

Labour market indicators: European Union 27

All	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
1. Total population (000)	:	474 647	477 983	479 214	480 427	482 079	484 401	486 446	488 470	490 592	492 221
2. Population aged 15-64	:	319 598	320 968	322 184	323 188	324 132	326 330	327 872	329 195	330 387	330 870
3. Total employment (000)	206 710	209 874	211 860	212 635	213 379	214 812	216 843	220 390	224 357	226 448	222 305
4. Population in employment aged 15-64	197 212	198 900	200 792	200 901	202 305	204 076	207 368	211 369	215 277	217 751	213 887
5. Employment rate (% population aged 15-64)	61.8	62.2	62.6	62.4	62.6	63.0	63.5	64.5	65.4	65.9	64.6
6. Employment rate (% population aged 20-64)	66.2	66.6	66.9	66.7	67.0	67.4	68.1	69.1	70.0	70.5	69.1
7. Employment rate (% population aged 15-24)	37.1	37.5	37.5	36.7	36.1	36.2	36.1	36.6	37.4	37.6	35.2
8. Employment rate (% population aged 25-54)	75.6	76.0	76.2	76.0	76.2	76.7	77.2	78.2	79.1	79.6	78.2
9. Employment rate (% population aged 55-64)	36.5	36.9	37.7	38.5	40.0	40.7	42.3	43.5	44.6	45.6	46.0
10. FTE employment rate (% population aged 15-64)	:	:	58.3	58.1	58.1	57.9	58.3	59.1	60.0	60.5	59.2
11. Self-employed (% total employment)	16.8	16.6	16.5	16.4	16.6	16.3	16.2	15.9	15.7	15.5	15.5
12. Part-time employment (% total employment)	15.9	16.2	16.2	16.2	16.5	17.2	17.8	18.1	18.2	18.2	18.8
13. Fixed term contracts (% total employees)	11.8	12.3	12.4	12.3	12.7	13.3	14.0	14.4	14.5	14.0	13.5
14. Employment in Services (% total employment)	65.2	65.9	66.2	66.9	67.5	68.1	68.5	68.9	69.1	69.5	70.4
15. Employment in Industry (% total employment)	27.3	26.8	26.6	26.1	25.7	25.4	25.2	25.1	25.1	24.9	24.1
16. Employment in Agriculture (% total employment)	7.5	7.3	7.1	7.0	6.8	6.5	6.3	6.0	5.8	5.6	5.6
17. Activity rate (% population aged 15-64)	:	68.6	68.6	68.6	68.9	69.3	69.8	70.3	70.5	70.9	71.1
18. Activity rate (% of population aged 15-24)	:	45.9	45.6	45.0	44.3	44.4	44.3	44.2	44.2	44.5	43.8
19. Activity rate (% of population aged 25-54)	:	82.6	82.5	82.6	82.9	83.4	83.8	84.3	84.4	84.8	84.9
20. Activity rate (% of population aged 55-64)	:	39.7	40.3	41.1	42.7	43.6	45.2	46.4	47.2	48.1	49.1
21. Total unemployment (000)	:	19 516	19 245	20 260	20 563	20 960	20 772	19 249	16 955	16 771	21 445
22. Unemployment rate (% labour force 15+)	:	8.7	8.5	8.9	9.0	9.1	8.9	8.2	7.1	7.0	8.9
23. Youth unemployment rate (% labour force 15-24)	:	17.3	17.3	18.0	18.1	18.5	18.3	17.1	15.3	15.4	19.6
24. Long term unemployment rate (% labour force)	:	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.2	:	3.7	3.1	2.6	3.0
25. Youth unemployment ratio (% population aged 15-24)	:	8.4	8.1	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.2	7.6	6.8	6.9	8.7

Male	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
1. Total population (000)	:	230 855	232 675	233 412	234 031	234 847	236 125	237 266	238 323	239 383	240 255
2. Population aged 15-64	:	159 064	159 854	160 528	161 061	161 570	162 719	163 590	164 240	164 819	165 062
3. Total employment (000)	117 814	118 995	119 656	119 659	119 690	119 991	120 780	122 465	124 388	125 019	121 628
4. Population in employment aged 15-64	112 379	112 695	113 303	112 936	113 306	113 773	115 263	117 203	119 089	119 931	116 749
5. Employment rate (% population aged 15-64)	70.7	70.8	70.9	70.4	70.3	70.4	70.8	71.6	72.5	72.8	70.7
6. Employment rate (% population aged 20-64)	75.8	76.0	76.0	75.5	75.5	75.6	76.0	76.9	77.8	78.0	75.8
7. Employment rate (% population aged 15-24)	40.7	40.8	40.7	39.7	39.0	39.1	39.0	39.6	40.4	40.4	37.2
8. Employment rate (% population aged 25-54)	85.5	85.6	85.5	84.9	84.8	84.8	85.2	86.0	86.8	86.9	84.6
9. Employment rate (% population aged 55-64)	46.9	47.1	47.7	48.4	49.9	50.4	51.6	52.7	53.9	55.0	54.8
10. FTE employment rate (% population aged 15-64)	:	:	69.7	69.2	68.9	68.6	68.9	69.6	70.5	70.7	68.5
11. Self-employed (% total employment)	19.2	19.1	19.0	19.1	19.5	19.3	19.2	18.9	18.7	18.6	18.7
12. Part-time employment (% total employment)	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.7	7.1	7.4	7.7	7.7	7.9	8.3
13. Fixed term contracts (% total employees)	11.3	11.6	11.7	11.6	12.0	12.8	13.6	13.9	13.8	13.3	12.7
14. Employment in Services (% total employment)	55.6	56.3	56.5	57.0	57.4	57.9	58.1	58.4	58.5	60.1	60.9
15. Employment in Industry (% total employment)	36.4	35.9	35.8	35.3	35.0	34.8	34.7	34.8	35.0	33.9	33.0
16. Employment in Agriculture (% total employment)	8.0	7.8	7.6	7.6	7.6	7.3	7.1	6.8	6.5	6.1	6.1
17. Activity rate (% population aged 15-64)	:	77.2	77.0	76.8	76.9	77.0	77.3	77.6	77.7	78.0	77.8
18. Activity rate (% of population aged 15-24)	:	49.5	49.2	48.6	47.9	47.8	47.8	47.6	47.6	47.9	47.0
19. Activity rate (% of population aged 25-54)	:	91.9	91.6	91.4	91.5	91.5	91.7	92.0	91.9	92.0	91.8
20. Activity rate (% of population aged 55-64)	:	50.7	51.1	51.7	53.3	54.0	55.2	56.1	57.0	57.9	58.6
21. Total unemployment (000)	:	9 740	9 752	10 432	10 612	10 807	10 686	9 820	8 589	8 673	11 784
22. Unemployment rate (% labour force 15+)	:	7.8	7.8	8.3	8.4	8.5	8.3	7.6	6.6	6.6	9.0
23. Youth unemployment rate (% labour force 15-24)	:	16.6	16.9	17.9	18.1	18.4	18.3	16.9	15.1	15.6	20.8
24. Long term unemployment rate (% labour force)	:	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.8	3.9	:	3.5	2.8	2.4	2.9
25. Youth unemployment ratio (% population aged 15-24)	:	8.7	8.5	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.8	8.1	7.2	7.5	9.8

Female	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
1. Total population (000)	:	243 789	245 306	245 801	246 394	247 231	248 275	249 180	250 148	251 209	251 966
2. Population aged 15-64	:	160 533	161 114	161 656	162 127	162 562	163 611	164 282	164 955	165 568	165 807
3. Total employment (000)	88 896	90 879	92 204	92 976	93 688	94 821	96 063	97 925	99 969	101 429	100 678
4. Population in employment aged 15-64	84 837	86 206	87 489	87 965	88 999	90 303	92 105	94 167	96 187	97 820	97 138
5. Employment rate (% population aged 15-64)	53.0	53.7	54.3	54.4	54.9	55.6	56.3	57.3	58.3	59.1	58.6
6. Employment rate (% population aged 20-64)	56.6	57.3	57.9	58.1	58.7	59.4	60.2	61.3	62.2	63.0	62.5
7. Employment rate (% population aged 15-24)	33.6	34.1	34.2	33.8	33.2	33.2	33.1	33.5	34.3	34.6	33.1
8. Employment rate (% population aged 25-54)	65.7	66.3	66.9	67.1	67.7	68.5	69.2	70.3	71.4	72.3	71.7
9. Employment rate (% population aged 55-64)	26.7	27.4	28.2	29.1	30.7	31.6	33.6	34.9	35.9	36.8	37.8
10. FTE employment rate (% population aged 15-64)	:	:	47.2	47.3	47.7	47.6	48.0	49.0	49.9	50.7	50.1
11. Self-employed (% total employment)	13.7	13.5	13.3	12.9	12.8	12.5	12.4	12.2	12.0	11.8	11.6
12. Part-time employment (% total employment)	28.5	28.9	28.6	28.5	29.0	30.0	30.9	31.2	31.2	31.1	31.5
13. Fixed term contracts (% total employees)	12.5	13.0	13.3	13.2	13.5	13.9	14.5	15.0	15.2	14.9	14.4
14. Employment in Services (% total employment)	77.8	78.2	78.5	79.4	80.0	80.7	81.2	81.8	82.1	81.7	82.5
15. Employment in Industry (% total employment)	15.3	15.2	15.0	14.5	14.1	13.8	13.4	13.2	13.1	13.3	12.6
16. Employment in Agriculture (% total employment)	6.9	6.6	6.5	6.1	5.9	5.5	5.4	5.0	4.9	5.0	4.9
17. Activity rate (% population aged 15-64)	:	60.1	60.2	60.5	61.0	61.7	62.4	63.0	63.3	63.9	64.3
18. Activity rate (% of population aged 15-24)	:	42.3	41.9	41.4	40.7	40.8	40.7	40.7	40.7	41.0	40.6
19. Activity rate (% of population aged 25-54)	:	73.3	73.4	73.7	74.4	75.4	75.9	76.5	76.9	77.5	78.0
20. Activity rate (% of population aged 55-64)	:	29.5	30.1	31.1	32.8	33.8	35.8	37.2	38.1	38.8	40.2
21. Total unemployment (000)	:	9 776	9 493	9 828	9 951	10 153	10 086	9 429	8 366	8 098	9 661
22. Unemployment rate (% labour force 15+)	:	9.8	9.4	9.7	9.7	9.8	9.6	8.9	7.8	7.5	8.8
23. Youth unemployment rate (% labour force 15-24)	:	18.2	17.8	18.1	18.1	18.7	18.4	17.4	15.6	15.3	18.2
24. Long term unemployment rate (% labour force)	:	4.6	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.6	:	4.0	3.3	2.8	3.1
25. Youth unemployment ratio (% population aged 15-24)	:	8.2	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.6	7.6	7.2	6.4	6.3	7.5