# NUMBER OF PERSONS EMPLOYED: QUALITY DESCRIPTION

### Name, definition and periodicity of the indicator

Number of persons employed – the average annual number of persons working in an enterprise (including working owners). Persons who work outside the enterprise, but are workers of the enterprise and are remunerated by it, are included, irrespective of whether this workplace is the main or secondary for them. Part-time, seasonal employees, persons who are temporarily not working through illness, persons on holiday, etc. are included. Persons on compulsory military or alternative service are excluded.

Periodicity – annual.

The indicator is produced by the Enterprise Statistics Division of Statistics Lithuania.

#### **Data sources**

The main data source are the data obtained from a statistical report "Enterprise activity report F-01, annual". Additional administrative data sources – data on persons employed, received from the State Social Insurance Fund Board (Sodra), and data from annual profit tax returns of enterprises of unlimited civil liability and population income tax returns, received from the State Tax Inspectorate.

#### Methods used

The indicator is calculated through a total structure of business survey (SBS). For the collection of data via a statistical report, purposeful sampling of enterprises is carried out. The enterprises selected and interviewed make up about 7 per cent of the target population of enterprises, their personnel – about 70 per cent of the total personnel. Data on non-responding or non-interviewed enterprises, required for the calculation, are obtained from the above-mentioned administrative sources. The number of persons employed for natural persons carrying out economic activity is calculated according to the period of validity of the business license (or a permit to carry out activity) obtained.

The following enterprises are surveyed: public and private companies, state and municipal enterprises, affiliates of foreign enterprises, agricultural and cooperative companies, individual enterprises, general and limited partnerships, public bodies (only those public bodies which cover more than half of their activity costs by income received and those agricultural companies whose main activity does not comprise agriculture are included) and natural persons carrying out economic activity. Natural persons have been included in the survey population from 2005.

Economic activity undertaken by the surveyed enterprises according to the national version (EVRK Rev. 2) of the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community (NACE) covers all economic activities, except for agriculture and financial intermediation.

The indicator is released based on EVRK Rev. 2 (before 2008 – EVRK Rev. 1), at 2–4-digit levels, broken down by enterprise size, etc.

## **Compliance with EU requirements**

The contents, periodicity, level of detail, methods used for the production and time of publication of the indicator comply with EU requirements (Regulation (EC) No 295/2008 of

the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2008 concerning structural business statistics (recast)).

# Purpose and users

Purpose – estimation of the number of persons employed in enterprises.

Users – national public authorities and agencies, the media, representatives of business and science, students, etc.

## Comparability

The time series of the indicator (excluding natural persons) at the EVRK Rev. 1.1 2-digit level is comparable from 1995, at the EVRK Rev. 1.1 4-digit level – from 2000. The time series of the indicator (including natural persons) at the EVRK Rev. 1.1 4-digit level is comparable from 2005. The time series of the indicator according to EVRK Rev. 2 is comparable from 2005.

# Compatibility

The indicator of the number of persons employed is released by the Enterprise Statistics Division of Statistics Lithuania.

# Accessibility

The indicator is published:

- in annual publications Structural Business Statistics Survey Indicators, Main Indicators of Small, Medium and Large Enterprises;
- on the website of Statistics Lithuania, at www.stat.gov.lt;
- in Eurostat's database;
- in the Database of Indicators of Statistics Lithuania.

## **Timeliness, punctuality**

Information is published in the 19<sup>th</sup> month after the end of the reporting year.

## Accuracy

Quality indicator	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Non-response rate	1.71 %	2.58 %	2.67 %	3.37 %	4.96 %	4,85 %
Imputed / edited values	2.43 %	2.59 %	2.69 %	3.46 %	6.73 %	5,21 %

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