

Europe 2020 indicators - Austria

Statistics Explained

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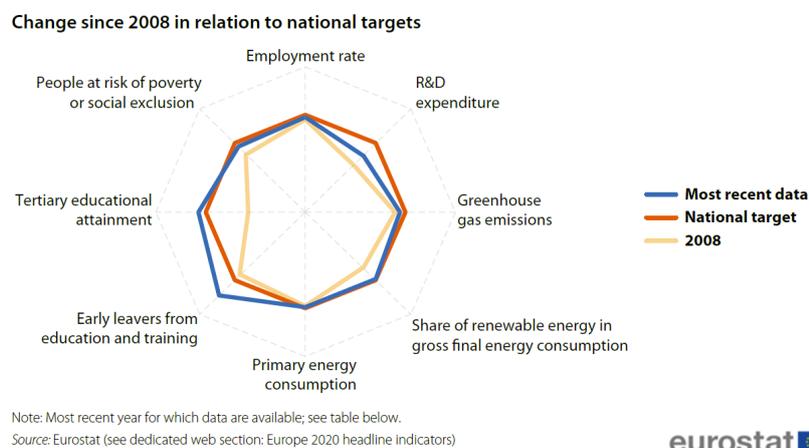


Figure 1: Change since 2008 in relation to national targets (*)Source: Eurostat (see dedicated web section: Europe 2020 headline indicators)Explanations on this radar chart are available here.

This article is part of a [set of statistical articles](#) on [Europe 2020 strategy](#) , focusing on the situation in Austria.

Overview

In 2017, Austria continued to meet both of its education targets, with only 7.4 % of pupils [leaving school early](#) and 40.8 % of 30 to 34 year olds having completed [tertiary education](#) . In 2016 the country was just 0.5 percentage points away from its [renewable energy](#) target. In contrast, after meeting its [primary energy consumption](#) target for two consequent years, in 2016 Austria was 0.3 percentage points above its 2020 goal. In spite of a 11.8 % reduction in [GHG emissions](#) in non- ETS by 2016 compared to 1990 levels, the country is still 4.2 % away from its national target. With a 75.4 % [employment rate](#) in 2017, the country was closer to its national target of 77 % than the EU was to its overall target of 75 % . Despite having one of the highest [R&D intensities](#) (R&D expenditure as a share of GDP) across the EU, in 2016 Austria was still 0.7 percentage points from its target, partly because its target was very ambitious to begin with. Progress in the area of poverty reduction has been slow since 2008; Austria would need to raise about 78 000 people out of the [risk of poverty or social exclusion](#) to meet its Europe 2020 commitment.

	Data	Year	Target
Employment rate age group 20–64 (%)	75.4	2017	77
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP)	3.09 (†)	2016	3.76
Greenhouse gas emissions in non-ETS sectors (% change since ESD base year)	- 11.8 (†)	2016	- 16
Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption (%)	33.5	2016	34
Primary energy consumption (million tonnes of oil equivalent)	31.8	2016	31.5
Early leavers from education and training (% of population aged 18–24)	7.4	2017	9.5
Tertiary educational attainment (% of population aged 30–34)	40.8	2017	38
People at risk of poverty or social exclusion (thousands)	1 542	2016	1 464

(†) Estimated/provisional data.

Table 1: National Europe 2020 indicators: most recent data and targetsSource: Eurostat (see dedicated web section: [Europe 2020 headline indicators](#))

Data sources

More information about the origin of the data and the calculation of indicators can be obtained via the [Europe 2020 indicators dedicated website](#) .

Under 'Main tables', click on the icons next to the indicators:

- 'Explanatory texts (metadata)' for a detailed overview of the collection and compilation methods;
- 'Information on the leaf' for data availability per country.

A more general overview of quality procedures can be found in [Implementation of standard reference metadata for indicators - the ESMS Indicator Profile \(ESMS-IP\)](#) (PDF file).

Context

[Europe 2020](#) is the EU's agenda for jobs and growth for the current decade. It emphasises smart, sustainable and inclusive growth as a way to strengthen the EU economy and prepare its structure for the challenges of the next decade. As a main objective, the strategy strives to deliver high levels of employment, productivity and social cohesion in the Member States, while reducing the impact on the natural environment.

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Publications

- [Smarter, greener, more inclusive - indicators to support the Europe 2020 strategy](#) (online publication, also downloadable as [PDF file](#))

Methodology

- [Towards robust quality management for European Statistics](#) - Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council COM(2011) 211 final.

Legislation

- [Regulation \(EC\) No 223/2009](#) of 11 March 2009 on European statistics

External links

- [European Commission website Europe 2020](#)