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## **SESSION 2: MINI PRESENTATIONS ON PRODUCER PRICE INDICES**

**CHALLENGES IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PRICE  
INDEX FOR ROAD FREIGHT SERVICES IN THE UK**

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## **Industrial classification:**

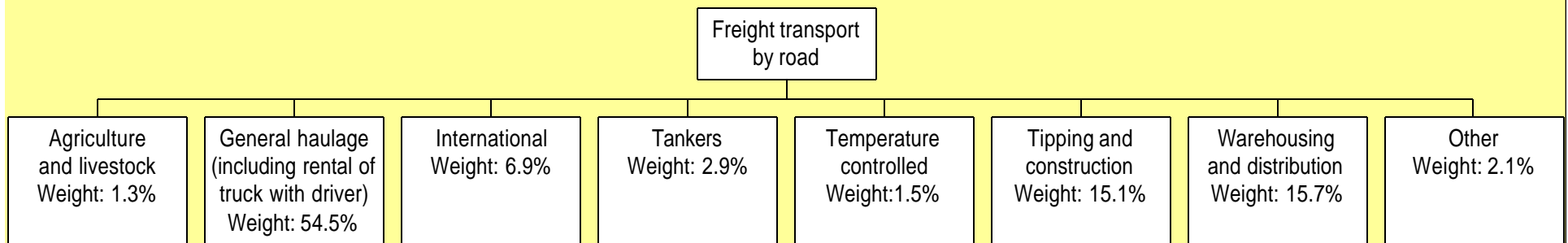
**UK SIC = 60.24/9 (Freight transport by road)**

**CPC = 6423 (Road transport services of freight)**

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"Family tree" for road freight CSPI



### Possible variables:

- type of cargo;
  - kind of vehicle;
  - destination (such as domestic or international); or
  - a combination of these
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**Difficulties and challenges (1):**

- **inclusion of related activities ?**
- **link to freight forwarding**
- **“logistics” companies**
- **sub-contracting**
- **importance of small firms**

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**Difficulties and challenges (2):**

- **industrial classification on IDBR**
- **obtaining weights for product groups**
- **selection of transactions to price**
- **different types of contracts**

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## **Areas for improvement**

- **review “family tree”**
- **increase sample/update panel**
- **more coverage of importation**
- **compatibility with UK road freight statistics**