

Labour force sample survey in the Community

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Council Regulation 577/98/EC on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community stipulates that every 3 years from the adoption of this Regulation, the Commission is to forward to Parliament and the Council a report on implementation of this regulation with a view to evaluating the statistical methods used for this survey. This is the purpose of this report. The following programme of ad hoc modules has been agreed: - 1999 Accidents at work and occupational diseases; - 2000 Transition from school to work; - 2001 Length and patterns of working time; - 2002 Employment of disabled persons; - 2003 Lifelong learning; - 2004 Transition from school to work. The 1999 ad hoc module was not implemented by Belgium, France and Austria and only partially implemented by Germany. The 2000 ad hoc module was not implemented by Germany and only partially by the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. The 2001 ad hoc module has been defined and will be implemented by all Member States except Germany that will only do it partially. In conclusion, the Commission: - emphasises the need to accelerate the transition towards a continuous survey in Germany and Austria; - invites France, Italy and Luxembourg to stick to the envisaged schedule for implementing a continuous survey; - urges in particular France and Germany to speed up the transmission of the Spring Survey data; - reminds Member States carrying out continuous surveys that the quarterly results must be provided to Eurostat within 12 weeks of the end of the reference quarter; - insists on the need to improve the information on education and training and to complete information on households; - will continue with the implementation of complementary surveys, in order to respond flexibly to high-priority political requirements.