

## The Luxembourg Statistical System

The Luxembourg Statistical System can be defined according a combination of two points of view: the European one and the purely national one.

### 1. European point of view

In the European Union the [European Statistical System \(ESS\)](#) is defined in the [Regulation N°223/2009](#) on European statistics (the so-called 'Statistical Law'). The ESS is defined as the partnership between [Eurostat](#) (a Directorate-General (DG) of the European Commission) and the national statistical institutes (NSIs) together with the other national authorities (ONA – other national statistical authorities), responsible in each Member State for the development, production and dissemination of European statistics. Every Member State appoints an authority as focal point for Eurostat, and this authority co-ordinates the statistical activities in the respective Member State.

In Luxembourg, the [law of July 10, 2011](#), (art. 2.8 and 3) states that STATEC is the co-ordination authority and the focal point. The law specifies, amongst others, that for this co-ordination task STATEC cooperates in consultation with the [Committee for Official Statistics](#).

The national statistical system responsible for European statistics is laid down by STATEC in an enumerative manner and is published on Eurostat's website:

### List of National Statistical Institutes and other national authorities

#### LU - Luxembourg

NSI: [Institut National de la Statistique et des Études Economiques](#)

#### Other national statistical authorities<sup>1</sup> :

- [Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#)
- [Ministry of Sustainable Development and Infrastructure](#)
- [Ministry of National Education and Vocational Training](#)
- [Ministry of Health](#)
- [Accident Insurance Association](#)
- [Agency for the Development of Employment](#)
- [Department of Rural Economy](#)
- [Viti-viniculture Institute](#)
- [General Inspectorate of Social Security](#)
- [Grand Ducal Police \(Directorate for Information, Strategic Analysis\)](#)
- [LISER \(Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research\)](#)

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<sup>1</sup> The reason why LISER is listed here is based on the fact that in the past LISER produced statistics on household's income and living conditions ([EU-SILC](#)) as subcontractor for the account of STATEC. Today, LISER doesn't collect the data anymore for the account of STATEC. However, LISER has competencies in EU\_SILC matters and has the means by human resources to manage a network (ESSnet EU-SILC). For being able to play that role and for financial reasons, the 233/2009 regulation requires its registration to the list published by Eurostat.

## 2. The national point of view

The statistics produced in the European framework are obviously also used at national level. By their side, there are statistics only produced for national reasons. The latter come from bodies producing them besides to European statistics or producing only national statistics. It is nevertheless advisable to distinguish bodies which produce and spread regularly statistics and those who do so only irregularly. Thus, the criteria to be a member of the national statistical system are the regular production of statistics and their distribution to a wide public and the latter preferably on the [Statistics Portal](#).

The [Committee for Official Statistics](#), has, as members, the representatives of government bodies compiling data enabling the production of official statistics. For these members it is important to consider their primary role that may be a regulatory, a supervisory, a fiscal or social security related one. Their statistical production obeys a specific legal frame, as well as a precise purpose and methodology, outside STATEC's power of co-ordination. This is the case e.g. for fiscal statistics or Luxembourg Central Bank statistics that belongs to the European System of Central Banks.

### **Other agencies producing and disseminating national official statistics:**

- [Competitiveness monitoring agency](#)
- [Vocational training \(INFPC\) monitoring agency](#)
- [Employment \(RETEL\) monitoring agency](#)
- [Housing monitoring agency](#)
- [Price formation monitoring agency](#)
- [Civil service monitoring agency](#)
- [Ministry of family, of integration and to the Greater Region](#)
- [Ministry of Justice](#)

These agencies have very different missions. Their integration into the Luxembourg Statistical System is limited to the production of official statistics and related data collection.