Payment statistics: First results following the update of the Regulation

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Milestones

• EU legislation (PSD2, IFR) and rapid developments in retail payments triggered the need for an update of the PAY Regulation

• 2019/2020 - Drafting of the amending ECB Regulation

• May 2020 - Public consultation on the draft PAY Regulation

• 11 December 2020 - Publication in the Official Journal

• April 2021 - Publication of the Manual on PAY Statistics (updated in 2022)

Very good cooperation with the industry representatives – regular dialogues highly appreciated.
Update on the implementation of the amending Regulation on PAY Statistics

Key features of the amending Regulation:

• New initiation channels; changes in the payments systems
  - Digital wallets, mobile payments, payment initiation services, instant payments

• Fraud and related data
  - Payments, fraudulent payments and authentication measures
  - Overlap with EBA Guidelines necessitates a “single data flow”

• Data for Balance of Payments purposes
  - New breakdowns on commercial/personal cards; detailed geographic coverage

• Enhanced frequency – quarterly and semi-annual reporting

• Enhanced timeliness – 2-months for quarterly data, 5-months for semi-annual data
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First data transmissions

- **Quarterly** transmissions started in Spring 2022 (around 320,000 data points per country divided in 6 datasets)
  - High level aggregates on the main payments services
  - Detailed breakdowns on card payments per merchant category (PMC)

- **Semi-annual** transmissions started in Autumn 2022 (around 1.5 million data points per country divided in 16 datasets)
  - Detailed breakdowns for payments services (e.g. scheme breakdowns, fraudulent transactions) plus additional details on card payments (e.g. card function)
  - Data on payment systems
  - Detailed geographical breakdowns (Geo 3) for counterpart area and additional Geo 3 breakdowns for terminal location of card payments
Feedback on the first submissions of new PAY data

Key findings

• 23 countries including all euro area Member States provided input to the quarterly and semi-annual production rounds

• Timeliness and completeness improved substantially over these first rounds

• In general, the ECB PAY team observed swift follow-up to failing checks

• The ECB PAY team welcomes the effort and progress made during first productions, while noting their still transitional status

• Non-reporting jurisdictions are encouraged to start complying with the ECB Regulation
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Status update on the single data flow with the EBA
Goal: Streamlined reporting of payment fraud information

• First single data flow transmission took place in March 2023
• Compliments to all involved parties
Publication plans
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Main features

- **Dissemination scope** (balance between granularity and confidentiality)
  - Data provision differentiates for **different target users** (e.g. type of database, legal context etc.)
  - Several channels to satisfy data needs
  - High level of granularity and data type (fraud data) / related confidentiality as a constraint

- Data to be released to the public via the new **ECB data portal, press release and interactive dashboards**

- Tentative date for publication (subject to data quality): **second half of 2023**

- ECB dissemination complemented by the NCBs’ dissemination including possible national feedback loops
Thank you