



# Statistics for Own Resources (43)

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## Statistics for Own Resources

# 1. GENERAL BACKGROUND

*To analyse and verify the statistical methods and data used by Member States for their annual notifications to the Commission of*

*(a) their VAT Own Resources Bases  
(3rd own resource base)*

*(b) their estimates of Gross National Income (GNI)  
(4th own resource base).*



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## 2. THE ACQUIS

### *Legal acts:*

- Council Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 1553/89 of 29 May 1989 on the definitive uniform arrangements for the collection of own resources accruing from value added tax*
- Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1287/2003 of 15 July 2003 on the harmonisation of gross national income at market prices (GNI Regulation)*
- Council Regulation (EC) No 2223/96 of 25 June 1996 on the European system of national and regional accounts in the Community*

### *Other basis:*

- Statistical Programme of the European Communities 2003-2007: “One administrative use, own resources based on gross national income, will represent over 60 % of the EU budget.”*



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# 3. MOST PROBLEMATIC ISSUES

*-Compliance of the annual National Accounts with the European system of national accounts for the purpose of the VAT and GNI own resource bases.*

*-Availability of sufficient resources in the NSI for timely compilation and delivery of reliable own resource statistics.*

*-Close cooperation between national accountants and other statistical areas such as agricultural statistics, business statistics, transport statistics, household budget surveys etc.*



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## 4. FUTURE ACQUIS

*Inclusion of the impact of the allocation of Financial Services Indirectly Measured (FISIM) to user sectors in the GNI estimates for own resource purposes might be an issue for future legislation.*



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## 5. SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

*It has to be clarified when both countries should provide an inventory of the sources and methods usable to estimate Gross National Income.  
This could serve as a basis for detailed screening*