

Template for quality and metadata reporting



EU Fish Processing Socio-Economic data

Concept Name

Description

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Data description (metadata)

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In particular, Income (gross total sales, operating subsidies and other income), Personnel costs (Personnel costs and Imputed value of unpaid labour, and optionally Payment for external agency workers), Energy costs, Purchase of fish and other raw material for production, Other operational costs, Capital costs (consumption of fixed capital, Financial income and Financial expenses), Capital value (Net Investments, Total value of assets, and Gross debt), Employment (Number of persons employed their FTE national, number of unpaid labour and their FTE, and Number of hours worked by employees and unpaid labour) and number of enterprises pertaining to the EU fish processing sector.

Moreover, for enterprises that carry out fish processing but not as a main activity, it is reported the Number of enterprises and Turnover attributed to fish processing.

Member States that follow the extended programme report the previously mentioned data following the segmentation by size category set out in the Commission Decision 2010/93/EU. Size category segmentation, where the number of people employed is: ≤ 10 , 11-49, 50-249, and ≥ 250 .

Statistical population

The data refers to the EU Fish Processing, i.e., corresponding to the enterprises that declared their main economic activity to NACE codes C 10.20 (Processing and preserving of fish, crustaceans and molluscs) according to the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community, in accordance to the Eurostat's Structural Business Statistics (SBS).

Reference period

Annual data from 2008 to 2023.

Frequency of dissemination

The data is disseminated every two years.

Geographical reference area

The dataset covers the EU-27 Members States. Some countries are not reporting or partially reporting because the reporting of Fish Processing is voluntary.

Unit of measure

Euro for Income (gross total sales, operating subsidies, Subsidies on investments and other income), Operating costs (Personnel costs and Imputed value of unpaid labour, and optionally Payment for external agency workers, Energy costs, Purchase of fish and other raw material for production, Repair and maintenance costs, Other operating costs), Capital costs (consumption of fixed capital, Financial income and Financial expenses), Capital value (Net Investments, Total value of assets, and Gross debt) data.

Kg for weight of raw material per species and origin.

Number of persons for Employment data on Number of persons employed, unpaid labour, and Total FTE.

Number of companies for Number of enterprises pertaining to the EU fish processing sector.

Hours for Employment data on Number of hours worked by employees and unpaid labour.

Basic statistical concepts and definitions

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Classifications used

Classifications are included in technical annex to the data call: <https://dcf.ec.europa.eu/data-calls/fishproc>.

Statistical Confidentiality

No confidential data is reported. Member States have the possibility not to report data for a confidential size category (i.e., with a low number of enterprises) or to report the data for the confidential size category together with another similar size category, so that there are no confidential issues.

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Data quality

Relevance

The dataset provides a comprehensive overview on the production, economic value, structure and competitive performance of the fish processing sector at the size category, national and EU levels.

Timeliness

The data is collected, analysed and disseminated every two years. At the year (y) when the dataset is published, the latest data published refers to y-2.

Accuracy and reliability	Data source, collection and methods used: Detailed information on how each EU Member States collect the data are provided at the National Work Plans and Annuals Reports, available at https://dcf.ec.europa.eu/wps-and-ars. Every two years, the Joint Research Centre (JRC) on behalf of the European Commission, collects the data already aggregated at segment and national levels from the EU Member States.
Accessibility and clarity	Publications: The data is published every two years at: https://stecf.ec.europa.eu/data-dissemination/fish-processing-industry_en. Quality documentation: The STECF report on The EU Fish Processing Sector: Economic Report ' contains the coverage, quality and analysis of the data, which is available at: https://stecf.ec.europa.eu/reports/economic-and-social-analyses. Further details on how EU Member States collect the data are provided at the National Work Plans and Annuals Reports, available at https://dcf.ec.europa.eu/wps-and-ars.
Coherence and comparability	Geographical: Data should be comparable between EU Member States. RCG ECON (Regional Coordination Group on Economics Issues) holds regular meetings and discusses definitions and best practices to guarantee the harmonisation and comparability of the variables. Over time: The regulation change from DCF (Council Regulation (EC) No 199/2008 & Commission Regulation (EC) No 665/2008) to EUMAP (Commission implementing decision (EU) 2016/1251 & Regulation (EU) 2017/1004), and RCG ECON recommendations resulted in the adjustment of some minor variables, but did not result in a structural break of the time series.

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