

**Question for written answer E-003700/2025  
to the Commission**  
Rule 144  
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**Subject:** Answer to written question E-002052/2025 on limitations of EU-SILC data

Thank you for the Commission's relatively detailed answer to our written question E-002052/2025<sup>1</sup>. In its answer, the Commission states that the EU-SILC data used does not allow for a detailed analysis by country of origin or migration motive, as such information is not collected. This constitutes a significant obstacle to gaining a thorough understanding of the costs associated with, and effectiveness of, EU migration policy.

In view of the above:

1. Does the Commission recognise that a detailed breakdown by migration motive (employment, asylum, family reunification, study) and specific region of origin is essential for the development of an effective, targeted and evidence-based migration policy? If not, why not?
2. Can the Commission explain the specific reasons why this data – migration motive and country of origin – is not currently included in EU-SILC, and are these obstacles mainly technical, legal (e.g. privacy) or political in nature?
3. What concrete steps is the Commission taking to ensure that this data is collected in the future?

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<sup>1</sup> [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-002052\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2025-002052_EN.html)