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Notes on the statistical methodology of other waste subjected to notification (from 2010 onwards)

1. Compulsory notification

The List on the Movement of Waste names 386 types of waste that are neither hazardous waste nor other waste subject to control. The receipt and further transportation of other waste within the country do not need to fulfil obligations laid down in the Ordinance on the Movement of Waste. Transboundary movements of waste on the other hand are only excepted from controls if the other waste is listed on the Green List of the OECD Decision or Appendix IX (List B) of the Basel Convention, and is exported to be recycled.

The notification procedure allows the authorities to check that the waste has been moved only to licensed facilities and that the disposal procedure is environmentally compatible. The data is also used to provide statistics on the quantities involved and the treatment used.

2. Compilation of the data

The data on exported and imported waste are based on the movement forms that the exporter or importer submits to the Swiss Customs Office (*customs declarations*). This data is compiled by the FOEN on the website veva-online.ch and forms the basis of the Waste Statistics for Import and Export. The FOEN evaluates and, as far as possible, checks the accuracy of the data.

The FOEN has delegated enforcement duties in relation to the licence for the export of unpolluted excavated material (Waste Code 170506) to certain border cantons. The information supplied by the cantons and the statistics from the foreign authorities form the basis for the data on unpolluted excavated material.

3. Evaluation of waste statistics

The movement document lists only the disposal procedures covered by the Basel Convention. In order to calculate the waste statistics of other waste subject to mandatory control, the disposal procedures described in Appendix 2 of the LVA are derived. A second step involves grouping the disposal procedures into four waste routes (See also Point 4).

The published statistics cover only waste with total quantities of more than 1000 tonnes per year.

4. Grouping of disposal procedures

In order to summarize the waste statistics of other waste subject to mandatory control, the established disposal procedures covered by Appendix 2 of the LVA are grouped under four headings: landfill, incineration, chemical-physical / biological treatment and recycling.

Waste route	Disposal procedure
Landfill	D1, D2, D5, D12, D13
Incineration	D10, D101 - D104 R1, R101, R103, R104
Chemical-physical / biological treatment	D8 , D9, D153, D160
Recycling	R2 - R13, R153, R160