HELLENIC STATISTICAL AUTHORITY

METHODOLOGICAL NOTE

Insurance Companies Survey

TYPE

Census survey

The Insurance Companies survey is an annual census survey. The legal frame, in which it is identified, is the Regulation 295/2008 of the European Parliament and the Council for the Structural Business Statistics, Annex 5.

The survey's unit is the insurance company, greek or foreign, which has independent insurance activity in Greece. For the production of the results, data are collected from all the insurance companies that take action in the insurance sector of Greece, during the reference year.

The survey is conducted through the transmission of the electronic questionnaire to the enterprises. The completed questionnaires are returned via email.

The main variables that are aggregated are:

- Number of enterprises
- Gross premiums written (total, direct, reinsurance premiums accepted)
- Gross change in the provision for unearned premiums
- Income from participating interests
- Gross claims payments
- Gross operating expenses
- Investment charges
- Personnel costs
- Number of persons employed
- Profit or loss for the financial year
- Balance sheet total
- Total capital and reserves
- Subscribed capital or equivalent funds