Basic information

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Carriage of goods by road: statistical returns Repealed by 2010/0258(COD) Amended by 2007/0269(COD) **Subject** 3.20.05 Road transport: passengers and freight 3.20.20 Transport statistics	

Key players

European Parliament

Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
TRAN Transport and Tourism	BAZIN Jean-Pierre (UPE)	09/12/1997

Committee for opinion	Rapporteur for opinion	Appointed
BUDG Budgets		
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs, Industrial Policy	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	21/01/1998

Council of the European Union

Council configuration	Meetings	Date
Transport, Telecommunications and Energy	2074	1998-03-17
Agriculture and Fisheries	2098	1998-05-25

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
11/09/1997	Legislative proposal published	COM(1997)0443	Summary
20/10/1997	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
25/02/1998	Vote in committee		Summary
25/02/1998	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A4-0072/1998	
10/03/1998	Debate in Parliament		

25/05/1998	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
25/05/1998	End of procedure in Parliament		
06/06/1998	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

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Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TRAN/4/09338

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A4-0072/1998 OJ C 104 06.04.1998, p. 0005	25/02/1998	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T4-0138/1998 OJ C 104 06.04.1998, p. 0100-0137	11/03/1998	Summary

European Commission

Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
Legislative proposal	COM(1997)0443 OJ C 341 11.11.1997, p. 0009	11/09/1997	Summary
Follow-up document	COM(2005)0242	06/06/2005	Summary

Other institutions and bodies

Institution/body	Document type	Reference	Date	Summary
EESC	Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report	CES0107/1998 OJ C 095 30.03.1998, p. 0033	28/01/1998	Summary
EU	Implementing legislative act	32003R0006 OJ L 001 04.01.2003, p. 0045-0049	30/12/2002	Summary

Additional information		
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Final act	
Regulation 1998/1172 OJ L 163 06.06.1998, p. 0001	Summary

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1997/0233(CNS) - 06/06/2005 - Follow-up document

The Commission has presented a report on the experience acquired in the work carried out pursuant to Council Regulation 1172/98/EC on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road.

After a general description of the scope and objectives of the Regulation, the report examines issues relating to its implementation. It also contains information on financial assistance granted to Member States and on the main results obtained. Lastly, the annex presents tables and diagrams containing information on European goods transport by road, gathered on the basis of the Council Regulation.

The results of the implementation of the Regulation are, for the most part, positive. The implementation of this Regulation of this Regulation has improved the availability of detailed information on European goods transport by road. The statistics are of good quality. The Member States have devoted considerable investment and effort to comply with the provisions of the Regulation, with most of them respecting the deadlines laid down. A certain number of application measures have been adopted by committee procedure. All the problems linked to the transmission, loading and validation of data and the interpretation of the Regulation have been addressed and most of them have been solved. The issues concerned with dissemination and the related problems of confidentiality have also been agreed upon, and the dissemination of data has begun.

In the short term, a priority will be the dissemination both of new variables and of the time series of the main variables related to road transport statistics, as well as the implementation of the Regulation by the Acceding Countries. In the longer term, it may be decided to propose a form of regular collection of data on vehicles outside the weight limits currently applied. In order to provide a complete view of road freight transport on EU territory, additional measures might be needed to collect data on transport operations by vehicles registered outside the EU.

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1997/0233(CNS) - 11/03/1998 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

In adopting the report by Mr Jean-Pierre BAZIN (F, UPE), the European Parliament approved the proposal for a regulation subject to two amendments. Parliament called for the report by the Commission on experience acquired in the work carried out pursuant to the Regulation to be forwarded to it as well. It called on the Commission to show in the report how the Community funds allocated to the measure had been spent.

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1997/0233(CNS) - 25/05/1998 - Final act

OBJECTIVE: to supplement the current production of harmonised statistics on the carriage of goods by road. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 1172/98 on statistical returns in respect of the carriage of goods by road. SUBSTANCE: the Regulation provides that each Member State shall compile Community statistics on the carriage of goods by road by means of goods road transport vehicles which are registered in that Member State, and on the journeys made by such vehicles. Member States are to collect statistics on: - vehicle-related data; - journey-related data; - goods-related data. In order to limit the burden on enterprises of the work involved, the Regulation allows Member States to exclude from the scope of the Regulation operations by very small vehicles (up to 3.5 tons load capacity or 6 tons maximum permissible weight when loaded). For the first three years of implementation of the statistical returns, Member States will receive financial assistance from the Community towards the expenditure incurred in carrying out the work involved. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 26/06/1998.

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1997/0233(CNS) - 11/09/1997 - Legislative proposal

OBJECTIVE: the proposed operation is intended to round off current production of harmonized statistical data on the transport of goods by road and ensure the availability of information necessary for the framing, monitoring, controlling and evaluation of the common policy. SUBSTANCE: the proposal for a Regulation will replace Directives 78/546/EEC and 89/462/EEC, whose application no longer provides sufficient statistical information since the development of the common transport policy. The proposed Regulation, which thus amends the existing Directives, will provide new data on: - the type of freight (including containers, interchange units, palletized and bulk goods); - goods classed as dangerous under Council Directive 94/55 /EC; - utilization of transport capacity; - type of vehicle (maximum permissible laden weight, axle configuration); - cross-border transport flows; - cabotage (national transport by non-resident operators). In order to limit the statistical burden on businesses, the Commission proposes that the Member States should be free to exclude from the scope of the Regulation any operations carried out by the smallest vehicles (payloads of up to 3.5 tonnes or six tonnes maximum permissible laden weight). The political fields for which a new legal act on statistics on the carriage of goods by road are most urgently required are as follows: - intermodal freight transport; - trans-European networks; - transport safety; - the single market and the liberalization of transport (cabotage).

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1997/0233(CNS) - 30/12/2002 - Implementing legislative act

COMMUNITY MEASURE : Commission Regulation 6/2003/EC concerning the dissemination of statistics on the carriage of goods by road. CONTENT : The dissemination is authorised for the statistical tables listed in the Annex of this Regulation. The Regulation aims to ensure a reasonable level of quality in the information disseminated and the maintenance of existing statistical series. It is also necessary to make certain data available to Member States in order to complete the statistical coverage of road transport at national level. The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion delivered by the Statistical Programme Committee. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 24/10/2003.

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1997/0233(CNS) - 28/01/1998 - Economic and Social Committee: opinion, report

The Committee approves the Commission's decision to replace the existing directives with a regulation which will be directly applicable in all Member States, and recommends that the objective of the regulation should be to improve the reliability in time and space of the data collected and their comparability with the data for other transport modes; attempts to achieve this objective should be based on a "functional" intermodal approach to goods transport; the data which road haulage firms are asked to provide should be limited to the data which are necessary and apposite for attaining the objective set.