

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2018/1685**of 8 November 2018****on uniform conditions for the transmission of time series for the new regional breakdown
pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 5(5) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 provides the legal framework for the regional classification in order to enable the collection, compilation and dissemination of harmonised regional statistics in the Union.
- (2) The Commission has amended the common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) by Regulation (EU) 2016/2066 ⁽²⁾ with effect from 1 January 2018.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the European Statistical System Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Member States shall transmit to the Commission the time series for the new regional breakdown in accordance with the Annex.

*Article 2*This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 8 November 2018.

*For the Commission**The President*

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 154, 21.6.2003, p. 1 as last amended by Regulation (EU) 2017/2391 (OJ L 350, 29.12.2017, p. 1).

⁽²⁾ Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/2066 of 21 November 2016 amending the annexes to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) (OJ L 322, 29.11.2016, p. 1).

ANNEX

Required starting year by statistical domain

Domain	NUTS level 2	NUTS level 3
Agriculture	2013	
Demography — population, live births, deaths	1990 ⁽¹⁾	1990 ⁽¹⁾
Labour market — employment, unemployment	2013	2013 ⁽²⁾
Education	2013	
Environment — waste treatment facilities	2014	
Health — causes of death	1997 ⁽³⁾	
Health — infrastructure	1996 ⁽²⁾	
Health — patients	2003 ⁽²⁾	
Information society	2013 ⁽²⁾	
Regional economic accounts: Household accounts	2000	
Regional economic accounts — Regional accounts	2000	2000
Science and technology — R & D expenditure and staff	2015	
Tourism	2015	

⁽¹⁾ Transmission is not mandatory for reference years 1990 to 2012.

⁽²⁾ The transmission is not mandatory.

⁽³⁾ Transmission is not mandatory for reference years 1997 to 2011.