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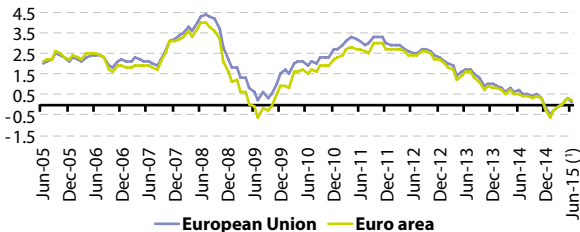## Indicators of the Europe 2020 strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

EU-28		2005	2013	2014	Target
Employment	Employment rate (% of population aged 20–64)	67.9	68.4	69.2	75
	— male	75.9	74.3	75.0	:
	— female	60.0	62.6	63.5	:

EU-28		2005	2012	2013	Target
R&D	Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP)	1.76	2.01	2.01	3

EU-28		2005	2012	2013	Target
Climate change / energy	Greenhouse gas emissions (index, 1990 = 100)	93.2	82.1	:	80
	Renewables in gross final energy consumption (%)	8.7	14.3	15.0	20
	Primary energy consumption (million tonnes of oil equivalent)	1 709	1 584	1 567	1 483

EU-28		2005	2013	2014(¹)	Target
Education	Early leavers from education & training (% of population aged 18–24)	15.7	11.9	11.1	< 10
	— male	17.7	13.5	12.7	:
	— female	13.6	10.2	9.5	:
	Tertiary educational attainment (% of population aged 30–34)	28.1	37.1	37.9	≥ 40
	— male	26.1	32.9	33.6	:
	— female	30.1	41.4	42.3	:

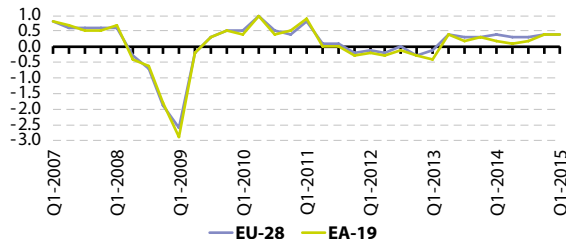| EU-28 (²)		2005	2012	2013	Target
Poverty or social exclusion	People at-risk-of poverty or social exclusion (million)	124.3	124.1	122.9	96.6
	People at-risk-of poverty or social exclusion (%)	25.7	24.7	24.5	:
	In households with very low work intensity (%)	10.4	10.5	10.8	:
	At-risk-of-poverty after social transfers (%)	16.4	16.8	16.6	:
	Severely materially deprived (%)	10.8	9.9	9.6	:

(¹) Break in time series.
(²) 2005: EU-27. The target is 20 million less than the 2008 figure (see conclusions of the European Council dated 17 June 2010 at http://ec.europa.eu/eu2020/pdf/council_conclusion_17_june_en.pdf).

Source: Eurostat (http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/europe-2020-indicators/europe-2020-strategy/head-line-indicators-scoreboard).

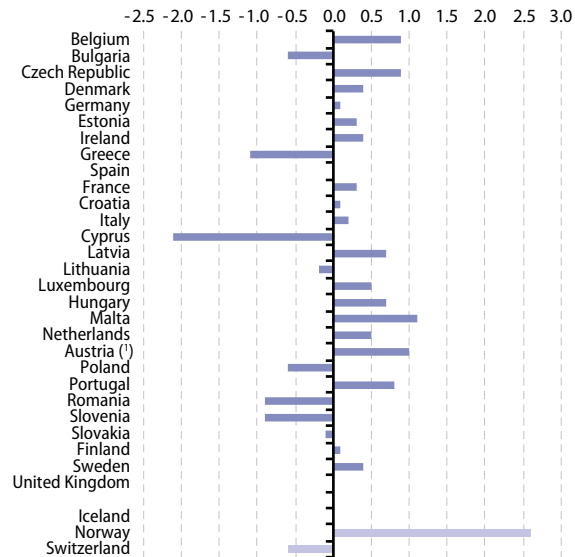## Inflation, monthly data (annual rate of change), EU and EA (%)

Legend: **European Union** | **Euro area**

X-axis: Jun-05, Dec-05, Jun-06, Dec-06, Jun-07, Dec-07, Jun-08, Dec-08, Jun-09, Dec-09, Jun-10, Dec-10, Jun-11, Dec-11, Jun-12, Dec-12, Jun-13, Dec-13, Jun-14, Dec-14, Jun-15 (¹)

Y-axis: 4.5, 3.5, 2.5, 1.5, 0.5, -0.5, -1.5

GDP growth in volume, EU-28 and EA-19 (%)

Legend: **EU-28** | **EA-19**

X-axis: Q1-2007, Q1-2008, Q1-2009, Q1-2010, Q1-2011, Q1-2012, Q1-2013, Q1-2014, Q1-2015

Y-axis: 1.0, 0.5, 0.0, -0.5, -1.0, -1.5, -2.0, -2.5, -3.0

Note: GDP in current prices, EUR/inhabitant, in 2014: EU, 27 300; EA, 29 800.
GDP in current prices, EUR 1 000 million, in 2014: EU, 13 920; EA, 10 103.
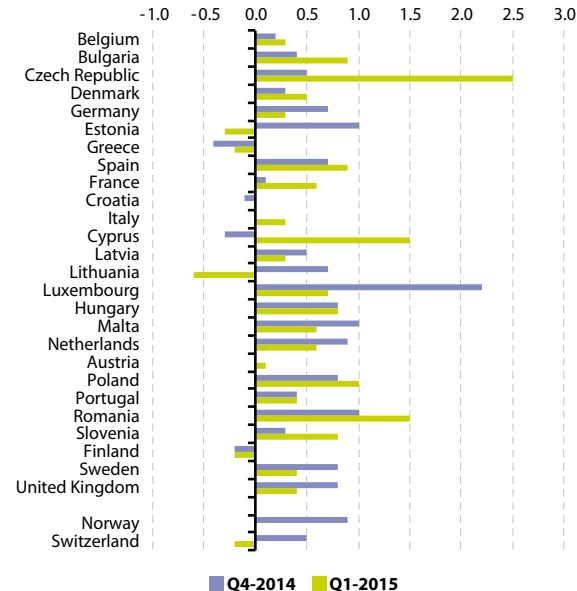
Inflation, monthly data (annual rate of change), by country, June 2015 (%)

Countries: Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Austria (¹), Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden, United Kingdom, Iceland, Norway, Switzerland

X-axis: -2.5, -2.0, -1.5, -1.0, -0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0

GDP growth in volume, by country (¹) (%)

Countries: Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Finland, Sweden, United Kingdom, Norway, Switzerland

X-axis: -1.0, -0.5, 0.0, 0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0

Legend: **Q4-2014** | **Q1-2015**

(¹) June 2015 data are provisional for EU, EA and Austria.
Additional information: http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/statistics-explained/index.php/Inflation_in_the_euro_area and
http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/cache/metadata/en/prc_hicp_esms.htm.
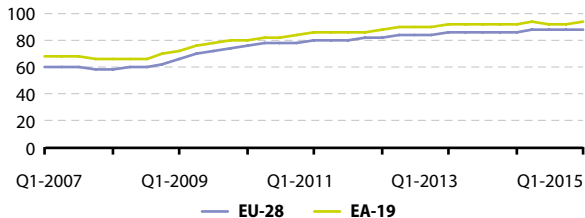*Source:* Eurostat (online data code: prc_hicp_manr)

(¹) Data missing for Ireland and Slovakia.
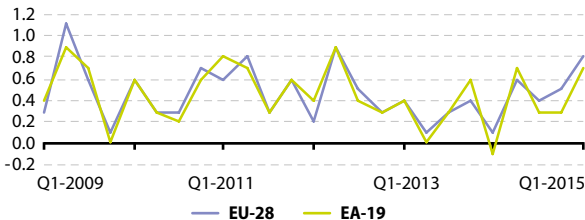*Source:* Eurostat (online data codes: namq_10_gdp and nama_10_pc)

Selected Principal European Economic Indicators (PEEI)
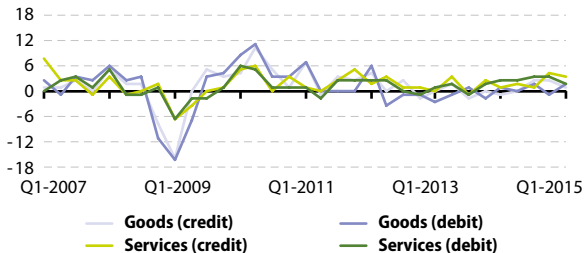
Government debt, (% of GDP)

Source: Eurostat (online data code: gov_10q_ggdebt)

Labour cost index (whole economy), quarterly growth rate (%)

Source: Eurostat (online data code: lc_lci_r2_q)

Balance of payments, quarterly growth rate, EU-28 (%) (¹)

(¹) Eurostat computations done according to the Balance of Payment Manual (BPM6) and based on data adjusted seasonally and by working days.
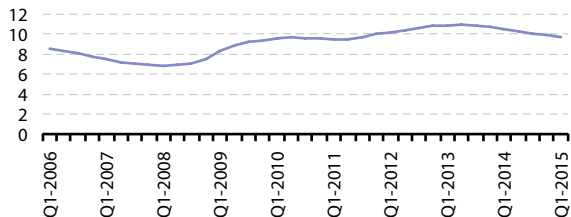Source: Eurostat (online data code: bop_eu6_q)

Government surplus (% of GDP)

	Q1-2014	Q4-2014	Q1-2015
EU-28	- 3.7	- 2.8	- 3.0
EA-19	- 4.0	- 1.7	- 3.7
Belgium	- 9.2	2.6	- 10.1
Bulgaria	- 5.1	- 4.3	1.0
Czech Republic	- 3.8	- 3.3	- 1.6
Denmark	- 0.4	2.5	- 2.2
Germany	- 0.1	0.8	0.2
Estonia	- 2.6	2.4	- 3.4
Ireland	- 5.9	- 3.0	:
Greece	:	:	:
Spain	- 2.5	- 8.3	- 2.7
France	- 7.7	- 0.9	- 7.5
Croatia	*- 10.2*	*- 6.8*	*- 7.5*
Italy	- 6.0	- 2.3	- 5.6
Cyprus	- 36.7	- 5.9	- 0.4
Latvia	3.4	- 10.7	1.4
Lithuania	- 2.4	- 1.0	- 2.9
Luxembourg	0.6	0.6	- 0.6
Hungary	- 3.1	- 2.1	- 2.2
Malta	- 7.5	4.2	- 8.8
Netherlands	*- 1.3*	*0.0*	*- 0.1*
Austria	- 7.3	- 3.3	- 5.3
Poland	- 0.4	- 6.3	0.3
Portugal	- 5.9	- 2.4	- 5.8
Romania	- 1.0	- 5.4	2.0
Slovenia	- 5.8	- 7.5	- 4.7
Slovakia	- 2.9	- 4.5	- 2.4
Finland	- 2.4	- 9.1	- 1.9
Sweden	- 1.7	- 4.9	- 1.9
United Kingdom	- 3.5	- 6.8	- 1.3
Norway	10.4	6.5	:
Switzerland	0.0	0.0	0.2

Source: Eurostat (online data code: gov_10q_ggnfa)

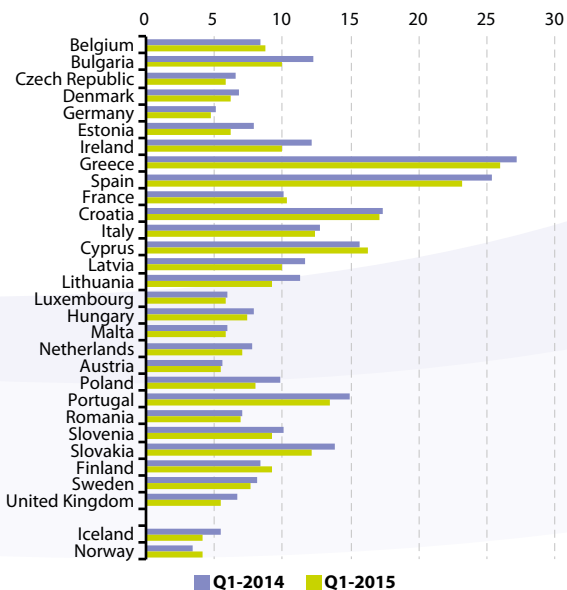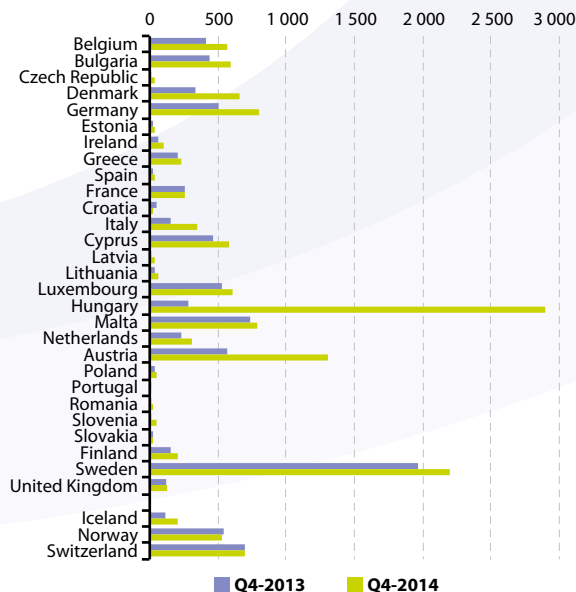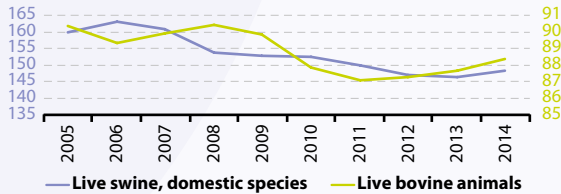## Unemployment rate, EU-28
(% of the labour force)

Number of asylum seekers, EU-28
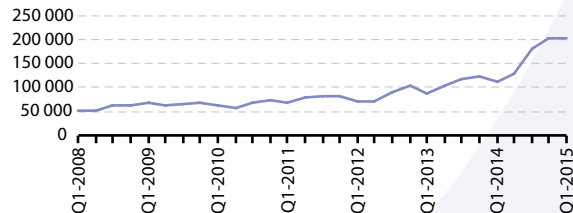
Unemployment rate, by country
(% of the labour force)

Belgium
Bulgaria
Czech Republic
Denmark
Germany
Estonia
Ireland
Greece
Spain
France
Croatia
Italy
Cyprus
Latvia
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Hungary
Malta
Netherlands
Austria
Poland
Portugal
Romania
Slovenia
Slovakia
Finland
Sweden
United Kingdom

Iceland
Norway

■ Q1-2014 ■ Q1-2015

Number of asylum seekers, by country
(per million inhabitants)

Belgium
Bulgaria
Czech Republic
Denmark
Germany
Estonia
Ireland
Greece
Spain
France
Croatia
Italy
Cyprus
Latvia
Lithuania
Luxembourg
Hungary
Malta
Netherlands
Austria
Poland
Portugal
Romania
Slovenia
Slovakia
Finland
Sweden
United Kingdom

Iceland
Norway
Switzerland

■ Q4-2013 ■ Q4-2014

Cattle and pig population, EU-28
(million heads)

— Live swine, domestic species   — Live bovine animals

Internet and cloud services, by age groups, EU-28, 2014
(%)

■ Use of internet storage space for file saving
■ Use of internet but unaware of cloud services

Cattle and pig population, by country, 2014
(per 1 000 inhabitants)

■ Live swine, domestic species   ■ Live bovine animals

Internet and cloud services, by country, 2014
(% of total population)

■ Use of internet storage space for file saving
■ Use of internet but unaware of cloud services

General information

Coverage

This short guide shows information for the EU, the euro area, the EU Member States and three EFTA countries. The euro area (EA-19) is composed of: Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland. The EU-28 includes the EA-19 countries and also: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Croatia, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Sweden and the United Kingdom. The three EFTA countries covered are: Iceland, Norway and Switzerland.

In an effort to give readers a better overview of the data available in the Eurostat database, each edition of *Basic figures on the EU* will introduce a set of three alternating indicators. In this edition they are 'number of asylum seekers', 'cattle and pig population' and 'use of internet and cloud services'.

For the EU, the information presented in this short guide is generally based on data for the EU-28 and EA-19 aggregates. However, the data for inflation is based on moving aggregates that reflect the membership of the EU and euro area over time (coded EU and EA in the graphs).

Quarterly growth rates are expressed in relation to the previous quarter. Quarterly rates are generally calculated using seasonally adjusted data, although rates for the government surplus and debt are based on non seasonally adjusted data. Furthermore, annual rates of change for inflation are also based on non seasonally adjusted data.

Symbols and abbreviations

: not available

Figures in italics are estimates, provisional or forecast.

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