

Basic figures on the EU

Third quarter 2017



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

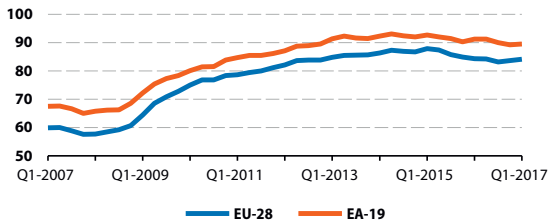
		EU-28	2008	2015	2016	Target
Employment	Employment rate (% of population aged 20–64)		70.3	70.1	71.1	75.0
	— male		77.8	75.9	76.9	:
	— female		62.8	64.3	65.3	:
		EU-28	2008	2014	2015	Target
R&D	Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP)		1.84	2.04	2.03	3.0
		EU-28	2008	2014	2015	Target
Climate change / energy	Greenhouse gas emissions (index, 1990 = 100)		90.3	77.4	77.9	80.0
	Renewables in gross final energy consumption (%)		11.0	16.1	16.7	20.0
	Primary energy consumption (million tonnes of oil equivalent)		1 693	1 508	1 530	1 483
	Final energy consumption (million tonnes of oil equivalent)		1 180	1 060	1 082	1 086
		EU-28	2008	2015	2016	Target
Education	Early leavers from education & training (% of population aged 18–24)		14.7	11.0	10.7	10.0
	— male		16.6	12.4	12.2	:
	— female		12.7	9.5	9.2	:
	Tertiary educational attainment (% of population aged 30–34)		31.1	38.7	39.1	40.0
	— male		28.0	34.0	34.4	:
	— female		34.3	43.4	43.9	:
		EU-27	2008	2014	2015	Target
Poverty or social exclusion	People at-risk-of poverty or social exclusion (1) (Cumulative difference from 2008 in millions)		:	+ 4.8	+ 2.0	-20.0

(1) The overall EU target is to lift at least 20 million people out of risk of poverty or social exclusion by 2020 with 2008 as a baseline year (see conclusions of European Council 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/headline-indicators-scoreboard>)

General government gross debt

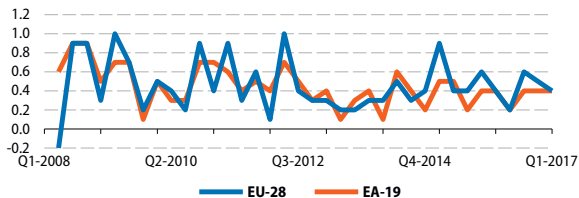
(% of GDP)



Source: Eurostat (online data code: gov_10q_ggdebt)

Labour cost index (whole economy), quarterly growth rate

(%)

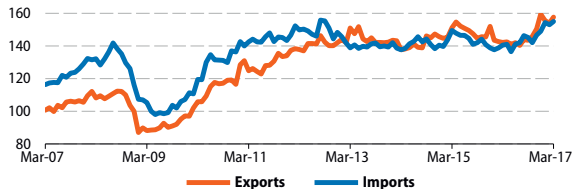


Note: No data for Q1-2008, figure starts with Q2-2008.

Source: Eurostat (online data code: lc_lci_r2_q)

Exports and imports of goods, EU-28

(billion EUR)



Source: Eurostat (online data code: ext_st_eu28bec)

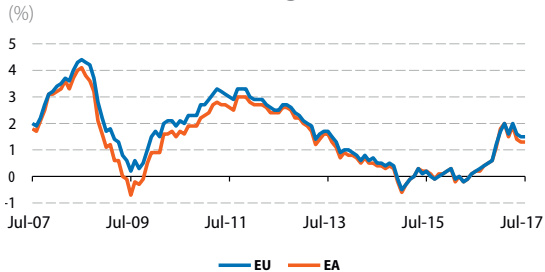
General government surplus (+) / deficit (-)

(% of GDP)

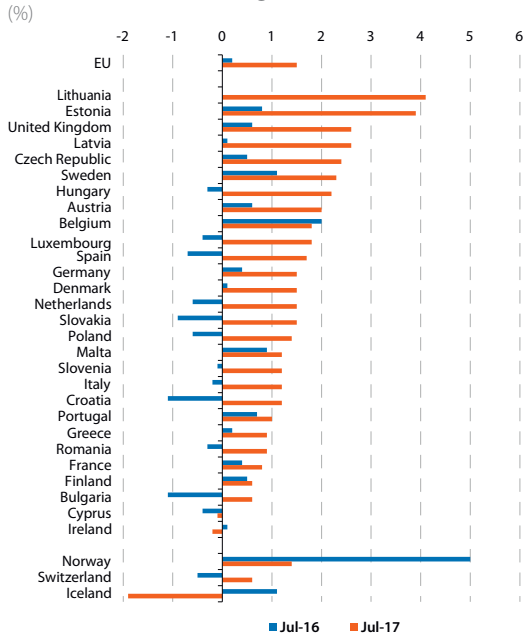
	2016Q1	2016Q4	2017Q1
EU-28	-2.3	-1.4	-1.3
EA-19	-3.2	-0.5	-2.3
Belgium	-9.6	5.0	-7.9
Bulgaria	2.8	-6.9	2.3
Czech Republic	-0.8	-1.2	0.2
Denmark	-2.3	0.8	-1.9
Germany	0.2	1.5	1.0
Estonia	-0.9	-0.9	-2.0
Ireland	-2.8	2.0	-2.0
Greece	-4.6	1.2	-2.1
Spain	-3.0	-6.8	-1.6
France	-6.9	-0.3	-6.8
Croatia	-5.0	-3.8	-2.6
Italy	-4.9	-2.4	-4.3
Cyprus	3.5	-1.7	4.5
Latvia	3.4	-6.7	2.5
Lithuania	-2.2	-2.0	-0.1
Luxembourg	0.1	1.6	-1.1
Hungary	1.7	-8.9	2.2
Malta	-2.9	4.9	1.8
Netherlands	0.3	3.3	3.0
Austria	-3.7	-3.1	-2.1
Poland	0.2	-5.0	1.7
Portugal	-3.3	0.2	-2.1
Romania	-2.4	-6.2	-2.6
Slovenia	-3.9	-2.2	-1.9
Slovakia	-1.4	-3.1	-0.8
Finland	-1.6	-7.5	-0.2
Sweden	0.9	-1.5	0.4
United Kingdom	-0.2	-4.4	1.9
Iceland	67.8	-12.2	3.1
Norway	6.1	0.5	5.0
Switzerland	0.8	0.7	0.9

Source: Eurostat (online data code: gov_10q_ggnfa)

Inflation, annual rate of change

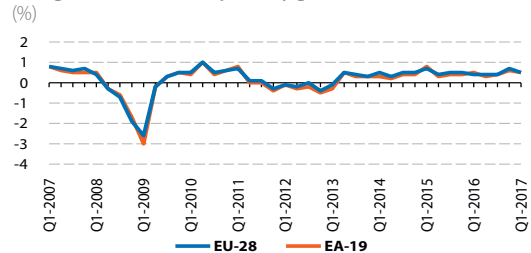


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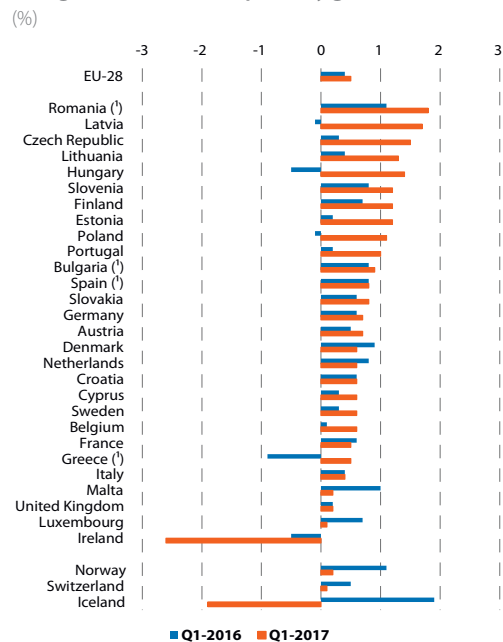
Source: Eurostat (online data code: [prc_hicp_manr](#))

GDP growth in volume, quarterly growth rate



Note: GDP at current prices, EUR/inhabitant, in 2016: EU-28 29 000; EA-19 31 600
GDP at current prices, EUR 1 000 million, in 2016: EU-28 14 820 EA-19 10 737

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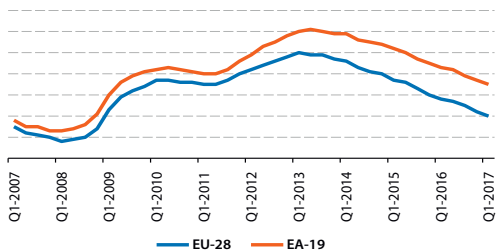


(¹) Provisional data.

Source: Eurostat (online data codes: [namq_10_gdp](#) and [nama_10_pc](#))

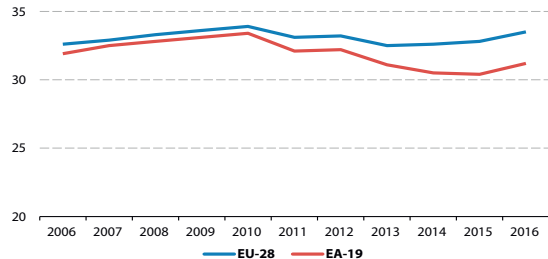
Unemployment rate

(% of the labour force)



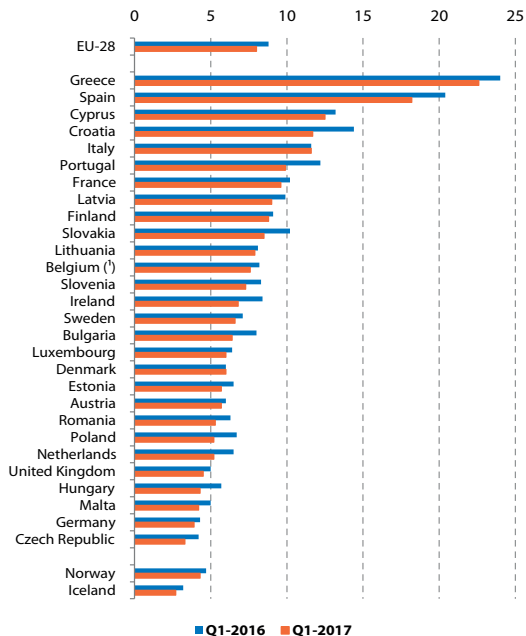
Women aged 15+ in managerial positions

(% of all employed people)



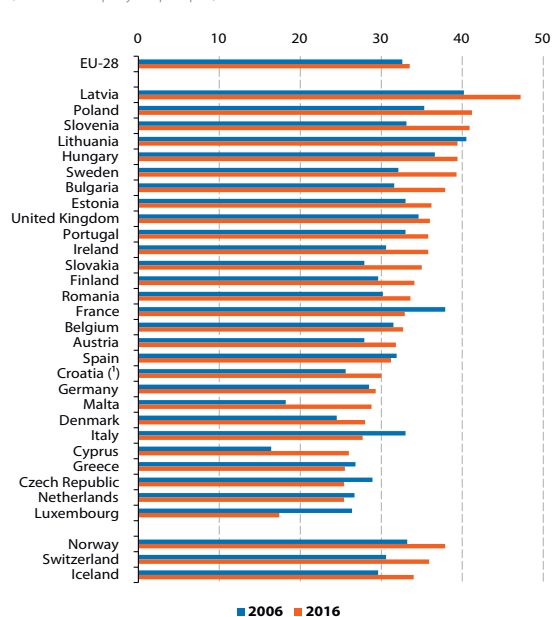
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(*) Break in series Q1-2017

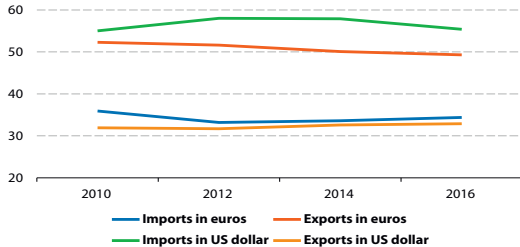
Source: Eurostat (online data code: [une_rt_q](#))

(*) Low reliability for 2006 data

Source: Eurostat (online data code: [tqoe1c2](#))

Extra-EU trade, EU-28

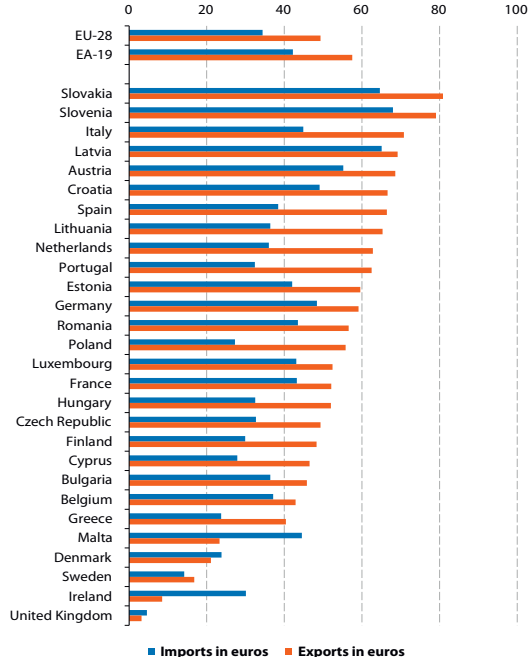
(Share of trade in euros and US dollars)



Note: EU-27 data 2010 to 30 June 2013

Extra-EU trade by Member State, 2016

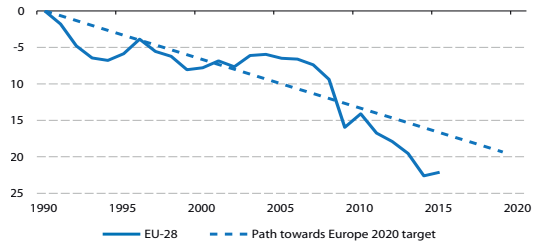
(Shares of trade in euros)



Source: Eurostat (online data code: [ext_lt_incur](#))

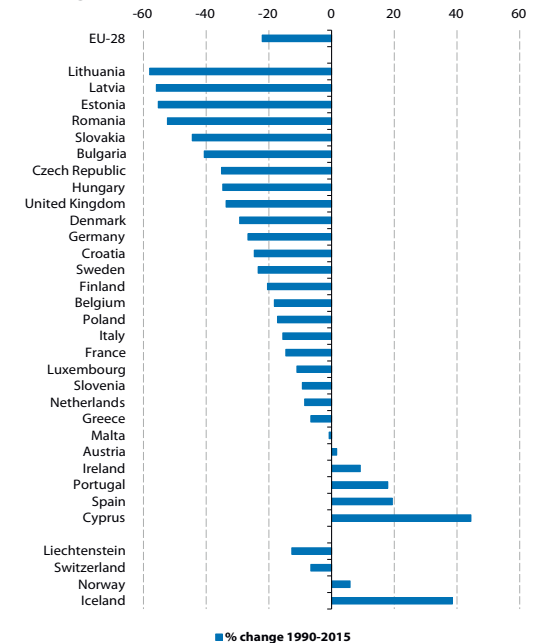
Greenhouse gas emissions, 1990-2015, EU-28

(% change)



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(% change)



Source: Eurostat (online data code: [tsdcc100](#))

General information

Coverage

This short guide shows information for the EU, the euro area, the EU Member States and the 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 EFTA countries are: Iceland, Lichtenstein, 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 'Women in managerial positions', 'Extra-EU trade' and 'Greenhouse gas emissions'.

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 data are generally adjusted by working days and/or seasonally adjusted data, although data for the government surplus/deficit and debt as well as annual rates of change for inflation are based on non-seasonally adjusted data.

Symbols and abbreviations

: not available

Figures in italics are estimates, provisional or forecast.

Next edition

The next edition is planned for December 2017. The most recent data is available at <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database>.

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