

## 1.C.2 General remarks on tables 1.B.2.1.1 - 1.B.2.1.14 and 1.B.2.2.1 - 1.B.2.2.3

### 1.C.2.1 Data recording methods in connection with tables 1.B.2.1.1 - 1.B.2.1.14 and 1.B.2.2.1 - 1.B.2.2.3

Question	Do the offence definitions used in this table differ from those in the "definitions" section?	Are there written rules regulating the way in which the data shown in this table are collected?	Is a principal offence rule applied?	How are multiple offences counted?	How is a person counted who is suspected of more than one offence in the same year?
<i>Possible answers</i>	1: Yes 2: No	1: Yes 2: No	1: Yes 2: No	1: As one offence 2: As two or more offences 3: Uncertain	1: As one person 2: As two or more persons
	CT122AA	CT122B	CT122CA	CT122D	CT122E
<b>Albania</b>	1	1	1	1	2
<b>Austria</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Belgium</b>	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Bulgaria</b>	2	1	1	...	1
<b>Croatia</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Cyprus</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Czech Republic</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Denmark</b>	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Estonia</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Finland</b>	2	2	2	2	2
<b>France</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Germany</b>	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Greece</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Hungary</b>	2	1	2	2	2
<b>Ireland</b>	2	1	1	2	2
<b>Italy</b>	1	1	2	2	2
<b>Latvia</b>	...	...	...	3	*
<b>Lithuania</b>	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Luxembourg</b>	2	2	2	2	2
<b>Malta</b>	2	2	1	1	1
<b>Moldova</b>	2	1	2	2	1
<b>Netherlands</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Norway</b>	2	1	1	1	1
<b>Poland</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Portugal</b>	2	1	1	1	2
<b>Romania</b>	2	1	2	1	2
<b>Russia</b>	1	1	1	1	1
<b>Slovenia</b>	2	2	2	1	2
<b>Spain</b>	2	1	2	2	2
<b>Sweden</b>	2	1	2	1	*
<b>Switzerland</b>	2	*	2	1	2
<b>The F.Y.R.O. Macedonia</b>	1	1	2	2	2
<b>Turkey</b>	2	2	1	1	2
<b>United Kingdom:</b>					
<b>England &amp; Wales</b>	1	1	1	1	2
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Scotland</b>	...	...	...	...	...

\*See notes on table 1.C.2.1

### Notes on table 1.C.2.1

**Latvia:** Data on suspected offenders is not available. The data supplied concerns persons formally accused of having committed a criminal offence, i.e. after an investigation at police and prosecution level has taken place.

**Sweden:** As one person = if same offence; as two or more persons = if different offences.

**Switzerland:** There are no general rules at the federal level, but most cantons use written standards, largely following the rules of the Zurich police (who record about 30% of all offences known to the police in Switzerland).

### 1.C.2.2 Age brackets used in table 1.B.2.2

All countries count minors as persons who are not yet 18 years old. The only exception is Austria which included 18 years old.

The lower age limit varies widely among countries as far as criminal responsibility is concerned. Persons below the age of criminal responsibility will not be convicted and therefore not counted in conviction statistics (for details refer to 3.C.2.1).

**However, this is not necessarily the case for police statistics where persons below that age are sometimes included.**

Several countries did not indicate any lower age limit, suggesting that all persons below 18 would be counted in police statistics.

The following countries indicate a minimum age for consideration in their police statistics:

**Table 1.C.2.2 Minimum age for consideration in police statistics**

<b>Albania</b>	14
<b>Austria</b>	14
<b>Croatia</b>	14
<b>Cyprus</b>	7
<b>Czech Republic</b>	6
<b>Denmark</b>	15
<b>Estonia</b>	13
<b>Finland</b>	15
<b>Germany</b>	6
<b>Greece</b>	7
<b>Hungary</b>	14
<b>Ireland</b>	7
<b>Italy</b>	14
<b>Luxembourg</b>	14
<b>Moldova</b>	14
<b>Netherlands</b>	12
<b>Norway</b>	5
<b>Poland</b>	13
<b>Portugal</b>	no lower limit
<b>Romania</b>	14
<b>Russia</b>	14
<b>Slovenia</b>	14
<b>Spain</b>	12
<b>Sweden</b>	15
<b>Switzerland</b>	7
<b>Turkey</b>	11
<b>United Kingdom:</b>	
<b>England &amp; Wales</b>	10

### 1.C.2.3 Definition of aliens

- *Generally* speaking, "aliens" are persons who do not have the nationality of the country concerned.
- **Hungary** also counts as "aliens" Hungarian nationals with dual citizenship residing abroad.
- **Sweden**: the data are based on estimates for 1995.