

Employment rate, by sex

%

Total

geo	time	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
EU (27 countries)		:	:	:	:	:	65.1	65.5	66.2	66.6	66.9	66.7	67.0	67.4	68.0	69.0	69.9	70.3	69.0	68.5	68.6	68.5
Belgium		61.3	60.8	60.7	61.2	61.4	62.1	62.7	64.5	65.8	65.0	65.0	64.7	65.6	66.5	66.5	67.7	68.0	67.1	67.6	67.3	67.2
Bulgaria		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	55.3	54.8	55.8	58.0	60.1	61.9	65.1	68.4	70.7	68.8	65.4	62.9 (b)	63.0
Czech Republic		:	:	:	:	:	:	73.4	71.5	71.0	71.2	71.6	70.7	70.1	70.7	71.2	72.0	72.4	70.9	70.4	70.9	71.5 (b)
Denmark		75.7	74.0	74.1	75.0	75.5	76.4	76.8	77.7	78.0	78.3	77.7	77.3	77.6	78.0	79.4	79.0	79.7	77.5	75.8	75.7	75.4
Germany		68.9	67.7	67.5	67.6	67.2	66.9	67.2	68.3	68.8	69.1	68.8	68.4	68.8	69.4 (b)	71.1	72.9	74.0	74.2	74.9	76.3	76.7
Estonia		:	:	:	:	:	:	71.2	68.5	67.4	67.8	69.2	70.0	70.6	72.0	75.8	76.8	77.0	69.9	66.7	70.4	72.1
Ireland		57.0	57.6	59.2	60.9	62.0	63.6	66.3	68.8	70.4	71.1	70.7	70.6	71.5	72.6	73.4	73.8	72.3	67.1	64.6 (b)	63.8	63.7
Greece		58.7	58.8	59.4	59.9	60.4	60.5	61.3	61.4	61.9	61.5	62.5	63.6	64.0	64.6	65.7	66.0	66.5	65.8	64.0	59.9	55.3
Spain		53.6	51.3	50.8	51.7	52.7	54.2	55.9	58.3	60.7	62.1	62.7	64.0	65.2	67.2 (b)	68.7	69.5	68.3	63.7	62.5	61.6	59.3
France		65.6	64.9	64.6	65.1	65.1	65.2	65.8	66.6	67.8	68.5	68.7	69.7	69.5	69.4	69.3	69.8	70.4	69.4	69.2	69.2	69.3
Italy		:	56.6	55.5	55.0	55.1	55.1	55.7	56.4	57.4	58.5	59.4	60.0	61.5 (b)	61.6	62.5	62.8	63.0	61.7	61.1	61.2	61.0
Cyprus		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	72.3	74.1	75.1	75.4	74.9	74.4	75.8	76.8	76.5	75.3 (b)	75.0	73.4	70.2
Latvia		:	:	:	:	:	:	65.4	64.5	63.5	65.1	67.0	68.9	69.3	70.3	73.5	75.2	75.8	67.1	65.0	66.3 (b)	68.2
Lithuania		:	:	:	:	:	:	68.2	67.8	65.6	64.2	67.2	68.9	69.0	70.6	71.6	72.9	72.0	67.2	64.4	67.0 (b)	68.7
Luxembourg		64.8	64.5	63.7	62.6	63.4	64.4	64.9	66.2	67.4	67.7	68.2	67.2	67.7	69.0	69.1	69.6	68.8	70.4	70.7	70.1	71.4
Hungary		:	:	:	:	58.2	58.0	58.8	60.6	61.2	61.3	61.4	62.4	62.1	62.2	62.6	62.6	61.9	60.5	60.4	60.7	62.1
Malta		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	57.2	57.2	57.7	57.8	57.9	57.9	57.6	58.5	59.1	58.8	60.1	61.5	63.1
Netherlands		66.4	66.2	66.5	67.2	68.8	70.9	72.2	73.5	74.3	75.4	75.8	75.2	74.9	75.1	76.3	77.8	78.9	78.8	76.8 (b)	77.0	77.2
Austria		:	:	70.6	71.2	70.4	70.6	70.7	71.4	71.4	71.5	71.8	72.0	70.8 (b)	71.7	73.2	74.4	75.1	74.7	74.9	75.2	75.6
Poland		:	:	:	:	:	65.3	65.4	63.9	61.0	59.4	57.4	57.1	57.3	58.3	60.1	62.7	65.0	64.9	64.6	64.8	64.7 (b)
Portugal		71.1	70.3	69.6	69.2	69.7	70.9	72.2 (b)	72.6	73.5	73.9	73.6	72.9	72.6	72.3	72.7	72.6	73.1	71.2	70.5	69.1 (b)	66.5
Romania		:	:	:	:	:	71.7	70.4	69.4	69.1	68.3	63.3 (b)	63.7	63.5	63.6	64.8	64.4	64.4	63.5	63.3	62.8	63.8
Slovenia		:	:	:	:	68.0	68.0	68.6	68.1	68.5	69.4	69.0	68.1	70.4	71.1	71.5	72.4	73.0	71.9	70.3	68.4	68.3
Slovakia		:	:	:	:	:	:	67.4	65.0	63.5	63.5	63.6	64.8	63.7	64.5	66.0	67.2	68.8	66.4	64.6	65.1	65.1 (b)
Finland		69.7	65.7	65.1	66.3	67.2	67.9	69.2	70.8	71.6	72.6	72.6	72.2	72.2	73.0	73.9	74.8	75.8	73.5	73.0	73.8	74.0
Sweden		81.1	76.8	75.5	76.0	75.5	74.6	75.3	76.5	77.7	78.7	78.5	77.9	77.4	78.1 (b)	78.8	80.1	80.4	78.3	78.1	79.4	79.4
United Kingdom		70.5	70.1	70.6	71.2	71.8	72.6	73.2	73.8 (b)	74.0	74.4	74.5	74.7	75.0	75.2	75.2	75.2	75.2	73.9	73.6	73.6	74.2
Iceland		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	85.1	84.4	85.5	86.3	86.7	85.3	80.6	80.4	80.6	81.8
Norway		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	80.3	80.1	79.6	78.4	78.2	78.2	79.5	80.9	81.8	80.6	79.6	79.6	79.9
Switzerland		:	:	:	:	79.4	79.5	80.4	80.9	80.9	81.9	81.2	80.2	80.0	79.9	80.5	81.3	82.3	81.7	81.1 (b)	81.8	82.0
Croatia		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	58.4	58.3	59.6	60.0	60.6	62.3	62.9	61.7	58.7	57.0	55.3	
Japan		76.2	75.8	75.3	75.1	75.2	75.5	74.8	74.1	74.0	73.8	73.1	73.2	73.4	73.9	74.5	75.3	75.3	74.5	74.7	74.9	:
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	43.9	45.0	46.3	47.9	48.1	48.4	48.2
Turkey		:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	48.2	48.2	48.4	47.8	50.0	52.2	52.8
United States		73.6	74.0	74.7	75.2	75.7	76.5	76.7	76.9	76.9	76.1	75.0	74.5	74.5	74.8	75.3	75.3	74.5	71.3	70.5	70.4	:

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Short Description: The employment rate is calculated by dividing the number of persons aged 20 to 64 in employment by the total population of the same age group. The indicator is based on the EU Labour Force Survey. The survey covers the entire population living in private households and excludes those in collective households such as boarding houses, halls of residence and hospitals.
Employed population consists of those persons who during the reference week did any work for pay or profit for at least one hour, or were not working but had jobs from which they were temporarily absent.

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