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[Inflation in the euro area](#) Updated 16/07/2021 [Euro area](#) annual inflation was 1.9 % in June 2021, down from 2.0 % in May 2021. Looking at the main components of euro area inflation, energy had the highest annual rate in June (12.6 %, compared with 13.1 % in May), followed by non-energy industrial goods (1.2 %, compared with 0.7 % in May), services (0.7 %, compared with 1.1 % in May), and food, alcohol & tobacco (0.5 %, stable compared with May). [More ...](#)

[ICT specialists in employment](#) Updated 16/07/2021 In 2020, some 8.4 million persons worked as ICT specialists across the [European Union \(EU\)](#). The highest number (1.9 million) worked in Germany, which provided work to more than one fifth (23.1 %) of the EU's ICT workforce. France (1.2 million) had the second largest ICT workforce (14.5 % of the EU total), followed by Italy (0.8 million; 9.8 %). [More ...](#)

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[Industrial production statistics](#) Updated 15/07/2021 The value of sold production in the European Union in 2020 decreased by 7 % compared to 2019. This decrease was mainly due to the decrease in the manufacturing of motor vehicles, trailers & semi-trailers and other transport equipment, in the manufacturing of furniture and other manufacturing, in the manufacturing of machinery and equipment n.e.c. and manufacturing of basic metals and fabricated metal products. [More ...](#)

[EU labour market - quarterly statistics](#) Updated 15/07/2021 In the first quarter 2021, the seasonally adjusted employment rate for the age group 20-64 in the EU stood at 71.9 %. The labour market slack, which comprises all people who have an unmet need for employment, amounted to 14.8 % of the extended labour force aged 20-64 in the first quarter 2021. Its main component is unemployment, which stood at 7.1 % of the extended labour force. Underemployed part-time workers made up 3.0 %, those available for work but not searching for work were 4.1 %, and those actively searching for work but not available to take up work stood at 0.7 %, all in percentage of the extended labour force. [More ...](#)

[Culture statistics - culture-related education](#) Updated 15/07/2021 In 2019, there were more than 2.5 million students across the EU studying within culture-related fields of education (see Table 1); this equated to 14.7 % of all tertiary students in the EU (see Figure 1). The share of students in culture-related fields was above the EU average in seven Member States: it peaked at 20.1 % in Italy, while the next highest shares above the EU average were recorded in Estonia (16.2 %), Sweden (16.1 %), Greece (15.8 %), Germany (15.2 %), France (15.2 %), and Ireland (15.1 %). [More ...](#)

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