

# Light utility vehicles

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#### Country interest in LUV performance – Task Force

- ✓ LUV represent a significant part of road vehicles. More than 1.7 million newly registered vans in the EU in 2019
- ✓ They carry a small share of goods tonnage but perform a high number of kilometres
- ✓ Interest from EU Member States and EFTA countries in measuring their performance
- ✓ Establishment of the Task Force on LUV in 2018.
  - AT, CH, DE, DK, FR, IE, IT, NO, NL, PL, RO, SE (CZ, LU observers)
  - Eurostat, Commission's Directorate General for Mobility and Transport, Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC)



#### Country interest in LUV performance – Task Force

- ✓ The Task Force aims to define a methodology for a data collection on LUV
- ✓ Important elements: road traffic, goods transported and main activity sectors
- ✓ A data collection on LUV would complement data from the Road Freight Transport Survey and the Common Questionnaire collection
- ✓ No intention to develop a legal act for the collection of LUV data





#### Discussions of the Task Force on LUV

- ✓ Three meetings of the Task Force so far:
  - on 23 October 2018; 04 March 2020; and 08 June 2021
- Main areas of discussion:
  - What type of information on LUV is the most important for each country?
  - Which range of vehicles should be considered as LUV so that a broad coverage is ensured and usage of available data sources is maximized?
  - What variables need to be measured and which dimensions could be considered in a survey on LUV?



#### Discussions of the Task Force on LUV

Potential variables and dimensions:

- √ Vehicle use (services, commercial); privately-owned vehicles
- ✓ NACE activity
- ✓ Type of goods
- ✓ Number of stops
- ✓ Distinguishing between urban/non-urban areas
- ✓ Place of origin and destination
- ✓ Type of transport national, international?
- ✓ Type of fuel (diesel, petrol, LPG, electric, etc.)
- ✓ Age of vehicle
- ✓ Measure kilometres driven, weight of goods transported etc.



#### Next steps of the Task Force on LUV

- ✓ Work and exchange of information via a collaborative space (Wiki)
- ✓ More frequent online meetings until the end of 2021
- ✓ Preparation of a draft methodological paper on a LUV survey by early 2022
- ✓ Presentation of work and results to the 2022 meeting of the Working Group on Road Freight Transport Statistics (first quarter 2022) where all EU Member States, EFTA countries, Candidate Countries and Potential Candidates participate



#### Funding pilot studies on LUV

- ✓ In 2019, the European Commission funded work of two countries in collecting data on LUV
- ✓ Next round of grants to EU Member States at the end of 2021 for work in 2022-2023
- Results of the Task Force's work will be implemented in pilot studies for testing the draft methodology

Eurostat thanks all countries for their interest in a potential data collection on light utility vehicles!

# Thank you



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