

Statistics on Sports Organizations' Activities

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2	Update of metadata	
2.1	Metadata validation data	2024-07-23
2.2	Date of the last metadata dissemination (review, check)	2024-07-23
2.3	Date of the last metadata update (review, check)	2024-07-23
3	Overview of statistical information	
3.1	Description of statistical information	The purpose of preparation of statistical indicators of physical activity and sports is to prepare statistical information on physical activity and sports, as well as the activities of sports organizations at the national and regional level.
3.2	Used classifiers	Classifier of administrative units and residential areas of the Republic of Lithuania (LR AVGVK 2018)
3.3	Sector coverage	The statistical survey covers the country's sports organizations (clubs, companies, institutions, municipal sports education centres and sports departments, sports federations, other sports organizations).

3.4	Definition(s)	<p>An athlete is a person who competes with other persons in high-performance sports competitions and/or trains in high-performance sports exercises, high-performance sports training camps, the purpose of which is to prepare athletes for high-performance sports competitions.</p> <p>A coach is a high-performance sports specialist who prepares an athlete(s) for high-performance sports competitions and/or guides him/her in these competitions.</p> <p>A sports base is a structure or part of it, where physical activity or high skill sports activities are allowed.</p> <p>A high-performance sports competition (hereinafter referred to as a sports competition) is a sports event organized by national or international entities and belonging to a certain branch of an event system, where athletes compete against each other (individually or in teams) according to pre-announced regulations and the rules on sports approved by an international non-governmental sports organization or a national sports federation (to the extent that they are not in conflict with the rules approved by the International Sports Federation), and the winner of such an event (winners) and the result are determined by the physical and mental characteristics and/or skills of the contestants.</p> <p>A high-performance sports training camp is a part of high-performance sports training process where the purposeful training of the athlete is carried out of a defined duration in order to evaluate the level of preparedness achieved by the athlete and to raise this level in the face of a specific high-performance sports competition.</p> <p>Physical activity is a person's physical activity aimed at strengthening health, improving physical and mental qualities and skills without the goal of preparing of a person for a high-performance sports competition and/or participating such a competition, as well as activities aimed at educating the public about sports, physical activity and the improvement of health achieved by them.</p>
3.5	Statistical monitoring unit	Physical activity and sports organization
3.6	Statistical study population	The research population is national, city and district physical activity and sports organizations
3.7	Geographic coverage	Statistical information is prepared at the level of the country, regions and municipalities.
3.8	Time coverage	From 2000
3.9	Base period	–
4	Unit(s) of measurement	Number of physical activity and sports organizations – units; Athletes – individuals; Coaches – individuals.
5	Reporting period	Year
6	Institutional powers	
6.1	Legislation and other agreements	Law on Sports of the Republic of Lithuania
6.2	Exchange of statistical data	No exchange of statistical data takes place.
7	Confidentiality	
7.1	Privacy policy	When collecting, processing, analysing and publishing statistical information, the Lithuanian Sports Centre aims at ensuring the confidentiality of the data provided by the respondents, as defined in the Privacy Policy of the Lithuanian Sports Centre.

7.2	Rules ensuring data confidentiality	Rules for the Processing of Personal Data of the Lithuanian Sports Centre , approved by the Order No. 116 of 27 November 2020 of the Director of the Lithuanian Sports Centre.
8	Information Dissemination Policy	
8.1	Calendar of publication of statistical information	Statistical information is published on the Official Statistics portal according to the Official Statistics calendar.
8.2	Link to the calendar of publication of statistical information	Calendar of official statistics
8.3	Procedure for publication of statistical information	Statistical information of the Lithuanian Sports Centre is prepared and disseminated in accordance with the principles of impartiality and objectivity, i.e. in a systematic, reliable and impartial way, in accordance with professional and ethical standards (the European Statistical Code of Practice) and transparent policies and practices towards users and respondents. All users have equal rights to receive statistical information. All statistical information is published simultaneously, at 9 o'clock on the date of publication of statistical information specified in the calendar on the Official Statistics Portal. Statistical information is published in accordance with the Official Statistics Dissemination Policy Guidelines , Statistics Dissemination and Communication Rules of Statistics Lithuania, approved by Order No. DJ-176 of 2 July 2021 of the Director General of Statistics Lithuania and the Statistical Information Dissemination Provisions of the Lithuanian Sports Centre, defined in the bilateral Agreement on Statistical Information Dissemination on the Official Statistics Portal.
9	Periodicity of publication of statistical information	Annual
10	Forms of dissemination of statistical information, accessibility and clarity	
10.1	Information notices	Information notices are not prepared.
10.2	Publications	Statistical information is not published in publications.
10.3	Databases	Statistical indicators are published in the Indicators Database (Population and social statistics -> Culture, press, sports -> Sports). The indicator database page is designed for viewing and analysing statistical information. More information about the Indicator Database is available in the Indicator Database User's Guide .
10.4	Access to microdata	Data published by the Lithuanian Sports Centre are provided free of charge.
10.5	Other	Statistical information is published on the website of the Lithuanian Sports Centre in the Sports Statistics section, and on the website of the Ministry of Education, Science and Sports. Also, statistical information can be provided according to individual requests of users.
11	Methodological documents	Methodology for preparation of Lithuanian sports statistics
12	Quality management	
12.1	Quality assurance	The quality of statistical information and its preparation is ensured in accordance with the provisions of the European Statistical Code of Practice and ESS Quality Assurance Framework.

12.2	Quality assessment	Data quality meets the requirements of accuracy, timeliness and punctuality, comparability and compatibility. Calculation results are compared with the results of previous years. Distinguishing values of the indicators are determined, and their analysis is carried out. In case of significant deviations, a data provider is contacted and the reasons for the deviation are clarified.
13	Necessity and relevance	
13.1	User needs	Main users of statistical information are representatives of sports organizations and science, students and other persons interested in sports-related information. Statistical information is used in forecasting, analysing the development of physical activity and sports, for analytical, planning and forecasting purposes.
13.2	User satisfaction	No user satisfaction surveys are conducted.
13.3	Completeness of statistical information	All regulated indicators are published.
13.3.1	Degree of completeness of the required information	100 per cent of the information prepared in accordance with Part I of the Official Statistics Program is published.
14	Accuracy and reliability	
14.1	Overall accuracy	Statistical research is carried out by surveying sports organizations and federations. Data quality is ensured by searching for distinct, missing, duplicate values, analysing the results and, if necessary, editing the data.
14.2	Sampling error	A sample is not collected.
14.3	Non-sampling error	Errors not related to the sample do not significantly affect the results.
14.3.1	Error due to non-response	An error due to non-response is negligible.
14.3.1.1	Non-response rate of the statistical unit, percent	The level of reporting does not differ from the coverage of the statistical study.
14.3.1.2	Rate of non-reporting of the indicator, %	According to the nature of a statistical study, it is considered that there are no indicators that should be mandatory filled in. All units that must be included by definition are considered to be included in the indicators.
15	Timeliness and punctuality	
15.1	Timeliness	Statistical information is published 7 months after the end of the reporting year.
15.2	Punctuality	Statistical information is published according to the Official Statistics Calendar . In case of delay, users are notified in advance indicating the reason and the new publication date.
15.2.1	Part of the statistical information published on time	100 per cent.
16	Comparability	
16.1	Geographical comparability	Statistical information is not comparable between EU countries due to methodological differences.
16.2	Comparability over time	In terms of timelines, statistical data are comparable.
16.2.1	The length of the time series being compared	The timeline is compared since 2000 onwards.
17	Compatibility	
17.1	Compatibility between different statistical domains	Statistical data between different statistical areas are not compatible.
17.2	Internal compatibility	Indicators are mutually compatible.

18	Burden of statistical reporting on respondents	In 2023, EUR 35.0 thousand were allocated for the statistical survey. The burden of statistical reporting on respondents: about 240 organizations fill out the Forms, the average time to fill out the report is 7 hours. 30 minutes.
19	Revision of statistical indicators	
19.1	Audit Policy	The Lithuanian Sports Centre does not possess documents regulating the revision policy of statistical information.
19.2	Audit practice	Statistical information was not revised.
19.2.1	The average of the change obtained during the revision	Revision change averaging is not calculated.
20	Statistical data processing	
20.1	Source of statistical data	Sources of statistical data – data of sports organizations and sports federations.
20.2	Periodicity of statistical data collection	Annual
20.3	Collection of statistical data	<p>All Lithuanian sports organizations that have the status of a legal entity, as well as local government institutions, fill out special reporting forms set for them annually by deadlines set by the Lithuanian Sports Centre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sport club, company, institution activity report Form No. SKĮ-1, designed for sports clubs and institutions; • Annual Summary Reporting Form of an Athlete Education Centre or Athlete Education Centres No. SUC-1, designed for athletes' educational institutions, and if there are more than one in a municipality, it is used for summary reports of athletes' educational institutions; • Sports federations, unions, associations Activity Report Form No. SF-1, designed for sports federations, unions and associations; • Sport Activity Report Form No. KKS-1, designed for municipalities of cities and districts. <p>Reporting procedure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports clubs and athlete training centres submit reports to the Lithuanian Sports Centre through municipal sports departments; • Sports federations, associations, unions, municipalities, sports medicine centres, the Lithuanian association "Sports for all" and its members, other public organizations submit reports directly to the Lithuanian Sports Centre.
20.4	Validation of statistical data suitability	<p>During statistical data entry, the logical relationship between the values is checked, and arithmetic errors or missing values are established. Non-correctable errors or missing values are discussed with respondents.</p> <p>Primary statistics are compared with the previous period and with the corresponding period of the previous year.</p> <p>Timeline trends are analysed. In case of significant deviations, a data provider is contacted and reasons for the deviation are established, errors are corrected.</p> <p>Information about sports is regularly monitored in the press, and in reviews and reports published by other institutions.</p>

20.5	Preparation of statistical indicators	In the preparation of statistical information, methods of classification and summation are applied. The process of preparation of statistical indicators is described in more detail in the Methodology of preparation of Lithuanian sports statistics .
20.6	Elimination of the influence of the season and the number of business days	Influence of season and the number of business days on sports statistics is not evaluated.
21	Notes and other information	–