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**To:** Eurostat

European Commission, 2920 Luxembourg

**Subject:** Request for statistical data on child custody arrangements and single-parent households in Greece and the EU following legal reforms

Dear Madam/Sir,

The non-profit organization “A Child Needs Two Parents” (Registration No. 163404007000, Greece, Piraeus, 18453, Panagi Tsaldari 309) is dedicated to the protection of children's rights and the promotion of meaningful involvement of both parents in children's lives following parental separation.

In the context of evidence-based policy analysis and public advocacy, we are currently assessing the real-world impact of Greek Law 4800/2021 (entered into force in September 2021), which introduced reforms in family law aiming—inter alia—at strengthening shared parental responsibility and enhancing the presence of both parents in the upbringing of children.

Given Eurostat’s central role in providing harmonised and comparable European statistics, we kindly request access to (or guidance on the availability of) relevant datasets and indicators concerning the following:

### 1. Child custody arrangements (Greece & EU comparative data)

Statistical data on court decisions or legal arrangements regarding child custody following parental separation/divorce.


Distribution of custody types, including:


(a) sole (exclusive) custody,

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- (b) joint/shared custody,
- (c) other arrangements where applicable.

Breakdown of sole custody allocations by parent (mother/father). Availability of longitudinal or time-series data (before and after 2021, if possible). Any comparable indicators across EU Member States.

## 2. Single-parent households following separation in Greece

Number and percentage of single-parent households, particularly those resulting from separation or divorce.

Breakdown by:

- (a) gender of the parent,
- (b) number of children,
- (c) age groups of children.

Comparative trends across EU countries and evolution over time.

## 3. Children living under sole custody arrangements in Greece

Estimated number or proportion of children living in sole custody arrangements.

Distribution of children by:

- (a) resident parent (mother/father),
- (b) age group,
- (c) socio-economic indicators (where available).

Any EU-level indicators addressing post-separation child living arrangements or parental involvement.

## 4. Methodological and data availability clarifications

We would appreciate it if you could:

- (a) indicate the relevant Eurostat databases, surveys (e.g. EU-SILC or others), or thematic collections covering the above topics,
- (b) provide methodological notes and known limitations of the data,
- (c) suggest alternative or complementary sources (including national statistical authorities or EU studies) where direct data is not available.



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### Purpose of the request

The requested data will be used exclusively for evidence-based evaluation of the implementation and impact of family law reforms, informing public debate at national and European levels, and contributing to research and policy discussions concerning children's rights and parental equality. Particularly, our objective is to assess whether legislative reforms promoting shared parenting are reflected in actual social and judicial practices, and how these relate to broader European trends.

We would be grateful for any available data, guidance, or references you may provide.

Thank you very much for your time and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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