

# Structural business statistics

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In adopting the report by Mrs MARIE-PAULE KESTELIJN-SIERENS (ELDR) on the proposal for a regulation on structural business statistics, the European Parliament made a series of amendments aimed at ensuring a better balance between the need for fast and reliable statistics and the interests of the data suppliers. An initial series of amendments aims at ensuring that the technique of sampling is used, whenever practicable, for firms below a certain size threshold. A second series of amendments seeks to address the problem of the considerable costs of collecting data and compiling statistics. Finally, the EP takes the view that the results of statistical surveys should be produced and disseminated as quickly as possible.