



QUALITY REPORT

ESSPROS CORE SYSTEM

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MEMBER STATE: CYPRUS

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1. Accuracy and Reliability / Geographical coverage

1.1 Coverage of data source*- (part 1)

Name of data source	Type of data source used ⁽¹⁾ <i>(see regulation point 1.1.1.1)</i>	Frequency of the data source in months⁽²⁾ <i>(see regulation point 1.1.1.1)</i>	Time lag in months⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ <i>(see regulation point 1.1.1.1)</i>	Schemes covered <i>(please indicate which scheme numbers are covered by this data source)</i> <i>(see regulation point 1.1.1.1)</i>
1. Social Insurance Services, Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance	Administrative Data	12 months	12 months	Scheme 1
2. The Treasury Department, Ministry of Finance	Administrative Data	12 months	15 months	Scheme 2
3. Central Government Health Services, Ministry of Health	Administrative Data	12 months	15 months	Scheme 3
4. Ministries and other Governmental Institutions, Central Government	Administrative Data	12 months	15 months	Scheme 4
5. CYSTAT, "Survey on the Receipts and Expenditure of Provident Funds, Pension Schemes, Healthcare Funds and other benefits"	Census	12 months	14 months	Schemes 5 and 6
6. Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)	Administrative Data	12 months	18 months	Scheme 7
7. The Termination of Employment Fund and the Labour Department, Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance	Administrative Data	12 months	15 months	Scheme 8

8. CYSTAT, "Survey on Revenue and Expenditure of Healthcare Plans"	Survey	12 months	17 months	Scheme 9
9. The Governmental Housing Policy, Central Government	Administrative Data	12 months	15 months	Scheme 10
10. The General Healthcare System	Administrative Data	12 months	15 months	Scheme 11

* Please be exhaustive by mentioning all schemes.

1. Please specify: "Administrative data", "Register based data", "National Accounts", "Survey", "Census", "Other". For category "Other", please specify the type.

2. Please specify: "3 months", "6 months", or "12 months" or etc.

3. The time lag is the period between reference year (31st of December of reference year) and the moment in which data sources are available.

1.1 Coverage of data sources (part 2) – please note that part 1 and part 2 is in fact one table and have only been separated to facilitate the completion of the table

Name of data source (Please indicate the same data sources as in table 1.1 part 1)	Any additional information regarding this data source (i.e. reports on problems -including delays- which lead to estimation of data)⁽⁴⁾ (see regulation point 1.1.1.1)	Geographical coverage (i.e. which parts of the country are covered by this data source)⁽⁵⁾ (see regulation point 1.2.1)
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1. Social Insurance Services, Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance		Full Coverage
2. The Treasury Department, Ministry of Finance		Full coverage (Civil Servants)
3. Central Government Health Services, Ministry of Health		Full Coverage (healthcare benefits provided, free of charge or at reduced prices, to groups of people such as the elderly, civil servants, students, persons serving in the National Guard, large families, Government officials, people with limited financial resources, etc.)
4. Ministries and other Governmental Institutions, Central Government		Full Coverage (benefits provided to groups of people according to certain criteria such as limited financial resources, disability, old age, large families, etc.)

5. CYSTAT “Survey on the Receipts and Expenditure of Provident Funds, Pension Schemes, Healthcare Funds and other Benefits”.		Full coverage: includes employees of local government (municipalities) and all semi-governmental organisations. Furthermore, data is collected from local government authorities regarding the benefits they provide to their citizens.
6. Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)		Full Coverage: benefits provided to certain groups of people or organisations, according to specific criteria such as limited financial resources, disability, old age, large families, and sickness.
7. The Termination of Employment Fund and the Public Employment Services of the Department of Labour (Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance)	Provident Funds: The data on Provident Funds for the year 2023 was obtained from the National Accounts Division of CYSTAT. The figures for 2023 are estimates based on actual data from the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance for the time series up to the reference year 2022.	Full Coverage: compensations to all employees dismissed through no fault of their own, as well as the provision of employment services for unemployed people and job seekers.
8. CYSTAT, “Survey on Revenue and Expenditure of Healthcare Plans”		Full Coverage: all employees in the private sector, the banks, and the trade unions. CYSTAT conducted a survey which covered a sample of private companies which offer their own healthcare plan for their employees and also collected data from all the insurance companies which provide healthcare plans to enterprises in the private sector. The latter information facilitated the collection of data on the detailed breakdown of healthcare benefits. Additionally, all commercial and cooperative banks, as well as all the trade unions that provide healthcare plans to employees, were covered through survey questionnaires and their results were incorporated to the aforementioned results.

9.The Governmental Housing Policy, Central Government		Full Coverage: Refugees of the Turkish Invasion in 1974, and people with limited financial resources.
10. The General Healthcare System		Full Coverage: in-patient and outpatient healthcare (the provision of healthcare services by personal doctors, outpatient specialists, pharmacists, dentists, laboratories, inpatient healthcare services, accident and emergency departments, ambulance services, nurses, midwives and allied health services, palliative care, rehabilitation care, home care) provided to all the beneficiaries.

4. Please fill in this column only in cases of: delays, data source containing estimations, incomplete coverage for some schemes. In cases of incomplete schemes, please specify the code of Expenditure, Receipts, and Benefits that are not covered.

5. Please indicate "Full coverage" if the data source covers the whole country. If the data source contains data for some regions only, please specify the region.

1.2 Where appropriate (e.g. if cross-sources are used), please indicate the benefits concerned by the different types of data sources (see regulation point 1.1.1.1)

Scheme concerned	Benefit concerned	Data sources cross-covering the benefits (please, specify at least two data sources)

1.3 Geographical comparability (see regulation point 1.2.1)*

Degree of coverage in terms of schemes ⁽⁶⁾ (if there are cases of schemes only partially covered or schemes missed or not available)	Degree of coverage in terms of receipts, expenditure and detailed benefits (if part of expenditures, receipts or detailed benefits are not available)	Cases of non-application of the ESSPROS methodology in the form of a comprehensive list (whether there are cases (both schemes and benefits) of possible non-adherence with the ESSPROS methodology: provision from specific sources, for example, could imply the use of definitions and methodologies not in line with our Manual)
Full Coverage in terms of schemes	Full coverage in terms of receipts, expenditure and detailed benefits	

* Please note that this table is referred to coverage and consistency with ESSPROS methodology of final figures.

6. If a scheme is completely missing in the final figures; please specify its number in the first column and in the second column specify "Missing". If only some expenditures, receipts or benefits of a certain scheme are missing in the final figures, please specify in the first column the number of the scheme and in the second column the codes of items that are missing.

2. Methodologies and assumptions used in the estimates of statistics (see regulation point 1.1.1.2)

Scheme	Estimates for schemes on which no data are available ⁽⁷⁾ (please explain methodologies used for all estimations)	Estimates for missing receipts, expenditure and detailed benefits, if: (please explain methodologies used for all estimations)	
		(a) data are completely lacking	(b) the breakdown for one benefit or group of benefit is missing ⁽⁸⁾
Schemes 3,5,6 and 9		<u>ESSPROS code 1151112 – Parental Leave Benefit:</u> this benefit pertains to provision of facilities for child care and in particular earning-related payments by the central Government, the local government, the semi-governmental organisations and the private sector, each one in its capacity as employer, to working mothers, with the reduction by one hour each day of their working time. It is governed by the "Protection of Maternity Law (100(I)/1997". The woman, for purposes of nursing and / or the increased care required to raise her child is entitled, for a period of nine months from childbirth or from the date of maternity leave in	

		<p>the event of adoption, to either stop work for one hour or to go to work an hour late or to leave work one hour earlier each day.</p> <p>CYSTAT estimated the number of employed mothers who gave birth in 2023, using related statistics, such as live births by age of the mother and employment rates of the female population by age. An estimated calculation of the benefit and its allocation to the relevant schemes was carried out by using employment statistics such as average monthly rates of pay and employment in each sector of the economy.</p>	
Schemes 3,5,6, and 9		<p><u>ESSPROS code 1111111- Paid Sick-Leave</u> : CYSTAT collected and analysed data from a number of sources, such as municipalities, semi-governmental organisations, the Social Insurance Services of the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance, and the results of the Labour Cost Survey which is conducted by CYSTAT every four years. Using the data collected from the aforementioned sources (and the number of employees that this data covered), an estimation was made on the total amount paid for sick-leave for the total number of employees and for the</p>	

		employees corresponding to each one of the schemes 3, 5, 6 and 9.	
Schemes 3,5,6, and 9		<u>ESSPROS code 1151111 - Income maintenance in the event of childbirth:</u> CYSTAT collected and analysed data from a number of sources, such as municipalities, semi-governmental organisations, the Social Insurance Services of the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance, and the results of the Labour Cost Survey which is conducted by CYSTAT every four years. Using the data collected from the aforementioned sources (and the number of female employees that this data covered), estimation was made on the total amount paid for maternity leave for the total number of female employees and for the female employees corresponding to each of the schemes 3, 5, 6 and 9.	
Scheme 6		<u>Provident Funds:</u> The data on Provident Funds for the year 2023 was obtained from the National Accounts Division of CYSTAT. The figures for 2023 are estimates based on actual data from the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance for the time series up to the reference year 2022.	
Schemes 2,3,4, and 10		<u>Administration Costs:</u> CYSTAT examined administration costs	

		from departments offering Social Protection in full (e.g. Department of Social Insurance Services). Based on these examinations, estimations were made for the Governmental Departments in which administration costs for Social Protection were difficult to be extracted. Due to the wide range of services that public units offer, administration costs could not be extracted exclusively for the module of Social Protection and estimations were required.	
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7. If a scheme is completely estimated, please specify the methodology in the second column. If only some expenditures, receipts or benefits of one scheme are estimated, please specify the methodology in the third or fourth column.

8. E.g. breakdown of one benefit into means-tested and non-means-tested benefit or breakdown of cash benefit specific to one function into several detailed benefits.

3. Revision of statistics – to be filled in for the previous years data only (In the first column, please indicate the scheme involved, in the second column, the items involved, then thick with an 'X' the column that corresponds to the type of the revision and, where it is the case, please describe in the last column each revision with a few words, specifying if it is extraordinary (very rare) or ordinary (it can happen regularly).
(see regulation point 2.1.3)

Scheme	Items	Years revised	Type of revision					Details on the revision
			Changes in the data sources used ⁽⁹⁾	Changes in the methods used for estimating data ⁽¹⁰⁾	Revisions of data due to conceptual adjustments ⁽¹¹⁾	Revisions of data due to availability of final statistics ⁽¹²⁾	Other revisions of data (e.g. due to quality review actions)	
01	1100010	2022					√	Revision as a result of a quality review action.

03	1111211	2022					√	Revision as a result of a quality review action.
03	1151112	2022				√		As a result of the availability of final data in figures used towards the estimation of this item.
03	1100010, 1200000, 2220002	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.
04	1121114, 1121204, 1122113, 1122114, 1131111, 1131203, 1132111, 1132114, 1132115, 1151114, 1151121, 1151204, 1152123, 1182111	2022					√	Revision as a result of a quality review action.
04	1152201, 1152204	2022			√			Revision made due to the addition of a new benefit.
04	1100010, 1200000, 2220002, 2220004, 2320000	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.
05	1121112, 1131111, 1131121, 1131201, 1141111, 1141122, 2110103, 2121005,	2022					√	Revision as a result of a quality review action.
05	1151112	2022				√		As a result of the availability of final data in figures used towards the estimation of this item.
05	1100010	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.

06	1121123, 1131121, 1141122, 1161122, 1420000, 2110101, 2121005, 2410001, 2420001	2022				√		One of our sources used for the item in question (the National Accounts Division of CYPSTAT) has revised its data pertaining to provident funds.
06	1151112	2022				√		As a result of the availability of final data in figures used towards the estimation of this item.
06	1100010	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.
07	1111121, 1111230, 1121203, 1121204, 1200000, 1131203, 1181202, 1181203, 2220002, 2410006, 2420005, 2420006	2022	√		√			Revision due to the establishment of new data source as well as adjustments to the methodology.
07	1100010	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.
08	2220002	2022					√	Revision as a result of a quality review action.
08	1100010	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.
09	1111211, 1111212, 1111221, 1111222, 1111223, 1111224, 1200000, 2110101, 2121005	2022					√	Revision as a result of a quality review action.

09	1151112	2022				√		As a result of the availability of final data in figures used towards the estimation of this item.
09	1100000, 1111220, 1111210	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.
10	1172212, 1172220	2022				√		As a result of the availability of final data.
10	1100010, 1200000, 2220002	2022					√	As a result of revisions in other items.

9. E.g. changes in the set of the data sources (new data sources, disappearing of an old one); additional information supplied by certain data sources; other changes in data sources.

10. E.g. changes in the methods used, revised methods to put the information supplied by data sources in line with the ESSPROS methodology or other changes in methods.

11. E.g. changes in the ESSPROS methodology; in the social protection system; in classifications or definitions other than ESSPROS; etc.

12. E.g. final figures are provided by the data sources; or provisional estimation are replaced by information that was missing in the last data collection; etc.

3. bis Changes in the application of the methodology – to be filled in for the reference year data only (In the first column, please indicate the scheme involved, in the second column, the items involved, then describe in the other columns each change with a few words)

Scheme	Items	Details on the change				Break in time series ⁽¹³⁾ (yes or not)
		Changes in the data sources used ⁽⁹⁾	Changes in the methods used for estimating data ⁽¹⁰⁾	Changes due to conceptual adjustments ⁽¹¹⁾	Other	

13. Break occurring when there is a change in the standards for defining and observing a variable over time

4. Other information related to Quality

4.1 Quantitative data

4.2 Qualitative information*

*E.g. If there are some items not covered by QI, please specify the reason and, if it is possible, their relative importance in respect to the total expenditure, etc.

4.3 Dissemination policy in the country*

Are these data published in your country? ⁽¹⁴⁾	At what timeliness? (in months) ⁽¹⁵⁾	State any specific publication (and eventually the link)	Are they part of regular publications? (yes or not)
Yes	24 months	The data is published on CYSTAT's official website at the following url: https://cystatdb.cystat.gov.cy/pxweb/en/8.CYSTAT-DB/ . The corresponding press-release is available at the following url: https://www.cystat.gov.cy/en/PressRelease?id=71994 .	Yes, annually

*Optional

14. Please specify "yes everything", "yes, only the following part...", "yes, but not in the ESSPROS format" or no". In case of "yes, but not in the ESSPROS format", please explain.

15. Please specify how many months after the period of reference the data are published (the period of reference for this collection was 31st December of reference year).