

Single Market Scoreboard

Performance by Member State

Luxembourg

(Reporting period: 2012 - 2013)

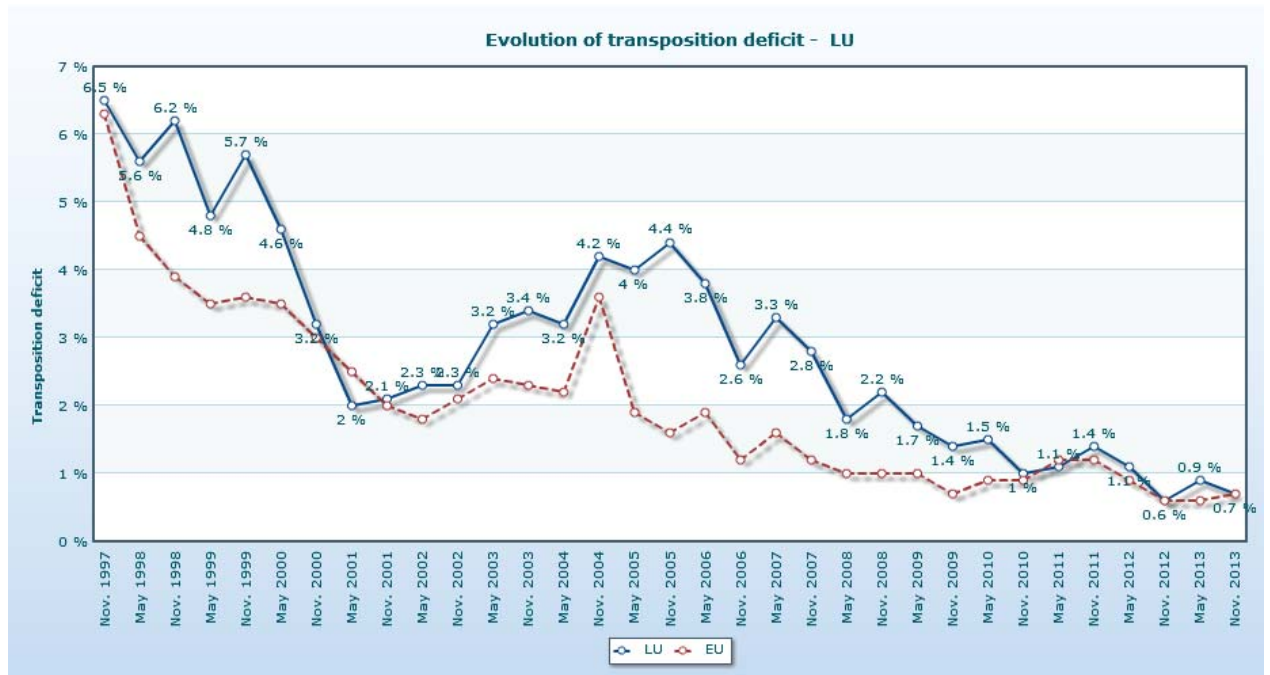
(February 2014 edition - Transposition and Infringements update)



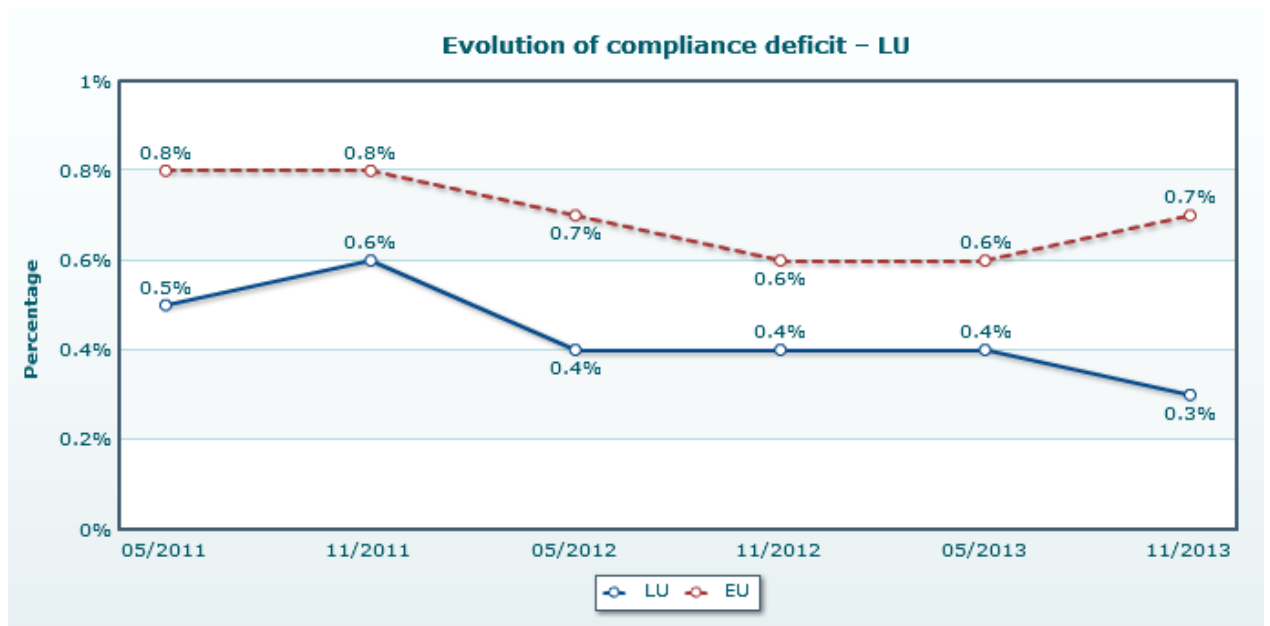
Transposition of law

In the past six months, Luxembourg decreased by four its backlog of overdue directives relating to the single market, putting its current transposition deficit at 0.7 %. Luxembourg therefore keeps its deficit under the EU's 1 % threshold and also meets the "zero tolerance" target for long outstanding directives (directives two or more years overdue).

The current transposition delay for overdue directives is 7.9 months on average, which is slightly above the current EU average delay of 7.3 months.



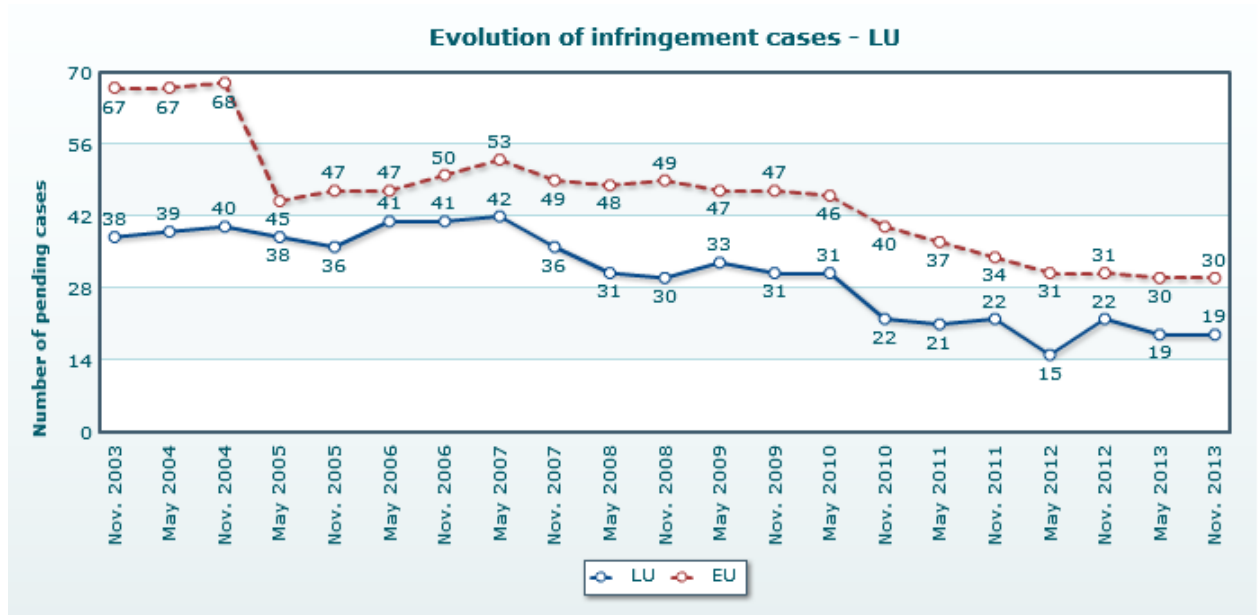
In relation to conformity of measures communicated to the Commission, the Luxembourg compliance deficit of 0.3 % is close to the proposal in the Single Market Act for a 0.5 % target.



Infringements

With again 19 pending infringement proceedings relating to the single market (37 % of them relating to taxation), Luxembourg has kept its case load of infringement proceedings at well below the EU average of 30 cases. Luxembourg is also one of the Member States where infringement cases are resolved within the shortest time frame — 18.7 months — as compared with the EU average of 27.9 month.

Luxembourg takes 12 months on average to comply with court rulings following judgments, well below the EU average of 18.2 months.



EU Pilot

The average response time of Luxembourg respects the 70-day benchmark in EU Pilot.

Internal Market Information System

1. Requests accepted within one week: 56 % (EU average: 74 %)
2. Requests answered within the mutually agreed deadline: 56 % (EU average: 64 %)
3. Average time taken to reply to requests: 23 days (EU average: 22 days)

The performance of Luxembourg in IMI should be improved. Its results in the three measured areas are below the EU average. Although Luxembourg deals with a small number of requests, the time taken to accept and reply to them is far too long.

More efforts should be invested in awareness-raising activities targeted at authorities in order to increase the usage of IMI. Closer monitoring of activity in IMI is also necessary.

EURES

ADEM (Agence pour le développement de l'emploi) is the EURES member organisation responsible for providing EURES services in Luxembourg. There are currently 12 EURES advisers in Luxembourg. The overall performance is good.

Your Europe

Luxembourg provides information to citizens and enterprises on a multilingual national portal.

The country participated in the meetings of the Editorial Board, promoted Your Europe and was responsive to requests for the citizens part, however not for the business part of Your Europe.

Luxembourg should continue to invest in and promote Your Europe by:

- providing information on how Luxembourg applies single market rules when asked for via the Editorial Board member;
- attending the Editorial Board meetings organised twice a year;
- raising awareness about Your Europe within the national administrations;
- promoting Your Europe via national websites, information offices and events.

SOLVIT

The Luxembourg SOLVIT centre deals with a high number of cases (55) relative to the size of the country. In the reporting period (March 2012 to February 2013), the caseload stayed about the same as in the previous 12 months (28 home cases and 27 lead cases in the reporting period compared with 19 home cases and 40 lead cases). SOLVIT Luxembourg has a good resolution rate of 89 % (89 % SOLVIT EU27 average).

The Luxembourg SOLVIT centre is fast in responding to clients (average 6 days, target is 7 days). The overall time the Luxembourg SOLVIT centre takes to prepare a case for submission to another SOLVIT centre is excellent (1 day). The case handling time for cases against the Luxembourg administration has dropped from 52 to 49 days and is below the 70-day target.

Points of Single Contact

The Point of Single Contact in Luxembourg is very well established. It scores well in almost all assessment categories.

Information provided is comprehensive and goes beyond the requirements of the Services Directive in terms of the areas covered. The Luxembourgish PSC provides a clear distinction between requirements and procedures for permanent and cross-border provision of services.

The online completion of procedures is fairly simple and no complicated technical solutions are used; this facilitates completion by foreign service providers.