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DATA COLLECTED WITH THE QUESTIONNAIRE

Table 1. TELEVISION BROADCASTS AND OTHER AUDIOVISUAL CONTENT

To enter the data, click on Add table row. If you have entered data in the pop-up window, click Save row, choose Close to close the page. To amend the already entered and saved row, click on the respective row number in the first column – a pop-up window for amending the data will open.

| Row code/ column code | Name of variable * - mandatory | Code of variable | Explanation | Type of data (number of decimals) or list/ classification name | You neet not fill in the value: period, economic activity |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------------|--|---|--|
| 1/1 | Title of the broadcast or series | TOOTEP EALKIRI | TV channels write in the table all of their own production (incl. co-productions where the channel was main producer). In addition to TV channels, the table must be filled in by firms which produce the following AV works: animation series, live broadcasts of sports, music and other events produced in Estonia, fictional series, serial broadcasts (news, informative broadcasts, entertainment, documentary series, children's and sports broadcasts), children's and youth broadcasts and individual broadcasts (recordings of theatre performances and concerts, individual fictional broadcasts). Series or serial broadcasts are productions consisting of at least 3 episodes. To avoid double counting, the data is submitted by an independent Estonian production company who is listed as the producer in the titles of the broadcast, series or programme. Broadcasts and series completed in the ref. year are indicated in the end titles). | Text | |
| 1/2 | Origin of the broadcast or series | ALGUPA RA | Based on the origin, TV production is divided into Estonian original broadcasts and series and those produced under foreign licences. | saadete_alg upara_2L | |
| 1/3 | Number of episodes of the broadcast or series | AV_PRD _4_4 | Many produced works (series, serial broadcasts, etc.) consist of several episodes. Indicate the total number of the works both with one as well as several episodes. | Positive integer | |
| 1 / 4 | Total duration of the episodes of the broadcast or series | AV_PRD _4_5 | Many produced works (series, serial broadcasts, etc.) consist of several episodes. Indicate the total duration of the works with both one or several episodes in minutes. Enter only the number. | Positive integer | |
| 1/5 | Television channel that broadcasts the programme or series | TV_KAN ALI_NIMI | The name of the TV channel (or its owner) for which the broadcast or series was produced. You need not fill in the box if the TV channel itself produced the broadcast or series. | Text | |

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Table 2.1. AUDIOVISUAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO FOREIGN COMPANIES BY TYPE OF FILM

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| 1/1 | Type of film | AV_PRD _5_1 | Types of films here are animation (or animated series), feature film, documentary, advertising film, promotional film, educational film and music video. Advertising film is a film made for advertising a product or a service, promotional film is a film produced for image-building purposes and educational film is a film with educational content. Music video is a film with artistic or promotional purposes, which unites music and visual content. | av_teenus_ 7L | |
| 1/2 | Number of provided audiovisual services | AV_PRD _5_2 | Audiovisual services provided to enterprises of foreign states are the production or post-production services of film, television or other audiovisual content (e.g., online media), which are paid for by foreign companies and which do not entail any proprietary rights for the Estonian company providing the service. One service must only be reflected in one table (Table 2.1 or 2.2). | Positive integer | |
| 1/3 | Sum of provided audiovisual services without VAT | AV_PRD _5_5 | Sum of provided audiovisual services in euros without VAT. | Positive integer | |

Table 2.2. AUDIOVISUAL SERVICES PROVIDED TO FOREIGN COMPANIES BY TYPE OF CONTENT

To enter the data, click on Add table row. If you have entered data in the pop-up window, click Save row, choose Close to close the page. To amend the already entered and saved row, click on the respective row number in the first column – a pop-up window for amending the data will open.

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|--------------------------------|--|------------------|---|---|--|
| 1/1 | Type of television and other audiovisual content | AV_PRD _5_3 | The types of audiovisual content include TV animation series, live broadcasts of sports, music and other events produced in Estonia, fictional series (drama series, daytime series, situation comedies, etc.), serial broadcasts (news, informative broadcasts, television game shows, entertainment, documentary series, children's broadcasts, sports broadcasts, etc.), TV feature films, children's and youth broadcasts and individual broadcasts (recordings of theatre performances and concerts, individual fictional broadcasts, etc., excl. children's and youth broadcasts). Series or serial broadcasts are productions consisting of at least three episodes. | TV ja muu audiovisuaal se sisu loend 2023 | |
| 1/2 | Number of audiovisual services provided to enterprises of foreign states | AV_PRD _5_4 | Audiovisual services provided to enterprises of foreign states are the production or post-production services of film, television or other audiovisual content (e.g., online media), which are paid for by foreign companies and which do not entail any proprietary rights for the Estonian company providing the service. One service must only be reflected in one table (Table 2.1 or 2.2). | Positive integer | |
| 1/3 | Sum of audiovisual services without VAT provided to enterprises of foreign states | AV_PRD _5_6 | Sum of provided audiovisual services in euros without VAT. | Positive integer | |

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Table 3. SOURCES OF FINANCING OF AUDIOVISUAL CONTENT FOR THE REFERENCE YEAR

The source of financing must be indicated also by providers of audiovisual services to foreign companies. To enter the data, click on Add table row. If you have entered data in the pop-up window, click Save row, choose Close to close the page. To amend the already entered and saved row, click on the respective row number in the first column – a pop-up window for amending the data will open.

| Row code colur code | nn | Code of variable | Explanation | Type of data (number of decimals) or list/ classification name | You neet not fill in the value: period, economic activity |
|------------------------------|--|------------------|---|---|--|
| 1/1 | Source of financing of audiovisual content | AV_PRD _6_1 | The source of financing of audiovisual (AV) content must be indicated even if no films, TV broadcasts or other AV content were completed in the ref. year, but some of them were under production. All AV content produced by professional AV content producers and services provided by them (e.g. event recordings) must be included. The financing of the costs of script writing, development, production and post-production must be included, but not the financing of distribution. For co-productions, indicate also foreign sources of financing if available. In the state budget row, write funds allocated by ministries, Estonian Film Institute, Cultural Endowment of Estonia and other state institutions. The funds indicated above in the table(s) on services provided to enterprises of foreign states shall be recorded under "Foreign legal persons". If a film/work had several producers, only the main producer submits the financing data to avoid double counting. | finantseerim isliigid | |
| 1/2 | Sum obtained for producing audiovisual content | AV_PRD _6_2 | If the produced work is a contractual work and some money is paid in advance, then only the accrued part of such money is considered. The sum is indicated in euros (integers, without decimals). | Positive integer | |

Table 4. TOTAL COSTS OF PRODUCING AUDIOVISUAL CONTENT FOR THE REFERENCE YEAR

To enter the data, click on Add table row. If you have entered data in the pop-up window, click Save row, choose Close to close the page. To amend the already entered and saved row, click on the respective row number in the first column – a pop-up window for amending the data will open.

The production costs of audiovisual content are indicated even if no films, television broadcasts or other audiovisual content were completed in the reference year, but some of them were under production. The undertaking providing audiovisual services for foreign companies must also indicate its costs.

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|--------------------------------|--|------------------|---|---|--|
| 1/1 | Total costs of producing audiovisual content | AV_PRD _7_2 | Production costs of audiovisual (AV) content are indicated even if no films, television broadcasts or other AV content were completed in the ref. year but some of them were under prod. All audiovisual content produced by professional AV content producers and services provided by them (e.g. event recordings) must be included. Investments in fixed assets, depreciation, insurance etc. shall not be included. Financing of actual costs of script writing, development, prod. and post-prod. are considered but not the financing of distribution. For co-productions, indicate in addition to Estonian sources of financing also foreign sources if available. An undertaking providing AV services to enterprises of foreign states must also indicate the sums which were indicated above in the table(s) containing services provided to foreign companies). If a film/work had several producers, only the main producer submitted the data in the previous tables to avoid double | Positive integer | |

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Table 5. TIME SPENT ON FILLING OUT THE QUESTIONNAIRE (incl. for preparing the data)

Please estimate how much time you spent on filling out the questionnaire (incl. time spent on reading the instructions, collecting and preparing data). Record the total time spent by all employees

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|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1/1 | Number of hours spent on completing the questionnaire and collecting and preparing the necessary data | TAITMIS EAEGTU NDI | Number of hours spent by all employees on completing the questionnaire. The time spent on completing the questionnaire includes the time spent on reviewing instructions, collecting and preparing the necessary data. | Positive integer | |
| 1/2 | Number of minutes spent on completing the questionnaire and collecting and preparing the necessary data | TAITMIS EAEGMI NUTIT | Number of minutes spent by all employees on completing the questionnaire. The time spent on completing the questionnaire includes the time spent on reviewing instructions, collecting and preparing data. Permitted value range 0–59. | Positive integer | |

Table Y1. Assessment on a scale of 1 to 5

| Row code/ column code | Name of variable * - mandatory | Code of variable | Explanation | Type of data (number of not fill in decimals) or list/ period, classification name You neet not fill in the value: period, economic activity |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------|-------------|--|
| / | Wording of questions | TAGASI S_2 | | rahulolu_nu mbriline_5_ kuni 1 9L |
| / | Wording of error messages or controls of questions | TAGASI S_3 | | rahulolu_nu mbriline_5_ kuni_1_9L |
| 1 | Explanatory texts (appearing when the mouse cursor hovers over them) of the questionnaire | TAGASI S_7 | | rahulolu_nu mbriline_5_ kuni_1_9L |
| / | User-friendliness of eSTAT | TAGASI S_9 | | rahulolu_nu mbriline_5_ kuni_1_9L |

Table Y2. Overall assessment on the questionnaire

| Row code/ column code | Name of variable * - mandatory | Code of variable | Type of data (number of decimals) or list/ classification name | You neet not fill in the value: period, economic activity |
|--------------------------------|--|------------------|---|--|
| / | Overall assessment on the ease of completing the questionnaire | TAGASI SY_1 | rahulolu_va ga_lihtne_v aga_keeruli ne_5L | |

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Table Y3. Suggestions and comments

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|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|--------------------|--|
| / | Suggestions and comments | TAGASI S_TESS T | | Text | |

LISTS / CLASSIFICATIONS

Name of the list/classification: finantseerimisliigid

| Item code | Item name | Unit of measurement | Clarification |
|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 111 | Estonian legal persons | | |
| 112 | Estonian natural persons | | |
| 13 | National budget | | |
| 15 | Enterprice resource | | |
| 161 | Foreign legal persons | | |
| 162 | Foreign natural persons | | |
| OTH | Other | | |

Name of the list/classification: saadete_algupara_2L

| Item code | Item name | Unit of measurement | Clarification |
|-----------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 370 | Estonian original | | |
| 371 | Produced under foreign licence | | |