High-level Summary Report on Preliminary ACE 2022 Data

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Welcome

This document provides a first insight on the level of 2022 cost-effectiveness performance both for the Pan-European system and for individual ANSPs before the official release of the next ACE benchmarking report.

This document is also available for download as a PDF version.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Data contained in this document are preliminary and subject to changes before the publication of the final ACE benchmarking report in May 2024.

1 Introduction

The ACE benchmarking work is commissioned by the Performance Review Commission (PRC) and carried out by the EUROCONTROL Performance Review Unit (PRU) using information provided by Air Navigation Services Providers (ANSPs) in compliance with Decision No. 88 of the Permanent Commission of EUROCONTROL on economic information disclosure¹.

The data processing, analysis and reporting are conducted with the assistance of the ACE Working Group, which comprises representatives from participating ANSPs, airspace users, regulatory authorities and the Performance Review Unit. This enables participants to share experiences and establish a common understanding of underlying assumptions and data limitations.

The objective of this document is to provide a first insight on the level of 2022 cost-effectiveness performance both for the Pan-European system and for individual ANSPs before the release of the next ACE benchmarking report, which is planned end of May 2024. It also presents specific financial indicators, extracted from the ANSPs Financial Indicators Dashboard, that can be used to monitor potential cash and liquidity issues experienced by ANSPs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Figure 1.1 illustrates the timeline to produce the next ACE benchmarking report.



Figure 1.1: Timeline to produce the next ACE benchmarking report

It is important that robust ACE benchmarking analysis is available in a timely manner since several stakeholders, most notably ANSPs' management, regulatory authorities (e.g. NSAs) and airspace users, have a keen interest in receiving the information in the ACE reports as early as possible.

Seventeen ANSPs submitted their ACE 2022 data on time by the 1st of July 2023 and, all data submissions were received by the end of August 2023. This constitutes a major improvement compared to previous years. Clearly, the timescale to produce the ACE benchmarking report is inevitably delayed if data are not submitted on time.

It should be noted that the data presented in this document are still preliminary and not yet fully validated. These data reflect the information stored in the ACE database on the 7th of November 2023. Figure 1.2 shows the status of the ACE data validation process for the data presented in this document.

¹Due to the on-going war in Ukraine, UkSATSE has been excluded from the ACE analysis.

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Avinor (Continental)	EANS	LGS ✔	NAV Portugal (Continental)	Slovenia Control 🗸
BHANSA 🗸	ENAIRE ✔	LPS	NAVIAIR	SMATSA
BULATSA	ENAV 🗸	LVNL	Oro Navigacija	
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Figure 1.2: Status of 2022 data validation process

The data contained in this report is therefore subject to changes before the release of the final ACE 2022 benchmarking report in May 2024.

The remainder of this report is structured as follows:

- ?@sec-high: provides a high-level presentation of 2022 revenues, costs and staff data.
- ?@sec-economic: presents a preliminary analysis of economic cost-effectiveness at Pan-European and ANSP level.
- ?@sec-financial: presents a preliminary analysis of financial cost-effectiveness at Pan-European and ANSP level, and underlying components.
- ?@sec-covid: presents a preliminary analysis of specific financial indicators at Pan-European and ANSP level.

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