Quality table for the Property Development Tendency Survey

CONTACT	
Country (Area)	France.
Survey	Property development.
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Reference year of data	2008.
Data of completion	March 2009.

METHODOLOGY	
Population Reference (Universe)	Legal units of the property development field. Around 174 000 firms.
Sampling frame	The SIRENE register, which covers all the firms of the French territory.
Size of the actual frame list	174 000 firms.
Characteristics of the frame list	Identification, address, contact, NACE code, number of employees, turnover.
Frame list update	Every year.
Sampling method	Simple random sampling. Updating every year or every two years: - sample cleaning: clearance of ceased or out of activity field firms; little companies with erratic answers are also eliminated while new big companies are included; sample increase: random drawing of firms according to a simple random sampling.
Sample size	1,000 units.
Sample coverage	0,6 % in terms of firms.
Sectors and/or categories currently covered	According to NAF rév. 2 classification: 41.1
Sample representativeness	Between 2 to 3 points of balance.
Response rate	Non-weighted response rate: 54% (annual average 2008).
Treatment of non-responses	Non-response treatment is not operated. The survey periodicity make "Constant sample" method inappropriate.
Weighting	No particular treatment.
Periodicity	Quarterly (January, April, July and October).
Survey method	Postal mail.

Fieldwork period	The 3 first weeks of the surveyed quarter.
Timeliness	3 working days before the end of the first month of the surveyed quarter.
Remarks	The first results relating to a survey are provisional. Revised results are released at the following survey. These definitive results take into account of late responses arrived after the first release.