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Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) 2016 - Statistical Units - Data set

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Abstract	This dataset represents the regions for levels 1, 2 and 3 of the Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS) for 2016. The NUTS nomenclature is a hierarchical classification of statistical regions and subdivides the EU economic territory into regions of four different levels (NUTS , 1, 2 and 3, moving respectively from larger to smaller territorial units). NUTS 1 is the most aggregated level. An additional Country level (NUTS 0) is also available for countries where the the nation at statistical level does not coincide with the administrative boundaries. For example Mt Athos in Greece and Mellum and Minsener Ogg in Germany. The NUTS classification has been officially established through Regulation (EC) No 2016/2066 of the European Parliament and of the Council and its amendments. A non-official NUTS-like classification has been defined for the EFTA countries and candidate countries. An introduction to the NUTS classification is available here: http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nuts/overview. This dataset has been created mainly from the EuroBoundary Map v 12 (Eurogeographics) and geographic information from TurkStat for Turkey. The public dataset is available under the Download link indicated below. Available scales are 1M, 3M, 10M, 20M, 60M). The full dataset is available via the EC restricted download link under GISCO.NUTS_2016. Here six scale ranges (100K, 1M, 3M, 10M and 20M, 60M) are available. Coverage is the economic territory of the EU, EFTA countries and candidate countries as in 2013.

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Keyword	Statistical units
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Keyword	NUTS
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Extent

Geographic bounding box

West bound	-69.103165
East bound	61.78629
South bound	-26.018616
North bound	75.814181

Spatial resolution

Denominator	100000
Denominator	60000000

Lineage

Statement	This dataset is based on: EuroBoundaryMap (EBM) v12.x from EuroGeographics (scale of 1:100.000), Global Administrative Unit Layer (GAUL) 2015 country data from UN/FAO, data from the National Statistical Institute of Turkey (TurkStat). The different scale levels were derived by generalisation of the 100K scale. This dataset consists of 2 feature classes (region polygons and boundaries) per scale level (100k, 1M, 3M, 10M, 20M, 60M). In addition, there is also a label feature class (scale independent). This labelpoint feature class was created with a label inside each NUTS region at the 3 NUTS levels (1 - 3) and countries. Furthermore, two line feature classes were created: one feature class for cartographic joiners to identify where NUTS areas have one or more enclaves and a second line feature class, for cartographic separators to identify where the NUTS limits are in the sea. The arcs of the two latter feature classes are only useful for cartographic purposes and are not meant to identify actual administrative or statistical boundaries stretching into the sea or have any other significance. The boundaries and regions are related to each other through a relationship table. Associated tables contain basic information such as the region's name. The 5 small scale feature classes should be used exclusively for cartographic purposes. This dataset is consistent at all scales with the following datasets: Communes 2016 of European Commission, Eurostat/GISCO, Countries 2016, European Commission - Eurostat/GISCO, Coastlines 2016, European Commission - Eurostat/GISCO. Exclusive Economic Zones 2016, European Commission - Eurostat/GISCO. Different tests were performed to ensure conceptual-, domain- and topological- consistency. Errors in the NUTS/Statistical regions geometry supplied in EBM 12 have been rectified in Scotland for UKN10, UKN11, UKN12, UKN13, UKN14, UKN15, UKN16 and RS110.

Resource constraints

Use limitation	The European Commission, its Executive Agencies and European Environmental Agency may use the dataset under the following usage restrictions: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fpfis/wikis/display/GISCO/License+conditions+for+EuroGeographics+Administrative+and+Topographic+spatial+datasets. Contractors of the European Commission, its Executive Agencies and EEA can access the data after signing an agreement form. The agreement form can be requested by the responsible service from European Commission – Eurostat/GISCO ESTAT-GISCO@ec.europa.eu. Once the form has been signed, access will be provided by European Commission - Eurostat/GISCO.
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