

Life expectancy of females at birth

Dimension - Demographics

Associated Key Factor:

Life expectancy

Data Source:

Eurostat

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General Availability:

Reporting unit: years

Reporting level:

Reporting period: annually

Data available from 1980 to 2001

Availability by country:

1980 - 2001: EU-27

The indicator:

Life expectancy measured in years for females from birth.

Description

Along with the age structure, this indicator taps on the critical factor 'ageing' of society.

How is it measured?

Information is taken from national statistical offices using census data. Usually the numbers are estimates based on census round of 1990/91 and the applying the component method.

What are the disadvantages of the Indicator?

As with much demographic data, accession countries don't have continuous data. Some countries, especially Bulgaria and Cyprus only have data over a series of years meaning that frequently there is no accurate EU-27 average.

What is the policy relevance of the indicator?

Along with other population variables, this indicator taps on the dynamics of demographic changes which impact on a range of policies besides transport, including health and pension policy.

The Indicator is relevant for the following pathways of the FORESIGHT FOR TRANSPORT exercise:

	Transport Impact	External Determining Variable	Intermediate Variable	Contextual Information
Ageing and the labour market	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ageing and leisure patterns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>