This online publication describes the European Union (EU) Labour Force Survey (EU-LFS), a large sample survey among private households in Europe and an important source for European statistics about the situation and trends in the EU labour market. It provides information on the main features, the legal basis, the methodology, the data and the publications as well as on the historical development of the EU-LFS.

The EU-LFS is based on European legislation since 1973. From 1 January 2021, new regulations impacting the labour market domain entered into force.

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