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## **Basic statistics of the Community – 1980**

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The work in question is the eighteenth edition of the most widely distributed reference work published by the Statistical Office of the European Communities. For the first time the six usual language editions—German, English, Danish, French, Italian and Dutch—will be supplemented by an edition in Greek, which will be available at the end of the year.

The format and the content of the work remain unchanged. Regular readers will know that it consists of a selection from the main statistical domains covered by Eurostat.

The great interest that the public has always shown in this work led to the decision to go ahead with the publication, dealing with the same data but in a different form, of a retrospective summary covering a period of ten years and entitled 'Eurostat Review 1970-79'. This new brochure will be published in the very near future and 'Eurostat News' will provide its readers with more detailed information in due course.

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## **THE TWO NEW DIRECTORS AT THE STATISTICAL OFFICE**

Mr P. Erba and Mr. J. Nols have been appointed Director with effect from 1 September 1980, the former for general economic statistics and the latter for industrial statistics.

Mr Piero Erba was born in Rome on 4 March 1929. He gained a doctorate in statistical and actuarial sciences in 1954 at the University of Rome. After a few years as an

official of the 'Confederazione Generale Italiana dell'Industria', he joined the Statistical Office as a principal administrator on 1 February 1960. Two years later he became Head of Division with responsibility for financial accounts and transactions and the balance of payments. As part of his work he made a notable contribution to the drafting of the European System of Integral Economic Accounts (ESA) and the revision of

the International Monetary Fund's system of balance of payments.

Mr Joseph Nols was born in Liège on 23 May 1925. He graduated in Philosophy and Arts at the University of Liège in 1947 and, after a period of service with the Belgian government, joined the Statistical Office as a principal administrator on 15 March 1961. He subsequently became Head of Specialized Service and then Head of Division, with responsibilities in the fields of social statistics (social security, earnings and income) and external trade statistics respectively.

#### **Change of address of the SOEC branch office in Brussels**

The SOEC branch office in Brussels has changed its address from the Berlaymont building to the 4th floor of the U.P.B. building at 120 Rue de la Loi, 1040 Brussels.

The telephone numbers remain unchanged. As a reminder, the number of the head of the 'Office for liaison' is 1244 and that of the Data Shop, 1504. The Data Shop is in office 4/11.

## **General Government Accounts and Statistics**

Under the title 'General Government Accounts and Statistics, 1970-1977' (384 pages), the Statistical Office of the European Communities is, for the first time, publishing a comprehensive survey of the expenditure and revenue of central government, local government and social security services in the nine Member States.

It is the outcome of a major joint project of the Statistical Office and the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs of the Commission with the assistance of the Working Party on the Comparison of Budgets and based on harmonized statistical data provided by the Member States.

First of all this publication presents the various items which make up the accounts of general government services and their subsidiary sectors (central government, local government and social security services) as defined in the European system of integrated national accounts (ESA).

It also provides a supplementary analysis of the expenditure and revenue of the general

government services outlining the major budgetary headings and their structure in a manner that is more familiar to experts on public finance and allows for a clearer understanding of the financing problems of general government services.

A second supplementary analysis is provided in the form of a cross tabulation of the functional and economic aspects of the expenditure of general government services based on national accounts systems.

Lastly, in the appendix, a detailed survey based on type of tax and subsidiary body involved — previously published in 'Tax Statistics' — is provided for each Member State.

Apart from those appearing in the appendix, the tables for each country are presented in a uniform manner. There is first an introductory statement on methodology and some comparative tables showing the volume of the major categories of revenue and expenditure in various Member States.

Since this is the first issue of a series, major gaps still exist in the available data, particularly with regard to the financial sector. A complete picture of the internal flows is also not available as a result of the inadequate breakdown of certain transactions.

In spite of its shortcomings, this new publication is a useful tool for those interested in studying, on a homogeneous basis, the structure of government finances and their development in the nine Member States of the Community.

*J. Pêtre*

## Electricity prices in the Community

For the first time the Statistical Office of the European Communities has carried out a detailed survey of electricity prices and tariffs, both for domestic and industrial consumers within the Community. The results are the subject of a publication entitled 'Electricity prices 1973-1978' (published Eurostat 1980).<sup>1</sup>

The study covers the period 1973, i.e. just before the energy crisis, to 1978 and thus shows the evolution of electricity prices at a very interesting time.

Included in the work are details of tariffs and taxes directly levied on electricity sales, as well as consumer prices. The international comparison of price levels is based on the new system of purchasing power parities, i.e. prices are compared using the purchasing power of the currencies as a conversion factor and not market exchange rates.

The general conclusions of the study may be summed up in several points.

### *A — General trends in prices*

1. The effect of the energy crisis is evident everywhere, causing prices to increase significantly. In some countries government intervention postponed the inevitable price rises to a later date.
2. The origin of the electricity influences prices. Countries which depend heavily on

imported fuel-oil to generate electricity suffer the largest increases, whereas those with a high percentage of hydroelectricity show lower prices.

3. The kWh charges have increased by more than the standing charges, reflecting the increases in the price of fuel supplied to power stations. This, in turn, reduces tariff differentials, i.e. the reduction in unit price granted for increased consumption.

### *B — Electricity prices for households*

4. Price increases have been less steep for the small consumers than for large consumers using electricity for heating. This is the result of the change in the ratio of kWh charges to standing charges, and, in some cases, the effect of government policy to protect small consumers.

5. Taxes are an important feature in domestic prices. The rate of taxation varies from 0% to 30% depending on the location. Many countries have changed the rate of VAT or introduced other taxes during the period studied.

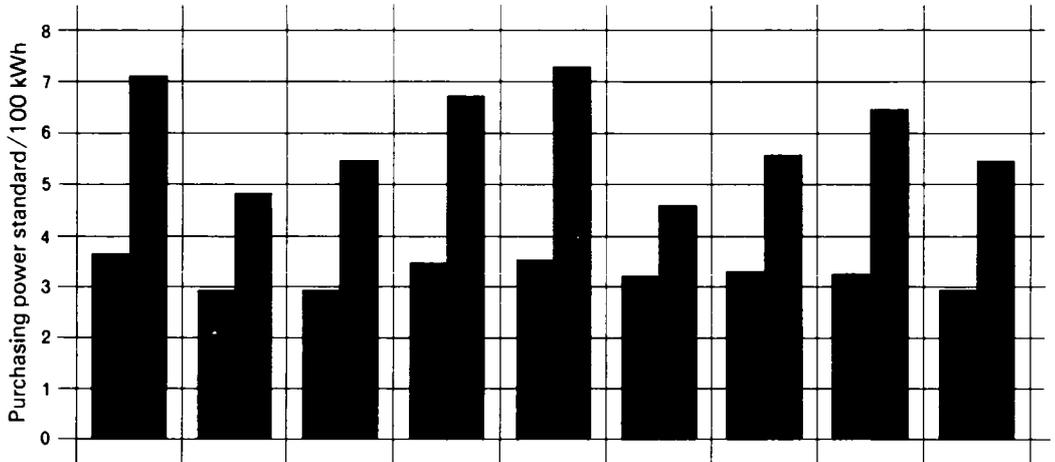
6. The spread of prices within the Community is important. Small consumers in the most expensive location paid three times as much as in the cheapest location. For the larger consumer, with off-peak electric central heating, the most expensive location paid only 50% more than the cheapest.

7. If prices are compared in constant terms, i.e. eliminating the effect of monetary depre-

<sup>1</sup> English/French edition: ISBN 92-825-1633-4.  
German/Italian edition: ISBN 92-825-1632-6.

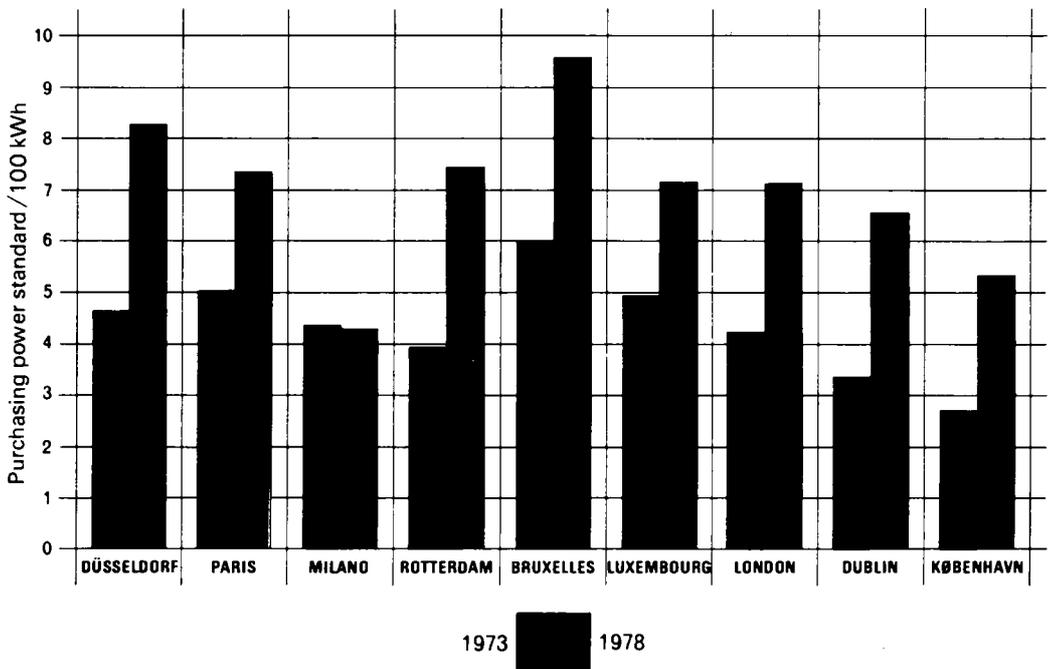
### Electricity prices for industry

Annual consumption 160 000 kWh (100 kW, 1600h)



### Electricity prices for households

1200 kWh/year



ciation, prices for small consumers in some countries (i.e. France, Italy, Belgium, Luxembourg, United Kingdom) are seen to fall. Therefore, for these consumers, electricity prices have fallen in real terms.

### C — *Electricity prices for industry*

8. In several locations the rates of increase in prices have been fairly uniform for all standard consumers. Elsewhere it is the largest consumers who have to bear the highest increases.

9. The range of electricity prices in the Community is widening, although it is not as large as for households.

10. The parameters affecting industrial prices are far more varied than those governing domestic prices. It is possible, therefore,

for industries to obtain a better price without reducing consumption, by varying other parameters, such as reducing the maximum demand during peak hours, increasing use of off-peak periods, etc.

11. In constant terms, small industrial consumers have actually seen prices fall compared with 1973 in many locations. For other consumers, however, electricity prices have risen by more than the prices for goods and services in general.

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It is difficult to present tables which sum up all the conclusions observed. However, the preceding two histograms allow price comparisons for two standard consumers taken as an example.

## Social indicators for the European Community, 1960-1978

Under this title the SOEC presents a second compendium of statistics on social conditions in the Community. It deals with demography, employment and working life, standard of living, social protection, health, education and housing, describing the current position and trends in the Member States; in addition, there are a number of comparisons with selected non-member countries.

Such a wide range of subjects cannot be covered exhaustively in a volume of 234 pages. This was never the SOEC's intention, the aim being rather to select the important items from the data available (plentiful for some subjects but rather sparse for others) and weld them together to give as balanced an overall picture as possible. The remainder of this document illustrates by means of selected results for demography, employment and standard of living the kind of

information the reader of social indicators can expect.

### Demography

With almost 260 million inhabitants, the population of the Community is greater than that of the USA or the USSR. When the Community is enlarged to 12 Member States, its total population will be well over 300 million. Since the area of the Community is comparatively small, the population per square kilometre is 170, the most densely populated countries being Belgium (322) and the Netherlands (339) and the most sparsely populated being France (98) and Ireland (47). In comparison, the population density in the USA is 23 and in the USSR only 11 persons per square kilometre.

At the present rate of growth, the population of the Community will take about 180 years

to double, compared with only 36 years for the world population. In contrast to most of the Community countries, where the population is still increasing (led by Ireland with an annual growth rate of 1.3%), the population is falling in the Federal Republic of Germany (1977/78: -0.1%) and Luxembourg (1977/78: -0.6%).

The birth rate continues to decline; since 1960 it has fallen by half in the Community as a whole, so that currently only 12 children are born per 1 000 inhabitants, compared with 18 in 1960 and 16 in 1970. This decline was particularly marked in the Federal Republic of Germany, where the birth rate fell from 17.4 in 1960 to 9.5, and the Netherlands (from 20.8 to 12.5), whereas in Ireland it remained virtually constant (standing currently at 20.9). In this context the changing attitude to marriage and family is an interesting sociological phenomenon. The proportion of illegitimate births is rising, standing currently at between 3 and 10% depending on the country; in Denmark, as many as one in every four births is illegitimate.

The continuing decline in the birth rate together with the generally increasing expectation of life has led to a shift in the age structure of the population. The proportion of under 15-year-olds in the total population has fallen slightly to 23% in the Community as a whole, standing at between 1 and 3% below the average in Luxembourg, the Federal Republic of Germany, Belgium and Denmark, whereas in Ireland the proportion (31%) is once again much higher than in any other Member State.

The proportion of over 64-year-olds has risen sharply from 11% (1960) to 14% in the Community as a whole, the highest figure being 15% in the Federal Republic of Germany and the lowest 11% in the Netherlands and Ireland. Amongst other factors, the differing life expectancy of men and women has led to a substantial surplus of women in the over-64 age-group: 55% more

women than men in the Community, 70% in the Federal Republic of Germany, but only 20% in Ireland.

### Employment

The working population of the Community totals almost 110 million. The activity rates show the increasing number of women gainfully employed. Of all women aged between 14 and 59 in the Community, 45% are nowadays in employment (81% of men); in France, the United Kingdom and Denmark the figure is well over 50%, whereas in Luxembourg, Italy, Ireland and the Netherlands it is 33% or less.

Since 1960 the proportion of persons employed in agriculture in the Community has fallen from 17 to 8%, while the proportion employed in industry has declined slightly to 39%. On the other hand, employment in the services sector has gone up sharply from 40% in 1960 to 53% at the present time. Although the trends are in the same direction in almost all the countries, there are still considerable differences in the breakdown of employment by sector of the economy from one country to another. Whereas in Ireland 22% are still employed in agriculture, the corresponding figure for the United Kingdom is only 3%. Industry still employs the greatest proportion in the Federal Republic of Germany (45%) but only 30% in Denmark, while the proportion is still rising in Ireland, standing at 31% at the present time. In relative terms, the Netherlands has the largest services sector, employing 61% of all gainfully active persons, compared with only 46% in Italy.

Women are employed mainly in the services sector, representing 45% of its work-force. In Denmark and the United Kingdom, the services sector even employs more women than men, whereas in Italy the ratio is one woman to two men. In industry women make up less than a quarter of the total

work force (only 10% in the Netherlands and Luxembourg).

Part-time employment is almost three times as frequent in the services sector as in industry, where it represents not even 5% of total employment (services sector: over 13%). In both sectors approximately 90% on average of those employed part-time are women, except in France, Italy, Ireland and the Netherlands, where the proportion is considerably lower.

While night working is roughly equally frequent in both sectors (approximately 14% of employees also work nights), employees in the services sector work more often on Sundays and public holidays (27%) than those in industry (17%).

The increasing unemployment in the Community, standing at just under 6 million registered unemployed in 1978 (August 1980: over 6.8 million) has affected the Member States in different ways. While Italy and Ireland have had unemployment rates of over 5% for years (August 1980: Italy 7.6%, Ireland 9.3%), this rate rose, for example, in France from 1.3% in 1970 to 5.3% in 1978 (August 1980: 6.1%), in Belgium from 2.2 to 8.4% (August 1980: 10.4%) and in the United Kingdom from 2.5 to 5.7% (August 1980: 7.7%).

### Standard of living

Already in 1977 the Community's standard of living was three-quarters higher than it had been in 1960, as shown by the *per capita* data on private consumption, which are adjusted for price increases over time and expressed in terms of purchasing power parities. There are, however, still considerable differences in the standard of living from one country to another. Thus, private consumption per inhabitant was well over 10% above the Community average in the Federal Republic of Germany, France and Luxembourg, whereas it was more than 20% below in Italy and Ireland.

Although households can nowadays buy considerably more goods and services than ten years ago, they have to pay substantially higher prices. Between 1970 and 1978 consumer prices went up by 170% in Italy, Ireland and the United Kingdom, whereas in 1978 Germans had to pay only 50% and Luxembourgers 70% more than in 1970. Since then (between 1978 and 1979) prices in Italy have risen by a further 15%, in the United Kingdom and Ireland by 13%, in Belgium and Luxembourg by 5%, and in the Federal Republic of Germany and the Netherlands by 4%.

Differences in the standard of living are also reflected in the proportion of total consumption represented by food, beverages and tobacco. In Italy these goods account for 36% and in Ireland as much as 44% of households' total consumption; on the other hand, they represent well below a quarter in the Federal Republic of Germany, France, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.

The Community is one of the largest meat consumers in the world; in 1976 *per capita* consumption was 83 kg (even for Sweden the figure was only 64 kg), compared with 116 kg in the United States. Within the Community, the most meat is eaten in France (104 kg), compared with only 70 kg in Italy, 71 kg in the United Kingdom and 73 kg in Denmark, although in the two last-named countries an above-average quantity of fish is eaten.

Nearly all households in the Community have a refrigerator or a refrigerator/freezer. The proportion of households which owned a car in 1978 ranges from 54% in the United Kingdom to 70% in Belgium. The number of European households with a dishwasher is still fairly small: whereas 17% of Italian households had one in 1978, the corresponding figure for the United Kingdom was only 4%.

The increasing number of television sets — in 1976 the Community average was 27 sets

per 100 inhabitants, compared with 17 in 1965 — seems to have influenced the way people spend their leisure time, as the results for the majority of the countries show. Nowadays, not only do they go to the cinema less frequently but they also read fewer newspapers. Between 1965 and 1976, the circulation of daily newspapers per 100 inhabitants fell, for example, in France from 25 to 21, in Belgium from 28 to 24, in the Federal Republic of Germany from 33 to 29 (1974) and in the United Kingdom, where traditionally more newspapers are read, from 48 to 39.

#### Future plans

In this volume an attempt was made to present the data in an easily understandable way. This was done by making the tables as clear as possible, showing certain results in

the form of graphs, adding essential explanations and, last but not least, publishing three bilingual volumes. Further improvements of this kind are planned for the future. In addition, the SOEC will make further efforts to increase the number of series selected and improve the information they provide. The methodological considerations arising out of the work of other organizations (in particular OECD, UN) on social indicators will be of considerable help in this respect.

It is planned to re-publish this volume at fairly lengthy intervals; the next publication will contain only a selection of indicators whose value changes or can change considerably from year to year or which are of topical political significance. It will be supplemented, however, by special indicators for certain of the Community's social policy objectives or for selected population groups.

*M. Bezikofer*

## Eurostat at Compstat 80

This year, for the first time, the Statistical Office of the European Communities participated in Compstat. This symposium, which is dedicated to statistical computing, took place in Edinburgh between 18 and 22 August. The programme contained presentations of the results of work relating to the different aspects of the application of computing to statistics (management of data bases, analysis of variance and co-variance, regression, interactive processing, optimization and simulation, cluster analysis, etc.) and the description and discussion of a number of statistical packages. Additionally, a number of public and private organizations had taken display stands where both exhibitions and demonstrations had been organized.

Eurostat was represented in two ways: firstly the Cronos data base was presented during one of the sessions dedicated to statistical packages and secondly the activities of the Office (publications, CRONOS data

base access) were the theme of a display stand. It was thus possible for the visitors to see a large number of examples of Eurostat publications and to participate in demonstrations of both the Cronos system and also of the Euronet facility. Brochures explaining these different facilities were available for the participants.

This initiative demonstrates the willingness of Eurostat to develop systems to access Community-based statistics and to make them generally available. It is with this in mind that an agreement between Eurostat and CISI (Compagnie Internationale de Services en Informatiques) has recently been signed concerning the organization and access to Cronos time series statistics via Euronet. Further information on this topic can be obtained from Mr Byk, Publications Division, Statistical Office of the European Communities, B.P. 1907 — Luxembourg (Tel. 43011 ext. 2048).

# PUBLICATIONS

## General information

The publications of the Statistical Office of the European Communities (Eurostat) are grouped according to 'themes', of which the reader will find a list below.

*Eurostat News* provides the public with a regular flow of information on the progress of the SOEC publications programme. The presentation is such that it is clear which publications have *just appeared* in the course of the last quarter and which are *in course of preparation* and will thus be available in the near future. There follows a list of 'periodicals', indicating their frequency of publication (monthly, quarterly, half-yearly).

The information provided on each publication is as follows: 'theme' to which the work belongs, title of volume, international classification number (ISBN or ISSN), languages in which available, format, number of pages, price and brief summary of content. For practical reasons, the *price* is given in only one currency, the BFR (Belgian franc) which is the legal tender in the country of publication (the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg). The price thus indicated applies when orders are placed directly with the Office for Official Publications of the European Communities (Luxembourg, 5 rue du Commerce, BP 1003 - postal cheque account (CCP) 19 190-81 - bank current account BIL 8-109/6003/300) and serves as a rough guide to the prices in the various national currencies in the event of purchase from the sales offices which are listed on the third page of the cover. The *languages* in which the publications are available are shown by

the following abbreviations: M = multilingual, i.e. in the official languages of the European Communities, DE = German, DA = Danish, EN = English, FR = French, IT = Italian, NL = Dutch.

Users who wish to order publications directly from the Publications Office (or to take out subscriptions) will find an *order form* on the last page of *Eurostat News*. It need only be detached, legibly completed and sent to the address indicated.

As certain users of statistical information wish to be regularly informed of the publications produced by the Statistical Office of the European Communities, a *request for information* is provided at the second last page of this issue. If it is completed and returned to Eurostat, the sender will subsequently receive notification of our publications as they appear.

Further information may be obtained from the staff responsible for *Eurostat News* (at the address given on the first page of this issue) or from Division C-4 - Dissemination of information (Jean Monnet Building - Luxembourg, B.P. 1907 - Tel. 4301/2038 - Telex COMEUR LU 3423).

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**CLASSIFICATION****Theme 1**

*GENERAL STATISTICS*  
(grey covers)

**Theme 2**

*NATIONAL ACCOUNTS, FINANCE AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS*  
(violet covers)

**Theme 3**

*POPULATION AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS*  
(yellow covers)

**Theme 4**

*INDUSTRY AND SERVICES*  
(blue covers)

**Theme 5**

*AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES*  
(green covers)

**Theme 6**

*FOREIGN TRADE*  
(red covers)

**Theme 9**

*MISCELLANEOUS*  
(brown covers)

## Published

### Theme 2

#### *BALANCES OF PAYMENTS — GEOGRAPHICAL BREAKDOWN 1974-1978*

ISBN 92-825-1857-4 (DE/IT) / 92-825-1858-2 (EN/FR) / 92-825-1859-0 (DA/NL)

Format A 4, 169 pages, price BFR 800

This volume presents the most recent available data on the geographical breakdown of the balance of payments of each European Community country and of the United States and Japan.

The balances of the European Community countries are also given, where possible, in the form of totals relating to the nine Member States (EUR 9) as a whole.

The data are expressed in millions of EUA; they are presented according to the Eurostat balance of payments and geographical breakdown schemes, and cover the period 1974 to 1978. The figures are preceded by two notes concerning, respectively, the drawing up of a consolidated balance of payments of the European Community countries and the balance of payments of the Community institutions.

#### *NATIONAL ACCOUNTS ESA — AGGREGATES 1960-1978*

ISBN 92-825-1709-8 (EN/FR/NL) / 92-825-1710-1 (DA/IT/DE)

Format A 4, 178 pages, price BFR 400

Results of the principal aggregates of the national accounts drawn up according to ESA (European System of Integrated Economic Accounts). Development and comparison between the Community as a whole (EUR 9), the nine Member States, the three prospective member countries (Spain, Greece, Portugal), the United States and Japan.

#### *GENERAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS AND STATISTICS 1970-1977*

ISBN 92-825-1328-9 (EN/FR/NL) / 92-825-1329-7 (DE/IT)

Format A 4, 384 pages, price BFR 500

Series of publications relating to statistics on general government; they provide all transactions on general government broken down by sub-sector (central government, local government, social security funds), as well as an analysis of public income and expenditure. The volume also includes data previously included in the volume 'Tax statistics'. It is completed by comparative tables for the nine member countries.

## Theme 3

*SOCIAL INDICATORS FOR THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY — 1960-1978*

ISBN 92-825-1594-X (DA/NL) / 92-825-1595-8 (DE/IT) / 92-825-1596-6 (EN/FR)

Format A 4, 300 pages, price BFR 800

This publication, the second of its kind, contains a broadly comparable collection of data for the nine countries of the European Community on the following eight areas of social interest: population, employment, working life, living standards, social security, health, education and housing. It also includes a number of tables in which figures for the European Community are compared with those for selected third countries. The data are presented in such a way that comparisons between the various countries can be made and trends since the sixties can be traced.

*LABOUR FORCE SAMPLE SURVEY 1973-1975-1977*

ISBN 92-825-1536-2 (DA/DE/EN/FR/IT/NL)

Format A 4, 197 pages, price BFR 500

Since 1973 the Statistical Office of the European Communities has organized new surveys on the labour force at regular two-year intervals. These surveys are carried out in the Member States in accordance with the specific regulations laid down by the Council of Ministers. Their aim is to supply a body of harmonized and comparable data on the main characteristics of employment and unemployment in the Community.

Although the main results of the 1973, 1975 and 1977 surveys have already appeared in specific Eurostat publications the Office thought it appropriate to publish them again and thereby meet a twofold need:

- to give the results of the last 1977 survey in a multilingual publication which is more complete as regards casual work, second jobs, occupational mobility and the features proper to certain population groups (young persons, married women, etc.),
- to present the data for the years 1973-1975-1977 in a systematic way, supplying wherever possible the information needed to interpret structural developments correctly.

*EDUCATION AND TRAINING — 1970/71-1977/78*

ISBN 92-825-1238-X (DA/DE/EN/FR/IT/NL)

Format A 4, 243 pages, price BFR 500

The 1980 edition of *'Education and training'* contains the principal data obtained by the Statistical Office of the European Communities from the appropriate national departments on:

- the pupils, students and teachers in the school and university systems in the Member States. The series given cover the school years 1970/71 to 1977/78 and therefore update the tables given in the 1977 edition;
- expenditure by General Government in the Member States on school and university education. The annual repetition of this survey made it possible to collect and analyse data on education expenditure in 1976 and 1977.

All classifications by level or field of study correspond to those in the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED).

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This edition of 'Education statistics' — which in previous years contained data only on ordinary school and university education — includes for the first time data on staff and expenditure in other forms of educational training. These data were collected in a survey carried out for the first time in 1978 and covering 1977. The Statistical Office hopes to carry out this survey annually and to publish the results in this publication.

### Theme 4

#### *ENERGY STATISTICS YEARBOOK*

ISBN 92-825-1852-3 (DE/EN/FR/IT)

Format A 4, 142 pages, price BFR 800

The Energy Statistics Yearbook groups in a single publication an extensive volume of statistical information relating to the energy economy of the Community and the Member States, particularly for the most recent year available.

The first chapter covers the characteristic data of energy economics in recent years.

The second chapter concerns the overall 'energy supplied' balance sheets for the Community and each Member State for the most recent year. These balance sheets are presented in detailed form in specific units and in Terajoules, and in a more aggregated form in Terajoules and in tonnes oil equivalent.

The third chapter gives historical series for each energy source for the principal aggregates characterizing the structures of energy economics.

### Theme 5

#### *YEARBOOK OF AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS 1978*

ISBN 92-825-1531-1 (DE/EN/FR/IT)

Format C 5, 301 pages, price BFR 500

This book can be considered as a statistical *vade-mecum* containing the most important items given in 'Agricultural statistics'. This publication contains six parts:

- General
- Agricultural and forestry accounts
- Structure
- Production
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