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PURPOSE OF THE STATISTICAL SURVEY

Within statistical monitoring of publishing we collect data on issued printed books and serial publications in Slovenia in a specific year. For issued books, we collect data on the number of titles by the Universal Decimal Classification (UDC), on first editions by the UDC, on the print run by the UDC, on the language of the original by the UDC, on the language of publication by the UDC, on literature by type, on children and youth literature by the UDC and on textbooks by the UDC. For serial publications, we collect data on published titles by the UDC, the frequency of publication, the type of publication and the language of publication.

LEGAL BASIS FOR THE SURVEY

The legal basis for SURS’s obtaining of the data on issued printed books, brochures and serial publications from the National and University Library (NUK) is the National Statistics Act (OJ RS, No. 45/1995 and No. 9/2001) and annual programmes of statistical surveys (statistical survey on issued books, brochures and serial publications, ZAL-PUB). The legal basis for NUK’s monitoring of these data is the Legal Deposit Act - ZOIPub (OJ RS, No. 69/06 and No. 86/09).

OBSERVATION UNITS

Observation units are printed books and serial publications issued in a specific year by publishers and other business entities with headquarters in Slovenia, irrespective of the place of printing. Data on materials printed by Slovenian printing houses for foreign
customers are not shown. Also not covered are internal documents of enterprises and other business entities, price lists, tourist brochures, programs of various performances, timetables, etc., because they are not part of the Slovenian bibliography.

**COVERAGE**

Coverage of printed books, brochures and serial publications is full, since publishers must send to NUK the data on legal deposits of printed publications for each issue.

**SOURCES AND METHODS OF DATA COLLECTION**

Data on books and serial publications are collected and processed for the whole Slovenia by the National and University Library in Ljubljana, which deals with bibliography. According to the Legal Deposit Act (OJ RS, No. 69/06 and No. 86/09), all printing houses and other reporting units on the territory of Slovenia are obliged to send deposit copies of every printed material and data on them to the National and University Library. Data on all printed materials are processed by NUK and every year published by the Statistical Office of the Republic of Slovenia.

**DEFINITIONS**

*Books (or works)* are printed or otherwise multiplied non-periodic publications in book form. They may consist of one or more volumes. Titles of books (or works) are classified according to the UDC.

As regards the number of pages, we distinguish between brochures and books. A *brochure* has between 5 and 48 pages, while a *book* has 49 pages or more. Covers are not taken into account.

*First edition* is the first printing of a book.

*Reprint* is any subsequent publication of a book without changes in contents (only the year of publication or the print run may be different). In the case of changes or supplements, we are talking of a new edition.

*Serial publications* are publications in printed or non-printed form issued in consecutive parts, usually with number and time labels, over an indefinite period of time. Included are newspapers, periodicals (reviews, magazines, journals), chronicles, almanacs, calendars, yearbooks, collections of papers, bulletins, etc.

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Data on books and serial publications are published by the SURS annually on the website in the First Release and in the SI-STAT database (http://pxweb.stat.si/pxweb/Database/Demographics/Demographics.asp).

Selected data are also published in the Stat’o’book.

REVISION OF THE DATA

The revision of data is held from the reference year 2004. At the end of 2014 began the revision of the methodology of culture statistics; it is expected to be completed by 2017.

OTHER METHODOLOGICAL MATERIALS

The questionnaire, standard quality reports and classifications are available at the following website http://www.stat.si/StatWeb/en/field-overview?idp=12&headerbar=2#tabMetodologija

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