

EU perinatal health monitoring

Experiences from DG SANCO/SANTE, Eurostat, JRC...

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 In 1993 the Commission presented a Communication on the Framework for Action in the Field of Public Health as an initial strategy document to develop work on public health. On this basis, eight action programmes on health promotion, cancer, drug dependence, AIDS and other communicable diseases, health monitoring, rare diseases, accidents and injuries, and pollution-related diseases, were agreed.

| Health monitoring programme | 1997–2002 | Perista | t |
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| Public health programme NCA | 2003–2008 | Perista | t II |
| Health programme HIC/EGHI | 2009–2 | 2013 | Peristat III, Peristat Action |
| Health programme EGHI | 2014–2020 | | ERIC, BRIDGEHealth, InfAct |
| EU4Health programme | 2021–2027 | PHIRI | |



EU4Health programme

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Eurostat: public health

- Health status: self-reported health and morbidity, functional and activity limitations, injuries
- Health determinants: overweight and obesity, physical activity, risky behaviours such as tobacco and alcohol consumption
- Health care: health care expenditure, resources (staff and facilities) and activities (hospital and ambulatory services)
- Disability: prevalence of disability, employment, barriers to the social integration of disabled persons
- Causes of death: national and regional mortality by causes of death
- Health and safety at work
- Accidents at work: number of accidents, causes and circumstances of accidents



Eurostat: public health

- Regulation 1338/2008 on Community statistics on public health and health and safety at work
 - There are implementation regulations for health care expenditure and financing, health care, causes of death, accidents at work and European Health Interview Survey 2014/2019
- Relevant for perinatal health monitoring
 - Causes-of-death

Stillbirths: only total number must be reported, voluntary reporting of 500-999 grams/1000 grams or more (22-27 weeks/28 weeks or more)

Infant deaths: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-27, 28-365 days

• Morbidity statistics

Nothing relevant to perinatal health

- Proposal for demographic statistics (proposal 2023), no microdata will be collected
 - Monthly number of births

Annual number of late fetal deaths and infant deaths, voluntary reporting of induced abortions.

JRC Joint Research Centre

- The European Cancer Information System (ECIS)
- European Platform on Rare Disease Registration (EU RD Platform)
- European network of population-based registries for the epidemiological surveillance of congenital anomalies
- Surveillance of Cerebral Palsy in Europe



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