

Commission communication on the method of application of Article 92 (3) (C) to regional aid

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Annual updating of thresholds

In a previous communication ⁽¹⁾ the Commission has already described its method for the application of Article 92 (3) (c) to national regional aid. The method makes use of threshold indices for assessing the socio-economic situation of a region which are updated annually to reflect changes in the Member State's position with respect to income and structural unemployment compared to the Community average. The Commission has decided to update the previous thresholds ⁽²⁾ as follows:

Thresholds used by the Commission with effect from 26 February 1992

Member State	GDP/GVA per capita	Structural unemployment
Belgium	83	111
France	79	110
Netherlands	83	113
Denmark	72	124
Federal Republic of Germany ⁽¹⁾	75	145
United Kingdom	85	115
Italy	85	110
Ireland	85	110
Luxembourg	77	145
Greece	85	125
Spain	85	110
Portugal	85	145

⁽¹⁾ GDR is not included due to data unavailability.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No C 212, 12. 8. 1988, p. 2.

⁽²⁾ OJ No C 163, 4. 7. 1990, p. 5.