

Waste statistics

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PURPOSE: the establishment of a Community statistical infrastructure on waste generation, recovery, waste collection and incineration, composting and final disposal in the Member States. **CONTENT:** The main objective of the proposed Regulation on Waste Management Statistics is to establish a harmonised information system on waste generation, recovery, collection, treatment and disposal in the EU. This system will provide data for the monitoring of the EU policy on waste management. In particular, it will be possible to detect in detail the generated waste types together with the economic actors responsible for the generation and the destination of these wastes. Disparities between countries regarding different relative waste amounts will permit the formulation of concrete national waste policy aims to ensure basic environmental conditions in all Member States and to fulfil the EU objectives. The draft Regulation stipulates that Member States have to deliver regularly waste data according to certain formats and quality conditions. Eurostat will have to submit a tri-annual report to the Council on the implementation of the Regulation.