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## Meeting of Working Group "Audiovisual Statistics" 2-3 June 2003

Eurostat D-5

The main aim of this meeting was to discuss the strategy for the collection of audiovisual statistics with the goal of improving further completeness and quality of the data. The meeting has also to be seen against the background of the expiry of the Council Decision (1999/297/EC) on audiovisual statistics in April 2004.

On the basis of different markets defined in the AUVIS data collection Eurostat proposed a ranking of priorities which should be understood as priorities in time and allocation of scarce resources. The proposal had been discussed and will be revised taking into account participants comments.

Second important topic of the meeting was the possible inclusion of audiovisual activities (NACE 92.1 and 92.2) in the framework of the Structural Business Statistics (SBS) regulation. The Working Group decided without objections: to cover all 12 obligatory variables of Annex 1 of the SBS regulation, to apply the 4-digit-level breakdown of NACE Rev.1.1 (i.e. :92.11 Motion picture and video production, 92.12 Motion picture and video distribution, 92.13 Motion picture projection, 92.20 Radio and television activities), to follow the standard size classes breakdown of Annex I of the SBS regulation. These decisions will be used as an input for the SBS steering group in November 2003.

Another important item was the revision of NACE and ISIC classifications in 2007 (Operation 2007). The latest developments were presented and the further process had been explained. Audiovisual activities would then belong to a section named "information and communication". But details what exactly belongs to this heading and how the NACE will be structured on detailed level can still be influenced. There will be a classification Task Force in autumn 2003 or spring 2004 dealing with the proposals for the NACE classification of audiovisual activities.

## Meeting of the Working Group "Business Services" 26-27 May 2003

Eurostat D-2

The aim of the meeting was firstly, to review and evaluate the results of the project that aims at developing harmonised statistics on business services and secondly, to discuss the workplan that could secure a regular data flow to the users.

The working group discussed the results obtained from the project so far and concluded that they are encouraging and of good quality. DG Enterprise, the main user of the statistics, confirmed the

usefulness and importance of statistics in this area and strongly urged to continue the data collection.

The participants favoured the continuation of the project and supported the amendment of the Structural Business Statistics Regulation, planned by Eurostat, to include the current data collection on business services as part of the regular SBS data collection. In order to secure the data availability to the users, it was decided to launch the second harmonised data collection. This survey will provide statistics on business services for the reference year 2003.

The Acceding and Accession countries expressed their interest in the project. Some of these countries could start the project in its current form already in 2004.

A limited amount of Commission financing is available to assist NSIs in carrying out the work. A call for proposals will be sent out as soon as possible. A general agreement on the terms of reference (timing and deliverables) was reached. Eurostat will contact Member States in writing in order to get started with the further development work as soon as possible.

## **Coming meetings**

- Task Force "Accounting"; 22-23 *September 2003*
- Working Group Workshop "Future of services sector statistics", 9-10 *September 2003*
- Working Group "Energy Statistics Committee", 13-14 *October 2003*
- Working Group "Workshop CC", 13 *October 2003*
- Working Group "Information Society", 14-15 *October 2003*
- Working Group "Seminar Information Society", 16 *October 2003*

**New Cronos – Domains under: Theme 4: Industry, Distributive Trade, and Services;  
Theme 8: Energy**

Domains <sup>1</sup>	Collections	Data range <sup>2</sup>	Last update	
<b>THEME 4</b> (Industry, Construction, Distributive Trade, and Services)				
<b>SBS: Structural Business Statistics</b> (Industry, Construction, Trade And Services)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Enterpr:</b> Annual enterprise statistics</li> <li>- <i>Ent 1 MS</i>: Long time series covering enterprises with 20 persons employed and more (main indicators), (NACE Rev.1 C to F only)</li> <li>- <i>Enter MS</i>: Detailed data on all enterprises (NACE Rev.1 C to F : from 1995 onwards, NACE Rev. 1 G to K : from 1990 onwards)</li> <li>- <i>Enter CC</i>: Detailed data on all enterprises (NACE Rev.1 C to F : from 1995 onwards, NACE Rev. 1 G to K : from 1990 onwards) – Candidate countries</li> <li>- <i>Sb en ms</i>: Multi-yearly enterprise statistics – Purchases of energy products (NACE Rev. 1 C, D and F only)</li> <li>- <i>En ex MS</i>: Environmental protection expenditure in industry (NACE Rev.1 C to E: from 1995 onwards)</li> <li>- <i>En ex CC</i>: Environmental protection expenditure in industry (NACE Rev.1 C to E - Candidate countries)</li> <li>- <i>Owner MS</i>: Annual enterprise statistics by type of ownership in industry and construction (NACE Rev.1 C to 2F: from 1995 onwards)</li> <li>- <i>Owner CC</i>: Annual enterprise statistics by type of ownership in industry and construction - Candidate countries</li> <li>- <i>Preli MS</i>: 1999 preliminary results on all enterprises (NACE Rev. 1 C-K) : main indicators</li> <li>- <i>Preli CC</i>: Preliminary results on all enterprises (NACE Rev.1 C-K) - main indicators - Candidate countries</li> <li>- <i>Intan ms</i>: Multi-yearly enterprise statistics – Intangible investment and subcontracting (NACE Rev, 1 C to F only)</li> </ul>	1985 - 2001	17 July 2003	
		1990 - 2001	25 July 2003	
		1995 – 2000	23 July 2003	
		1997 - 2000	10 Apr 2003	
		1995 - 2001	26 May 2003	
		1995 - 2000	26 Mar 2003	
		1995 - 2000	27 Jun 2003	
		1999 - 2000	08 July 2003	
		1999 - 2001	11 July 2003	
		2000 - 2001	11 Jun 2003	
		1997 - 2000	09 July 2003	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Region:</b> Annual regional statistics: number of local units, wages and salaries, gross investment in tangible goods and number of persons employed</li> <li>- <i>Nuts 95 MS</i></li> <li>- <i>nuts 99 MS</i></li> <li>- <i>reg cc</i></li> <li>- <i>tra ms</i></li> </ul>	1985 - 2001	08 July 2003
			1995 - 2001	08 July 2003
		1995 - 2000	25 July 2003	
		1999 - 2000	07 Apr 2003	

<sup>1</sup> **Access to New Cronos**

The internal users of the Commission can access the **New Cronos database** through Europa-Plus. The external users can address their requirements to one of the Eurostat **Datashops**. This is a network of sales offices installed by EUROSTAT, in co-operation with National Statistical Offices, in the different EU countries and in some cities outside the Union.

The list of data-shops and corresponding addresses can be found at the end of this bulletin.

EUROSTAT also has it's own **internet site** with the following internet address:

<http://europa.eu.int/comm/eurostat/>

The site provides an overview of EUROSTAT activities as well as daily updated data on the main statistical indicators. Data on business statistics can be found by browsing on theme 4: "industry, trade and services".

First time users can access the "First visit" field of the "Site info" and will be welcomed to a guided tour of the site.

<sup>2</sup> The largest range of dates for which data is available; not ALL data is necessarily available for this interval

Domains <sup>1</sup>	Collections	Data range <sup>2</sup>	Last update
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sizclass:</b> Annual enterprise statistics broken down by size classes</li> <li>- <i>Const MS</i>: NACE Rev.1 section F</li> <li>- <i>Const CC</i>: NACE Rev.1 section F</li> <li>- <i>Indus MS</i>: NACE Rev.1 sections C-E</li> <li>- <i>Indus CC</i>: NACE Rev.1 sections C-E</li> <li>- <i>Servi MS</i>: NACE Rev.1 sections H-K and M-O</li> <li>- <i>Servi CC</i>: NACE Rev.1 sections H-K and M-O</li> <li>- <i>Trade MS</i>: NACE Rev.1 section G employment breakdown</li> <li>- <i>Trade CC</i>: NACE Rev.1 section G employment breakdown</li> <li>- <i>TradT MS</i>: NACE Rev.1 section G turnover breakdown</li> <li>- <i>TradT CC</i>: NACE Rev.1 section G turnover breakdown</li> </ul>	<p>1995 - 2001 1995 - 2000 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2000 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2000 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2000 1995 - 2001 2000</p>	<p>15 July 2003 25 Mar 2003 17 July 2003 26 May 2003 11 July 2003 13 Mar 2003 25 July 2003 28 Mar 2003 25 July 2003 25 Mar 2003</p>
<b>SBS: Structural Business Statistics</b> (Industry, Construction, Trade And Services)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Statonis:</b> European Statistics on insurance services – Annual Statistics</li> <li>- <i>Serie 5a</i>: Annual Statistics</li> <li>- <i>Serie 5b</i>: Legal status breakdown</li> <li>- <i>Serie 5c</i>: Country of residence of the parent enterprise breakdown</li> <li>- <i>Serie 5d</i>: Size class breakdown</li> <li>- <i>Serie 5e</i>: Products breakdown</li> <li>- <i>Serie 5f</i>: Geographical breakdown</li> </ul>	<p>1985 - 2001 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2001 1995 - 2001</p>	<p>24 July 2003 24 July 2003 23 July 2003 24 July 2003 23 July 2003 23 July 2003</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Credstat:</b> Statistics on credit institutions – Annual Statistics</li> <li>- <i>c serie1</i>: Annual Statistics</li> <li>- <i>c serie2</i>: Number of enterprises breakdown</li> <li>- <i>c serie 3</i>: Categories of credit institutions breakdown</li> <li>- <i>c serie 4</i>: Product breakdown</li> <li>- <i>c serie 5</i>: Geographical breakdown</li> <li>- <i>c serie 6</i>: Regional breakdown</li> <li>- <i>c serie 7</i>: ECB data on balance sheet items</li> </ul>	<p>1992 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 1999</p>	<p>24 July 2003 13 Jun 2003 13 Jun 2003 13 Jun 2003 13 Jun 2003 13 Jun 2003 23 Oct 2001</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pension:</b> Statistics on pension funds – Annual Statistics</li> <li>- <i>p serie1</i>: Annual Statistics</li> <li>- <i>p serie2</i>: Size classes breakdown</li> <li>- <i>p serie3</i>: Investments breakdown</li> <li>- <i>p serie4</i>: Geographical breakdown</li> </ul>	<p>1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001 1997 - 2001</p>	<p>24 July 2002 24 July 2002 24 July 2002 24 July 2002</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Fats:</b> Foreign Affiliates Trade Statistics – data on foreign control (or ownership) of enterprises in EU member States</li> <li>- <i>Overview</i>: Of data from all reporting countries</li> <li>- <i>Country</i>: Data from each reporting country for all NACE Rev.1 headings and all FATS owners</li> </ul>	<p>1996 - 1998 1996 - 2000</p>	<p>24 July 2001 15 May 2003</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dtprod:</b> Distributive trades: Breakdown of turnover by product:</li> <li>- <i>SB re MS</i>: In retail trade ( 5-yearly statistics from 1997 onwards)</li> <li>- <i>SB mo MS</i>: In motor trade</li> <li>- <i>SB wh MS</i>: In wholesale trade</li> </ul>	<p>1997 2000 - 2004 1998</p>	<p>10 May 2001 05 Jun 2003 26 Sep 2001</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mercure:</b></li> <li>- Historical services data in NACE70 (1980-1994)</li> </ul>	<p>1980 - 1995</p>	<p>-</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bus serv:</b> Business services</li> <li>- <i>Ref new</i>: Reference year 2001 and onwards</li> <li>- <i>Ref old</i>: Reference year 2000</li> </ul>	<p>1999 - 2001 1999 - 2000</p>	<p>18 July 2003 29 May 2003</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Bus demo:</b> bus-demo Statistics on business demography</li> </ul>	<p>1997 - 2000</p>	<p>03 Mar 2003</p>

Domains <sup>1</sup>	Collections	Data range <sup>2</sup>	Last update
<b>HIST: Historical domain (SBS plus, SME, Compet)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SBS_PLUS: Industrial structural business indicators of market share and specialisation in the EU and non-member countries</b></li> <li>- <i>Triad</i>: Market share and specialisation indicators for Triad countries</li> <li>- <i>OECD</i>: Market share and specialisation indicators for other OECD countries</li> </ul>	1985 - 1998 1984 - 1998	-
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SME: Small and Medium sized enterprises</b></li> <li>- <i>SME n70</i>: SME tabular data in NACE 70. (National data)</li> <li>- <i>SME rev1</i>: SME tabular data in NACE Rev. 1.</li> </ul>	1990 - 1992 1993 - 1997	- -
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Compet: Competitiveness Indicators</b></li> <li><b>Compet_1:</b></li> <li>- <i>Macro-economic indicators</i>: information on the infrastructure and economic climate in a particular country</li> <li><b>Compet_2:</b></li> <li>- <i>Performance indicators by industrial activity</i>: information at sectorial level</li> <li><b>Compet_3:</b></li> <li>- <i>Cost, price and productivity indicators by industrial activity</i>: information at sectorial level</li> </ul>	1988-2000  1988-1998  1988-1998	
<b>EUROPROM: European production and market statistics (provisional version)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>European production and market statistics</b> by NACE Rev.1</li> </ul>	1994-2000q4	05 Jun 2002
<b>EBT: European Business Trends – Monthly and Quarterly Short Term Statistics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>European Business Trends</b></li> <li>- <i>Ebt ind</i>: Industry (NACE Rev.1 C-E)</li> <li>- <i>Ebt cons</i>: Construction (NACE Rev.1 F) – Building and Civil Engineering Activities</li> <li>- <i>Ebt ts</i>: Trade and Other Services (NACE Rev.1 G-K)</li> <li>- <i>Ebt grt</i>: Industry growth rates</li> </ul>	1958-2003m07 1954-2003m05  1974-2002q01 1990-2003m06	14 Jun 2003 14 Jun 2003  14 Jun 2003 03 Jun 2003
<b>STEEL Iron and Steel data</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Iron and Steel</b></li> <li>- <i>Steel yb</i>: Yearbook 1999</li> <li>- <i>Monthly</i>: Quarterly data</li> <li>- <i>Quarter</i>: Monthly data</li> </ul>	1987-1999 1987-2002m12 1999-2002m12	15 Sep 2000 04 Feb 2003 04 Feb 2003
<b>COINS: Communications Statistics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Communications statistics</b> covering postal services and telecommunication services</li> <li>- <i>Telekom</i>: Telecommunication services (NACE Rev.1 64.20)</li> <li>- <i>Structu</i>: Prices and market-shares</li> <li>- <i>Post cou</i>: Post and courier services (NACE Rev.1 64.1)</li> </ul>	1980 –2002  1995 - 2003 1980 - 2001	08 July 2003  11 Apr 2003 16 Jun 2003
<b>TOUR: Tourism Statistics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Sect a</i>: Capacity of collective tourist accommodation: Local units on national territory</li> <li>• <i>Sect b</i>: Occupancy in collective accommodation establishments: Domestic and inbound tourism</li> <li><i>Sect c</i>: Tourism demand: Domestic and outbound tourism (excluding day-trips)</li> </ul>	1990 - 2002  1990-2002m12  1990-2002q04	08 July 2003  08 July 2003  08 July 2003
<b>TOUR oth: Tourism – Central and Eastern European Countries (CEEC), Mediterranean countries (MED)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Ceec</i>: Data for Central and Eastern European Countries</li> <li>• <i>Med</i>: Data for Mediterranean countries</li> </ul>	1985-2002 1990-2002q04	09 July 2003 09 Apr 2003
<b>AUVIS: Audiovisual Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Audiovisual Statistics covering production and distribution markets, cinema exhibitions, video, sound recording markets, cable operating and satellite</li> <li>- <i>Quest</i>: Questionnaire 2000</li> <li>- <i>Auv old</i>: Old questionnaire data from 1980-1998</li> </ul>	1997-2001 1980-1998	13 Mar 2003 -
<b>INFOSOC: Information Society Statistics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Misc</i>: Data from miscellaneous sources</li> <li>• <i>Structur</i>: Structural Indicators</li> </ul>	1977-2001 1991-2002	05 Aug 2002 14 Jan 2003

Domains <sup>1</sup>	Collections	Data range <sup>2</sup>	Last update
<b>Assoc: Trade Association Database</b>	NON OFFICIAL statistical data covering a large number of industrial activities and services. Provided by European professional associations. Gathered at the 2 digits level of the NACE Rev.1 classification of economic activities, to which they refer.	1983-2001	20 Jun 2001
<b>THEME 8</b> (Energy)			
<b>Energy:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Es quant</b> (Energy Statistics - Quantities)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- es 10: Supply, transformation, consumption</li> <li>- es 11: Infrastructure</li> <li>- es 12: Imports (by country of origin)</li> <li>- es 13: Exports (by country of destination)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	1985-2003m07 1985-2001 1985-2003m07 1985-2003m07	21 July 2003 21 July 2003 21 July 2003 21 July 2003
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Es prices</b> (Prices)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Es 201: Petroleum products - half-yearly prices</li> <li>- Es 202: Gas - domestic consumers, half-yearly prices</li> <li>- Es 203: Gas - industrial consumers, half-yearly prices</li> <li>- Es 204: Electricity - domestic consumers, half-yearly prices</li> <li>- Es 205: Electricity - industrial consumers, half-yearly prices</li> <li>- Es 206: Electricity market prices, half-yearly prices</li> <li>- Priceind: Gas and electricity prices for structural indicators, half-yearly data</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	1985-2003s01 1985-2003s01 1985-2003s01 1985-2003s01 1985-2003s01 1985-2003s01 1991-2003s01 1991-2003s01	22 July 2003 22 July 2003 22 July 2003 22 July 2003 22 July 2003 22 July 2003 22 July 2003
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Es indic</b> (indicators)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Es 331a: Market share of the largest generator in the electricity market</li> <li>- Es 332a: Energy intensity of the economy</li> <li>- Es 333a: Share of renewable energy</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	1999-2000 1999-2000 1999-2000	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nps</b> (Nuclear Power Stations)                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Operation of nuclear power stations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	1995-2001m12	04 Dec 2001

#### Theme 4 :

- It has been made some small changes, **NUTS codes** used by Switzerland, in the following collections: 'sect\_a' and in 'sect\_b'
- **Theme 4/SBS/bus\_demo**: New data in production for the collection in Statistics on business demography.
- **Theme 4/SBS/cec\_stat** collection has been deleted.
- In **Theme 4/EBT**, from the 10 June 2003, all the series have been moved to base year 2000. For more information, please see the note The migration to base year 2000 within short-term statistics in the explanatory texts of New Cronos.
- **Theme 4/SBS/enterpr**: there are two new tables: "en\_ex\_cc" and "owner\_cc" uploaded.
- **Theme 4/SBS/ dtprod** a new table has been added : "sb\_mo\_ms" *Breakdown of turnover by product in motor trade*

**Publications released from 1 February 2003 to 30 April 2003**

TITLES

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**STATISTICS IN FOCUS**

N°12/2003 **Telecommunication in Europe:** In the EU as a whole, turnover in telecommunication services increased by 11.3% between 2000 and 2001. Turnover from telecommunications was 3.5% of GDP in the EU.  
[SIF12](#)

N°13/2003 **Employment in the market economy in the European Union - an analysis of the Structural Business Statistics:** SBS are the most complete currently available source of data on the enterprise, or market, economy in the European Union.  
[SIF13](#)

N°14/2003 **Developments for construction in the fourth quarter of 2002:** While the EU' s seasonally adjusted production index for construction recorded no change in its volume during the final quarter of 2002, during the same period the index for the euro-zone declined by 0.7%  
[SIF14](#)

N°15/2003 **Information Society Statistics PCs, Internet and mobile phone usage in the EU**  
According to the ITU the number of personnel computers in use in EU increased in 2001 to 116 million (2000:16 million) or by about 9%  
[SIF15](#)

N°04/2003 **Electricity Statistics**  
Electricity consumption has gone down respectively by 0.7% and 0.5% in the member states and in the acceding countries in 2002  
[SIF04](#)

N°05/2003 **Electricity Prices for EU industry on 1 January 2003:** This publication includes all electricity prices collected by EUROSTAT corresponding to 1 January 2003 expressed in national currencies, purchasing power standards and euros.  
[SIF05](#)

N°06/2003 **Electricity Prices for EU households on 1 January 2003:** This publication includes all electricity prices collected by EUROSTAT corresponding to 1 January 2003 expressed in national currencies, purchasing power standards and euros.  
[SIF06](#)

N°07/2003 **Gas Prices for EU industry on 1 January 2003 :** This publication includes all gas prices collected by EUROSTAT corresponding to 1 January 2003 expressed in national currencies, purchasing power standards and euros.  
[SIF07](#)

N°16/2003 **Developments for labour input indicators during the last quarter of 2002**  
Industrial employment down by 0.7% in the EU  
[SIF16](#)

N°17/2003 **Developments for output prices during the first quarter of 2003**  
Both the EU and the euro-zone reported output prices increasing for the fifth successive quarter. During the first quarter of 2003 the highest price increases since the last quarter of 2000 were recorded, as industrial output prices (excluding construction) rose by 1.4% compared to the quarter before.  
[SIF17](#)

N°18/2003 **Machinery and equipment industries in the EU**  
The machinery and equipment sector (NACE Rev.1, division 29) covers industries producing all types of machinery and tools, both those for general use and those specific to a particular manufacturing process.  
[SIF18](#)

N°19/2003 **Developments for retail trade during the first quarter of 2003**  
Compared with the last quarter of 2002, the seasonally adjusted deflated index of turnover for the EU's retail trade sector grew by 0.4%, while the corresponding rate of change in the euro-zone was 0.5%.  
[SIF19](#)

N°08/2003 **Gas Prices for EU households on 1 January 2003:** This publication includes all gas prices collected by EUROSTAT corresponding to 1 January 2003 expressed in national currencies, purchasing power standards and euros.  
[SIF08](#)

N°10/2003 **Trends in intra-EU deliveries of unleaded petrol:** Following several years of growth in the use of lead-free petrol, its share of total petrol deliveries in European Union was practically 100% in 2002, up from 95.09% in 2001 to 99.89% last year.  
[SIF10](#)

N°11/2003 **Statistical aspects of natural gas economy in 2002:** In 2002, gross inland consumption of natural gas rose by 0.9% to 388.8 million tonnes of oil equivalent (toe).



## PANORAMA SERIES

### Quarterly panorama of European business Statistics– No. 01/2003

The quarterly panorama of European business is a tool to follow the evolution of the short-term trends, structure and activities of European enterprises.

[PDF/Paper](#)(220 p)

DE, EN, FR

## METHODS AND NOMENCLATURES

### The migration to base year 2000 within short-term statistics:

On the 10 June 2003, Eurostat's short-term business statistics will move from base year 1995 to base year 2000.

[PDF](#)

EN

## DETAILED TABLES

**Employment in the market economy in the European Union - An analysis of the structural business statistics:** The main aim is to present the SBS data which are now available, particularly those which relate to employment and to show how these data are capable of increasing knowledge and understanding of employment and related issues across the European Union

[PDF/Paper](#)(65 p)

EN

### Energy - Monthly statistics - No. 06/2003

The latest monthly statistics available in Eurostat for energy are presented for each Member State and Norway.

[PDF/Paper](#)(125 p)

DE, EN, FR

### Iron and steel – Monthly data – Concluding edition

The monthly statistical document presents short-term economic statistics (monthly) on the production of pig-iron, crude steel, rolled finished products, production indices, orders, deliveries and orders in hand, external trade in ECSC iron and steel products, consumption and receipts of scrap and number of short-time workers.

[PDF/Paper](#) (70p)

DE, EN, FR

**Competition indicators in the electricity market - EU, Norway and candidate countries - Data 1999-2001:** It is particularly focused to show the results of a questionnaire-based data collection to monitor competition in the electricity market as a result of the ongoing liberalisation process. In addition, following the enlargement process, data from the Candidate Countries for the same period have been added to this publication, especially focused on the structure of their electricity markets.

[PDF](#)

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**Publications to be issued from 1 August 2003 to 31 October 2003**

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Aspects statistiques de l'économie pétrolière en 2002	4	DE, EN, FR	August
Livraisons intérieures de produits pétroliers en 2002	4	DE, EN, FR	August
Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Plant Statistics in the EU 2002	8	DE, EN, FR	September
Information Society in Candidate Countries	8	DE, EN, FR	August
e-Commerce and the Internet in european businesses	8	DE, EN, FR	August
Regional tourism trends	8	DE, EN, FR	August
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Industrial Production Q2/03	8	DE, EN, FR	August
Retail Trade turnover Q2/03	8	DE, EN, FR	September
Business Service Nace 72	8	DE, EN, FR	August
The Construction industry in the EU	8	DE, EN, FR	August
Business Service Nace 74.12 + 74.14	8	DE, EN, FR	September
SBS in Candidate countries and Malta	8	DE, EN, FR	August

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## Introduction to the Legal Framework of the European Business Statistics System

The **legal acts of the Council** as well as the corresponding measures for implementation (that have normally the form of **Commission legal acts**) establish the framework for the production of harmonised business statistics.

This legal framework includes:

### 1. Regulations laying down the statistical framework for EU business statistics

#### **NACE Rev. 1**

*(Nomenclature of Economic Activities in the European Community)*

Provides an harmonised statistical nomenclature of economic activities in the EC aligned to the UN international classification

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 of 9 October 1990
- Commission Regulation 761/93 of 24 March 1993

#### **NACE Rev. 1.1**

Amendment of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3037/90 on the statistical classification of economic activities in the European Community

- Commission Regulation (EC) No 29/2002 of 19 December 2001

#### **CPA**

*(Classification of Products linked to Economic Activity)*  
Provides a comparable and harmonised product nomenclature (the CPA) articulated with the activities nomenclature NACE Rev.1

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3696/93 of 29 October 1993

#### **Business Registers**

Co-ordinates at Community level efforts to establish business registers for statistical purposes

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 2186/93 of 22 July 1993

#### **Statistical Units**

Clarifies the definitions of units to be used when supplying data to Eurostat

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 696/93 of 15 March 1993

### 2. Regulations that harmonise the output of the European Union's business statistics

#### **PRODCOM**

Provides legal basis for the collection of harmonised (industrial) production statistics.

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 3924/91 of 19 December 1991

#### **Structural Business Statistics**

Provides the framework for Community statistics on the structure and activity of enterprises in industry, services, distributive trades, insurance and construction

- Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 58/97 of 20 December 1996
- Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 410/98 of 16 February 1998 on insurances

#### **Short Term Statistics**

Provides the legal basis for the establishment of short term business statistics for all sectors of industry

- Council Regulation (EEC) No 1165/98 of 19 November 1998

#### **Tourism**

Provides the framework for Community statistics on the collection of statistical information in the field of tourism

- Council Directive (EC) No 95/57 of 23 November 1995

In addition there are specific legal acts that have been adopted for certain domains such as steel and audio-visual industry.

Finally, a number of Commission Regulations lay down the implementation measures such as definitions, transmission formats, breakdown of results, or quality of the above-mentioned Legal Acts.

For any further information related to the legal framework of the European Business Statistics System, please refer to one of the **data-shops**.

You may also find the relevant acts on our **CIRCA-internet site** with the following address

<http://forum.europa.eu.int/dsis>

choose group: Business Methods. Within this group you'll find a chapter on Legal texts.

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## Methodological information to help users interpret statistics

CODED, Business Methods and RAMON are independent information systems but they form part of the general Eurostat metadata environment. This environment will be made easily accessible by all users of statistics when a link is included in the new Eurostat homepage to 'Methodology & Metadata' in the autumn 2002.

### CODED

- The Eurostat Concepts and Definitions database
- Holds currently around **3500 statistical concepts** and **500 abbreviations and acronyms**
- French translations available for about 2700, German for 2300 concepts and definitions
- All statistical domains** covered
- A repository of concepts and definitions used within the ESS and a **reference point for users of statistics**
- Highlights inconsistencies, promotes harmonisation and encourages the use of agreed standards
- Address: [http://forum.europa.eu.int/irc/dsis/coded/info/data/essai/coded\\_domains\\_en.htm](http://forum.europa.eu.int/irc/dsis/coded/info/data/essai/coded_domains_en.htm)

### BUSINESS METHODS

- Brings together **all existing methodology**, legal framework and other information relating to European business statistics within a coherent and user friendly framework
- A tool for the coordination of business statistics methodology within the ESS, for dissemination of methodological information and promotion of the use of agreed standards
- Target audience is the staff of Eurostat and other Commission Services, statisticians in the National Statistical Institutes and specialist users of statistics
- Address: [http://forum.europa.eu.int/irc/dsis/bmethods/info/data/new/main\\_en.html](http://forum.europa.eu.int/irc/dsis/bmethods/info/data/new/main_en.html)

### RAMON

- Eurostat's server for **international statistical classifications**.
- Serves as a **reference point** for users searching for statistical classifications used at the international level
- Aims at making available complete information about classifications: **structure, explanatory notes, correspondence tables, methodological documents, national and international contact points etc.**
- Includes **100 entries and more than 150,000 pages** covering various fields: economic analysis, environment, education, occupations, national accounts etc.
- Highlights: **NACE, CPA, PRODCOM, Combined Nomenclature, NUTS**
- Powerful search engine** allows searching the whole database by keywords
- Multilingual tool ; whenever available, information is presented (and searched) in **all EU official languages**

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- ❑ All files and documents can be downloaded **free of charge**
- ❑ Address: <http://europa.eu.int/comm/eurostat/ramon/>