Abstract

Every three years Eurostat collects over 300 variables for some 300 European cities, measuring many aspects of the quality of life in these cities. This project is called the "Urban Audit". Data are collected not only for the core city, but also for the Larger Urban Zone, i.e. the functional urban region including the hinterland of the city, and a much smaller subset of variables for sub-city districts.

From the collected variables, Eurostat calculates derived statistics, known as indicators. Together with the collected variables, these data are published on the Eurostat public website.

Currently, the 2006/2007 data collection for the reference year 2004 is on its way. The presentation will outline the current state of play of this data collection, i.e. the scope of the collection (which variables, for which cities etc), the current data availability per country and theme, and the timetable for future events.

As a complement to the collection of quantitative data, a perception survey was conducted in December 2006. The scope and results of this opinion poll will also be presented.

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