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Foreword to the 2007 Edition

The Statistical Requirements Compendium is a well-established reference document for the *acquis communautaire* in statistics. The Compendium is a tool for producers of official statistics, which summarises the key reference information for European statistical production.

Eurostat updates this Compendium every year to take into account new legislation and other developments relevant for European official statistics.

The structure of the Compendium follows the Community Statistical Programme in its current version (Decision 2367/2002/EC of the European Parliament and the Council on the Community statistical programme 2003 to 2007). On the basis of this multi-annual programme, the European Commission issues each year an annual work programme, which is sub-divided by chapters, themes and modules.

For each theme and module that is relevant for European official statistics producers, the 2007 edition of the Compendium provides:

- a description and the key priorities for 2007 of the statistical theme,
- the relevant legal acts with the Official Journal reference and other documents relevant for compilation of statistics such as agreements between Eurostat and Member States,
- the data requirements – i.e. the data sets to be provided by European statistics producers to Eurostat,
- methodological information.

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Introduction

The Statistical Requirements Compendium is a tool for producers of official statistics. The Compendium summarises the key reference information for European statistical production.

The presentations of the statistical themes and modules in the Compendium are made from the perspective of a statistics provider in a country. This means that in general only those modules are included where there is a legal basis that influences the way statistics are produced in countries implementing the European Statistical System or where there are obligations to provide data to Eurostat.

The presentation is organised according to chapters divided into themes and modules. The structure follows the 2007 Statistical Programme of the European Commission. Each theme and module, that is relevant for European official statistics providers, is presented as follows.

Theme NN. XXXX

(Number and title of the theme)

Description

This section describes the content of the theme.

Key priorities

This section outlines the key priorities for the theme.

Module NNN. XXXX

(Number and title of the module, for each module coming under a given theme)

1. Module description

This section describes the content of the module.

2. Legal Basis

This section includes the legal acts, formal agreements and other basic reference documents relevant for the statistical work coming under a given module.

Legal acts:

This sub-section contains all legislation published in the Official Journal that is relevant for the production of the statistics. These are Directives, Regulations, Decisions, Resolutions or Recommendations approved by the European Council and Parliament or by the European Commission.

Agreements:

This sub-section contains all kinds of agreements (i.e. Member States Agreements reached within Eurostat Working Groups etc.) and Gentlemen's agreements.

Other basis:

This sub-section contains all other documents that are considered as relevant for the production of the statistics in the particular area. The sub-section also includes legislation under preparation such as Draft Council Regulations or Proposals for a Regulation / Directive. It can also be Communications from the Commission to the European Parliament and Council, EU Action plans, Programs, Strategies and Memoranda. This sub-section may also include other relevant documents such as documents and minutes of Eurostat Working Groups, Manuals, Reference Guides, Handbooks or Web pages.

3. Data requirements

This section lists all datasets that are to be provided from National Statistics Offices to Eurostat via eDAMIS, the Eurostat single entry point for data. Registered users can access eDAMIS at <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/edamis>

Each data set description includes the code and the name of the data set. *Timeliness* usually means the number of days between the end of the reference period and the deadline for the transmission of the data to Eurostat. *Periodicity* expresses the length of the period, for which the data is collected (e.g. 2 – Every two years, A – Annually, B – Bi-annually, Q – Quarterly, M – Monthly, etc.).

4. Methodology

This section presents documents or links to interest groups that are useful for the production of the statistics for the particular module. Documents can be minutes of Working Groups, White Papers, statistical methodological manuals, etc. In general, this section contains material that is mainly for information whereas material presented under "other basis" in the section 2. *Legal Basis* implies a degree of obligation. However, there is not always a clear borderline so that e.g. methodological manuals may be found in either this section or in section 2.

5. International Cooperation

This section lists international organisations that in cooperation with Eurostat produce statistics for the particular module.

Basic Legal Acts

Responsible unit: **A-4: Legal, institutional and international affairs**
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- Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997, on Community Statistics (Statistical Law)
OJ L 52, 22.2.1997, p. 1-7
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 of 17 May 2002, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 133, 18.5.2002, p. 7 – 9
- Decision No 2367/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2002, on the Community statistical programme 2003 to 2007
OJ L 358, 31.12.2002, p.1 – 27
- Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004, laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 156, 30.4.2004, p. 1-4
- Corrigendum to Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004 laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes (OJ L 156, 30.4.2004)
OJ L 202, 07.6.2004, p. 1–3
- Commission Decision No 2005/412/EC of 25 May 2005, amending Commission Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 140, 3.6.2005, p. 11-12
- Commission Decision No 2005/746/EC of 20 October 2005, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 280, 25.10.2005, p. 16-17
- Commission Decision No 97/281/EC of 21 April 1997, on the role of Eurostat as regards the production of Community statistics
OJ L 112, 29.4.1997, p. 56 – 57
- Commission Decision No 2006/429/EC of 22 June 2006, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 172, 24.6.2006, p. 17-18
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1104/2006 of 18 July 2006, amending Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 197, 19.7.2006, p. 3-4
- Commission Decision No 2006/699/EC of 17 October 2006, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 287, 18.10.2006, p. 36-37
- Commission Decision No 2007/81/EC of 2 February 2007, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 28, 3.2.2007, p. 23-24
- Commission Decision No 2007/229/EC of 11 April 2007, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 99, 14.4.2007, p.11

Other basis:

- Communication from the Commission of 25 May 2005 to the European Parliament and to the Council on the independence, integrity and accountability of the national and Community statistical authorities, together with the Commission Recommendation on the same subject (COM/2005/0217 final)

CHAPTER I. Support for statistical outputs, technical infrastructure

Theme 11. Classifications

Description

This theme covers the implementation of a harmonized set of classifications for the European Statistical System (ESS) and the promotion of its use (inter alia through RAMON, Eurostat's web server for dissemination of classifications). This includes making available each year the Combined Nomenclature (CN), its related products and the geonomenclature.

Key priorities 2007

The implementation of NACE Rev.2 in the different domains will be the main priority in 2007. The necessary legal instruments will be put into place to complete what has been foreseen in the Commission proposals for a new NACE and CPA regulations, and to define the measures required to use the classifications in the relevant statistics.

Other key priorities are the adoption of CN 2008 and the modernization of management tools for the CN.

Module 11101. Classifications for economic activities and products

Responsible unit: **0-2: Statistical governance, quality and evaluation**
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1. Module Description

Facilitate the implementation of a harmonised set of classifications for the European Statistical System and promote its use (inter alia through RAMON, Eurostat's web server for dissemination of metadata, including classifications). Legal framework: NACE Rev.2, CPA.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 of 9 October 1990, on the statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community (NACE)
OJ L 293, 24.10.1990

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3696/93 of 29 October 1993, on the statistical classification of products by activity in the European Community (CPA)
OJ L 342, 31.12.1993

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1232/98 of 17 June 1998, amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3696/93 on the statistical classification of products by activity (CPA) in the European Economic Community
OJ L 177, 22.6.1998

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 204/2002 of 19 December 2001, amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3696/93 on the statistical classification of products by activity (CPA) in the European Economic Community (CPA)
OJ L 36, 06.2.2002

- Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006, establishing the statistical classification of economic activities NACE Revision 2 and amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 as well as certain EC Regulations on specific statistical domains
OJ L 393, 30.12.2006, p. 1-39

Other basis:

- Introductory guidelines to NACE Rev.2 available on RAMON:
http://ec.europa.eu/comm/eurostat/ramon/index.cfm?TargetUrl=DSP_PUB_WELC and (upon request) in printed publication

- Revised classification NACE and CPA, the explanatory notes as well as implementation issues available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/nacecpacon/info/data/en/index.htm>

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- NACE Rev.2: Statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community

- CPA: Classification of Products by activities in the European Economic Communities

- Business Methods available on:

[http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM&StrGroupCode=L
EX_MANUAL&StrLanguageCode=EN](http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM&StrGroupCode=L
EX_MANUAL&StrLanguageCode=EN)

5. International Cooperation

UNSTAT

Module 11600. Classifications for trade in goods statistics

Responsible unit: **G-2: International trade statistics: methodology and classifications**

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1. Module Description

Adapt the nomenclature of goods (CN) to new requirements arising from Community policy and technological and commercial change. Ensure its internal coherence and comparability with other Community and international nomenclatures. As far as practicable, lighten the structure of the CN. Work on the Combined (tariff & statistical) Nomenclature is carried out in close collaboration with DG TAXUD. In addition, the country classification (Geonomenclature) is updated every 1-3 years when the need arises.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1549/2006 of 17 October 2006, amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

OJ L 301, 31.10.2006

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987, on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

OJ L 256, 7.9.1987

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3528/89 of 23 November 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

OJ L 347, 28.11.1989

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3845/89 of 18 December 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

OJ L 374, 22.12.1989

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992, establishing the Community Customs Code

OJ L 302, 19.10.1992

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1969/93 of 19 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

OJ L 180, 23.7.1993

- Council Regulation (EC) No 254/2000 of 31 January 2000, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and the Common Customs Tariff

OJ L 28, 2.3.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 of 13 December 2006, on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States

OJ L 354, 14.12.2006

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- Update of CN codes 2007 available on:

http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_CLS_DLD&StrNom=CN_2007&StrLanguageCode=EN&StrLayoutCode=HIERARCHIC

- Geonom 2007 publication (estimated release in May 2007)

- "Statistics on the trading of goods - User guide" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073.46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BM-06-001

5. International Cooperation

CN: WCO

GEONOM: ISO

Theme 18. Statistical coordination

Description

The activities under theme 18 aim at promoting the consistency, coherence and completeness of statistical information by the definition of appropriate integrated methodological frameworks. This does not cover the work carried out to standardise classifications and business registers (separate themes), but encompasses activities to facilitate and make the production and dissemination of statistics more efficient. The centralization of statistical metadata and their dissemination is provided through the new version of Eurostat's metadata server (RAMON), which makes available statistical classifications and their correspondence tables, statistical concepts and definitions, legal acts pertaining to statistics and methodological manuals.

Also, with the adoption by the Commission of the so-called Lisbon Strategy there was an increasing need, especially by policy makers and economic analysts, of a high quality set of statistical indicators giving a correct perception of the long term development of the European Union and of the achievement of the objectives of the Lisbon strategy. To answer this need Eurostat, in cooperation with Commission services and the General secretariat of the Commission, developed the so-called structural indicators, which are covered by this theme.

Key priorities 2007

As regards methods for data collection and burden decreasing for respondents, key priorities for 2007 are to follow-up ongoing activities concerning IAS/IFRS and to keep an "accounting watch" to follow developments in the area; to cooperate with other units to define and test a statistical taxonomy (XBRL) for given statistical areas including the inventory of EU statistical requirements for these areas as an input for the construction for statistical taxonomies; to follow developments on how to use accounting data for statistical purposes and to ensure coordination for those statistical domains where more than one Directorate of Eurostat is concerned. As regards methodological information, key priorities for 2007 are maintaining the metadata server up-to-date and using it as a quality filter, when adding new classifications, legal acts, concepts, definitions and methodological manuals and increasing the number of correspondence tables between classifications.

In the framework of the Lisbon Strategy a high quality set of statistical indicators (structural indicators) was established and is constantly maintained giving a correct perception of the long term development of the European Union and of the achievement of the strategic objectives. Revision in the strategic objectives lead to revision of the indicators set.

Module 18201. Structural indicators

Responsible unit: **D-1: Key indicators for European policies**
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1. Module Description

The objective of the module is to provide high quality structural indicators and to compile structural indicators for the statistical annex of the so called Spring reports of the Commission to the Spring European Council, and their dissemination throughout the year.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- For Structural Indicators: Lisbon European Council of 2000 and conclusions of other subsequent Councils available on: http://ec.europa.eu/growthandjobs/councils_en.htm

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 25. Data security and statistical confidentiality

Description

Statistical Confidentiality is a fundamental principle of Community statistics enshrined in the Treaty (art.285) and further developed in Council Regulations 1588/90 and 322/97. It entails a particular duty on the Community Statistical authority (Eurostat) to adopt and apply specific implementing measures, in conformity with the opinion of the Committee on Statistical Confidentiality, to safeguard the confidentiality of data transmitted by national authorities to Eurostat. Since 2002, with the entry into force of Commission Regulation 831/2002 concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes, a new step forward to satisfy the needs of the scientific community for statistical information has been realised. Eurostat has to take actions in order to implement the principles of this set out in this Regulation and to give reality to the expectations of users.

Furthermore, the increase of confidential data available to Eurostat, the methodological/technical progresses done, the need to better harmonise Eurostat practices and to promote convergence in the Member States will guide the methodological activity, that will aim at providing tools and methods in the field of statistical disclosure control.

Finally, Eurostat has to carry out the continuous evaluation of the regulations facing the on-going needs to produce higher quality EU statistics. For the coming years, the challenge for data security will be to give remote access for better productivity and still ensure confidentiality of the data. Web access to databases will have to be organised and protected to prevent web hacking.

Key priorities 2007

Improve the management of confidentiality regarding tabular data, admissibility and access for researchers to micro data. Legislative implication is foreseen. Bring help on statistical methodology in Eurostat and ESS.

Develop results of research projects to enhance the quality of the methodology.

Carry on investigation on possible IT remote access techniques and procedures to facilitate researchers' access to confidential data.

Module 25101. Data security and data protection

Responsible unit: **B-5: Methodology and research**
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1. Module Description

Creation and update of security policies, rules and procedures to ensure the confidentiality, availability and integrity of data processed through the informatics system.

Management and control of informatics security (access control, maintenance of the infrastructure, back-up, etc.).

Enforcement of the application of informatics rules for the protection of statistical confidential data in conformity with Regulations No 1588/90, 322/97 and 831/2002.

Coordination of data protection activities within the ESS in order to arrive at a generally accepted high level security standard.

Coordination with the Commission's Data Protection Officer for the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (Euratom, EEC) No 1588/90 of 11 June 1990, on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities
OJ L 151, 15.6.1990

- Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997, on Community statistics
OJ L 52, 22.2.1997

- Commission Decision No 97/281/EC of 21 April 1997, on the role of Eurostat as regards the production of Community Statistics
OJ L 112, 29.4.1997

- Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000, on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data
OJ L 8, 12.1.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 of 17 May 2002, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 133, 18.5.2002

- Decision No 2367/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2002, on the Community statistical Programme 2003 to 2007
OJ L 358, 31.12.2002

- Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004, laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 156 of 30.4.2004

- Corrigendum to Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004 laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes (OJ L 156, 30.4.2004)
OJ L 202, 07.6.2004, p. 1–3

- Commission Decision No 2005/412/EC of 25 May 2005, amending Commission Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 140, 3.6.2005

- Commission Decision No 2005/746/EC of 20 October 2005, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 280, 25.10.2005

- Commission Decision No 2006/429/EC of 22 June 2006, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 172, 24.6.2006

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1104/2006 of 18 July 2006, amending Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 197, 19.7.2006

- Commission Decision No 2006/699/EC of 17 October 2006, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 287, 18.10.2006

- Commission Decision No 2007/81/EC of 2 February 2007, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 28, 3.2.2007

- Commission Decision No 2007/229/EC of 11 April 2007, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 99, 14.4.2007

Other basis:

- EUROPEAN STATISTICS CODE OF PRACTICE adopted by the Statistical Programme Committee on 24 February 2005

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 25200. Co-ordination for statistical confidentiality – statistical confidentiality committee

Responsible unit: **B-5: Methodology and research**
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1. Module Description

Implementation of the Regulation 831/2002 concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes and implementation of action plan towards extending regulatory environment. This includes the management of admissibility requests and requests for access to confidential data. Responsibility for the organisation of the Committee on Statistical Confidentiality. The statistical methodological work includes harmonisation and support of methods for the disclosure control in micro-datasets and tabular data, and the implementation and maintenance of software for disclosure control.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EURATOM, EEC) No 1588/90 of 11 June 1990, on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities
OJ L 151, 15.6.1990
- Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 of 17 February 1997, Community statistics (Statistical law)
OJ L 52, 22.2.1997
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 of 17 May 2002, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 133, 18.5.2002
- Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004, laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 156, 30.4.2004
- Corrigendum to Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004 laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes (OJ L 156, 30.4.2004)
OJ L 202, 07.6.2004, p. 1–3
- Commission Decision No 2005/412/EC of 25 May 2005, amending Commission Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 140, 3.6.2005, p. 11-12
- Commission Decision No 2005/746/EC of 20 October 2005, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 280, 25.10.2005

Other basis:

- EUROPEAN STATISTICS CODE OF PRACTICE adopted by the Statistical Programme Committee on 24 February 2005

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 25300. Legal aspects of confidentiality

Responsible unit: **A-4: Legal, institutional and international affairs**
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1. Module Description

Advice throughout on legal aspects of statistical confidentiality. Follow and advice in particular with regard to the implementation of the Commission Regulation on the conditions of access to confidential data for scientific purposes.

Advice on the implementation of rules governing the access of the public to Commission documents.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EURATOM, EEC) No 1588/90 of 11 June 1990, on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the statistical office of the European communities
OJ L 151, 15.6.1990, p. 1-4
- Council Regulation No 322/97 of 17 February 1997, on Community statistics (Statistical Law)
OJ L 52, 22.2.1997, p. 1
- Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 2001, regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents
OJ L 145, 31.5.2001, p. 43
- Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2001, on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data
OJ L 8, 12.1.2001, p. 1-22
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 of 17 May 2002, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 133, 18.5.2002, p. 7-9
- Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004, laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 156, 30.4.2004, p. 1-4
- Corrigendum to Commission Decision No 2004/452/EC of 29 April 2004 laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes (OJ L 156, 30.4.2004)
OJ L 202, 07.6.2004, p. 1-3
- Commission Decision No 2005/412/EC of 25 May 2005, amending Commission Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 140, 3.6.2005, p. 11-12
- Commission Decision No 2005/746/EC of 20 October 2005, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 280, 25.10.2005, p. 16-17
- Commission Decision No 2006/429/EC of 22 June 2006, amending Decision 2004/452/EC concerning the list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 172, 24.6.2006, p. 17-18

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1104/2006 of 18 July 2006, amending Regulation (EC) No 831/2002 implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, concerning access to confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 197, 19.7.2006, p. 3-4

- Commission Decision No 2006/699/EC of 17 October 2006, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 287, 18.10.2006, p. 36-37

- Commission Decision No 2007/81/EC of 2 February 2007, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 28, 3.2.2007, p. 23-24

- Commission Decision 2007/229/EC of 11 April 2007, amending Decision 2004/452/EC laying down a list of bodies whose researchers may access confidential data for scientific purposes
OJ L 99, 14.4.2007, p.11

Other basis:

- Communication from the Commission of 25 May 2005 to the European Parliament and to the Council on the independence, integrity and accountability of the national and Community statistical authorities, together with the Commission Recommendation on the same subject (COM/2005/0217 final)

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- Manual on the Protection of Confidential Data in Eurostat

5. International Cooperation

None

CHAPTER II. Demographic and social statistics

Theme 31. Population

Description

Work will continue to enhance the policy relevance of population statistics and analyses. Explicit policy demands linked with economic and social issues of global ageing underline the necessity for revising demographic projections every three years. Work must also continue with the legal and methodological preparation of the population and housing census 2011 based on the international recommendations for the next round of population and housing censuses.

Migration is a major component of population change, with migrants making an increasingly significant contribution to the labour force. The Commission is introducing legislation that will form the basis of harmonised immigration policies and a common asylum system in Europe. There is a need for in-depth analysis of migratory flows, their patterns and origins, as well as socio-economic characteristics of migrants and asylum seekers. The planned statistical legislation for migration will facilitate Member States and Eurostat to further develop their statistical capacity and to meet strategic objectives.

Key priorities 2007

Most of the work on the new set of Eurostat's population projections will be accomplished in 2007. This exercise will benefit from a continuous consultation with national and international experts as well as from a series of analytical and methodological work on fertility, mortality and migration. A major investment relates to the improvement of quality, coverage, completeness, international comparability and dissemination of our demographic data series and indicators. Methodological work will be undertaken in order to assist Eurostat and Member States in the implementation of legislation for statistics on migration and international protection. The completion of the legislative process for the population and housing censuses framework regulation will be a real challenge.

Module 31101. Demography and census

Responsible unit: **F-1: Demographic and migration statistics**
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1. Module Description

Production of high quality and policy-relevant annual demographic statistics at national level and population statistics at regional level.

Preparation and realisation of the Community Programmes for population and housing censuses every 10 years.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- Joint UNECE/Eurostat "Recommendations for the 2010 Censuses of Population and Housing".
Comments: the Recommendations should be applied for the censuses conducted about the turn of the decade;

Date of adoption: 2006;

Publication: published on the UNECE website.

- Council of Europe, UNSD and Eurostat Agreement.

Comments: Eurostat carries out 4 demographic data collections per year: "Rapid" (deadline 15 May), concerning the main demographic data; "Joint" (deadline 15 September), collection of detailed demographic data; "Nowcasting" (deadline 15 November), gathering the latest available monthly data for the purpose of a timely estimate of the total population at the beginning of the following year; "Regional" (deadline 15 December), for those countries which have agreed with the EC a regional breakdown (NUTS). The Rapid and Joint data collections are carried out by Eurostat also on behalf of the Council of Europe and the Joint data collection is carried out in cooperation with UNSD too.

This Gentlemen's agreement on a series of tables was first concluded in 1985, revised in 2001 and last revised in 2006. A revised version of the Rapid and Nowcasting questionnaires is adopted from 2007; a revision of the Joint questionnaire is currently under discussion with UNSD;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: 3 times per year (Rapid, Joint and Nowcasting data collections);

Date of adoption: 1985;

Publication: none;

Participant countries: 48 countries: EU Member States (27 countries) + EFTA Countries (4) + EC Candidate Countries (3), Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Georgia, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Russia, San Marino, Serbia and Ukraine;

Official data providers: NSIs.

3. Data Requirements

DEMONAT_RAPID_A: Rapid questionnaire on demographic statistics

Timeliness: 135 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T01_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 1: total population by sex and age on 1st Jan

Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T02_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 2: single population by sex and age on 1st Jan

Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T03_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 3: married population by sex and age on 1st Jan

Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T04_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 4: widowed population by sex and age on 1st Jan

Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T05_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 5: divorced population by sex and age on 1st Jan
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T06_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 6: live births by month and day
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T07_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 7: live births by marital status, age and year of birth of mother
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T08_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 8: live births by sex
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T09_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 9: Live births by order, age and year of birth of the mother
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T10_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 10: marriages by month and day
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T11_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 11: marriages by previous marital status of bride and groom
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T12_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 12: First marriages by sex, age and year of birth
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T13_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 13: Divorces by duration of marriage reached during the year
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T14_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 14: Total and infant deaths (under 1 year) by month of death
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T15_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 15: Infant deaths by age and sex
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T16_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 16: Deaths by sex, age and year of birth
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T17_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 17: Late foetal deaths by age of the mother
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_T18_A: Demographic statistics - Tab 18: Legally induced abortions by age of the mother
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_TGLOBAL_A: Demographic statistics at national level - Grouped sending - Contains tables T01 to T18
 Timeliness: 255 Periodicity: A

DEMONAT_NOWCAST_A: Monthly live births, deaths, immigrants and emigrants
 Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_01_A: N2T1 - Population by sex and age at the 1st Jan, NUTS2
 Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_02_A: N2T2 - Live births by single years of age and year of birth of the mother - NUTS2
 Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_03_A: N2T3 - Deaths by sex and single years of age and year of birth - NUTS2
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_04_A: N2T4 - Internal migration by sex and region of origin and of destination (excluding intra-regional migration) - NUTS2
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_05_A: N2T5 - Arrivals due to internal migration (excluding intra-regional migration) by sex and year of birth - NUTS2
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_06_A: N2T6 - Departures due to internal migration (excluding intra-regional migration) by sex and year of birth - NUTS2
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_07_A: N2T7 - International immigration by sex and year of birth - NUTS2
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_08_A: N2T8 - International emigration by sex and age group - NUTS2
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_09_A: N3T1 - Surface in km2 at NUTS3 (1st of Jan)- NUTS3
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_10_A: N3T2 - Total population by sex at NUTS3 (1st Jan) - NUTS3
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_11_A: N3T3-4: Total number of births and deaths - NUTS3
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_12_A: N3T5 - Population by sex and citizenship at 1st Jan - NUTS3
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

DEMOREG_GLOBAL_A: Demographic statistics at regional level - Grouped sending - Contains tables 01 to 12
Timeliness: 350 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- "Demographic statistics: Definitions and methods of collection in 31 European countries" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-CC-03-005

- "Methodology for the calculation of Eurostat's demographic indicators" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-CC-04-004

Methodology is being updated (new publication will be available in 2007-beginning of 2008)

5. International Cooperation

UNECE, UNSD, Council of Europe.

Module 31201. Population projections

Responsible unit: **F-1: Demographic and migration statistics**
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1. Module Description

Production of independent and high quality population projections on fixed dates (currently every three years). Methodological support to countries/organisations in the field of population projections.

2. Legal Basis

None

3. Data Requirements

None (necessary data are taken from the output of the module 31101 or exceptionally from ad-hoc data collections)

4. Methodology

Methodology for the last exercise is currently being drafted (publication will be available in 2007-beginning of 2008)

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 31300. Migration and asylum

Responsible unit: **F-1: Demographic and migration statistics**
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1. Module Description

Production of monthly and annual statistics on international migration and asylum.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 311/76 of 9 February 1976, compilation of statistics on foreign workers (To be repealed during 2007)
OJ L 39, 14.2.1976

Agreements:

- "EURASIL - Network of Asylum practitioners" chaired by the Commission, established in July 2002 following the decision of by the Committee of the Permanent Representatives (Coreper II) on 6 March to cease the activities of the CIREA group (Centre for Information, Discussion and Exchange on Asylum).

Comments: collection of asylum statistics - asylum applications, decisions on asylum applications, applications of unaccompanied minors, returns of rejected applicants, grants of temporary protection;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: asylum applications and decisions - monthly, returns of rejected applicants - quarterly, applications of unaccompanied minors - annually, temporary protection - collected in the case of mass influx;

Publication: statistics is published on Eurostat's web page as a part of free dissemination database;

Participant countries: EU27, Iceland, Norway;

Official data providers: Ministries of Home Affairs and Justice and related agencies;

Use of the statistics: asylum statistics is used by DG JLS for the allocation of money to Member States from the European Refugee Fund (Council Decision 2000/596/EC available on: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:32000D0596:EN:HTML>) and DG JLS Integration Fund (European Parliament document A6-0419/2006 available on: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?pubRef=-//EP//TEXT+TA+P6-TA-2006-0583+0+DOC+XML+V0//EN&language=EN>).

Dublin II statistics is used by DG JLS and presented during Dublin II Contact Committee meetings. Council Regulation 343/2003 (available on: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:32003R0343:EN:HTML>), known as the Dublin II legislation, clarifies which Member State is responsible for assessing an application for asylum; the legislation makes provision for an asylum applicant to be transferred to another Member State if it can be shown that they should have instead sought asylum there.

- CIREFI Agreement.

Comments: collection of statistics on topics related to illegal migration - refusals of entry, illegally present aliens apprehended, removed aliens etc;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: monthly for the 1st quarter 2007still, then moving to a yearly data collection.

Production of statistics by Eurostat - initial phase began October 1998 (this followed earlier statistical work on this topic by the Council); second phase - additional variables, more participating countries - began September 2000;

Date of adoption: CIREFI working group, group established by Council Decision 30/11/92 - published in OJ 19 9 96 C 274/50;

Publication: Agreement not published;

Participant countries: currently: EU27, Iceland, Norway, Applicant Countries;

Official data providers: Ministries of Justice and Home Affairs. Police Authorities;

Use of the statistics: support the policy development in this area, and monitoring of major changes in migration pressure and illegal immigration.

- Collection of statistics on residence permits.

Comments: annual pilot collections of data relating to residence permits and other permissions to reside – immigration category/reason for permit issue, citizenship, age, sex, permit duration;

Periodicity: annual.

Production of statistics by Eurostat - Initial corrections in 2005 and 2006. They will be revised for 2007 to take into account new legislation for migration statistics;

Participant countries: EU27;

Official data providers: Ministries of Justice and Home Affairs;

Use of the statistics: support to policy development. Monitoring of effects of transitional measures for migrants from/to the new Member States.

Other basis:

- A regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Community statistics on migration and international protection will come into force in 2007. This legislation will provide a comprehensive legal base for Community statistics on migration and asylum and will repeal Council Regulation (EEC) No 311/76. Changes may be expected to the frequency and content of the data collections over the coming 2 years as a result of this legislation, although most of the main variables and definitions will not be changed. The agreements listed above remain correct but are likely to be superseded during the implementation of this new legislation.

3. Data Requirements

a) Joint Annual Migration Data Collection

MIGR_1_MajorCat: Table 1: Major categories of inflows and outflows

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_2abc_immiprv: Table 2: Long-term immigration by country of last residence and age

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_3abc_immictz: Table 3: Long-term immigration by citizenship and age

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_4abc_eminxt: Table 4: Long-term emigration by country of next residence and age

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_5abc_emictz: Table 5: Long-term emigration by citizenship and age

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_6_acqctz: Table 6: Acquisition of citizenship

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_7abc_popctz: Table 7: Usually resident population by citizenship and age on 1st January

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_8abc_popctb: Table 8: Usually resident population by country of birth and age on 1st January

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_9abc_wpctzage: Table 9: Workers by citizenship and age group on 1st January

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_10_wpctzna: Table 10: Workers by economic activity and broad group of citizenship and sex on 1st January

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_11_wpctzreg: Table 11: Workers by citizenship and region on 1 January
Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_12_wpctznar: Table 12: Workers by economic activity, broad group of citizenship and region on 1st January
Timeliness: Periodicity: A

MIGR_13abc_apctzage: Table 13: Main characteristics of the labour force by broad group of citizenship and age group on 1 January
Timeliness: Periodicity: A

b) Asylum statistics data collection

Monthly Table A1. New asylum applications by citizenship and type of application

Monthly Table A2. Asylum decisions and applications by citizenship and type

Quarterly Table A3. Rejected asylum applicants returned by citizenship

Quarterly Table A4. Asylum applications of unaccompanied minors by citizenship and age

Monthly Table A5. Grants of temporary protection
(only implemented in situations of mass applications for international protection following crisis close to EU borders – see Council Directive 2001/55/EC)

c) CIREFI – Statistics on measures against illegal entry and stay

Monthly Table M1. Refused aliens by citizenship and type of border

Monthly table M2. Apprehended aliens illegally present by citizenship and (where applicable) illegal point of entry by type of border

Monthly Table M3. Apprehended facilitators by citizenship

Monthly Table M4. Apprehended facilitated aliens by citizenship and type of border

Monthly Table M5. Removed aliens by citizenship and type of border

Note: During 2007, the monthly CIREFI tables will change to an annual data collection.

d) Pilot data collections

Pilot data collections on **Residence Permits, Posted Migrant Workers** within the EU, **transfers of asylum applicants between Member States under the 'Dublin' legislation**, and **Resettlement of Refugees** also take place, although the format and content of these data collections is not yet fixed.

4. Methodology

- UN recommendations on international migration statistics
- Current methodology agreed with CIREFI working group of the Council (Ongoing changes as agreed with CIREFI working group)

5. International Cooperation

UNSD, UNECE, ILO, UNHCR, IOM.

Theme 32. Labour market

Description

Labour market statistics comprise short-term as well as structural statistics about the situation of the labour market in the EU, the Candidate Countries and EEA, in monetary and non-monetary terms and also in terms of time-use.

These statistics describe labour participation, employment, unemployment and non-participation (from the perspective of the labour supply) and job vacancies (from the perspective of labour demand).

Statistics on earnings and labour costs describe the monetary dimension of employment, which support EU level policy co-ordination in the fields of employment and economic and monetary policy and ECB's macro-economic policy co-ordination and help the Commission to define, implement and monitor labour market policy within the Revised Lisbon strategy and the European employment strategy.

The focus for the medium term is on the improvement of statistics, in particular, to adapt and strengthen the labour force survey process so that it can better meet the user demands for up-to-date statistics, to improve employment statistics, to further develop quality of work and structural indicators, to develop job vacancy statistics and the integrated system on earnings and labour cost statistics where the special emphasis is on widening the coverage of the economic activities, to produce EU aggregates in shorter delays using EU sampling schemes.

Key priorities 2007

The evaluation of the implementation of the LFS Regulation No 430/2005 and the assessment of the compliance of LFS national questionnaires with the revised explanatory notes will take place in 2007. In particular the treatment of long term absences and more in general the definition of employment will be addressed. In 2007 the continuous LFS processes in Member States and in acceding and Candidate Countries will be examined in order to evaluate the possibilities to extract the monthly un/employment data directly from the LFS without needing to use auxiliary information through modelling. National development work on this topic will be strongly supported.

Data from the 2007 LFS ad hoc module will be collected, data from the 2006 module disseminated and the specifications for the 2009 module adopted. A new program of LFS modules for the period 2010-2012 will be defined to respond to the Commission priorities in the labour market.

Ongoing works on the development on a legal basis for job vacancy statistics will be continued in 2007 and two implementation Regulations, one for the quarterly data collection and another related to the annual information submitted for approval, after the adoption of the Council/EP legal act.

The production and dissemination of more and timely data on Labour Costs and Earnings should be assured. Preparatory actions will be launched to widen the scope of short-term statistics to fully cover all services. Dissemination of the Structure of Earnings Survey microdata for research purposes will be initiated.

The second phase of the Time Use database project should be finished in order to include the data of 8 new countries. It is also planned to revise the methodology for Time Use Surveys in order to prepare for a second wave of surveys to be launched in 2008-2009.

Module 32100. Employment and unemployment

Responsible unit: **F-2: Labour market statistics**
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1. Module Description

The module is composed of the following parts:

- The Labour Force Survey (LFS), which covers 30 countries in a quarterly basis and produces statistics on labour market characteristics based on individual data from households and persons. The LFS is completed with yearly modules on aspects of the labour market needed for policy purposes;
- Employment estimates, which are based on quarterly data on employment from national accounts with breakdowns from the LFS;
- Harmonized unemployment rates, estimated in a monthly basis from LFS unemployment data and trends derived from monthly registers;
- Job vacancy statistics which include quarterly and yearly data on job vacancies using several breakdowns;
- Strikes statistics on a yearly basis.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 2257/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2003, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community to adapt the list of survey characteristics
OJ L 336, 23.12.2003
- Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 of 9 March 1998, on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community
OJ L 77, 14.3.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1571/98 of 20 July 1998, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organisation of labour force sample survey in the Community
OJ L 205, 22.7.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1575/2000 of 19 July 2000, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organization of a labour force sample survey in the Community concerning the codification to be used for data transmission from 2001 onwards
OJ L 181, 20.7.2000
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1897/2000 of 7 September 2000, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organization of labour force sample survey in the Community concerning the operational definitions of unemployment
OJ L 228, 8.9.2000
- Regulation (EC) No 1991/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 October 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organisation of labour force sample survey in the Community
OJ L 308, 9.11.2002
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2104/2002 of 28 November 2002, adapting Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community and Commission Regulation (EC) 1575/2000 implementing Council Regulation (EC) 577/98 as far as the list of education and training variables and their codification to be used for data transmission from 2003 onwards are concerned
OJ L 324, 29.11.2002

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 384/2005 of 7 March 2005, adopting the programme of ad hoc modules, covering the years 2007 to 2009, for the labour force sample survey provided for by Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98
OJ L 61, 8.3.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 430/2005 of 15 March 2005, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community concerning the codification to be used for data transmission from 2006 onwards and the use of a sub-sample for the collection of data on structural variables
OJ L 71, 17.3.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 341/2006 of 24 February 2006, adopting the specifications of the 2007 ad hoc module on accidents at work and work-related health problems provided for by Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 and amending Regulation (EC) No 384/2005
OJ L 55, 25.2.2006, p. 9-13

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 102/2007 of 2 February 2007, adopting the specifications of the 2008 ad hoc module on the labour market situation of migrants and their immediate descendants, as provided for by Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 and amending Regulation (EC) No 430/2005
OJ L 28, 3.2.2007, p. 3-7

Other basis:

- EU LFS regulations available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/employment/info/data/eu_lfs/F_LFS_REGULATIONS.htm

3. Data Requirements

JVC_01_A: Annual vacancy data with regional and occupational breakdowns
Ad hoc transmissions Periodicity: A

JVC_01_Q: Quarterly vacancy data broken down by economic activity
Timeliness: 75 Periodicity: Q

LFS_ADHOC_N: Labour Force Survey. Ad-hoc transmissions - non-periodic
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: A

LFS_A_A: Annual Labour Force Survey
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: A

LFS_Q_Q: Quarterly Labour Force Survey
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STRIKES_A_A: Statistics on industrial Disputes-Annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

UNEMPLOY_M_M: Unemployment Statistics-Monthly
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

4. Methodology

- Methodology available on: http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/employment/info/data/eu_lfs/index.htm
(section 9)

- Monthly "Unemployment news release" contains methodology for calculation of monthly unemployment rates

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ILO, UN.

Module 32200. Earnings and labour costs

Responsible unit: **F-2: Labour market statistics**
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1. Module Description

The module includes multi-annual, yearly and short term statistics on earnings and labour costs and indicators on labour taxation. Structural statistics consists of the four-yearly Labour Cost Surveys (LCS) and the Structure of Earnings Surveys (SES), based on legal acts and annual statistics on labour costs, gross and net earnings, minimum wages and tax wedge variables basically provided by the Member States under gentleman's agreements. The core of short-term statistics is the Labour Cost Index (LCI), also based on legal act. Revision of the methodology of the gender pay gap is under preparation. Dissemination of the Structure of Earnings Survey microdata for research purposes will be initiated in 2007.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 530/1999 of 9 March 1999, concerning structural statistics on earnings and on labour costs
OJ L 63, 12.3.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1726/1999 of 27 July 1999, implementing Council Regulation (EC) 530/1999 concerning structural statistics on earnings and labour costs as regards the definition and transmission of information on labour costs
OJ L 203, 3.8.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1916/2000 of 8 September 2000, on implementing Council Regulation (EC) 530/1999 concerning structural statistics on earnings and on labour costs as regards the definition and transmission of information on structure of earnings
OJ L 229, 9.9.2000
- Regulation (EC) No 450/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 February 2003, concerning the labour cost index
OJ L 69, 13.3.2002
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1216/2003 of 7 July 2003, implementing Regulation (EC) No 450/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the labour cost index
OJ L 169, 8.7.2003
- Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1216/2003 of 7 July 2003 implementing Regulation (EC) No 450/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the labour cost index (OJ L 169, 8.7.2003)
OJ L 186, 25.7.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1738/2005 of 21 October 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1916/2000 as regards the definition and transmission of information on the structure of earnings
OJ L 279, 22.10.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1737/2005 of 21 October 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1726/1999 as regards the definition and transmission of information on labour costs
OJ L 279, 22.10.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 698/2006 of 5 May 2006, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 530/1999 as regards quality evaluation of structural statistics on labour costs and earnings
OJ L 121, 6.5.2006, p. 30-35

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 224/2007 of 1 March 2007, amending Regulation (EC) No 1216/2003 as regards the economic activities covered by the labour cost index
OJ L 64, 2.3.2007, p. 23–24

Agreements:

- Agreement of 01/01/1995, several data transmission agreements done in the relevant Working Group meetings.

- SPC Agreement of 29/05/1998, Gentlemen's agreement.

Comments: CEIS on the basis of SPC 98/29/5: "Transmission to Eurostat of priority short-term economic indicators for the ECB: commitment of the NSIs Prices and cost statistics 7 and 8.

Other basis:

- Integrated system of earnings and labour cost statistics (SPC/2003/49/7)

3. Data Requirements

LACOST_A_4: Labour costs survey table A national data

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 4

LACOST_B_4: Labour costs survey table B size classes data

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 4

LACOST_C_4: Labour costs survey table C regional data

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 4

LCI_INDEX_Q: Labour Cost Indices-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

LCI_WEIGHT_A: Labour Cost Index - Weight

Timeliness: 720 Periodicity: A

STR_EARA_A: Structure of earnings Survey table A reporting units

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 4

STR_EARB_A: Structure of earnings survey table B employees

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 4

4. Methodology

See legal acts

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ILO, ECB.

Module 32300. Time use and reconciliation of work and family life

Responsible unit: **F-2: Labour market statistics**
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1. Module Description

The aim of the Time Use survey (TUS) is to fill a number of gaps in the statistical information available in the social domain. In particular the TUS aims to provide information on the possibilities of reconciling professional and family life – information about the gender division of paid and unpaid work. TUS can also shed light total working hours, mobility and leisure time. Reconciliation between work and family life includes statistics about care of children and other dependants and other statistics to describe hinders for reconciliation of work and family life. In particular: An ad-hoc LFS module on the reconciliation between work and family life is available since 2006.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- Time Use Surveys, Gentlemen's agreement.

Comments: Member States, EFTA countries and Phare Candidate Countries have continuously discussed and commented on draft proposals for the Time Use Survey methodology. All countries carrying out Time Use Surveys seem to be interested in adapting their surveys to the Guidelines released in September 2000 in order to get internationally comparable data. These guidelines are under revision and a new version will probably be approved in 2008;

Reference: CIRCA site 'Time Use Surveys Group'.

3. Data Requirements

TIME-USE: Time Use Survey (TUS)

Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: 5 to 10 years

4. Methodology

- "Guidelines on harmonised European time use survey" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-CC-04-007

5. International Cooperation

ILO, OECD, UN.

Theme 33. Education

Description

Education statistics include the production of statistical information on education and lifelong learning through specific surveys on education and training systems, vocational training in enterprises and adult learning. This information is complemented with relevant information coming from other ESS sources which are not specific for education to cover areas like human capital, education and social inclusion or transition from school to working life.

Indicators produced are used in benchmarking exercises like the Structural indicators, the Follow-up of the Report on the concrete Future Objectives of the Education and Training Systems (Education and training 2010), the European Employment Strategy, Benchmarking the European Research Area, Social Agenda and Sustainable development.

Co-operation with other international organisations (UNESCO Institute for Statistics, OECD, ILO), with specialised EU agencies (ETF, CEDEFOP) as well as the Eurydice information network established by DGEAC is developed where necessary.

Key priorities 2007

The main priorities are the improvement of the production processes and the improvement of the quality of statistics and indicators disseminated on education, training and lifelong learning. These are translated into the revision of current data collection processes, based on the conclusions from the ongoing consolidation exercise and the review of existing sources, the establishment of quality reports for data already produced, the establishment of an overall conceptual framework for education and training statistics and the exploration of the potential information produced from existing sources.

Furthermore, the draft regulation on education and lifelong learning, as approved by the Commission at the end of 2005, will contribute to this objective, and its decisional follow up should be ensured. At the moment (spring 2007), the proposed regulation is being treated at EP and Council level. The surveys on education and training from enterprises (Continuing Vocational Training Survey) and individuals (Adult Education Survey) are being implemented in Member-States and will be followed.

The internal infrastructure for the reception of data should be established. The improvement of data and metadata disseminated through NewCronos remains a permanent objective. Based on a Staff working paper from the Commission (SEC(2007)1524, « New indicators on Education and Training), the Council concluded (24 May 2005 OJ 2005/c 141/04) on the importance of indicators and benchmarks for periodic monitoring and recognised that the necessary data for new indicators can be a long-term project, at times lasting 5-10 years. A major task will be the support provided for the development of comparable education and training indicators used in benchmarking processes. A strategy to meet the need for new indicators for education and training policy has been established and adopted at Commission level and is being discussed at Council level presently. The strategy may involve new data collection methodologies to access information at the level of educational institutions. Co-operation with other international organisations (UNESCO Institute for Statistics, OECD, ILO), with EU specialised agencies (ETF, CEDEFOP) as well as with the centre for indicator based research on lifelong learning (CRELL) set up at the JRC in Ispra and with the Eurydice information network established by DGEAC will be rationalised and improved in areas of common interest.

Module 33100. Education statistics

Responsible unit: **F-4: Education, science and culture statistics**
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1. Module Description

This module includes the annual collection and validation of data from administrative sources on initial education and training systems (formal or regular education) and the dissemination of the relevant statistics and indicators. The data collection includes 2 basic flows: The UOE data collection which is a joint activity of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics, OECD and Eurostat. Internationally comparable data are collected on key aspects of education systems including enrolments, new entrants, graduates, educational personnel and educational expenditure. The 1997 version of the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED 97) is used. The specific breakdowns include level of education (including programme destination and orientation according to the ISCED definitions), sex, age, mode (full-time/part-time), type of institution (public/private), field of education, nationality, sources of funding and nature of expenditure.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Resolution No 94/C 374/01 of 5 December 1994, on the quality and attractiveness of vocational education and training
OJ C 374, 30.12.1994
- Council Decision No 253/2000/EC of 24 January 2000, establishing the second phase of the Community action programme in the field of education 'Socrates'
OJ L 28, 3.2.2000
- Council Conclusions No: 05/C 141/01 of 24 May 2005, on new indicators in education and training
OJ C 141, 10.6.2005

Other basis:

- Communication from the Commission of 21 February 2007 on a coherent framework of indicators and benchmarks for monitoring progress towards the Lisbon objectives in education and training (COM/2007/0061 final)

See at: http://ec.europa.eu/education/policies/2010/objectives_en.html#measuring

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the production and development of statistics on education and lifelong learning (COM/2005/0625 final)

- Documents related to Education statistics available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/edtcsl/library?!=/public&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

This site includes methodological documentation on the UOE data collection (the shared UNESCO/OECD/Eurostat data collection on education and training statistics), information on CVTS (Continuous Vocational Training Survey), - on education data coming from the Labour Force Survey, - on culture statistics, - on publications as well as a number of other issues related to education statistics.

3. Data Requirements

EDUCAT_A_A: Education statistics - annual

Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

EDUCAT_FIN_A: Education statistics finance- annual

Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- ISCED available on: http://www.uis.unesco.org/ev_en.php?ID=3813_201&ID2=DO_TOPIC
- UOE data collection instrument (it exists only in electronic form)

5. International Cooperation

Principally with UNESCO, OECD.

Module 33200. Vocational training and lifelong learning

Responsible unit: **F-4: Education, science and culture statistics**
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1. Module Description

This module includes the following activities:

Continuing Vocational Training Survey: This is an enterprise survey which has been carried out in 1994 and 2000 and will continue as a regular 5-yearly survey. CVTS1 and 2 collected information exclusively on continuing vocational training financed by enterprises and organised through external and internal courses as well as on training measures 'beyond' these courses. Information is collected on volume and incidence of participation as well as on cost of training. The 2005 edition of CVTS will collect basic information on initial vocational training in enterprises.

Adult Education Survey: This is a project for a European household survey focusing on information on the volume and incidence of participation of adults in any kind of continuing education and training, including informal forms of learning. The focus at this stage is the development of the methodology and classifications for this survey. Development of methodology and production of statistics using the results of the education variables in household surveys like the Labour Force Survey or the European Union - Statistics on Income and Living Conditions. Development, quality evaluation and use of ad hoc modules in household surveys like the LFS or the EU-SILC. Support to policy DGs for the use of indicators related to this area and for the development of relevant statistical projects.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Resolution No 94/C 374/01 of 5 December 1994, on the quality and attractiveness of vocational education and training
OJ C 374, 30.12.1994
- Council Decision No 1999/382/EC of 26 April 1999, establishing the second phase of the Community vocational training action programme 'Leonardo da Vinci'
OJ L 146, 11.6.1999
- Regulation (EC) No 1552/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005, on statistics relating to vocational training in enterprises
OJ L 255, 30.9.2005
- Commission Regulation No 198/2006/EC of 3 February 2006, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1552/2005 of the European Parliament and the Council on statistics relating to vocational training in enterprises
OJ L 32, 4.2.2006

Agreements:

- SPC Agreement of 01/12/1998, Education and Training Statistics Working Group decision and Work Programmes adopted by the SPC, Directors of Social Statistics approval for implementation plan of the AES.

Time of obligation: continuous: for VET – annual limited (start and end date): for CVTS limited: 2000-2002 (held in 2000) for AES 2005-2007;

Date of adoption: for VET - January 1999, for CVTS - December 1998;

Participant countries: For VET - EU + IS + CH; For CVTS - EU + some Candidate Countries;

Official data providers: NSIs + Ministries of Education + Ministries of Labour.

Other basis:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the production and development of statistics on education and lifelong learning (COM/2005/0625 final)

- Council Conclusions of 24 May 2005, on new indicators in education and training (OJ C 141, 10.6.2005)

- Documents related to Education statistics available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/edtcslibrary?!=/public&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

This site includes methodological documentation on the UOE data collection (the shared UNESCO/OECD/Eurostat data collection on education and training statistics), information on CVTS (Continuous Vocational Training Survey), - on education data coming from the Labour Force Survey, - on culture statistics, - on publications as well as a number of other issues related to education statistics.

3. Data Requirements

CVTS_3_A5: Continuing vocational training survey - Third survey with reference year 2005

Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: 5

4. Methodology

- VET (Vocational Education and Training) methodology

- CVTS (Continuing Vocational Training Survey) methodology

5. International Cooperation

UNESCO, OECD.

Theme 34. Culture

Description

This theme covers all statistics on culture. A definition of cultural domain has been agreed and a methodology to identify it using economic sectors (NACE) and occupations (ISCO) has been developed which can now be used to produce information using existing surveys. A methodology also has been agreed for measuring participation in cultural activities which could be implemented through vehicle surveys to produce comparative results at the EU level. Finally the basic elements of a methodology to cover expenditure and financing of culture have been produced, but further development is necessary before this can be used for the collection of data through a specific administrative data collection. Cooperation with the UNESCO Institute for Statistics is essential in this area, while the Council of Europe is informed and involved when necessary.

Key priorities 2007

The priority for 2007 is to elaborate an inventory of existing international data sources of harmonised data on culture and to produce a publication (form of pocketbook) on cultural statistics in Europe.

The further development of the cultural statistics will depend on political needs expressed by documents of the European Commission and the Council, expected for 2007. The interest in contribution of the cultural sector to the Lisbon strategy is growing and the need for comparable statistics in this field is unquestionable.

Module 34100. Culture statistics

Responsible unit: **F-4: Education, science and culture statistics**
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1. Module Description

This module includes three distinct domains in the broad area of culture: cultural employment, participation in cultural activities and expenditure on culture. The intention is currently to develop these areas within a broader reference framework which will be complemented with a “cultural industries” approach. The objective is to establish a sustainable system for the production of policy relevant statistics on culture.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Resolution No 95/C 327/01 of 07 December 1995, on the promotion of statistics on culture and economic growth
OJ C 327, 7.12.1995

- Council Resolution No 97/C 36/04 of 20 January 1997, on the integration of cultural aspects into Community actions
OJ C 36, 5.2.1997

Agreements:

- Eurostat LEG-culture Agreement.

Comments: during 1999 the Eurostat Leadership Group (LEG) on cultural statistics came to a successful end. Main outcomes were:

- i) Common core of cultural domains, unanimously considered as such, was identified and adopted;
- ii) National and international classifications were analysed in detail and specific proposals were developed with respect to the use of NACE and ISCO;
- iii) The identification and selection of key variables together with the development of a set of indicators relating to cultural employment, financing and participation.

- Working Group Agreement on cultural statistics agreement of 31/03/2000.

Comments: as a follow-up of the LEG, the Working Group (WG) on Cultural Statistics consisting of representatives of all the EU was set up within Eurostat. The WG has supported and monitored developments in cultural statistics and encouraged Member States to get involved in the production of comparable data at European level. Task Forces on cultural employment, cultural participation and expenditure and finance were created and prepared their reports. First meeting of the WG was on March 2000 and the last one in March 2004;

Time of obligation: not applicable;

Periodicity: not applicable.

- Additional information available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/edtcslibrary?!=/public/culture&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- The LEG final report provides the methodological foundations and indicates the necessary tools needed for a coherent system of EU cultural statistics. Available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/edtcslibrary?!=/public/culture&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

5. International Cooperation

UIS/UNESCO

Theme 35. Health and safety

Description

Within the European Statistical System, activities will be continued on further developing the statistical element of health information in order to respond to the specific requirements that result from the Programme of Community action in the field of Public Health 2003-2008 and the further programme 2007-2013, covering health status, health determinants and health resources. Data collection will be broken down, as necessary, by gender, age, geographical location and, where available, by socio-economic status.

The general emphasis will be on reinforcement of the infrastructure for the basic system on public health statistics (at Member State and EU level), on harmonisation and improvement of the comparability of existing data in cooperation with competent international organisations (WHO and OECD) and on ensuring that basic concepts, definitions and classifications on health statistics will be used for the whole area of health information.

The Community strategy on health and safety at work 2002-2006 2008 and the further strategy 2007-2012 require the full implementation of the European statistics on accidents at work and on occupational diseases and further developments on their socioeconomic costs and of indicators on quality of work and work-related health problems. The cooperation with ILO will be continued with the aim of setting up a common data collection on accidents at work statistics.

Key priorities 2007

In the context of Partnership Health, activities will be continued on developing, collecting, analysing and disseminating a consistent set of statistics on public health i.e. as the statistical element of health information required by the Community Public Health Programme 2003-2008 and the further programme 2007-2013. Emphasis will be on the implementation of the European Health Interview Survey (EHIS). Statistics on health care systems, including the continuation of the implementation of the System of Health Accounts (SHA) and SHA compatible data on health care resources, hospital activities (according to the WHO-family of classifications "International Shortlist for Hospital Morbidity Tabulation" - ISHMT). The revision of the SHA methodology together with OECD and WHO will also be a high priority, developing as necessary synergies with social protection and other relevant statistics.

In the field of health and safety at work statistics, the priority is the continuation of annual data collection, analysis and dissemination of the European statistics on accidents at work (ESAW) and occupational diseases (EODS), including causes / exposures, as well as the data collection of the 2007 Labour Force Survey ad hoc module on accidents at work and work-related health problems for the evaluation of the Community strategy on health and safety at work (2002-2006).

For all areas, a major task in 2007 will be the follow-up of the discussions in the EP and Council of a proposal for a Regulation on Community statistics on public health and health and safety at work. Work in 2007 will also focus on improving quality of meta-information and data, on more detailed free dissemination and on data for health and safety indicators selected or to be developed as part of the Structural, Sustainable Development, Social Inclusion and European Community Health (ECHI) indicators, in particular the Core set (ECHI short list), as well as indicators for the open method of coordination (OMC) in the area of health care and long-term care.

Module 35100. Public health

Responsible unit: **F-5: Health and food safety statistics**
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1. Module Description

Within the ESS activities will be continued on further developing – through Partnership Health and in cooperation with international organisations – the statistical element of health information in order to respond to the specific requirements inter alia those that result from the Programme of Community action in the field of Public health 2003-2008 and the further programme 2007-2013, covering health status (including disability, morbidity and mortality), health determinants and health resources.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Decision No 1786/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2002, adopting a programme of Community action in the field of public health (2003-2008)
OJ L 271, 9.10.2002

Agreements:

- Eurostat Working Group on Public health, Agreement of 01/01/1998 on Public Health statistics.
Comments: compilation of statistics on public health is done on a 'gentlemen's agreement' basis mainly through decisions taken at the Eurostat Working Group on Public health.
At regular intervals the SPC and the DSS (Directors of Social Statistics) are informed on the work on public health statistics achieved through the Partnership on Health statistics and are asked for advice/approval;
General information (description): causes of death statistics (CoD), Health care statistics (CARE), Health Interview survey data (HIS), Morbidity statistics (MORB);
Time of obligation and periodicity: for CoD and Care (expenditure health care data: System of Health Accounts (SHA) and non-expenditure health care data): 1x/year, for HIS; once in 1999, 2002 and 2004, every 5 years for the EHIS from 2007-2008 onwards;
Publication: in TF and/or WG documents, detailed tables (e.g., "Health in Europe: results from surveys 1997-2000") and Panoramas (e.g., Key figures on Health and Atlas on Mortality), as well as Pocket books (e.g., "Health in Europe – data 1998-2003" – 2005 edition);
Participant countries: 27 EU, Candidate Countries (HR, TR), Switzerland, Norway and Iceland, and whenever possible CARDS countries;
Official data providers: NSIs and/or Ministries of Health and/or Institute of Public Health.
Documents and information available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/health/home>

Other basis:

- Amended proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a second Programme of Community action in the field of Health and consumer protection (2007-2013) - Adaptation following the agreement of 17 May 2006 on the Financial Framework 2007-2013 (presented by the Commission pursuant to Article 250(2) of the EC Treaty) (COM/2006/0234 final)

3. Data Requirements

COD_A_A: Causes of Death
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

HCARE_A_A: Health care
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

HEALTH_RES_A: Health Resources
Timeliness: 120 Periodicity: A

HIS_A_A: Health interview survey
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- For CoD: data collection according to list of 65 causes
- For HIS data collection on 4 survey modules (on health status, health care utilisation and health determinants, as well as background demographic and socio-economic information) constituting the EHIS
- For CARE non expenditures: data collection on health care resources and on hospital activity (according to the ISHMT classification), using common definitions together with OECD
- For CARE expenditures: 5 tables according to the SHA methodology and ICHA classifications, joint data collection with OECD and WHO
- All methodologies available on Circa Health Statistics, folder "methodology"

5. International Cooperation

WHO (parallel data collection for CoD in the ACCs, Candidate Countries and CARDS, same classification ISHMT for the hospital discharges data collection), OECD (SHA inter alia).

Module 35200. Health and safety at work

Responsible unit: **F-5: Health and food safety statistics**
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1. Module Description

The Community strategy on health and safety at work 2002-2006 and the further strategy 2007-2012 require the full implementation of the European Statistics on Accidents at Work (ESAW) and of European Occupational Diseases Statistics (EODS) and further developments on their socio-economic costs and indicators on quality of work and work-related health problems.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Resolution No 88/C 28/01 of 21 February 1987, on safety, hygiene and health at work
OJ C 28, 3.2.1988
- Council Directive No 89/391/EEC of 12 June 1989, introduction of measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work
OJ L 183, 29.6.1989
- Council Resolution No 95/C 168/01 of 27 March 1995, on the transposition and application of Community social legislation
OJ C 168, 4.7.1995
- Council Resolution No 2002/C 161/01 of 3 June 2002, on a new Community strategy on health and safety at work (2002-2006)
OJ C 161, 5.7.2002
- Decision No 2367/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2002, on the Community statistical programme 2003 to 2007
OJ L 358, 31.12.2002
- Commission Recommendation No 2003/670/EC of 19 September 2003, concerning the European schedule of occupational diseases
OJ L 238, 25.9.2003

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 01/01/1993, European Statistics on Accidents at Work – ESAW.
Comments: data on accidents at work: case by case data on cases of recognised accidents at work reported during the reference year, 13 variables until 2000 reference year on the victim, his/her enterprise and the injury, from 2001 onwards 23 variables including 9 new variables on the causes and circumstances of the accidents and a weighting variable. A sub-project provides similar data on commuting accidents (accidents that occur on the journey between home and the place of work) from 1996 reference year;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Date of adoption: ESAW Phase 1 1993; ESAW Phase 2 1996; ESAW Phase 3 16/10/2000;
Publication: no legal act published. The methodology agreed is published, see point 4 below;
Participant countries: ESAW: EU27 + NO + CH;
Official data providers: Social Security or Insurance Federation Institutions and/or Labour Ministries in Finland and Austria the data from these Institutions is officially submitted to Eurostat by the NSI.
- Member States Agreement of 01/01/1995, European Occupational Diseases Statistics – EODS.
Comments: Data on occupational diseases: case by case data on cases of recognised occupational diseases during the reference year, from 2001 onwards 12 variables on the victim, his/her enterprise, the medical diagnosis, the exposure and the severity;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: annual;

Date of adoption: EODS Pilot project: 1995, EODS Phase 1 14/09/2000;

Publication: no legal act published. The methodology agreed is published, see point 4 below;

Participant countries: EODS: EU26 (except D) + CH (in near future);

Official data providers: Social Security or Insurance Federation Institutions and/or Labour Ministries in Finland and Austria the data from these Institutions is officially submitted to Eurostat by the NSI.

3. Data Requirements

ESAW_A_A: European Statistics on Accidents at Work

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

EODS_A_A: European Occupational Diseases Statistics

Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- "European Statistics on Accidents at Work - Specifications for case-by-case data - ESAW Phase 2 on Work Accidents in Europe - Reference year 1998 - Eurostat E3 - October 2000" - (last version available in DE/EN/ES/FR/IT)

- "European Statistics on Accidents at Work - Appendix - Specifications for table data - ESAW Phase 2 on Work Accidents in Europe - Reference year 1998 - Eurostat E3 - October 2000" - (last version available in DE/EN/ES/FR/IT)

- "European Statistics on Accidents at Work - ESAW Commuting Accidents - Reference year 1998 - Eurostat E3 - October 2000" - (last version available in DE/EN/ES/FR/IT)

- "Classification of the causal agents of the occupational diseases (in all official European languages) - EODS", Eurostat Working Paper series, Population and social conditions - 3/2000/E/n°18 (includes all 11 languages)

- "European Occupational Diseases Statistics (EODS), Phase 1 methodology", Eurostat Working Paper series, Population and social conditions - 3/2000/E/n°19, (available in EN/DE/ ES/FR/IT)

- "European statistics on accidents at work - Methodology - 2001 Edition", DG Employment and social affairs - Health and safety at work series - in co-publication with Eurostat - KE-42-02-569-XX-C (XX=language, all 11 languages available)

- ESAW Phase 3 and EODS Phase 1 methodology are described in publications mentioned above

- All methodologies (including publications describing ESAW Phase 3 and EODS Phase 1 methodologies) available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/hasaw/library>

5. International Cooperation

ILO

Theme 36. Distribution of incomes and living conditions

Description

Statistics on the distribution of income and living conditions are based on two data sources: HBS and EU-SILC. EU-SILC is the reference data source for EU statistics on income and social exclusion using harmonised method and definitions in all EU countries and in Norway and Iceland. The 2005 micro data have been collected and release for EU25 + Norway and Iceland. The system of statistics on income, poverty and social exclusion will be more elaborated, covering other dimensions of social exclusion (non-monetary indicators) and giving more comparable information.

Key priorities 2007

In terms of data sources, work on the Household Budget Survey will concentrate on the processing of the 2005 round of data collection with a particular focus on the new Member States for which Eurostat methodological recommendations are to be applied to achieve reasonable data comparability with EU countries. The EU-SILC data collection will take place in 2007 in all Member States and the 2006 round will be evaluated. A Commission Regulation on the 2009 list of target secondary variables on additional dimensions for deprivation will be prepared. Methodological work will concentrate on the evaluation of the comparability of implementation of EU-SILC in different countries and the release and exploitation of longitudinal files. A report on the implementation of EU-SILC will be prepared for the European Parliament.

The completeness of the indicators database will be sought as well as streamlined process for releasing them. Statistics in Focus using EU-SILC data will be produced (intergenerational transmission of poverty, Laeken indicators, ...). The non-monetary deprivation will be reviewed in details. Indicators for children poverty will receive more attention.

Module 36100. Household budget surveys

Responsible unit: **F-3: Living conditions and social protection statistics**
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1. Module Description

Sample survey covering 150.000 households, which collects cross-sectional data on household expenditure and living conditions. Data are collected on the basis of a Gentlemen's agreement and are available in New Cronos and on CD-ROM.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- HBS/151-B/2003/EN - Update for methodological recommendations for harmonisation for the HBS round of 2005 available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/hbs/library?l=/rounds2005&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

- Data transmission for the HBSs round 2005, HBS-153-03-EN_2005

- The participation in the HBS round of 2005 and the main methodological guidelines of this data collection were agreed by Eurostat, the Member States and the Candidate Countries in the HBS Working Group meeting of 05-06 May 2003 and later updated in.

- "Household Budget Surveys in the EU - Methodology and Recommendations for Harmonisation – 2003" available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/hbs/library?l=/documentation/methodology_1999&vm=detailed&sb=Title

3. Data Requirements

HBS_PAC_N: Household Budget Survey
Timeliness: 1080 Periodicity: S

4. Methodology

- "Household Budget Surveys in the EU - Methodology and Recommendations for Harmonisation – 2003" available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/hbs/library?l=/documentation/methodology_1999&vm=detailed&sb=Title

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 36301. Income, poverty and social exclusion (including housing and deprivation)

Responsible unit: **F-3: Living conditions and social protection statistics**
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1. Module Description

Domain focused at the production of indicators of poverty, social exclusion and pensions extracted from national data sources or from EU-SILC. The domain is used for the structural indicators exercise and in the context of the Open Method of coordination on inclusion (NAPs, Laeken indicators and Joint Inclusion Report). Data are available in New Cronos.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- Statistical Programming Committee Agreement of 2000, recommendations on statistics on poverty and social exclusion.

Time of obligation: continuous;

Participant countries: EU Member States;

Official data providers: NSIs.

Statistical Programming Committee Agreement of 2000.

- Statistical Programming Committee Agreement of 1998, recommendations on statistics on poverty and social exclusion.

Time of obligation: continuous;

Participant countries: EU Member States;

Official data providers: NSIs.

Statistical Programming Committee Agreement of 1998.

Other basis:

- Lisbon European Council, March 2000, implementing an open method of coordination in the field of social inclusion

- Laeken European Council, December 2001, implementing an open method of coordination in the field of pensions adequacy, sustainability and modernity

- EU Sustainable Development Strategy

3. Data Requirements

INC-POV-SOCIAL-A: Income, poverty and social exclusion - Laeken indicators of monetary poverty

Timeliness: 270 Periodicity: A

Comment: this will allow production of relevant structural indicators and sustainable development indicators

EU-SILC-A: EU - Statistics on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC)

Timeliness: 330 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- "Poverty statistics in the late 1980's - research based on micro-data" - CA-83-94-636-EN-C (also available in French)

- "European social statistics - Income, poverty and social exclusion: 2nd report - Data 1994-1997" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BP-02-008

- "Continuity of Indicators during the transition between ECHP and EU-SILC" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-CC-05-006

- Laeken indicators methodology (version 05/08/2005) available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/soipase/library>

- Pensions indicators methodology (version 29/05/2006) available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/soipase/library>

- "Material deprivation in the EU - Issue number 21/2005" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-NK-05-021

Income poverty measurements:

Total household disposable income is equivalised using 'modified-OECD' scale and attributed to each individual member.

60% of national equivalised median income per person is used as main reference point.

5. International Cooperation

UN

Module 36401. Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC)

Responsible unit: **F-3: Living conditions and social protection statistics**
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1. Module Description

EU-SILC is the reference data source for EU analysis of income distribution and social exclusion. This annual survey covering about 200.000 households, collects cross-sectional and longitudinal data on income, level of education, labour market, family situation and other living conditions. SILC was launched in 2003/2004/2005 depending on the country and is currently carried out in 27 countries (25 Member States plus Norway and Iceland). It is based on Regulation N° 1177/2003 of the Council and European Parliament and on implementing Commission regulations. One new Commission regulation on the annual module is developed each year. SILC has a cross-sectional and a longitudinal component. From March 2007, a user-friendly database containing micro-data is available for research projects.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 June 2003, concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC)
OJ L 165, 3.7.2003
- Regulation (EC) No 1553/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 September 2005, amending Regulation No. 1177/2003 concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC)
OJ L 255, 30.9.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1982/2003 of 21 October 2003, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the sampling and tracing rules
OJ L 298, 17.11.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1981/2003 of 21 October 2003, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the fieldwork aspects and the imputation procedures
OJ L 298, of 17.11.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1980/2003 of 21 October 2003, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards definitions and updated definitions
OJ L 298 of 17.11.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1983/2003 of 7 November 2003, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the list of target primary variables
OJ L 298, 17.11.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 28/2004 of 5 January 2004, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the detailed content of intermediate and final quality reports
OJ L 5, 9.1.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 16/2004 of 6 January 2004, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the list of target secondary variables relating to the "intergenerational transmission of poverty"
OJ L 4, 8.1.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 13/2005 of 6 January 2005, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the list of target secondary variables relating to 'social participation'
OJ L 5, 7.1.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 315/2006 of 22 February 2006, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the list of target secondary variables relating to housing conditions
OJ L 52, 23.2.2006

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 676/2006 of 2 May 2006, amending Regulation (EC) No 1980/2003 implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards definitions and updated definitions
OJ L 118, 3.5.2006, p.3-3

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 215/2007 of 28 February 2007, on implementing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on income and living conditions (EU-SILC) as regards the list of target secondary variables relating to over-indebtedness and financial exclusion
OJ L 62, 1.3.2007, p. 8–15

3. Data Requirements

SILC_CD_A: Cross-sectional Household Register
Timeliness: 330 Periodicity: A

SILC_CH_A: Cross-sectional Household Data
Timeliness: 330 Periodicity: A

SILC_CP_A: Cross-sectional Personal Data
Timeliness: 330 Periodicity: A

SILC_CR_A: Cross-sectional Personal Register
Timeliness: 330 Periodicity: A

SILC_LD_A: Longitudinal household register
Timeliness: 450 Periodicity: A

SILC_LH_A: Longitudinal household data
Timeliness: 450 Periodicity: A

SILC_LP_A: Longitudinal personal data
Timeliness: 450 Periodicity: A

SILC_LR_A: Longitudinal personal register
Timeliness: 450 Periodicity: A

SILC_X_A: Intermediate Quality Report
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

SILC_X_A: Final Quality Report
Timeliness: 720 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Description of EU-SILC methodology and target variables (document SILC065) available on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/eusilc/library?l=silc/method/variables>

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 37. Social protection

Description

Implementation of ESSPROS and LMP data collections in the new Member States is a priority objective which will be supported by specific statistical projects.

The ongoing work on the ESSPROS project includes collecting quantitative and qualitative data on the core system and on the numbers of beneficiaries of pensions. Another important challenge in terms of medium term strategy is the need to revise the ESSPROS methodology in order to respond better to new developments in social protection in Europe. The project on net social protection expenditure will be fully implemented in 2010 if the results of national data collection to be launched in 2008 will be positive.

The LMP data collection will continue to collect quantitative and qualitative information on the labour market measures, the expenditure devoted to it and the numbers of participants in these measures.

Important targets for the coming period 2007- 2010 are:

- (a) to ensure the calculation of the European Employment Strategy (EES) indicators concerning labour market interventions so the data can be used for the evaluation of the National Reform Plans and for the preparation of the Joint Employment Report by DG-EMPL.;
- (b) to ensure the coverage of all new Member States in the database;
- (c) to include comparable data on the activities of the Public Employment Services for the insertion of unemployed in the labour market, and public expenditure devoted to these,
- (d) Complete work concerning the follow up the participants in labour market measures and the identification of their destination a certain time after exit of the measure, to support the monitoring of the Employment Guidelines.

It is Eurostat medium term priority to strengthen the analytic uses of social protection and LMP data by producing user-oriented analyses and improving online dissemination. In this context, particular attention will be given to the new generation of the Employment Guidelines and the policy debate on the future sustainability of social protection systems in an ageing Europe. This medium term strategy can only be achieved through reinforced cooperation with policy users, Member States and other international organizations (OECD and ILO in particular). Annual programs will include operational actions (joint data collections, common projects, etc) that enhance international co-operation.

Key priorities 2007

For the ESSPROS project, the priority for the year 2007 will be the follow-up of the procedure for the adoption of the Framework regulation and the development of implementing Commission regulations.

The implementation of the revised Labour market policy methodology will be consolidated. Improvements in data collection should focus on category 1 "Labour Market Services", category 5 "Integration of disabled", and the reduction of missing data on participants.

Module 37101. Social protection statistics

Responsible unit: **F-3: Living conditions and social protection statistics**
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1. Module Description

Database on social protection expenditure, receipts and social benefits classified by functions: sickness/health care, disability, old age, survivors, family/children, unemployment, housing and social exclusion, others. Data available in a yearly publication and in New Cronos. Data from the module on the number of pensions beneficiaries are also annually collected. A feasibility study for a data collection on net expenditures is in development.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 458/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 April 2007, on the European system of integrated social protection statistics (ESSPROS)
OJ L 113, 30.4.2007, p. 3–8

Other basis:

- ESSPROS Methodological Manual 1996 (a revised version (2006) is in preparation).

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: yearly;

Publication: social protection expenditure and receipts - annual publication;

Participant countries: 27 countries of EU + Iceland, Norway, Switzerland;

Official data providers: National Statistical Institutes and Ministries of Labour or other bodies - depending on countries.

ESSPROS group available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/esspros/home>

- Draft proposals for a Commission Regulation on Core system and a Commission Regulation on pension beneficiaries are in preparation

3. Data Requirements

SESPROS-QD-A: ESSPROS data on expenditure and receipts

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

SESPROS-QI-A: Annual updating of ESSPROS qualitative information

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

SESPROS-PB-A: Data on pension beneficiaries

Timeliness: Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- ESSPROS Methodology Manual 1996 (a revised version (2006) is in preparation)

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ILO, NOSOSCO.

Module 37202. Development of a database on labour market policy measures

Responsible unit: **F-2: Labour market statistics**
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1. Module Description

Database containing yearly data on expenditure and participants of the different labour market policy interventions, which include nine categories: labour market services, training, job-rotation, employment incentives, integration of disabled, direct job creation, start-up incentives, unemployment income maintenance and early retirement. Source for policy indicators to contribute to the monitoring of the Employment Guidelines.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 01/01/2000 and reiterated each year in the Labour Market Working Group

- Labour Market Policies database

Comments: Methodological Manual available in English-German-French;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: yearly;

Date of adoption: 2000;

Publication: "Labour Market Policy - Expenditure and participants - data 1998" (last edition: data 2005);

Participant countries: 27 countries of EU (excepting Malta-Cyprus) + Norway;

Official data providers: Ministries of Labour or Employment, in some countries National Statistics Institutes are associated.

'LMP - Labour Market Policies' available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/labour/home>

3. Data Requirements

Labour Market Policy Statistics: Details on data provided (expenditure, participants and metadata) can be obtained from the LMP Questionnaire included in the LMP Methodology.

Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A - It is aimed to make data available at the date Y+1

4. Methodology

- "Labour market policy database - Methodology - Revision of June 2006" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BF-06-003

5. International Cooperation

In 2005 the data collection was launched jointly with the OECD for the first time (reference year 2004), and from then onwards both international Institutions launch jointly the LMP data collection in June every year, based on the commonly accepted Eurostat LMP-Methodology.

Theme 38. Other work in the field of demographic and social statistics

Description

This theme includes four distinct modules: housing, social reporting, crime and gender statistics.

Housing data is derived largely from Population and Housing censuses, and from the ECHP/SILC.

In the field of social reporting, Eurostat is and will remain an active co-author together with DG EMPL of the report 'The social situation in the European Union'. In addition to a holistic view, this report has a special focus from one edition to another, which in the previous editions has been: The evolving demand for social support and social services, The quality of European citizens' lives, Geographical mobility and migration, The health of Europe's citizens, The social dimension of the enlarged Union and The demographic challenge. Eurostat is also producing the statistical pocketbook 'Living conditions in Europe'.

Work will be carried out on the establishment of a framework for statistics on crime and criminal justice.

The aim of gender statistics is to describe women's and men's different roles in society. A gender perspective should be integrated in all statistics on individuals. The strategy is to increase data collection by sex, to develop gender statistics, and to increase the effort to have a more extensive presentation of gender statistics.

Preparatory work will be carried out in order to develop a methodology for measuring discrimination.

Key priorities 2007

For housing, the Eurostat website will be updated with the SILC 2004 information.

In the module 'Social reporting' the main priority is the production of the 2007 edition of the report 'The social situation in the European Union' together with DG EMPL. In addition a new edition of the pocketbook 'Living conditions in Europe' is produced. It is ensured that the social indicators presented in these publications are fully consistent with the structural indicators and the indicators developed by the employment and social protection committees' indicator sub-groups.

Work will continue on the development of a system of statistics on crime, victimization and criminal justice in line with the strategy set out in 2006 in the Commission Communication Developing a comprehensive and coherent EU strategy to measure crime and criminal justice: An EU Action Plan 2006-10. The data collection initiated in 2006 will be repeated, improved and extended to include policy relevant data, including 2005 data. Metadata and background and contextual variables will progressively be included and types of organized crime covered as well as policy relevant data on criminal justice measures. Efforts will be made to evaluate and improve the quality of these data by means of specific studies of selected crime types. A proposal will be made for a European survey module on victimization and testing of this will be initiated in collaboration with the Member States.

In gender statistics, the key priority is to monitor that the gender aspect is incorporated in all statistics on individuals in Eurostat. The provision of coherent and timely data on the gender pay gap remains a priority. A panorama publication will appear in 2007 on the "Life of women and men in Europe".

Module 38201. Social indicators and other social domains

Responsible unit: **F-3: Living conditions and social protection statistics**
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1. Module Description

Domain aiming at presenting an overview of social statistics disseminated in two publications 'The social situation in the European Union' and the statistical pocketbook 'Living Conditions in Europe'.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- Partnership agreement of DG EMPL and ESTAT available on:
http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/statcanwestbalkan/library?l=/publications_data/manuals&vm=detail&sb=Title

Other basis:

- Art. 143 of the Treaty establishing the European Community (referring to Art. 136).
The text of the "Consolidated versions of the Treaty on European Union and of the Treaty establishing the European Community" (OJ C 321E, 29.12.2006) is available on:
<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/treaties/index.htm>

- Art. III-216 of the Constitution (referring to Art. III-209), not (yet) in force.
The text of the "Treaty establishing a Constitution for Europe" (OJ C 310, 16.12.2004) is available on:
<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/treaties/dat/12004V/htm/12004V.html>

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- The statistical portraits (p. 29-90) and annexes (p. 153-190) of the report "The social situation in the European Union 2004" available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KE-AG-04-001

- "Living conditions in Europe - Statistical pocketbook - Data 2002-2005" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-76-06-390

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 38300. Gender statistics

Responsible unit: **F-2: Labour market statistics**
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1. Module Description

Gender statistics is an integrated part of all statistics on individuals. If possible, data on individuals are at present collected by sex in all subject areas. Gender pay gap in particular measures the pay differentials between women and men. In developing new statistical areas the gender perspective will be taken into account. Eurostat will co-operate with other DGs and international organisations (ILO, OECD, UNECE) in order to develop indicators and to collect data subdivided by sex. It is expected to have a more systematic breakdown of all statistics on individuals by sex and to have a more extensive presentation of gender statistics.

2. Legal Basis

None

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

ECE, UN.

Module 38400. Crime statistics

Responsible unit: **F-5: Health and food safety statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective is to develop Community statistics for an enlarged EU and in view of the post 2006 financial perspectives in the area of Justice and Home Affairs, on crime, criminal justice and victimisation.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council and the European Economic and Social Committee - Developing a comprehensive and coherent EU strategy to measure crime and criminal justice : an EU Action Plan 2006-2010 (COM/2006/0437 final) available on: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:52006DC0437:EN:NOT>

3. Data Requirements

Data on crimes recorded collected by the police (total crime, homicide, violent crime, robbery, domestic burglary, theft of motor vehicles, drug trafficking), prison populations and numbers of police officers, collected annually from contact points in Member States.

4. Methodology

- Methods and definitions agreed with other international organisations (see below) provided with data request

5. International Cooperation

Close collaboration on methodology and data collection with *European Sourcebook of Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics* and with United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime (UNODC). On victimisation surveys, co-operation with UNODC and with United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and with the joint UNODC/UNECE task force.

Theme 39. Consumer protection

Description

Due to the high priority given to Consumer Protection in the 2003-2007 work programme, a statistical system is to be developed. After the first publication of the panorama 'Consumers in Europe: facts and figures' in 2002 mainly based on the Household Budget Survey information, a new publication in EUROSTAT's series of Statistical books (and some corresponding SiFs) is to be issued updating the HBS information and also covering other statistical domains already under Eurostat control, for example consumer prices, services of general interests, e-commerce. Preparatory work in view of the launch of a fourth edition of the publication will also be carried out. For fields not covered by Eurostat, methodological support to DG SANCO is to be given.

Key priorities 2007

Exploitation of the existing HBS data, coordination of similar activities in other Eurostat; fourth issue of the publication of the EU series 'Consumers in Europe: facts and figures.'

Module 39100. Consumer protection

Responsible unit: **F-3: Living conditions and social protection statistics**
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1. Module Description

Domain aiming at disseminating data through the 'Consumer in Europe' publication.

2. Legal Basis

None

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- Guidelines for data collection established under a Community action programme on injury prevention (Decision No 372/1999/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 February 1999)

- Methodology for EHLASS (European Home and Leisure Accidents) - (available from DGXXIV)

5. International Cooperation

ECE, UN.

CHAPTER III. Economic statistics - A: Macroeconomic statistics

Theme 40. Annual economic accounts

Description

Annual national accounts play a fundamental role in the examination of many key policy questions of the Union providing key economic and monetary policy indicators, basic information for the own resources system, the regional and structural funds, the excessive deficit procedure, and the growth and stability pact. The data are used by the Commission and the ECB, as well as by national governments, social partners, financial markets and economic analysts. Annual national accounts also constitute the basis for many structural indicators required by the European Council in the context of the Lisbon strategy.

Harmonised data are compiled by all Member States in accordance with the European System of Accounts (ESA95) which is the EU version of the world-level System of National Accounts. They are transmitted by EU Member States to Eurostat according to the transmission programme set out in annex B of the ESA regulation.

Great attention has to be paid in the next years to the provision of a complete data set for the new Member States and of a complete set of European aggregates.

As well as providing a wealth of detail, the annual economic accounts provide the solid framework and benchmark for quarterly estimates (Theme 41) and calculation of own resources (Theme 43).

Key priorities 2007

Eurostat and the Member States must participate actively in the revision of the world-level System of National Accounts that will be carried out from 2004 to 2008, since European countries have valuable experience to contribute and it is intended that ESA95 will evolve to stay consistent with SNA.

A task that must be continued in 2007 is the verification of the quality of implementation, of methodological improvements of the recent past; in particular the allocation of FISIM (Financial Intermediation Services Indirectly Measured) among user sectors and industries and the improved price and volume measures in national accounts.

A continued priority will be the timely reception, processing and publication of national accounts data. Particular efforts will be made to improve the availability and timeliness of annual sector accounts both as a prerequisite for the compilation of quarterly sector accounts and as the basis for the compilation of annual sector accounts for EU/EA aggregates. Other areas of increased priority include input-output and supply-use-tables as well as capital stock data. Further improvement work will also be targeted to the labour input variables used for the measurement of productivity.

A core objective for 2007 will be the putting into force of the legal act on the revision of the ESA95 transmission programme and its subsequent implementation.

Module 40100. European system of accounts (ESA)

Responsible unit: **C-1: National accounts: methodology and analysis**
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1. Module Description

Active participation in the SNA 93 update (AEG, ISGWNA and Management Group). Update of ESA closely coordinated with Member States.

Implementation of the ESA Regulation. Interpret and update ESA to take account of economic trends and new demand.

Improving the comparability of data between the Member States and other countries and also their usefulness for national and European analyses.

Improving measurement of prices and volumes for EMU analysis and for the Stability and Growth Pact.

Coordination of concepts with other areas of Eurostat whose work is related to national accounts.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA95)
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996

- Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 of 16 February 1998, completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA)
OJ L 58, 27.2.1998

- Commission Decision No 98/715/EC of 30 November 1998, clarifying Annex A to Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community as concerns the principles for measuring prices and volumes
OJ L 340, 16.12.1998

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 264/2000 of 3 February 2000, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to short-term public finance statistics
OJ L 29, 4.2.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1500/2000 of 10 July 2000, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to general government expenditure and revenue
OJ L 172, 12.7.2000

- Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 November 2000, modifying the common principles of the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA) 95 as concerns taxes and social contributions and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96
OJ L 290, 17.11.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 995/2001 of 22 May 2001, implementing European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 modifying the common principles of ESA95 as concerns taxes and social contribution
OJ L 139, 23.5.2001

- Regulation (EC) No 2558/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 December 2001, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as regards the reclassification of settlements under swaps arrangements and under forward rate agreements
OJ L 344, 28.12.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 113/2002 of 23 January 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with regard to revised classification of expenditure according to purpose
OJ L 21, 24.1.2002

- Regulation (EC) No 359/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 February 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as concerns the use of ESA 95 in the determination of Member States' payments to the VAT-based own resource
OJ L 58, 28.2.2002

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1889/2002 of 23 October 2002, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European System of national and regional Accounts (ESA)
OJ L 286, 24.10.2002

- Commission Decision No 2002/990/EC of 17 December 2002, further clarifying Annex A to Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as concerns the principles for measuring prices and volumes in national accounts
OJ L 347, 20.12.2002

- Regulation (EC) No 1267/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 June 2003, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the time limit for transmission of the main aggregates of national accounts, to the derogations concerning the transmission of the main aggregates of national accounts and to the transmission of employment data in hours worked
OJ L 180, 18.7.2003

- Regulation (EC) No 501/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 March 2004, on quarterly financial accounts for general government
OJ L 81, 19.3.2004

- Regulation (EC) No 1161/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2005, on the compilation of quarterly non-financial accounts by institutional sector
OJ L 191, 22.7.2005

- Commission Decision No 2006/209/EC of 9 March 2006, granting derogations to bring Member States' statistical systems into conformity with Regulation (EC) No 1161/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council
OJ L 75, 14.3.2006, p. 26-27

Other basis:

- Draft European Parliament and Council Regulation on the revision of the ESA95 Transmission Program (see also next module)

- Eurostat draft Input-Output Manual

- Handbook on prices and volume measurements in national accounts

- Handbook on Quarterly National Accounts, Eurostat 1999

- Additional information available on the "National and Financial Accounts in Eurostat" website:
<http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/nfaccount/info/data/index.htm> and on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/pnb/library>

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- ESA 95 and legal acts above
- Handbook on Quarterly National Accounts, Eurostat 1999
- Prices and volume measurements, Handbook
- Eurostat Input-Output Manual

5. International Cooperation

EFTA, OECD, UNECE Geneva, IMF, World Bank, UNSTAT.

Module 40200. National accounts: aggregates

Responsible unit: **C-2: National accounts: production**
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1. Module Description

Main annual aggregates of non-financial national accounts, annual data on value added, capital formation and labour input by industry, and household consumption by purpose. Data collection, processing, validation and uploading to Eurostat's online database and preparation of publications. Variety of services to users as well as data provision for specific needs of the Commission (Structural Indicators, structural and productivity analyses) and the European Central Bank.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996
- Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 of 16 February 1998, completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA)
OJ L 58, 27.2.1998
- Commission Decision No 98/715/EC of 13 November 1998, clarifying Annex a to Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community as concerns the principles for measuring prices and volumes
OJ L 340, 16.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1889/2002 of 23 October 2002, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European System of national and regional Accounts (ESA)
OJ L 286, 24.10.2002
- Commission Decision No 2002/990/EC of 17 December 2002, further clarifying Annex A to Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as concerns the principles for measuring prices and volumes in national accounts
OJ L 347, 20.12.2002
- Regulation (EC) No 1267/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 June 2003, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the time limit for transmission of the main aggregates of national accounts, to the derogations concerning the transmission of the main aggregates of national accounts and to the transmission of employment data in hours worked
OJ L 180, 18.7.2003
- Regulation (EC) No 1161/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2005, on the compilation of quarterly non-financial accounts by institutional sector
OJ L 191, 22.07.2005

See also Module 40100

Other basis:

- Additional information available on the "National and Financial Accounts in Eurostat" website:
<http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/nfaccount/info/data/index.htm>

- Draft European Parliament and Council Regulation on the revision of the ESA95 Transmission Program

3. Data Requirements

ESANAAGR_0101_A: Gross value-added at basic price and gross domestic product at market prices-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0102_A: GDP identity from the expenditure side - Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0103_A: GDP identity from the income side - Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0104_A: Final consumption -Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0105_A: Gross capital formation -Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0106_A: Exports and imports of goods (FOB) and services -Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0107_A: Disposable income -Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0108_A: Saving and net lending/borrowing -Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0109_A: Real disposable income - Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0110_A: Population and employment-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0111_A: Employment and fulltime equivalents by industry-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0112_A: Compensation of employees by industry-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0113_A: Gross value added in A17 breakdown-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0114_A: Employment by industry in A17 breakdown-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0115_A: Compensation of employees by industry in A17 breakdown-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0116_A: Final consumption expenditure of households by purpose-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0117_A: Final consumption of households by durability-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0118_A: Gross operating surplus by industry in A17 breakdown-Annual

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0119_A: Simplified non financial accounts by institutional sector-Annual
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0120_A: Exports of goods (fob) and services by Member States of the EU/third countries-Annual
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0121_A: Imports of goods (fob) and services by Member States of the EU/third countries-Annual
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: A

ESANABRA_0301_A: Tables by industry value added and in variables-Annual
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESANABRA_0302_A: Table by industry capital formation-Annual
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESANABRA_0303_A: Tables by industry labour input-Annual
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0401_A: Exports of goods (fob) and services by Member States of the EU / Third countries TRP6-Annual
Timeliness: 270 Periodicity: A

ESANAGR_0402_A: Imports of goods (fob) and services by EU / Third countries TRP7-Annual
Timeliness: 270 Periodicity: A

ESANABRA_0501_A: Final consumption expenditure of households by purpose-Annual
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_0502_A: Final consumption expenditure of households - Annual
Timeliness: 270 Periodicity: A

ESANAAGR_1400_A: Fixed Assets for Total Economy by Branch and by Product (NA31 facultative * Pi3)
Timeliness: 24 months Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

See Module 40100

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ECB, ECE Geneva.

Module 40401. Accounts of institutional sectors

Responsible unit: **C-2: National accounts: production**
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1. Module Description

Table 8 of the ESA95 transmission programme: data collection, processing, validation and uploading to Eurostat's online database, preparation of publications and specific services to users. Input for the compilation of annual European sector accounts.

2. Legal Basis

See Modules 40100 and 40200

3. Data Requirements

ESANASEC_0800_A: National Accounts by institutional Sectors
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

See Module 40100

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ECB, ECE Geneva.

Module 40500. Supply/use and input/output tables

Responsible unit: **C-2: National accounts: production**
Contact person: Peter RITZMANN, Tel: +352 4301 33251

1. Module Description

Input/output tables and supply/use tables: data collection, processing, validation and uploading to Eurostat's online database, and preparation of publications; specific services to users.

2. Legal Basis

See Modules 40100 and 40200

3. Data Requirements

ESANA_IOT_1500_A: Supply Table at Basic Prices, including a transformation into purchasers' prices (A60 * P60) EU-ESA95-IO

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: A

ESANA_IOT_1600_A: Use Table at Purchaser's Prices (A60 * P60)

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: A

ESANA_IOT_1700_5: Symmetric Input/Output table at basic prices, five yearly (P60 * P60)

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: 5

ESANA_IOT_1800_5: Symmetric Input/Output table at basic prices for Domestic Output, five yearly (P60 * P60)

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: 5

ESANA_IOT_1900_5: Symmetric Input/Output table at basic prices for Imports, five yearly (P60 * P60)

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: 5

ESANA_IOT_2000_5: Cross Classification of Fixed Assets by Industry and by Product (A31*Pi3) - Five Yearly

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: 5

ESANA_IOT_2100_5: Cross Classification of Production Account by Industry and by Sector A60 * 5 sectors) - Five Yearly

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: 5

ESANA_IOT_2200_5: Cross Classification of Gross Fixed Capital Formation by Industry and by Product (A31*P60) (GFCF) - Five Yearly

Timeliness: 36 months Periodicity: 5

4. Methodology

See Module 40100

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ECB, ECE Geneva.

Module 40800. Regional accounts

Responsible unit: **C-2: National accounts: production**
Contact person: **Andreas KRUEGER, Tel: +352 4301 36397**

1. Module Description

Updating of regional accounts by branch and estimation of regional GDP for EU Member States and Candidate Countries. Implementation of the ESA95 methodology on regional household accounts. Assurance of good quality of Regional Accounts.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/93 of 20 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2052/88 on the tasks of the Structural Funds and their effectiveness and on coordination of their activities between themselves and with the operations of the EIB and the other existing financial instruments
OJ L 193, 31.7.1993

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA95)
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996

- Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 of 16 February 1998, completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA)
OJ L 58, 27.2.1998

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1889/2002 of 23 October 2002, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European System of national and region
OJ L 286, 24.10.2002

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006, laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999
OJ L 210, 31.7.2006

Other basis:

- REGIONAL ACCOUNTS METHODS - Gross value-added and gross fixed capital formation by activity (1996) - ISBN 92-827-0159-X
Available in electronic form from the following e-mail address:
ESTAT-REG-ACCOUNTS@ec.europa.eu

- REGIONAL ACCOUNTS METHODS - Household accounts (1996) - ISBN 92-827-8964-0
Available in electronic form from the following e-mail address:
ESTAT-REG-ACCOUNTS@ec.europa.eu

3. Data Requirements

ESAREG_1000_A: Tables by industry A17 and by region (NUTSII)-Annual
Timeliness: T+24 months Periodicity: A

ESAREG_1200_A: Tables by industry A3 and by region (NUTSIII)-Annual
Timeliness: T+24 months Periodicity: A

ESAREG_1300_A: Households accounts by region (NUTSII)-Annual
Timeliness: T+24 months Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- REGIONAL ACCOUNTS METHODS - Gross value-added and gross fixed capital formation by activity (1996) - ISBN 92-827-0159-X

Available in electronic form from the following e-mail address:

ESTAT-REG-ACCOUNTS@ec.europa.eu

- REGIONAL ACCOUNTS METHODS - Household accounts (1996) - ISBN 92-827-8964-0

Available in electronic form from the following e-mail address:

ESTAT-REG-ACCOUNTS@ec.europa.eu

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 41. Quarterly accounts

Description

Quarterly national accounts play a fundamental role for economic analysis in general, and in particular for the definition of economic policies by governments and by the Commission and for the monitoring of the single currency by the European Central Bank. Quarterly national accounts figures are also relevant for other institutional users, private users and for the financial markets. Great attention is paid to the compilation of EU/EA aggregates which are very important for comparisons with the economies of the US and Japan.

To meet user needs particular importance is attached to quality, coverage, timeliness and punctuality and to the full integration of the new Member States.

Key priorities 2007

One of the key priorities for 2007 relates to the quarterly sector accounts. With the methodology and infrastructure for the compilation of quarterly sector accounts for the EU/EA, their regular publication will be established in 2007. This demands increased attention to national data transmission under the QSA Regulation, in terms of timeliness and quality. Further improvement actions together with Member States may be required

Another continued objective is to enhance the availability and quality of labour input variables. Moreover, efforts will be made to further improve the coordination of release dates for quarterly national accounts between Member States.

Another central objective for 2007 will be the putting into force of the legal act on the revision of the ESA95 transmission programme and the subsequent implementation of its quarterly elements.

Module 41100. Quarterly national accounts

Responsible unit: **C-2: National accounts: production**
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1. Module Description

Quarterly main aggregates, GDP flash estimates, and quarterly public finance statistics: Data collection, processing, validation and uploading to New Cronos and preparation of publications, as well as specific services to users and methodological developments. Work related to the reporting PEEI (Principal European Economic Indicators) initiative.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

See Modules 40100 and 40200

Other basis:

- Additional information on quarterly national accounts available on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/quarterlyaccounts/library>

3. Data Requirements

ESANATRI_0101_Q: Gross value added at basic prices and gross domestic product at market prices - Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0102_Q: GDP identity from the expenditure side - Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0103_Q: GDP identity from the income side-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0104_Q: Final consumption-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0105_Q: Gross capital formation-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0106_Q: Exports and imports of goods (fob) and services-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0107_Q: Disposable income -Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0108_Q: Saving and net lending/borrowing-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0109_Q: Real disposable income-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0110_Q: Population and employment-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0111_Q: Employment and full time equivalents by industry-Quarterly

Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0112_Q: Compensation of employees by industry-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0113_Q: Gross value added in A17 breakdown-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0114_Q: Employment by industry in A17 breakdown-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0115_Q: Compensation of employees by industry in A17 breakdown-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0116_Q: Final consumption expenditure of household by purpose (COICOP)-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0117_Q: Final consumption of household by durability-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0118_Q: Gross operating surplus by industry in A17 breakdown-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0119_Q: Simplified non financial accounts-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0120_Q: Exports of goods (fob) and services by Member States of the EU/third countries-Quarterly
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

ESANATRI_0121_Q: Imports of goods (fob) and services by Member States of the EU/third countries-
Q
Timeliness: 70 Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- The basic methodology is the ESA95 definitions and specifications of national accounts. These conceptual rules have been supplemented by a Handbook giving advice on more practical issues.

See also Module 40100

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ECB, ECE Geneva.

Module 41200. Quarterly sector accounts

Responsible unit: **C-2: National accounts: production**
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1. Module Description

Work on quarterly non-financial accounts by institutional sector and compilation of European sector accounts. All preparatory work in the run-up to the first release in 2007, methodological developments for the European accounts and work of the QSA Task Force. Work on the integration of non-financial and financial account.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 1161/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2005, on the compilation of quarterly non-financial accounts by institutional sector
OJ L 191, 22.7.2005, p. 22–28

Other basis:

- Additional information on quarterly sector accounts available on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/quarterlyaccounts/library>

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- Methodological information available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=2553,58522354,2553_60149147&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

5. International Cooperation

ECB

Theme 42. Financial accounts

Description

Financial accounts are an important instrument for the analysis of monetary policy. Annual financial accounts provide the analyst with the necessary structural information of the financial systems in the reporting countries. Quarterly financial accounts for general government and quarterly government debt data provide important information for the monitoring and analysis of public finances on an infra-annual basis.

The work consists of the full implementation of the production and dissemination of annual and quarterly financial accounts, and related data, according to the ESA95 for EU Member States and Candidate countries. This includes also meta-data in the form of a manual on sources and methods.

Key priorities 2007

- (1) Continuous improvement of data coverage.
- (2) Integration of new Member States (BG, RO) into the reporting framework.
- (3) Introduction of new ESA95 transmission programme and key code family.

Module 42201. Financial accounts: data handling

Responsible unit: **C-5: Validation of Public Accounts**
Contact person: John VERRINDER, Tel: +352 4301 34185

1. Module Description

This module deals with the receipt, validation and publication of financial accounts and related data.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, European System of Regional and National Accounts, completed by its precise transmission programme
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996
- Regulation (EC) No 501/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 March 2004, on quarterly financial accounts for general government
OJ L 81, 19.3.2004
- Council Regulation (EC) No 1222/2004 of 28 June 2004, concerning the compilation and transmission of data on the quarterly government debt
OJ L 233, 2.7.2004
- Council Regulation (EC) No 1056/2005 of 27 June 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1467/97 on speeding up and clarifying the implementation of the excessive deficit procedure
OJ L 174, 7.7.2005
- Commission Decision No 2005/489/EC of 6 July 2005, granting derogations to certain Member States concerning the first transmission of quarterly data pursuant to Council Regulation (EC) No 1222/2004
OJ L 175, 8.7.2005
- Commission Decision No 2005/488/EC of 6 July 2005, granting derogations to bring Member States' statistical systems into conformity with Regulation (EC) No 501/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on quarterly financial accounts for general government
OJ L 175, 8.7.2005

Other basis:

- Additional information available on the "National and Financial Accounts in Eurostat" website:
<http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/nfaccount/info/data/index.htm>

3. Data Requirements

FINA: Annual financial accounts	
Timeliness: 270 days after end of the year	Periodicity: A
QFAGG: Quarterly Financial Accounts of General Government	
Timeliness: 90 days	Periodicity: Q
QDEBT: Quarterly Maastricht Debt	
Timeliness: 90 days	Periodicity: Q
Unquoted shares data	
Timeliness: 450 days (voluntary)	Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- ESA 95

5. International Cooperation

ECB, OECD, IMF.

Theme 43. Monitoring own resources

Description

National accounts data play a prominent role in calculating contributions by the Member States to the EU budget.

In connection with the VAT-based "third" own resource, Member States' VAT receipts are adjusted using detailed national accounts data to correct for the fact that the Member States in some cases do not fully apply the harmonised EU VAT rules, in respect of VAT rates, coverage of products and exemptions. Member States provide every year a detailed VAT declaration including the calculation of several adjustment factors based on national accounts. In conjunction with DG Budgets and DG Taxud, Eurostat makes a detailed verification of the figures and the calculations.

Gross National Income (formerly Gross National Product) constitutes the basis for allocating the GNI-based "fourth" resource. Eurostat together with the GNI Committee verifies the reliability, comparability and exhaustiveness of the data provided each year by countries. Together the VAT-based and the GNI-based resources represent about 80% of EU budget receipts.

Key priorities 2007

During 2007 the quality of national accounts data used for budgetary purposes must be verified and improved in the ways listed below.

In 2007 Eurostat starts the analysis of the new or updated GNI Inventories of the Member States describing the sources and methods for compiling GNI. A particular feature in 2007 will be that Eurostat will carry out more direct verification of the data provided in the annual GNI questionnaires and will also address the question of supervisory and control systems implemented by Member States for the calculation of GNI.

The Commission will verify the declarations from eleven Member States for the VAT-based resource.

Module 43100. Monitoring own resources gross national product (GNI)

Responsible unit: **C-1: National accounts: methodology and analysis**
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1. Module Description

Examination of the comparability, representativeness and exhaustiveness of Member States' GNI in the context of the own resources system. Task defined by the Council Regulation 1287/2003 on the harmonisation of statistical bases and methods for the computation of GNI. Steps to be taken to improve the comparability, representativeness and exhaustiveness of Member States' GNI. Improvements to statistical bases.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Commission Decision No 98/527/EC, Euratom of 24 July 1998, on the treatment for national accounts purposes of VAT fraud (the discrepancies between theoretical VAT receipts and actual VAT receipts)
OJ L 234, 21.8.1998
- Commission Decision No 98/501/EC, Euratom of 24 July 1998, concerning certain specific transactions identified within the work on the protocol of the Excessive Deficit Procedure, for the application of Article 1 of Council Directive 89/130/EEC, Euratom on the harmonisation of the compilation of GNP at market prices
OJ L 225, 12.8.1998
- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1026/1999 of 10 May 1999, determining the powers and obligations of agents authorised by the Commission to carry out controls and inspections of the Communities' own resources
OJ L 126, 20.5.1999
- Council Decision No 2000/597/EC, Euratom of 29 September 2000, on the system of the European Communities' own resources
OJ L 253, 7.10.2000
- Council Regulation (EC) No 1287/2003 of 15 July 2003, on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices (GNI Regulation)
OJ L 181, 19.7.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 116/2005 of 26 January 2005, on the treatment of repayments of VAT to non-taxable persons and to taxable persons for their exempt activities, for the purposes of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1287/2003 on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices
OJ L 24, 27.1.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1722/2005 of 20 October 2005, on the principles for estimating dwelling services for the purpose of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1287/2003 on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices
OJ L 276, 21.10.2005
- Commission Decision No 94/168/EC, Euratom of 22 February 1994, on measures to be taken for the implementation of Council Directive 89/130/EEC, Euratom on the harmonization of the compilation of gross national product at market prices
OJ L 77, 19.3.1994

Other basis:

- Recommendations adopted by the GNI Committee on specific conceptual ESA 95 issues:
The measurement of gross fixed-capital formation in software;
The measurement of insurance services;
The treatment of import duties paid by non-residents (The "Rotterdam effect" on import duties);
The measurement of imputed social contributions;
The treatment of the correction in favour of the United Kingdom.

- In addition the GNI Committee adopted recommendations produced by the following Task Forces:
Task Force on entertainment, literary and artistic originals;
Task Force on consumption of fixed capital for public infrastructure;
Task Force on reinvested earnings on foreign direct investment.

Not all documents of the GNI Committee are publicly accessible. In order to obtain the text of the above recommendations please contact Paolo PASSERINI: paolo.passerini@ec.europa.eu

- Additional information available on the "National and Financial Accounts in Eurostat" website:
<http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/nfaccount/info/data/index.htm> and on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/pnb/library>

3. Data Requirements

GNI_A_A: Gross National Income Questionnaire
Timeliness: 120 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

Defined by the legal acts above

5. International Cooperation

Joint Programme with EFTA

Module 43200. Monitoring own resources value added tax (VAT)

Responsible unit: **C-1: National accounts: methodology and analysis**
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1. Module Description

Examination and verification of the calculation of the Weighted Average Rate (Art. 4 of Regulation 1553/89) and adjustments necessary due to different national flat-rate VAT schemes for farmers. Statistical analyses of the information contained in the VAT statements drawn up by the Member States (in general the Ministries of Finance with support by the National Statistical Institutes).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 1553/89 of 29 May 1989: on the definitive uniform arrangements for the collection of own resources accruing from value added tax
OJ L 155, 7.6.1989
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA95)
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996
- Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 of 16 February 1998, completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA)
OJ L 58, 27.2.1998
- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1026/1999 of 10 May 1999, determining the powers and obligations of agents authorised by the Commission to carry out controls and inspections of the Communities' own resources
OJ L 126, 20.5.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1500/2000 of 10 July 2000, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to general government expenditure and revenue
OJ L 172, 12.7.2000
- Council Decision No 2000/597/EC, Euratom of 29 September 2000, on the system of the European Communities' own resources
OJ L 253, 7.10.2000
- Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 November 2000, modifying the common principles of the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA) 95 as concerns taxes and social contributions and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96
OJ L 290, 17.11.2000
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 113/2002 of 23 January 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with regard to revised classification of expenditure according to purpose
OJ L 21, 24.1.2002
- Regulation (EC) No 359/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 February 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as concerns the use of ESA 95 in the determination of Member States' payments to the VAT-based own resource
OJ, L 58, 28.2.2002
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1889/2002 of 23 October 2002, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the

allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European System of national and regional Accounts (ESA)
OJ L 286, 24.10.2002

3. Data Requirements

VAT-A: VAT Base calculation for own resources, on the basis of art. 7 of Regulation 1553/89. Annual, before 31 July

Timeliness: 210 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Defined by Council Regulation No 1553/89 above (statistical and non-statistical topics)

- ESA-95 for National Accounts data

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 55. Prices

Description

The Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP) is a key indicator for the conduct of the monetary policy of the Euro area by the ECB. The aim is to improve its quality in the medium term through the adoption of further minimum standards. New standards will be developed in conformity with the Action Plan on HICP Quality.

The Purchasing Power Parities (PPPs) are necessary for the allocation of structural funds by the Commission (DG Regio). The strategy components are to improve and guarantee the quality of the data being produced and to undertake research to develop more robust national average prices as a basis for the PPP calculations and to improve methodology in the areas of General Government and dwelling services.

The project Remuneration and Pension (REM) provides information for the staff "remuneration and pension" policy and the annual adaptation of salaries for all EU officials. This includes specific indicators, Brussels' international index, correction coefficients for all EU duty stations around the world, pension contribution rate, actuarial liability for the pension scheme of the EU institutions.

Key priorities 2007

HICPs: to finalise the second pilot work on collecting prices for Owner-Occupied Housing surveys, to produce a provisional dwellings price index for the Euro area (EA) as a whole during 2007 and to prepare an extension of next stage of the pilot to those EA and then EU countries which are not yet participating; to prepare new standards with respect to quality adjustment and sampling; to improve HICP communication issues including the extension of the HICP website; to implement the new strategy on HICP compliance monitoring; to produce HICPs and Euro area flash estimates on time and improve further the coverage and quality of the flash-estimates model; to continue with the new HICP at constant taxes; to amend Regulation 1749/96 on issues concerning quality adjustment and sampling.

PPPs: to produce the nowcast 2006, overall preliminary results of 2005 and final results of 2004 according to the time schedule; to produce survey level results for the two consumer price surveys 2006; to finalise the task force report on methodological questions of PPP for General Government; to achieve the main components of the PPP data base and PPP calculation tool at Eurostat in order to guarantee the quality of the data and reduce dependence on outsourcing; to have adopted the regulation which will enforce the implementation of rules at the Member States' level; to guide the Member States in writing a first part of an inventory of sources and methods nationally in use, based on the PPP manual.

REM: to produce the Correction Coefficients, the specific indicator; the Brussels International Index, the pension contribution rate and liability; to develop (including pension forecast) and restructure the pension data base; to develop the Insurance Dependence project; to develop the common data base on Extra EU parities.

Module 55101. Harmonised consumer price indices

Responsible unit: **D-4: Price statistics**

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1. Module Description

To develop, implement and monitor compliance with the necessary standards to meet the needs of the economic, fiscal and monetary authorities of the EU as required by the EU Treaty and Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 on Harmonized Indices of Consumer Prices (HICP); compile and release timely HICPs and Euro-zone flash estimates.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 of 23 October 1995, concerning harmonized indices of consumer prices
OJ L 257, 27.10.1995, p.1
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1749/96 of 9 September 1996, on initial implementing measures for Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 concerning harmonized indices of consumer prices
OJ L 229, 10.9.1996, p.3
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2214/96 of 20 November 1996, concerning harmonized indices of consumer prices, transmission and dissemination of sub-indices of the harmonized consumer prices
OJ L 296, 21.11.1996, p.8
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2454/97 of 10 December 1997, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the quality of HICP weightings
OJ L 340, 11.12.1997, p.24
- Council Regulation (EC) No 1687/98 of 20 July 1998, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1749/96 concerning the coverage of goods and services of the harmonised index of consumer prices
OJ L 214, 31.7.1998, p.12
- Council Regulation (EC) No 1688/98 of 20 July 1998, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1749/96 concerning the geographic and population coverage of the harmonised index of consumer prices
OJ L 214, 31.7.1998, p.23
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2646/98 of 9 December 1998, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of tariffs in the Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices
OJ L 335, 10.12.1998, p.30
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1617/1999 of 23 July 1999, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 - as regards minimum standards for the treatment of insurance in the Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices and modifying Commission Regulation (EC) No 2214/96
OJ L 192, 24.7.1999, p.9
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1749/1999 of 23 July 1999, amending Regulation (EC) 2214/96 concerning the sub-indices of the harmonized indices of Consumer Prices
OJ L 214, 13.8.1999, p.1

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2166/1999 of 8 October 1999, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of products in the health, education and social protection in the Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices
OJ L 266, 14.10.1999, p.1

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2601/2000 of 17 November 2000, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards the timing of entering purchaser prices into the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices
OJ L 300, 29.11.2000, p.14

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2602/2000 of 17 November 2000, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of price reductions in the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices
OJ L 300, 29.11.2000, p.16

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1920/2001 of 28 September 2001, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of service charges proportional to transaction values in the harmonised index of consumer prices and amending Regulation (EC) No 2214/96
OJ L 261, 29.9.2001, p.46

- Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1920/2001 of 28 September 2001 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for the treatment of service charges proportional to transaction values in the harmonised index of consumer prices and amending Regulation (EC) No 2214/96 (OJ L 261 of 29.9.2001)
OJ L 295, 13.11.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1921/2001 of 28 September 2001, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for revisions of the harmonised index of consumer prices and amending Regulation (EC) No 2602/2000
OJ L 261, 29.9.2001, p.49

- Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1921/2001 of 28 September 2001 laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards minimum standards for revisions of the harmonised index of consumer prices and amending Regulation (EC) No 2602/2000 (OJ L 261 of 29.9.2001)
OJ L 295, 13.11.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1708/2005 of 19 October 2005, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards the common index reference period for the harmonised index of consumer prices, and amending Regulation (EC) No 2214/96
OJ L 274, 20.10.2005

- Council Regulation (EC) No 701/2006/EC of 25 April 2006, laying down detailed rules for the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 as regards the temporal coverage of price collection in the harmonised index of consumer prices
OJ L 122, 9.5.2006, p. 3

- Commission Recommendation No 881/2005/EC of 8 December 2005, on the treatment in the Harmonised Indices of Consumer Prices of certain issues concerning health care reforms within the framework of Council Regulation (EC) No 2494/95 and specific implementing measures relating hereto (EC) No 2005/881
OJ L 324, 10.12.2005, p. 94

Agreements:

- SPC Agreement of 01/12/1998: Compendium of HICP reference documents, p. 347
Treatment of rejected price observations and HICP guideline for implementation from December 1998

- SPC Agreement of 01/12/1998: Compendium of HICP reference documents, p. 349

Module 55201. Spatial price comparisons

Responsible unit: **C-1: National accounts: methodology and analysis**
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1. Module Description

To establish, analyse and annually publish timely Purchasing Power Parities (PPPs) of the EU Member States and certain other European countries at the level of GDP and its components, in order to obtain reliable volume and price level comparisons across countries for economic analysis and the allocation of Structural Funds as specified in Council Regulations (EC) No 1260/99 and 1267/99.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1164/94 of 16 May 1994, instituting the cohesion funds
OJ L 130, 25.5.1994

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1267/1999 of 21 June 1999, establishing an Instrument for Structural Policies for Pre-accession
OJ L 161, 26.6.1999

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999 of 21 June 1999, laying down general provisions on the Structural Funds
OJ L 161, 26.6.1999

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement,
The Statistical Programme of the European Communities 2003-2007 stipulates: "Work on drawing up the principal aggregates of the accounts in terms of purchasing power parities will be continued"

Other basis:

- "Eurostat-OECD Methodological manual on purchasing power parities" available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BE-06-002

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing common rules for the provision of basic information on Purchasing Power Parities and for their calculation and dissemination (COM/2006/0135 final)

3. Data Requirements

PPP_CNSTR_2: Survey - Construction
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: 2

PPP_CPIS_A: CPI Data
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: A

PPP_EQIPM_2: Survey - Equipment Goods
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: 2

PPP_FBETO_3: Survey - Food, Drinks and Tobacco
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: 3

PPP_FRHEA_3: Survey - Furniture and Health
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: 3

PPP_HOGAR_3: Survey - House and Garden
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: 3

PPP_PERAP_3: Survey - Personal Appearance
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: 3

PPP_RENTS_A: Survey - Rents
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

PPP_SALAR_A: Survey - Salaries
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

PPP_SPATI_N: Spatial Adjustment Factors
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity A

PPP_SRVIC_3: Survey - Services
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: 3

PPP_TIPS_A: Tips Data
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

PPP_TREHO_3: Survey - Transport, Restaurants and Hotels
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: 3

PPP_VAT_A: VAT Data
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

PPP_WEIGH_A: GDP Weights
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- “Eurostat-OECD Methodological manual on purchasing power parities” available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BE-06-002

5. International Cooperation

OECD, UN, World Bank, EFTA.

Module 55302. Remuneration and contribution to the pension scheme of EC officials

Responsible unit: **D-5: Remuneration and pensions**
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1. Module Description

To provide the Commission and other EU institutions with timely and reliable information, analyses and explanations required under the Staff Regulations for the purposes of adjusting at least annually: salaries of EU officials, correction coefficients within and outside the EU and contributions to the pension scheme of EC officials.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 31/2005 of 20 December 2004, adjusting, with effect from 1 July 2004, the remuneration and pensions of officials and other servants of the European Communities and the correction coefficients applied thereto
OJ L 8, 12.1.2005

3. Data Requirements

Standard Remuneration Questionnaire (Art 65 Working Group)

4. Methodology

- The Working Party on Article 65 of the Staff Regulations, composed of experts from national bodies providing data, examine all the statistical problems concerning specific indicators and approve related methodological documents

- The Working Party on Article 64 of the Staff Regulations, composed of experts from NSIs, examine all statistical problems concerning the Brussels international index and the correction coefficients and approve related methodological documents

- The Working Party on Article 83 of the Staff Regulations, composed of experts from national bodies, examine all the statistical problems concerning the actuarial assessment of the pension scheme of the official of the EC and approve related methodological documents

- Methodological documents are available on CIRCA

5. International Cooperation

Secretariat Inter Organisations (SIO/IOS), European Patent Office, EUROCONTROL, UN.

Theme 57. Statistics for business cycle analysis

Description

With EMU now in full swing Eurostat has to render a high quality service that is adequate for policy makers and analysts, who have to monitor the cyclical situation in the Euro area, as well as in the European Union as a whole. For this Eurostat will: provide a set of high quality short-term indicators (Euroindicators module) thus becoming a prime source for EU/EMU short-term statistics; enhance its capacity in the statistical analysis of the European business cycle (Eurotrend module); and strengthen the co-operation of all bodies involved in business cycle statistics (data producers, compilers of indicators, analysts and information disseminator), thus maximising the value of their contributions.

More concretely the quality of Eurostat's short-term statistics will be improved: (1) by integrating traditional methods with more sophisticated econometric techniques, (2) by defining guidelines for the compilation of short-term statistics and (3) by promoting further harmonisation. Eurostat will also closely monitor and assess Principal European Economic Indicators by using standard quality report techniques and by adapting them to short-term statistics. Moreover, Eurostat will provide sophisticated statistical analyses of Principal European Economic Indicators to make them more relevant and easier to use for real-time economic assessment by economists, policy and decision makers.

Key priorities 2007

The availability of an effective system of business cycle statistics is a major priority and a medium/long term goal for Eurostat in order to render good service to Commission economists and to the European Central Bank's policy makers. The ability to build up reliable business cycle analysis, to forecast economic behaviour and to design effective economic and monetary policies, strongly depends on the availability and quality of infra-annual statistics. In 2007 Eurostat will work to further improve the quality and the coverage of infra-annual statistics with a particular focus on the set of Principal European Economic Indicators approved by the Statistical Programme Committee. Traditional compilation techniques will be augmented by means of sophisticated statistical and econometric techniques in order to increase timeliness, length, frequency and reliability of Principal European Economic Indicators (flash estimates for certain PEEI's). Eurostat objective will be to approach the benchmark of performance of the US short term statistical system both in terms of timeliness and coverage/length. Moreover, Eurostat will define and ensure a continuous follow up of some production guidelines to increase the harmonisation and comparability of Principal European Economic Indicators. Finally, Eurostat will increase data readability and interpretability by supplying analysts, economists and policy makers with sophisticated statistical analysis. The creation of a statistical framework for the assessment of the cyclical situation in the Euro area, European Union and in Members State will be done by Eurostat as a priority in 2007.

Module 57402. Euroindicators

Responsible unit: **D-1: Key indicators for European policies**
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1. Module Description

Statistical indicators for the Euro area are needed to provide a useful quantitative perception framework for the business cycle to facilitate public and private decision making and the work of business cycle analysts. Eurostat's Euro-Indicators special topic tries to pull together business cycle relevant information from throughout the European Statistical System (ESS) and present it in adequate form to the business cycle analysts in Finance Ministries and Central Banks and to the analysts' community as a whole: advisers, scientists, media, etc.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- Communication of the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on Eurozone statistics "towards improved methodologies for Eurozone statistics and indicators" (COM/2002/0661 final)

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

See at: <http://www.ec.europa.eu/euroindicators>

5. International Cooperation

OECD, IMF, EFTA.

Module 57502. Eurotrend

Responsible unit: **D-1: Key indicators for European policies**
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1. Module Description

Principal European Economic Indicators (PEEIs) still present some gaps in terms of availability, timeliness and length with respect to US similar indicators. The Eurotrend module intends to develop statistical and econometric tools to filling such gaps; in more details it aims at developing flash estimates, back-calculation and estimation of high frequency macroeconomic indicators. Moreover Eurotrend activities will deal with the creation of a European framework for business cycle analysis. Finally it will foster further European Statistical System (ESS) harmonisation for PEEIs in key areas such as seasonal adjustment, revision and estimation policies.

2. Legal Basis

None

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

See at: <http://www.ec.europa.eu/euroindicators>

5. International Cooperation

None

CHAPTER III. Economic statistics - B: Business statistics

Theme 44. Statistics on the economic activity of enterprises

Description

Structural Business Statistics (SBS) contain detailed data covering all business activities, broken down to the 4-digit level of the activity classification NACE Rev. 1. A large number of variables are provided. The data are collected according to the provisions of the SBS Regulation. The medium term strategy is to achieve full implementation in all current and future Member States of all the annexes of the regulation, assure the quality of the data as well as to adapt the legal framework to new user demands, concerning in particular services statistics, business demography and statistics on foreign affiliates.

Short-term Statistics (STS) cover a series of infra-annual indicators important for economic and monetary policy in the sectors of industry, construction, retail trade and other services based on the Council Regulation 1165/98 (amended in 2005). The medium term strategy is oriented towards further quality improvements of all indicators as well as satisfying supplementary user requirements. A challenge for all data suppliers will be also the back-calculation of all series according to NACE Rev.2 (Regulation 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council).

Prodcom covers production statistics in value and volume of about 5000 products defined in an annually revised PRODCOM List. Its medium term strategy will be oriented towards a simplification of the Prodcom List and Eurostat quality improvements with emphasis on completeness and validation of data as well as methodological harmonisation.

Key priorities 2007

STS: The STS indicators will be disseminated on a monthly and quarterly basis according to the Release calendar. The new indicator of import prices in industry will be first aggregated and published. Preparation work for the implementation of NACE Rev.2 as from 2009 and for the compilation of service price indices will continue.

PRODCOM: The efforts to obtain complete EU totals for all products will continue. Priority will be given to minimizing the confidential data by further refining the estimation methods. Ways to collect more harmonised EU aggregates at a lower cost and at lower burden on businesses will be examined.

SBS: For Structural Business Statistics, full compliance with the SBS Regulation and timely delivery of the complete data to users are key priorities. A more effective data transmission and production system and the continuation of the quality action plan aim at reaching these objectives. Responsiveness to user needs should be ensured with the continuation of the development programme and the adoption of the recast of the SBS Regulation. Implementation of the proposed regulation on statistics on foreign affiliates will start. For all three areas, the implementation of NACE/CPA Rev.2 will start, which will have a considerable impact on all three areas.

Eurostat is currently examining simplifications and possible reductions in order to lessen both the burden on respondents and on the NSIs in these three areas. Efforts are also being made to reduce the number of confidential cells in EU totals.

Module 44101. Periodic structural business statistics

Responsible unit: **G-1: Structural business statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective is to collect, process and publish all statistical data laid down in the Structural Business Statistics regulation (58/97) and its amendments, collect, process and publish all statistical data laid down in the regulation on steel statistics adopted by the Council and the Parliament in 2003, ensure high quality output and apply a high service ethos to main users in EU institutions. Structural business statistics (SBS) form one of the basic statistical tools for measuring and monitoring the Union's competitiveness and entrepreneurship and it covers all market activities in industry and services (NACE C – K). Economic and employment variables are collected annually at a detailed level.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 of 20 December 1996, concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 14, 17.1.1997
- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 410/98 of 16 February 1998, amending Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 52, 21.2.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2701/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2702/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the technical format for the transmission of structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2700/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the definitions of characteristics for structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1225/1999 of 27 May 1999, concerning the definitions of characteristics for insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1227/1999 of 28 May 1999, concerning the technical format for the transmission of insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1228/1999 of 28 May 1999, concerning the series of data to be produced for insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1618/1999 of 23 July 1999, concerning the criteria for the evaluation of quality of structural business statistics
OJ L 192, 24.7.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1614/2002 of 6 September 2002, adjusting Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 to economic and technical developments and amending Commission Regulations (EC) No 2700/98, (EC) No 2701/98 and (EC) No 2702/98
OJ L 244, 12.9.2002

- Regulation (EC) No 2056/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 November 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 317, 21.11.2002

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1670/2003 of 1 September 2003, implementing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 with regard to the definitions of characteristics for structural business statistics and amending Regulation (EC) No 2700/98 concerning the definitions of characteristics for structural business statistics
OJ L 244, 29.9.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1669/2003 of 1 September 2003, implementing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 with regard to the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics and amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 2701/98 concerning the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics
OJ L 244, 29.9.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1668/2003 of 1 September 2003, implementing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 with regard to the technical format for the transmission of the structural business statistics and amending Commission Regulation No 2702/98 concerning the technical format for the transmission of structural business statistics
OJ L 244, 29.9.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1667/2003 of 1 September 2003, implementing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 with regard to derogations to be granted for structural business statistics
OJ L 244, 29.9.2003

- Regulation (EC) No 48/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 December 2003, on the production of annual Community statistics on the steel industry for the reference years 2003-2009
OJ L 7, 13.1.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 772/2005 of 20 May 2005, concerning the specifications for the coverage of the characteristics and the definition of the technical format for the production of annual Community statistics on steel for the reference years 2003 to 2009
OJ L 128, 21.5.2005

Other basis:

- "Methodological manual for Pension funds statistics" (August 2001) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_pension_aug_2001_en.pdf

- "Methodological manual for Credit institutions statistics" (June 2003) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_credit_jun_2003_en.pdf

- "Methodological manual for Insurance Services statistics" (December 2000) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_insurance_dec_2000_manual_en.pdf
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_insurance_dec_2000_annexes_en.pdf

- Collection of information concerning national methodologies available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM_DTL&StrNom=NA_T_SBS&StrLanguageCode=EN&IntPcKey=18599332&StrLayoutCode=HIERARCHIC&CFID=16361340&CFTOKEN=27efa92-000c719c-9e86-1464-9edc-839b11f70072&jsessionid=ee30c4e4ddc863417242

3. Data Requirements

Structural Business Statistics Annex 1 – horizontal module – preliminary data – annual
Timeliness: 300 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 1 – horizontal module – final data – annual
Timeliness: 480 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 2 – industry – preliminary data – annual
Timeliness: 300 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 2 – industry – final data – annual
Timeliness: 480 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 3 – distributive trades – preliminary data – annual
Timeliness: 300 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 3 – distributive trades – final data – annual
Timeliness: 480 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 4 – construction – preliminary data – annual
Timeliness: 300 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 4 – construction – final data – annual
Timeliness: 480 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 5 – insurance services – annual
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 6 – credit institutions – annual
Timeliness: 300 Periodicity: A

Structural Business Statistics Annex 7 – pension funds– annual
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

For details on the series to be provided see Commission Regulation No 2701/98/EC concerning the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics as amended by:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1228/1999 concerning the series of data to be produced for insurance services statistics
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1614/2002 adjusting Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 to economic and technical developments and amending Commission Regulations (EC) No 2700/98, (EC) No 2701/98 and (EC) No 2702/98
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1669/2003 implementing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 with regard to the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics and amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 2701/98 concerning the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics

Steel Statistics

SBSS_S10_A: Steel statistics - Yearly statistics on the steel and cast iron scrap balance sheet - annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

SBSS_S2A_A: Steel Statistics - Annual statistics on the Fuel and Energy Consumption broken down by type of plant – annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

SBSS_S2B_A: Steel Statistics - Annual statistics on the Balance Sheet for Electrical Energy in the Steel Industry – annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

SBSS_S3A_A: Steel Statistics - Enquiry on Investments in the Iron and Steel Industry – annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

SBSS_S3B_A: Steel Statistics - Annual statistics on capacity – annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- "Methodological manual for Pension funds statistics" (August 2001) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_pension_aug_2001_en.pdf

- "Methodological manual for Credit institutions statistics" (June 2003) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_credit_jun_2003_en.pdf

- "Methodological manual for Insurance Services statistics" (December 2000) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_insurance_dec_2000_manual_en.pdf
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/statmanuals/files/EMBS_insurance_dec_2000_annexes_en.pdf

- Collection of information concerning national methodologies available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM_DTL&StrNom=NA_T_SBS&StrLanguageCode=EN&IntPcKey=18599332&StrLayoutCode=HIERARCHIC&CFID=16361340&CFTOKEN=27efa92-000c719c-9e86-1464-9edc-839b11f70072&jsessionid=ee30c4e4ddc863417242

5. International Cooperation

OECD, UN Geneva, Voorburg Group, a number of other international bodies.

Module 44201. Development of structural business statistics

Responsible unit: **G-1: Structural business statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective is to develop structural business statistics further by covering new elements of business statistics and balance them in relation to present requirements in order to maximize the response to users' requirements while recognizing the priorities and constraints of partners and of enterprises in Member States. Key projects are the recast of the SBS regulation, the development of a regular data collection for business demography and business services and statistics on foreign affiliates. Further, the implementation of the mentioned areas and supervising pilot studies. New project relate to international sourcing and entrepreneurship indicators.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 of 20 December 1996, concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 14, 17.1.1997

See also Module 44101

3. Data Requirements

SBSBD_1H1_A: SBS - Development Project on BD – Third Harmonised Data Collection by NACE Activity and Legal Form
Timeliness: 660 Periodicity: A

SBSBD_1J1_A: SBS - Development Project on BD - Third Harmonised Data Collection by NACE Activity and Employee Size Class
Timeliness: 660 Periodicity: A

SBSBS_BS13_A: SBS - Development Project on BS - Business Services: SBS variables by economic activity
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

SBSBS_BS42_A: SBS - Development Project on BS - Business Services: turnover by residence of the client and economic activity
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

SBSFATS_1G1_A: SBS - Development Project on FATS - Foreign Affiliates - Annual Business Statistics by Nationality of Ownership
Timeliness: 720 Periodicity: A

SBSFATS_1GA1_A: SBS - Development Project FATS - Annual Business Statistics by Nationality of Ownership (level 2) and Activity (level 3)
Timeliness: 720 Periodicity: A

SBSFATS_1GB1_A: SBS - Development Project FATS - Annual Business Statistics by Nationality of Ownership (level 3) and Activity (total)
Timeliness: 720 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Dedicated website available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=2293,59872848,2293_61474721&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 44402. Short-term statistics (STS) of enterprises

Responsible unit: **D-3: Short-term statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective is to collect process and publish all statistical data laid down in the Short-term Statistics regulation (1165/98 and later amendments), covering key indicators, such as production index, producer prices, new orders and turnover for industry, construction, trade and services. The follow-up of national action plans, which have been established to permit a complete implementation of this regulation, will be carried out. An amendment regulation was approved in July 2005 with the aim of improving timeliness and extending the indicators. A major objective of the STS work is oriented towards quality.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 of 19 May 1998, concerning short-term statistics
OJ L 162, 5.6.1998
- Regulation (EC) No 1158/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2005, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics
OJ L 191, 22.7.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1503/2006 of 28 September 2006, implementing and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as regards definitions of variables, list of variables and frequency of data compilation
OJ L 281, 12.10.2006
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 606/2001 of 23 March 2001, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as regards derogations of Member States
OJ L 92, 2.4.2001
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1502/2006 of 28 September 2006, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as regards derogations to be granted to Member States
OJ L 281, 12.10.2006
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 586/2001 of 26 March 2001, on implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as regards the definition of Main Industrial Groupings (MIGS)
OJ L 86, 27.3.2001
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 656/2007 of 14 June 2007, amending Regulation (EC) No 586/2001 on implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as regards the definition of Main Industrial Groupings (MIGS)
OJ L 155, 15.6.2007
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 657/2007 of 14 June 2007, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 1165/98 concerning short-term statistics as regards the establishment of European sample schemes
OJ L 155, 15.6.2007

Other basis:

- "Methodology of short-term business statistics - Interpretation and guidelines" available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/cache/ITY_OFFPUB/KS-BG-06-001/EN/KS-BG-06-001-EN.PDF

- "Methodology of short-term business statistics - Associated documents" available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/cache/ITY_OFFPUB/KS-BG-06-002/EN/KS-BG-06-002-EN.PDF

- "Methodological guide for developing producer prices indices for services" available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/cache/ITY_OFFPUB/KS-BG-06-003/EN/KS-BG-06-003-EN.PDF

3. Data Requirements

STSCONS_EMPL_M: Short-Term Statistics on Construction - Employment (Number or Index, Employees or Persons Employed)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_EMPL_Q: Short-Term Statistics on Construction - Employment (Number or Index, Employees or Persons Employed)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

STSCONS_HOUR_M: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Hours Worked (Number or Index, average or sum)

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_HOUR_Q: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Hours Worked (Number or Index, average or sum)

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSCONS_EARN_M: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Gross Wages and Salaries

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_EARN_Q: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Gross Wages and Salaries

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSCONS_ORD_M: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Orders (New Orders or Stock of Orders, value or deflated)

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_ORD_Q: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Orders (New Orders or Stock of Orders, value or deflated)

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSCONS_PERM_M: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Building (or Dwelling) Permits (starts or completion)

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_PERM_Q: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Building (or Dwelling) Permits (starts or completion)

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSCONS_PRIC_M: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Output Prices or Input, Labour or Material Costs

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_PRIC_Q: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Output Prices or Input, Labour or Material Costs

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSCONS_PROD_M: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Production Index. (Volume of Production)
Timeliness: 45 Periodicity: M

STSCONS_PROD_Q: Short Term Statistics on Construction - Production Index. (Volume of Production)
Timeliness: 45 Periodicity: Q

STSIND_EARN_M: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Gross Wages and Salaries
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STSIND_EARN_Q: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Gross Wages and Salaries
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSIND_EMPL_M: Short-Term Statistics on Industry - Employment (Number or Index, Employees or Persons Employed)
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSIND_EMPL_Q: Short-Term Statistics on Industry - Employment (Number or Index, Employees or Persons Employed)
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

STSIND_HOUR_M: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Hours Worked (Number or Index, Total)
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

STIND_HOUR_Q: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Hours Worked (Number or Index, Total)
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSIND_ORD_M: Short Term Statistics on Industry - New Orders (Total, Domestic, Non-Domestic Total, Non-Domestic Euro Area, Non-Domestic Non-Euro-Area)
Timeliness: 50 Periodicity: M

STSIND_ORD_Q: Short Term Statistics on Industry - New Orders (Total, Domestic, Non-Domestic Total, Non-Domestic Euro Area, Non-Domestic Non-Euro-Area)
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: Q

STSIND_PRIC_M: Short Term Statistics on Industry – Prices (Output Prices: Total, Domestic, Non-Domestic Total, Non-Domestic Euro Area, Non-Domestic Non-Euro-Area, Import Prices: Total, Euro-area, Non-Euro-Area)
Timeliness: 35 Periodicity: M

STSIND_PROD_M: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Production Index (Volume of Production)
Timeliness: 40 Periodicity: M

STSIND_PROD_Q: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Production Index (Volume of Production)
Timeliness: 40 Periodicity: Q

STSIND_TURN_M: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Turnover (Total, Domestic, Non-Domestic Total, Non-Domestic Euro Area, Non-Domestic Non-Euro-Area)
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSIND_TURN_Q: Short Term Statistics on Industry - Turnover (Total, Domestic, Non-Domestic Total, Non-Domestic Euro Area, Non-Domestic Non-Euro-Area)
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

STSOTHER_OTH_M: Short Term Statistics - Other Indicators Not Covered Elsewhere
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M

STSOTHER_OTH_Q: Short Term Statistics - Other Indicators Not Covered Elsewhere
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: Q

STSRTD_EMPL_M: Short Term Statistics on Retail Trade - Employment (Number of Persons Employed or Employees)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSRTD_EMPL_Q: Short Term Statistics on Retail Trade - Employment (Number of Persons Employed or Employees)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

STSRTD_TURN_M: Short Term Statistics on Retail Trade - Turnover (Value or Deflated)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSRTD_TURN_Q: Short Term Statistics on Retail Trade - Turnover (Value or Deflated)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

STSSERV_EMPL_M: Short Term Statistics on Services - Employment (Number of Persons Employed or Employees)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSSERV_EMPL_Q: Short Term Statistics on Services - Employment (Number of Persons Employed or Employees)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

STSSERV_PRIC_Q: Short Term Statistics on Services - Prices (Output Prices) - Quarterly

Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

STSSERV_TURN_M: Short Term Statistics on Services - Turnover (Value or Deflated)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: M

STSSERV_TURN_Q: Short Term Statistics on Services - Turnover (Value or Deflated)

Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- "Methodology of short-term business statistics - Interpretation and guidelines" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/cache/ITY_OFFPUB/KS-BG-06-001/EN/KS-BG-06-001-EN.PDF

- "Methodology of short-term business statistics - Associated documents" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/cache/ITY_OFFPUB/KS-BG-06-002/EN/KS-BG-06-002-EN.PDF

- "Methodological guide for developing producer prices indices for services" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/cache/ITY_OFFPUB/KS-BG-06-003/EN/KS-BG-06-003-EN.PDF

5. International Cooperation

OECD, IMF, ECB.

Module 44501. Production statistics of enterprises, Prodcop

Responsible unit: **G-1: Structural business statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective is to collect, process and publish data on manufactured goods in accordance with the Council Regulation 3924/91 and implementation regulations. The PRODCOM system receives data on the value and volume of production of about 5000 products. Eurostat publishes the national data and also calculates and publishes EU totals, together with the related Foreign Trade data. Data is reported annually for all products.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 of 19 December 1991, on the establishment of a community survey of industrial production
OJ L 374, 31.12.1991
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 912/2004 of 29 April 2004, implementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 on the establishment of a Community survey of industrial production
OJ L 163, 30.4.2004
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 210/2004 of 29 May 2004, establishing for 2004 the "Prodcop list" of industrial products provided for by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91
OJ L 45, 30.4.2004
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 317/2006 of 22 December 2005, establishing for 2005 the "Prodcop list" of industrial products provided for by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91
OJ L 60, 1.3.2006
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 294/2007 of 20 February 2007, establishing for 2006 the "Prodcop list" of industrial products provided for by Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91
OJ L 60, 1.3.2006

3. Data Requirements

PRODCOM_A_A: Industry Production Annual Survey
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Business Methods available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM&StrGroupCode=L_EX_MANUAL&StrLanguageCode=EN
- Report on the national methodologies (January 2000)

5. International Cooperation

OECD, UN Geneva, UNSD.

Theme 45. Energy

Description

Europe's future depends on a secure, affordable and ecologically sustainable energy supply. The aim of this theme is to provide the EU with a high quality statistical service in the field of Energy. The processes and projects of this theme address the following policy areas: security of supply (short-term disruption and longer term dependence, including the geopolitical dimension), environmental impact of energy use, internal market for energy, including competition in network industries. The work already undertaken and to be undertaken over the coming years aims at providing high quality, timely statistics (annual energy balance sheets, short term and structural statistics on energy quantities, energy prices for enterprises and households), allowing the evaluation of these policies. Priority EU and national policies and technologies (combined heat and power, renewable energy sources, energy-environment integration, carbon emission inventories, effectiveness of competition in network industries) will be particularly followed.

Key priorities 2007

Regular collection and dissemination of annual and monthly statistics on energy quantities and of half-yearly energy price statistics will continue, for the EU Member States, Norway, Iceland, Switzerland and Candidate Countries.

In addition, the following specific actions will be promoted in response to various energy policies:

- a) Adoption of the Regulation on Energy Statistics by the Council and the EP, placing present reporting gentlemen's agreement under legal footage;
- b) Implementation of the new methodology on electricity/gas prices (following revision of the 90/377/EEC Directive), a methodology better adapted to the new market conditions;
- c) Development of the methodology necessary for making available the indicators foreseen in the Energy end-use Efficiency and Energy Services Directive.

Module 45102. Structural statistics of energy

Responsible unit: **G-4: Energy statistics**
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1. Module Description

Structural data. Global energy balance sheets and balance sheets by source of energy for the Union, Member States, EEA and Candidate countries on an annual basis.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Directive 2001/77/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 September 2001, on the promotion of electricity produced from renewable energy sources in the internal electricity market
OJ L 283, 27.10.2001
- Directive 2003/30/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 May 2003, on the promotion of the use of biofuels or other renewable fuels for transport
OJ L 123, 17.5.2003
- Directive 2004/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004, on the promotion of cogeneration based on a useful heat demand in the internal energy market and amending Directive 92/42/EEC
OJ L 52, 21.2.2004
- Directive 2006/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2006, on energy end-use efficiency and energy services and repealing Council Directive 93/76/EEC
OJ L 114, 27.4.2006

3. Data Requirements

ENERGY_ELECT_A: Electricity and Heat Statistics
Timeliness: 11 months Periodicity: A

ENERGY_NTGAS_A: Natural Gas Statistics
Timeliness: 11 months Periodicity: A

ENERGY_PETRO_A: Oil Statistics
Timeliness: 11 months Periodicity: A

ENERGY_SOLID_A: Solid Fuels Statistics
Timeliness: 11 months Periodicity: A

ENERGY_RENEW_A: Renewable energy and wastes statistics
Timeliness: 11 months Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- "Energy Statistics Manual", prepared jointly by the International Energy Agency/OECD and Eurostat/European Commission, Edition 2004
- "Energy consumption in households", ISBN 92-828-7589-X, Catalogue number CA-24-99-243-EN-C, Eurostat, Edition 1999

- "Energy consumption in the services sector – Surveys of EU Member States" (2002 Edition) available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-43-02-042

5. International Cooperation

OECD-IEA, UNECE.

Module 45202. Short-term statistics of energy

Responsible unit: **G-4: Energy statistics**
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1. Module Description

Collect and compile statistics for individual sources of energy for the Union, the Member States, EEA and Candidate countries on a monthly basis.

2. Legal Basis

None

3. Data Requirements

A) Short-term statistics of energy (M-1)

ENERGY_ELEC1_M: Short Term Electricity statistics (SEG_ele)
Timeliness: 1 month Periodicity: M

ENERGY_PETRO_M: Oil statistics (Joint Oil Data Initiative - JODI)
Timeliness: 1 month Periodicity: M

ENERGY_NTGAS_M: Short Term Gas Statistics (SEG_gas)
Timeliness: 1 month Periodicity: M

B) Short-term statistics of energy (M-3)

ENERGY_ELEC3_M: Electricity Statistics
Timeliness: 3 months Periodicity: M

ENERGY_MOSPG_M: Monthly Oil and Natural Gas Statistics (MOS)
Timeliness: 3 months Periodicity: M

ENERGY_SOLID_M: Solid Fuels Statistics
Timeliness: 3 months Periodicity: M

4. Methodology

- "Energy Statistics Manual", prepared jointly by the International Energy Agency/OECD and Eurostat/European Commission (2004 Edition)

- "Joint Oil Data Initiative Manual", prepared jointly by the International Energy Forum Secretariat (IEFS) and its partners in the Joint Oil Data Initiative (JODI) – the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), the Statistical Office of the European Communities (Eurostat), the International Energy Agency (IEA), the Latin American Energy Organisation (OLADE), the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD), (2006 Edition)

5. International Cooperation

OECD-IEA, UNECE, OPEC, OLADE, APEC, IEFS.

Module 45402. Energy prices

Responsible unit: **G-4: Energy statistics**
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1. Module Description

Collection of data on energy prices, particularly gas and electricity prices. Monitoring of taxation. Summary of pricing systems.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Directive No 90/377/EEC of 29 June 1990, Community procedure to improve the transparency of gas and electricity prices charged to industrial end-users
OJ L 185, 17.7.1990

Agreements:

- Member States and Norway Agreement of 17/07/1990, Agreement for submission of domestic gas and electricity prices.

Comments: collection of domestic gas and electricity prices for several groups of standard consumers defined according their annual consumption;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: twice per year: prices are collected on 1st January and 1st July;

Date of adoption: same as Directive 90/377 (17/07/1990);

Publication: same as Directive 90/377 (17/07/1990);

Participant countries: All Member States plus Norway;

Official data providers: Same as Directive 90/377.

3. Data Requirements

A) Prices

ENERGY_PRELI_S: Energy Prices: Electricity industry, semester

Timeliness: 2 months Periodicity: B

ENERGY_PRELH_S: Energy Prices: Electricity households, semester

Timeliness: 2 months Periodicity: B

ENERGY_PRGAI_S: Energy Prices: Gas industry, semester

Timeliness: 2 months Periodicity: B

ENERGY_PRGAH_S: Energy Prices: Gas households, semester

Timeliness: 2 months Periodicity: B

B) Price systems

ENERGY_PSELE_2: Price Systems: electricity per 2 years

Timeliness: 2.5 months Periodicity: every two years

ENERGY_PSGAS_2: Price Systems: gas per 2 years

Timeliness: 2.5 months Periodicity: every two years

4. Methodology

- Note on the application of the Directive No 90/377/EEC - Eurostat D1/Doc. D1/PE/7/91

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 45502. Special actions to support the new community energy policies

Responsible unit: **G-4: Energy statistics**
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1. Module Description:

Actions implemented, in collaboration with the Member States, in order to extend the coverage and improve quality of national statistical systems, with reference to a) effectiveness of competition and integration of gas/electricity markets b) renewable energy sources c) energy efficiency d) cogeneration e) carbon dioxide emissions / integration of energy and environment thus reporting on these policy issues at EU and Member States level (including EEA countries).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Directive 2001/77/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 September 2001, on the promotion of electricity produced from renewable energy sources in the internal electricity market
OJ L 283, 27.10.2001
- Directive 2003/30/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 May 2003, on the promotion of the use of biofuels or other renewable fuels for transport
OJ L 123, 17.5.2003
- Directive 2004/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004, on the promotion of cogeneration based on a useful heat demand in the internal energy market and amending Directive 92/42/EEC
OJ L 52, 21.2.2004
- Directive 2006/32/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2006, on energy end-use efficiency and energy services and repealing Council Directive 93/76/EEC
OJ L 114, 27.4.2006

3. Data Requirements

Competition Indicators

ENERGY_CIELE_A: Competition Indicators: electricity annual
Timeliness: 10 months Periodicity: A

ENERGY_CIGAS_A: Competition Indicators: gas annual
Timeliness: 10 months Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 48. Transport

Description

Community transport statistics are required to support the Community transport policy, including the transport Trans-European Network (TEN T). Transport is also an important part of Community regional and environmental policies. The White Paper "European transport policy for 2010: time to decide" sets out the Commission's action programme on transport. Community transport statistics should constitute a comprehensive transport information system, including data on flows of passengers and goods, as well as on infrastructure, equipment, traffic, mobility, safety, security, and environmental impact, as well as data on transport enterprises. A key objective will be to monitor the wished shift of the balance between modes of transport, and following the share of rail and short-sea shipping in comparison to road transport. It will be necessary to increase the coverage of statistics on intermodal transport and passenger mobility – in particular by car - and to provide better structural, modal split and environmental impact indicators covering passengers as well as freight and taking account of all modes of transport. The high level of cost of European transport infrastructure will increase needs for statistics on transport infrastructure. Community transport policy and regional policy will increase demands for more spatially broken-down data on transport networks and flows.

Community environmental policy (in particular the Thematic Strategy on Urban environment) will increase demands for more urban transport related data.

Key priorities 2007

Priorities in transport statistics will continue to stem from the need to monitor the liberalisation and rationalisation of European transport, as well as its impact on regional development, environment and safety. The main effort will continue to be devoted to improving the total quality (coverage, timeliness and statistical quality) of transport statistics. Statistics on each mode of transport, based mainly on legal acts and also on voluntary agreements, will continue to be the core of the Community system of transport statistics. By 2007 this system will be based on the full implementation of the existing legal acts for road, rail, inland waterways, maritime and air transport statistics. Great priority in 2007 will continue to be given to the collection and treatment of the full range of transport data from the New Member States.

In 2007 the need for simplification will systematically be taken into account through actions to update basic legal acts and/or implementation measures to be adopted by committee procedure.

Module 48100. Transport information system

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**
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1. Module Description

The aim is to provide information for every mode of transport in each of the main categories: infrastructure, transport equipment, transport enterprises, economic performance and employment, traffic and transport measurement (including modal split data), energy and environment. The full implementation of the Community acquis in the new Member States and Candidate Countries is a key objective. A further range of statistics is provided from a voluntary data collection based on the Common Questionnaire and Glossary, carried out jointly with UNECE and ECMT. Other statistics, such as regional transport indicators, are collected through additional voluntary data collections based on questionnaires and transport modelling exercises. All data are also available in the reference database and in other publications of the Energy and Transport Unit, as well as in the Pocketbook of DG TREN.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- UNECE Agreement, Common questionnaire coordinated with UNECE and ECMT.

Comments: Common Questionnaire coordinated with UNECE and ECMT

Yearly, data on rail, road, inland waterways and oil pipeline transport, questionnaire collected yearly

Time of obligation:

Periodicity: annual;

Date of adoption: around 1990;

Publication: many horizontal publications like the Panorama of Transport as well as the Eurostat dissemination database;

Participant countries: all UNECE member countries (includes EU, EEA, ECMT);

Official data providers: CNA (Competent National Authorities) like statistical offices or transport ministries.

The terminology can be found in the "Glossary For Transport Statistics". This glossary is translated to all current EU Member States languages as well as Russian. The glossary (yet only in EN/FR/RU) is available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&_product_code=KS-BI-03-002, <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp6/transstatglossmain.html> or <http://www.cemt.org/online/glossaries/index.htm>

Other basis:

- Regional questionnaire.

Comments: yearly, data on road and railways infrastructures, inland waterways, vehicle stocks and road accidents are currently collected in Member States and Candidate Countries;

Time of obligation:

Periodicity: annual;

Publication: Eurostat's reference database, Regional Year Book, Statistics in focus;

Official data providers: CNA (Competent National Authorities) like statistical offices or transport ministries.

3. Data Requirements

REGION_TRANS_A: Regional Transport Statistics

Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

TRP_YBOOK_A: Common Questionnaire on Transport Statistics

Timeliness: 330 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- "Glossary For Transport Statistics" mentioned above
- UNECE, ECMT and Eurostat cooperation, see at:
<http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp6/transstatiwgmission.html>

5. International Cooperation

ECMT, UNECE.

Module 48200. Passenger mobility

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**

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1. Module Description

The objective of this module is to provide statistics on passenger mobility, with particular emphasis on the measurement of road passenger volumes and personal mobility indicators. A non-harmonised database incorporating results from existing national surveys has been established and is regularly updated. The implementation of a regular data collection on Vehicle-Km in road passenger transport and the definition of a harmonized methodology for a future travel survey at European level are the two developing areas of this module.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

A harmonised EU survey in long-distance mobility (Dateline project) was carried out in 2001-2002, within the 5th R&D Framework Programme. See at: <http://www.dateline-project.org/>

Eurostat has a project to develop the Community statistics on passenger mobility, with particular emphasis on car passenger mobility. Four main activities have been foreseen for this purpose:

- The development and update of a non-harmonised database with the latest available information and results from the national travel surveys;
- A methodological analysis of the existing national travel surveys, with particular emphasis on car passenger mobility to conclude with a proposal for a harmonized data collection at European level with harmonized definitions;
- The dissemination of the main existing results on passenger mobility in a Statistics in focus

The official data providers are the CNA (Competent National Authorities) like statistical offices or transport ministries.

In 2007, Eurostat has set up a Task Force to work towards the definition of a common methodological framework for the measurement of the volume of road traffic in Vehicle-Kilometres (VKm). This would allow building a common framework to produce road VKm every year, particularly for car transport, based essentially on existing sources and evolving towards a regular and harmonised data collection system.

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- Eurostat methodological report on passenger mobility available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/transport/library?l=/passengers_mobility/5_methodology&vm=detailed&sb=Title

- UNECE Working Group on Volume of Road traffic available on:

<http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp6/transstatac5agenda.html>

5. International Cooperation

ECMT, UNECE.

Module 48300. Transport of goods by road

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective of this module is to provide harmonised statistics on the transport of goods by road. From 1999 onwards, data are collected under Council Regulation 1172/98, which replaces the former Directives. Council Regulation 1172/98 specifies a wider range of variables, collected through sample surveys in different Member States, and provides for the transmission to Eurostat of individual survey data records for vehicles, journeys and goods transport operations. It also covers cabotage operations. Eurostat validates and processes these data in order to generate the tables that can be disseminated.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/98 of 25 May 1998, on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road
OJ L 163, 6.6.1998
(This regulation have replaced Directives 78/546 and 89/462)
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2691/1999 of 17 December 1999, on the rules for implementing Council Regulation (EC) No.1172/98 on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road
OJ L 326, 18.12.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2163/2001 of 7 November 2001, concerning the technical arrangements for data transmission for statistics on the carriage of goods by road
OJ L 291, 8.11.2001
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 6/2003 of 30 December 2002, concerning the dissemination of statistics on the carriage of goods by road
OJ L 1, 4.1.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 642/2004 of 6 April 2004, on precision requirements for data collected in accordance with Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/98 on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road
OJ L 102, 7.4.2004

3. Data Requirements

ROAD_A1_Q: Vehicle-Related Variables
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

ROAD_A2_Q: Journey-Related Variables
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

ROAD_A3_Q: Goods-Related Variables
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

ROAD_ST_Q: Road Transport - Supplementary Tables (B)
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- "Reference manual for the implementation of Council Regulation No 1172/98/EC on statistics on the carriage of goods by road" (2003 Edition) available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BI-03-001

- NST/R: standard goods classification for transport statistics (Eurostat) – migration to NST 2000, a new classification of goods, is foreseen from the beginning of 2008

- NUTS, nomenclature of territorial units for statistics (Eurostat)

5. International Cooperation

ALPNET working group

Module 48400. Rail transport

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective of this module is to provide harmonised statistics on the rail transport. The Regulation 91/2003 of the European Parliament and Council covers passenger as well as freight transport by rail, together with rail safety. In 2007, the progress of the implementation of the Regulation in the Member States will be monitored. The report to the European Parliament and the Council will be elaborated based on the responses from the countries via the methodological questionnaire. Some changes in the Annex H and the definitions in the Article 3 of the Regulation are foreseen in order to harmonise the accident data collection with the Safety Directive 2004/49/EEC. Attention will be given to the structure and data quality on regional passenger and freight transport and traffic flows on the rail network. Working Group will discuss mention above tasks during its meeting on June the 25-26th.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1192/2003 of 3 July 2003, amending Regulation (EC) No 91/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on rail transport statistics
OJ L 167, 4.7.2003

- Regulation (EC) No 91/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2002, on rail transport statistics
OJ L 14, 21.1.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 332/2007 of 27 March 2007, on the technical arrangements for the transmission of railway transport statistics
OJ: L 88, 29.3.2007, p. 16–28

Other basis:

- Rail statistics toolbox, including the 'Guidelines' document available on:
http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/transport/library?l=/02_rail/5_methodology/guidelinessfors912003spr&vm=detailed&sb=Title

3. Data Requirements

RAIL_A_A: Rail Transport Statistics - Table A1-9 - Annual goods, detailed
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

RAIL_B_A: Rail Transport Statistics - Table B1-2 - Annual goods, simplified
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

RAIL_C_A: Rail Transport Statistics - Table C1-5 - Annual passengers, detailed
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

RAIL_D_A: Rail Transport Statistics - Table D1-2 - Annual passengers, simplified
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

RAIL_E_Q: Rail Transport Statistics - Table E1-2 - Quarterly goods
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

RAIL_F_5: Rail Transport Statistics - Table F1-4 - Regional goods
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: 5

RAIL_G_5: Rail Transport Statistics - Table G1-3 - Traffic on network
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 5

RAIL_H_A: Rail Transport Statistics - Table H1-4 - Accidents
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

RAIL_I_A: Rail Transport Statistics - Table I1 - Undertakings (confidential data)
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Guidelines for the implementation of the Regulation (EC) No 91/2003 - Draft - V.5.1 (8 February 2006) ("Reference Manual" for Competent National Authorities of rail transport statistics)

- Glossary for transport statistics available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BI-03-002

- NST/R: Standard goods classification for transport statistics (Eurostat)

5. International Cooperation

UN Geneva, UIC (International Union of Railways).

Module 48500. Sea and inland waterways transport

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**
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1. Module Description

SEA TRANSPORT: The objective of this part of module 485 is to provide harmonised statistics on the transport of goods and passengers by sea, under Directive 95/64. From 2000, these data are now supplied and disseminated regularly for all Member States. There is continuing work to improve the quality and coverage of the data, and to extend the use of EDI for data transmission to Eurostat. In 2006 a Task Force was established to adapt data collection to present user needs: this will require changes in legislation as well as some methodological clarifications.

INLAND WATERWAYS TRANSPORT: The objective of this part of module 485 is to provide harmonised statistics on the transport of goods by inland waterways, under Directive 80/1119. Starting in 2001, production of these statistics is fully externalised. In 2005, attention will be given to updating the legal base for these statistics, in order to take account of new data needs (especially on intermodal transport) and to improve data transmission arrangements.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Directive No 80/1119/EEC of 17 November 1980, statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods by inland waterways
OJ L 339, 15.12.1980
- Council Directive No 95/64/EC of 8 December 1995, statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea
OJ L 320, 30.12.1995
- Commission Decision No 98/385/EC of 13 May 1998, on rules for implementing Council Directive 95/64/EC on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea
OJ L 174, 18.6.1998
- Commission Decision No 2000/363/EC of 28 April 2000, on rules for implementing Council Directive 95/64/EC on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea
OJ L 132, 5.6.2000
- Commission Decision No 2001/423/EC of 22 May 2001, on arrangements for publication or dissemination of the statistical data collected pursuant to Council Directive 95/64/EC on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea
OJ L 151, 7.6.2001
- Commission Decision No 2005/366/EC of 4 March 2005, implementing Council Directive 95/64/EC on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea and amending Annexes thereto
OJ L 123, 17.5.2005
- Regulation (EC) No 1365/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 September 2006, on statistics of goods transport by inland waterways and repealing Council Directive 80/1119/EEC
OJ L 264, 25.9.2006

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 425/2007 of 19 April 2007, implementing Regulation (EC) No 1365/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on statistics of goods transport by inland waterways
OJ L 103, 20.4.2007

Other basis:

- Draft version (October 2005) of the reference manual "methodology on maritime statistics", available on:
http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/statcanwestbalkan/library?!=/publications_data/manuals&vm=detailed&sb=Title

- Glossary for transport statistics available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BI-03-002

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on statistics of goods transport by inland waterways (COM/2005/0366 final)

3. Data Requirements

IWW_10A_Q: Inland Waterways - National, International and Transit Traffic - Tonnes by Nationality
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

IWW_10B_Q: Inland Waterways - National, International and Transit Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Nationality
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

IWW_11A_Q: Inland Waterways - Total Goods Traffic by Vessel Type (Tonnes)
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

IWW_11B_Q: Inland Waterways - Total Goods Traffic by Vessel Type (Tonnes/KM)
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

IWW_1A_A: Inland Waterways - National, International and Transit Traffic - Tonnes by Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_1B_A: Inland Waterways - National, International and Transit Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_2A_A: Inland Waterways - National, Intra- and Inter-Regional Traffic - Tonnes by Region of Load/Unload
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_3A_A: Inland Waterways - National, Intra- and Inter-Regional Traffic - Loading and Unloading by Region and Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_4A_A: Inland Waterways - National Traffic - Tonnes by Goods Group and Distance Class
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_4B_A: Inland Waterways - National Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Goods Group and Distance Class
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_5A_A: Inland Waterways - International Traffic - Tonnes by Country of Load/Unload and Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_5B_A: Inland Waterways - Transit Traffic - Tonnes by Country of Load/Unload and Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_6A_A: Inland Waterways - International Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Country of Load/Unload and Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_6B_A: Inland Waterways - Transit Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Country of Load/Unload and Goods Group
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_7A_A: Inland Waterways - International Traffic - Tonnes by Country of Load/Unload and Nationality
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_7B_A: Inland Waterways - Transit Traffic - Tonnes by Country of Load/Unload and Nationality
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_8A_A: Inland Waterways - International Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Country of Load/Unload and Nationality
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_8B_A: Inland Waterways - Transit Traffic - Tonnes/KM by Country of Load/Unload and Nationality
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: A

IWW_9A_M: Inland Waterways - National and International Traffic - Tonnes by Transport Link
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: M

MRTM_A1_Q: Maritime - Seaborne transportation in main Euro ports by port, cargo type and relation
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

MRTM_A2_Q: Maritime - Non-unit load seaborne transportation in main Euro ports by port, cargo type and relation
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

MRTM_A3_A: Maritime - Data for ports for which detailed statistics are not required
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

MRTM_B1_A: Maritime - Seaborne transportation in main Euro ports by port, cargo type, goods type and relation
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

MRTM_C1_Q: Maritime - Unit load seaborne transportation in main Euro ports by port, cargo type, relation and loaded status
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

MRTM_D1_Q: Maritime - Passenger transportation in main European ports by relation
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

MRTM_E1_A: Maritime - Seaborne transportation in main Euro ports by port, cargo type, relation and nationality of ship registration
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

MRTM_F1_Q: Maritime - Euro port ship traffic by port, vessel type and size, loading or discharging cargo
Timeliness: 150 Periodicity: Q

MRTM_F2_Q: Maritime - Euro port ship traffic in main ports by port, vessel type and size, loading or discharging cargo

Timeliness: 150

Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- Glossary for transport statistics available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BI-03-002

- Annexes of the Directives No 80/1119/EEC and No 95/64/EC (extended by the Commission Decisions)

- United Nations LOCODES (for ports)

- Methodology on maritime transport statistics

5. International Cooperation

UN on classifications of ports, EDI (WG7), CPWG (Community Port WG), ESPO (European Sea Ports Organisation).

Module 48600. Air transport

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**

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1. Module Description

The objective of this module is to provide harmonised statistics on air transport. Voluntary data collection has been based on the draft Regulation proposed by the Commission in 1995, which has been adopted in 2003 (Regulation 437/2003). These data are now collected and published regularly for all Member States. The general objective is to consolidate the database and to widen its coverage towards the complete coverage specified in the Regulation so that it meets the requirements of detailed information of the Commission, national administrations and operators of the air transport sector. Work for the implementation of EDI will continue. Work aimed at bringing about the necessary harmonisation on the origin/destination definitions and national airport traffic statistics will continue in collaboration with the Member States and the relevant international and professional organisations of the sector. Eurostat will aim to produce tonne-km and passenger-km statistics using data based on the Regulation.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1358/2003 of 31 July 2003, implementing Regulation (EC) No 437/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of passengers, freight and mail by air and amending Annexes I and II thereto
OJ L 194, 1.8.2003

- Regulation (EC) No 437/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 February 2003, on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of passengers, freight and mail by air
OJ L 66, 11.3.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 546/2005 of 8 April 2005, adapting Regulation (EC) No 437/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the allocation of reporting-country codes and amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1358/2003 as regards the updating of the list of Community airports
OJ L 91, 9.4.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 158/2007 of 16 February 2007, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1358/2003 as regards the list of Community airports
OJ L 49, 17.2.2007, p. 9–20

Other basis:

- Reference Manual on Air Transport Statistics available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/transport/library?!=06_aviation/5_methodology&vm=detailed&sb=Title

3. Data Requirements

AIR_A1_A: Flight stages database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

AIR_A1_M: Flight stages database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: M

AIR_A1_Q: Flight stages database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: Q

AIR_B1_A: On flight origin destination database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

AIR_B1_M: On flight origin destination database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: M

AIR_B1_Q: On flight origin destination database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: Q

AIR_C1_A: 'Airports' database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

AIR_C1_M: 'Airports' database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: M

AIR_C1_Q: 'Airports' database
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- Reference Manual on Air Transport Statistics available on:
http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/transport/library?l=/06_aviation/5_methodology&vm=detailed&sb=Title

- Glossary for transport statistics available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073.46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BI-03-002

- Annex I of the draft regulation

- ICAO airport, airline, aircraft classifications

- ICAO definitions

- IATA classifications

5. International Cooperation

ATA, ICAO, EUROCONTROL, AEA (Association of European Airlines).

Module 48800. Transport safety

Responsible unit: **G-5: Transport statistics**
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1. Module Description

The objective of this module is to provide statistics on transport safety in general and in particular on road accidents. This module covers inter alia work done for the Community database on road accidents (CARE). This is a joint DG TREN-Eurostat project, in which Eurostat's role is at present limited to assisting with the processing of data supplied by Member States under Council Decision 93/704. From 2000 standard statistical indicators on road safety can be generated from the CARE database, using the CARE-Plus common variables. Since 2002, the new CARE-2 database has opened further possibilities for exploitation of CARE data for statistical purposes. In addition, Eurostat publishes safety statistics comparing different modes of transport. These data are obtained from a voluntary questionnaire linked to the Common Questionnaire (see Module 481) and, from 2004, from the Regulation on rail transport statistics. Eurostat supports DG TREN in the Safety Net project.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Decision No 93/704/EC of 30 November 1993, on the creation of a community database on road accidents
OJ L 329, 30.12.1993

Other basis:

- UNECE and ECMT do some data collection but in a completely different form compared to the Council Decision.

Part of the terminology used is the same and this terminology can be found in the "Glossary For Transport Statistics". This glossary is translated to all current EU Member States languages as well as Russian. The glossary (yet only in EN/FR/RU) is available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&_product_code=KS-BI-03-002, <http://www.unece.org/trans/main/wp6/transstatglossmain.html> or <http://www.cemt.org/online/glossaries/index.htm>

3. Data Requirements

CARE_ROAD_A: Community database on road accident
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- CARE documentation from DG TREN

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 49. Information society

Description

Statistics on the information society are a vital basis for European policy makers in order to follow the structural changes in the economy. The high political priority of these statistics is demonstrated by the inclusion of indicators on the information society among the structural indicators, as well as the decision by Council to monitor the progress towards the e-Europe 2005 goals through a system of benchmarking indicators. This line has also been followed by the new i2010 strategy. Legal basis for action is Regulation (EC) No. 808/2004 of the European Parliament and the Council concerning Community statistics on the information society and its annual implementing measures. That Regulation has provided a framework for developing a flexible system of collecting statistics on the information society.

Co-operation with other international organisations (and in particular with the OECD) will be reinforced to improve consistency of methods and indicators for better comparability of data at international level. New methodology (e.g., measuring ICT expenditure and investment, e-government, use of broadband networks and other evolving ways of electronic communications) will have to be implemented and current methodology improved in the rapidly changing area.

Key priorities 2007

Priority within information society statistics is the timely reporting on the benchmarking indicators linked to the i2010 strategy as well as on structural indicators. Therefore, important efforts will be spent on ensuring the execution of Community surveys on ICT usage in enterprises and in households, as well as the validation and the publication of the results. In order to ensure the timely reporting on the benchmarking indicators for the future, the implementing measures to Regulation (EC) 808/2004 will be adapted for the 2008 and the 2009 survey wave. This work will be accompanied by an update of the methodological manual with recommended guidelines for the two surveys. Additional efforts will concentrate on the improvement of the statistics available on the ICT sector.

Methodological work will concentrate on indicators linked to the i2010 strategy, evaluation of the pilot survey on ICT investments, the monitoring of the pilot project on ICT impact assessment by linking data from different sources.

Module 49102. Statistics on the information society

Responsible unit: **F-6: Information society and tourism statistics**
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1. Module Description

Statistics on the information society are a vital basis for European policy makers in order to follow the structural changes in the economy. The high political priority of these statistics is demonstrated by the inclusion of indicators on the information society among the structural indicators, as well as the decision by Council to monitor the progress towards the e-Europe 2005 goals through a system of benchmarking indicators. The Council in its Resolution on the implementation of the eEurope 2005 action plan on 28 January 2003 agreed to improve quality of data by greater use of surveys undertaken by national statistical institutes and Eurostat. An important step in that direction was the adoption by the European Parliament and the Council of a Regulation concerning statistics on the information society. This Regulation sets up a framework for developing a flexible system of collecting statistics on the information society, concerning both enterprises and individuals/households. It will be developed further according to the priorities set by the Council and new requirements stemming from technological change, with a view to maintaining the relevance of the production of statistics in a changing environment. Co-operation with other international organisations (and in particular with the OECD) will be reinforced to improve consistency of methods and indicators for better comparability of data at international level.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 808/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004, concerning Community statistics on the information society
OJ L 143, 30.4.2004
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1099/2005 of 13 July 2005, implementing Regulation (EC) No 808/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on the information society
OJ L 183, 14.7.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1031/2006 of 4 July 2006, implementing Regulation (EC) No 808/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning Community statistics on the information society
OJ L186, 7.7.2006, p. 11-26

3. Data Requirements

INFOSOC_ENT_A: Information Society Statistics - enterprise survey
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

INFOSOC_HH_A: Information Society Statistics - household survey
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Methodological Manual for statistics on the Information Society

5. International Cooperation

OECD

Module 49202. Communication statistics

Responsible unit: **F-6: Information society and tourism statistics**
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1. Module Description

Over the past decade, the communication sector has gone through a transformation from a predominantly public monopoly into a competitive, de-regulated market with numerous operators and widening range of services. Also in the technical sense communication in the electronic networks has undergone a leap to a new level with the breakthrough of mobile communication, wide adoption of broadband techniques etc. The process continues. To have a coherent picture of telecommunication, some functional information is needed in addition to the administrative and economic information provided by DG INFSO and Structural Business Statistics. The postal sector is also opening for competition and the current statistics, based mainly on the national post activities, have to be complemented by data on the competing courier and transport services to serve the needs of DG MARKET.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2700/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the definitions of characteristics for structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998

Other basis:

- The data collection is currently working on voluntary basis. The questionnaires with related definitions, annually revised, are available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/coins/home>

3. Data Requirements

COINS_POSCOU_A: Post and Courier Services
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

COINS_TELCOM_A: Telecommunication Services-Annual
Timeliness: 10 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Business Methods available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM&StrGroupCode=LEX_MANUAL&StrLanguageCode=EN

Methodological works in progress: Development of methods for statistics on the postal and courier services, Measurement of Broadband access to the communication networks, Revision of the methodological manual for the statistics on telecommunication.

5. International Cooperation

OECD, ITU, UPU.

Theme 50. Tourism

Description

Tourism is an important economic activity in the European Union with a high potential of contributing to higher employment. It comprises a wide variety of products and destinations and many different stakeholders are involved with much decentralised areas of competence often at regional and local levels.

Currently, statistics are collected on the supply of and demand for tourist accommodation, as well as on economic aspects related to tourism behaviour. The legal basis for this data collection (Council Directive 95/57 and its related Commission Decision) will need to be updated in order to ensure the quality of the data collection in terms of relevance, comparability, comprehensiveness and freshness of the data.

Key priorities 2007

Improvements of the quality of tourism statistics will have a high priority. This concerns all aspects of quality, but in particular of relevance, comparability, comprehensiveness and freshness of the data. In order to strengthen the quality, Council Directive 95/57 is in the process of being updated. In addition to this, other aspects like Tourism Satellite Accounts (TSA) and employment in tourism take more and more room in the work of the tourism project.

International collaboration will continue with collaboration with UNWTO (UN World Tourism Organisation) on the revision of the UN recommendations on tourism statistics and the update of TSA Recommended Methodological Framework.

Module 50102. Tourism statistics

Responsible unit: **F-6: Information society and tourism statistics**
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1. Module Description

Tourism is an important economic activity in the European Union with a high potential of contributing to higher employment. It comprises a wide variety of products and destinations and many different stakeholders are involved with much decentralised areas of competence often at regional and local levels.

Currently, statistics are collected on the supply of and demand for tourist accommodation, as well as on economic aspects related to tourism behaviour. The legal basis for this data collection (Council Directive 95/57 and its related Commission Decision) will need to be updated in order to ensure the quality of the data collection in terms of relevance, comparability, comprehensiveness and freshness of the data.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Directive No 95/57/EC of 23 November 1995, on collection of statistical information in the field of tourism
OJ L 291, 6.12.1995

- Commission Decision No 1999/35/EC of 9 December 1998, on the procedures for implementing Council Directive 95/57/EC on the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism
OJ L 9, 15.1.1999

- Commission Decision No 2004/883/EC of 10 December 2004, adjusting the Annex to Council Directive 95/57/EC on the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism as regards country lists
OJ L 373, 21.12.2004

3. Data Requirements

TOUR_CAP_A: Tourism Capacity-Annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

TOUR_DEM_A: Tourism Demand-Annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

TOUR_DEM_Q: Tourism Demand-Quarterly
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

TOUR_OCC_A: Tourism Occupancy-Annual
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

TOUR_OCC_M: Tourism Occupancy-Monthly
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: M

4. Methodology

- Business Methods available on:

http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nomenclatures/index.cfm?TargetUrl=LST_NOM&StrGroupCode=L_EX_MANUAL&StrLanguageCode=EN

5. International Cooperation

OECD, UNWTO.

Theme 51. Business registers

Description

The objectives of this theme are to harmonise the national statistical business registers (BR), to monitor the quality of the registers and to develop them further by adapting the existing legal framework to meet new demands. The new demands come mainly from several statistics related to globalisation and to serve as basic infrastructure for globalisation statistics, a European register of multinational enterprise groups (MNE) and their constituent units, the EuroGroups register, is under construction.

Measures used to achieve the objectives include legal acts, the implementation of which is monitored, a recommendations manual giving guidance for the implementation and further development of BRs, and studies of best practices.

The theme also covers defining appropriate statistical units for the European statistical system and standardizing the application of the main statistical units used in the production system: local units, enterprises and enterprise groups, the last-mentioned both at resident and multinational level.

Key priorities 2007

Based on the pilot experience carried out in 2006, the EuroGroups project will be revisited and the system will be extended to be able to host data for more MNEs and Member States.

The new BR Regulation which replaces the existing one is expected to be in force during the 2nd or 3rd quarter of 2007. An appropriate legal text to regulate exchanges of data between Eurostat and Member States' national statistical institutes will be drafted.

The annual enquiry will cover Member States, EFTA and Candidate Countries.

Module 51101. Business registers and statistical units

Responsible unit: **G1: Structural business statistics (Business registers, Prodcom and SBS)**

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1. Module Description

Same as Theme description (only one module).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 696/93 of 15 March 1993, statistical units for the observation and analysis of the production system in the European Community
OJ L 76, 30.3.1993

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2186/93 of 22 July 1993, community co-ordination in drawing up business registers for statistical purposes
OJ L 196, 5.8.1993

3. Data Requirements

Annual inquiry eDAMIS model: BUSREG_A_A_CC_2007_0000.XLS

Business registers - Annual data - Periodicity: Yearly - CC: country code - Year

Timeliness: 0 – (0000_V1.XLS if corrections)

4. Methodology

- Business Registers for Statistical Purposes: Methodological Recommendations. Chapters 1-21. The revised version of the Manual is available in September 2003 in 11 EU languages on:

<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon>

- Drafts for revised and new chapters available in English on BRnet (members only):

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/brnet/info/data/home.htm>

5. International Cooperation

Joint UNECE/Eurostat/OECD business register seminars every second year (see UNECE web site).

International city group Roundtable on Business Survey Frames meetings. Documents available on:

<http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/businesssurvey/info/data/links.htm>

CHAPTER III. Economic statistics - C: Monetary, financial, trade and balance of payments statistics

Theme 52. Money and finance

Description

Statistics on money and finance cover the traditional money, banking and financial market indicators (money supply, interest rates, and stock market indicators) and all the statistics related to the general government sector which are: debt and deficit according to the definition of the Union Treaty, revenue and expenditure of general government sector and financial accounts of the government sector. In the field of the traditional money, banking and financial market indicators the leadership is with the ECB (see memorandum of Understanding), but Eurostat participates actively in the methodological work of the ECB. However, Eurostat is responsible for publication and further development of Euro yield curves.

In the general government finance statistics the leadership is with Eurostat, but the ECB is closely associated with the work. The statistics developed and monitored in this area are important for the assessment of the fiscal policies (convergence programmes, growth and stability pact) and monetary policies. The first priority is the assessment of the reported data on debt and deficit as well as connected statistics which are revenue and expenditure data for government (table 2 of the ESA95 transmission programme), detailed tax and social contribution receipts by sector (table 9) and expenditure of general government by function (table 11). For budgetary surveillance programmes it is important to develop and implement infra annual statistics. A first step in this direction was the regulation on quarterly data related to taxes, social contributions and social benefits and the quarterly no financial accounts and financial accounts of the general government sector. Other regulations which have followed are quarterly financial accounts for the general government sector and quarterly debt statistics).

Key priorities 2007

Assessment of the official EDP notifications transmitted twice a year by Member States. Full implementation of the questionnaire on the reporting of debt and deficit. Methodological visits to Member States in the context of the Council Regulation amending CR 3605/93.

Module 52101. Government finance statistics - methodology

Responsible unit: **C-3: Public finance**
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1. Module Description

(1) Further development of public finance statistics including methodological work concerning annual and infra-annual information on government finance statistics. Annual and quarterly data are based on ESA95 rules. Infra-annual data are based on direct information and should be consistent with annual data.

(2) Participation in the 1993 SNA Review.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA95)
OJ L 310, 1.11.1996

- Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 of 16 February 1998, completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA)
OJ L 58, 27.2.1998

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1500/2000 of 10 July 2000, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to general government expenditure and revenue
OJ L 172, 12.7.2000

- Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 November 2000, modifying the common principles of the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA) 95 as concerns taxes and social contributions and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96
OJ L 290, 17.11.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 995/2001 of 22 May 2001, implementing European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 modifying the common principles of ESA95 as concerns taxes and social contribution
OJ L 139, 23.5.2001

- Regulation (EC) No 2558/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 December 2001, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as regards the reclassification of settlements under swaps arrangements and under forward rate agreements
OJ L 344, 28.12.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 113/2002 of 23 January 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with regard to revised classification of expenditure according to purpose
OJ L 21, 24.1.2002

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1889/2002 of 23 October 2002, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European System of national and regional Accounts (ESA)
OJ L 286, 24.10.2002

Other basis:

- Information available on Eurostat website for 'Government Finance Statistics':

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=2373,47631312,2373_58674332&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

3. Data Requirements

See Module 52401

4. Methodology

- ESA 95 and legal acts above

- Manual on quarterly non-financial accounts for general government, Eurostat 2006

5. International Cooperation

OECD, IMF, ECB.

Module 52201. Statistics on public deficit and debt

Responsible unit: **C-3: Public finance**
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1. Module Description

(1) Monitoring of statistics in connection with the protocol on the excessive deficit procedure (EDP), annexed to the Union Treaty: validation of debt and deficit notifications.

(2) Development of a set of decisions and recommendations, which are usually the outcome of Task Forces, implementing the methodological framework. These decisions are codified in the manual on government debt and deficit, which is updated regularly. Further guidance is often needed for clarifying ESA95 principles in the field of public finance and to address "creative accounting". This involves notably monitoring of financial sector innovation and evaluation of the impact of new financial instruments on debt and deficit.

(3) Collection and dissemination of EDP related data.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2103/2005 of 12 December 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 3605/93 as regards the quality of statistical data in the context of the excessive deficit procedure
OJ L 337, 22.12.2005

- Council Regulation (EC) No 3605/93 of 22 November 1993, on the application of the protocol on the excessive deficit procedure annexed to the treaty establishing the European Community. This regulation has subsequently been amended, notably in 2005
OJ L 332, 31.12.1993

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA95)
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996

- Council Regulation No: 448/98/EC of 16/02/1998: OJ: L 058 of 27/02/1998, completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European system of national and regional accounts (ESA)

- Council Regulation (EC) No 475/2000 of 28 February 2000, amending Regulation (EC) No 3605/93 on the application of the Protocol on the excessive deficit procedure annexed to the Treaty establishing the European Community
OJ L 58, 3.3.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1500/2000 of 10 July 2000, implementing Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to general government expenditure and revenue
OJ L 172, 12.7.2000

- Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 November 2000, modifying the common principles of the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community (ESA) 95 as concerns taxes and social contributions and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96
OJ L 290, 17.11.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 995/2001 of 22 May 2001, implementing European Parliament and Council Regulation (EC) No 2516/2000 modifying the common principles of (ESA 95) as concerns taxes and social contribution
OJ L 139, 23.5.2001

- Regulation (EC) No 2558/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 December 2001, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 as regards the reclassification of settlements under swaps arrangements and under forward rate agreements
OJ L 344, 28.12.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 351/2002 of 25 February 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 3605/93 as regards references to ESA 95
OJ L 55, 26.2.2002

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1889/2002 of 23 October 2002, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 448/98 completing and amending Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the allocation of financial intermediation services indirectly measured (FISIM) within the European System of national and regional Accounts (ESA)
OJ L 286, 24.10.2002

Other basis:

- Information available on Eurostat website:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=2373,47631312,2373_58674332&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

3. Data Requirements

GEN_GOVT: Government deficit and debt - biannual 3 and 9 months

Timeliness: 90/270 Periodicity: B

4. Methodology

- ESA 95 and legal acts above

- ESA95 Manual on government deficit and debt, Eurostat 2002 together with new chapters on capital injections, pension schemes, long-term contracts and securitisation operations (available on Eurostat web-site)

- Eurostat Decisions and methodological advice (available on the Eurostat website)

5. International Cooperation

OECD, IMF, ECB.

Module 52302. Monetary and financial indicators

Responsible unit: **C-5: Validation of Public Accounts**

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1. Module Description

Collection and dissemination of short-term and structural monetary and financial indicators for economic analysis. These data are intended for a range of users: DGs, the Economic and Financial Committee and users outside the Commission and are in most cases provided by the ECB and national central banks. Production in this sector comprises the management of the FAME database (which feeds New Cronos), contributions to general statistical publications and internet web pages. Regular compilation and publication of Euro yield curves.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Recommendation of the European Central Bank for a Council Regulation (EC) concerning the collection of statistical information by the European Central Bank
OJ C 246, 6.8.1998
- Recommendation of the European Central Bank of 16 July 2004, on the statistical reporting requirements of the European Central Bank in the field of balance of payments and international investment position statistics, and the international reserves template (ECB/2004/16)
OJ C 292, 30.11.2004
- Regulation (EC) No 993/2002 of the European Central Bank of 6 June 2002, correcting Regulation ECB/2001/13 concerning the consolidated balance sheet of the monetary financial institutions sector (ECB/2002/4)
OJ L 151, 11.6.2002
- Regulation (EC) No 1746/2003 of the European Central Bank of 18 September 2003, amending Regulation (EC) No 2423/2001 (ECB/2001/13) concerning the consolidated balance sheet of the monetary financial institutions sector (ECB/2003/10)
OJ L 250, 2.10.2003
- Regulation (EC) No 2181/2004 of the European Central Bank of 16 December 2004, amending Regulation (EC) No 2423/2001 (ECB/2001/13) concerning the consolidated balance sheet of the monetary financial institutions sector and Regulation (EC) No 63/2002 (ECB/2001/18) concerning statistics on interest rates applied by monetary financial institutions to deposits and loans vis-à-vis households and non-financial corporations (ECB/2004/21)
OJ L 371, 18.12.2004
- Regulation (EC) No 2423/2001 of the European Central Bank of 22 November 2001, concerning the consolidated balance sheet of the monetary financial institutions sector (ECB/2001/13)
OJ L 333, 17.12.2001
- Regulation (EC) No 63/2002 of the European Central Bank of 20 December 2001, concerning statistics on interest rates applied by monetary financial institutions to deposits and loans vis-à-vis households and non-financial corporations (ECB/2001/18)
OJ L 10, 12.1.2002
- Regulation (EC) No 2174/2002 of the European Central Bank of 21 November 2002, amending Regulation ECB/2001/13 concerning the consolidated balance sheet of the monetary financial institutions sector (ECB/2002/8)
OJ L 330, 6.12.2002

- Council Decision No 2006/856/EC of 13 November 2006, establishing a Committee on monetary, financial and balance of payments statistics (Codified version)
OJ L 332, 30.11.2006, p. 21-23

3. Data Requirements

ECB_BSI1_M: Money supply, loans and deposits (monthly)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ECB_DD1_O: Long term indicators (daily, monthly, annual)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: S

ECB_EXR1EER_M: Effective exchange rates (monthly)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ECB_EXR1_D: Exchange rates (daily)
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: S

ECB_EXR1_M: Exchange rates (Monthly, Quarterly, Annual)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ECB_IIP_A: International investment position (annual)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: A

ECB_IRS1_M: Interest Rates for accession countries
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ECB_MIR1_M: MFI Interest Rates statistics (monthly)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ECB_RA_M: Consolidated reserves (monthly)
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ECB_RIR_M: Retail Interest Rates
Timeliness: 30 Periodicity: M

ESAGFS_0200_A: Main aggregates of General Government
Timeliness: 240 Periodicity: A

ESAGFS_0900_A: Taxes and Social Contribution
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESAGFS_1101_A: Expenditure of General Government by function - contain only data for general government (2nd level of COFOG is added)
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESAGFS_1102_A: Expenditure of General Government by function - contain data for sub sector with only first level cofog
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

ESAGFS_2500_Q: Short Term Public Financial Statistics
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

ESAGFS_2700_Q: Financial accounts for General Government
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

ESAGFS_2800_Q: General Government Debt - Quarterly
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

ESAGFS_1100_A: Expenditure of General Government by function
Timeliness: 360 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- ECB Guideline 2/05/03 on reporting requirements of ECB in balance of payments and IIP statistics - ECB/2003/7

- ECB Guideline 6/2/2003 on certain statistical reporting requirements and procedures of the ECB in money and banking statistics - ECB/2003/2

5. International Cooperation

ECB, OECD, IMF.

Module 52401. Government finance statistics – data handling

Responsible unit: **C5: Validation of Public Finance**
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1. Module Description

- (1) Receipt, validation and distribution of non-financial government finance statistics.
- (2) These statistics are annual and quarterly.
- (3) Government Finance Statistics integrated tables are produced twice per year based on transmitted data.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996, on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community
OJ L 310, 30.11.1996
- Regulation (EC) No 1267/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 June 2003, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to the time limit for transmission of the main aggregates of national accounts, to the derogations concerning the transmission of the main aggregates of national accounts and to the transmission of employment data in hours worked
OJ L 180, 18.7.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 264/2000 of 3 February 2000, on the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 with respect to short-term public finance statistics
OJ L 29, 4.2.2000
- Regulation (EC) No 1221/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 June 2002, on quarterly non-financial accounts for general government
OJ L 179, 9.7.2002

3. Data Requirements

ESA Table 2: Main aggregates of general government (expenditure and revenue)
Timeliness: 90/270 days Periodicity: B

ESA Table 9: Taxes and social contributions
Timeliness: 270 days Periodicity: A

ESA Table 11: Functional classification of government expenditure
Timeliness: 365 days Periodicity: A

ESA Table 25: Short term public finance statistics
Timeliness: 90 days Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

See module 52101

5. International Cooperation

OECD, IMF, ECB.

Theme 53. Trade in goods

Description

The purpose of the work development under this theme is to make harmonized statistics of external and intra-Community trade available to users. These must meet user requirements in terms of quality, timeliness and dissemination and must be produced in partnership with the Member States using the latest IT tools. In particular the following actions should be implemented:

a) the further development of a network in order (i) to produce statistical information which is of better quality and more quickly available to satisfy the requirements of EU policies, (ii) to produce statistical information that is relevant and appropriate to the new needs of users within the framework of EMU and the changing international economic environment, and (iii) incorporate statistics on the trading of goods more effectively into the general statistical system at Community and international level and adapt them to changes in the administrative environment.

b) the development and promotion of methods and tools for collecting information on the trading of goods by taking into account the scope of minimizing the burden on the providers of statistical information and the introduction of the latest technological developments.

Key priorities 2007

The priorities are as follows:

- to continue with gradual improvement on the shortening the delays for the availability of monthly aggregated and detailed data from Member States maintaining good balance between timeliness and completeness;
- to have a proposal for a new Council and Parliament Regulation concerning Extrastat adopted by the Commission taking into account the new developments of the Customs Code and new requirements of the users of statistical information;
- to provide a report on the various completed and ongoing actions intended to improve and simplify the functioning of Intrastat;
- to continue carrying out the critical project called: Simplification of statistics on International Trade in Goods;
- to assess the work taken on within the framework of the Edicom program (2001-2005) and prepare a draft decision for a succeeding Edicom with the objective to explore the potential of linking trade and other business statistics and further modernizing the statistical systems;
- to consolidate and further extend the network set up during the Edicom II program with respect to electronic data collection, validation and dissemination;
- to extend and internalize the data collection system to the new Member States.

Module 53102. Trade in goods: Methodology

Responsible unit: **G-2: International trade statistics - methodology and classification**

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1. Module Description

Methodology: To prepare, adapt and update the Intrastat and Extrastat legislation taking account of the evolution of the needs, the economic and administrative environment (VAT, customs) , in close link with requirements from other statistical domains (in particular BOP and national accounts); To follow up the application of this legislation by the Member States; To ensure the internal/external communication and information on this legislation; To propose all studies or programmes which could improve the statistical methods.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

INTRASTAT

- Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004, on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/91
OJ L 102, 7.4.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 of 18 November 2004, implementing Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 1901/2000 and (EEC) No 3590/92
OJ L 343, 19.11.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1915/2005 of 24 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 with regard to the simplification of the recording of the quantity and specifications on particular movements of goods
OJ L 307, 25.11.2005

EXTRASTAT

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 of 22 May 1995, on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 118, 25.5.1995

- Council Regulation (EC) No 476/97 of 13 March 1997, amending, with respect to statistical territory, Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 75, 15.3.1997

- Council Regulation (EC) No 374/98 of 12 February 1998, amending Articles 6 and 9 of Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 48, 19.2.1998

- Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 September 2003, adapting to Council Decision 1999/468/EC the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers laid down in instruments subject to the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the EC Treaty
OJ L 284, 31.10.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 of 7 September 2000, laying down certain provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 as regards statistics on external trade
OJ L 229, 9.9.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1669/2001 of 20 August 2001, amending Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 laying down certain provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 as regards statistics on external trade
OJ L 224, 21.8.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 179/2005 of 2 February 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 with regard to the transmission of data to the Commission
OJ L 30, 3.2.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1949/2005 of 28 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 with regard to specific movements and the exclusion of trade relating to repair transactions
OJ L 312, 29.11.2005

COMMODITY NOMENCLATURE

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987, on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1–675

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3528/89 of 23 November 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 347, 28.11.1989, p. 1–1

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3845/89 of 18 December 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the common customs tariff
OJ L 374, 22.12.1989, p. 2–2

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992, establishing the Community Customs Code
OJ L 302, 19.10.1992, p. 1–50

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1969/93 of 19 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 180 of 23.7.1993, p. 9–9

- Council Regulation (EC) No 254/2000 of 31 January 2000, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 28, 3.2.2000, p. 16–18

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1549/2006 of 17 October 2006, amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 301, 31.10.2006, p. 1–880

NOMENCLATURE OF COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 of 13 December 2006, on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States
OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19–28

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

"Statistics on the trading of goods - User guide" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BM-06-001

5. International Cooperation

Working groups with UNSD, WTO, OECD, EFTA.

Module 53203. Trade in goods: Quality, registers and new indicators

Responsible unit: **G-3: International trade statistics - Production**
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1. Module Description

To assess and improve the quality of trade statistics, defined according to the standard model of quality used within the ESS. Main elements are: Timeliness of data: the action includes the assessment of the Member States' compliance with the current regulations in terms of deadlines for data transmission as well as a reflexion on the evolution of these legal deadlines in order to better answer the users' needs; Accuracy of data: this action includes follow-up of control and correction procedures (including outliers' detection), adjustments for missing trade for intra and extra-EU trade (below the thresholds and non response, statistical value), bilateral analysis of mirror flows, and treatment of confidentiality; Comparability: this action includes the follow-up of mirror exercises carried out by the Member States (comparability over space) and of the changes in definitions, coverage or methods implemented at national level (comparability over time); Coherence: work on the CIF/FOB adjustment ratio is necessary to produce an extra-EU trade balance more coherent with Balance of Payments and National Accounts; Relevance: data must be adapted to user needs; Improve and generalise the use of trade registers; Develop interoperability and links with business registers; The quality of trade data (identification of non-response) and the production of advanced estimation (estimation of missing trade) at national level are directly linked to the existence and quality of trade registers; Link with general business registers is a way to produce new indicators (analysis by activity sector, effect of trade on employment, etc.) with a limited investment.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

INTRASTAT

- Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004, on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/91
OJ L 102, 7.4.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 of 18 November 2004, implementing Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 1901/2000 and (EEC) No 3590/92
OJ L 343, 19.11.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1915/2005 of 24 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 with regard to the simplification of the recording of the quantity and specifications on particular movements of goods
OJ L 307, 25.11.2005

EXTRASTAT

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 of 22 May 1995, on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 118, 25.5.1995

- Council Regulation (EC) No 476/97 of 13 March 1997, amending, with respect to statistical territory, Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 75, 15.3.1997

- Council Regulation (EC) No 374/98 of 12 February 1998, amending Articles 6 and 9 of Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 48, 19.2.1998

- Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 September 2003, adapting to Council Decision 1999/468/EC the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers laid down in instruments subject to the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the EC Treaty
OJ L 284, 31.10.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 of 7 September 2000, laying down certain provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 as regards statistics on external trade
OJ L 229, 9.9.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1669/2001 of 20 August 2001, amending Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 laying down certain provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 as regards statistics on external trade
OJ L 224, 21.8.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 179/2005 of 2 February 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 with regard to the transmission of data to the Commission
OJ L 30, 3.2.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1949/2005 of 28 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 with regard to specific movements and the exclusion of trade relating to repair transactions
OJ L 312, 29.11.2005

COMMODITY NOMENCLATURE

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987, on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1–675

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3528/89 of 23 November 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 347, 28.11.1989, p. 1–1

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3845/89 of 18 December 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the common customs tariff
OJ L 374, 22.12.1989, p. 2–2

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992, establishing the Community Customs Code
OJ L 302, 19.10.1992, p. 1–50

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1969/93 of 19 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 180 of 23.7.1993, p. 9–9

- Council Regulation (EC) No 254/2000 of 31 January 2000, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 28, 3.2.2000, p. 16–18

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1549/2006 of 17 October 2006, amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 301, 31.10.2006, p. 1–880

NOMENCLATURE OF COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 of 13 December 2006, on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States

OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19–28

3. Data Requirements

Member States transmit statistics on the value and quantity of imports and exports of goods according to Combined Nomenclature subheadings by partner country.

Timeliness:

- extra and intra-EU aggregated statistics within 40 days after the reference month;
- extra-EU detailed statistics within 42 days after the reference month;
- intra-EU detailed statistics within 70 days after the reference month.

Periodicity: monthly.

4. Methodology

"Quality Report on International Trade Statistics" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-AS-06-001

5. International Cooperation

Working groups with UNSD, WTO, OECD, EFTA.

Module 53302. Trade in goods: Analysis and dissemination

Responsible unit: **G-3: International trade statistics - Production**
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1. Module Description

Production and dissemination of macro-economic indicators. The production and dissemination system must be adapted to the needs of main users (Commission, ECB, Council). Consequently, it will be necessary in the future to improve or develop new indicators such as: FOB/FOB trade balance, import/export price indices, seasonally adjusted data. To produce timely information, an estimation process is necessary for a part of data. Data must be accessible on all available media (press release, publications, Internet, CD-ROM).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

INTRASTAT

- Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004, on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/91
OJ L 102, 7.4.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 of 18 November 2004, implementing Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 1901/2000 and (EEC) No 3590/92
OJ L 343, 19.11.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1915/2005 of 24 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 with regard to the simplification of the recording of the quantity and specifications on particular movements of goods
OJ L 307, 25.11.2005

EXTRASTAT

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 of 22 May 1995, on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 118, 25.5.1995

- Council Regulation (EC) No 476/97 of 13 March 1997, amending, with respect to statistical territory, Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 75, 15.3.1997

- Council Regulation (EC) No 374/98 of 12 February 1998, amending Articles 6 and 9 of Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries
OJ L 48, 19.2.1998

- Regulation (EC) No 1882/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 September 2003, adapting to Council Decision 1999/468/EC the provisions relating to committees which assist the Commission in the exercise of its implementing powers laid down in instruments subject to the procedure referred to in Article 251 of the EC Treaty
OJ L 284, 31.10.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 of 7 September 2000, laying down certain provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 as regards statistics on external trade
OJ L 229, 9.9.2000

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1669/2001 of 20 August 2001, amending Article 3 of Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 laying down certain provisions for the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 as regards statistics on external trade
OJ L 224, 21.8.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 179/2005 of 2 February 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 with regard to the transmission of data to the Commission
OJ L 30, 3.2.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1949/2005 of 28 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1917/2000 with regard to specific movements and the exclusion of trade relating to repair transactions
OJ L 312, 29.11.2005

COMMODITY NOMENCLATURE

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987, on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1–675

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3528/89 of 23 November 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 347, 28.11.1989, p. 1–1

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3845/89 of 18 December 1989, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the common customs tariff
OJ L 374, 22.12.1989, p. 2–2

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992, establishing the Community Customs Code
OJ L 302, 19.10.1992, p. 1–50

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1969/93 of 19 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 180 of 23.7.1993, p. 9–9

- Council Regulation (EC) No 254/2000 of 31 January 2000, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 28, 3.2.2000, p. 16–18

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1549/2006 of 17 October 2006, amending Annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
OJ L 301, 31.10.2006, p. 1–880

NOMENCLATURE OF COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 of 13 December 2006, on the nomenclature of countries and territories for the external trade statistics of the Community and statistics of trade between Member States
OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19–28

3. Data Requirements

Member States transmit statistics on the value and quantity of imports and exports of goods according to Combined Nomenclature subheadings by partner country.

Timeliness:

- extra and intra-EU aggregated statistics within 40 days after the reference month;
- extra-EU detailed statistics within 42 days after the reference month;
- intra-EU detailed statistics within 70 days after the reference month.

Periodicity: monthly.

4. Methodology

"Statistics on the trading of goods - User guide" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BM-06-001

5. International Cooperation

Working groups with UNSD, WTO, OECD, EFTA.

Module 53402. Collection and production for trade in goods statistics, Comext database

Responsible unit: **G-3: International trade statistics - Production**
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Evangelos PONGAS, Tel. +352 4301 34723 (Comext)

1. Module Description

Ensure the regular collection, validation and dissemination of detailed intra and extra trade data in the European Union area. Continue and extend the collection and the integration of worldwide information into the Comext database. Main areas covered are Phare, Tacis and Med countries, information collected by international organisations (IMF, UN, EFTA, etc.) and important EU partners (USA, Japan, Canada, China, etc.). Improve the services offered from the Comext Support team by: - Improving the timelines of direct replies, organising regular courses, improving the quality and the presentation of data and insuring regular classification updates in the system, Integration into Comext system of relevant metadata, aggregated information (global series derived data: seasonally adjusted, trends etc.) and user manuals. Initiate the implementation of the network foreseen by XT-Net, especially in the fields of validation, transmission and distributive management of data, further development and maintenance of IT tools (XT-Net Edit, XT-Net Publish, XT-Assist, Internet Comext browser, CD-ROM system, Comext internet site), supporting and co-ordinating activities for the collection of primary data with the use of modern technologies in the frame of Intrastat (XT-Net, On-line/Off-line data collection tools, CN search).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

INTRASTAT

- Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 31 March 2004, on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3330/91

OJ L 102, 7.4.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 of 18 November 2004, implementing Regulation (EC) No 638/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to the trading of goods between Member States and repealing Commission Regulations (EC) No 1901/2000 and (EEC) No 3590/92

OJ L 343, 19.11.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1915/2005 of 24 November 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1982/2004 with regard to the simplification of the recording of the quantity and specifications on particular movements of goods

OJ L 307, 25.11.2005

EXTRASTAT

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OJ L 118, 25.5.1995

- Council Regulation (EC) No 476/97 of 13 March 1997, amending, with respect to statistical territory, Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries

OJ L 75, 15.3.1997

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OJ L 48, 19.2.1998

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OJ L 224, 21.8.2001

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OJ L 30, 3.2.2005

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OJ L 312, 29.11.2005

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OJ L 28, 3.2.2000, p. 16–18

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OJ L 301, 31.10.2006, p. 1–880

NOMENCLATURE OF COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES

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OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19–28

3. Data Requirements

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Periodicity: monthly.

4. Methodology

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http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BM-06-001

5. International Cooperation

Working groups with UNSD, WTO, OECD, EFTA.

Theme 54. Trade in services and balance of payments

Description

An information service of quality is needed for the implementation of EU trade policy, namely for trade negotiations and the functioning of the EMU. Other policies are enlargement, Commission's bilateral relations, management of regional agreements and completion of the internal market.

The following statistics are of the utmost importance to serve these policies:

- 1) International trade in services;
- 2) Foreign direct investment;
- 3) Foreign Affiliates (FATS);
- 4) Balance of payments (BOP) of the EU;
- 5) BOP of Candidate Countries;
- 6) BOP of the European Institutions.

Key customers are the ECB and Commission services dealing with trade policy, economic monitoring and external relations. Member States BOP compilers are also customers of European Institutions' BOP. The potential increase of reporting thresholds is highly important. Consequently, many Member States (especially those using bank reporting) are currently revising their BOP collection systems. Work will be pursued in the coming years - in particular through the implementation of the BOP regulation - to ensure that Member States keep providing good quality and relevant data to the EU institutions and the ECB. It is also strategically important to finalise and implement the new regulations on foreign affiliates statistics. Important methodological activities are carried out through active co-operation and co-ordination with international organisations such as the ECB, IMF, OECD and WTO

Key priorities 2007

Through the implementation of the Regulation (EC) 184/2005, the production of statistics on balance of payments, international trade in services and foreign direct investment will be pursued, improved and extended to an enlarged Union and Candidate Countries. This would serve the Commission's priorities for 2007 on "external projection" - particularly the pursuance of international trade negotiations - and "prosperity" notably the functioning of the Economic and Monetary Union and the monitoring of the Lisbon strategy.

In addition the adoption and implementation of the draft Regulation on the structure and activity of foreign affiliates, will provide important indicators for "responding to globalisation". Enhanced co-operation of BOP with National Accounts and Foreign Trade Statistics will foster greater statistical consistency. Concerning the Single European Area, the likely raise of the statistical reporting thresholds as of January 2008 will continue requiring significant development work to ensure that the quality of BOP data can be maintained. Some Member States (especially those where bank reporting is the main source for BOP compilers) are currently revising their balance of payments collection systems to cope with the new circumstances. Particular attention will be given to the methods and data collection of "workers' remittances", to help the Commission policy on "solidarity". The important work on the revision of the IMF Fifth BOP Manual will remain a challenge and a unique opportunity to influence the new international methodological standards according to the EU statistical experience.

Module 54100. Quarterly balance of payments

Responsible unit: **C-4: Balance of payments**
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1. Module Description

Economic policy - convergence criteria; Monitoring of single monetary policy; Monitoring of enlargement; compilation of quarterly sectoral accounts. Scope: Production of Quarterly and annual Balance of Payments of the EU and Euro-zone (in co-operation with ECB responsible for the Euro-zone quarterly BOP), European Institutions, EU Member States, Candidate Countries and Euro-indicators; New Cronos, Euro-indicators, structural indicators and Yearbook; Estimate of Annual Current Account of EU (Statistics in Focus) with a geographical breakdown (2 reporters, 12 posts, 5 partners); Quarterly Press Release in co-ordination with ECB.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 184/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 January 2005, on Community statistics concerning balance of payments, international trade in services and foreign direct investment
OJ L 35, 8.2.2005, p. 23–55

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 601/2006 of 18 April 2006, implementing Regulation (EC) No 184/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the format and the procedure for the transmission of data
OJ L 106, 19.04.2006

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 602/2006 of 18 April 2006, adapting Regulation (EC) No 184/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council through the updating of data requirements
OJ L 106, 19.04.2006

Other basis:

- Most of the relevant documentation is included in the Metadata pages of Eurostat Balance of Payments site: http://europa.eu/estatref/info/sdds/en/bop/bop_base.htm or <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

This includes:

- IMF manual - 5th Edition
- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006) available on: http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/basic_documents/vademecum_november_1&vm=detailed&sb=Title
- Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services
- OECD Benchmark Definition of Foreign Direct Investment
- Report of the Task Force on Foreign Direct Investment
- Task Force reports on: Travel, Asymmetries between Balance of Payments and Foreign Trade Statistics and BOP Quality

- Work is developed by the BOP Working Group, see at: <http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

3. Data Requirements

BOP_EUR_Q: Euro Indicators
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: Q

BOP_Q_Q: Quarterly Balance of Payments
Timeliness: 90 Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- IMF manual - 5th Edition

- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006)

- Task Force reports on: Travel, Asymmetries between Balance of Payments and Foreign Trade Statistics, BOP Quality, Quarterly Sector Accounts and Rest-of-the-World.

See at: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/bop/home>

5. International Cooperation

ECB, IMF, WTO, OECD, BIS, UNCTAD.

Module 54200. Balance of payments of the Community institutions

Responsible unit: **C-4: Balance of payments**
Contact person: Maria-Helena FIGUEIRA, Tel: +352 4301 34730

1. Module Description

Economic policy - convergence criteria, single monetary policy, Budgetary policy, BOP of the Community Institutions is necessary to compile the EU BOP, as they are considered as an additional Member State (reporter). The information is requested by EU Member States to compile their own Balance of Payments; Compilation of National Accounts data. Scope: Monthly, annual and quarterly production of Balance of Payments (BOP) of the European Union Institutions - presentation of resources and expenditure of the Institutions following the BOP scheme: Supply of data to EU Member States, ECB and IMF; New Cronos, Publication of Statistics in Focus, Analysis, public reports or specific "tailor made" studies and requests, Participation in the relevant Task Forces and Working Groups.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- Most of the relevant documentation is included in the Metadata pages of Eurostat Balance of payments site: http://europa.eu/estatref/info/sdds/en/bop/bop_euinst_sm.htm or

http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/european_institutions&vm=detailed&sb=Title

This includes:

- Balance of payments of the EU Institutions
- Future steps-EU Institutions Compilation Guide
- Table of correspondence BOP - budget codes

Work is developed by the BOP Working Group, see at:

<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/&vm=detailed&sb=Title>

3. Data Requirements

None, but BOP EUI data available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1996,45323734&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&screen=welcomeref&open=/bop/bop_euins&language=en&product=EU_MASTER_balance_of_payments&root=EU_MASTER_balance_of_payments&scrollto=0

4. Methodology

- IMF manual - 5th Edition

- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006)

5. International Cooperation

ECB, IMF, WTO, OECD, BIS, UNCTAD.

Module 54300. Foreign direct investment

Responsible unit: **C-4: Balance of payments**
Contact person: Maria-Helena FIGUEIRA, Tel: +352 4301 34730

1. Module Description

Implementation of EU trade policy, trade negotiations (Art. 133 Treaty & General Agreement on Trade in Services - GATS), measure impact of globalisation and effectiveness/opening of internal market, economic policy (convergence criteria), monitoring enlargement, EU bilateral relations, regional agreements, analysis by activities (transport, tourism, telecomm. ,. . .); Significant input for national accounts & GNI. Scope: FDI: Production of annual FDI for EU, EU Member States, Euro-area, Candidate Countries, Norway, Switzerland, USA, Japan - flows, stocks, income (60 activities and 250 geographical partners); New Cronos; structural indicators (Market integration-FDI intensity); Statistics in Focus, news releases and tailor made studies; Publication: "EU FDI yearbook"; international methodological activities (EU, IMF, OECD, UN, WTO).

2. Legal Basis

See Module 54100

3. Data Requirements

BOP-FDI-P-A: Foreign Direct Investment, Positions, annual. BOP Vademecum tables Y7-2 and Y8-2
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

BOP_FATS: Balance Of Payments - Foreign Affiliates Trade Statistics
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

BOP_FDI: Balance Of Payments - Foreign Direct Investments
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- IMF manual - 5th Edition
- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006)
- Information available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/bop/home>

5. International Cooperation

ECB, IMF, WTO, OECD, BIS, UNCTAD.

Module 54400. International trade in services and geographical breakdown

Responsible unit: **C-4: Balance of payments**
Contact person: Maria-Helena FIGUEIRA, Tel: +352 4301 34730

1. Module Description

Implementation of EU trade policy, trade negotiations (Art. 133 of Treaty & General Agreement on Trade in Services - GATS), economic policy (convergence criteria), completion of internal market, monitoring enlargement, EU bilateral relations, regional agreements, analysis by products (transport, tourism, telecomm., audiovisual, financial services...), significant input for national accounts and GNI. Scope: Production of annual ITS and its geographical breakdown for the EU, EU Member States, Euro area, Candidate Countries, Norway, USA, Japan (50 posts and about 100 geographical partners): New Cronos and structural indicators (trade integration of services); Statistics in Focus, news releases and tailor made studies; publication "EU International Trade in Services"; international methodological activities (EU, IMF, OECD, UN WTO, ...).

2. Legal Basis

See Module 54100

3. Data Requirements

BOP_ITS_A: Balance Of Payments - International Trade in Services
Timeliness: 275 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- IMF manual - 5th Edition
- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006)
- Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services
- Task Force reports on: Travel and BOP Quality
- Information available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/bop/home>

5. International Cooperation

ECB, IMF, WTO, OECD, BIS, UNCTAD.

Module 54500. Trade in services and balance of payments: Methodology, Meetings

Responsible unit: **C-4: Balance of payments**
Contact person: Maria-Helena FIGUEIRA, Tel: +352 4301 34730

1. Module Description

Activities to provide support to data quality to better serve: trade policy, single currency policy, economic policy and globalisation, EU bilateral relations and regional agreements, employment policy, competition policy, monitoring enlargement, internal market policy, analysis by products/activities (transport, tourism, telecommunications, audiovisual, financial services, etc), budgetary policy. Scope: management of "Balance of payments Committee" created by BOP regulation. Quality support: development of local data base; preparation of methodological documents for the BOP Working Group/Committee and technical groups; active co-ordination with the European Central Bank (Statistics Committee and Working Group on External Statistics); improvement of methodology and data collection systems via active participation in technical groups steered by Eurostat; development of statistical legislation; participation in development of EU quarterly accounts by institutional sector; coordination with IMF (IMF Committee), OECD, WTO & UN (Intersecretariat work on trade in services - UN/IMF/OECD/WTO).

2. Legal Basis

See Module 54100

Other basis:

- The BOP regulation No 184/2005 foresees the drafting of regular quality reports by Member States on the BOP data transmitted to Eurostat. The legal act, specifying quality standards, contents and periodicity of such reports is under preparation.

3. Data Requirements

Reporting on methodological issues in the framework of Task Forces or other initiatives to improve BOP methodology and to exchange national experience- Future: reporting on BOP data quality.

4. Methodology

- IMF manual - 5th Edition
 - BOP Vademecum (update November 2006)
 - OECD Benchmark Definition of Foreign Direct Investment
 - Report of the Task Force on Foreign Direct Investment
 - Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services
 - European statistics code of practice
 - Task Force reports on: Travel, Asymmetries between Balance of Payments and Foreign Trade Statistics, BOP Quality, Quarterly Sector Accounts and Rest-of-the-World.
- See at: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/bop/home>

5. International Cooperation

ECB, IMF, WTO, OECD, BIS, UNCTAD.

Module 54600. Foreign affiliates statistics (outward)

Responsible unit: **C-4: Balance of payments**
Contact person: Maria-Helena FIGUEIRA, Tel: +352 4301 34730

1. Module Description

Implementation of EU trade policy, trade negotiations (Art. 133 Treaty and General Agreement on Trade in Services - GATS), measure impact of globalisation and effectiveness/opening of internal market, economic policy (convergence criteria) and measure effect of FDI on employment, monitoring enlargement, EU bilateral relations, regional agreements, analysis by activities (transport, tourism, telecomm., ...). Scope: Production of annual outward FATS for EU Member States: employment and turnover (30 activities and 70 geographical partners); New Cronos and tailor made studies. Drafting of the Recommendations Manual on Foreign Affiliates Statistics (FATS). International methodological activities (EU, IMF, OECD, UN, WTO).

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- Legislation being discussed at Council and European Parliament level. Approval expected in 2007. See at: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/>

- Most of the relevant documentation is included in the FATS Metadata pages of Eurostat Balance of payments site: http://europa.eu.int/estatref/info/sdds/en/bop/outward_fats_sm.htm

This includes:

- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006) available on: http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/basic_documents/vademecum_november_1&vm=detailed&sb=Title-er_1
- Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services

- Development work is made by the Foreign Affiliates Statistics Joint Working Group, see at: <http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/bop/library?l=/fats/>

3. Data Requirements

BOP_FATS: Outward Foreign Affiliates Statistics broken down by sector and by geographical area

Timeliness: 640 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- IMF manual - 5th Edition

- BOP Vademecum (update November 2006)

- OECD Benchmark Definition of Foreign Direct Investment

- Report of the Task Force on Foreign Direct Investment

- Manual on Statistics of International Trade in Services

- Task Force reports on: Travel, Asymmetries between Balance of Payments and Foreign Trade Statistics and BOP Quality.

5. International Cooperation

ECB, WTO, OECD.

CHAPTER IV. Agriculture, forestry and fisheries

Theme 61. Land use and landscape

Description

The LUCAS project (Land Use and Cover Area frame statistical Surveys) was launched in 2000 based on the EP and Council Decision 1445/2000/EC dealing with the application of area frame techniques. Area frame surveys are common approaches to gather land cover and land use data. In contrast to mapping approaches (e.g. the CORINE Land Cover project), area frame sampling is a statistical method. Based on the visual observation of sample geo-referenced points, area estimates are computed and used as a valid generalisation without studying the entire area under investigation. The approach has also the important advantage of not involving/disturbing the land owners and the farmers.

The objective is to set up area frame surveys with a standard survey methodology in terms of the sampling plan, the nomenclature and the collection and use of data to obtain harmonised data (unbiased estimates) at EU level for provision of:

- a) coherent and harmonised statistics on general land use and land cover, particularly in terms of its agricultural component in the broad sense;
- b) early crop area estimates;
- c) information on aspects relating to the environment, multi-use, landscape and sustainable development, extending the scope of the survey from the normal agricultural domain;
- d) ground evidence for calibration of satellite images;
- e) a common sampling base (frame, nomenclature, data treatment) that interested Member states can use to obtain representative data at national/regional level by increase of the sampling rate, respecting the general LUCAS approach.

Key priorities 2007

Based on survey methods revised to take into account the 2001, 2003 and 2005 experiences, a LUCAS survey has been designed covering EU25 (except Malta, Cyprus, some islands and ultra peripheral regions). During spring 2006, the survey has been realised in 11 Member States, whilst a 2007 exercise, on a smaller number of points on land cover and land use, erosion risks, irrigation management and landscape parameters, will be executed in 13 Member States. A full evaluation of the survey will be carried out in view of the Commission's decision on the future of LUCAS beyond 2007.

Module 61103 - 61104. Land use and remote sensing

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Implementation and management of the LUCAS project (Land Use and Land Cover Area frame Surveys) in application of Council Decision 1445/2000/EC.

The collection and the validation of statistics on land cover/use for agricultural and environmental purposes. Management and validation of the land cover/use statistics by cross-checking different sources (Farm structure survey, the crop statistics and joint Euro stat/OECD questionnaire for environment, which regards the whole EU territory).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- European Parliament and Council Decision No 786/2004/EC of 21 April 2004, amending Decisions No 1720/1999/EC, No 253/2000/EC, No 508/2000/EC, No 1031/2000/EC, No 1445/2000/EC, No 163/2001/EC, No 1411/2001/EC, No 50/2002/EC, No 466/2002/EC, No 1145/2002/EC, No 1513/2002/EC, No 1786/2002/EC, No 291/2003/EC and No 20/2004/EC with a view to adapting the reference amounts to take account of the enlargement of the European Union
OJ L 138, 30.4.2004

- European Parliament and Council Decision No 2066/2003/EC of 10 November 2003, on the continued application of areal-survey and remote-sensing techniques to the agricultural statistics for 2004 to 2007 and amending Decision 1445/2000/EC
OJ L 309, 26.11.2003

- Parliament and Council Decision No 1445/2000/EC of 22 May 2000, on the application of aerial-survey and remote-sensing techniques to the agricultural statistics for 1999 to 2003
OJ L 163, 4.7.2000

- Commission Decision No 2002/750/EC of 10 September 2002, on the continued application of areal survey and remote sensing techniques to the agricultural statistics for 2002-2003
OJ L 244, 12.9.2002

3. Data Requirements

LUCAS_N_N: LUCAS survey

4. Methodology

- Exhaustive area frame survey carried out adopting a systematic approach

- The complete methodology is described and available in the reference documentation on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/irc/dsis/landstat/info/data/index.htm>

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 61303 - 61304. Rural development statistics

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Provide the European Union with high quality statistical information in the field of rural development. Development work covering the collection of appropriate statistics (social, demographic, economic, etc.) to evaluate the sustainable development of rural areas.

2. Legal Basis

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 of 20 September 2005, on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)
OJ L 277, 21.10.2005

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1257/1999 of 17 May 1999, on support for rural development from the European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund (EAGGF) and amending and repealing certain Regulations
OJ L 160, 26.6.1999

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

Those already existing in the existing data methodologies related to rural zones.

5. International Cooperation

A task- force has been created at the level of the UN/ECE/FAO/OECD Interservice working group in agricultural statistics.

Theme 62. Agricultural structures

Description

Farm structure statistics play a key role in the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). This role is likely to increase over time with enlargement and CAP reform (shift from product to producer support - environmental compliance - rural development). The EU farm structure surveys (FSS) - censuses every ten years and intermediate sample surveys in between – are the backbone of the agricultural statistical system. They provide micro data on the agricultural labour force, land use, livestock, equipment and they are the statistical basis for all sample surveys on land use, livestock and agricultural income. Timeliness and accessibility of the FSS data are main concerns. The coverage of new Member States and Candidate Countries is an important challenge.

Key priorities 2007

The reference period for the intermediate survey for 2007 is 1 December 2006 – 1 March 2008 and Member States will be implementing their survey operations during this period. The results of the 2007 survey will be transmitted to Eurostat in the course of 2008. In 2007 a draft Regulation for farm structure surveys from 2010 and for a survey on agricultural production methods will be submitted for discussion in the European Parliament and in the Council.

Module 62103 - 62104. Agricultural structure

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Collection and validation of Farm Structure Survey statistics this data play a key role in the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). The main role is likely to increase over time with enlargement and CAP reform (shift from product to producer support - environmental compliance - rural development). The EU farm structure surveys (FSS) - censuses every ten years and intermediate sample surveys (every three years) in between - are the backbone of the agricultural statistical system. They provide micro data on agricultural labour force, land use, livestock equipment and they are the statistical basis for sample surveys on land use, livestock and agricultural income; The EU farm typology (linked to farm structure survey and farm accountancy data network) has to be revised in accordance with CAP reform.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 of 29 February 1988, on the organization of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings , last amended by European Parliament and Council Regulation No 1890/2006 of 20/12/2006
OJ L 56, 2.3.1988
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2467/96 of 17 December 1996, amending Regulation (EEC) No 571/1988 on the organization of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 335, 24.12.1996
- Commission Decision No 115/2000/EC of 24 November 1999, relating to the definitions of the characteristics, the list of agricultural products, the exceptions to the definitions and the regions and districts regarding the surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 38, 12.2.2000
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1444/2002 of 24 July 2002, amending Commission Decision 2000/115/EC relating to the definitions of the characteristics, the exceptions to the definitions and the regions and districts regarding the surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 216, 12.8.2002
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 68/2003 of 16 January 2003, concerning the use of information from sources other than statistical surveys and the time limits for the communication of the results for the 2003 survey on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 12, 17.1.2003
- Regulation (EC) No 1435/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 June 2004, amending, as a result of enlargement, Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 on the organisation of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 268, 16.8.2004
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2139/2004 of 8 December 2004, adapting and implementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 and amending Commission Decision 2000/115/EC with a view to the organisation of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings in 2005 and 2007
OJ L 369, 16.12.2004
- Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2139/2004 of 8 December 2004 adapting and implementing Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 and amending Commission Decision 2000/115/EC

with a view to the organisation of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings in 2005 and 2007 (OJ L 369, 16.12.2004)
OJ L 244, 20.9.2005

- Commission Decision No 2005/124/EC of 10 February 2005, authorising certain Member States to use information from sources other than statistical surveys for the 2005 survey on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 39, 11.2.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 204/2006 of 6 February 2006, adapting Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 and amending Commission Decision 2000/115/EC with a view to the organisation of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings in 2007
OJ L 34, 7.2.2006

- Regulation (EC) No 1890/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006, on amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 on the organization of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings, as regards the financial framework for the period 2007-2009 and the maximum Community contribution for Bulgaria and Romania
OJ L 386, 29.12.2006

- Commission Decision No 2007/80/EC of 1 February 2007, authorising certain Member States to use information from sources other than statistical surveys for the 2007 survey on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 28, 3.2.2007

Other basis:

- Document CLASSEX 322 (Typology handbook)
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3. Data Requirements

AGRI_FARMOWV_O: Eurofarm Test Data

AGRI_FARM_A: Results of Farm Structure Surveys
Timeliness: 1080 Periodicity: A

AGRI_SGMCOEF_N: SGM Coefficients

4. Methodology

- Information on the methodology of the structure surveys can be found in "Farm structure - 1999/2000 survey" (2003 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-52-03-756-3A

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 63. Agricultural monetary statistics

Description

Agricultural economic accounts and prices play a key role in the design, implementation and monitoring of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) as well as in the impact evaluation of the CAP on the economic and financial situation of the agricultural community. Agricultural price indices will continue to be collected and disseminated with the aim of better coherence between products covered by price statistics and economic accounts. The Agricultural Information System (AGRIS) plays an important role in validating the consistency and coherence of agricultural statistics. Agricultural monetary statistics provide important statistics for the preparation, the elaboration and the evaluation of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). The work of this theme is based on the need for information to provide guidelines for the CAP.

Key priorities 2007

Economic Accounts for Agriculture will be further improved. The recording of subsidies will be investigated and improved to better meet the requirements of the Handbook on EAA and the National Accounts. The recording of Gross Fixed Capital Formation in animals will be further harmonised. The amendment of the EAA regulation will be prepared. EAA new and updated inventories prepared by the Member States and EEA countries will be analysed. The validation and quality check of EAA and ALI data will be improved. Preparation work will start on rebasing Agricultural Price Indices to 2005 base year. The Handbook on Agricultural Price Statistics (APS) will be updated. The treatment of seasonality in Agricultural Price Indices (API) will be further harmonised. Particular attention will be devoted to the elaboration of a target methodology for land prices and rents. IAHS feasibility study will be analysed and the next steps of future improvement will be described. AGRIS will be further developed to carry out data validation.

Module 63103 - 63104. Agricultural accounts and prices

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Collection and validation of agricultural monetary statistics which comprise (1) The Economic Accounts for Agriculture and forestry, (2) the Income of Agricultural Households Income (IAHS), (3) the Agricultural Labour Input (ALI) and (4) the Agricultural Price Statistics. The EU Agricultural Price Indices and the Statistics of absolute agricultural prices are part of the Agricultural Price Statistics.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 December 2003, on the economic accounts for agriculture in the Community
OJ L 33, 5.2.2004

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 306/2005 of 24 February 2005, amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the economic accounts for agriculture in the Community
OJ L 52, 25.2.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 909/2006 of 20 June 2006, amending Annexes I and II to Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the economic accounts for agriculture in the Community
OJ L 168, 21.6.2006

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 1990, EU agricultural price indices (output and input) supplemented by a system of absolute prices for the principal agricultural products and means of production.
Comments: APS There is a system of EU agricultural price indices (output and input) supplemented by a system of absolute prices for the principal agricultural products and means of production;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: quarterly and annual;
Participant countries: EU Member States;
Official data providers: NSIs and the Ministries of Agriculture.

- Member States Agreement of 1990, Overall income situation of agricultural households.
Comments: IAHS These statistics present an aggregate picture of the overall income situation of agricultural households, covering income from all sources (not just from farming) and deductions such as taxation and social contributions, to compare against comparable data from other socio-professional groups;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Participant countries: EU Member States;
Official data providers: NSIs and the Ministries of Agriculture.

- Gentlemen's agreement on Unit Values of agricultural products.

3. Data Requirements

COSAEA_AGR_A: Economic Accounts for Agriculture
Timeliness: 270 Periodicity: A

COSAEA_All_A: Economic Accounts for Agriculture - Agricultural Income Index
Timeliness: -30 and 30 Periodicity: A

COSAE_UV_A: Economic Accounts for Agriculture (Unit values)
Timeliness: 270 Periodicity: A

COSA_IAHS_A: Income of the Agricultural Households Sector
Timeliness: 720 Periodicity: A

PRAG_INDICES_A: Agricultural Indices
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: A

PRAG_LAND_A: Agricultural Land Prices and Rent
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: A

PRAG_PRICES_A: Absolute Agricultural Prices
Timeliness: 60 Periodicity: A

PRAG_INDICES_M: Agriculture indices
Timeliness: 45 Periodicity: Q

4. Methodology

- Regulation (EC) No 138/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council

- "Handbook for EU agricultural price statistics"

- "Manual on Economic Accounts for Agriculture and Forestry EAA/EAF 97 (Rev. 1.1)" available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-27-00-782

- "Target methodology for Agricultural Labour Input (ALI) statistics (Rev.1)" (available German, English and French) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-32-00-079-3A

5. International Cooperation

FAO, ECE.

Theme 64. Crop production

Description

Crop production statistics cover: the field of cereal production and of the other productions resulting from field crop, on the basis of existing legislation; the field of the fruits and vegetables; the supply balance sheets of wine (on legal basis) and of the balances for other crop products; The work programme focuses on the widening of the field (fruit, vegetables and flowers), the validation of the data, documentation of the methods and the preparation of the metadata, analysis of the results and their publication. Close attention is devoted to the integration of the accessing and candidates countries. The crop products statistics play a key role in the design, implementation and monitoring of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). The work of this theme is based on the need for information to provide guidelines for the CAP.

Key priorities 2007

A simplification of the crop statistics legislation is foreseen. The early area estimates for cereals and main crops will be improved and completed by asking data earlier.

The results of the reform of the common market organisation on wine will be followed closely in order to review the new need of information and the future of the regulation 357/79 on statistics on areas under vine will be discussed.

The progress of the orchard survey in the Member State will be followed.

Module 64103 - 64104. Crop products statistics

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1. Module Description

Crop products statistics cover: the field of cereal production, of the other productions resulting from field crop, of the fruits and vegetables and the supply balance sheets for a large number of crop products. The work programme focuses on replacing Gentlemen's Agreements by Community legislation, simplification of existing Community legislation on crop statistics, widening the domain (fruit and vegetables), the validation and dissemination of the data, documentation of the methods and updating metadata information.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

I Legal acts direct managed by Eurostat:

A-Cereals and main crops:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 837/90 of 26 March 1990, concerning statistical information to be supplied by the Member States on cereals production
OJ L 88, 3.4.1990
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 959/93 of 5 April 1993, concerning statistical information to be supplied by Member States on crop products other than cereals
OJ L 98, 24.4.1993
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2197/95/EC of 18 September 1995, amending the annexes to Council Regulations 837/90 and 959/93 concerning statistics to be supplied by the Member States on cereal production and 959/93 concerning statistical information to be supplied by Member States on crop products other than cereals
OJ L 221, 19.9.1995
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 296/2003 of 17 February 2003, amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 959/93 concerning statistical information to be supplied by Member States on crop products other than cereals
OJ L 43, 18.2.2003

B-Vineyard:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 357/79 of 5 February 1979, statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 54, 5.3.1979
- Commission Decision No 79/491/EEC of 17 May 1979, laying down a code and standard rules for the transcription of the data of the basic surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 129, 28.5.1979
- Commission Regulation No 991/79/EEC of 17 May 1979, setting out a schedule of tables and laying down the definitions relating to basic statistical surveys of areas under vines and repealing Regulations No 143 and No 26/64/EEC
OJ L 129, 28.5.1979

- Commission Decision No 80/763/EEC of 8 July 1980, laying down additional provisions concerning statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 213, 16.8.1980
- Commission Decision No 80/765/EEC of 8 July 1980, laying down a code and standard rules for the transcription into a machine-readable form of the data relating to intermediate statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 213, 16.8.1980
- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2802/85 of 7 October 1985, amending Regulation No 991/79 as regards the tables relating to basic statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 265, 8.10.1985
- Council Regulation (EC) No 3205/93 of 16 November 1993, amending Regulation No 357/79 on statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 289, 24.11.1993
- Commission Decision No 80/764/EEC of 8 July 1998, establishing the schedule of tables and definitions relating to intermediate statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 213, 16.8.1980
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2329/98 of 22 October 1998, amending Regulation (EEC) No 357/79 on statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 291, 30.10.1998
- Commission Decision No 99/661/EC of 9 September 1999, amending Decisions 79/491/EEC and 80/765/EEC laying down a code and standard rules for the transcription into a machine-readable form of the data of the basic surveys and the data relating to intermediate statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 261, 7.10.1999
- Commission Decision No 2003/654/EC of 8 September 2003, laying down a code and standard rules for the transcription into a machine-readable form of the data relating to intermediate statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 230, 16.9.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1402/2003 of 1 August 2003, setting out a schedule of tables and laying down the definitions relating to basic statistical surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 199, 7.8.2003
- Commission Decision No 2006/717/EC of 4 September 2006, laying down a code and standard rules for the transcription into a machine-readable form of the data of the basic surveys of areas under vines
OJ L 294, 25.10.2006, p. 59-71

C-Orchards:

- Council Directive No 76/625/EEC of 20 July 1976, concerning the statistical surveys to be carried out by the Member States in order to determine the production potential of plantation of certain species of fruit trees
OJ L 218, 11.8.1976
- Parliament and Council Directive No 2001/109/EC of 19 December 2000, concerning the statistical surveys to be carried out by the Member States in order to determine the production potential of plantations of certain species of fruit trees
OJ L 13, 16.1.2001
- Commission Decision No 2002/38/EC of 27 December 2001, setting out the survey parameters and laying down the code and standard rules for the transcription, in machine-readable form, of the data relating to the surveys on plantations of certain species of fruit trees
OJ L 16, 18.1.2002

- Commission Decision No 2006/128/EC of 3 February 2006, amending Directive 2001/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Decision 2002/38/EC concerning the statistical surveys carried out on plantations of certain species of fruit trees
OJ L 51, 22.2.2006

D- Wine Supply Balance Sheet:

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1282/2001 of 28 June 2001, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 as regards the gathering of information to identify wine products and to monitor the wine market and amending Regulation (EC) No 1623/2000
OJ L 176, 29.6.2001

II Legal acts no direct managed by Eurostat:

A- Olive production and olive register:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 154/75 of 21 January 1975, establishment of a register of olive cultivation in the Member States producing olive oil
OJ L 19, 24.1.1975

- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2276/79 of 16 October 1979, laying down detailed rules for the drawing up of a register of olive cultivation in the Member States producing olive oil
OJ L 262, 18.10.1979

- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1279/89 of 10 May 1989, amending Regulation No 2276/79 laying down detailed rules for the drawing up of a register of olive cultivation in the Member States producing olive oil
OJ L 127, 11.5.1989

- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2159/92 of 23 July 1992, on the financing of expenditure for the establishment and updating of the register of olive cultivation
OJ L 217, 31.7.1992

B- Wine Common Market organization and vineyard register:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2392/86 of 24 July 1986, establishing a community vineyard register
OJ L 208, 31.7.1986

- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 649/87 of 3 March 1987, laying down detailed rules for the establishment of a community vineyard register
OJ L 62, 5.3.1987

- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1097/89 of 27 April 1989, amending Regulation No 649/87 laying down detailed rules for the establishment of a community vineyard register
OJ L 116, 28.4.1989

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1596/96 of 30 July 1996, amending Regulation No 86/2392 establishing a Community vineyard register
OJ L 206, 16.8.1996

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999 of 17 May 1999, on the common organisation of the market in wine
OJ L 179, 14.7.1999

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 1990, current statistics on fruit and vegetables (Gentlemen's Agreement).

Comments: Crop production statistics Current statistics on fruit and vegetables;

General information (description): areas and production;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: yearly
Publication: usual Eurostat;
Participant countries: EU and Candidate Countries;
Official data providers: NSIs, Ministries of agriculture.

- Member States Agreement of 1988, supply balance sheet (Gentlemen's Agreement).
Comments: Crop production supply balance sheets;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: yearly;
Participant countries: Member States and Candidate Countries;
Official data providers: NSIs, Ministries of agriculture.

- Member States Agreement of 1990, early estimates on Crop Production (Gentlemen's Agreement).
Comments: it's a system based on exchange of information between Eurostat (model Agromet) and early data from the Member States;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: monthly, during the growing season period;
Participant countries: EU-Countries;
Official data providers: NSIs, Ministries of agriculture.

3. Data Requirements

CROP_CER_A Cereal Production Statistics Final
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_CER0110_A Cereal Production Statistics 0110
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

CROP_CER1511_A Cereal Production Statistics 1511
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A
CROP_CER0102_A Cereal Production Statistics 0102
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_CER0104_A Cereal Production Statistics 0104
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_CRO_A Crop Production Statistics Final Yearly
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_CRO0110_A Crop Production Statistics 0110
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

Crop CROP_CRO0111_A Crop Production Statistics 0111
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

Crop CROP_CRO0112_A Crop Production Statistics 0112
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

CROP_CRO0104_A Crop Production Statistics 0104
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_CRO1504_A Crop Production Statistics 1504
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_EECP_M Crop Early Estimates
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M (Feb-Sept)

CROP_FRVE_M Fruit and Vegetable – Early estimates
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M (Apr. to Nov.)

FLOWERS_A Ornamental Plants
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSCERE_P_A Cereals Supply Balance Sheet (provisional)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSCERE_D_A Cereals Supply Balance Sheet (final)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSCERE_P_A Cereals Supply Balance Sheet (provisional)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSROP_D_A Crop Products Supply Balance Sheet (final)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSDP_A Dried Pulse Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSFRVE_A Fruit and Vegetable Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSOILC_A Oilcakes Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSOILS_A Oilseeds, Oils and Fats Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: Y+2 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSOILS_VEG_A Vegetable Oils and Fats Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSPOTA_P_A Potatoes Supply Balance Sheet (provisional)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSPOTA_D_A Potatoes Supply Balance Sheet (final)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSRICE_P_A Rice Supply Balance Sheet (provisional)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSRICE_D_A Rice Supply Balance Sheet (final)
Timeliness: Y+2 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSSUGA_P_A Sugar Supply Balance Sheet (provisional)
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_SBSSUGA_D_A Sugar Supply Balance Sheet (final)
Timeliness: Y+2 Periodicity: A

CROP_WIN1511_A Wine Supply Balance Sheet 1511
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

CROP_WIN1503_A Wine Supply Balance Sheet 1503 Yearly
Timeliness: Y+3 Periodicity: A

FRUCTUS_N_N Fruit Tree Plantation Survey
Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: Every 5 years

VITIS_TAB5_A Vineyard survey table 5 areas

Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

VITIS_TAB6_A Vineyard survey table 6 grub, (re)planted

Timeliness: Y+2 Periodicity: A

VITIS_TAB7_A Vineyard survey table 7, wine production

Timeliness: Y+1 Periodicity: A

VITIS_TAB8_A Vineyard survey table 8, forecast on 5 years

Timeliness: Y+1-4 Periodicity: Every 5 years

4. Methodology

- (Crop production statistics) Community methodological reports: cereals in Europe (November 1994); cereals in Europe - Supplement (September 1996); crops in Europe (December 1996), Eurostat

- (Supply balance sheets) Current statistics, trade statistics, technical coefficients, technical surveys

- (Supply balance sheets) Community methodological handbooks : ASA/PE/635 - Generalities (2001), ASA/PE/636 - Cereals (2002), ASA/PE/637 - Rice (2002), ASA/PE/638 - Dried pulses (2002), ASA/PE/639 - Potatoes and Potato starch (2002), ASA/PE/641&640 - Fruit

- (Agromet) Statistical predicting probabilistic model working from current statistics and weather conditions, results sent to the Member States monthly, forecasts reviewed by the Member States according to their own data

- (Crop production statistics) Methodological Handbook of current statistics on crop production (ASA/PE611)

- "Crop production - Glossary 2001" available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-CI-01-001-1F

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 65. Animal production

Description

The statistics of animal production comprise surveys on livestock, slaughtering, production forecasts, production of milk and of milk products on the farm and in the dairy, the activity of hatcheries, trade and use of chicks and supply balance sheets of meat, milk and milk product and eggs for hatching and for consumption. The work programme focuses on validation and quality of the data, documentation of the methods and information by metadata, analysis of the results and publications. The implementation of the 'acquis communautaire' in the New Member States and Candidate Countries has to be consolidated. Animal production statistics provide important statistics for the preparation, the elaboration and the evaluation of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP). The work of this theme is based on the need for information to provide guidelines for the CAP.

Key priorities 2006

New Member States and other countries are on their way to implement the 'acquis communautaire'. Acceding Countries need to consolidate the implementation of the 'acquis', i.e. to improve the quality and the coverage of the data. The poultry statistics sector needs developments and improvements. Special attention will be devoted to calculation (compiled by Eurostat) of national and EU balance sheets for a number of animal products. The use of administrative data sources is foreseen by the Member States: depending on the demands, legal issues are expected. The constitution of reference documentation with the collaboration of the Member States remains a key task in order to comply with the metadata requirements that are under definition.

Module 65103 - 65104. Livestock and meat

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Under this module statistics related to meat and eggs production are covered including: cattle, pig, sheep and goats livestock surveys, meat production, trade of live animals, production forecasts, supply balance sheets, eggs for hatching and trade of chicks.

A draft Regulation updating the three directives on pigs, cattle, and sheep and goats (93/23/EEC, 93/24/EEC and 93/25/EEC) has been approved by the Commission and is under consideration by the Council.

Activities include the handling of data delivered by the Member States, Acceding and Candidates countries, data validation and the update of metadata.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1351/87 of 15 May 1987 amending Regulation (EEC) No 1868/77 laying down detailed rules of application for Regulation (EEC) No 2782/75 on the production and marketing of eggs for hatching and of farmyard poultry chicks (OJ L 127, 16.5.1987) OJ L 159, 19.6.1987
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3791/85 of 20 December 1985, adapting certain Regulations relating to the eggs and poultry sector consequent upon the accession of Spain and Portugal OJ L 367, 31.12.1985
- Commission Decision No 2000/554/EC of 6 September 2000, authorising the Republic of Austria to make use of the register of bovine animals to partially replace surveys of bovine livestock (Only the German text is authentic) OJ L 235, 19.9.2000
- Commission Decision No 2000/380/EC of 29 May 2000, authorising the Republic of Austria to carry out only two pig surveys a year (Only the German text is authentic) OJ L 139, 10.6.2000
- Commission Decision No 98/718/EC of 4 December 1998, authorising France, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom to conduct only two pig surveys per year (Only the English, French, German and Italian texts are authentic) OJ L 342, 17.12.1998
- Corrigendum to Commission Decision No 2004/412/EC authorising Austria to make use of the system established by Title I of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council to replace surveys of bovine livestock (OJ L 151, 30.4.2004) OJ L 208, 10.6.2004
- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2773/90 of 27 September 1990, amending Regulation (EEC) No 1868/77 laying down detailed rules of application for Regulation (EEC) No 2782/75 on the production and marketing of eggs for hatching and of farmyard poultry chicks OJ L 267, 29.9.1990

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2782/75 of 29 October 1975, production and marketing of eggs for hatching and of farmyard poultry chicks
OJ L 282, 1.11.1975
Comments: Eggs (not under the responsibility of Eurostat, but DG AGRI)
- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 1868/77 of 29 July 1977, laying down detailed rules of application for Regulation No 2782/75 on the production and marketing of eggs for hatching and of farmyard poultry chicks
OJ L 209, 17.8.1977
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3485/80 of 22 December 1980, amending, consequent upon the accession of Greece, Regulation (EEC) No 2782/75 on the production and marketing of eggs for hatching and of farmyard poultry chicks
OJ L 365, 31.12.1980
- Commission Regulation (EEC) No 3759/85 of 23 December 1985, amending certain Regulations in the eggs and poultry meat sectors by reason of the accession of Spain and Portugal
OJ L 356, 31.12.1985
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3494/86 of 13 November 1986, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2772/75 on marketing standards for eggs and Regulation (EEC) No 2782/75 on the production and marketing of eggs hatching and of farmyard poultry chickens
OJ L 323, 18.11.1986
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3987/87 of 22 December 1987, amending various Regulations securing the joint implementation of the common organisation of the markets in the eggs and poultry meat sectors as a consequence of the introduction of the combined nomenclature
OJ L 376, 31.12.1987
- Council Directive No 93/25/EEC of 1 June 1993, statistical surveys to be carried out on sheep and goat stocks, Directive as amended by the 1994 Act of Accession
OJ L 149, 21.6.1993
- Council Directive No 93/23/EEC of 1 June 1993, statistical surveys to be carried out on pig production, Directive as amended by the 1994 Act of Accession
OJ L 149, 21.6.1993
- Council Directive No 93/24/EEC of 1 June 1993, statistical surveys to be carried out on bovine animal production, Directive as amended by the 1994 Act of Accession
OJ L 149, 21.6.1993
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 3239/94 of 21 December 1994, amending various Regulations in the eggs and poultry meat sectors in view of the accession of Austria, Finland and Sweden
OJ L 338, 28.12.1994
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2916/95 of 21 December 1994, concerning the common organization of the markets in poultry meat and eggs and the common system of trade for ovalbumin and lactalbumin
OJ L 305, 19.12.1995
- Commission Decision No 97/394/EC of 6 June 1997, establishing the minimum data required for the data bases on animals and animal products brought into the Community
OJ L 164, 21.6.1997
- Council Directive No 97/77/EC of 16 December 1997, concerning statistical surveys to be carried out on pig, bovine animal and sheep and goat production
OJ L 10, 16.1.1998
- Commission Decision No 2002/442/EC of 10 June 2002, authorising Belgium to carry out only two pig surveys a year
OJ L 152, 12.6.2002

- Commission Decision No 2004/747/EC of 26 October 2004, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Directive 93/25/EEC on the statistical surveys to be carried out on sheep and goat stocks
OJ L 329, 4.11.2004

- Commission Decision No 2004/761/EC of 26 October 2004, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Directive 93/24/EEC as regards the statistical surveys on cattle population and production
OJ L 337, 13.11.2004

- Commission Decision No 2004/760/EC of 26 October 2004, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Directive 93/23/EEC as regards the statistical surveys on pig population and production
OJ L 337, 13.11.2004

- Commission Decision No 2005/105/EC of 3 February 2005, authorising Sweden to make use of the system established by Title I of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council to replace surveys of bovine livestock
OJ L 33, 5.2.2005

- Commission Decision No 2005/415/EC of 1 June 2005, authorising Malta to make use of the system established by Title I of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 of the European Parliament and of the Council to replace surveys of bovine livestock
OJ L 141, 4.6.2005

- Commission Decision No 2005/422/EC of 3 June 2005, authorising France to make use of the system established by Title I of Regulation (EC) No 1760/2000 to replace the May survey of bovine livestock
OJ L 143, 7.6.2005

- Commission Decision No 2005/445/EC of 13 June 2005, authorising Belgium to carry out only two pig surveys a year
OJ L 154, 17.6.2005

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 1990, supply balance sheets of meat and milk.
Comments: information on the production, consumption and external trade of various meats and offals and milk;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Publication: results currently published with other information on animal products statistics;
Participant countries: all Member States;
Official data providers: NSIs or MA.
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- Member States Agreement of 2000, figures on poultry meat production.
Comments: additional to slaughtering figures in number of heads and weight;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: monthly for table fowl and turkeys, quarterly for other poultry;
Date of adoption: March 2000, minutes adopted in Oct. 2000;
Participant countries: all Member States;
Official data providers: NSIs or MA.
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- Member States Agreement of 1990, supply balance sheets of animal feed.
Comments: information on the production, consumption and external trade of various animal feed;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Publication: results currently published with other information on animal products statistics;
Participant countries: Member States and Candidate Countries;
Official data providers: NSIs or MA.
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3. Data Requirements

ANI_GIPCAT_S: Gross Indigenous Production for Cattle
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: B

ANI_GIPPIGS_Q: Gross Indigenous Production for Pigs
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: Q

ANI_GIPSHGO_A: Gross Indigenous Production for Sheeps and Goats
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_HATCHAC_M: Poultry Statistics - Activity of Hatcheries
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M

ANI_HATSTRU_A: Poultry Statistics - Structure of Hatcheries
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_LSTCATR_A: Livestock - Cattle Regional Breakdown
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_LSTCATS_2: Livestock - Cattle Breakdown by Herd Size Classes
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: 2

ANI_LSTCATT_S: Livestock - Cattle Survey Results
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: B

ANI_LSTPIGR_A: Livestock - Pigs Regional Breakdown
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_LSTPIGS_2: Livestock - Pigs Breakdown be Herd Size Classes
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: 2

ANI_LSTPIGT_Q: Livestock - Pigs Survey Results
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: Q

ANI_LSTSHGO_2: Livestock - Sheep and Goats Regional Breakdown by Herd Size Classes
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: 2

ANI_LSTSHGO_A: Livestock - Sheep and Goats Survey Result
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_LSTSHGR_A: Livestock - Sheep and Goats Regional Breakdown
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_PRODMEA_M: Slaughtering
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M

ANI_SBSEGGGS_A: Egg Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_SBSMEAT_A: Meat Supply Balance Sheet
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

ANI_TRADCHI_M: Poultry Statistics - Trade of Chicks
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M

4. Methodology

- Exhaustive survey or representative sampling with a sampling error of max.: 1% of total bovine animals and 1.5% of total cows, 2% of total pigs, 2% of total sheep, 2% of total goats
- Use of the register of bovine animals to replace partially the cattle surveys (granted to Austria) submitted to constraints (see annex of Commission Decision No 2000/554/EC)
- Data from slaughterhouses plus estimates of slaughtering on the farm
- Productions forecasts based on livestock surveys and other sources
- (Fodder balance sheets) Current statistics, trade statistics, technical coefficients, technical surveys
- (Fodder balance sheets) Community methodological handbooks: E/V/001 - Generalities (2001), Animal feed balances (explanatory notes, Doc. ASA/PE/614, March 2001)

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 65203 - 65204. Milk and dairy products statistics

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Under this module, statistics related to production of milk are covered: cows, ewes, goats, and buffalos. It concerns: milk collected by dairies (monthly and annually), milk produced in agricultural holdings (farms), the protein content and supply balances sheets. Triennial statistics provide information on the structure of dairies. Activities are handling of data transmitted by the Member States, Acceding and Candidate countries, data validation, elaboration and update of the metadata.

The list of products covered by the survey of dairies is under review.

Activities include the handling of data transmitted by the Member States, Acceding and Candidate countries, data validation, elaboration and update of metadata.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- European Parliament and Council Directive No 2003/107/EC of 5 December 2003, amending Council Directive 96/16/EC on statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 7, 13.1.2003

- Commission Decision No 1999/309/EC of 23 April 1999, on the 1999 work programme relating to the protein content of the main milk products
OJ L 119, 7.5.1999

- Council Directive No 96/16/EC of 19 March 1996, statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 78, 28.3.1996

- Commission Decision No 97/80/EC of 18 December 1996, implementation of Council Directive No 96/16 on statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 24, 25.1.1997

- Commission Decision No 98/325/EC of 24 April 1998, on the 1998 work program relating to the protein content of the main milk products
OJ L 142, 14.5.1998

- Council Decision No 98/582/EC of 6 October 1998, amending Commission Decision 97/80/EC laying down provisions for the implementation of Council Directive 96/16/EC on statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 281, 17.10.1998

- Commission Decision No 2005/288/EC of 18 March 2005, amending Decision 97/80/EC on provisions for the implementation of Council Directive 96/16/EC on statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 88, 7.4.2005

Agreements:

- Members States Agreement of 1990, supply balance sheets of meat and milk.

Comments: information on the production, consumption and external trade of various meats and offals and milk;

Time of obligation: continuous;

Periodicity: annual;

Publication: results currently published with other information on animal products statistics;
Participant countries: all Member States;
Official data providers: NSIs or MA.
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3. Data Requirements

ANI-PR-MILK-M: Animal production statistics of milk
Timeliness: 45 Periodicity: M

ANI-PR-MILK-A: Animal production statistics of milk
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

ANI-BL-MILK-M: Animal production - supply balance of milk
Timeliness: 45 Periodicity: M

ANI-BL-MILK-A: Animal production - supply balance of milk
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

- Exhaustive surveys, accounting for at least 95% of cow's milk collected. Monthly surveys may be sample surveys. The sampling error must not exceed 1% of the total national collection exhaustive surveys.

- Changes: Increase of the importance of the confidentiality in milk products statistics

5. International Cooperation

Eurostat is represented in the International Dairy Federation.

Theme 66. Agro-industry statistics

Description

Work on food safety statistics will continue in order to obtain a first set of statistical indicators relevant to monitor food safety within the EU. Cooperation with DG AGRI will be pursued, reinforced with DG SANCO and developed with the EFSA and the European Centre for Disease Control (ECDC) and where relevant with other services such as DG FISH, DG ENV and DG TRADE.

Key priorities 2007

The work will focus on the areas already started in previous years and on the conclusions of the reflection group on Food safety statistics set up in 2005. More precisely, work will continue on: - Further development of the data base on control and monitoring activities, in particular with respect to the inclusion of a common glossary and a set of common indicators and further analysis of national methodologies. - Improvement of the quality and availability of statistics on organic farming and organic food and on GMO. - Improve the documentation of the data available on controls and monitoring activities. – Further analysis of available data on food consumption and on related projects and, where needed, the establishment of a pilot data collection. The possibility to build statistically valid indicators on the impact of food safety in human health will be analysed with the help of a new Task Force and in close co-operation with the ECDC, EFSA, the World Health Organisation and DG SANCO.

Module 66200. Food safety statistics

Responsible unit: **F-5: Health and food safety statistics**
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1. Module Description

On the basis of article 153 of the Treaties and the EC Regulation 178/2002 (the "Food Law"), the Commission has put in place a series of rules, norms and guidelines on food safety. The statistical work on this field consists of defining a set of relevant indicators on food safety, putting in place a data base with existing data i.e. on results of food control and monitoring activities, and on products with distinctive marks as well as establishing a methodology for the collection of comparable data i.e. on food consumption. The data base 'From farm to fork' will be further developed and the potential impact of changes in related classifications (NACE, CPA, PRODCOM, CN) will be addressed.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004, on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules
OJ L 165, 30.4.2004, p. 1–141
- Corrigendum to Regulation (EC) No 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on official controls performed to ensure the verification of compliance with feed and food law, animal health and animal welfare rules (OJ L 165, 30.4.2004)
OJ L 191, 28.5.2004
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2082/92 of 14 July 1992, on certificates of specific character for agricultural products and foodstuffs
OJ L 208, 24.7.1992
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92 of 14 July 1992, on the protection of geographical indications and designations of origin for agricultural products and foodstuffs
OJ L 208, 24.7.1992
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 24 June 1991, on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs
OJ L 198, 22.7.1991
- Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002, laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety
OJ L 31, 1.2.2002

Other basis:

- Eurostat Working Group on Food safety statistics and related Task Forces: Work developments are discussed at the regular meetings of the Working group (at least once a year).
Data on organic production and farming: transmitted directly to DG AGRI and to Eurostat.
Comments: Data on PDO/PGI/TSG products: voluntary data collection agreed at the meeting held 3-4 December 2004.
Data on control and monitoring activities: extracted from annual reports provided by the countries to DG SANCO or to the European Food Safety Authority.
At regular intervals the SCAS (Standing Committee for Agricultural Statistics) is informed on work carried out on food safety statistics and its development;
General information (description): The scope of the project covers the whole food chain (from farm to fork). Several priority areas were identified at the first meeting of the working group (April 2003). These are: products with distinctive marks (organic products, PDO/PGI/TSG products, and GM-based

products), statistics on control and monitoring activities, food consumption statistics. A reflection group set up in June 2005 identified future development areas like the "impact of food safety in human health". Development of statistical work on these areas is made with the help of relevant Task forces; Publication: in TF and/or WG documents in CIRCA Interest Group "Food safety statistics" available on <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/Home/main>, domain FOOD containing main indicators of the food production-consumption chain, pocketbook "Food: From farm to fork statistics", several Statistics in Focus, etc. All available on Eurostat website under "Agriculture and fisheries":

<http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu>;

Participant countries: 27 EU, Candidate Countries (HR, MK, TR), EFTA Countries;

Official data providers: NSIs and/or Ministries of Agriculture and/or Ministries of Health and/or responsible national Food authorities.

3. Data Requirements

The data on "Organic production and farming" are jointly collected by DG AGRI and ESTAT:

Number of registered organic operators (producers, transformers and importers) at the end of the reference year and new during the year)

Timeliness: 1st July year n+1 Periodicity: A

Organic crop area (fully converted and under conversion) and organic crop production

Timeliness: 1st July year n+1 Periodicity: A

Organic livestock

Timeliness: 1st July year n+1 Periodicity: A

Production of organic products from animal origin

Timeliness: 1st July year n+1 Periodicity: A

Number of organic operators (transformers and importers) by economic activity

Timeliness: 1st July year n+1 Periodicity: A

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 67. Coordination and reform of agricultural statistics

Description

Plan and implement the development of agricultural statistics with the aim of meeting the future needs of the CAP (Common Agricultural Policy) in particular rural development. Rural Development has become a priority policy area (second pillar of the CAP). Work will concentrate in developing necessary indicators for defining/evaluating this policy area.

Supporting the improvement of agricultural statistics in Candidate Countries including analysis of the existing agricultural statistical systems and integrating regular data flows into the Eurostat structures.

The TAPAS (Technical Action Plans for Agricultural Statistics) scheme for progressive improvements to European agricultural statistics, mainly as far as quality, comparability, efficiency savings, simplification and timeliness are concerned is implemented in collaboration with the Member States.

The PHARE instruments for Candidate Countries are used to assist in the development of comparable data for accession to the EU.

A contribution, within MEDSTAT, is made to the building of capacity for the production of harmonised agricultural statistics in a multi-country integrated international framework.

In response to the Cardiff and Gothenburg Council commitments to integrate environmental concerns into sectoral policies, work on statistics and indicators to monitor integration of environmental considerations in agricultural policy will continue.

Key priorities 2007

In line with a previous reflection on the future EU system of agriculture statistics, all specific surveys will be reviewed in view of better integration. TAPAS 2007 will focus on rural development and organic farming. The development of a new survey on the use of fertilisers will be discussed with Member States.

Module 67101. Technical action plan for agricultural statistics (TAPAS)

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1. Module Description

Implementation of Council Decision No 96/411/EC, in particular management of contracts aiming at the adaptation of the national and EU system of agricultural statistics to new needs resulting from reform of the Common agricultural policy.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- European Parliament and Council Decision No 787/2004/EC of 21 April 2004, amending Council Decision 96/411/EC and Decisions No 276/1999/EC, No 1719/1999/EC, No 2850/2000/EC, No 507/2001/EC, No 2235/2002/EC, No 2367/2002/EC, No 253/2003/EC, No 1230/2003/EC and No 2256/2003/EC with a view to adapting the reference amounts to take account of the enlargement of the European Union
OJ L 138, 30.4.2004

- Commission Decision No 2006/127/EC of 2 February 2006, approving the 2006 technical action plan for the improvement of agricultural statistics
OJ L 51, 22.2.2006

- Council Decision No 96/411/EC of 25 June 1996, improving Community agricultural statistics
OJ L 162, 1.7.1996

- Council Decision No 98/3/EC of 18 December 1997, amending Decision 96/411/EC on improving Community agricultural statistics
OJ L 1, 3.1.1998

- Commission Decision No 98/186/EC of 25 February 1998, approving the 1998 technical action plan (first part) for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 70, 10.3.1998

- Commission Decision No 98/514/EC of 29 July 1998, amending Council Decision 96/411/EC on improving Community agricultural statistics
OJ L 230, 18.8.1998

- Commission Decision No 1999/41/EC of 21 December 1998, approving the 1999 technical action plan for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 11, 16.1.1999

- Parliament and Council Decision No 2298/2000/EC of 28 September 2000, amending Council Decision 96/411/EC on improving Community agricultural statistics
OJ L 263, 18.10.2000

- Council Decision No 2001/147/EC of 12 February 2001, approving the 2001 technical action plan for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 55, 24.2.2001

- Commission Decision No 2002/30/EC of 8 January 2002, approving the technical action plan 2002 for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 13, 16.1.2002

- Parliament and Council Decision No 1919/2002/EC of 21 October 2002, amending Council Decision 96/411/EC on improving Community agricultural statistics
OJ L 293, 29.10.2002, p. 5-6

- Corrigendum to Decision No 1919/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 October 2002 amending Council Decision 96/411/EC on improving Community agricultural statistics (OJ L 293 of 29.10.2001)
OJ L 325, 30.11.2002

- Commission Decision No 2003/304/EC of 29 April 2003, approving the technical action plan 2003 for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 110, 3.5.2003

- Commission Decision No 2004/366/EC of 13 April 2004, approving the first phase of the technical action plan 2004 for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 114, 21.4.2004

- Commission Decision No 2004/637/EC of 8 September 2004, approving the second phase of the technical action plan 2004 for the improvement of agricultural statistics
OJ L 291, 14.9.2004

- Commission Decision No 2005/197/EC of 9 March 2005, approving the 2005 technical action plan for improving agricultural statistics
OJ L 65, 11.3.2005

- Commission Decision No 2006/127/EC of 2 February 2006, approving the 2006 technical action plan for the improvement of agricultural statistics
OJ L 51, 22.2.2006

- Commission Decision No 2007/84/EC of 2 February 2007, approving the 2007 technical action plan for the improvement of agricultural statistics
OJ L 35, 8.2.2007

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

None

Module 67303 - 67304. Agro-environmental statistics

Responsible unit: **E-1: Agriculture statistics: methodology**
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1. Module Description

Coordination of the work on agri-environmental indicators as set up in the Commission Communication on Development of agri-environmental indicators for monitoring the integration of environmental concerns into the common agricultural policy (COM/2006/0508 final); data collection and management; conceptual and methodological improvement of indicators, models and data.

2. Legal Basis

None

3. Data Requirements

Presently being defined, as described in (COM/2006/0508 final)

4. Methodology

Presently being defined, as described in (COM/2006/0508 final)

5. International Cooperation

OECD

Theme 68. Forestry statistics

Description

Forest sector statistics are incorporated into the general data management system of UN/ECE/FAO. Eurostat is responsible for the collection of relevant statistics from the Member States and EFTA countries.

Key priorities 2007

Provide data on forests and forest products to users through the Free Dissemination (NewCronos) Database. Provide data on request to Commission DGs, in particular DG Enterprise, DG Environment and DG Agriculture and to the work on the EU Forest Action Plan 2007-2011 and the Ministerial Conference for the Protection of Forests in Europe (MCPFE). Agree on a strategic policy review for the future development of Forestry statistics with the Member States and the Commission services. Provide data for the indicators needed for the sustainable management of forests and primary wood-based industries. Produce attractive short publications, e.g. in the series "Data in Focus".

Module 68104.

Forestry statistics

Responsible unit:

E-2: Agriculture statistics: production

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1. Module Description

In this area, Eurostat works in close cooperation with the UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO). Representatives of Eurostat and each of these organizations form the Intersecretariat Working Group on Forest Statistics (IWGFS).

The objectives of the IWGFS are:

- a) to provide a better service to users of statistics;
- b) to collect and disseminate the statistics more efficiently, particularly by avoiding duplication of work.

A result of this cooperation is the joint FAO/ECE/Eurostat/ITTO Forest Sector Questionnaire (JFSQ), with which data on removals of wood from forests, production of wood and wood-based products and foreign trade in these products are collected. The content of the questionnaire is agreed between the organizations and the data, after validation following common rules, are shared by all. Responsibility for collection and management of the data is also shared. EUROSTAT is responsible for the replies of the EU countries, the EFTA countries and the EU Candidate Countries, UNECE for other ECE countries, ITTO for producers of tropical timber and Japan and FAO for the rest of the world. This data is the basis for international comparisons.

Eurostat also co-operates with the Joint Research Centre (JRC) and the European Environment Agency (EEA) as far as data production and management is concerned.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Resolution of 15 December 1998, on a forestry strategy for the European Union
OJ C 56, 26.2.1999, p. 1–4
- European Parliament resolution on speeding up implementation of the EU action plan on Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade (FLEGT)
OJ C 157E, 6.7.2006, p. 482-484
- Regulation (EC) No 614/2007 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 May 2007, concerning the Financial Instrument for the Environment (LIFE+) - Commission statement
OJ L 149, 9.6.2007

Agreements:

- IWG Agreement of 1990 on Forestry statistics.

Other basis:

- Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on an EU Forest Action Plan {SEC(2006) 748} (COM/2006/0302 final) available on:
<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:52006DC0302:EN:HTML>
- Commission staff working document - Annex to the Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on an EU Forest Action Plan {SEC(2006) 748} (COM/2006/0302 final) available on:
<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:52006SC0748:EN:HTML>

3. Data requirements

Timeliness: 300 days

Periodicity: annual

The structure of the JFSQ is as follows:

- JQ1, JQ2: basic questions for all countries on removals, production of and trade in roundwood, sawnwood, wood-based panels and pulp and paper;
- EU1, EU2, EU3: EU and EFTA countries; EU1: removals by type of ownership; EU2: extra-EU trade, variables as in JQ2; EU3: industrial roundwood trade by species;
- ECE1: ECE members, detailed information on trade by tree species of the temperate zone;
- ITTO1, ITTO2, ITTO3: ITTO members, trade in tropical species, market conditions and forecasts;
- SP1: trade in secondary processed wood and paper products.

4. Methodology

Yearly cycle:

- Agreement on the content and explanatory notes of the JFSQ at the beginning of each year within the Intersecretariat Working Group (IWGFS);
- End of March, send out the electronic version of the JFSQ to the countries;
- April: send pre-filled data on foreign trade (COMEXT) to the countries that request it;
- Deadline for answers: May 15;
- 1st validation done by end June. Preliminary data sent to UNECE; reminders sent to late responders and for missing data; production database used: FAME;
- September: reception of missing data and 2nd validation;
- End October: final validated data sent to UNECE; upload into free dissemination database NewCronos;
- December: common final validation by IWGFS; all data now usable by all parties concerned for publication purposes.

5. International cooperation

The work is based on international cooperation, see description under point 1.

Theme 69. Fisheries statistics

Description

The programme of work in fisheries statistics will concentrate on adaptations necessary to meet the data needs of the recent revisions to the Common Fisheries Policy (CFP). The further integration of the various aspects of the CFP (resource management, sustainability of fisheries, structural policy, socio-economic impact and market policy) will broaden the range of data required, placing greater emphasis on data which have until recently received relatively little attention.

Key priorities 2007

Collection and dissemination of fishery statistics will continue. Data validation techniques will be further developed.

New legislation on landings statistics and aquaculture statistics will be implemented.

Module 69102.

Fishery statistics

Responsible unit:

E-2: Agriculture statistics: production

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1. Module Description

Provide the European Union with a high quality statistical service in the field of fisheries. This includes the collection of annual data on catches by fishing region, on aquaculture production and landings of fishery products. The data are from Member States and other countries through close collaboration with international Fishery organisations. Development work covers the data on supply balance sheets as well on economic and social aspects of fisheries.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2930/86 of 22 September 1986, defining characteristics for fishing vessels
OJ L 274, 25.9.1986
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91 of 17 December 1991, submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic
OJ L 365, 31.12.1991
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3759/92 of 17 December 1992, on the common organization of the market in fishery and aquaculture products
OJ L 388, 31.12.1992
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2018/93 of 30 June 1993, submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the north-west Atlantic
OJ L 186, 28.7.1993
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2104/93 of 22 July 1993, amending Regulation No 1382/91 on the submission of data on the landings of fishery products in Member States
OJ L 191, 31.7.1993
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 109/94 of 19 January 1994, concerning the fishing vessel register of the community
OJ L 19, 22.1.1994
- Council Regulation (EC) No 3259/94 of 22 December 1994, amending Regulation 86/2930 defining the characteristics for fishing vessels
OJ L 339, 29.12.1994
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2597/95 of 23 October 1995, on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North-Atlantic
OJ L 270, 13.11.1995
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 493/96 of 20 March 1996, amending Regulation 94/109 concerning the fishing vessel register of the Community
OJ L 72, 21.3.1996
- Council Regulation (EC) No 788/96 of 22 April 1996, on the submission by the Member States of statistics on aquaculture production
OJ L 108, 1.5.1996

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1637/2001 of 23 July 2001, amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the North-East Atlantic
OJ L 222, 17.8.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1636/2001 of 23 July 2001, amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 2018/93 on the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the North-West Atlantic
OJ L 222, 17.8.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1638/2001 of 24 July 2001, amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2597/95 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in certain areas other than those of the North Atlantic
OJ L 222, 17.8.2001

- Commission Decision No 2005/128/EC of 14 February 2005, granting Italy a partial derogation on the submission of data on the landings of fishery products in Member States
OJ L 43, 15.2.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 448/2005 of 15 March 2005, amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3880/91 on the submission of nominal catch statistics by Member States fishing in the north-east Atlantic
OJ L 74, 19.3.2005

- Regulation (EC) No 1921/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December, on the submission of statistical data on landings of fishery products in Member States and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 1382/91
OJ L 403, 30.12.2006, p. 1-8

Agreements:

- Norway and Iceland Agreement, Statistical Register of Fishing Vessels.
Statistical Register of Fishing Vessels
General information (description): records of individual fishing vessels without identifying characteristics;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Date of adoption: 1998;
Participant countries: Norway & Iceland;
Official data providers: Norwegian Fisheries Directorate and Icelandic Statistical Office.
FAO has a questionnaire (FISHSTAT FM questionnaire) for the submission of employment data by national authorities. EU MS send Eurostat copies of the submitted data.
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- Norway and Iceland Agreement of 1998, Statistical Register of Fishing Vessels.
Statistics on the fishing fleet Statistical Register of Fishing Vessels
General information (description): records of individual fishing vessels without identifying characteristics;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Date of adoption: 1998;
Participant countries: Norway & Iceland;
Official data providers: Norwegian Fisheries Directorate and Icelandic Statistical Office.

3. Data Requirements

FISH_CATCH_A: Fishery captures statistics
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

FISH_CULTR_A: Fishery Aquaculture Statistics
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: A

FISH_LANDG_M: Fishery landings
Timeliness: 180 Periodicity: M

AGR_FISH_A: Agriculture - FISH Annual
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: A

AGR_FISH_M: Agriculture - FISH - Monthly
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M

AGR_MILK_M: Milk industry activity - Monthly
Timeliness: 0 Periodicity: M

4. Methodology

- (Statistics on fishing fleet) Eurostat updates its Statistical Register of EU Fishing Vessels using extracts from the DG Fish's administrative file (compiled from national submissions under EU legislation)
- (Statistics on fishing fleet) Handbook of Fishery Statistics, FAO, Rome, 1994
- (Captures statistics) Handbook of Fishery Documents, FAO, Rome, 1994
- (Landings and supply balance sheets) Working document FISH/168, Handbook of Fisheries Statistics, FAO, Rome, 1994.
- (Aquaculture statistics) Handbook of Fisheries Statistics, FAO, Rome, 1994.
- (Statistics on fishing fleet) Data are received from Iceland and Norway by gentleman's agreement.

5. International Cooperation

CCAMLR, FAO, ICES, NAFO, CECAF, GFCM, OECD.

CHAPTER V. Multi-domain statistics

Theme 70. Sustainable development

Description

The European Council adopted in June 2006 a renewed Sustainable Development Strategy (SDS) which sets out in a single document a long-term vision for the European Union. The implementation of the objectives and targets formulated in the EU SDS requires efforts from the European level as well as from the EU Member States. Therefore, one of the guiding principles is to establish coherence between policy-making on the various political levels for the implementation of the strategy. Another considerable contribution of the renewed SDS is to clarify the synergies with the Lisbon Strategy which should contribute to the overarching objective of sustainable development primarily in focusing on economic growth and job creation.

The renewed SDS also introduces a governance cycle which clarifies the timing and role of main stakeholders. In particular the European Commission will submit every two years a progress report on the implementation of the SDS in the EU and the Member States. The report should draw on the set of sustainable development indicators (SDIs) as well as the monitoring report that Eurostat is requested to produce following the same periodicity. The SDIs are not directly enshrined in the strategy – although a limited set of indicators could be adopted by the European Council by the end of 2007 – but the process to develop and use them is established in it.

The European Commission adopted a first list of Sustainable Development indicators in February 2005, which is under review by the Working Group on SDIs in 2006-2007. Eurostat, which started publishing SDIs on-line in March 2005, is committed to provide the statistical information required for the monitoring of the Strategy and for the benefit of the general public.

Key priorities 2007

1. The production of SDIs is ensured smoothly and the new indicators are progressively incorporated on the website.
2. Taking into account the opinion of the Working Group on SDIs, the set of SDIs is reviewed immediately after the meeting of May 2007. Main achievements regarding SDIs are incorporated in the Progress Report on the SDS due by the Commission at autumn 2007. The European Council may adopt a limited set of indicators by the end of 2007.
3. Eurostat delivers the 2007 Monitoring Report of the Sustainable Development Strategy on time for the December 2007 European Council.

Module 70102. Sustainable development statistics

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1. Module Description

Provision of high quality indicators and statistical information necessary to monitor the implementation and support the communication on the EU sustainable development strategy and other policies related to sustainable development.

2. Legal Basis

Other basis:

- European Council, document 10917/06 of 26 June 2006: "Review of the EU Sustainable Development Strategy (EU SDS) - Renewed Strategy". European Council conclusions of June 2006 on renewed sustainable development strategy
- Communication from Mr Almunia to the Members of the Commission - Sustainable Development Indicators to monitor the implementation of the EU Sustainable Development Strategy (SEC(2005) 161 final)

3. Data Requirements

No data collected under this module, but draws on many other areas of statistics, e.g. economic, social, environment, sectoral, as well as external sources.

4. Methodology

- Methodology is described using the SDDS standard description for each indicator

5. International Cooperation

OECD, UNECE, UNCSD, UNSD, EEA.

Theme 71. Environment statistics and indicators

Description

The main objective of environment statistics is to establish a reliable data collection in order to become an efficient tool for further developing, implementing and monitoring the EU environmental policy, in particular the sixth environment action programme (6th EAP) and its implementing 'Thematic Strategies'. The 6th EAP identifies four main policy areas: Climate change; Nature and biodiversity; Environment and health and quality of life; Natural resources and waste. It emphasizes the need to continue the process of integrating environmental concerns into all relevant policy areas and ensuring better and more accessible information on the environment for policy makers, industry and the citizen. In 2005 DG Environment, the European Environment Agency (EEA), the Joint Research Centre (JRC) and Eurostat, the "Group of Four", agreed on the division of coordinating roles in environmental reporting and dissemination and to establish Environmental Data Centres. Eurostat is establishing the data centres for Waste, Natural Resources and Products (Integrated Product Policy-IPP), the latter two within environmental accounts, to serve the data needs of major users and policy makers. Planning of the data centre work will be coordinated by the "Group of Four" and the Directors' Meeting on Environment Statistics and Accounts (DIMESA). At the international level, Eurostat actively contributes to the harmonization of methodologies and statistics on the environment through the Inter-secretariat Working Group on Environment Statistics (IWG-ENV) and in Environmental Accounts through the "London Group" and the UN Committee of Experts on Economic-Environmental Accounting (UNCEEAA).

Key Priorities 2007

Establishing the data centres will be the main priority for 2007. Thereby interoperability with the emerging Shared Information System (SEIS) will be secured. Eurostat will also offer support (methodological, data collection, and other) to the data centres hosted by other bodies. Development of new indicators to support Community policy on sustainable resource management will start. Reporting on waste will be further integrated, access to data and associated metadata will be improved. The REACH baseline study will be completed and the draft Pesticide Statistics Regulation will be submitted to the European Parliament and to the Council. Water statistics and indicators on water resources, water use and wastewater treatment will be improved and linked to the evolving Water Information System for Europe (WISE). The requirements for environment statistics at the regional (NUTS2) level will be clarified. Data on environmental taxes and on NAMEA (National Accounting Matrix including Environmental Accounts) for air, energy, subsoil assets and forest accounts will be collected and validated. Pilot projects for NAMEA-water and environment industry accounts will be launched, and new statistics on environmental protection expenditure will be published. The strengthened cooperation within the Group of Four, together with the streamlining of reporting and improved dissemination of information will reduce costs and burdens on Member States, but lead to more relevant data for EU environmental policy support.

Module 71200. Waste and recycling statistics

Responsible unit: **E-3: Environment statistics**
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Description:

The module on waste statistics comprises the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 2150/2002 on waste statistics (Generation, recovery and disposal of waste), the establishment and operation of the Environmental Data Centre "WASTE" and the development and maintenance of indicators on the production and management of waste to monitor Community policy on waste.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 2150/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2002, on waste statistics
OJ L 332, 9.12.2002
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 574/2004 of 23 February 2004, amending Annexes I and III to Regulation (EC) No 2150/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste statistics
OJ L 90, 27.3.2004
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 783/2005 of 24 May 2005, amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 2150/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste statistics
OJ L 131, 25.5.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 782/2005 of 24 May 2005, setting out the format for the transmission of results on waste statistics
OJ L 131, 25.5.2005
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1445/2005 of 5 September 2005, defining the proper quality evaluation criteria and the contents of the quality reports for waste statistics for the purposes of Regulation (EC) No 2150/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council
OJ L 229, 6.9.2005

Agreements:

- OECD members Agreement: Agreement with OECD on common data collection (since 1988)
- Technical Arrangement between DG ENV, ESTAT, JRC and EEA on Environmental Data Centres of 14 November 2005
- Agreement with Member States, Candidate Countries and EFTA countries in the annual environment statistics meetings on the separate annual data collection for the structural indicators

Other basis:

- Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee and The Committee of the Regions - Taking sustainable use of resources forward - A Thematic Strategy on the prevention and recycling of waste {SEC(2005) 1681} {SEC(2005) 1682} (COM/2005/0666 final)
- General Framework, the Renewed EU Sustainable Development Strategy available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1998,47433161,1998_47437059&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

- Sixth EU Environmental Action Programme, key area: Natural Resources and Waste, see at:
<http://ec.europa.eu/environment/waste/strategy.htm>

3. Data Requirements

WASTE_GENER_A2: Waste Generation by waste category (EWC-Stat) and economic activities (NACE), amounts in 1000 tonnes per year

Timeliness: 540 days Periodicity: once in 2 years

WASTE_RECOV_A2: Waste Recovery total quantities of waste treated by waste category (EWC-Stat) and region (NUTS 1 level), in 1000 tonnes per year

Recovery (excluding energy recovery)

Timeliness: 540 days Periodicity: once in 2 years

WASTE_INCIN_A2: Waste Incineration total quantities of waste treated by waste category (EWC-Stat) and region (NUTS 1 level), in 1000 tonnes per year

Timeliness: 540 days Periodicity: once in 2 years

WASTE_DISPO_A2: Waste Disposal total quantities of waste treated by waste category (EWC-Stat) and region (NUTS 1 level), in 1000 tonnes per year

Disposal (other than incineration)

Timeliness: 540 days Periodicity: once in 2 years

WASTE_REGIO_A2: Waste Facilities - Number and capacity of recovery and disposal operations per region (NUTS2 level)

Timeliness: 540 days Periodicity: once in 2 years

Data collection for the structural indicators on municipal waste: municipal waste generated, landfilled and incinerated; the coverage of the municipal waste collection system

Timeliness: 330 days Periodicity: annually

In the framework of the Environmental Data Centre on waste all waste related information requirements by DG Environment will be collected via this Data Centre in Eurostat. The implementation of organisation of the information streams will start during 2007 and will be gradually extended.

4. Methodology

- The Regulation on waste statistics: Article 3 and Annexes

- Data collection manual: Waste generation and treatment available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/pjp/library?l=/wastesstatistics/regulat/manual_statistics

5. International Cooperation

OECD, UN, European Environment Agency, Basel Convention (UNEP), WCO.

Module 71301. Statistics on water, air pollution and climate change (Kyoto protocol)

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1. Module Description

Water: Collection of harmonised European data on water resources, water use and wastewater treatment, support for water-related EU legislation (e.g. Water Framework Directive, Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive);

Air: Quality assurance of data on greenhouse gases emissions and other air pollutants. Indicators, in particular for the implementation of the Kyoto protocol by the Community (Air data are reported to the European Environment Agency in Copenhagen).

2. Legal Basis

Water:

Agreements:

- Agreement with the OECD on common data collection (OECD/Eurostat Joint Questionnaire).
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: biennially for annual data;
Participant countries: EU27, EFTA, Candidate and Balkan Countries;
Official data providers: NSIs, supported by Environmental Agencies and Environmental Ministries.

Air:

Legal acts:

- Council Decision No 2002/358/CE of 25 April 2002, concerning the approval, on behalf of the European Community, of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the joint fulfilment of commitment thereunder
OJ L 130, 15.5.2002, p. 1–3
- Decision No 280/2004/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 February 2004, concerning a mechanism for monitoring Community greenhouse gas emissions and for implementing the Kyoto Protocol
OJ L 49, 19.2.2004, p. 1–8

3. Data Requirements

Inland Water Parameters: yearly national data, biennial reporting.

4. Methodology

- Joint OECD/Eurostat Questionnaire on the Environment, Section Inland Waters
- Eurostat Water Data Collection Manual, second release (2006)

5. International Cooperation

Common Questionnaire on water with OECD; air data from EEA.
Cooperation with other International Organisations (UNEP, OECD, UNSD, FAO, UNECE, ...) in the Subgroup on Water Statistics of the Inter-secretariat Working Group on Environment Statistics (IWG-ENV).

Cooperation with DG ENV, DG JRC and the European Environment Agency in the Framework of the Development of 'WISE', the Water Information System for Europe.

Module 71401. Environmental accounts and environmental expenditure statistics, Data Centres, Natural Resources and Integrated Product Policy

Responsible unit: **E-3: Environment statistics**
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1. Module Description

Development of an integrated set of satellite accounts to analyse the interactions between the economy and the environment. Material Flow Accounts (MFA) / natural resources, NAMEA-air emissions, statistics on environmental expenditure and taxes, eco-industries, forest, water and sub-soil accounts. Implementation and operation of the Environmental Data Centres for "NATURAL RESOURCES" and "INTEGRATED PRODUCT POLICY (IPP)".

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 of 20 December 1996, concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 14, 17.1.1997
- Decision No 2179/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 September 1998, on the review of the European Community programme of policy and action in relation to the environment and sustainable development "Towards sustainability"
OJ L 275, 10.10.1998

Other basis:

- Sixth EU Environmental Action Programme, key area: Natural Resources
- Mid-term review of 6th EU Environmental Action Programme
- Memorandum of understanding between EEA, JRC, DG ENV and Eurostat on the creation of Data Centres (2005) available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Public/irc/dsis/envirmeet/library?l=/directorsmeeting>
- Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social committee and the Committee of the Regions - Thematic Strategy on the sustainable use of natural resources {SEC(2005) 1683} {SEC(2005) 1684} (COM/2005/0670 final)
- Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament - Directions for the EU on Environmental Indicators and Green National Accounting - The Integration of Environmental and Economic Information Systems (COM/94/670 final)

3. Data Requirements

Environment Expenditure Statistics are collected on the basis of a joint OECD/ Eurostat questionnaire. For each module of environmental accounts, data are collected on the basis of standard tables, to be provided on a voluntary basis.

4. Methodology

- Integrated System of Environmental and Economic Accounting 2003 (SEEA 2003) - published by the United Nations, European Commission (Eurostat), International Monetary Fund, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, and World Bank.
EU methodologies are partly available, or are still being developed based on UN recommendation "System of Integrated Environmental and Economic Accounting (SEEA)".

- SERIEE Manual

- EU methodologies have been developed and handbooks produced in areas such as forest accounting, environmental expenditure accounts, environmental taxes or material flow accounts.

5. International Cooperation

OECD, EEA, UNSD. Work co-ordinated with UNCEEA (United Nations Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounts), the London Group on Economic Accounts, and OECD as well as the European Environment Agency.

Module 71501. Integrated environmental reporting and management of databases, regional environment statistics, Medstat

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1. Module Description

Statistics collected via the joint Eurostat/OECD Questionnaires and the Regional Environment Questionnaire.

Database management and coordination of publications for the Unit (Pocketbooks, the environment sections of general Eurostat publications and related electronic products).

Database management and technical support for the Environment Data Centres (EDC) on "Waste", "Natural Resources" and "Products".

Technical support for environment-related SIs and production of SDIs.

Technical support to the environment component of the Medstat Programme.

2. Legal Basis

Agreements:

- OECD Members Agreement on common data collection
- Member States Agreement of 1999, concerning the development of Environment statistics at Regional level (NUTS II)
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: irregular;
Participant countries: Member States, EFTA;
Official data providers: NSIs, supported by Environmental Agencies and Environmental Ministries.

Other basis:

- General Framework, Sixth EU Environmental Action Programme
- General Framework, EU Sustainable Development Strategy, see at:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1998,47433161,1998_47437045&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL
- Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions - On the sixth environment action programme of the European Community 'Environment 2010: Our future, Our choice' - The Sixth Environment Action Programme (COM/2001/0031 final)
- Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council, laying down the Community Environment Action Programme 2001-2010 (COM/2001/0031 final)
OJ C 154E, 29.5.2001, p. 218–225

3. Data Requirements

INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING – Sections of the OECD/Eurostat Joint Questionnaire not covered by other modules.

Regional Environmental Statistics – Data requirements depending on the needs of the Directorate General for Regional Policy.

4. Methodology

As defined in the questionnaires

5. International Cooperation

Integrated Reporting: OECD, UN.

Medstat: UN, European Environment Agency.

Theme 72. Regional statistics

Description:

One of the key elements of the building of the European Union is the correction of social and regional imbalances. This is, indeed, the primary objective of the Structural Funds. Since their reform in 1988, the Commission has put in place an integrated policy for social and economic cohesion within which regional statistics play an essential role in the decision implementation process: eligibility of zones under regional objectives is defined on the basis of socio-economic criteria with respect to certain thresholds; financial allocations to Member States are decided objectively on the basis of statistical indicators. In addition, evaluation of the impact of Community policies at regional level, and the quantification of regional disparities, are possible only with access to extensive regionally based statistics. The work to be undertaken in the coming years will, accordingly, be very largely determined by the shape of Community regional policy within an enlarged European Union, and by the arrival of the new programming period for the Structural Funds (2007-2013). The work being undertaken by Eurostat on Urban statistics is in accordance with current policy documents.

Key priorities 2007:

A significant proportion of the human resource allocated to this theme is primarily involved in the regular collection, validation and dissemination of regional indicators across a wide variety of domains (c.f. Eurostat reference Guide 2007). The primary client for this production is DG REGIO, although the data is also used by many other Commission and external users.

Like every year, the Regional Yearbook will put together interesting commentaries, maps and graphs for most regional domains.

In 2007, a new collection of urban statistics will be finalized.

Module 72202. Regional indicators

Responsible unit: **D-2: Regional indicators and geographical information**
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1. Module Description

Coordination of regional statistics production and publication with DG REGIO. Management of current statistics on employment at regional level for EU Member States and Candidate Countries. Calculation of comparable regional unemployment rates (including long term unemployment) at NUTS level 2 and 3. Management and data collection of the basic statistics at regional level (Population, Migration, Agriculture, Regional SBS, Transport, Science and Technology, Tourism at regional level, Health, Education). Management of the database REGIO (EU, Accession and Candidate Countries). Production of the Regional Yearbook with comments maps and graphs.

2. Legal Basis

Related to each specific sector (see below)

3. Data Requirements

Related to each specific sector (see below)

4. Methodology

Related to the specific sector (see below)

5. International Cooperation

Related to the specific sector (see below)

a) Regional labour market statistics

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Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/93 of 20 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2052/88 on the tasks of the Structural Funds and their effectiveness and on coordination of their activities between themselves and with the operations of the EIB and the other existing financial instruments
OJ L 193, 31.7.1993

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 1983, Delivery of registered unemployment persons, NUTS 3 level

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Regional labour market data (anonymised personal data)

Methodology

For NUTS level 2 data under the responsibility of unit F2
For NUTS level 3 data under the responsibility of unit D2

International Cooperation

ILO

b) Regional agricultural statistics

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Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 837/90 of 26 March 1990, concerning statistical information to be supplied by the Member States on cereals production
OJ L 88, 3.4.1990
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 of 29 February 1988, on the organization of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings between 1988 and 1997
OJ L 56, 2.3.1988
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1444/2002 of 24 July 2002, amending Commission Decision 2000/115/EC relating to the definitions of the characteristics, the exceptions to the definitions and the regions and districts regarding the surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 216, 12.8.2002
- Commission Decision No 2000/115/EC of 24 November 1999, relating to the definitions of the characteristics, the list of agricultural products, the exceptions to the definitions and the regions and districts regarding the surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 38, 12.2.2000
- Commission Decision No 97/418/EC of 19 June 1997, amending Annex I of Decision No 89/651/EEC relating to the definitions of the characteristics and to the list of agricultural products regarding the surveys on the structure of agricultural holding
OJ L 177, 5.7.1997
- Commission Decision No 96/170/EC of 15 February 1996, adapting Annex I of Council Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 on the organization of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings between 1988 and 1997 and Commission Decision No 89/651/EEC relating to the definitions of the characteristics and to the list of agricultural products for these surveys
OJ L 47, 24.2.1996
- Commission Decision No 89/651/EEC of 26 October 1989, relating to the definitions of the characteristics and to the list of agricultural products for the surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings during the period 1988 to 1997
OJ L 391, 30.12.1989
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2467/96 of 17 December 1996, amending Regulation (EEC) No 571/88 on the organization of Community surveys on the structure of agricultural holdings
OJ L 335, 24.12.1996
- Directive 2003/107/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 December 2003, amending Council Directive 96/16/EC on statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 7, 13.1.2004
- Council Regulation (EEC) No 959/93 of 5 April 1993, concerning statistical information to be supplied by Member States on crop products other than cereals
OJ L 98, 24.4.1993
- Council Directive No 93/23/EEC of 1 June 1993, on the statistical surveys to be carried out on pig production
OJ L 149, 21.6.1993

- Commission Decision No 2004/760/EC of 26 October 2004, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Directive 93/23/EEC as regards the statistical surveys on pig population and production
OJ L 337, 13.11.2004

- Council Directive No 93/24/EEC of 1 June 1993, on the statistical surveys to be carried out on bovine animal production
OJ L 149, 21.6.1993

- Commission Decision No 2004/761/EC of 26 October 2004, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Directive 93/24/EEC as regards the statistical surveys on cattle population and production
OJ L 337, 13.11.2004

- Council Directive No 93/25/EEC of 1 June 1993, on the statistical surveys to be carried out on sheep and goat stocks
OJ L 149, 21.6.1993

- Commission Decision No 2004/747/EC of 26 October 2004, laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Directive 93/25/EEC on the statistical surveys to be carried out on sheep and goat stocks
OJ L 329, 4.11.2004, p. 14–19

- Council Directive 96/16/EC of 19 March 1996, on statistical surveys of milk and milk products
OJ L 78, 28.3.1996, p. 27–29

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Agricultural Accounts at Regional Level - Annual

Animal Populations at Regional Level

Crop Production at Regional Level Annual

Land Use at Regional Level Annual

Methodology

None

International Cooperation

None

c) Regional business statistics

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Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 of 20 December 1996, concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 14, 17.1.1997
- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 410/98 of 16 February 1998, amending Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 52, 21.2.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2702/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the technical format for the transmission of structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2701/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the series of data to be produced for structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2700/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the definitions of characteristics for structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 2699/98 of 17 December 1998, concerning the derogations to be granted for structural business statistics
OJ L 344, 18.12.1998
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1225/1999 of 27 May 1999, concerning the definitions of characteristics for insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1228/1999 of 28 May 1999, concerning the series of data to be produced for insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1227/1999 of 28 May 1999, concerning the technical format for the transmission of insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1226/1999 of 28 May 1999, concerning the derogations to be granted for insurance services statistics
OJ L 154, 19.6.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1618/1999 of 23 July 1999, concerning the criteria for the evaluation of quality of structural business statistics
OJ L 192, 24.7.1999
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1112/2001 of 6 June 2001, concerning derogations from the provisions of Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 in respect of insurance services statistics
OJ L 151, 7.6.2001

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1614/2002 of 6 September 2002, adjusting Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 to economic and technical developments and amending Commission Regulations (EC) No 2700/98, (EC) No 2701/98 and (EC) No 2702/98
OJ L 244, 12.9.2002

- Regulation (EC) No 2056/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 November 2002, amending Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 58/97 concerning structural business statistics
OJ L 317, 21.11.2002

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

SBS data at NUTS level 2

Methodology

- CIRCA web-site: Business Methods. Especially the following publications
- Business Sources: collection of information concerning national methodologies. Publications available on request from Ms. Petra SNEIJERS
- Methodological manual for Insurance Services statistics - December 2000
- Methodological manual for Credit institutions statistics - October 2000

International Cooperation

OECD, UN Geneva, Voorburg Group, a number of other international bodies.

d) Transport statistics

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Anna BIALAS-MOTYL (Data collection and methodology), Tel: 36407

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1108/70 of 4 June 1970, introducing an accounting system for expenditure on infrastructure in respect of transport by rail, road and inland waterways
OJ L 130, 15.6.1970
- Council Directive No 80/1119/EEC of 17 November 1980, on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods by inland waterways
OJ L 339, 15.12.1980
- Council Directive No 80/1177/EEC of 4 December 1980, on statistical returns respect of carriage of goods by rail, as part of regional statistics
OJ L 350, 23.12.1980
- Council Decision No 93/704/EC of 30 November 1993, on the creation of a community database on road accidents
OJ L 329, 30.12.1993
- Council Directive No 95/64/EC of 8 December 1995, on statistical returns in respect of carriage of goods and passengers by sea
OJ L 320, 30.12.1995
- Council Regulation No 1172/98/EC of 25 May 1998, on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road
OJ L 163, 6.6.1998

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005
- Draft Council Regulation on statistical returns in respect of carriage of passengers, freight and mail by air (CNS 95/0232)

Data Requirements

Regional transport infrastructure data (road, rail, sea, air), statistics on road accidents

Methodology

- Glossary for transport statistics. Document prepared by the Intersecretariat Working Group on transport statistics.

International Cooperation

None

e) Regional environment statistics

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Legal Basis

Other basis:

- The Sixth Community Environment Action Programme 'Environment 2010: Our future, Our choice' (Decision No 1600/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July)

Data Requirements

NUTS2 regional statistics on waste, wastewater and water

Periodicity: irregular

Methodology

- 2003 OECD/Eurostat Regional Environment Statistics Joint Questionnaire
- 2006 OECD/Eurostat Joint Questionnaire on the Environment

International Cooperation

OECD, EEA, UNSD.

f) Science and technology

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Bernard FELIX (Data collection and methodology), Tel: 38090

Legal Basis

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 01/01/1990,
General framework

Comments: Agreement's description:- provision to Eurostat of the GBAORD and the R&D data by region (NUTS2)- All other R&D data are available at OECD and could be used by Eurostat- Member States apply the community methodology for the development of their statistics - Member States attend all our WPM on R&D and Innovation statistics- Member States participate to methodological development work like for the Community Innovation Survey - Member States participate to the Community Innovation Survey, send individual data and submit a report to Eurostat.- The European Commission might fund part of the cost of CIS.

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Regional data on patents, R&D expenditure and staff

Methodology

- Regional manual - Regional dimension of R&D and Innovation statistics
- Frascati manual - Proposed standard practice for surveys of R&D

International Cooperation

None

g) Tourism statistics at regional level

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Ulrich SPÖREL (Data collection and methodology), Tel: 38077

Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Directive No 95/57/EC of 23 November 1995, on collection of statistical information in the field of tourism
OJ L 291, 6.12.1995

- Commission Decision No 1999/35/EC of 9 December 1998, on the procedures for implementing Council Directive 95/57/EC on the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism
OJ L 9, 15.1.1999

- Commission Decision No 2004/883/EC of 10 December 2004, adjusting the Annex to Council Directive 95/57/EC on the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism as regards country lists
OJ L 373, 21.12.2004

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073.46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Regional data on overnight stays of tourists, infrastructure data (number of beds)

Methodology

- "Eurostat Tourism Statistics. Data Transmission Compendium", December 2000, Unit D1

International Cooperation

None

h) Health

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Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Decision No 1400/97/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 June 1997, adopting a programme of Community action on health monitoring within the framework for action in the field of public health (1997-2001)
OJ L 193, 22.7.1997

- Decision No 1786/2002/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 September 2002, adopting a programme of Community action in the field of public health (2003-2008)
OJ L 271, 9.10.2002

Agreements:

- Eurostat Working Group on Public health Agreement of 01/01/1998, On Public Health statistics.
Comments: Title/subject: Public Health statistics. Compilation of statistics on public health is done on a 'gentlemen's agreement' basis mainly through decisions taken at the Eurostat Working Group on Public health. At regular intervals the SPC is informed on the work on public health statistics achieved through the Partnership on Health Statistics (which replaced the LEG Health in 2003) and the SPC is asked for advice/approval;

General information (description): Causes of death statistics (CoD), Health care statistics (CARE), Health Interview survey data (HIS);

Time of obligation and periodicity: continuous: for CoD and CARE: 1x/year; limited (start and end date): for HIS; selected items from national HIS: once in 1998, second round 2004; harmonised European Health Interview Survey to be carried out 2007/08, then every 5 years. Minimum European Health Module (MEHM) and some questions on unmet needs of health care collected via SILC (starting with data year 2005);

Publication: in TF and/or WG documents;

Participant countries: 27 EU, CH, NO and IS;

Official data providers: NSIs and/or Ministries of Health and/or Institute of Public Health.

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Regional health care non-expenditure data (number of doctors, dentists, nurses, pharmacists, physiotherapists; hospital beds, hospital discharges); causes of death data.

Methodology

- For CoD: data collection according to list of 65 causes

- For CARE (non-expenditure data): data collection on health care personnel, on hospital beds and on hospital discharges

International Cooperation

OECD, WHO.

i) Education

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Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Resolution of 5 December 1994, on the promotion of education and training statistics in the European Union
OJ C 374, 30.12.1994

Agreements:

- Member States Agreement of 1995, On education and training statistics.
Comments: Education and training statistics - Working Group Decision;
Time of obligation: continuous;
Periodicity: annual;
Participant countries: EU;
Official data providers: NSIs + Ministries of Education.

Other basis:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the production and development of statistics on education and lifelong learning (COM/2005/0625 final)

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Data on enrolments in education by educational level and gender (UOE collection). Educational attainment and lifelong learning (training) (EU-LFS).

Methodology

- Administrative data: Regional data on participation in education are collected through the UOE data collection (Eurostat specific tables)

- Household data: Regional data on educational attainment and participation in education & training are collected through the LFS

International Cooperation

UNESCO, OECD.

j) Regional demography and migration statistics

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Giampaolo LANZIERI (Data collection and methodology), Tel: 35336

Legal Basis

Other basis:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics on migration and international protection (COM/2005/0375)
- Guidelines and Table programme for the Community Programme of Population and Housing Census in 2001. Vol II" Table Programme
http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/regstat/library?!=/local_territorial&vm=detailed&sb=Title
- Recommendations for a harmonised definition of calculation of surface area of territorial units (Eurostat 1999) available on:
http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/regstat/library?!=/surface_area&vm=detailed&sb=Title
- Questionnaire on Annual regional demographic data at NUTS2 level (unless stated differently)
- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

Data Requirements

Regional population and migration data

Methodology

None

International Cooperation

None

Module 72402. Development of regional statistics

Responsible unit: **D-2: Regional indicators and geographical information**
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1. Module Description

Coordination of Regional Statistics developments to meet policy needs across Eurostat in liaison with Brussels departments (notably DG REGIO). Publication of manuals on the methods and concepts. Development of dissemination products to take account of technical and policy changes in the dissemination environment. Assure high quality Structural Indicators.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006, laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999
OJ L 210, 31.7.2006

Other basis:

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

None

5. International Cooperation

OECD

Module 72501. Urban statistics

Responsible unit: **D-2: Regional indicators and geographical information**
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1. Module Description

Update at 3 yearly intervals the database of statistics of urban agglomerations, covering the core city, large urban zones and sub-city districts (Urban Audit data). Progressive development of methodologies and production tools. Follow-up of international work on collecting urban statistics.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2081/93 of 20 July 1993, amending Regulation (EEC) No 2052/88 on the tasks of the Structural Funds and their effectiveness and on coordination of their activities between themselves and with the operations of the EIB and the other existing financial instruments
OJ L 193, 31.7.1993

Other basis:

- "Urban Audit Methodological Handbook" (2004 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BD-04-002

A new version of the Handbook will be prepared during 2007.

Urban Audit Glossary (detailed variable definition): obtainable on request

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

3. Data Requirements

Over 300 variables to measure the quality of life in cities

4. Methodology

- "The Urban Audit. The Yearbook, overview and comparative section, (chapter: Methodological aspects), Volume 1/2000", EU Regional Policy, European Commission 2000

5. International Cooperation

OECD on the definition of metropolitan areas

Module 72600. Management of the NUTS classification

Responsible unit: **D-2: Regional indicators and geographical information**
Contact person: Torbiörn CARLQUIST, Tel: +352 4301 35453

1. Module Description

Maintenance of the regional classification NUTS and of statistical territorial nomenclatures of Candidate Countries. Supervision of the NUTS amendments according to the NUTS Regulation every 3 years.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003, on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)
OJ L 154, 21.6.2003

- Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006 of 11 July 2006, laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund and the Cohesion Fund and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1260/1999
OJ L 210, 31.7.2006

- Regulation (EC) No 1888/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) by reason of the accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia to the European Union
OJ L 309, 25.11.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 105/2007 of 1 February 2007, amending the annexes to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)
OJ L 39, 10.2.2007, p. 1-37

Other basis:

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) by reason of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union (COM/2007/0095 final - COD 2007/0038)

- Publication: NUTS - 2003/EU25 (new version planned for publication during second half of 2007) see at:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,1135281,1073_1135295&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-BD-04-005

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:
http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

- Information about NUTS available on: <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nuts/>

3. Data Requirements

List of LAU with NUTS 3 codes once a year.

4. Methodology

See at: <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nuts/>

5. International Cooperation

None

Theme 73. Science and technology

Description

Statistics on Science, Technology and Innovation cover R&D statistics, innovation statistics (based on the community innovation surveys, CIS), patent statistics, human resources in science and technology (HRST), statistics on high tech industries and knowledge based services, biotechnology statistics, statistics on government budget appropriations and outlays on R&D (GBAORD), statistics on the career development of doctorate holders (CDH statistics), etc. .

The activities to be undertaken in the next year(s) comprise the data production and dissemination in the various areas, also with regard to the Commission Regulation on statistics on science and technology (No 753/2004) and the Commission Regulation on statistics on innovation (No 1450/2004). In addition, methodological work will be e.g. done on the next Community Innovation Surveys, the changeover to the NACE Rev.2 classification, the development of new indicators or the better measuring of the internationalisation of R&D.

Emphasis will also be put on the improvement of the internal production database and on the consolidation of the CDH statistics.

The further development of STI statistics are also laid down in the report to the EP/Council linked to the EP/Council Decision No 1608/2003. Some issues to be tackled are: additional requirements from National Accounts need to be incorporated into the R & D statistics; the revisions of the two Commission Regulations; revisions of the concepts and definitions of HRST statistics, etc.

Key priorities 2007

Statistics related to science, technology and innovation (including human capital) is a high priority activity for 2006. The development already put into place in previous years will continue, responding to a strong demand from mainly DG RTD, ENTR and REGIO. Priorities are the full development of statistics on the career development of doctorate holders (CDH statistics), the improvement of HRST and patent statistics, the further dissemination of the CIS data and the creation of the CIS 2008.

Module 73101. Statistics on science and technology

Responsible unit: **F-4: Education, science and culture statistics**
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1. Module Description

Statistics on science and technology cover the R & D data collection as well as the work on Statistics on Human Resources in science and technology, statistics on high tech industries and knowledge based services and statistics on patents, based on the EP/Council Decision 1608/2003/EC and the subsequent Commission Regulations. This legislative framework puts in place several data collections: the collection on R & D statistics, the data compilation of Statistics on Human Resources in Science and Technology, the data collection of statistics on the Career Development of Doctorate Holders and the data compilation of data on high tech industries and knowledge based services and on patents (based on PATSTAT coming from the European Patent Office). All these activities are accompanied by methodological manuals such as the Frascati and the Canberra Manual.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Decision No 1608/2003/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2003, concerning the production and development of Community statistics on science and technology
OJ L 230, 16.9.2003

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 753/2004 of 22 April 2004, implementing Decision No 1608/2003/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards statistics on science and technology
OJ L 118, 23.4.2004

Agreements:

- Gentlemen's agreement for additional data collections if needed (e.g. on CDH statistics).
Documentation on the CDH statistics available on:
http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/rdi/library?l=/careers_doctorate&vm=detailed&sb=Title

Other basis:

- Member States apply the community methodology for the production of their statistics. More information available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/rdi/library>

3. Data Requirements

GBOARD-A: R&D, Gboard statistics (disseminated after 20 months)
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

HIGHTEC-B: Statistics in high tech industries and knowledge based services
Timeliness: 630 Periodicity: B

HRST-A: Human resources in science and technology
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

PATENT-A: PATENT statistics
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

BEN-IND-A: Benchmarking indicators
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: A

RD_ST_N: regular data collection on R&D statistics

4. Methodology

- Frascati manual
- Canberra manual
- Patent statistics manual
- NABS and FOS classification

5. International Cooperation

Work is being pursued in cooperation with: OECD, the European Patent Office, EFTA, UNESCO, non-EU countries.

Module 73201. Innovation statistics

Responsible unit: **F-4: Education, science and culture statistics**
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1. Module Description

Innovation statistics are related to the Community Innovation surveys and provide the only harmonised data source on innovation data in Europe. The module covers regular Community Innovation surveys based on the Commission Regulation 1450/2004. Data collections are organised on the base of the harmonised questionnaire and on the base of the harmonised survey methodology. The methodology is laid down in the Oslo manual.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Decision No 1608/2003/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 July 2003, concerning the production and development of Community statistics on science and technology
OJ L 230, 16.9.2003
- Commission Regulation (EC) No 1450/2004 of 13 August 2004, implementing Decision No 1608/2003/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the production and development of Community statistics on innovation
OJ L 267, 14.8.2004

Other basis:

- Member States participate to methodological development work like for the elaboration of the CIS 2006 and additional pilot studies. More information available on:
<http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/rdi/library>
- Member States apply the community methodology for the production of their statistics. More information available on: <http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/rdi/library>

3. Data Requirements

CIS_4_32: Fourth Community Innovation Survey
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 2

CIS_2006_32: Community Innovation Survey 2006
Timeliness: 540 Periodicity: 2

4. Methodology

- OSLO manual - Proposed guidelines for collecting and interpreting technological innovation data - ISBN 92-64-25464-1 - OECD and Eurostat.
See at: http://europa.eu/estatref/info/sdds/en/inn/inn_base.htm
- CIS4 questionnaire and methodology
- CIS 2006 questionnaire and methodology

5. International Cooperation

Work is being pursued in cooperation with: OECD, the European Patent Office, EFTA, UNESCO, USA, other countries.

Annex I

Theme 74. Geographical and local information

Description

A large number of departments within the Commission make use of geographical information systems for the drafting, implementation and evaluation of the policies for which they are responsible. This trend will become increasingly evident in the next few years as technology advances and data become more extensively available. Eurostat, as manager of GISCO, the Commission's reference database, must meet this challenge.

A number of departments within the Commission make use of data at the municipality level for the drafting, implementation and evaluation of the policies for which they are responsible, in particular regional, competition and agricultural policy. The nomenclature for local administrative units is a core item for the spatial infrastructure of the Commission.

Key priorities 2007

Geographic information has become a key information requirement for the establishment and follow-up of a growing range of community policies. The launch in 2004 of the INSPIRE legal act (proposal for a directive on the establishment of an Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community) was a critical step forward in meeting this requirement in a systematic way. In 2007, Eurostat will continue its role of on-going internal reference within Eurostat and co-ordination within the Commission in terms of information and geographic information systems. This is essentially a production task which covers the maintenance of the existing geographic information layers, the addition of new layers of information as and when they become available or through direct acquisition, and the production of thematic maps. The application of spatial analysis techniques and the combination of statistics and geographic data will generate added value information on the top of the basic information maintained in GISCO and Eurostat statistical databases. Prototyping or pilot project work on the use of grid based systems for indicators generation and data representation will be continued.

In addition, in association with DG JRC and DG ENV plus other partners, Eurostat will continue the process of practical implementation of the INSPIRE infrastructure as envisaged in the programme of work contained in the INSPIRE financial statement. In particular, with the adoption of the directive at the beginning of 2007, the INSPIRE programme of work for the "transposition phase" (2007-2008) will be finalised in preparation for the creation and management of the INSPIRE Committee and the definition of the directive implementing rules.

Local (municipality) nomenclature is the basic link between geographic and statistical information. A limited range of statistical data, basically from the population and housing census, will be available to allow aggregation to functional and non-administrative regions which are not part of the NUTS system. The major part of this work is concerned with the production tasks to make data available to the users. The main users are study or development projects (both internal and external) on various aspects of regional infrastructure. A further study on extending data in SIRE will be finalised in view of the spatial analysis needs for Commission policies.

Module 74200. Geographical information system (GISCO)

Responsible unit: **D-2: Regional indicators and geographical information**
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1. Module Description

Management, update and extension of the geographical reference database of the Commission (basic topographical and thematic information covering the EU and Pan-Europe). Link-up with statistical databases (SIRE, REGIO, ...) and with other data sources. Dissemination of geographical data. Active participation to the setting up of an infrastructure for spatial information in Europe (INSPIRE initiative) and to the drafting of implementing rules to ensure (guarantee) its implementation. Modernisation of the GISCO reference database architecture towards an on-line database service. Creation of Intranet/Internet map services combining statistical and geographical information. Promotion of the co-operation between National Statistical Institutes and National Mapping Agencies Promotion of the ge-referencing of statistical data inside the European Statistical System.

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Directive 2007/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 March 2007, establishing an Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community (INSPIRE)
OJ L 108, 25.4.2007, p. 1–14

3. Data Requirements

None

4. Methodology

- The work is carried out on the request of DGs AGRI, TREN, EAC, ENV, FISH, SANCO; high priority
- GISCO concerns the management of a geographical reference database for the Commission

5. International Cooperation

UN, European Environment Agency.

Module 74300. Infra-regional information system (SIRE)

Responsible unit: **D-2: Regional indicators and geographical information**
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1. Module Description

Management and update of an information system containing the regional nomenclature down to the commune level as well as a limited number of statistical variables from the population censuses. Link-up with the geographical information system of the Commission (GISCO). Management of changes in the Local Administrative Units (LAU).

2. Legal Basis

Legal acts:

- Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003, on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)
OJ L 154, 21.6.2003

- Regulation (EC) No 1888/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 October 2005, amending Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) by reason of the accession of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia to the European Union
OJ L 309, 25.11.2005

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 105/2007 of 1 February 2007, amending the annexes to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS)
OJ L 39, 10.2.2007, p. 1-37

Other basis:

- Guidelines and Table programme for the Community Programme of Population and Housing Census in 2001. Vol II" Table Programme (tables 38-40 are of relevance for the SIRE database)
http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/regstat/library?!=/local_territorial&vm=detailed&sb=Title

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) by reason of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union (COM/2007/0095 final - COD 2007/0038)

3. Data Requirements

Data at the local level from population and housing census (or similar data) every 10 years.
List of LAU with NUTS 3 codes once a year.

4. Methodology

- Information about LAU (Local Administrative Units) available on:
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/ramon/nuts/lau_en.html

- Guidelines and Table programme for the Community Programme of Population and Housing Census in 2001. Vol. II: Table Programme (tables 38-40 are of relevance for the SIRE data base)
http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/regstat/library?!=/local_territorial&vm=detailed&sb=Title

- Recommendations for a harmonised definition of calculation of surface area of territorial units (Eurostat 1999) available on:

http://circa.europa.eu/Members/irc/dsis/regstat/library?l=/surface_area&vm=detailed&sb=Title

- "European regional and urban statistics" (2007 Edition) available on:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=1073,46587259&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL&p_product_code=KS-RA-07-005

5. International Cooperation

None

Annex II - How to find statistics legal acts in the Directory of Community legislation (EUR-Lex)

EUR-Lex provides direct free access to European Union law via the internet. The system makes it possible to consult the Official Journal of the European Union. It includes inter alia the treaties, legislation, case-law and legislative proposals. It offers extensive search facilities.

What kind of statistics legal acts EUR-Lex contains and where

The "Directory of Community legislation in force" is available in EUR-Lex via the collection "Legislation in force" from the menu on the left side of the screen.



Screenshot 1: EUR-Lex: Legislation in force: Directory of Community legislation in force: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/legis/index.htm>

With regard to the range of documentation covered, it was felt that the Directory should include not only current Community legislation as such but also other instruments reflecting the activities of the European Union (EU, ECSC, EEC, EC and Euratom) such as policy instruments and decisions taken in individual cases but of more general interest.

The Directory therefore covers:

- agreements and conventions concluded by the Communities in connection with their external relations;
- binding secondary legislation (regulations, decisions, ECSC general decisions and recommendations, EEC/EC/Euratom directives) under the Treaties establishing the European Union and the European Communities, with the exception of day-to-day administrative acts¹;
- supplementary legislation, in particular decisions of representatives of the governments of the Member States meeting within the Council;
- certain non-binding acts considered by the institutions to be important.

¹ Mainly acts arising from the day-to-day management of the common agricultural policy or the customs union and having a very limited period of validity, such as acts temporarily fixing various rates or amounts. For the most part they correspond to the titles printed in light type on the contents page of the Official Journal of the European Union.

Documentation on statistics is gathered, where available, in sub-chapters with the following common sub-chapter numbering:

XX.07 Statistics

Where **XX** stands for the two digits of the chapter at entry level, e.g. **03 Agriculture**. Allocation of the statistical themes to the Eur-Lex classification headings is described in the following table.

Correspondence table between Eur-Lex classification headings and the themes of the Statistical Requirements Compendium

Eur-Lex classification heading		Theme
01	General, financial and institutional matters	00 Basic principles 11 Classifications 18 Statistical coordination 25 Data security and statistical confidentiality 51 Business registers
02	Customs union and free movement of goods	53 Trade in goods
03	Agriculture	61 Land use and landscape 62 Agricultural structures 63 Agricultural monetary statistics 64 Crop production 65 Animal production 66 Agro-industry statistics 67 Coordination and reform of agricultural statistics
04	Fisheries	69 Fisheries statistics
05	Freedom of movement for workers and social policy	32 Labour market 36 Distribution of incomes and living conditions 37 Social protection
06	Right of establishment and freedom to provide services	49 Information society 50 Tourism
07	Transport policy	48 Transport
10	Economic and monetary policy and free movement of capital	40 Annual economic accounts 41 Quarterly accounts 42 Financial accounts 43 Monitoring own resources 44 Statistics on the economic activity of enterprises 52 Money and finance 54 Trade in services and balance of payments 55 Prices 57 Statistics for business cycle analysis
12	Energy	45 Energy
14	Regional policy and coordination of structural instruments	72 Regional statistics 74 Geographical and local information

15	Environment, consumers and health protection	35 Health and safety 39 Consumer protection 68 Forestry statistics 70 Sustainable development 71 Environment statistics
16	Science, information, education and culture	33 Education 34 Culture 73 Science and technology
20	People's Europe	31 Population 38 Other work in the field of demographic and social statistics

Presentation of documents

Each entry comprises: the document number of the act, its title, its bibliographical reference (in most cases the Official Journal of the European Union) and, if applicable, the document number of any amendments with their publication reference in brackets. It also includes available consolidated versions of the basic act and its successive amendments.

Example:

31995R1172

Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/95 of 22 May 1995 on the statistics relating to the trading of goods by the Community and its Member States with non-member countries

(OJ L 118, 25.5.1995, p. 10–14)

Amended by [31997R0476](#) (OJ L 75, 15.3.1997, p. 1–1)

Amended by [31998R0374](#) (OJ L 48, 19.2.1998, p. 6–6)

Consolidated text [01995R1172-19990101](#)

Amended by [32003R1882](#) (OJ L 284, 31.10.2003, p. 1–53)

The document number (CELEX):

The document number, shown above the title of the act, consists of a combination of figures and letters, the position of each having a particular meaning.

The document number enables all acts to be identified in the body of the Directory.

The example given below is a simple, but by far the most frequent, form using 10 positions. Although the document number may theoretically extend to as many as 18 positions, there is no need for the reader to know precisely how document numbers are made up.

Example of document number: 3 1995 R 1172

3	Documentary sector of the system	(sector 3 = secondary legislation)
1995	Year of adoption or publication of act	(1995)
R	Legal form	(R = regulation)
1172	Serial or other identifying number of legal act	(Regulation No 1172 of the year in question)

The first figure (the figure 3 in the example) indicates the sector in the system under which the act is classified.

In the example shown above, the act forms part of Community secondary legislation (sector 3).

The letter, which is always in the sixth position (the letter R in the example), denotes the legal form of the act (e.g. R for regulation, D for decision, L for directive, etc.).

Title:

The document number is followed by the full title of the legal act.

The publication reference:

The title of the act is followed by the publication reference of the Official Journal of the European Union. This reference consists of:

- the number of the Official Journal, preceded in the case of post-1967 instruments (when the Official Journal was divided into an 'L' and a 'C' series) by the letter for the series,
- the date of publication,
- the page number.

Example:

OJ L 118, 25.05.1995 p. 10-14, is to be interpreted as follows:

OJ **Official Journal of the European Union**

L 118 **L series, No 118**

25.05.1995 **date of publication**

p. 10-14 **OJ pages (page on which the text of the act begins and ends)**

References to amending acts:

The publication reference of the act is followed, where appropriate, by references to subsequent acts affecting it (amending, replacing, etc.).

The act referred to is identified by its document number followed by its publication reference in brackets.

Example:

Amended by 31997L0476 (OJ L 75 15.3.1997 p. 1)

Amended by

31997R0476 **Document number of amending act**

(OJ L 75 15.3.1997 p. 1) **Publication reference of amending act**

References to consolidated texts:

If an act and its amendments have been subject to consolidation, the Directory offers links to successive consolidated texts. The consolidated text is identified by its document number. The first part of this number is built from the document number of the basic act and identifies the consolidated family (i.e. the basic act and its amendments); the second part refers to the date of effect of the last amending act.

Example:

Consolidated text 01995R1172-19990101

Consolidated text

01995R1172 **Number of the consolidated family**

19990101 **Date of effect of the last amending act**

Document retrieval

A document may be retrieved using the analytical structure.

Example

Retrieval of a regulation on the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the Northwest Atlantic.

The relevant general section entitled 'Statistics' is to be found in the chapter entitled 'Fisheries' in the analytical structure:

- **04. Fisheries**
 - **04.07 Statistics**

Acts listed in each section are arranged in ascending order of their document numbers: by sector (first figure), year, legal form (indicated by a letter) and serial or other identifying number (e.g. regulation number).

The entry for the regulation in question, 2018/93, is set out in the section Statistics as follows:

- 31993R2018
Council Regulation (EEC) No 2018/93 of 30 June 1993 on the submission of catch and activity statistics by Member States fishing in the Northwest Atlantic (OJ L 186, 28.7.1993, p. 1–20)

EUR-Lex offers direct access to the latest issues of the L (Legislation) and C (Information and Notices) series of the Official Journal, together with the previous 10 days' issues available at <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/JOIndex.do?ihmlang=en>. Entering the date and the publication reference, allows direct access to a particular issue of the Official Journal. Lastly, there is the possibility of consulting the issues of the Official Journal made available on-line since 1998. The texts published in the Official Journal, including texts prior to 1998, can also be accessed using the search functions provided on the site.

Explanation of codes

Number codes used in the document reference number, by CELEX documentary sector

- 1 - Treaty on European Union, Treaties establishing the European Communities and Treaties amending or supplementing them.
- 2 - External relations of the European Communities (or of the Member States).
- 3 - Secondary legislation.
- 4 - Supplementary legislation (decisions of representatives of the Member States meeting within the Council, international conventions concluded between Member States in accordance with Treaty provisions, etc.).
- 0 - Consolidated documents

Sector 1 acts are not included in the Directory. However, the Accession Treaties of Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom of 1972, of Greece of 1979, of Spain and Portugal of 1985, of Austria, Finland and Sweden of 1994 or of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia of 2003 are sometimes referred to in amendment references (document numbers '11972B', '11979H', '11985I', '11994N' or '12003T').

Letter codes used in the document reference number (CELEX) indicating the legal form of the act:

A - Agreement, opinion

B - Budget

C - Declaration

D - Decision

E - Common foreign and security policy (CFSP) - common position, joint action, common strategy

F - Justice and home affairs (JHA) - common position, framework decision

G - Resolution

H - Recommendation

J - Non-opposition to a notified joint venture

K - ECSC Recommendation

L - Directive

M - Non-opposition to a notified concentration

O - ECB Guidelines

Q - Institutional arrangement - rules of procedure - internal agreement

R - Regulation

S - ECSC decision of general interest

X - Other document

Y - Other act (published in the 'C' series of the Official Journal)

Annex III - List of abbreviations

AEA	Association of European Airlines
AI	Agricultural Income Index
ALI	Agricultural Labour Input
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
AUVIS	Audio-visual Services
BIS	Bank of International Settlements
BOP	Balance of Payments
CARE	Health Care Statistics
CC	Candidate Country
CCAMLR	Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources
CECAF	Committee for Easter Atlantic Fisheries
CEEC	Central and Eastern European Countries
CEPS	Luxembourg Centre for Socio-Economic Research
CHP	Combined Heat and Power
CIRCA	Communication and Information Resource Centre Administrator
CIREFI	Centre for Information, Discussion and Exchange on the crossing Frontiers and Immigration
CN	Combined Nomenclature
CoD	Causes of Death Statistics
COICOP	Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose
COICOP-HBS	Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose adapted to the needs of Household Budget Surveys
COMEXT	Eurostat reference database containing external trade statistics
CPA	Statistical Classification of Products by Activity in the European Economic Community
CPWG	Community Port Working Group
CSO	Central Statistical Office
CVTS	Continuing Vocational Training Survey
DG AGRI	Directorate General - Agriculture (European Commission)
DG EAC	Directorate General – Education and Culture (European Commission)
DG ECFIN	Directorate General - Economic and Financial Affairs (European Commission)
DG ENV	Directorate General - Environment (European Commission)
DG FISH	Directorate General - Fisheries (European Commission)
DG INFO	Directorate General – Information Society (European Commission)
DG TRADE	Directorate General - Trade (European Commission)
DG TREN	Directorate General – Energy and Transport (European Commission)
DGINS	Directors-General of the National Statistical Institutes (Directeurs Généraux des Instituts Nationaux de Statistique)
DIW	Deutsches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung Berlin (German Institute of Economic Research)
EAA	Economic Accounts for Agriculture
EAF	Economic Accounts for Forestry
EAP	Environmental Action Program

EC	European Community
ECB	European Central Bank
ECHP	European Community Household Panel
ECMT	European Conference of Ministers of Transport
ECSC	European Community of Steel and Coal
ECU	European Currency Unit - Replaced by the Euro
EDF	European Development Fund
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange
EDICOM	Electronic Data Interchange on Commerce
EEA	European Economic Area or European Environment Agency
EEC	European Economic Community
EFTA	European Free Trade Association
EHLASS	European Home and Leisure Accidents
EIB	European Investment Bank
EMI	European Monetary Institute
EMU	European Monetary Union
EODS	European Occupational Diseases Statistics
EPIS	Environmental Pressure Information System
EPO	European Patent Office
ESA	European System of Accounts
ESAW	European Statistics on Accidents at Work
ESPO	European Sea Ports Organisation
ESRI	Ireland Economic and Social Research Institute
ESSPROSS	European System of Social Protection Statistics
ESU	European Size Unit
ET/WMF	European Topic Centre on Waste and Material Flows
EU	European Union
EU25	Total for the Member States of the European Union (except Bulgaria and Romania)
EU27	Total for the Member States of the European Union
EURATOM	European Atomic Energy Community
EUROCONTROL	European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation (European organisation for Air Traffic Management; Brussels, Belgium)
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations
FATS	Foreign Affiliates Trade Statistics
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FRA	Forest Resource Assessment
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GBAORD	Government Budget Appropriations or Outlays on Research and Development
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEONOM	Country Nomenclature for the External Trade Statistics of the Community and Statistics of Trade between Member States
GFCM	General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean
GIP	Gross Indigenous Production
GNI	Gross National Income

GNP	Gross National Product
HBS	Household Budget Surveys
HIS	Health Interview Survey
HRST	Human Resources in Science Technology
IAS	Internal audit service (European Commission)
IATA	International Air Transport Association
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organisation
ICCP	Information, Computer and Communications Policy (OECD)
ICCR	Austria Centre for Comparative Research in the Social Sciences
ICES	International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (Baltimore)
ILO	International Labour Organisation
IMF	International Monetary Fund
INTRASTAT	A system to implement the EU Regulation which requires the reporting of statistics relating to trade between Member States
IOM	International Organisation for Migration
IOT	Input/Output Table
ISCED	International Standard Classification of Education
ISCO	International Standard Classification of Occupations
ITTO	International Tropical Timber Organisation
IWG	Inter-secretariat Working Group on Forest Statistics
LEG	Eurostat Leadership Group
LFS	Labour Force Survey
LOCODE	United Nations Code for Trade and Transport Locations
LUCAS	Land Use/Land Cover Area Frame Survey
MA	Ministry of Agriculture
MoF	Ministry of Finance
MS	Member State
NABS	Nomenclature for the Analysis and Comparison of Science Programmes and Budgets (Nomenclature pour l'Analyse et la comparaison des Budgets et programmes Scientifiques)
NACE	General Industrial Classification of Economic Activities in the European Communities (Nomenclature générale des Activités économiques dans les Communautés Européennes)
NAFO	Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation
NC	Nomenclature of Goods
NCB	National Central Bank
NOSE	Nomenclature for Sources of Emissions
NOSOSCO	Nordic Social-Statistical Committee
NSI	National Statistical Institute
NST/R	Standard Goods Classification for Transport Statistics, revised (Nomenclature uniforme des marchandises pour les Statistiques de Transport, révisée)
NUTS	Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (Nomenclature des Unités Territoriales Statistiques)
OECD	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
PHARE	Action plan for coordinated aid to Poland and Hungary (subsequently extended to the remainder of the Central and East European countries). It comprises programmes financed by the EU since 1990 to assist with economic restructuring

	in the Central and East European countries.
PRODCOM	Products of the European Community
R&D	Research and Development
RES	Renewable Energy Sources
S&T	Science Technology
SAS	Security Administration Server/System
SDI	Sustainable Development Indicator
SDR	An artificial currency unit defined as a basket of national currencies
SEEA	System of Integrated Environmental and Economic Accounting
SERIEE	European System for the Collection of Economic Data on the Environment
SGM	Standard Gross Margin
SICS	Statistical Indicators Common Sites
SPC	Statistical Programme Committee
TAPAS	Technical Action Plan for Improving Agricultural Statistics
TARIC	Integrated Customs Tariff of the European Communities (Tarif Intégré des Communautés européennes)
TBFRA	Temperate and Boreal Forest Resource Assessment
UAA	Utilised Agricultural Area
UIC	International Union of Railways
UIT	International Telecommunication Union (Union Internationale des Télécommunications)
UN	United Nations
UNECE	United Nations Economic Commission for Europe
UNCSD	United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade & Development
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNO	United Nations Organisation
UNSD	United Nations Statistics Division
UNSTAT	United Nations Statistical Division
UPU	Universal Postal Union
VAT	Value Added Tax
VET	Vocational Education and Training
WCO	World Customs Organisation
WG	Working Group
WHO	World Health Organisation
WTO	World Trade Organisation or World Tourism Organisation