EU BUDGET
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THE EU BUDGET: WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

The EU budget is unique. Unlike national budgets which are used in large part for providing public services and funding social security systems, the EU budget is primarily an investment budget. It provides a longer-term planning horizon and stability, which is a prerequisite for investment planning. The current EU budget covers 2014-2020 and allows the European Union to invest around €1 trillion over that period.

EU budget 2014-2020
In billion euro and in percentage, current prices

**FIGURES TOTAL 1087.1**

Economic, social and territorial cohesion
€371.4
- Research and innovation
- Information and communications technology
- Small and medium-sized enterprises
- Low-carbon economy
- Climate change and risk
- Environment and resource efficiency
- Transport and energy
- Employment
- Social inclusion
- Vocational training

Competitiveness for growth and jobs
€142.1
- Education
- Energy
- Industry and small and medium-sized enterprises
- Networks and technology
- Research and innovation
- Transport

Global Europe
€66.3
- Development and international cooperation
- Humanitarian aid
- Neighbourhood and enlargement
- Foreign policy instruments

Security and citizenship
€17.7
- Migration and home affairs
- Health and food safety
- Culture
- Justice

Administration
€69.6
- Lawmaking
- Institutions cost and staff

Note: Commitments, adjusted for 2018.
WHAT IS THE SIZE OF THE EU BUDGET?

The EU budget helps the EU to implement common policies and address a wide range of challenges at home and in the world. It represents a small part of total public expenditure in the EU: around 1% of the combined EU income and only around 2% of EU public spending. This means that every citizen enjoys the huge benefits that the EU brings for the price of less than one cup of coffee per day.

The EU budget compared to overall EU income and public spending

It’s time to sort the myth from the reality: for less than one cup of coffee a day, every EU citizen benefits from the #EUbudget.

The size of the EU budget as percentage of gross national income (GNI)

Source: European Commission.