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eu-LISA role

eu-LISA provides 24/7 operational management for SIS II and is required to publish annual statistics according to Article 66(3) of the SIS II Decision 2007/533/JHA and Article 50(3) of the SIS II Regulation (EC) No 1986/2006, as well as the Agency's founding Regulation, Article 12(1)(w) of Regulation (EU) No 1077/2011.

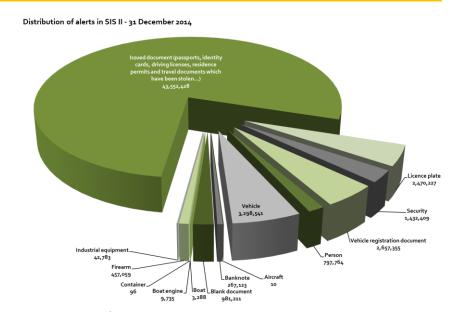


2014 statistics

The data presented is a collection of statistical data received from Member States and Associated Countries together with data available from the Central SIS II.

In the reporting period of January 2014 – 31 December 2014, SIS II was accessed a total of 1,982,036,538 times by Member States and Associated Countries.

As of 31 December 2014 SIS II contained **55,970,029** alerts, the biggest category being *Issued document*.



A total of 128,598 hits were registered in the reporting period.

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