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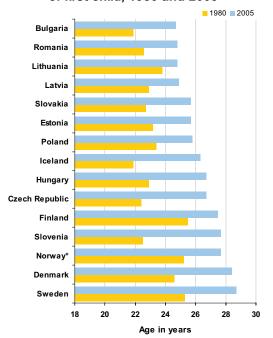
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The UNECE Statistical Database (http://www.unece.org/stats/data) provides free on-line access via English and Russian interfaces, to high quality statistical data on Europe, Central Asia and North America.

The data are organized by topic, and can be extracted for one or more countries and for different time periods. These data follow the latest international standards, to ensure a high level of quality and comparability.



## Mean age of woman at the birth of first child, 1980 and 2005



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# What kind of information will I find in this database?

We present statistics for three main subject areas:

- · Macroeconomic Statistics
- · Gender Statistics
- · Transport Statistics

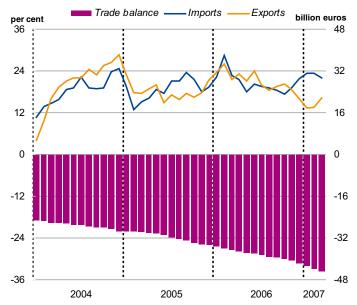
In the Macroeconomic Statistics area we present economic data compiled from various official national and international sources.

We place emphasis on making them suitable for international comparison and immediate analytical use, as well as on making them easy to find and understand.

The Gender Statistics area contains a wide range of social statistics with a gender dimension. Topics covered include population, health, education, crime, and many others. Most of these data are supplied by national statistical offices through the network of Gender Statistics Focal Points.

More information about gender issues and statistics is available on the UNECE/UNDP Gender Statistics website (http://www.unece.org/stats/gender).

### Merchandise trade in south-east Europe, January 2004 - March 2007



The Transport Statistics area is the latest addition to our website. It includes a range of data on transport modes, cargoes and infrastructures, as well as data on road safety and accidents.

### How do I access the data?

Simply go to <a href="http://www.unece.org/stats/data">http://www.unece.org/stats/data</a>. You do not need to sign in or pay any fees. However, if you choose to register, you will get quick access to previously saved tables, and updates about our work and products.

# How often are the data updated?

The database contains annual, quarterly and monthly time series from 1980 to the current year. We are continuously uploading new data and the latest revisions to existing data, to ensure that the database remains as up to date as possible.

# What is so special about the UNECE statistical database?

Users may be particularly interested in internationally validated data on Central Asian and East European countries – difficult to find elsewhere in a single integrated database – and the possibility of making comparisons with Western and Central Europe and North America.

### What are the data sources?

We collect data from national statistical offices, either from their websites and existing publications, or through specific questionnaires.

Where available, we also source data from authoritative international organizations, such as:

- Eurostat
- Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- International Labour Organization (ILO)
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

etc.

## What else can you tell us about statistical work in the UNECE?

The overall aim of our work is to achieve better quality and comparability of statistical data, to provide a sound basis for policy formulation and evaluation, and to better inform the citizens of our region about economic and social development.

Under the guidance of the Conference of European Statisticians, we promote cooperation amongst the national and international statistical organizations within our region.

We provide technical assistance programmes, organize intergovernmental meetings and workshops to exchange knowledge and good practices, and develop standards and quidelines.

We also help countries to bring their statistical systems in line with the UNECE Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics (http://www.unece.org/stats/archive/docs.fp.e.htm).



For more information: http://www.unece.org/stats/data

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