

Basic information

2016/0265(COD)

COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Regulation

European statistical programme 2013-2017: extension to 2020

Amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 [2011/0459\(COD\)](#)

Subject

8.60 European statistical legislation

Procedure completed

Key players

European
Parliament

Committee responsible

ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs

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[GUALTIERI Roberto \(S&D\)](#)

Appointed

12/10/2016

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Committee for opinion

AFET Foreign Affairs

Rapporteur for opinion

The committee decided not to give an opinion.

Appointed

BUDG Budgets

The committee decided not to give an opinion.

EMPL Employment and Social Affairs

[ARENA Maria \(S&D\)](#)

25/10/2016




ITRE Industry, Research and Energy

The committee decided not to give an opinion.

IMCO Internal Market and Consumer Protection






The committee decided not to give an opinion.

Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meetings	Date
	Foreign Affairs	3513	2017-01-16
	Agriculture and Fisheries	3562	2017-10-09
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	Eurostat - European statistics	THYSSEN Marianne	

Key events			
Date	Event	Reference	Summary
07/09/2016	Legislative proposal published	COM(2016)0557 	Summary
15/09/2016	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading		
27/03/2017	Vote in committee, 1st reading		
27/03/2017	Committee decision to open interinstitutional negotiations with report adopted in committee		
04/04/2017	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading	A8-0158/2017	Summary
26/04/2017	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations announced in plenary (Rule 71)		
15/05/2017	Committee decision to enter into interinstitutional negotiations confirmed by plenary (Rule 71)		
11/07/2017	Approval in committee of the text agreed at 1st reading interinstitutional negotiations	PE607.923	
13/09/2017	Debate in Parliament		
14/09/2017	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading	T8-0355/2017	Summary
14/09/2017	Results of vote in Parliament		
09/10/2017	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
25/10/2017	Final act signed		
25/10/2017	End of procedure in Parliament		
31/10/2017	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2016/0265(COD)
Procedure type	COD - Ordinary legislative procedure (ex-codecision procedure)
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Regulation
Amendments and repeals	Amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 2011/0459(COD)
Legal basis	Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union TFEU 338-p1

Other legal basis	Rules of Procedure EP 165
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	ECON/8/07767

Documentation gateway				
European Parliament				
Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee draft report		PE597.441	12/01/2017	
Amendments tabled in committee		PE599.677	09/02/2017	
Committee opinion	EMPL	PE595.765	24/03/2017	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0158/2017	04/04/2017	Summary
Text agreed during interinstitutional negotiations		PE607.923	15/06/2017	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0355/2017	14/09/2017	Summary
Council of the EU				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Draft final act	00029/2017/LEX	25/10/2017		
European Commission				
Document type	Reference	Date	Summary	
Legislative proposal	COM(2016)0557 	07/09/2016	Summary	
Document attached to the procedure	SWD(2016)0287 	08/09/2016		
Document attached to the procedure	SWD(2016)0288 	08/09/2016		
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	SP(2017)633	11/09/2017		
Document attached to the procedure	C(2017)8555	19/12/2017		
Follow-up document	COM(2021)0794 	15/12/2021		
Follow-up document	SWD(2021)0383 	15/12/2021		
National parliaments				
Document type	Parliament/Chamber	Reference	Date	Summary
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Additional information		
Source	Document	Date
EP Research Service	Briefing	
European Commission	EUR-Lex	

Final act	
Regulation 2017/1951 OJ L 284 31.10.2017, p. 0001	Summary

European statistical programme 2013-2017: extension to 2020

2016/0265(COD) - 25/10/2017 - Final act

PURPOSE: to extend the European statistical programme (ESP) 2013-17, for the period 2018-2020.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Regulation (EU) 2017/1951 of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 on the European statistical programme 2013-17, by extending it to 2020.

CONTENT: this Regulation amending [Regulation \(EU\) No 99/2013](#) provides the programming framework for the development, production and dissemination of European statistics, the main fields and the objectives of the actions envisaged for the **period from 2013 to 2020**.

The implementation of Union policies requires **high-quality, comparable and reliable statistical information** about the economic, social, territorial and environmental situation in the Union and its components at national and regional level.

Statistics developed, produced and disseminated under the programme **contribute to the implementation of the Union's policies** as reflected in the TFEU and Europe 2020 and its respective flagship initiatives, as well as other policies set out in the Commission's strategic priorities.

In particular, the programme shall:

- support political priorities and economic policy coordination throughout the **European Semester**;
- provide **new population projections**, including as regards migration flows, in order to update the analyses of the social, economic and budgetary implications of population ageing and of economic inequalities;
- develop statistics on **climate change** adaptation, as well as on **energy consumption**, energy efficiency, renewable energy sources, energy dependence and security of supply, and on circular economy;
- monitor the objectives and targets of the **UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** to be set at Union and Member State level;
- improve the quality and quantity of information that contributes to the exhaustiveness of the national accounts and, consequently, improve the estimates of tax loss and tax avoidance;
- measure pockets of **high unemployment**, including youth unemployment in cross-border regions;
- reflect the new orientations, in particular in line with the **Vision 2020 of the European Statistical System (ESS)**, to complement the existing objectives, ongoing prioritisation and the availability of data in a context where the Union is facing important challenges in terms of economic development and social cohesion.

The financial envelope for the implementation of the programme for 2018 to 2020 is set at **EUR 218.1 million**, covered by the programming period 2014 to 2020.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 20.11.2017.

APPLICATION: from 1.1.2018.

European statistical programme 2013-2017: extension to 2020

2016/0265(COD) - 04/04/2017 - Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading

The Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs adopted the report by Roberto GUALTIERI (S&D, IT) on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European statistical programme 2013-17, by extending it to 2018-2020.

The committee recommended that the European Parliament's position, adopted at first reading following the ordinary legislative procedure, should amend the Commission proposal as follows:

Reliable and comprehensive European statistics: the amended text stressed the importance of prompt, reliable, relevant and publicly available evidence based on European statistics without unnecessary time lags in the provision of such statistics in measuring the progress and evaluating the efficiency of the Union's policies and programmes, especially in the context of the Europe 2020 strategy and the Agenda for jobs, growth, fairness and democratic change.

Moreover, high quality statistics developed, produced and disseminated under the multiannual programme should contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nation's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to the 2015 Paris Agreement, through the monitoring of its objectives and targets.

Statistical infrastructure and objectives of the European statistical programme 2013 to 2020: Members stated that the statistical production should include, *inter alia*, the following:

- **employment** indicators distinguishing between part-time and full-time employment and between fixed-term contracts and permanent contracts, as well as indicators on unemployment that take into account people in activation policies such as training. That data should also include data on gender divides;
- statistical input for efficiently monitoring the **economic inequalities** that hamper economic growth;
- statistical information for a better understanding of the economic, social and environmental impact of **globalisation**;
- a set of high-quality macroeconomic indicators in order to better understand and analyse economic fluctuations as well as the evolution of economic inequalities and their effects on society;
- the production of indicators on **income, wealth and consumption distribution** across households;
- the development of a measurement framework of quality of life;
- the development of a conceptual framework for the measurement and analysis of **gender inequality**, with particular regard to the wage gap;
- the development of timely indicators on citizens using the portability of their social rights from one Member State to another;
- the development of comprehensive indicators on the situation of **migrants** within the Union;
- the provision of indicators for a comparison of the **cost of providing public services**, in particular education and health care, between regions.

Lastly, European citizens should be able to draw easily and without obstacles on European statistics to enable them to use such data for their education and decision-making.

Indicators should be published in a timely manner and, when at all possible, within **12 months** of the end of the period of time covered. The Commission (Eurostat) should state publicly the reason for any unduly long delays that might occur.

Reports: by 30 June 2019, the Commission shall, after consulting the ESSC and the European Statistical Advisory Committee, submit an intermediate progress report of the programme to the European Parliament and to the Council.

The **final evaluation report** (to be presented by 31 December 2021 at the latest) shall evaluate in particular the outcome of reprioritisation and cost evaluation of statistical products, the progress on rendering access to official statistics easier and more user-friendly, including the provision of data on its website.

European statistical programme 2013-2017: extension to 2020

2016/0265(COD) - 07/09/2016 - Legislative proposal

PURPOSE: to extend the European statistical programme (ESP) 2013-17, for the period 2018-2020.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with Council.

BACKGROUND: the implementation and monitoring of EU policies relies on comparable and high-quality statistical information about the economic, social and environmental situation in the EU and its components at national and regional level. European statistics are also indispensable if 'Europe' is to be understood by the general public. The current ESP, as laid down in [Regulation \(EU\) No 99/2013](#) and covering the period from **2013 to 2017**, is the eighth programme of its kind.

Although national statistical systems have made a significant effort to modernise their production methods with the support of the 2013-2017 European statistical programme (ESP), **the current statistical production infrastructure is still not flexible enough** to deliver new statistics when needed, while also limiting the associated cost and administrative burden.

In order to satisfy the information needs stemming from the Commission's 10 political priorities, a number of urgent statistical gaps need to be addressed. Furthermore, the timeliness of some European statistics needs to be improved urgently, so that they provide the more up-to-date information needed in the context of the European Semester exercise.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT: the preferred option is an **amended ESP**, including new statistical outputs to align statistical production with the Commission's 10 political priorities, complemented by major initiatives to reduce the burden on respondents and costs to NSIs, and increased annual budget

CONTENT : by amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013, the aim of the proposal is to **extend the ESP 2013-2017 for the period 2018-2020** and provide the **financial support** that the European statistical system (ESS) needs in order to be able to:

- provide high-quality statistical information and close the statistical gaps that need to be addressed most urgently, focusing on a number of priority areas that **reflect the Commission's 10 political priorities** for jobs, growth, fairness and democratic change and other Union policies such as the European Semester, the Europe 2020 strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, and the European Energy Union;
- implement **new methods** on production of European statistics aiming to achieve efficiency gains and improvement in quality;
- **strengthen partnership within the ESS** and beyond in order to further increase its productivity and secure its leading role in official statistics worldwide.

In specific terms, the proposal amends the ESP 2013-2017, including **new statistical outputs** to align statistical production with the Commission's 10 political priorities, complemented by major initiatives to **modernise the methods for producing statistics**, reduce the burden on respondents and costs to national statistical institutes (NSIs).

In particular, the initiative will underpin Union policies in the following areas:

- **social indicators** to strengthen the EU social dimension, European monetary union and the social impact analysis of macroeconomic policies;
- further statistical work to analyse the growth and employment impact of **technological change** and innovation and to put in place a circular economy monitoring system;
- more detailed data on **energy consumption** and better early estimates of energy balances;
- statistics on **online cross-border selling** for the 'digital single market' priority (accessing services provided by intermediaries in content distribution; trust in online platforms and intermediaries; barriers faced by households making crossborder purchases);
- a **harmonised house price index** and related statistics in the context of assessing Member States' structural reforms;
- statistics to help the EU to steer and monitor the impact of its **external policies** and assistance programmes, and to contribute to good governance and democratic debate in partner countries.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS: the total amount to be borne by the EU budget for the extension of the programme (2018-2020) is **EUR 218.1 million** (current prices).

European statistical programme 2013-2017: extension to 2020

2016/0265(COD) - 14/09/2017 - Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading

The European Parliament adopted by 512 votes to 54 with 676 abstentions a legislative resolution on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) No 99/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European statistical programme 2013-17, by extending it to 2018-2020.

Parliament's position adopted in first reading following the ordinary legislative procedure amended the Commission proposal as follows:

Reliable, comprehensive European statistics is an important public good: the amended text stressed that the availability of reliable, comprehensive European statistics benefits decision-makers, researchers and the public with the aim of **providing accurate data to assist further integration processes in the Union**.

Furthermore, high-quality statistics developed, produced and disseminated under the programme, in particular statistics on innovation, research and development, social statistics, environmental statistics as well as energy and transport statistics should allow the monitoring of objectives and targets of the United Nations **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**.

The amendments underlined that the extension of the programme is an opportunity that should be taken to make adaptations and reflect the new orientations, in particular in line with the **European Statistical System (ESS) Vision 2020**, to complement the existing objectives, and the availability of data in a context where the Union is facing important challenges in terms of economic development and social cohesion.

Statistical infrastructure and objectives of the European statistical programme 2013-17: Parliament specified that the production of statistics should involve, *inter alia*:

- **employment** indicators distinguishing between part-time and full-time employment and between fixed-term contracts and permanent contracts, as well as indicators on unemployment that take into account people in activation policies such as training. These indicators should also include data on gender divides;
- providing statistical input for efficiently monitoring economic **inequalities**;
- statistics that enable better understanding of the economic, social and environmental effects of **globalisation**;
- the provision of data that allow for an analysis of the positive and negative consequences for the Union market, in particular the **Union labour market**;
- high-quality macroeconomic indicators in order to **better understand and analyse economic fluctuations** as well as to better understand and analyse the evolution of economic inequalities and their effects on society;
- the production of indicators on **income**, consumption and wealth distribution across households;
- the development of a framework for measuring **quality of life**;
- the development of indicators measuring **environmental sustainability** and external effects with a national account perspective;

- the measurement and analysis of **gender inequality**, including the wage gap;
- the development of a methodology for a voluntary survey on gender-based violence;
- the development of comprehensive indicators on the **situation of migrants** within the Union;
- the preparation and implementation of the **agricultural census** scheduled for 2020.

Statistics are also needed on the **main areas of social policy** such as: well-being; sustainability; social cohesion; poverty; inequalities; demographic challenges, depopulation, the labour market; education and training, learning mobility of young people, culture, safety, health, disability; consumption, technological innovation and new lifestyle choices etc.

European citizens should be able to draw easily and without obstacles on European statistics to enable them to use such data for their education and decision-making.

Implementation: the Commission shall adopt **annual work programmes** that shall set out the objectives pursued and the expected results. Each annual work programme shall be communicated to the European Parliament.

Report: by 31 December 2021, the Commission shall, after consulting the ESSC and the ESAC, submit a final evaluation report on the implementation of the programme to the European Parliament and to the Council. The report shall in particular evaluate: (i) the outcome of the reprioritisation and cost evaluation of statistical products; (ii) the progress on rendering access to official statistics easier and more user-friendly, including the provision of data on the Eurostat website; and (iii) the progress on the improvement of data availability, including on social economy activities and on the Europe 2020 indicators.