

QUALIFIED MAJORITY IN THE COUNCIL

	Voting weights (until 31. October 2004)	Voting weights (from 1. November 2004)	Population in EU 25 - 2003	Population share in EU 25 in 2003	Share of countries in EU - 25
Belgium	5	12	10.396.400	2.27%	4%
Czech Republic	5	12	10.211.500	2.23%	4%
Denmark	3	7	5.397.600	1.18%	4%
Germany	10	29	82.531.700	18.00%	4%
Estonia	3	4	1.350.600	0.29%	4%
Greece	5	12	11.041.10	2.41%	4%
Spain	8	27	42.345.300	9.29%	4%
France	10	29	61.684.700	13.45%	4%
Ireland	3	7	4.027.500	0.88%	4%
Italy	10	29	57.888.200	12.62%	4%
Cyprus	2	4	730.400	0.16%	4%
Latvia	3	4	2.319.200	0.51%	4%
Lithuania	3	7	3.445.900	0.75%	4%
Luxembourg	2	4	451.600	0.10%	4%
Hungary	5	12	10.116.700	2.21%	4%
Malta	2	3	399.900	0.09%	4%
Netherlands	5	13	16.258.000	3.55%	4%
Austria	4	10	8.114.00	1.77%	4%
Poland	8	27	38.190.600	8.33%	4%
Portugal	5	12	10.474.700	2.28%	4%
Slovenia	3	4	1.996.400	0.44%	4%
Slovakia	3	7	5.380.100	1.17%	4%
Finland	3	7	5.219.700	1.14%	4%
Sweden	4	10	6.975.700	1.96%	4%
United Kingdom	10	29	59.651.500	13.07%	4%
TOTAL POPULATION	119	321	458.599.300	100%	100%
QUALIFIED MAJORITY	88	232 and a majority of Member States	65% = 298.082.350 62% = 284.331.400 (Nice Treaty)	65 %	55 % and 15 Member States