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Cohesion Policy 2007-2013 : Health

The importance of health to a region's competitiveness and its economic growth is vital. A region's population that lives longer and healthier lives will translate into a population that remains active in society for longer, putting less strain on the healthcare system and importantly, a population that will be an asset for the region's economic and sustainable growth.

Cohesion policy aims to reduce disparities between European regions in order to strengthen economic and social cohesion across the EU. In this context, health is increasingly recognised as a priority area, and the main tools to achieve increased economic and social cohesion in the area of health are the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and the European Social Fund (ESF).

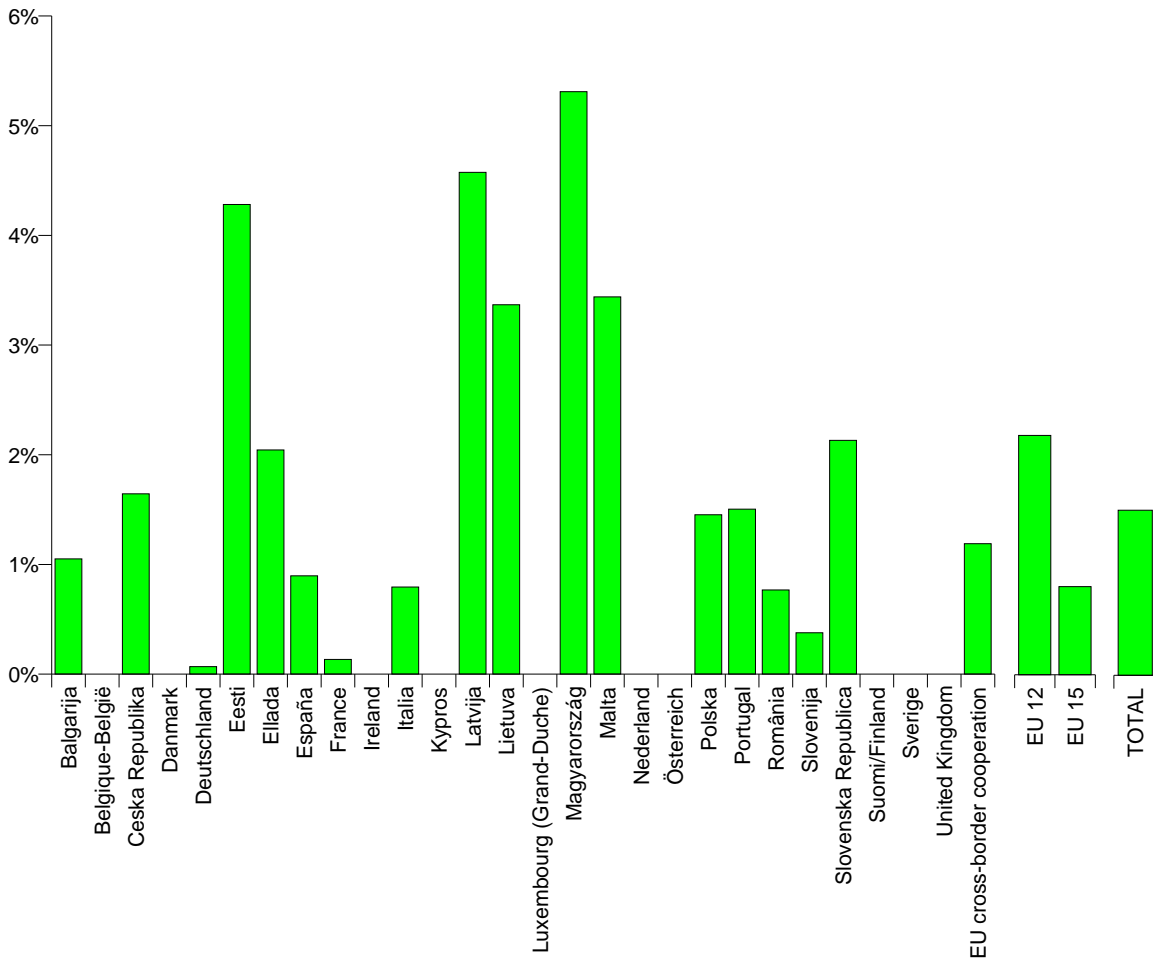
Between 2007 and 2013, expenditure on health infrastructure is planned to amount to over EUR 5 billion, representing 1.5% of the total budget, with significant allocations for some convergence regions in particular. There will be additional expenditure in support of other health-related measures provided under other headings, such as research and innovation, promotion of small and medium-sized enterprises, information society (i.e. e-health services for citizens) and human capital (i.e. active ageing and prolonging working lives).

See data below

Health			
Objective	Community Amount (€)	Health infrastructure amount (€)	Health infrastructure
Convergence	281,316,597,521	4,828,554,914	1.7%
Regional Competitiveness and Employment	55,173,775,952	263,681,778	0.5%
European Territorial Cooperation	7,831,459,588	93,126,341	1.2%
TOTAL	344,321,833,061	5,185,363,033	1.5%

Country	Community Amount (€)	Health infrastructure amount (€)	Health infrastructure
Bulgarija	6,673,628,244	70,163,857	1.1%
Belgique-België	2,063,500,766		
Ceska Republika	26,302,604,484	432,273,569	1.6%
Danmark	509,577,239		
Deutschland	25,488,616,290	17,550,000	0.1%
Eesti	3,403,459,881	145,716,641	4.3%
Ellada	20,210,261,445	413,199,565	2.0%
España	34,657,733,981	310,681,155	0.9%
France	13,449,221,051	18,000,000	0.1%
Ireland	750,724,742		
Italia	27,965,315,403	222,129,708	0.8%
Kypros	612,434,992		
Latvija	4,530,447,634	207,272,580	4.6%
Lietuva	6,775,492,823	228,212,454	3.4%
Luxembourg (Grand-Duche)	50,487,332		
Magyarország	24,921,148,600	1,323,384,965	5.3%
Malta	840,123,051	28,900,000	3.4%
Nederland	1,660,002,737		
Österreich	1,204,478,581		
Polska	65,221,852,992	947,554,977	1.5%
Portugal	21,411,560,512	321,985,695	1.5%
România	19,213,036,712	147,550,460	0.8%
Slovenija	4,101,048,636	15,486,066	0.4%
Slovenska Republica	11,360,619,950	242,175,000	2.1%
Suomi/Finland	1,595,966,044		
Sverige	1,626,091,888		
United Kingdom	9,890,937,463		
EU cross-border cooperation	7,831,459,588	93,126,341	1.2%
TOTAL	344,321,833,061	5,185,363,033	1.5%
EU 12	173,955,897,999	3,788,690,569	2.2%
EU 15	162,534,475,474	1,303,546,123	0.8%
EU 27	336,490,373,473	5,092,236,692	1.5%

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Categorisation Codes : Health	
Category Cd	Category
76	Health infrastructure
Reference: Commission regulations implementing the Structural Funds No 1828/2006 (Annex II A) http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/sources/docoffic/official/reglem_en.htm	

NB: The EU's Cohesion Policy is funded from three EU sources - the European Regional Development Fund or ERDF, the European Social Fund or ESF and the Cohesion Fund. Each fund is governed by a regulation outlining its main priorities. The priority themes used in this reports form part of the common categorisation system used for data collection and exchange between the Commission and the managing authorities. While investment in some priority themes are funded exclusively by one fund others can be financed by more than one fund given the range of activities that are involved.