

Access to documents applications in 2025

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Annual report for 2025 on requests for public access to documents

Article 17 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 on public access to documents requires each institution to publish an annual report for the preceding year including the number of cases in which the institution refused to grant access to documents, and the reasons for such refusals.

This report presents statistics on requests received by ECDC in 2025.

Public access to documents in 2025: initial applications

In 2025 ECDC received and processed a total of 25 initial applications.

These requests were fulfilled as following:

- In 15 instances, ECDC granted full access,
- In 6 instances, ECDC granted partial access,
- In 4 instances, ECDC could not fulfil the request as it did not hold the documents requested.

In those 6 instances where partial access was granted, ECDC applied the following exceptions under Article 4 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001:

- In 4 cases, the exception protecting the privacy and integrity of individuals¹,
- In 2 cases, both the exception protecting the commercial interest of a legal person² and the exception protecting the privacy and integrity of individuals.

ECDC processed all requests in the language of the application, which was English.

The Access to Document Team forwarded a further 16 requests to other ECDC Services, because they had been found to be requests for information rather than applications under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

Public access to documents in 2025: confirmatory applications

ECDC did not receive any confirmatory applications in 2025.

¹ Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001

² Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001