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[Asylum quarterly report](#) Updated 23/07/2021 The highest number of first-time asylum applicants in the first quarter of 2021 was registered in Germany (with 28 000 first-time applicants, or 30 % of all first-time applicants in the EU Member States), followed by France (20 200, or 22 %), Spain (12 500, or 13 %) and Italy (7 400, or 8 %). These four Member States together account for almost three-quarters (73 %) of all first-time applicants in the EU [More ...](#)

[Hours of work - annual statistics](#) Updated 23/07/2021 Among the EU Member States, Greece (41.8 hours) recorded the longest average working week in 2020, and the Netherlands (30.3 hours) the shortest. If all EU-LFS participating countries are taken into account, the longest average working week was recorded in Turkey (44.5 hours), ahead of Montenegro (44.3 hours) and Serbia (42.3 hours). [More ...](#)

[Culture statistics - cultural employment](#) Updated 23/07/2021 In 2020, shares of cultural employment in total employment varied among [EU Member States](#) from 1.4 % in Romania to over 5 percent in Estonia (5.2 %), Slovenia and Finland (both 5.1 %) (see Figure 1). The [EFTA](#) countries of Iceland, Switzerland and Norway each recorded shares of cultural employment that were above the EU average (3.6 %), while all the [candidate countries](#) for which data are available — Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey — recorded shares of cultural employment below this value. [More ...](#)

[Government finance statistics - quarterly data](#) Updated 22/07/2021 In the first quarter of 2021, total government revenue in the euro area amounted to 46.6 % of GDP, unchanged compared to the fourth quarter of 2020. Seasonally adjusted total revenue in the euro area increased by around EUR 7 billion compared with the fourth quarter of 2020. Total government expenditure in the euro area stood at 54.0 % of GDP, a significant decrease in the ratio compared with 54.7 % in the previous quarter. Seasonally adjusted total government expenditure decreased by around EUR 11 billion compared with the fourth quarter of 2020. [More ...](#)

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