

MICRODATA MANAGEMENT AT THE BANCO DE ESPAÑA

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1 INTRODUCTION



**The Banco de España (BdE)
applies an integrated
and comprehensive approach
to the financial and prudential
reporting requirements
of the credit institutions
and other financial institutions
that it supervises.**



2 INTEGRATED APPROACH



Integrated approach

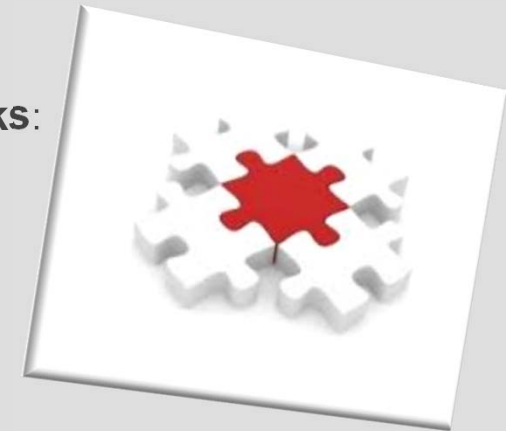
The BdE has a **single data dictionary** and a **single data point model (DPM)** for:

- The **different financial and prudential reporting frameworks:**

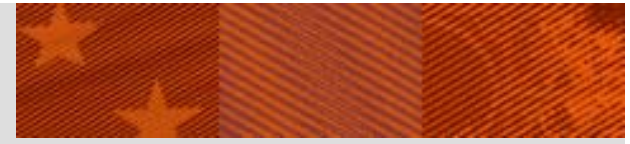
- Supervisory, financial stability and monetary policy statistics
- Market primary financial statements and some disclosures

- The **different type of data:**

- **Microdata** (open templates), e.g. CCR and SHS
- **Aggregated data** (closed templates), e.g. FINREP and COREP



2 INTEGRATED APPROACH



DATA INPUT
Each entity develops its own input approach



INTEGRATED REPORTING APPROACH
Data are managed as a single reporting package. BdE is working on a single data dictionary based on EBA DPM

REPORTING

AGGREGATED DATA		MICRODATA	
X B R L	EU SUPERVISORY REPORTING (FINREP, COREP, ETC.)	X B R L	GROUP COMPOSITION (FINREP)
	BdE FINANCIAL REPORTING		LARGE EXPOSURES
	ECB REQUIREMENTS (BSI, MIR)	T E X T	CENTRAL CREDIT REGISTER (CCR)
	BdE AND BIS STATISTICS		SECURITIES HOLDINGS
	SOLO SUPERVISORY FINANCIAL REPORTING		
PUBLIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS			

BdE

DATA WAREHOUSE
Users have access to data on a need-to-know basis
BdE can check data quality

2 INTEGRATED APPROACH SINGLE DATA DICTIONARY AND SINGLE DPM



DICTIONARY	REPORTING FRAMEWORKS				
	FINREP	COREP	BSI/MIR	(...)	CCR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DATA TYPE ■ BASIC ITEMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Assets</i> ● <i>Liabilities</i> ● <i>Exposure</i> ● (...) ■ MAIN CATEGORY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Main category <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Cash</i> ● <i>Loans</i> ● (...) ◆ (...) ■ REST OF DOMAINS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Geographical area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Residence of counterparty ◆ Location of the activity ◆ (...) ■ Currency ■ Counterparty ■ (...) 	1				

■ Domain ◆ Dimension ● Member



3 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH



Comprehensive approach

The approach is applied in the following **phases in relation to financial and prudential reporting:**

- **Decision on the information to be collected**
- **Frequency and timeliness**
- **Design of the templates**
- **Collection of the templates**
- **Primary and secondary quality controls**



3 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

3.1 DECISION ON THE INFORMATION TO BE COLLECTED



- **All potential internal (and external) users of the data shall be consulted on the information to be collected** under a microdata statistic to include all data relevant for them.
- **Required data ideally should also be useful for the reporting agents:** they will have an additional incentive to provide the data on time with the highest quality.

- **Reporting agents shall be clearly chosen:** not all microdata need to be requested of all entities.
- **The threshold, if any, to report data item-by-item shall be decided after a careful study:** the volume of data to be collected and the marginal usefulness of the items of a lower amount should be considered.

Reporting of microdata with aggregated information on items that are not reported item-by-item as they are below the threshold should be considered.



A MERITS AND COST ANALYSIS OF THE DATA TO BE COLLECTED MUST BE MADE!



3 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

3.2 FREQUENCY AND TIMELINESS



Users normally tend to request data with the highest frequency and with the lowest timeliness, but the quality of microdata is closely related to the frequency and timeliness of the information.



Frequency

- Frequency of microdata changes from one reporting framework to another due to the reasons for which they are required:
 - Money Market Statistics are required daily.
 - CCR data necessary for the feedback loop are required monthly.
 - Data on accounting and credit risk are required quarterly.

Accounting and credit-risk related information cannot be requested with a lower frequency than that required for the calculation of those data in the relevant regulation.



Timeliness

- Microdata with information that does not need any transformation or calculation by the reporting agent after the reference day can be required with a short deadline (e.g. CCR attributes necessary for feedback loop are requested by the 10th calendar day after the reference day).
- Microdata on accounting and credit-risk information should be requested with a higher timeliness than the same data requested on an aggregated basis in other reporting frameworks.



3 COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

3.3 DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



Basic concepts

ATTRIBUTE (DIMENSION)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Each of the different “characteristics/breakdowns/disaggregations” that identify the information required to be reported (e.g. currency, institutional sector, outstanding nominal, etc.).▪ Attributes can be:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open attributes: those for which there is not a closed list of values (e.g. amounts, dates or names).• Closed attributes: those with a closed list of values (e.g. currency, geographical area of residence and institutional sector).
VALUES (MEMBER)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Data that must be reported in an attribute. For example, for currency: euro, dollar, ...▪ For closed attributes, the value “not applicable” must be included when that attribute does not need to be reported for a type of counterparty or instrument (e.g. the value “size of the enterprise” shall be “not applicable” for natural persons).
TEMPLATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Each set of attributes that are reported together. For instance, for “Counterparty data”: “counterparty identifier code”, “name”, “address”, “sector”, “geographical area of residence”, etc.



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES

an attribute (dimension) with a closed list of values is used, the list of the potential values in the microdata templates should have, at least, the necessary granularity to be able to fulfill all aggregated data in which that attribute is required.

- *The list of values of an attribute should ideally be the same as that which entities have as input data in their internal databases to avoid aggregations of values.*

an attribute shall refer only to one single concept to facilitate the analysis of data and the design of the templates.

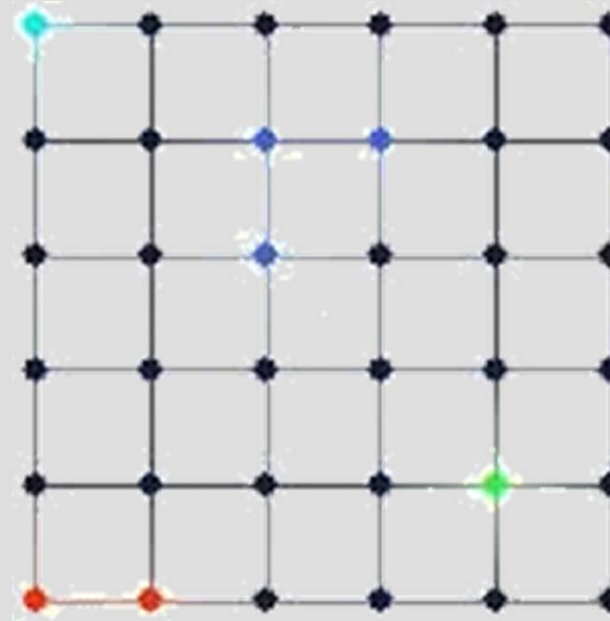
- *The mix of concepts in the same attribute to reduce the number of attributes must be avoided, especially when more than one value can be reported at the same reference date.*

The name of an attribute shall always be the same when it is used in different templates or reporting frameworks.

Attributes and values must be clearly defined.



Attributes (I)



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



Attributes (II)

Attributes shall be distributed in different templates to be reported with data of a similar nature that are also reported with the same frequency and timeliness to minimise to the utmost the transmission of

- *Transmission of data is costly and time-consuming.*
- *To collect attributes with the same values periodically entails:*
 - (a) performing the same controls repeatedly and*
 - (b) checking the value reported afresh for an attribute against that previously reported.*



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH SIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



Attributes (III)

**Data shall be
classified as**

Basic data

Data whose values do not normally change during their life
(e.g. data of counterparties and certain data of instruments such as the original and maturity dates)

These data should be reported once the first time they are reported) and updated only when necessary

Dynamic data

Data whose values can change periodically
(e.g. fair value, outstanding nominal value, performing status)

These data must be reported periodically: daily, monthly, quarterly, etc.

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



Data on counterparties (I)

Data on counterparties are required in many microdata reporting frameworks

Criteria for reducing the reporting of counterparty data

Data on each counterparty shall be reported by every reporting agent only once, although these data are required in several reporting frameworks.

The design of the template for collecting counterparty data shall be the same as in any reporting framework, but the number of attributes required in the different reporting frameworks can vary.

The attributes to be reported by the reporting agent to BdE for a counterparty shall be, at least, those required in all reporting frameworks for which the entity must report data.



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



Data on counterparties (II)

Identification of counterparties



Any counterparty shall be identified by a single identification code, BdE applies the following criteria because only very few entities have an LEI:

- For residents in Spain, the identification code is the Tax Identifier code which, in the case of natural persons, is the same as the National Identification Card code.
- For non-residents in Spain, reporting agents need to ask BdE for their counterparty identification code.

Once a counterparty identification code is assigned to a counterparty, that code cannot be re-used in the future for indentifying other counterparties.

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



Data on counterparties (III)

Control of the identification of the counterparties

It is necessary to ensure that the same “counterparty identification code” is reported for all reporting agents to identify the same counterparty.

BdE ensures that:

- For a counterparty identification code, all reporting agents report the same name of the counterparty.
- For the same name of a counterparty, the identification code is the same.

If this is not the case, other attributes of the counterparty are checked to ensure that they are different counterparties.

Control

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



CHANGE OF DATA ON COUNTERPARTIES TO DATA ON INSTRUMENTS (I)

Counterparty can be linked to more than one instrument.

To reduce the transmission of information, the counterparty data must be reported in a template different from the template or templates with the information on the instruments.

Instrument can have only one or more than one counterparty, which can have the same or different roles.

To reduce the transmission of data the following approaches are used:

When in the reporting framework any instrument can have only one counterparty, the “counterparty identification code” is reported as an attribute in one of the templates with instruments data.

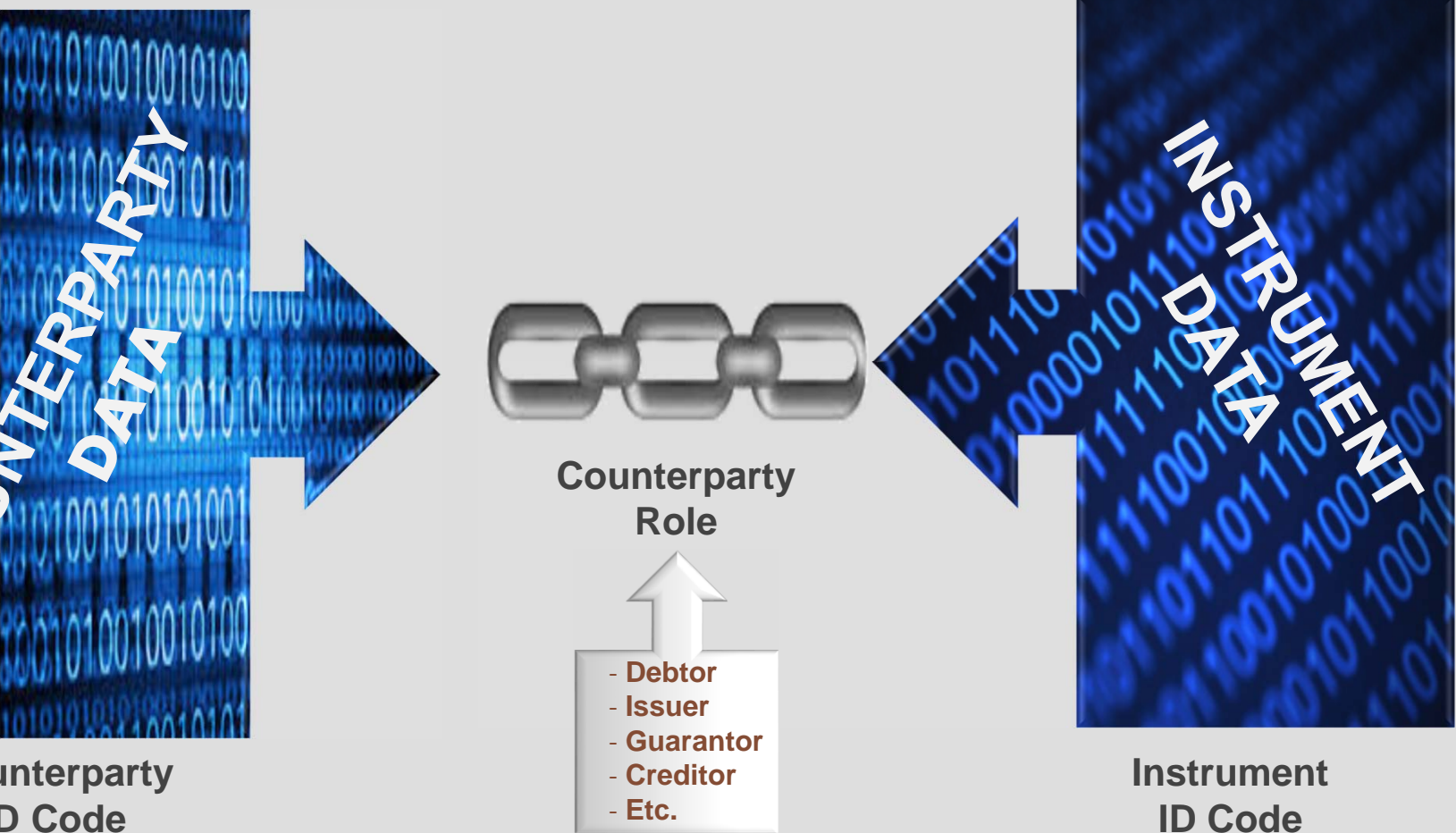
When in the reporting framework an instrument can have more than one counterparty, a specific template with the following attributes is included in the reporting framework:

- *Counterparty identification code*
- *Instrument identification code*

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH DESIGN OF THE TEMPLATES



TRANSITION OF DATA ON COUNTERPARTIES TO DATA ON INSTRUMENTS (II)



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH COLLECTION OF MICRODATA



BdE is currently using different IT languages for collecting microdata depending on the origin of the requirement

Reporting Framework	IT Language
Central Credit Register (CCR)	TEXT
Securities Holding Statistics (SHS)	TEXT
Securities issued by the reporting agent	TEXT
REP and COREP	XBRL
Money Market Statistics	XML ISO 20022

IT language for reporting microdata must be chosen taking into consideration the volume and a size of the data to be collected, the infrastructure of the NCB and the reporting agents, and whether the data must be re-sent to other institutions.

has chosen TEXT for the CCR because is collecting monthly data item by item

COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH PRIMARY QUALITY CONTROL



Validation rules (I)

Classification of the validation rules on the basis of its nature:

IT validation rules: to check that the information is transmitted applying the IT criteria.

Business validation rules: to check that data reported in the different attributes meet the business definitions and are cross-consistent.

Validation rules shall be known by all reporting agents.

When technically possible, reporting agents should be able to check the quality of data on the BdE website before officially sending them.

Timing of validation rules by BdE:

Before the data are sent to BdE and before they are stored in the computer.

This criterion (theoretically the best one) can only be applied when the time needed to validate the data is limited (e.g. when the size of the microdata reported simultaneously is not too big).

After the data are stored in the computer.



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH PRIMARY QUALITY CONTROL



Validation rules (II)

Priority of the validation rules:

Rejection of data: data reported are not stored by BdE if they do not meet the validation rule.

Each severity shall only be applied for IT validation rules and for the business validation rules of key attributes.

Message to the reporting agent and the BdE's analysts: data reported are stored, but the system sends an automatic message to the reporting agent (and to the BdE's analysts) to re-send the data or to review consistency with other data.

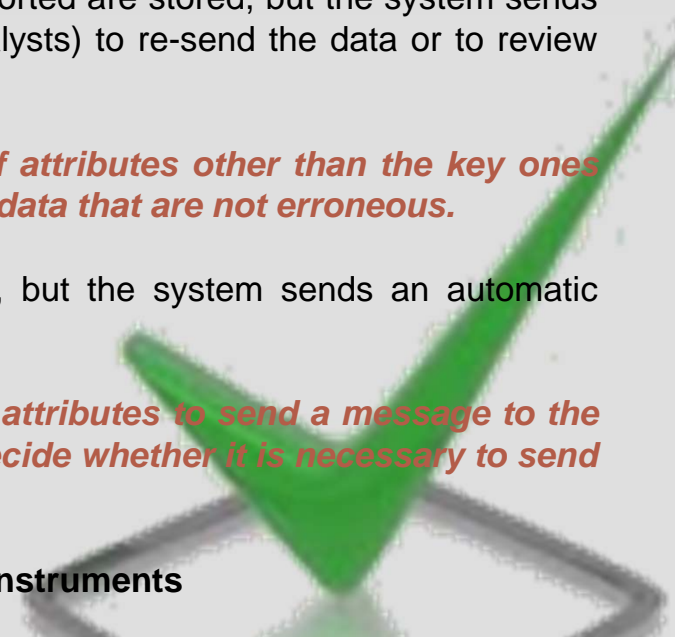
Each severity shall be applied for business validation rules of attributes other than the key ones when the rejection of some data may entail the rejection of key data that are not erroneous.

Message only to the BdE's analysts: data reported are stored, but the system sends an automatic message to BdE's analysts to analyse them.

Each severity shall be applied for business validation rules of attributes to send a message to the BdE's analysts on potentially erroneous data. Analysts shall decide whether it is necessary to send a message to the reporting agent.

Message on missing related data on the counterparties and the instruments

This message is sent when the reporting agent has not sent all the data needed to link the counterparties to the instruments (i.e. there are data for an instrument but not for the counterparty).



COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH (XIV) SECONDARY QUALITY CONTROL



Comparison of microdata with aggregated data.

Microdata amounts are aggregated for items with the same attributes so as to be able to compare them with the same aggregated data reported in other reporting frameworks, to check that the information reported is consistent.

- **When microdata have no threshold:** both datasets must be the same.
- **When microdata have a threshold:** aggregated microdata must be equal to or lower than the aggregated data reported in other templates.

This quality control is easier when the attributes used in the DPM to identify any point data of the templates with aggregated data are the same as those required in the microdata statistics.

Corroboration of key indicators.

To compare data of individual entities with data of similar entities.

This type of check enables outliers to be identified.



CONCLUSIONS

Financial and prudential information management has evolved greatly in recent years thanks to the IT revolution, especially in the case of microdata management.

National Central Banks and supervisors are taking advantage of the new IT technologies that allow more data to be collected, with higher frequency and lower timeliness than before. For that reason, microdata statistics are currently more frequent, especially for collecting data on financial assets.

The quality of microdata statistics increases when they are managed using a comprehensive and integrated approach.

Microdata statistics could reduce the number of templates with aggregated data on the same information, provided that the users can receive the data a few days later than they are currently receiving them.

Item-by-item microdata statistics mean that reporting agents need to have the required information on their internal databases item-by-item. For that reason, the quality of any aggregated statistic with that information will increase.



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