

Single Market Scoreboard

Performance per Member State

Slovakia

(Reporting period: 2017)



Transposition of law

In 2016, the Member States had to transpose 66 new directives, which represents a large increase in their workload compared with 2015 (47 directives) and 2017 (39 directives). This unusual workload caused great difficulties in transposing directives on time, as a result the transposition deficit of most Member States increased dramatically. The current Scoreboard shows that the situation is returning to normal, even if those difficulties are still reflected in the results of several Member States.

Transposition deficit: 0.5 % (last report: 0.7 %) – Slight decrease by 0.2 percentage point and in a group of 8 Member States that achieved the 0.5 % proposed target. Slovakia has transposed 13 of the 14 directives (93 %) with a transposition date within the 6 months before the cut-off date for calculation (1.6.2017–30.11.2017). This shows that this Member State monitors the timely transposition of the directives very well, although a number of its 5 outstanding directives have been due for a long time (see average delay below).

EU average = 0.9 %; Proposed target (in Single Market Act) = 0.5 %

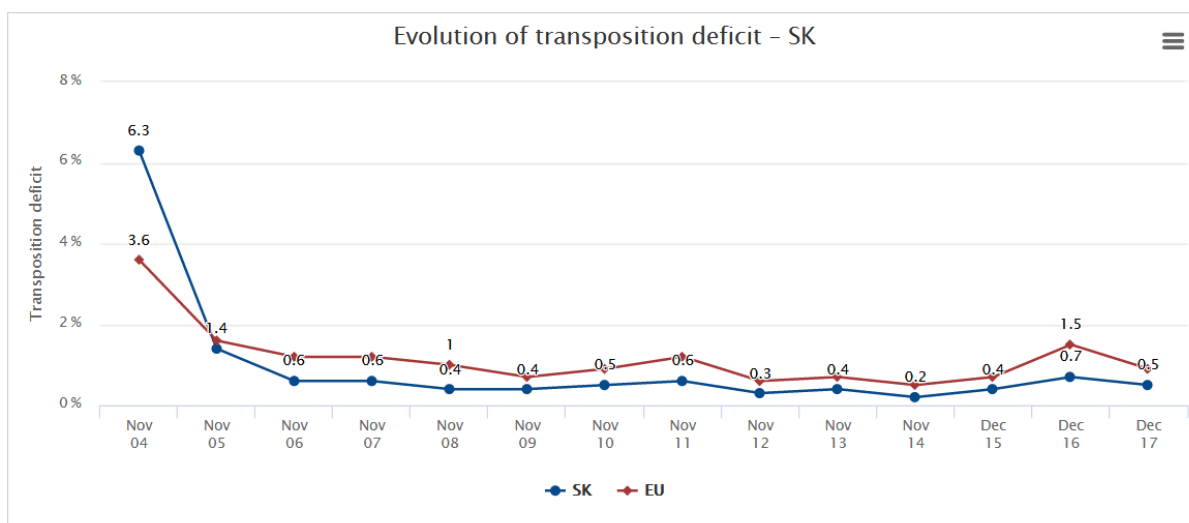
Overdue directives: 5 (last report: 7) including 3 in the transport sector (= 60 % of the backlog) and **none** more than 2 years overdue.

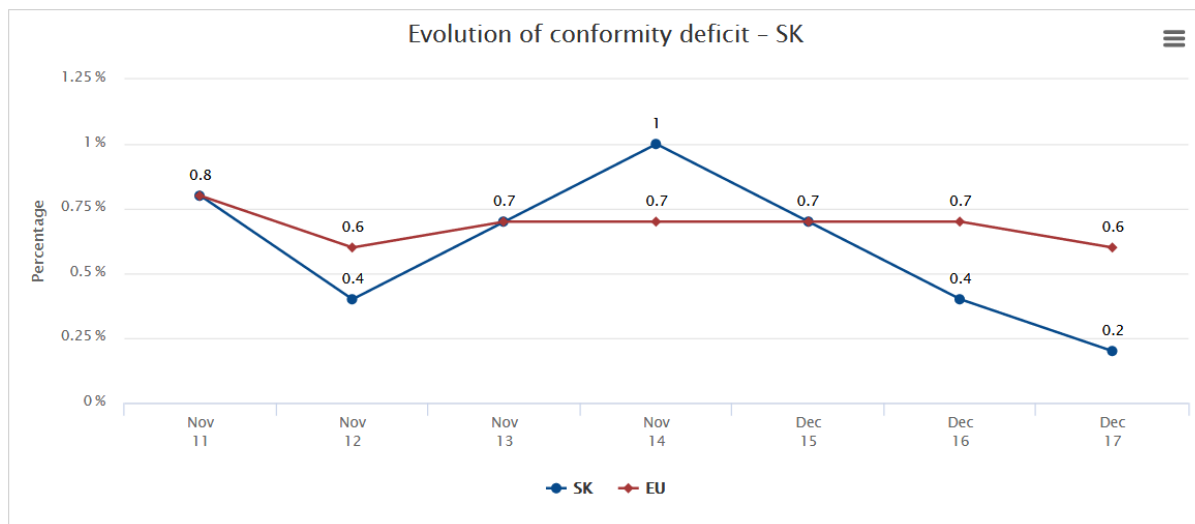
Average delay: 9.8 months (last report: 3.7 months) – Marked increase by 6.1 months. Slovakia has no long overdue directive (due for 2 years or more) but most of its outstanding directives (4/5) have been due for more than 6 months.

EU average = 8.7 months

Conformity deficit: 0.2 % (last report: 0.4 %) – Further decrease. Slovakia is one of the 7 Member States that achieved or equalled their best ever result and in a group of 9 Member States that are below both the EU average and the 0.5 % proposed target.

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Infringements

Pending cases: 27 (9 new cases including 5 in the environment sector and 4 cases closed; last report: 22 pending cases) – Increase by 5 cases and now more Single Market-related cases than the EU average.

(EU average = 24 cases)

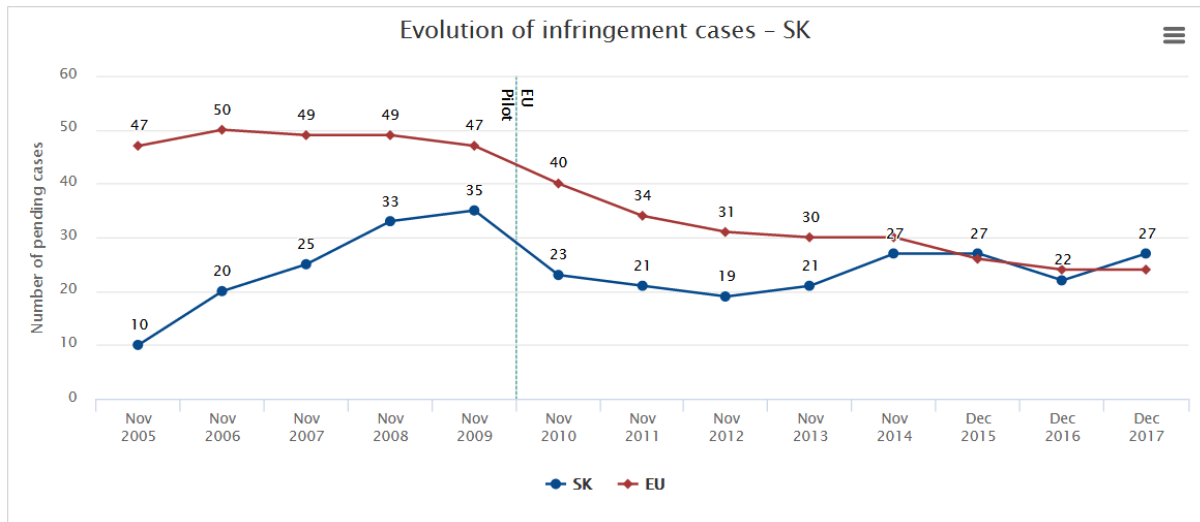
Problematic sectors: environment (9 cases), free movement of goods & market surveillance (4) and air transport (4).

Average case duration: 36.2 months for the 26 cases not yet sent to the Court (last report: 34.4 months) – further increase but case duration still better than the EU average. The duration of 5 old cases (average duration of 61.2 months) is balanced by the shorter duration of the other cases (9.2 months).

(EU average = 39.8 months)

Compliance with court rulings: 8.3 months for the 2 cases at this stage of the procedure and closed in the 5 last years (last report: same) – Status quo compared to December 2016: Slovakia is under both the 18-month threshold and the EU average, and now the Member State with the shortest compliance delay.

(EU average = 23.6 months)



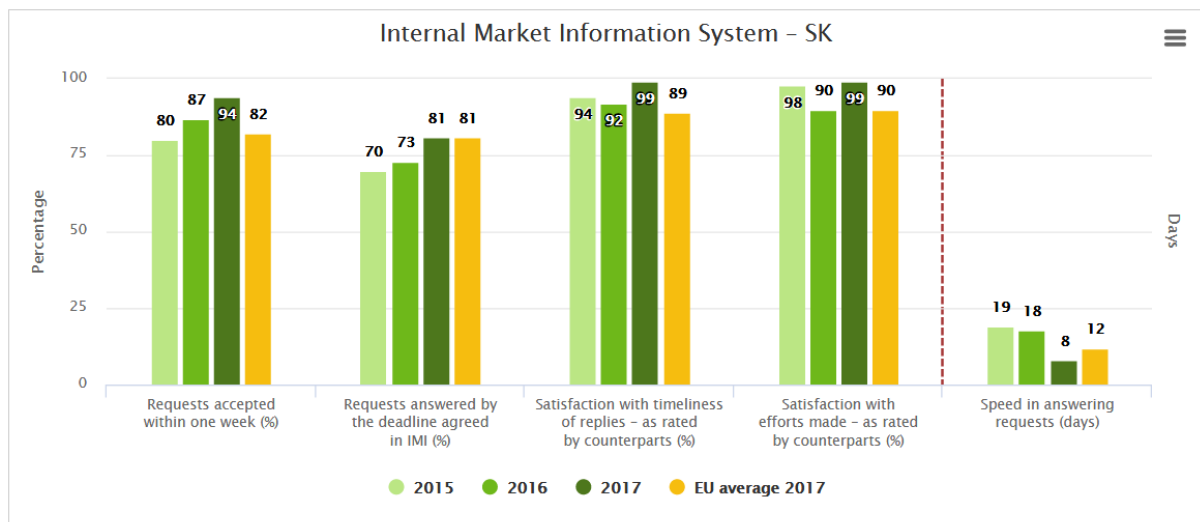
EU Pilot

Slovakia's average response time respects the 70-day benchmark in EU Pilot.

Internal Market Information System

Performance – Slovakia performs very well.

- All 5 indicators show improved performance compared to 2016.
- Satisfaction rates among counterparts is very high – 99 %.
- All indicators show performance above the EU average.
- *Slovakia's involvement in requests concerning posted workers was relatively high in 2017: 90 requests were sent and 189 requests were received.*



EURES

National equivalent?

National portal in SK, EN: www.slovensko.sk

Record for this period

- active participation in Editorial Board work
- responsive to the majority of requests for information for the website
- no 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
- provide information, when requested, on how the country applies Single Market rules

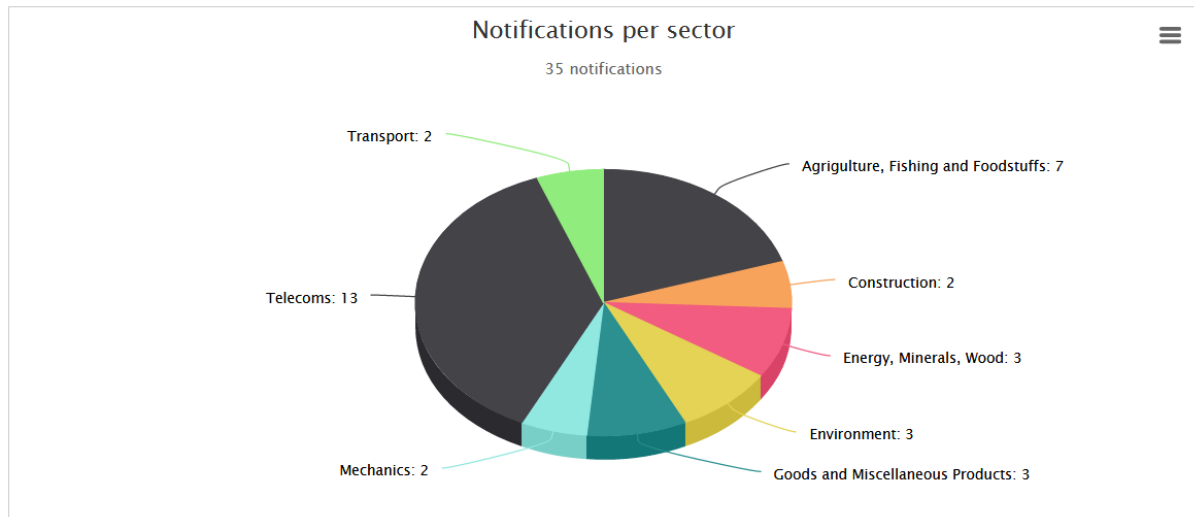
Make an effort to:

- provide all missing information on how the country applies Single Market rules (Cf Company cars)
- raise awareness about Your Europe within national administrations and among potential end users
- link national websites to Your Europe

SOLVIT

- **Caseload – medium**
Submitted cases: 57 (61 in 2016)
Received cases: 16 (5 in 2016)
- **Resolution rate: 100 % (100 % in 2016)**
- **Handling time (Home centre)**
Reply in 7 days: 100 % (93 % in 2016) – very good
Cases prepared in 30 days: 95 % (83 % in 2016) – good
- **Handling time (Lead centre)**
Cases closed in 10 weeks: 81% (80 % in 2016) – good
- **Staffing**
Continuity – experienced staff
Sufficient for current caseload? yes

Technical Regulations Information System



Points of Single Contact

- 14 out of 20 analysed procedures are available fully online, the other six are offline.
- Businesses active cross-border are able to sign electronically and, for some procedures, provide evidence or pay online, however they cannot use eID to identify themselves.
- Explanations of procedures are not sufficiently detailed.
- General information is available in another language.
- Points identified for improvement:
 - making procedures available fully online;
 - cross-border accessibility of online procedures;
 - procedures to be explained in more detail;
 - translation of more specific information;
 - collection of user feedback.

Public procurement

Overall, Slovakia's performance in 2017 was **satisfactory**. For further information and the methodology applied, please see the section on [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. **Transit time performance D+1:** D+1 transit time levels in Slovakia have been above the national target throughout the observed period. It stood at 95.1 % in 2016. The Slovak performance target is 93 %.

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 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

Slovakia is the Member State with the highest trade integration in the Single Market for goods. For services, its trade integration is only slightly above EU average. In 2016, Slovakia registered a modest increase in its trade integration for goods and a minor increase in its trade integration for services.

		Goods	Services
Intra-EU trade integration	% GDP 2016	70.9	7.5
	Change 2015–16	1.2	0.1
Intra-EU imports	% GDP 2016	67.4	7.5
	Change 2015–16	2.1	-2.6

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

In 2016, Slovakia's share of EU FDI outflows increased slightly. All indicators remained unchanged.

	Share of EU FDI Flows		Share of EU FDI Stocks	
	inward	outward	inward	outward
% FDI 2016	-0.1	0.1	0.5	0.0
Change 2015-16 (in pp)	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0