

# Labour Market Latest Trends

## 2nd quarter 2007 data

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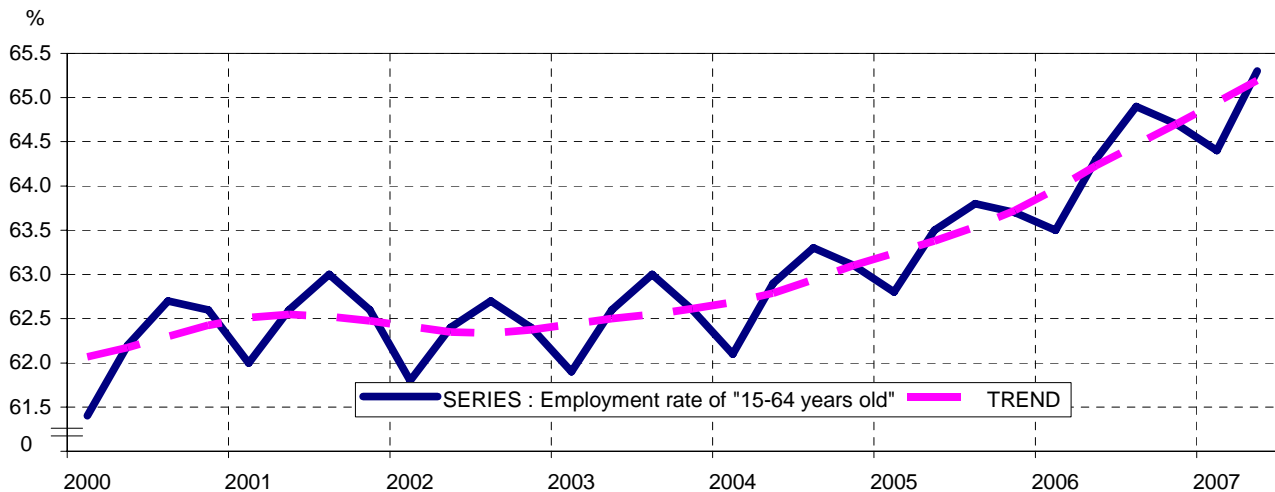
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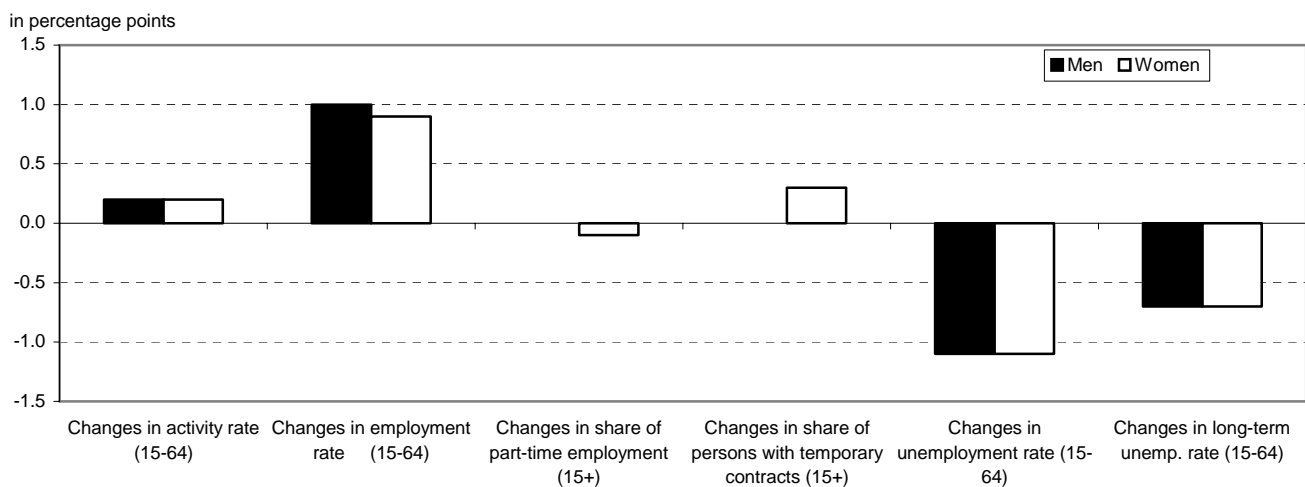
**Chart 1: Employment rate<sup>1</sup> (15-64 years) for EU-27 from 2000Q1 to 2007Q2**



Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup> Number of people in employment aged 15 to 64 years divided by the total resident population aged 15 to 64 years.

**Chart 2: Changes in selected labour market indicators for EU-27 from 2006Q2 to 2007Q2**



Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 1. Activity rates by level of educational attainment, age group and sex  
2nd quarter 2007, %**

	EA-13				EU-27			
	15-64	15-24	25-54	55-64	15-64	15-24	25-54	55-64
<b>Men and women</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>43.9</b>	<b>84.6</b>	<b>46.4</b>	<b>70.3</b>	<b>43.4</b>	<b>84.3</b>	<b>47.4</b>
Less than upper secondary	56.1	34.1	75.0	36.2	54.1	30.9	73.7	38.1
Upper secondary level	76.7	56.4	86.9	50.4	75.7	57.0	85.9	50.6
Tertiary level	86.8	62.7	92.1	66.8	87.3	69.3	92.2	67.9
<b>Men</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>47.3</b>	<b>93.0</b>	<b>55.7</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>46.8</b>	<b>91.9</b>	<b>57.1</b>
Less than upper secondary	67.5	38.9	89.5	46.9	64.2	35.5	87.3	47.9
Upper secondary level	82.9	60.5	93.6	56.5	82.0	61.6	92.4	57.6
Tertiary level	90.4	59.8	96.3	71.9	90.6	67.1	96.1	72.3
<b>Women</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>76.2</b>	<b>37.5</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>76.7</b>	<b>38.3</b>
Less than upper secondary	44.9	28.6	60.4	27.9	44.3	25.5	60.4	30.6
Upper secondary level	70.3	52.4	80.1	43.9	69.1	52.5	79.1	42.6
Tertiary level	83.2	64.8	88.2	59.3	84.2	70.8	88.7	62.0

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 2. Activity rates by country and sex, %**

15-64 years	2007Q2 (1000) <sup>1</sup>	Men and women			Men			Women		
		2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>230,587</b>	<b>70.3</b>	<b>69.9</b>	<b>70.1</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>77.2</b>	<b>77.4</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>62.7</b>	<b>62.9</b>
<b>EA-13</b>	<b>148,240</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>78.2</b>	<b>78.4</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>62.8</b>	<b>62.6</b>
<b>EU-25</b>	<b>217,520</b>	<b>70.7</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>78.0</b>	<b>77.7</b>	<b>77.9</b>	<b>63.4</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>63.2</b>
<b>EA-12</b>	<b>147,229</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>70.5</b>	<b>78.5</b>	<b>78.3</b>	<b>78.4</b>	<b>63.1</b>	<b>62.8</b>	<b>62.5</b>
Belgium	4,670	66.7	67.1	65.9	73.2	74.2	72.7	60.2	60.0	58.9
Bulgaria	3,449	66.1	64.9	65.0	70.3	69.4	69.4	62.0	60.5	60.6
Czech Republic	5,121	69.7	69.8	70.3	77.9	77.8	78.1	61.5	61.7	62.4
Denmark	2,876	80.3	80.3	80.1	84.0	84.4	83.4	76.4	76.1	76.7
Germany <sup>2</sup>	41,031	75.6	75.7	75.1	81.4	81.6	81.0	69.8	69.7	69.1
Estonia	668	73.5	72.5	73.4	77.9	77.4	76.0	69.5	68.1	71.0
Ireland	2,151	72.2	71.5	71.3	81.2	80.8	81.0	63.1	62.1	61.3
Greece	4,827	67.0	67.0	67.0	78.9	79.0	79.1	55.1	54.9	55.0
Spain	21,991	71.5	71.1	70.8	81.6	81.0	81.2	61.2	61.0	60.1
France <sup>2</sup>	27,292	69.4	69.3	69.1	74.5	74.4	74.6	64.4	64.3	63.8
Italy	24,326	62.5	61.9	63.0	74.5	73.8	75.1	50.6	50.0	51.0
Cyprus	381	73.8	73.5	72.5	82.9	82.4	82.4	65.1	65.0	63.0
Latvia	1,134	72.0	71.4	70.7	76.4	76.2	74.4	68.0	66.9	67.2
Lithuania	1,583	68.2	67.3	67.5	71.2	70.0	70.3	65.5	64.8	64.9
Luxembourg	199	65.6	66.1	66.7	75.5	74.6	75.3	55.4	57.5	58.2
Hungaria	4,209	61.9	61.6	61.8	69.2	68.5	68.7	55.0	54.9	55.3
Malta	166	59.6	59.2	58.9	78.8	79.8	79.1	40.3	38.3	38.5
Netherlands	8,623	78.5	78.0	77.2	84.7	84.4	83.8	72.2	71.5	70.5
Austria	4,156	74.9	73.7	73.5	82.1	80.2	80.5	67.7	67.2	66.5
Poland	16,508	62.9	62.6	62.9	69.9	69.5	69.7	56.1	55.7	56.3
Portugal	5,260	73.7	74.0	73.8	79.0	79.5	79.4	68.6	68.6	68.4
Romania	9,618	63.9	61.7	64.4	71.0	68.7	71.2	56.9	54.8	57.6
Slovenia	1,011	71.7	70.1	71.4	76.0	74.3	74.8	67.2	65.7	67.9
Slovakia	2,626	68.0	68.0	68.6	75.5	75.4	76.4	60.6	60.7	60.8
Finland	2,703	77.3	74.0	76.8	79.3	75.1	78.7	75.3	72.9	75.0
Sweden	4,790	79.9	78.1	79.6	82.0	80.7	81.9	77.7	75.3	77.1
United Kingdom	29,218	75.0	75.1	75.4	81.6	81.7	81.7	68.6	68.7	69.2
Croatia	:	:	:	62.0	:	:	68.6	:	:	55.6
Turkey	24,639	51.3	48.4	50.9	75.1	72.3	74.8	27.6	24.6	27.1
Iceland	177	88.8	86.2	89.1	92.5	89.7	92.7	84.8	82.5	85.4
Norway	2,442	78.8	77.8	78.4	81.7	80.7	81.6	75.9	74.8	75.1
<b>EEA-30</b>	<b>233,206</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>70.2</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>77.2</b>	<b>77.5</b>	<b>63.2</b>	<b>62.8</b>	<b>63.0</b>
Switzerland	:	:	:	81.3	:	:	87.8	:	:	74.7

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup>Number of persons aged 15-64 in the labour force

<sup>2</sup>French and German data for 2006 and 2007 are provisional (see methodological notes)

**Table 3. Employment rates by level of educational attainment, age group and sex, 2nd quarter 2007, %**

	EA-13				EU-27			
	15-64	15-24	25-54	55-64	15-64	15-24	25-54	55-64
<b>Men and women</b>	<b>65.6</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>79.1</b>	<b>43.5</b>	<b>65.3</b>	<b>36.7</b>	<b>79.1</b>	<b>44.8</b>
Less than upper secondary	50.2	27.6	67.9	33.7	48.2	24.5	66.5	35.7
Upper secondary level	71.4	49.4	81.7	46.8	70.5	49.5	80.8	47.5
Tertiary level	83.0	55.5	88.4	64.3	84.0	62.0	89.0	65.7
<b>Men</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>87.9</b>	<b>52.4</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>39.7</b>	<b>86.9</b>	<b>53.9</b>
Less than upper secondary	61.4	32.1	82.6	43.8	57.9	28.7	80.1	44.8
Upper secondary level	77.8	53.6	88.6	52.7	76.8	53.6	87.4	54.2
Tertiary level	87.1	54.0	92.9	69.3	87.6	60.8	93.2	69.7
<b>Women</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>33.9</b>	<b>70.4</b>	<b>35.1</b>	<b>58.2</b>	<b>33.5</b>	<b>71.3</b>	<b>36.2</b>
Less than upper secondary	39.1	22.5	52.9	25.9	38.9	19.8	53.3	28.9
Upper secondary level	64.7	45.4	74.4	40.6	63.9	45.4	73.7	40.1
Tertiary level	79.0	56.5	84.0	57.1	80.7	62.9	85.2	60.2

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 4. Employment rates by country and sex, %**

15-64 years	2007Q2 (1000) <sup>1</sup>	Confidence limit	Men and women			Men			Women		
			2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>214,149</b>	<b>± 494</b>	<b>65.3 ± 0.2</b>	<b>64.4</b>	<b>64.3</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>58.2</b>	<b>57.4</b>	<b>57.3</b>
<b>EA-13</b>	<b>137,325</b>	<b>± 344</b>	<b>65.6 ± 0.2</b>	<b>64.8</b>	<b>64.6</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>57.8</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>56.7</b>
<b>EU-25</b>	<b>201,978</b>	<b>± 408</b>	<b>65.6 ± 0.1</b>	<b>64.9</b>	<b>64.7</b>	<b>72.9</b>	<b>72.0</b>	<b>71.9</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>57.5</b>
<b>EA-12</b>	<b>136,361</b>	<b>± 343</b>	<b>65.6 ± 0.2</b>	<b>64.8</b>	<b>64.6</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>72.5</b>	<b>72.6</b>	<b>57.7</b>	<b>57.0</b>	<b>56.7</b>
Belgium	4,313	± 57	61.6 ± 0.8	61.7	60.4	68.2	68.9	67.0	54.9	54.5	53.6
Bulgaria	3,212	± 81	61.6 ± 1.5	59.7	59.1	65.5	64.1	63.3	57.7	55.4	55.0
Czech Republic	4,848	± 40	66.0 ± 0.5	65.5	65.3	74.5	74.1	73.6	57.5	56.9	56.8
Denmark	2,771	± 27	77.3 ± 0.8	76.7	76.9	81.3	80.9	80.6	73.3	72.4	73.2
Germany <sup>2</sup>	37,482	± 195	69.1 ± 0.4	68.4	67.4	74.4	73.6	72.5	63.7	63.2	62.2
Estonia	633	± 19	69.7 ± 2.1	68.6	68.8	73.2	72.1	71.3	66.4	65.4	66.4
Ireland	2,051	± 20	68.9 ± 0.7	68.5	68.1	77.2	77.1	77.3	60.3	59.7	58.8
Greece	4,431	± 87	61.5 ± 1.2	60.8	61.0	74.9	74.4	74.6	48.1	47.1	47.5
Spain	20,233	± 87	65.8 ± 0.3	65.1	64.7	76.6	75.9	76.0	54.8	54.0	53.2
France <sup>2</sup>	25,116	± 197	63.9 ± 0.5	62.9	63.0	69.0	68.0	68.5	58.9	58.0	57.7
Italy	22,916	± 121	58.9 ± 0.3	57.9	58.9	71.1	69.9	71.1	46.8	46.0	46.7
Cyprus	368	± 10	71.2 ± 1.9	69.8	69.5	80.1	78.8	79.6	62.7	61.3	59.8
Latvia	1,064	± 21	67.6 ± 1.4	66.4	65.5	71.5	70.3	68.2	64.0	62.7	62.9
Lithuania	1,517	± 41	65.4 ± 1.8	63.9	63.7	68.2	66.5	66.4	62.7	61.4	61.1
Luxembourg	191	± 3	63.0 ± 0.9	63.0	63.6	72.4	71.6	72.6	53.5	54.3	54.6
Hungary	3,913	± 65	57.6 ± 1.0	56.9	57.3	64.4	63.4	63.9	51.0	50.8	51.1
Malta	155	± 4	55.7 ± 1.5	55.1	54.3	74.3	74.5	73.8	36.8	35.5	34.6
Netherlands	8,346	± 49	76.0 ± 0.4	75.0	74.2	82.3	81.5	80.8	69.6	68.3	67.5
Austria	3,970	± 47	71.5 ± 0.8	70.3	70.0	78.9	76.7	77.0	64.2	63.8	63.0
Poland	14,910	± 146	56.8 ± 0.6	55.4	53.9	63.4	62.0	60.2	50.4	48.9	47.8
Portugal	4,820	± 53	67.6 ± 0.7	67.4	68.1	73.6	73.5	74.0	61.7	61.4	62.4
Romania	8,959	± 267	59.6 ± 1.8	57.2	59.6	65.6	63.1	65.2	53.6	51.2	54.1
Slovenia	963	± 17	68.3 ± 1.2	66.0	67.1	73.2	70.6	70.8	63.3	61.2	63.3
Slovakia	2,331	± 23	60.4 ± 0.6	60.1	59.3	67.9	67.3	66.9	52.9	53.0	51.6
Finland	2,493	± 17	71.3 ± 0.5	68.3	69.9	73.4	69.4	71.7	69.2	67.3	68.1
Sweden	4,456	± 19	74.3 ± 0.3	72.7	73.1	76.7	75.1	75.5	71.9	70.2	70.6
United Kingdom	27,688	± 130	71.1 ± 0.3	70.9	71.3	77.1	76.9	77.0	65.2	65.2	65.8
Croatia	:	:	:	:	54.5	:	:	61.3	:	:	47.8
Turkey	22,706	± 223	47.2 ± 0.5	43.6	47.1	69.1	65.0	68.9	25.5	22.3	25.3
Iceland	171	± 2	86.0 ± 1.1	84.6	85.5	89.4	88.0	88.9	82.2	81.0	81.9
Norway	2,375	± 15	76.7 ± 0.5	75.7	75.3	79.4	78.5	78.3	73.8	72.8	72.2
<b>EEA-30</b>	<b>216,695</b>	<b>± 494</b>	<b>65.4 ± 0.1</b>	<b>64.5</b>	<b>64.5</b>	<b>72.6</b>	<b>71.6</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>58.3</b>	<b>57.5</b>	<b>57.4</b>
Switzerland	:	:	:	:	77.9	:	:	84.7	:	:	71.1

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup>Number of persons aged 15-64 in employment

<sup>2</sup>French and German data for 2006 and 2007 are provisional (see methodological notes)

**Table 5. Part-time employment as share of total employment, by economic activity, age group and sex, 2nd quarter 2007, %**

	EA-13				EU-27			
	15+	15-24	25-54	55+	15+	15-24	25-54	55+
<b>Men and women</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>26.0</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	20.2	25.2	13.4	35.0	21.4	33.1	15.2	32.4
Industry, incl. Energy	9.2	11.8	8.2	14.1	7.5	9.8	6.3	13.3
Construction	5.9	5.5	5.3	11.4	5.6	5.4	4.8	11.5
Trade, transport and communication services	21.5	35.0	18.7	24.2	20.2	36.3	16.3	25.6
Business activities and financial services	21.1	27.2	19.3	29.1	19.2	24.2	16.9	29.9
Other services	28.2	31.6	27.5	29.8	26.1	31.1	24.6	31.6
<b>Men</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>18.3</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>15.6</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	12.8	22.4	5.7	27.2	15.7	29.7	9.3	26.7
Industry, incl. Energy	3.4	8.8	2.0	8.1	3.1	7.4	1.7	8.4
Construction	3.1	4.7	2.2	7.9	3.2	4.7	2.2	8.6
Trade, transport and communication services	9.2	27.6	5.7	13.2	9.4	29.2	5.1	14.6
Business activities and financial services	8.6	25.0	5.6	17.1	8.4	22.2	5.0	19.6
Other services	11.8	25.8	9.8	15.1	11.6	26.9	8.6	18.4
<b>Women</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>35.2</b>	<b>34.5</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>34.3</b>	<b>29.4</b>	<b>40.9</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	35.1	33.3	29.0	48.4	30.8	41.4	25.2	40.6
Industry, incl. Energy	24.2	20.0	23.6	33.7	17.6	15.7	16.5	29.0
Construction	39.7	:	39.9	54.3	33.2	16.9u	32.9	47.4
Trade, transport and communication services	37.2	42.3	35.6	41.5	33.9	43.1	30.5	43.1
Business activities and financial services	35.2	29.1	34.3	48.9	31.4	26.1	30.1	46.3
Other services	37.3	34.4	37.1	40.5	33.9	33.1	32.8	40.7

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 6. Part-time employment as share of total employment by country and sex, %**

15+ years	2007Q2 (1000) <sup>1</sup>	Confidence limit	Men and women			Men			Women		
			2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>39,755</b>	<b>± 278</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>18.3</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>31.4</b>
<b>EA-13</b>	<b>27,601</b>	<b>± 211</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>35.8</b>	<b>35.4</b>
<b>EU-25</b>	<b>38,788</b>	<b>± 255</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>33.1</b>	<b>32.9</b>
<b>EA-12</b>	<b>27,502</b>	<b>± 211</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>35.7</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>35.6</b>
Belgium	986	± 41	22.7	22.2	23.2	7.5	7.7	7.9	41.9	40.8	42.6
Bulgaria	59	± 8	1.8	1.7	2.0	1.4	1.2	1.5	2.3	2.2	2.6
Czech Republic	250	± 13	5.1	5.0	5.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	8.7	8.6	8.7
Denmark	684	± 29	24.3	24.3	23.5	13.6	13.6	12.8	36.5	36.8	35.8
Germany <sup>2</sup>	10,002	± 122	26.3	26.5	26.0	9.5	9.8	9.4	46.2	46.4	45.7
Estonia	52	± 8	7.9	7.8	8.1	4.3u	4.0u	4.6u	11.6	11.6	11.6
Ireland	379	± 11	18.1	:	:	7.1	:	:	32.7	:	:
Greece	262	± 16	5.8	5.8	5.9	2.8	2.8	3.0	10.5	10.6	10.4
Spain	2,440	± 68	12.0	12.4	12.2	4.3	4.5	4.5	23.0	23.9	23.5
France <sup>2</sup>	4,399	± 112	17.4	17.6	17.3	5.6	5.7	5.8	31.0	31.2	30.7
Italy	3,136	± 82	13.5	13.2	13.4	4.9	4.7	4.7	26.6	26.3	26.7
Cyprus	26	± 3	7.0	7.5	7.8	4.2	4.3	4.6	10.4	11.4	12.0
Latvia	80	± 12	7.3	6.4	6.6	5.4	5.0	4.6	9.2	7.9	8.7
Lithuania	129	± 12	8.3	9.6	9.1	6.5	8.3	6.5	10.3	10.9	11.8
Luxembourg	34	± 1	17.8	18.4	17.1	2.2u	2.6u	2.6	39.7	39.7	36.2
Hungary	161	± 12	4.1	4.0	4.1	2.7	2.6	2.8	5.7	5.7	5.7
Malta	17	± 2	11.0	10.4	10.1	4.1	4.6	4.5	25.3	22.8	22.1
Netherlands	3,974	± 39	46.9	46.6	46.3	23.7	23.3	23.2	74.9	75.0	74.7
Austria	916	± 25	22.7	22.3	21.9	7.4	6.6	6.5	41.5	41.2	40.7
Poland	1,407	± 83	9.3	9.4	9.9	6.8	6.7	7.1	12.4	12.7	13.5
Portugal	630	± 36	12.2	12.0	11.4	8.2	8.0	7.5	16.9	16.7	15.9
Romania	908	± 112	9.6	9.1	9.7	9.0	9.1	9.3	10.3	9.2	10.2
Slovenia	99	± 8	9.9	9.3	9.7	8.2	8.0	7.8	12.1	10.9	11.8
Slovakia	63	± 7	2.7	2.8	2.8	1.1	1.1	1.2	4.7	4.8	4.8
Finland	344	± 13	13.6	14.7	13.6	8.9	9.8	9.2	18.7	19.8	18.2
Sweden	1,107	± 22	24.4	24.6	24.4	11.4	11.9	11.4	38.7	38.9	38.9
United Kingdom	7,211	± 107	25.5	25.6	25.5	10.8	10.9	10.6	42.5	42.6	42.6
Croatia	:	:	:	:	9.1	:	:	7.4	:	:	11.3
Turkey	2,026	± 48	8.7	10.3	7.7	4.8	6.2	4.0	19.2	22.2	17.6
Iceland	36	± 2	20.5	25.6	20.5	7.9	11.5	8.4	35.5	42.2	34.8
Norway	688	± 18	28.4	29.1	28.9	13.9	14.1	14.0	44.5	45.8	45.5
<b>EEA-30</b>	<b>40,480</b>	<b>± 279</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>18.4</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>31.5</b>	<b>31.8</b>	<b>31.6</b>
Switzerland	:	:	:	:	33.2	:	:	12.6	:	:	58.0

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup>Number of persons aged 15 years and more in part-time employment

<sup>2</sup>French and German data for 2006 and 2007 are provisional (see methodological notes)

**Table 7. Average actual hours worked per week in all jobs by economic activity, full-time/part-time distinction and sex, 2nd quarter 2007, %**

	EA-13			EU-27		
	Total	Full-time	Part-time	Total	Full-time	Part-time
<b>Men and women</b>	<b>36.8</b>	<b>40.8</b>	<b>20.3</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>20.5</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	43.3	49.0	20.5	41.3	46.3	23.3
Industry, incl. Energy	38.0	39.8	19.9	38.9	40.3	20.3
Construction	39.9	41.1	19.9	40.7	41.9	20.5
Trade, transport and communication services	38.1	43.0	19.8	38.3	42.9	19.6
Business activities and financial services	36.6	41.0	20.1	37.1	41.0	20.2
Other services	33.2	38.1	20.8	34.0	38.6	20.9
<b>Men</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>42.0</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>21.1</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	46.8	50.5	21.2	44.5	48.3	24.7
Industry, incl. Energy	39.6	40.3	20.0	40.1	40.8	20.5
Construction	40.6	41.2	21.0	41.4	42.0	22.3
Trade, transport and communication services	41.8	44.0	19.5	41.7	43.9	19.5
Business activities and financial services	40.6	42.4	20.2	40.6	42.4	20.4
Other services	37.5	39.7	21.7	38.0	40.2	21.4
<b>Women</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>20.4</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	36.2	45.0	20.0	36.1	42.3	22.1
Industry, incl. Energy	33.9	38.4	19.9	35.8	39.1	20.2
Construction	30.9	38.9	18.9	32.5	39.3	18.6
Trade, transport and communication services	33.2	41.1	19.9	33.9	41.1	19.7
Business activities and financial services	32.0	38.6	20.1	32.9	38.7	20.1
Other services	30.7	36.8	20.6	31.8	37.4	20.8

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 8. Average actual hours worked per week in all jobs by country and sex, %**

15+ years	2007Q2 (1000) <sup>1</sup>	Men and women			Men			Women			
		2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>200,887</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>± 0.1</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>33.5</b>	<b>33.2</b>
<b>EA-13</b>	<b>127,983</b>	<b>36.8</b>	<b>± 0.1</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>32.6</b>	<b>32.1</b>
<b>EU-25</b>	<b>188,644</b>	<b>37.2</b>	<b>± 0.1</b>	<b>37.5</b>	<b>37.2</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>41.0</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>32.8</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>32.8</b>
<b>EA-12</b>	<b>127,070</b>	<b>36.8</b>	<b>± 0.1</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>36.9</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>40.5</b>	<b>32.0</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>32.1</b>
Belgium	3,912	36.9	± 0.5	37.4	36.6	40.5	40.9	40.4	32.4	32.8	31.7
Bulgaria	2,923	40.6	± 0.2	40.8	40.7	41.2	41.3	41.4	40.0	40.2	39.9
Czech Republic	4,704	41.1	± 0.1	41.7	41.4	43.1	43.5	43.2	38.5	39.3	38.8
Denmark	2,496	34.5	± 0.3	35.5	34.6	37.3	38.4	37.5	31.0	32.0	31.1
Germany <sup>2</sup>	35,141	35.8	± 0.2	36.2	35.8	40.6	40.9	40.6	30.0	30.4	30.0
Estonia	637	40.2	± 0.4	40.2	40.2	41.6	41.4	41.5	38.7	39.1	38.9
Ireland	1,972	36.8	± 0.0	36.8	37.0	41.2	41.1	41.2	30.6	30.9	30.9
Greece	4,413	41.3	± 0.3	41.2	41.6	43.5	43.3	43.7	37.8	37.7	38.1
Spain	18,102	38.6	± 0.2	39.1	38.7	41.1	41.7	41.4	34.9	35.2	34.7
France <sup>2</sup>	22,704	35.9	± 0.1	37.3	36.2	38.9	40.4	39.1	32.4	33.7	32.7
Italy	22,269	38.0	± 0.1	38.1	38.0	41.1	41.1	41.1	33.2	33.4	33.1
Cyprus	362	38.8	± 0.3	39.3	38.8	40.7	41.4	40.9	36.3	36.5	36.1
Latvia	1,068	41.5	± 0.4	41.9	41.2	42.7	43.0	43.1	40.3	40.7	39.3
Lithuania	1,478	39.3	± 0.2	38.7	39.2	40.4	39.6	40.5	38.0	37.8	37.7
Luxembourg	172	36.7	± 0.4	37.9	37.8	39.8	41.3	41.0	32.1	33.2	33.4
Hungary	3,854	39.8	± 0.1	40.0	40.0	41.0	41.0	41.3	38.3	38.8	38.5
Malta	150	38.6	± 0.5	39.2	39.6	40.9	41.5	41.5	33.7	34.1	35.3
Netherlands	7,588	31.6	± 0.2	31.9	31.7	36.9	37.4	36.9	25.0	25.2	25.0
Austria	3,712	37.9	± 0.3	38.8	38.4	42.2	43.2	42.8	32.4	33.3	32.8
Poland	14,554	41.2	± 0.2	40.8	40.8	43.5	43.2	43.3	38.1	37.8	37.7
Portugal	4,878	38.1	± 0.3	38.6	38.8	39.8	40.2	40.6	36.0	36.6	36.6
Romania	9,320	40.8	± 0.3	39.5	40.8	41.9	40.3	41.8	39.6	38.6	39.6
Slovenia	913	39.8	± 0.3	39.8	39.1	41.2	40.9	40.4	38.0	38.3	37.7
Slovakia	2,289	39.7	± 0.2	40.7	39.9	41.0	41.9	41.1	38.1	39.2	38.2
Finland	2,205	36.1	± 0.2	37.2	36.4	38.5	39.3	38.8	33.4	34.9	33.8
Sweden	4,050	34.5	± 0.1	36.3	34.5	37.0	39.0	37.0	31.5	33.2	31.5
United Kingdom	25,021	35.7	± 0.2	35.4	35.6	40.2	39.9	40.1	30.4	30.1	30.3
Croatia	:	:	:	:	40.1	:	:	41.2	:	:	38.8
Turkey	22,907	50.8	± 0.3	44.9	52.3	53.9	47.9	55.4	42.4	36.4	44.0
Iceland	157	42.2	± 0.6	41.6	42.1	47.4	47.1	47.2	35.7	34.9	35.8
Norway	2,065	33.6	± 0.3	34.9	33.4	37.0	38.4	36.7	29.7	30.8	29.5
<b>EEA-30</b>	<b>203,109</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>± 0.1</b>	<b>37.6</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>40.6</b>	<b>40.9</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>33.2</b>	<b>33.5</b>	<b>33.2</b>
Switzerland	:	:	:	37.8	:	:	:	43.6	:	:	30.5

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup>Number of employed persons aged 15 years and more who have worked at least one hour during the reference week

<sup>2</sup>French and German data for 2006 and 2007 are provisional (see methodological notes)

**Table 9. Share of employees with temporary contracts by economic activity, age group and sex, 2nd quarter 2007, %**

	EA-13				EU-27			
	15+	15-24	25-54	55+	15+	15-24	25-54	55+
<b>Men and women</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>50.4</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>7.5</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	38.7	61.8	35.3	32.1	30.6	54.3	27.8	23.2
Industry, incl. Energy	12.4	50.6	8.5	3.8	11.5	41.9	8.6	4.7
Construction	24.6	48.6	21.1	14.2	20.7	38.9	18.2	12.2
Trade, transport and communication services	16.4	46.3	11.4	5.7	14.2	36.1	10.1	5.8
Business activities and financial services	13.7	47.3	10.8	5.2	12.2	38.0	9.7	6.6
Other services	17.5	57.6	15.5	6.9	15.0	48.0	13.0	8.3
<b>Men</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>40.4</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>7.5</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	35.6	61.0	31.6	28.5	28.1	53.2	24.8	20.6
Industry, incl. Energy	11.5	50.5	7.4	3.6	10.9	42.5	7.7	4.3
Construction	25.5	48.5	22.1	15.2	21.6	39.1	19.1	13.0
Trade, transport and communication services	14.5	46.2	9.7	5.5	12.4	35.6	8.6	5.5
Business activities and financial services	12.7	46.5	9.9	5.6	11.4	37.4	8.9	7.1
Other services	16.0	59.5	14.2	6.0	14.1	48.9	12.1	8.5
<b>Women</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>50.9</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>41.0</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>7.6</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	46.2	63.9	43.7	41.7	36.8	57.4	34.6	30.7
Industry, incl. Energy	14.6	50.7	11.2	4.4	13.0	40.2	10.6	5.7
Construction	13.8	49.8	11.0	:	11.4	34.1	9.6	:
Trade, transport and communication services	18.5	46.4	13.4	6.0	16.1	36.6	12.0	6.3
Business activities and financial services	14.7	47.9	11.7	4.8	12.9	38.4	10.3	6.0
Other services	18.3	56.8	16.2	7.5	15.4	47.5	13.5	8.2

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 10. Share of employees with temporary contracts by country and sex, %**

15+ years	2007Q2 (1000) <sup>1</sup>	Men and women			Men			Women		
		2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>26,101</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>14.8</b>
<b>EA-13</b>	<b>19,346</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>17.5</b>
<b>EU-25</b>	<b>25,844</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>14.9</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>14.3</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>15.4</b>
<b>EA-12</b>	<b>19,191</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>16.2</b>	<b>16.6</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>15.4</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>17.6</b>	<b>17.0</b>	<b>17.5</b>
Belgium	327	8.8	8.5	8.9	6.7	6.6	7.3	11.3	10.8	10.8
Bulgaria	157	5.5	4.8	6.0	5.2	4.7	6.2	5.8	4.9	5.8
Czech Republic	357	8.7	8.4	8.9	7.2	7.1	7.6	10.4	9.9	10.4
Denmark	232	9.1	9.1	9.6	7.8	8.0	8.1	10.3	10.3	11.2
Germany <sup>2</sup>	4,762	14.2	14.4	14.1	14.2	14.6	14.3	14.2	14.2	13.8
Estonia	14 <sup>u</sup>	2.3 <sup>u</sup>	1.4 <sup>u</sup>	3.2	3.2 <sup>u</sup>	:	4.2 <sup>u</sup>	:	:	2.2 <sup>u</sup>
Ireland	155	8.9	:	:	7.2	:	:	10.8	:	:
Greece	322	11.1	10.3	10.9	9.5	8.8	9.1	13.4	12.3	13.3
Spain	5,344	31.8	32.0	34.4	30.8	31.0	32.2	33.3	33.2	37.3
France <sup>2</sup>	3,099	13.8	12.9	13.5	13.0	12.1	12.8	14.6	13.9	14.3
Italy	2,305	13.4	12.6	13.0	11.1	10.6	11.3	16.6	15.4	15.3
Cyprus	39	12.9	11.6	13.9	7.0	5.9	8.5	19.1	17.6	19.9
Latvia	51	5.2	4.4	7.2	6.4	6.1	9.6	4.1	2.7	4.9
Lithuania	49	3.7	3.7	4.7	5.4	5.2	6.7	2.1 <sup>u</sup>	2.2 <sup>u</sup>	2.8 <sup>u</sup>
Luxembourg	13	7.0	6.7	6.1	6.7	4.7	5.7	7.4	9.3	6.6
Hungary	259	7.5	6.7	6.8	8.0	7.1	7.5	6.9	6.2	6.0
Malta	8	5.8	4.3	4.0	3.9	2.8 <sup>u</sup>	2.5 <sup>u</sup>	9.3	7.3	6.9
Netherlands	1,317	17.9	17.1	16.1	16.5	15.7	14.9	19.4	18.8	17.5
Austria	302	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.7	9.1	8.7
Poland	3,249	28.1	27.5	27.2	28.6	27.6	28.6	27.7	27.5	25.6
Portugal	864	22.2	21.5	20.2	21.7	21.0	19.0	22.6	22.1	21.5
Romania	100	1.6	1.8	1.9	1.6	1.8	2.1	1.6	1.7	1.8
Slovenia	155	18.6	17.8	18.1	16.8	15.9	16.4	20.7	19.9	19.9
Slovakia	109	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.1	4.9	5.2	5.7	5.7	5.2
Finland	382	17.3	14.1	18.0	13.5	10.4	14.1	21.1	17.7	21.8
Sweden	729	18.0	16.4	17.5	15.6	14.0	15.7	20.4	18.7	19.4
United Kingdom	1,404	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.1	5.2	4.8	6.4	6.4	6.3
Croatia	:	:	:	11.6	:	:	11.9	:	:	11.2
Turkey	1,852	13.8	9.7	14.3	13.9	9.7	14.5	13.5	9.5	13.5
Iceland	22	14.3	9.9	13.5	13.2	9.6	11.6	15.4	10.2	15.4
Norway	216	9.7	8.8	10.2	7.8	6.6	8.2	11.7	11.1	12.3
<b>EEA-30</b>	<b>26,339</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>14.6</b>	<b>14.8</b>
Switzerland	:	:	:	13.4	:	:	13.0	:	:	13.8

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup>Number of employees with temporary contracts

<sup>2</sup>French and German data for 2006 and 2007 are provisional (see methodological notes)

**Table 11. Share of persons whose job started within the past 3 months by economic activity, age group and sex, 2nd quarter 2007, %**

	EA-13				EU-27			
	15+	15-24	25-54	55+	15+	15-24	25-54	55+
<b>Men and women</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	5.7	16.1	5.9	2.5	4.6	13.0	4.5	2.2
Industry, incl. Energy	4.2	12.9	3.5	1.0	3.9	12.2	3.3	1.3
Construction	7.4	15.3	6.7	3.3	7.3	15.1	6.6	3.2
Trade, transport and communication services	5.9	15.1	4.9	1.8	5.7	14.6	4.6	2.0
Business activities and financial services	4.9	16.9	4.2	1.3	4.9	15.9	4.2	1.9
Other services	3.5	13.1	3.0	1.3	3.6	13.2	3.1	1.5
<b>Men</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	5.4	14.6	5.4	2.5	4.7	12.9	4.5	2.1
Industry, incl. Energy	3.9	12.5	3.2	1.0	3.7	11.7	3.1	1.3
Construction	7.6	15.4	6.9	3.3	7.4	15.2	6.8	3.2
Trade, transport and communication services	5.2	14.4	4.3	1.6	5.1	14.3	4.1	1.8
Business activities and financial services	4.5	17.6	3.9	:	4.6	16.5	4.0	1.7
Other services	3.3	14.3	2.9	1.1	3.4	13.7	2.9	1.6
<b>Women</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Agriculture, hunting and fishing	6.4	20.3	7.0	:	4.5	13.3	4.6	2.2
Industry, incl. Energy	4.9	13.8	4.3	:	4.6	13.6	3.9	:
Construction	5.4	:	4.8	:	5.7	:	5.1	:
Trade, transport and communication services	6.8	15.7	5.7	2.2	6.5	14.9	5.2	2.3
Business activities and financial services	5.3	16.2	4.5	:	5.2	15.3	4.4	2.2
Other services	3.6	12.5	3.1	1.3	3.6	12.9	3.1	1.5

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

**Table 12. Share of persons whose job started within the past 3 months by country and sex, %**

15+ years	2007Q2 (1000) <sup>1</sup>	Men and women			Men			Women		
		2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2	2007Q2	2007Q1	2006Q2
<b>EU-27</b>	<b>10,250</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>
<b>EA-13</b>	<b>6,725</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>
<b>EU-25</b>	<b>9,786</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.7</b>
<b>EA-12</b>	<b>6,681</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Belgium	162	3.7	4.1	3.2	3.7	3.8	3.3	3.8	4.5	3.1
Bulgaria	169	5.2	3.9	6.2	5.1	3.7	6.6	5.3	4.1	5.6
Czech Republic	123	2.5	2.9	2.8	2.1	2.5	2.6	3.0	3.4	3.0
Denmark	226	8.0	8.4	7.6	7.3	7.6	7.3	8.9	9.3	7.9
Germany <sup>2</sup>	1,611	4.2	3.9	4.2	4.3	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.0	4.1
Estonia	30	4.6	4.4	4.3	4.6u	4.6u	4.6u	4.6u	4.3u	4.0u
Ireland	107	5.1	:	4.1	4.6	:	3.9	5.8	:	4.4
Greece	117	2.6	1.4	2.3	2.4	1.4	2.2	2.9	1.4	2.5
Spain	1,479	7.3	7.4	7.7	6.8	7.0	7.0	7.9	8.1	8.8
France <sup>2</sup>	1,596	6.3	5.8	6.3	6.7	5.8	6.6	5.9	5.7	6.0
Italy	862	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.4	4.3	4.1	3.9
Cyprus	20	5.4	3.7	4.9	5.2	3.2	4.7	5.6	4.5	5.0
Latvia	72	6.5	6.1	6.0	6.8	7.6	6.4	6.3	4.6	5.6
Lithuania	73	4.7	3.6	3.7	5.5	4.3	3.9	3.8	2.8u	3.6u
Luxembourg	4	2.3	2.5	2.4	1.9u	2.0u	2.1	2.8u	3.2u	2.8
Hungary	123	3.1	2.3	3.4	3.4	2.3	3.9	2.8	2.2	2.7
Malta	5	3.3	2.7	3.0	2.7u	2.5u	2.3u	4.8u	3.2u	4.5u
Netherlands	146u	1.7u	1.5u	1.3u	1.6u	1.5u	1.4u	1.8u	1.5u	1.2u
Austria	186	4.6	4.1	4.9	4.7	4.1	5.0	4.6	4.1	4.7
Poland	727	4.8	4.0	4.9	4.9	4.1	5.7	4.6	4.0	3.9
Portugal	180	3.5	3.3	2.8	3.7	3.5	2.8	3.3	3.1	2.8
Romania	296	3.1	5.6	2.7	3.7	5.6	3.4	2.4	5.7	1.9
Slovenia	44	4.4	4.3	4.0	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.4	3.8
Slovakia	61	2.6	3.0	2.7	2.5	2.9	2.9	2.7	3.1	2.4
Finland	229	9.1	5.7	8.5	9.0	5.2	8.3	9.2	6.2	8.6
Sweden	406	8.9	7.3	9.0	8.6	6.8	8.6	9.3	7.9	9.3
United Kingdom	1,195	4.2	3.6	4.1	4.2	3.4	4.1	4.2	3.9	4.2
Croatia	:	:	:	4.5	:	:	4.8	:	:	4.2
Turkey	1,979	8.5	7.4	7.7	9.2	7.7	8.1	6.7	6.7	6.8
Iceland	13	7.4	5.4	7.2	7.4	5.5	6.5	7.3	5.1	8.1
Norway	121u	5.0u	4.5u	4.6u	5.3u	4.6u	5.0u	4.7u	4.4u	4.2u
<b>EEA-30</b>	<b>10,385</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>
Switzerland	:	:	:	4.0	:	:	3.7	:	:	4.4

Source: Eurostat, EU-LFS

<sup>1</sup>Number of persons aged 15 years or more whose job started within the past three months

<sup>2</sup>French and German for 2006 and 2007 data are provisional (see methodological notes)

## METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

**Source:** the European Union Labour Force Survey (EU-LFS) is a quarterly, large sample survey providing results for the population in private households in the EU, EFTA, Acceding Countries and the Candidate Countries. Conscripts in military or community service are not included in the results. The sampling rates vary between 0.2% and 3.3%. The figures in this publication are not seasonally adjusted, due to the short times series available. The concepts and definitions used in the survey follow the guidelines of International Labour Organisation.

Definitions of indicators presented in this publication are in the Eurostat website:

[http://europa.eu.int/estatref/info/sdds/en/lfsi/lfs\\_series\\_sm.htm](http://europa.eu.int/estatref/info/sdds/en/lfsi/lfs_series_sm.htm)

**Provisional data:** French and German data for 2006 and 2007 are provisional. National statistics institutes are currently analysing several methodological issues. This may lead to revisions of the data later this year.

**Reference periods:** The data of Luxembourg for 2006Q2 cover the whole year 2006. The data for Croatia refer to the 1st half-year 2006. In Ireland, the data refer to seasonal quarter (December to February for Q1, March to May for Q2).

**Coverage:** The data for France cover the metropolitan territory (excluding overseas regions).

**Aggregates:** When data are unavailable for a country, the calculation of the corresponding aggregates takes into account the data for the same country one year before.

**Confidence limits:** All confidence limits are calculated at a level of confidence of 95%. The country limits are derived from coefficients of variation calculated by the National Statistic Institutes. When a coefficient is not available, the coefficient for the last quarter available is taken. For the calculation of limits of aggregates, we assume that the EU-LFS is a stratified sample with the country as the first stratum.

**Symbols:** Figures flagged with "u" lack reliability due to small sample size or the non-response for the underlying variable is more than 10%; ":" colons are used for unavailable or extremely unreliable data. Quarter 2 of the year 2007 is written as 2007Q2.

**Economic activity:** In tables 5, 7, 9, 11 breakdowns are based on the industry of the main job. The classification used is the NACE, revision 1.1.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

### European Statistical Data Support

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