



EUROPEAN
COMMISSION

Brussels, 25.11.2024
C(2024) 8116 final

COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) .../...

of 25.11.2024

supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying the number and the title of the variables for over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth in the income and living conditions domain and amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/29

(Text with EEA relevance)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. CONTEXT OF THE DELEGATED ACT

Article 6(1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700¹ establishes common rules for producing European statistics on persons and households, based on data at individual level, collected from samples. It empowers the Commission to adopt delegated acts specifying the number and title of variables of the different data sets. According to Article 6(2) thereof, the number of variables laid down in a delegated act must not exceed by more than 5% the number of variables for each domain of those already required, on a mandatory basis, by the Commission (Eurostat) at the moment Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 entered into force.

Over a period of 6 years, the Income and Living Conditions domain will provide:

(a) core data; (b) three-yearly and six-yearly data on seven recurring subjects; and (c) data on three ad hoc subjects.

2. CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE ACT

The Commission consulted national experts in the field of social statistics in the framework of expert group meetings on the list of variables to be included in the delegated act. The informal Commission expert group 'European Directors of Social Statistics' was consulted in June 2024. The members of the expert group 'Income and Living Conditions (ILC) Working Group' were equally consulted in November 2023, April and May 2024. Moreover, the expert group 'Task Force 'EU-SILC methodology developments' members were consulted in March 2024. The 'National Statistical Institutes of the European Statistical System' expert group was also consulted. Finally, the Commission has kept both the European Parliament and the Council informed of the consultations.

3. LEGAL ELEMENTS OF THE DELEGATED ACT

The purpose of this Delegated Regulation is to adopt the number and title of the variables for the six yearly set of variables on over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth as provided for in Article 6(1) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700, as well as to amend Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/29 by replacing a limited number of variables on labour market and housing by variables on housing energy costs.

Combined with the annual variables included in Annex II to Regulation (EU) 2019/2242, the number of variables to be collected in 2026 does not exceed by more than 5% the number of variables collected for the income and living conditions domain at the time when Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 entered into force, thereby fulfilling the requirement of Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700.

The delegated act has no implications for the EU budget.

The delegated act concerns a matter relating to the European Economic Area (EEA) and its application should therefore extend to the EEA.

■

¹ [Regulation \(EU\) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 October 2019 establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples, amending Regulations \(EC\) No 808/2004, \(EC\) No 452/2008 and \(EC\) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Regulation \(EC\) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation \(EC\) No 577/98](#)

COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) .../...

of 25.11.2024

supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying the number and the title of the variables for over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth in the income and living conditions domain and amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/29

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and the Council of 10 October 2019 establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples, amending Regulations (EC) No 808/2004, (EC) No 452/2008 and (EC) No 1338/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98², and in particular Article 6(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The income and living conditions domain, set out in Article 3(1), point (b), of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700, provides the information required for the European Semester³ and the European Pillar of Social Rights⁴, in particular on income distribution, poverty and social exclusion. It also provides information for various other Union policies related to living conditions and poverty.
- (2) The subject of over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth is of key importance, especially for statistical matching of data between income and living condition domain and consumption domain, providing information on the material well-being that cannot be provided from sole data collection and allows to fill gaps for policy making. The Commission should therefore specify the number and the title of variables for over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth.
- (3) In order to ensure that the policy request for better statistics on the energy poverty is fulfilled, there is a strong need to collect variables on energy (energy sources used by the households and energy cost) and therefore it is necessary to amend Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/29⁵.

■

² OJ L 261I, 14.10.2019, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1700/oj>.

³ The European Semester is the European Union's framework for the coordination and surveillance of economic and social policies.

⁴ OJ C 428, 13.12.2017, p. 10.

⁵ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/29 of 28 October 2021 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying the number and the title of the variables in the income and living conditions domain on Labour market and housing, Intergenerational transmission of advantages and disadvantages, Housing difficulties, and the 2023 ad hoc subject on

- (4) Pursuant to Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1700, the number of variables to be collected is not to exceed by more than 5% the number of variables collected for the income and living conditions domain at the time of entry into force of that Regulation,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The number and title of the variables as regards ‘over-indebtedness, consumption and wealth’ in the income and living conditions domain is set out in Annex I.

Article 2

The Annex to Delegated Regulation (EU) 2022/29 is amended in accordance with Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 25.11.2024

For the Commission

The President

Ursula VON DER LEYEN