

Health and Safety Authority – Dissemination Policy

Overview

The purpose of this document is to provide an outline of the Health and Safety Authority's (HSA) approach to the dissemination and publication of European Statistics on Accidents at Work (ESAW) and statistics produced for the public in Ireland. The HSA collects data on accidents at work as part of its requirement to comply with the Framework Directive 89/391/EEC (1) on measures to encourage improvements in the safety and health of workers at work. This document should be read in conjunction with the 'Quality Statement' which is also published on the Authority's website.

Background

European Statistics on Accidents at Work (ESAW) project was launched in 1990, to harmonise data on accidents at work for all accidents resulting in more than three days' absence from work. ESAW is the main data source for European Union (EU) statistics relating to health and safety at work issues.

The HAS also produces and publishes statistics on an ongoing basis for the public in Ireland.

Publication, Release calendar and release date

ESAW is published annually, 18 months in arrears, in October, via the Eurostat website. A link to the release calendar and release date can be found on the Authorities [website](#).

Release dates for the HSA's other statistical publications can be found on the Authorities [release calendar](#).

ESAW Data Collection submission calendar

ESAW data is submitted to Eurostat by the Authority in Q2 of each year.

Open Data

In line with Government policy the Health and Safety Authority is committed to publishing open data. The HSA makes the data available on its website in a variety of reports aimed at the general public.

Revisions

Where the statistical figures of ESAW or HSA statistical publications are revised or the content, format, methodology changed, the updated data is uploaded to the relevant platform(s) at the earliest opportunity. Notice of any revision is communicated through the HSA's publications.



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Revisions follow standard, well-established and transparent procedures. Revisions are regularly analysed in order to improve source data, statistical processes and outputs.