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1. Purpose of the document

The EU SDG indicator set, used to monitor progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in an EU context, is reviewed every year (September – November) to consider new EU policy priorities and to incorporate indicators from new data sources.

This document presents the results of the autumn 2024 review, to be used in the 2025 edition of the EU SDG monitoring report (the '2025 review'). Section 2 reminds the indicator selection principles and section 3 presents the outcome of the 2025 review.

Three Annexes provide reference information on the selection criteria, structure of the indicator set and complete list of indicators to be used in 2025.

2. Background

In 2017, the Commission developed an indicator set to monitor the SDGs in an EU context, as requested by the Communication COM(2016) 739 final 'Next steps for a sustainable European future'¹. The EU SDG indicator set serves as the basis for Eurostat's annual monitoring of progress towards the SDGs in an EU context (the 'EU SDG monitoring report')². The indicator set is reviewed every year. The purpose of annual reviews of the indicator set is to provide for continuous policy relevance and to enhance the statistical quality of the indicator set.

The annual EU SDG indicator reviews are based on the following principles:

- The key features of the EU SDG indicator set should be preserved, i.e. structured along the 17 SDGs, limited to 6 indicators per SDG. Suitable multi-purpose indicators (MPIs) are used to monitor more than one goal.
- The indicator set consists of at most 6 indicators per goal in order to attach equal importance to all goals and to ensure a balanced measurement of progress across the social, economic, environmental and institutional dimensions of sustainability.
- Consequently, new indicators are added by removing indicators already included in the set within the same goal.
- Replacements of indicators should only happen if they improve the measurement of progress towards the SDGs in an EU context, i.e. potential new indicators must be fully developed ('ready to use') and should be more policy relevant and/or have better statistical quality than the current indicator.
- New indicators must comply with the selection criteria regarding policy relevance, meet the admissibility requirements and the quality grading used to define the EU SDG indicator set (see annex 1).

¹ Available at: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52016DC0739&from=EN>. The Communication is accompanied by the Staff Working Document 'Key European action supporting the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals', which gives an overview of key European actions and policies in relation to the 17 SDGs.

² Eurostat dedicated section on SDG monitoring <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/sdi> with the link to the most recent report. Data and metadata are available online in Eurostat's database: <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/sdi/database>

3. Outcome of the 2025 review

Eurostat launched the review on 13 September 2024 by sending a document setting out Eurostat's proposal for adapting the 2025 indicator set to the Directorates General (DGs) of the European Commission and the Member States. A virtual meeting of the inter-service group on SDG reporting took place on 30 September 2024 to exchange views on the list of suggestions circulated by Eurostat and to inform Eurostat about on-going policy developments which might have an effect on SDG monitoring.

By the end of the written consultation period (7 October 2024), 12 Commission Services³, the European Environment Agency (EEA), 20 Member States⁴ and one EU candidate country⁵ had provided feedback. In addition, Eurostat held bilateral and multilateral meetings with several DGs to clarify comments and agree on proposals.

3.1 Modifications for EU SDG monitoring 2025

The following modifications of indicators have been incorporated for the 2025 edition of the EU SDG monitoring. All modifications are described in detail in Annex 3. For updated policy targets, see section 3.2.

Major changes that will impact the indicator (and goal) assessment:

- SDG5: Modification of SDG 05_60 'Positions held by women in senior management' indicator. The new target, based on the 2022/2381 EU Directive on gender balance in corporate boards, according to which at least 33% of all director positions in listed companies should be held by members of the underrepresented sex by 2026, will be used for the assessment of the indicator. Data will be recalculated according to the target.
- SDG9: Modification in the assessment of SDG9. The SDG 04_20 'Tertiary educational attainment' is no longer an MPI in SDG9.
- SDG10: Modification of SDG 10_20 'Disparities in household income per capita' indicator. Modification of the indicator involves recalculating the EU27 time series. The recalculation, excluding Bulgaria, is necessary due to the lack of data.
- SDG13: Modification of SDG 13_70 'Green bond issuance' indicator. The scope of this indicator has changed. Green bonds issued by supranationals and subnationals are no longer included because the data for these issuers are no longer available.
- SDG15: Modification of SDG 15_10 'Share of forest area'. A new data source will be used for indicator SDG 15_10 'Share of forest area'. The European Forest Accounts are comparable over time and country data are aligned with the common definition for forest area. Annual Member State (MS) data and EU aggregate are available since 2015, with a timeliness of t+2. From 2025 data submission will become mandatory.

³ Feedback received from DG AGRI, CLIMA, CNECT, ECFIN, EMPL, ENV, GROW, JRC, MOVE, RTD, SANTE, SG_RECOVER.

⁴ Feedback received from Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden.

⁵ Moldova

- SDG17: New indicator SDG 17_31 'EU imports from the least developed countries' replaces SDG 17_30 'EU imports from developing countries' which is better associated with sustainable development.

3.2 List of policy targets for EU SDG monitoring 2025

The following new or updated policy targets will be used to monitor progress towards the SDGs in an EU context in the 2025 monitoring report.

Table 1.: New or updated policy targets for the 2025 EU SDG monitoring report

NEW OR UPDATED POLICY TARGETS FOR THE 2024 EU SDG MONITORING REPORT					
SDG	Indicator	Target	By year	Reference	Comments
5	SDG 05_60 'Positions held by women in senior management'	at least 33%	2026	2022/2381 EU Directive on gender balance in corporate boards	The Directive on gender balance in corporate boards specifying that at least 33% of all director position, including both executive and non-executive directors should be held by members of the underrepresented sex by 2026.

3.3 Coherence of EU SDG indicator set with other Commission monitoring frameworks

The European Commission intends to align the EU SDG indicator set as much as possible with other monitoring frameworks of the EU. This includes cross-cutting frameworks such as the indicators used in the European Semester and the Resilience Dashboard and sectoral frameworks such as indicators used under the European Pillar of Social Rights and the 8th Environment Action Programme to 2030 (8th EAP). Therefore, the EU SDG indicator set includes many of the headline indicators from these policy frameworks.

Some indicators that could be potential candidates for the EU SDG indicator set due to their high policy relevance do not fulfil the statistical quality criteria yet. These indicators have been added to the ‘on-hold-list’. Eurostat, in cooperation with policy DGs will continue developing these indicator candidates with a view of potentially integrating them in future versions of the EU SDG indicator set.

3.4 Alignment with UN SDG indicator list

The EU SDG indicator set is aligned where appropriate with the UN list of global indicators. However, the UN indicators are used globally and therefore are not always relevant for the EU. In the 2025 version of the EU SDG indicator set, 68 out of the 102 indicators in the EU SDG set can be considered aligned with the UN set (see Annex 2, *Table 3*).

Annex 1: Principles, selection and quality criteria for EU SDG indicators

The following principles are applied to construct the EU SDG indicator set:

- The EU SDG indicator set is structured along the 17 SDGs and is balanced among the social, economic, environmental and institutional dimensions of sustainability as represented by the Agenda 2030's text for each goal.
- The EU SDG indicator set consists of maximum 6 indicators per goal to attach equal importance to all goals and to limit the indicator set to around 100 different indicators, which is widely recognised as an upper limit for effective and harmonised reporting by experts from National Statistical Offices, OECD, Eurostat and many others⁶.
- The EU SDG indicator set includes multi-purpose indicators (MPIs) which are used to monitor more than one goal. As a result, each goal is monitored through 6 to 11 indicators in total with the current set.

In order to respect these key characteristics of the framework and preserve the balance among the four dimensions of sustainability, new indicators will only be added if an indicator already in the set under the same goal is removed.

The EU SDG indicators are sourced from the European Statistical System (ESS) and other sources and each selected indicator must meet three requirements:

- be policy relevant;
- meet the principles stipulated in the [European Statistics Code of Practice](#);
- reach a minimum quality level according to the criteria set out in the EU SDG quality assessment system (see Table 2: *Eurostat quality assessment system for EU SDG indicators*).

Requirements on policy relevance

To ensure policy relevance, indicators considered for the EU SDG indicator set should either:

- a. be part of a high-level scoreboard of EU policies such as:
 - key indicators sets (for example the CAP indicators)
 - Social Scoreboard for the European Pillar of Social Rights
 - Zero Pollution Action Plan
 - Monitoring Framework for the 8th EAP etc.
- or-
- b. designed to monitor a policy or initiative as reported in the staff working document 'Key European action supporting the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development' accompanying the communication on 'Next steps for a sustainable European future' or new major policy initiatives such as those part of the European Green Deal.

Only for areas where no such indicators exist, other indicators are considered. All indicators should be aligned whenever appropriate with the UN list of global indicators.

Furthermore, policy relevance implies that all selected indicators allow for an unambiguous interpretation of the desired direction of change as set out in the relevant EU policies and initiatives.

⁶ See [Informal Note on Expert Group Meeting on the Indicator Framework for the Post-2015 Development Agenda](#), UNHQ, New York, 25-26 February 2015.

1. Admissibility requirements

In addition to the policy relevance, indicators to be considered for the EU SDG indicator set must be produced and disseminated in line with the principles stipulated in the [European Statistics Code of Practice](#). In particular, they must meet the following requirements:

- a. Readiness of statistical production: indicators must have at least one data point ready to use and published by their producer.
- b. Sustainability of statistical production: regular data production must be ensured, preferably by an official mandate and by adequate human (including quality of staff) and financial resources.
- c. Sound methodology and procedures: indicators and their underlying data must be produced according to a well-founded methodology and procedures.
- d. Accessibility and transparency: data on indicators must be accessible online and information on their data sources, methods of computation, etc. must be publicly available.
- e. Compliance: indicators must comply with international or EU standards where such standards exist (i.e. agreed methodologies, definitions and classifications).

It is assumed that indicators provided by data producers with a strong commitment to quality, i.e. official statistics or other established institutions having a quality policy and procedures in place to monitor and report on product quality, will fulfil the above requirements.

The admissibility requirements could only be relaxed in cases where there is a genuine lack of indicators that meet these criteria. In these cases, users will be informed as appropriate about the limitations of the affected indicators.

2. Requirements on data quality

To be considered for the EU SDG indicator set, indicators must meet the below requirements of the [Quality Assurance Framework of the ESS](#), which are the most relevant for the EU SDG monitoring:

- Users are consulted and their priorities anticipated, user satisfaction is monitored and is systematically followed up.
- Users are kept informed about the methodologies deployed, the quality of published indicators and the publication release dates.
- Sound methodology for selection of indicators follows the ESS and other international standards, guidelines and good practices.
- When non-ESS data are used, the definitions and concepts are a good approximation to those required within the ESS.
- Commitment to quality is based on a sound protocol that ensures regular monitoring and improvement of output quality.

In order to be included into the EU SDG monitoring set, the indicators must be classified at least at ‘low’ level for each criterion and attain a minimum average rating of 1.5 point as shown in the rating TABLE 2 below. The average rating is calculated by dividing the total number of points by the number of applied criteria.

If a criterion does not apply to a proposed indicator, no weight is given for this criterion. In particular, this is the case for newly produced indicators for which only one data point is available yet and therefore the length of the time series and the comparability over time cannot be assessed.

The [quality assessment](#) of the EU SDG indicators is published on the SDG dedicated section of the Eurostat website.

Table 2.:Eurostat quality assessment system for EU SDG indicators

EUROSTAT QUALITY ASSESSMENT SYSTEM FOR EU SDG INDICATORS					
Quality Concept	Rating			Only for selection purpose: not accepted (=0 points)	Comments
	High (=3 points)	Medium (=2 points)	Low (=1 point)		
Frequency of dissemination	Every year	Every 2 years	Every 3 years	More than 3 years or A-periodic or not specified	Indicators based on models: applies to the statistical input data as the frequency of running the model is not decisive for rating.
Timeliness (T = reference year)	T+1 year	T+2 years	T+3 years	>T+3 years or not specified	Indicators based on models: applies to the statistical input data as the time of running the model is not decisive for rating.
Reference area	All EU MS Data for all EU MS and EU aggregate available	>75% EU MS and EU aggregate EU MS data represent at least 75% of EU total and EU aggregate available	50-75% EU MS or no EU aggregate EU MS data represent 50 - 75% of EU total and EU aggregate not available	<50% EU MS or only EU aggregate EU MS data represent less than 50% of EU total (and assumed that no EU aggregate available) or only EU aggregate but no EU MS data available	Rating based on coverage according to the most recent data points. Data for EFTA & candidate countries are also desirable. Rating does not apply to a limited number of indicators which do not refer to individual countries (e.g. "Ocean acidity").
Comparability - geographical	All EU MS Data comparable among all EU MS	>75% EU MS Data comparable among EU MS representing at least 75% of EU total	50-75% EU MS Data comparable among EU MS representing 50-75% of EU total	<50% EU MS Data comparable among EU MS representing less than 50% of EU total	Rating based on comparability according to the most recent data points. Rating does not apply to a limited number of indicators which do not refer to individual countries (e.g., "Ocean acidity").
Time coverage (in years)	>10 years	5 to 10 years	<5 years	--	Rating based on years among first data point and most recent data point presenting EU aggregates. Rating applies only to indicators with at least 2 data points.
Comparability - over time (number of data points)	>4 data points	3 to 4 data points	<3 data points	--	Rating based on number of data points from last methodological break. Rating applies only to indicators with at least 2 data points.

Annex 2: Main characteristics of the 2025 EU SDG indicator set

Table 3 below presents the main characteristics of the 2025 EU SDG indicator set. The indicator set as presented in Eurostat's database includes breakdowns by gender, age groups, educational level, NUTS region, degree of urbanisation, poverty status, disability and others as far as data are available⁷. More details on the availability of these breakdowns per indicator can be found in the annex to the 2025 review.

Table 3. Statistical summary of the main characteristics of the 2025 EU SDG indicator set

Statistical summary of the main characteristics of the 2025 EU SDG indicator set									
SDG		Number of indicators		Selected indicators, of which			New Indicators	Indicators adjusted	Indicators on hold
		Total	MPIs	Annual frequency	Provider Eurostat	In UN list			
1	No poverty	6	+ 3	6	6	5			1
2	Zero hunger	6	+ 3	5	4	1			
3	Good health and well-being	6	+ 5	5	4	3			1
4	Quality education	6		4	5	5			
5	Gender equality	6	+ 2	5	3	5		1	1
6	Clean water and sanitation	6	+ 2	4	3	5			
7	Affordable and clean energy	6		6	6	3			
8	Decent work and economic growth	6	+ 3	6	6	4			1
9	Industry, innovation and infrastructure	6	+2	6	5	5		1	
10	Reduced inequalities	6	+ 5	6	6	4		1	1
11	Sustainable cities and communities	6	+ 3	3	3	5			3
12	Responsible consumption and production	6	+ 2	5	5	3			1
13	Climate action	6	+ 1	6		3		1	1
14	Life below water	6		5		4			
15	Life on land	6	+ 3	4	1	4		1	3
16	Peace, justice and strong institutions	6		6	4	5			
17	Partnership for the goals	6		6	3	4	1		
	Total	102	+34	88	64	68	1	5	13
	Compared to 2023 version	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	+2

⁷ <https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/sdi/indicators>

Annex 3: Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report

Table 4 gives a detailed overview of the EU SDG indicator set for the 2024 SDG monitoring report and all changes resulting from the 2025 review.

In addition to the indicators used in the 2025 monitoring report, the table also shows the on-hold indicators, and the differences between this version and Eurostat's 2024 SDG indicator set. Some of the indicators not retained in the actual EU SDG indicator set will be used as contextual information in the monitoring report.

The document is completed by an Excel file with additional details as an annex, such as the alignment with the UN indicator list and with other scoreboards.

The full report including the Excel file is made available on Eurostat's sustainable development indicators website: <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/sdi/overview>.

Table 4: Complete overview of the changes to the 2025 EU SDG indicator set.

Goal 1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere

Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report						
Orange and bold text: Changes to the indicator set.						
Legend: Orange text: Changes which do not affect the indicator set, such as additional breakdowns, changes to the on hold list, etc.						
Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere						
No modifications of the indicators for the 2025 EU SDG monitoring report.						
01_10	MPI → 10	Persons at risk of poverty or social exclusion	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
01_20	MPI → 10	Persons at risk of income poverty after social transfers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
01_31		Severe Material and Social Deprivation rate (SMSD)	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
01_40		Persons living in households with very low work intensity	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
01_41	MPI → 8	In work at-risk-of-poverty rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
01_50		Housing cost overburden rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS;	Eurostat

Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report						
					plus other countries	
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
03_60		Self-reported unmet need for medical care	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
10_30		Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
11_11		Severe housing deprivation rate	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>On hold indicators</i>						
On hold		Extent of homelessness in the EU	Thematic placeholder – An annual tracking of homelessness is not part of the official statistics. The methodology behind measuring homelessness can vary from MS to MS, but normally only rough estimates for the number of homeless people are available. Eurostat is looking for solutions for this issue.			

Goal 2: End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture						
No modifications of the indicators for the 2025 EU SDG monitoring report.						
02_10	MPI →3	Obesity rate	No modification.	A-periodic	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
02_20		Agricultural real factor income per annual work unit (AWU)	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
02_30		Government support to agricultural research and development	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
02_40		Area under organic farming	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
02_53		Use and risk of chemical pesticides	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & several MS	DG SANTE
02_60		Ammonia emissions from agriculture	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EEA
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
06_40		Nitrate in groundwater	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EEA
15_50		Area at risk of severe soil erosion by water	No modification.	A-periodic	EU aggregate & all MS	JRC
15_60		Common farmland bird index	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & some MS	European Bird Census Council

Goal 3: Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

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Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report						
Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages						
No modifications of the indicators for the 2025 EU SDG monitoring report.						
03_11		Healthy life years at birth	No modification	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
03_20		Share of people with good or very good perceived health	No modification	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
03_30		Smoking prevalence	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS	DG SANTE
03_42		Standardised avoidable mortality	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
03_60	MPI →1	Self-reported unmet need for medical care	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
03_70		Total consumption of antibiotics in the community and hospital sectors	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	ECDC
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
02_10		Obesity rate	No modification.	More than 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_60		Fatal accidents at work per 100 000 workers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
11_20		Population living in households considering that they suffer from noise	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
11_40		Road traffic deaths	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	DG MOVE
11_52		Premature deaths due to exposure to fine particulate matter (PM2.5)	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EEA

Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report						
<i>On hold indicators:</i>						
On hold		Public coverage of long-term care needs through services / cash benefits	The indicator is proposed as secondary indicator for the Social Scoreboard; it is part of the SPC-ISG monitoring framework on long-term care (LTC), and an integral element of the Ageing Report. It shows the extent to which Member States support different settings of LTC and to which public LTC services cover LTC needs of older persons. Currently one data point is available (2021).	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat

Goal 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all						
No modifications of the indicators for the 2025 EU SDG monitoring report.						
04_40		Underachievement in reading, maths and science	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	OECD
04_30		Participation in early childhood education	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
04_10	MPI →5, 10	Early leavers from education and training	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
04_20	MPI →5 ⁹	Tertiary educational attainment	The SDG 04_20 'Tertiary educational attainment' is no longer an MPI in SDG9.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
04_60		Adult participation in learning	No modification	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
04_70		Share of adults having at least basic digital skills	No modification.	Every 2 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat

Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls						
SDG 05_10 'Physical and sexual violence to women' cannot be evaluated in 2025. New target for SDG 05_60 'Positions held by women in senior management'. New on-hold indicator: 'Time spent on unpaid work'.						
05_10		Physical and sexual violence to women	No modification.	A-periodic	EU aggregate & all MS	DG JUST; EU Agency for Fundamental Rights
05_20		Gender pay gap in unadjusted form	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
05_30		Gender employment gap	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
05_40	MPI →8	Persons outside the labour force due to caring responsibilities	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
05_50		Seats held by women in national parliaments and governments	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EIGE
05_60		Positions held by women in senior management	New target based on the 2022 Directive on gender balance in corporate boards: at least 33% of all director positions in listed companies should be held by members of the underrepresented sex by 2026. Data will be recalculated according to the target.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EIGE
Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal						

Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report						
04_10		Early leavers from education and training	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
04_20		Tertiary educational attainment	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>On hold indicators:</i>						
New on hold		Time spent on unpaid work	The 'Time Spent on Unpaid Work' is proposed as new on hold indicator. Unpaid work, including caregiving and household duties, significantly impacts economic participation, particularly for women, and is a critical factor in understanding gender disparities in labour markets. It is already recognised as an official UN SDG indicator (5.4.1). However, there are concerns regarding data quality and comparability across EU member states, further investigation is needed to ensure reliable data collection before its full implementation.	A-periodic	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat

Goal 6: Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

Review of the EU SDG indicators for the 2025 monitoring report						
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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all						
No modification of the indicators for the 2025 monitoring report.						
06_10		People living in households without basic sanitary facilities (such as bath, shower, indoor flushing toilet)	No modification	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
06_20	MPI →11	Population connected to at least secondary wastewater treatment	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
06_30	MPI →15	Biochemical oxygen demand in rivers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS;	EEA

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					plus other countries	
06_40	MPI →2	Nitrate in groundwater	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	EEA
06_50	MPI →15	Phosphate in rivers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	EEA
06_60		Water exploitation index (WEI+)	No modification.	Every 2 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
15_42		Drought impact on ecosystems	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
14_40		Bathing sites with excellent water quality	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA

Goal 7: Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all						
No modification of the indicators for the 2025 monitoring report.						
07_10		Primary & final energy consumption	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
07_20		Final energy consumption in households per capita	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
07_30	MPI →12	Energy productivity	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
07_40	MPI →13	Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
07_50		Energy import dependency	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat

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07_60		Population unable to keep home adequately warm	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat

Goal 8: Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

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Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all						
No modification of the indicators for the 2025 monitoring report.						
08_10		Real GDP per capita	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_11		Investment share of GDP	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_20	MPI → 10	Young people neither in employment nor in education and training	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_30	MPI → 10	Employment rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_40		Long-term unemployment rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_60	MPI → 3	Fatal accidents at work per 100 000 workers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
01_41		In work at-risk-of-poverty rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
05_40		Persons outside the labour force due to caring responsibilities	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
12_21		Material footprint	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
<i>On hold indicators:</i>						

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On hold		Involuntary temporary employment	Monitoring and addressing the issues related to precarious work can contribute to achieving sustainable development by promoting social inclusion, reducing inequality and improving labour market conditions. The 'Involuntary temporary employment' indicator is a high-quality LFS data published by Eurostat. Time series are available from 2016.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat

Goal 9: Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

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Goal 9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation						
Modification in the assessment: The SDG 04_20 'Tertiary educational attainment' is no longer an MPI in SDG9.						
09_10		Gross domestic expenditure on R&D	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
09_30		R&D personnel	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
09_40		Patent applications to the European Patent Office	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EPO
09_50	MPI →11	Share of busses and trains in inland passenger transport	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
09_60		Share of rail and inland waterways activity in inland freight transport	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
09_70		Air emission intensity of industry	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
04_20	-	Tertiary educational attainment	The SDG 04_20 'Tertiary educational attainment' is no longer an MPI in SDG9.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
12_61		Gross value added in environmental goods and services sector	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS, plus UK, CH	Eurostat
17_60		Share of households with high-speed internet connection	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; IS, NO	DG CNECT

Goal 10: Reduce inequality within and among countries

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries						
Modification of SDG 10_20 'Disparities in household income per capita' indicator.						
10_10		Disparities in GDP per capita	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
10_20		Disparities in household income per capita	Modification of the indicator involves recalculating the time series. Bulgaria will be excluded from the EU27 aggregate due to a lack of data. As soon as Bulgarian data becomes available in the future, it will be included again.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
10_30	MPI → 1	Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
10_41		Income inequality - income quintile share ratio	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
10_50		Income share of the bottom 40 % of the population	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
10_60		Asylum applications	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
01_10		Urban-rural gap for risk of poverty or social exclusion	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
01_20		Citizenship gap for risk of income poverty after social transfers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
04_10		Citizenship gap for early leavers from education and training	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
08_20		Citizenship gap for young people neither in employment nor in education and training	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat

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08_30		Citizenship gap for employment rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>On hold indicators:</i>						
On hold		Carbon inequality	The indicator shows how sustainable consumption of those with highest income compares to those with lower income (Average CO2 emissions per capita, ratio top 10% income group vs bottom 50%). The JRC in collaboration with DG EMPL is currently engaged in a project focused on the calculation of carbon inequality data.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	DG EMPL JRC

Goal 11: Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable						
No modification of the indicators for the 2025 monitoring report.						
11_11	MPI →1	Severe housing deprivation rate	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
11_20	MPI →3	Population living in households suffering from noise	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
11_32	MPI →15	Soil sealing index	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
11_40	MPI →3	Road traffic deaths	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	DG MOVE
11_52	MPI →3	Premature deaths due to exposure to fine particulate matter (PM2.5)	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EEA
11_60		Recycling rate of municipal waste	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
06_20		Population connected to at least secondary wastewater treatment	No modification.	Every year	No EU aggregate but many MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
09_50		Share of busses and trains in inland passenger transport	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
16_20		Population reporting occurrence of crime, violence or vandalism in their area	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
<i>On hold indicators:</i>						

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On hold		Share of population with access to public transport by service level	The quality of this indicator will continue to be monitored, especially the geographical coverage and comparability. Potential alternative data sources will be analyzed as well.			DG REGIO
On hold		Zero emission vehicles	The zero-emission vehicle data is conducted by Eurostat and relies on information from National Statistical Institutes (NSIs) and the European Alternative Fuels Observatory. Eurostat publishes comprehensive data on both the entire fleet and new registrations, covering the period from 2013 to 2022. Data on zero emission vehicles will be used as contextual information in SDG 13.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS;	Eurostat
On hold		Share of urban population with access to public green areas	Kept on hold. Two data points are available (2012 and 2018) for cities as defined by the DEGURBA.	More than 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat

Goal 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

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Goal 12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns						
No modification of the indicators for the 2025 monitoring report.						
12_10		Consumption of hazardous chemicals	No modification.	Every year	Only EU aggregate; no MS data	Eurostat
12_21	MPI→8	Material footprint	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
12_31		Consumption footprint	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	JRC
12_41		Circular material use rate	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
12_51		Generation of waste	No modification.	Every 2 years	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
12_61	MPI →9	Gross value added in environmental goods and services sector	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS, plus UK, CH	Eurostat
<i>Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal</i>						
07_30		Energy productivity	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
13_31		Average CO2 emissions per km from new passenger cars	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
<i>On hold indicators:</i>						
On hold		Food waste	Kept on hold. One data point for 2020 is available (published in September 2022) for most MS and the EU. To consider as new topic once indicator is fully developed and time series becomes available (also potential multipurpose indicator for SDG 2). Will be mentioned as contextual information for indicator 12_50 in the monitoring report.			Eurostat

Goal 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

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Code	MPI	Indicator name	Comments	Frequency of data collection	Geo coverage	Data provider
Goal 13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts						
Modification of SDG 13_70 'Green bond issuance' indicator.						
13_10		Net greenhouse gas emissions	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EEA
13_21		Net greenhouse gas emissions of the LULUCF sector	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	EEA
13_31	MPI →12	Average CO2 emissions per km from new passenger cars	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
13_40		Climate-related economic losses	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate, and all MS.	EEA
13_50		Contribution to the international 100bn USD commitment on climate related expenditure	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	DG CLIMA; EIONet
13_70		Green bond issuance	Modification: The scope of this indicator has changed. Green bonds issued by supranationals and subnationals are no longer included because the data for these issuers are no longer available.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal						
07_40		Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
On hold indicators:						
New on hold		Fossil fuel subsidies	Fossil fuel subsidies' is proposed as new on hold indicator. It has high policy relevance (8th EAP). There are quality concerns that need to be addressed, mainly regarding cross-country comparability.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	

Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

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Goal 14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development						
No modification of the indicators for the 2024 monitoring report.						
14_10		Marine protected areas	No modification.	A-preiodic	EU aggregate & all MS (except landlocked)	DG ENV, EEA
14_21		Estimated trends in fish stock biomass	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate; for MS not applicable	JRC (STECF)
14_30		Estimated trend in fishing pressure	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate; for MS not applicable	JRC (STECF)
14_40	MPI →6	Bathing sites with excellent water quality	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate and all MS	EEA
14_50		Global mean surface seawater acidity	No modification.	Every year	Not applicable	Mercator Ocean
14_60		Marine waters affected by eutrophication	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS (except landlocked)	Mercator Ocean

Goal 15: Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

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Goal 15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss						
Modification of SDG 15_10 'Share of forest area' indicator.						
15_10		Share of forest area	New data source will be used for indicator sdg_15_10 'Share of forest area'. The European Forest Accounts are comparable over time and aligned with the common definition for forest area. Annual MS data and EU aggregate are available since 2015, with a timeliness of t+2. From 2025 data submission will become mandatory.	Every 3 years Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
15_20		Terrestrial protected areas	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA / DG ENV
15_42	MPI →6	Drought impact on ecosystems	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
15_50	MPI →2	Area at risk of severe soil erosion by water	No modification.	A-periodic	EU aggregate & all MS	JRC
15_60	MPI→2	Common bird index	No modification.	Every year	Only EU aggregate, no MS data	European Bird Census Council
15_61		Grassland butterfly index	No modification.	Every year	Only EU aggregate, no MS data	EEA (Butterfly Conservation Europe)
Multipurpose indicators: Supplementary indicators of other goals which complement the monitoring of this goal						
06_30		Biochemical oxygen demand in rivers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	EEA
06_50		Phosphate in rivers	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & most MS; plus other countries	EEA
11_32		Soil sealing index	No modification.	Every 3 years	EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
On hold indicators:						
On hold		Topsoil organic carbon content	Kept on hold. The topsoil organic carbon content indicator is relevant for soil health, biodiversity, and agriculture.			JRC

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On hold		Land take	Kept on hold. Headline indicator in the monitoring framework of the 8 th EAP. Data availability needs to be further investigated.		EU aggregate & all MS	EEA
On hold		Natural area connectivity on land	Kept on hold. Headline indicator of the EU biodiversity strategy. Data not available yet.	Every 2 years	EU aggregate & all MS	JRC

Goal 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

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Goal 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels						
No modification of the indicators for the 2025 monitoring report.						
16_10		Standardised death rate due to homicide	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
16_20	MPI → 11	Population reporting crime, violence or vandalism in their area	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
16_30		General government total expenditure on law courts	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
16_40		Perceived independence of the justice system: very or fairly good	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	DG COMM
16_50		Corruption Perceptions Index	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate, & all MS; plus other countries	Transparency International
16_70		Victims of trafficking in human beings by sex	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate, & all MS	Eurostat

Goal 17: Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development

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Goal 17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development						
Replacement of SDG 17_30 'EU imports from developing countries' with new indicator 17_31 'EU imports from least developed countries'.						
17_10		Official development assistance	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	OECD (DAC) DG INTPA
17_20		EU financing to developing countries	No modification	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	OECD (DAC)
17_30		EU imports from developing countries	Replaced by new indicator 'EU imports from least developed countries'	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
17_31		EU imports from least developed countries	New indicator 'EU imports from least developed countries'. This indicator is better associated with sustainable development than EU imports from all developing countries. The proposed unit to be used in the assessment is % of total extra-EU imports as opposed to million EUR (current prices) to limit the impact of inflation on the overall trend.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
17_40		General government gross debt	No modification	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS	Eurostat
17_50		Shares of environmental taxes in total tax revenues	No modification.	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; plus other countries	Eurostat
17_60	MPI 9	Share of households with high-speed internet connection	No modification	Every year	EU aggregate & all MS; IS, NO	DG CNECT