

Business and Consumer Survey

Metadata Overview

Contact data		
Country	Belgium	
Survey	Services	
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Methodology		
Population & frame list	Population unit	Firm/enterprise
	Do you apply a cut-off?	yes
	<i>If yes, specify</i>	Turnover not missing and minimum 5 employees
	Population size (before cut-off)	291 932
	Survey sampling frame	Business register
	<i>If other, specify</i>	
	Size of sampling frame	19 098
	Weighted frame coverage	75.07%% in terms of total employment
	Frequency of update of the sampling frame	At least every 2 years
Sampling & accuracy	Sampling method	Stratified sampling (e.g. branch, firm size etc.)
	<i>If applicable: variables used for strata/quota definition</i>	Nace 5 digits, employment
	<i>Comments, if any</i>	Random selection for small and medium firms, trying to be exhaustive for large firms
	Weighting scheme	yes
	<i>If yes, weights applied at firm level</i>	Employment
	<i>If yes, weights applied at branch level</i>	Value added
	<i>If other, specify</i>	
	Panel sampling	yes
	<i>if yes, describe the process for panel refreshment</i>	Fixed panel, replacement of outgoing companies
	Number of units contacted (per month)	442 (average May 2022 - April 2023)
	Number of units replying to the survey (per month)	322 (average May 2022 - April 2023)
	Response rate	73% (average May 2022 - April 2023)
	Weighted sample coverage	30.78%
Treatment of unit non-response	Other	
<i>Remarks</i>	Imputation of previous results : one month for evolutions, two months for assessments and forecasts	
Treatment of item non-response	None	
<i>Remarks</i>		
Data collection	Survey method	Mixed mode
	<i>If mixed mode, specify the distribution between modes</i>	Post, email, phone, fax, online app
	Fieldwork period - usual start date	First working day of the reference month
	Fieldwork period - usual end date	Around the 22 day of the reference month (morning before the nbb day of publication)
Additional remarks on the methodology		
Last update		June 2023