 179M	Year 1-12: 0%, Year 13-29: 30%
Lease Fees & Charge	Total F\$ 1.2M	F/S report, Total F\$ 13M	
Personnel Taxes	Total F\$ 50M	F/S report, Total F\$ 220M	from employees' wages
Source: F/S report of Placer Pacific Namosi Limited.			

Findings from the Analysis

- **Given the minable ore, the project has a huge potential which is worth developing**
- **The project shall attract private incentives and investment**
 - **Operators' priority: globally competitive profitability (financial feasibility)**
- **The government may secure substantial revenue to save up for the wealth fund and spend on other policy measures to mitigate negative impact caused by the project**

(Analysis on Project Benefit)

1. Government revenue

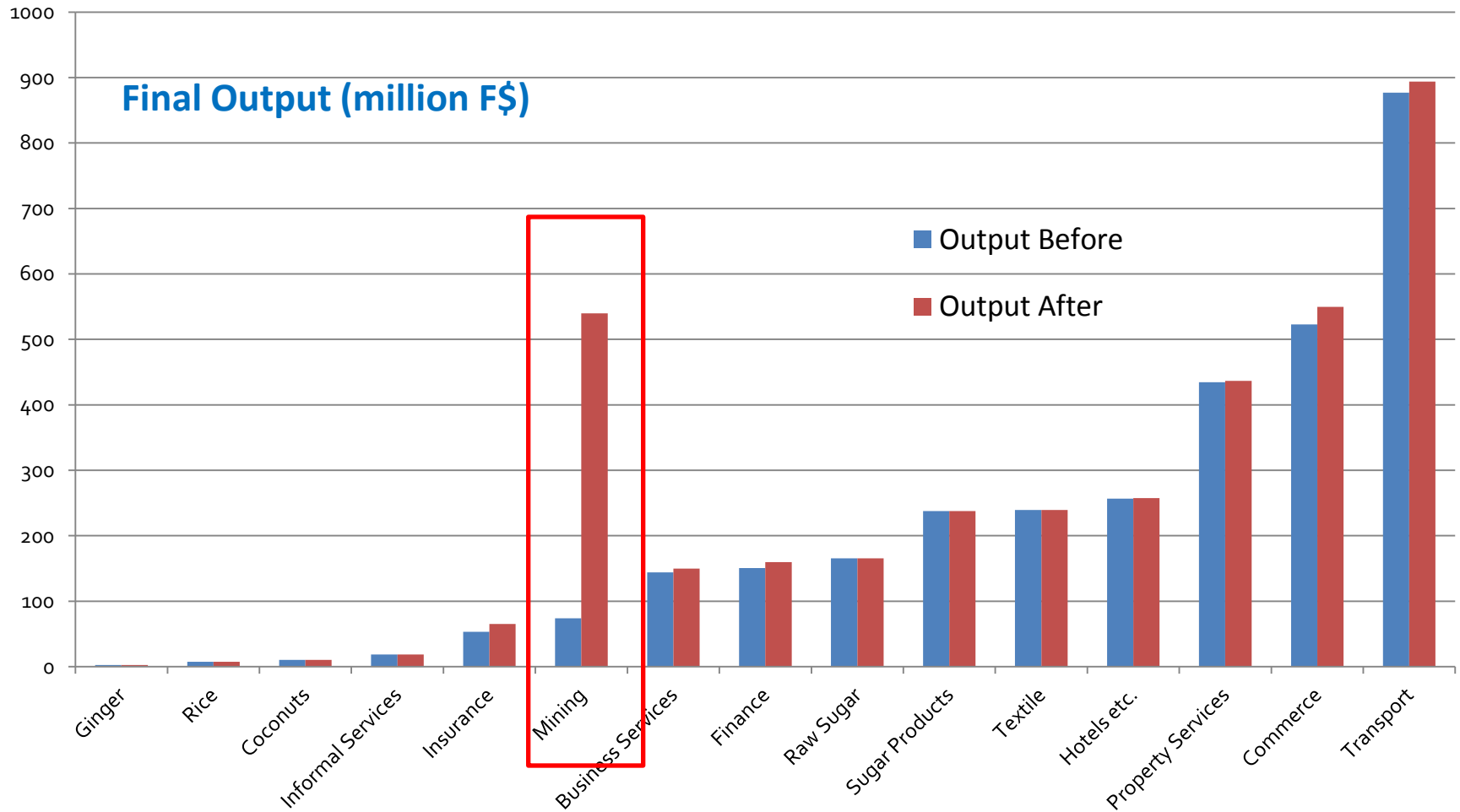
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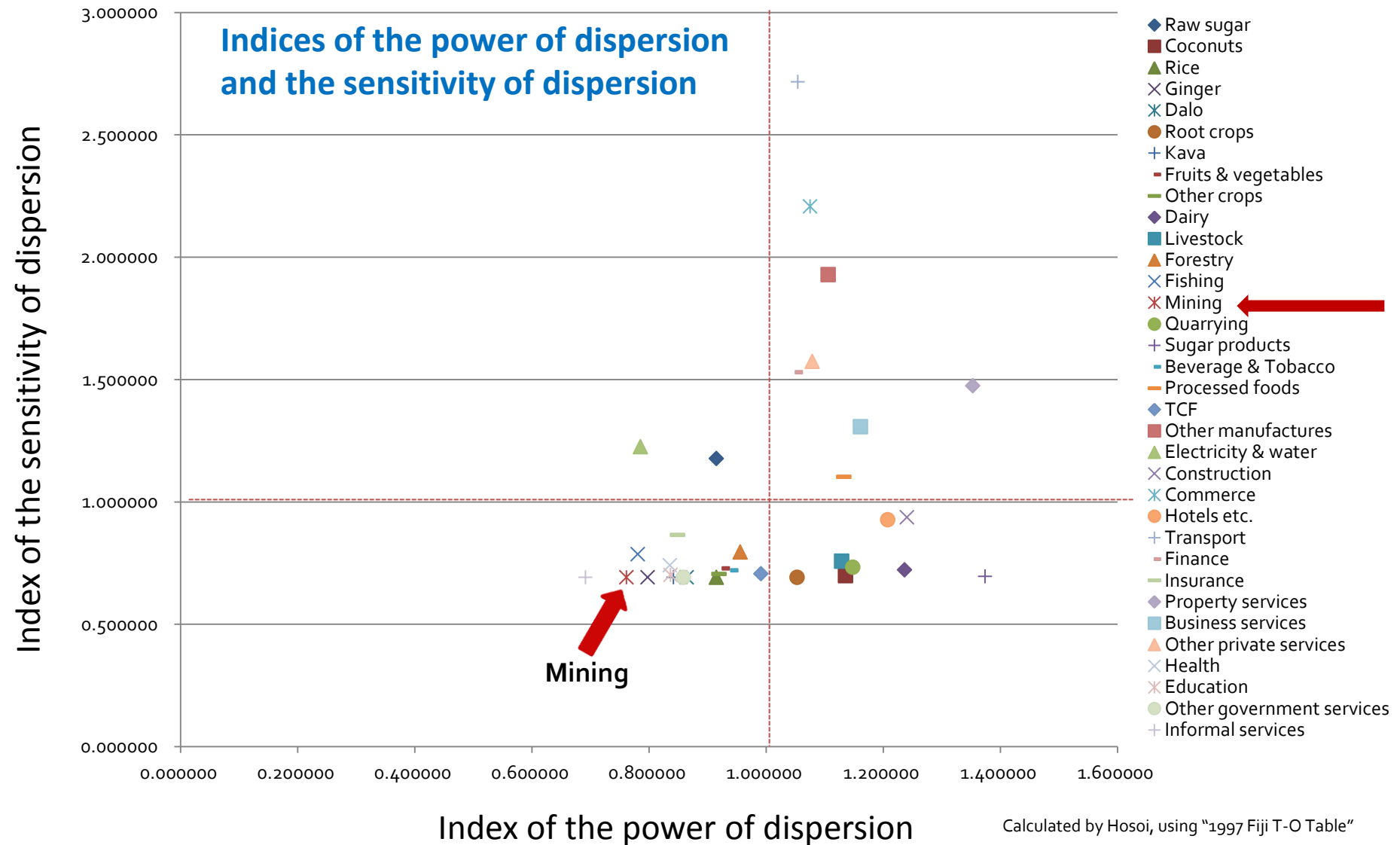
Results of I-O Analysis (1)



*Output= Production

Calculated by Hosoi, using "1997 Fiji T-O Table"

Results of I-O Analysis (2)



Findings from I-O Analysis

- Predicts macro economic impacts.
 - Positive and negative effects on production, output and export by each sector
- The project has a huge potential to increase the production in mining sector.
 - This project has relatively small influence on other sectors
- If the project will have adverse effects on other sectors, the government shall consider policies that will mitigate/cope such problems.

(Analysis on Project Benefit)

1. Government revenue

(Analysis on Macro Economic Impact)

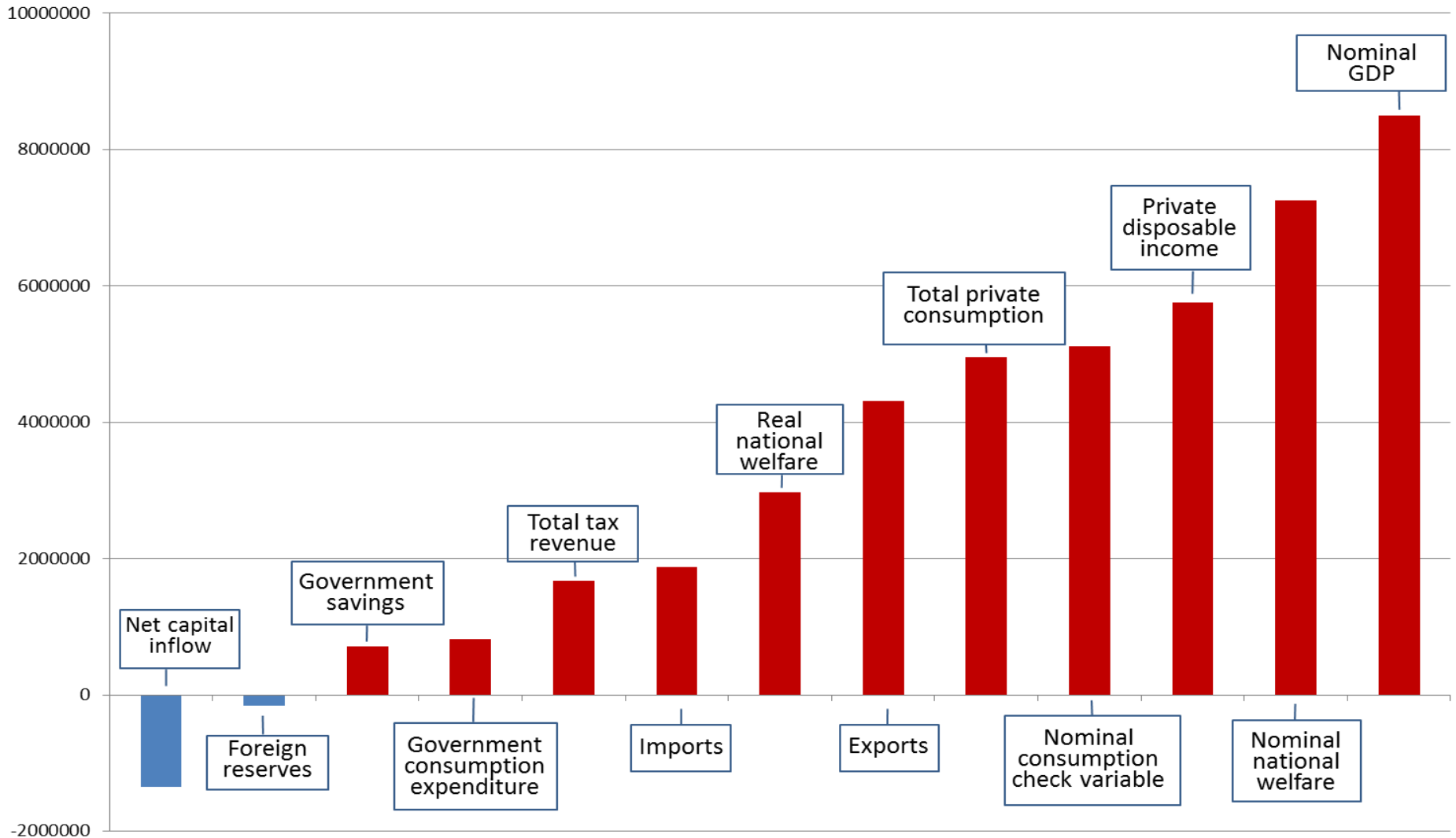
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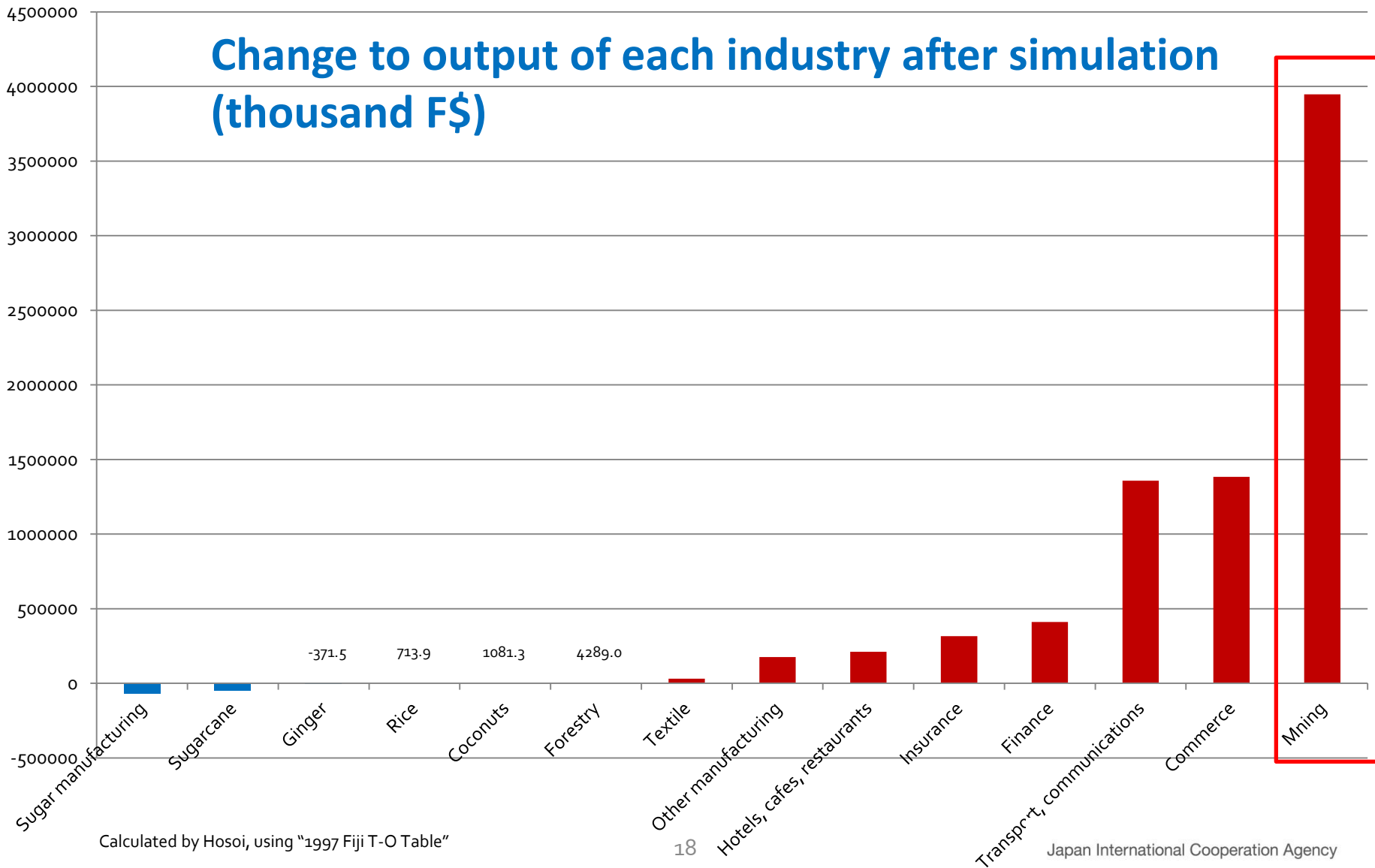
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Results of CGE Model Analysis (1)

Macro-variables after simulation (change) (thousand F\$)

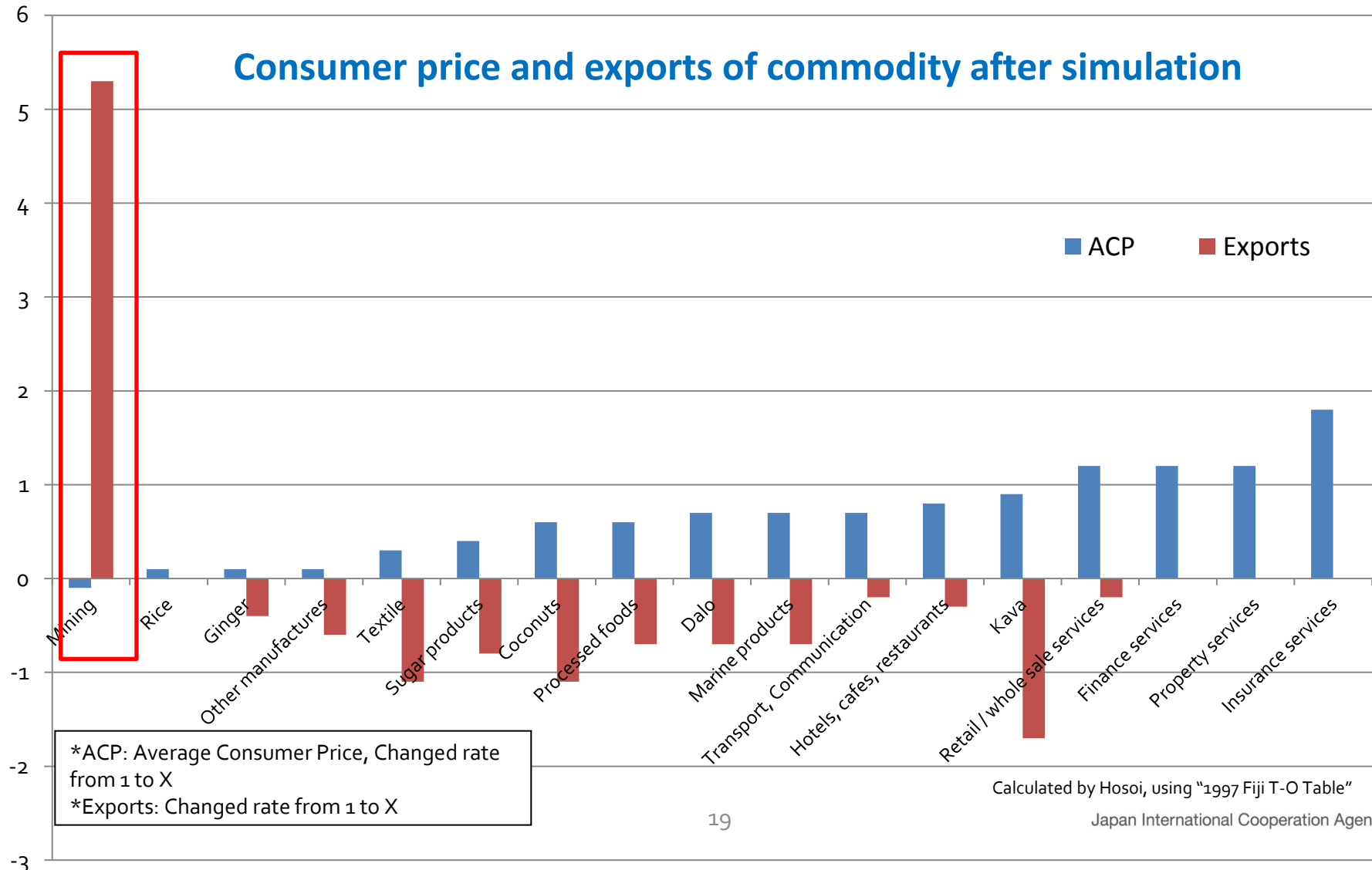


Results of CGE Model Analysis (2)



Results of CGE Model Analysis (3)

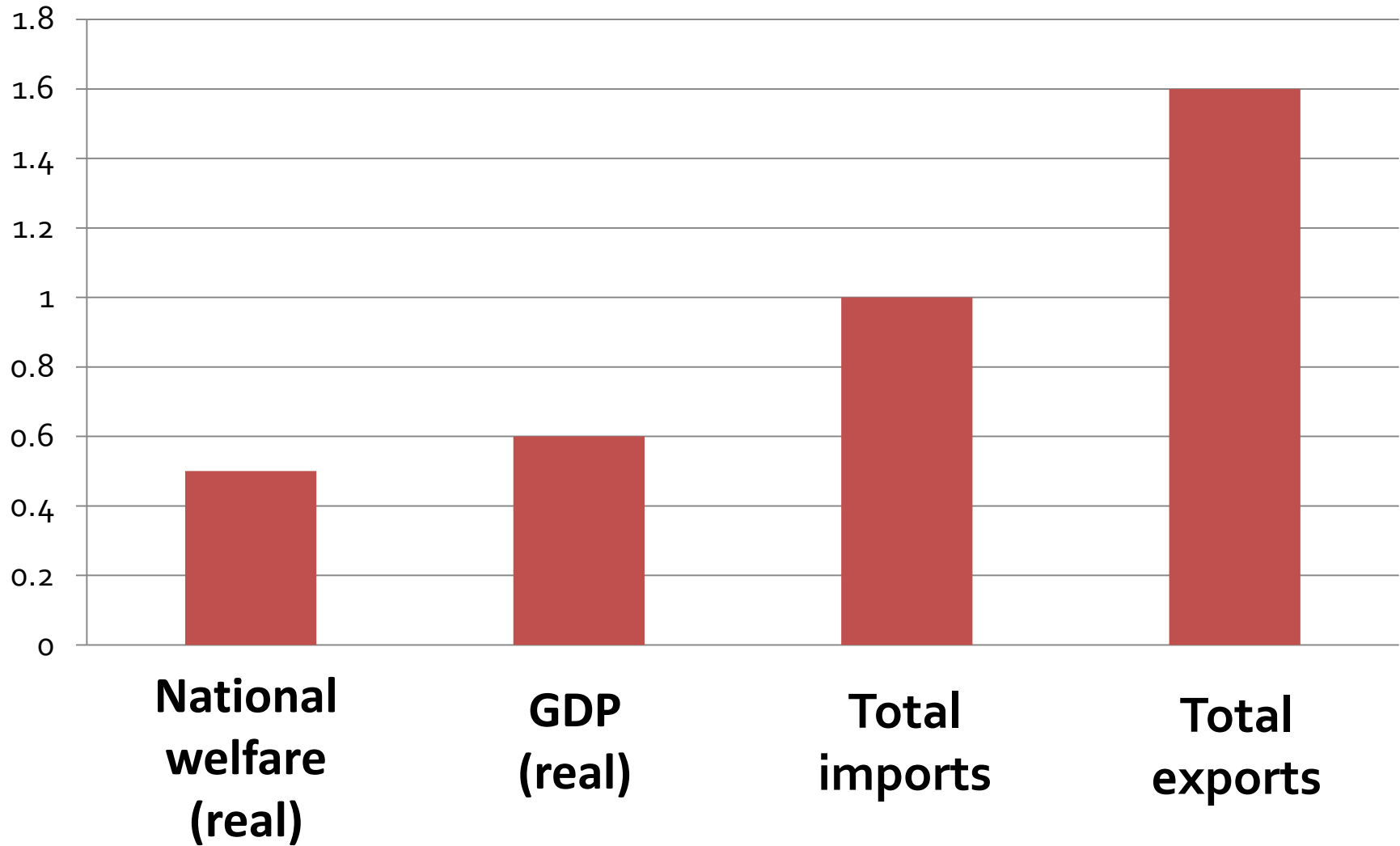
Consumer price and exports of commodity after simulation



*ACP: Average Consumer Price, Changed rate from 1 to X
 *Exports: Changed rate from 1 to X

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Macro-variables after simulation (change) (%)



Findings from CGE Analysis

- **Projects macro economic indices.**
 - *Predicts “Dutch disease”*
- **The project may entail Dutch disease; but positive macro impacts are likely to exceed negative impacts caused by Dutch disease**
- **Economy boosted by increase in mining output and export is a typical characteristic seen in many other resource rich countries**
- **Implies fiscal soundness including tax and royalty, but need to accord expenditures under sustainable fiscal management**
- **Most importantly, “*National Welfare*” index shows significant increase (+50%)**

■ Ex-ante analysis

- To identify Dutch disease and affected sectors/indices
- And it is important that stakeholders should be notified of positive/negative impacts and side effects

Results of ex-ante analysis can be used to consider;

- **What are the policy options that the government can take to avert/mitigate such impacts and risks?**
 - **Opportunity to transform economic structure**
 - ✓ New, pioneer, growth industry
 - **Promote enabling environment**
 - ✓ Expansion of investment (domestic and FDI)
 - ✓ Stabilize national revenue vs Maximize incentives of private investors
 - **Workers can also transform!**
 - ✓ Labor force plan, capacity development

Points of discussion – food for thought

- **However, challenges still exist in terms of inclusive development.**
 - **What are the micro effects on traditional industries such as farmers and fishermen?**
 - **What are the policy options that the government can take to avert/mitigate such risks?**
 - **How much can the government spare budget for such policy options?**
 - **What can the private sector do?**