

Single Market Scoreboard

Performance per Member State

Malta

(Reporting period: 2015)



Transposition of law

Transposition deficit: 0.2% (*last report: 0.4%*) – Malta managed to halve its previous score and is again the best performing Member State on this issue — one of the 7 Member States reaching both proposed 0.5% targets (transposition and compliance deficits).

EU average = 0.7%; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5%

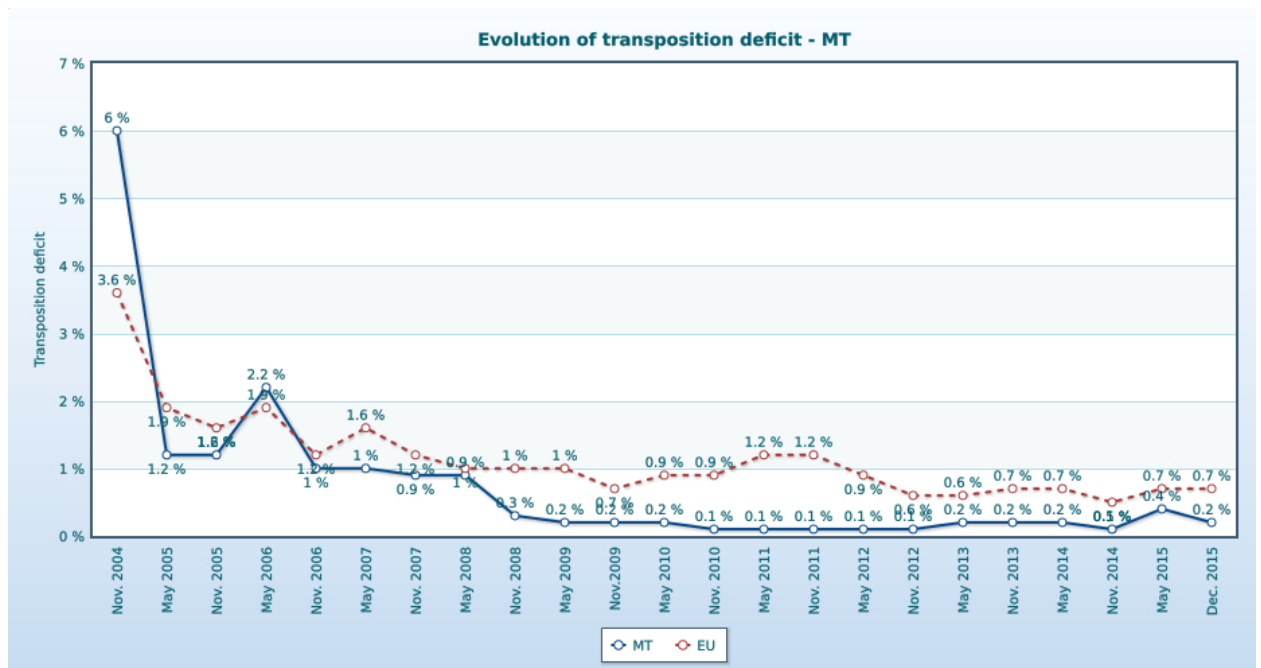
Overdue directives: 2 (*last report: 5*) - Both in the financial services sector - and **none** more than 2 years overdue.

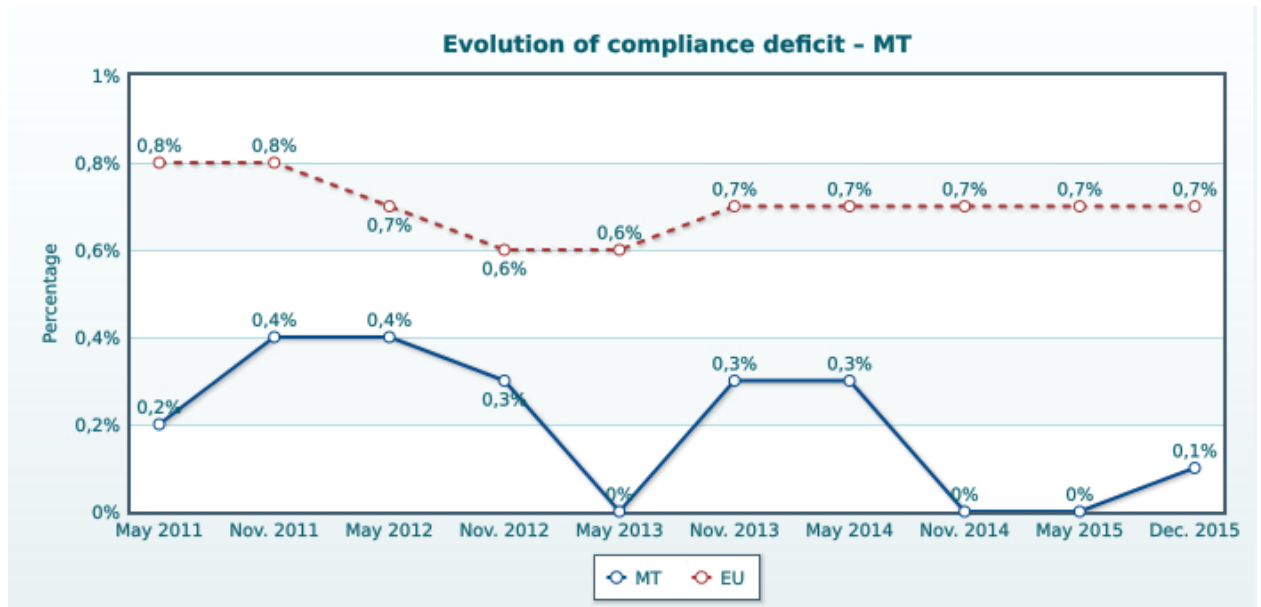
Average delay: 7.0 months (*last report: 2.5 months*) – Significant increase, because Malta managed to halve its previous transposition deficit: its 2 remaining overdue directives should have been transposed in March 2015.

EU average = 10.1 months

Compliance deficit: 0.1% (*last report: 0.0%*) – No longer the perfect score, but still the best performing Member State on this issue.

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Infringements

Pending cases: 8 (2 new cases and 1 case closed; last report: 7 pending cases) – Slight increase and now the 3rd lowest number of single market-related cases of all Member States (1st position 6 months).

(EU average = 26 cases)

Problematic sectors: Air transport (3 cases = 38% of all cases)

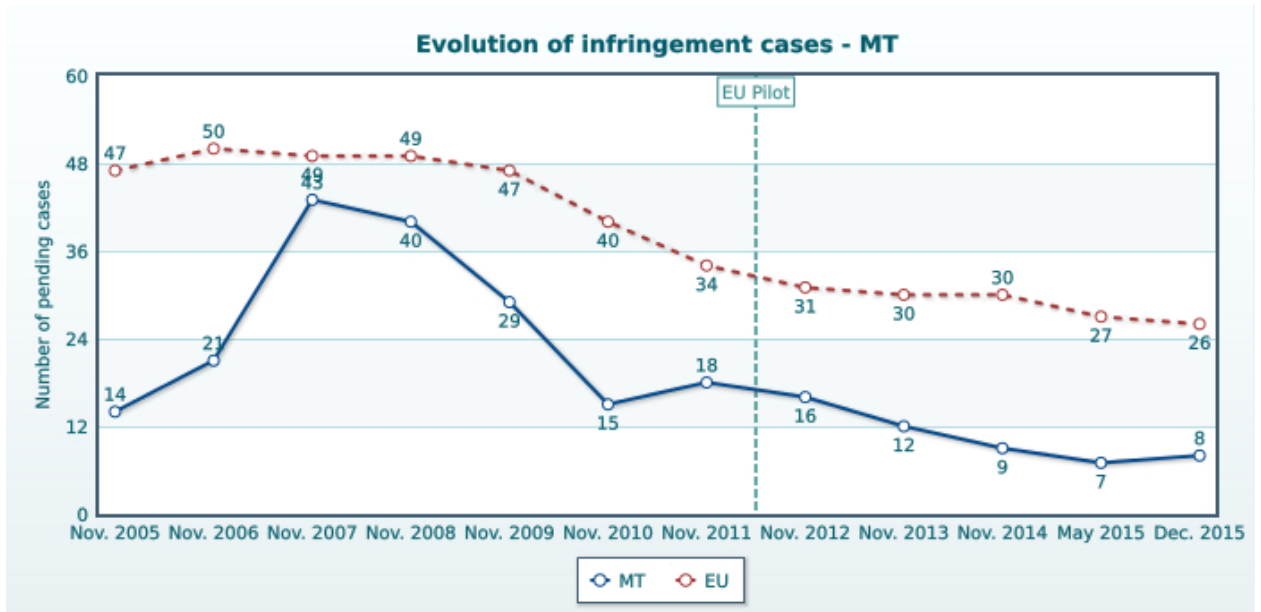
Average case duration: 51.2 months for the 7 cases not yet sent to the Court (last report: 59.1 months) – Worst score among the Member States but one of a group of 8 Member States that decreased their average duration of cases, and had the highest decrease since last time.

Malta was able to solve one case that had been open for 3 years, but has a number of very old pending cases (including 2 open for around 10 years) that push its average duration up significantly.

(EU average = 30.7 months)

Compliance with court rulings: 21 months for the 4 cases at this stage of the procedure (last report: 21 months) – No new infringement cases.

(EU average = 21 months)



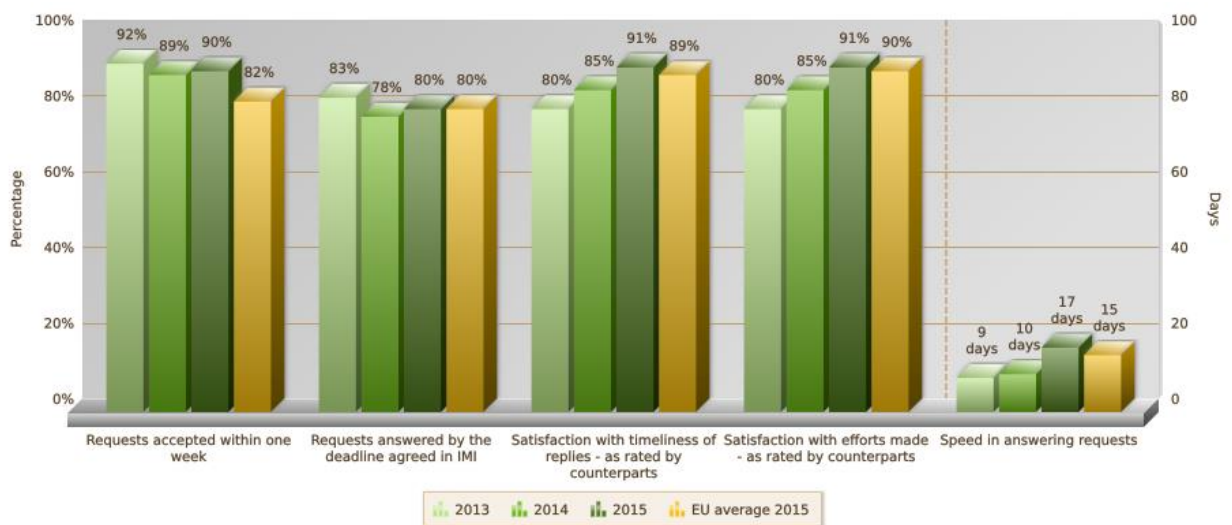
EU Pilot

The average response time of Malta is currently outside the 70-day benchmark in EU Pilot.

Internal Market Information System

Performance – Malta continues to perform well.

- Malta improved performance for 4 of the 5 indicators
- Satisfaction rates among counterparts have improved and are now above the EU average
- Efforts could be made to improve the time for answering requests



EURES

National provider: [ETC](#) (Employment and Training Corporation)

EURES advisers (nationally): 2

Performance: Significant improvement needed in the number of contacts with jobseekers and employers and the resulting ratio of placements.

Your Europe

National equivalent?

National portal in MT, EN: www.gov.mt

Record for this period

- content syndication from national portal to Your Europe
- active participation in Editorial Board work
- responsive to all requests for information for the website
- back-linking from national websites to Your Europe; no reported promotional activities

Recommended action

Continue to:

- ensure stable representation on the Editorial Board
- attend the Board meetings twice a year
- syndicate content/provide information, when requested, on how Malta applies single market rules
- link national websites to Your Europe

Make an effort to:

- raise awareness of Your Europe within national administrations and among potential end users

SOLVIT

- **Caseload – very small**
Submitted cases: 4 (7 in 2014)
Received cases: 9 (12 in 2014)
- **Resolution rate:** 89% (67% in 2014)

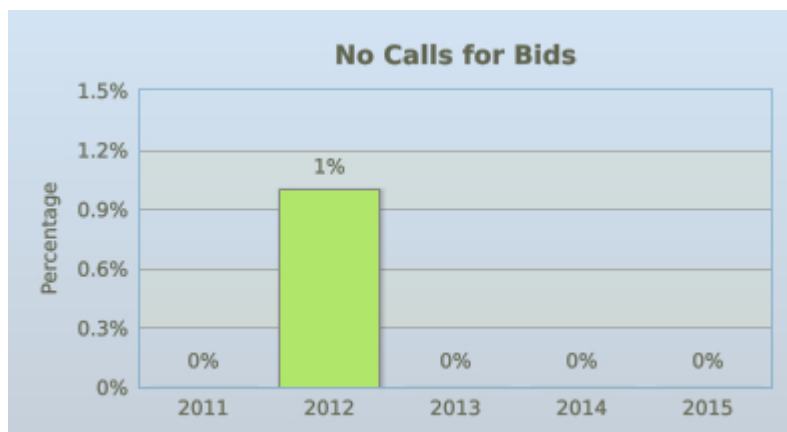
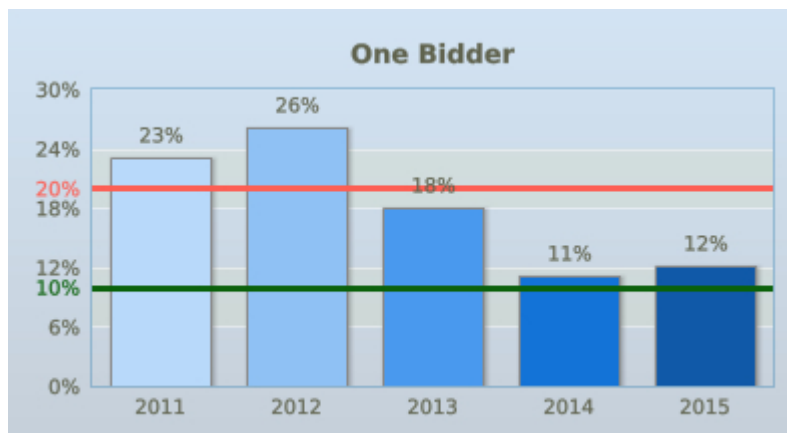
- **Handling time (Home centre)**
Reply in 7 days: 75% (100% in 2014) – good
Cases prepared in 30 days: 75% (100% in 2014) – good
- **Handling time (Lead centre) Cases closed in 10 weeks: 78% (67% in 2014) – good**
- **Staffing**
Continuity – good
Sufficient for current caseload? Yes

Technical Regulations Information System

In 2015, Malta had only 1 notification in the domestic and leisure equipment sector.

Public procurement

Overall, Malta's performance in 2015 was **satisfactory**. See more: [Public procurement performance](#).




Postal Services

For easier analysis, EU countries are divided into 3 groups on the basis of absolute GDP per capita and EU accession date (method used in EU postal sector study (2010–13)):

- **Western** – Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Sweden and UK
- **Southern** – Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal and Spain
- **Eastern** – Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Prices in purchasing power parity (PPP)

- **Domestic prices 2010-13 (in PPP):** increase from 0.26 PPPs to 0.32 PPPs
- **Cross-border price developments 2010-13 (in PPP):** increase from 0.46 PPPs in 2013 to 0.73 PPPs in 2014
- **Transit time performance D+1 (national target: 94%):** stable performance with 94.01% in 2014

 For some countries, the reference figures for the previous period may differ slightly from the last Scoreboard, due to subsequent updates that they provided.

Trade in goods and services

Trade integration of Malta in the Single Market for goods and services is above EU average, trade integration in services is even the third highest of all Member States. In 2014, trade integration of goods showed a strong decrease, while trade integration in services showed only a minor decrease.

| | | Goods | Services |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------|----------|
| Intra-EU trade integration | % GDP 2014 | 26.7 | 20.2 |
| | Change 2013–14 | -9.6 | -0.9 |
| Intra-EU imports | % GDP 2014 | 39.7 | 11.8 |
| | Change 2013–14 | -7.5 | -12.1 |

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

In 2014, the shares of FDI inward flows to Malta increased slightly, while the shares of outward flows decreased at a very small rate. The shares of FDI stocks remained unchanged.

| | Share of EU FDI Flows | | Share of EU FDI Stocks | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|
| | inward | outward | inward | outward |
| % FDI 2014 | 3.6 | 0.8 | 1.9 | 0.4 |
| Change 2013-14 (in pp) | 0.7 | -0.1 | 0 | 0 |