



# **EReg Questionnaire**

## **First registration of vehicles**

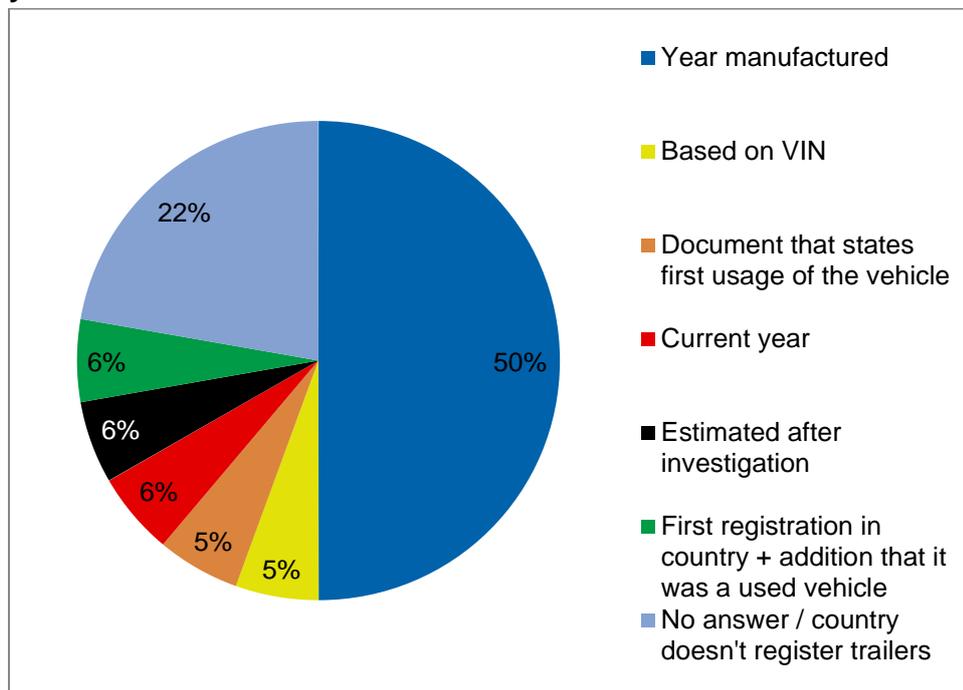
## QUESTIONNAIRE FIRST REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

This questionnaire on first registration of vehicles was sent in April 2018 on behalf of the Road Traffic Safety Directorate of Latvia. The aim of the questionnaire was to get an overview of the action and approach of other Member States in case of importing a used, unregistered vehicle from a country where such vehicles are not registered or have not been registered before.

The questionnaire was filled out by 18 members. These members were the following:

- Belgium
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- Germany
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Isle of Man
- Jersey
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Slovak Republic
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom

**Question 1: What date is indicated in section "B" of the vehicle registration certificate in case a customer wishes to register a used, unregistered trailer (for example from the United Kingdom or the Netherlands) and the year of manufacture is not the current year?**



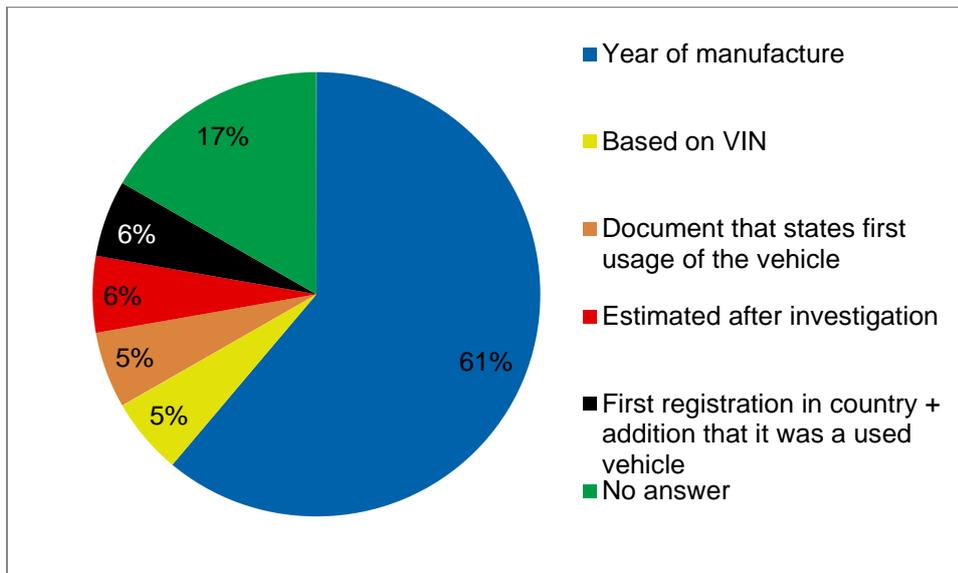
The graph shows that half of the countries use the year of manufacture or the model year. The month and day that is used next to the year of manufacture differs per country. For example dates that are used are: 01.01.YYYY, 00.00.YYYY and 31.12.YYYY.

Other answers are:

- The year is determined by the VIN.

- The current year is used.
- Section "B" is not filled. The model year is indicated in national section B.2
- If we know the month of manufacture we enter the last date in the month and the year of manufacture. If it is not known 31.12.YYYY is used.
- Customers are obliged to present a proper document that states when the vehicle was taken in use for the first time.
- There are 2 dates in the B Part of the registration certificate 1: When the vehicle was first registered in a foreign country or the date of manufacture of the vehicle. 2: the second date is fixed to the date when the vehicle has been registered in the SR.
- The date we indicate is estimated. The estimated date is set after an investigation.
- In this case, the date of issue of the first individual vehicle registration card is recorded in Switzerland and supplemented with the remark "Used" (G).

**Question 2: What date is indicated in section "B" of the vehicle registration certificate in case a customer wishes to register used, unregistered passenger cars (for example a US military vehicle from Germany) and the year of manufacture is not the current year?**

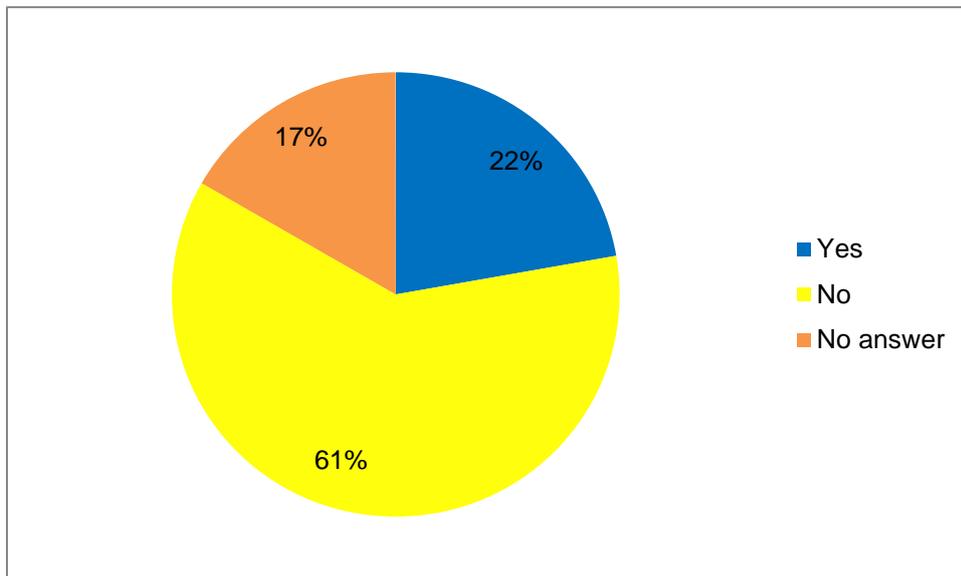


The graph shows that most of the countries use the year of manufacture or the model year. The month and day that is used next to the year of manufacture differs per country. For example dates that are used are: 01.01.YYYY, 00.00.YYYY and 31.12.YYYY.

Other answers are:

- The year is determined by the VIN.
- Customers are obliged to present a proper document that states when the vehicle was taken in use for the first time.
- Date of registration "first registration" will be entered, however, the year of manufacture will be added to the registration certificate as a 'not' or 'comment'.
- Section "B" is not filled. The model year is indicated in national section B.2.
- The date we indicate is estimated. The estimated date is set after an investigation.
- In this case, the date of issue of the first individual vehicle registration card is recorded in Switzerland and supplemented with the remark "Used" (G).

**Question 3: Are there criteria/limitations for the date of first registration and year of manufacture when these are entered into section "B" of the registration certificate for a trailer or a passenger car? If yes, please specify.**



Specification:

- The date of first registration means basically the date when it was legally possible to take a vehicle on the road use. Model year means a year which can be defined from 10th digit of the VIN
- The date of first registration B is transferred from the registration certificates B section when available. Otherwise the national section B.2 is filled.
- Uncertain if we have understood the question correctly, but we must know the year of manufacture by information from for example statutory plate, documentation from the manufacturer or vehicle authorities.
- To capture the date of First Registration in B1, a Harmonised Registration Certificate must be provided by the exporting member state. Registered keepers must provide evidence to support the year of manufacture to enable the United Kingdom to capture and input this information on the V5C.

#### **Other comments / recommendations**

- On the nameplate is the year of construction. A TÜV expert must check this.
- We presume the section B could be kept as first registration date in the official register, so the section B could also be filled with current date for the unregistered vehicles but followed with the model year or year of manufacture.
- It is a special note in the registry when an estimated date is set.
- The United Kingdom does not register trailers. The declared date of manufacture is captured in the "Special Notes" section.