

## Young Population and Social Exclusion in BELGIUM

In order to provide a comprehensive and detailed overview of youth social inclusion degree in each EU country, the InterArts' partnership has decided to focus on 7 main areas:

1. Youth Population and Trends
2. Education level of young population
3. Youth Employment and Unemployment
4. Youth Social Inclusion
5. Differences between EU and foreign-born young people
6. Differences between young people living in cities, towns\suburbs, rural areas
7. Statistics concerning young population with disability

Each area is made up of several indicators, highlighting **trends and differences with the EU average from 2013 to 2018.**

In addition, each indicator is provided with one **graphic showing differences among all the EU countries in 2017 and 2018.**

The whole set of statistics has been extracted from the **Eurostat online database** in May 2019.

For further information, please refer to the official webpage:

<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database>

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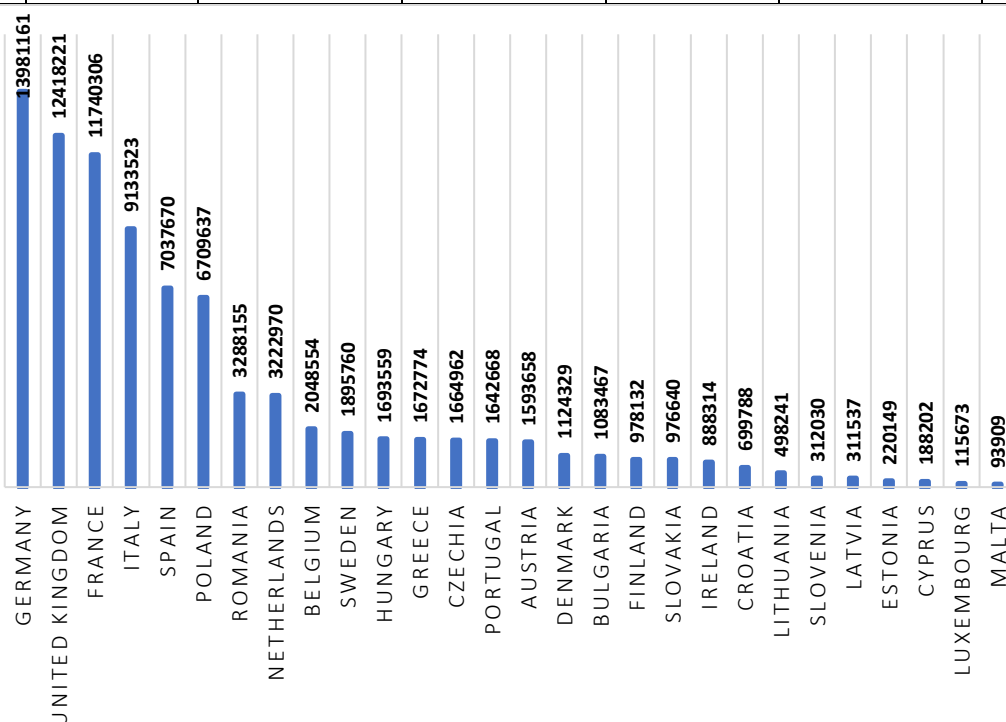
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## 1. POPULATION AND TRENDS

### 1.1. Youth population on 1 January 2018

Age: 15 - 29

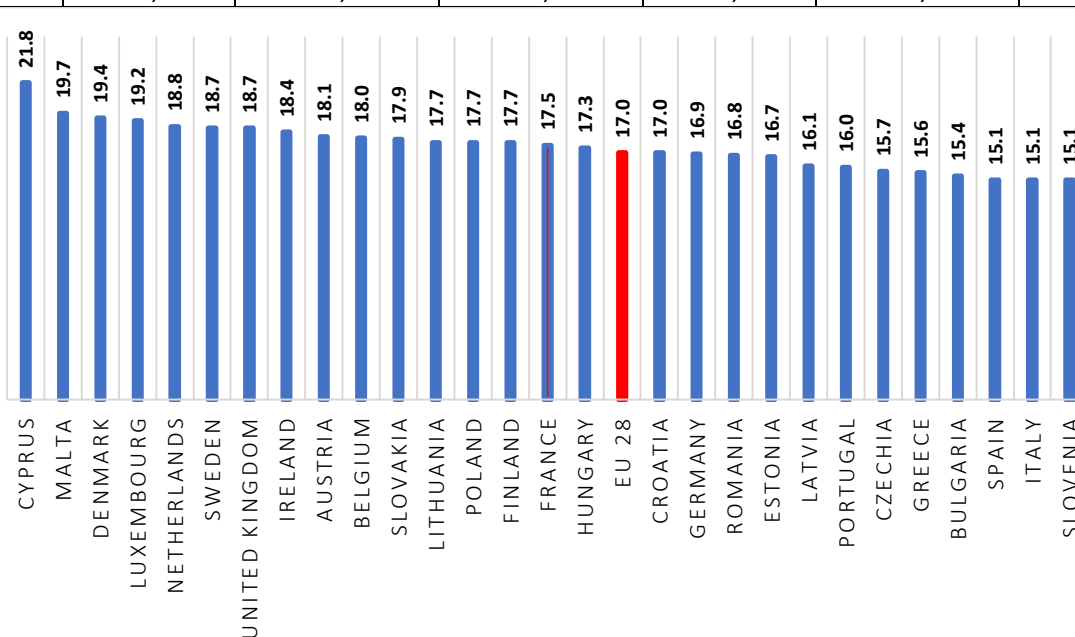
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	90.317.159	89.658,602	88.965.765	88.669.272	87.969.026	87.233.989
<b>Belgium</b>	2.042.691	2.040.154	2.040.038	2.057.718	2.052.618	2.048.554



### 1.2. Ratio of young people in the total population on 1 January 2018

Age: 15 - 29

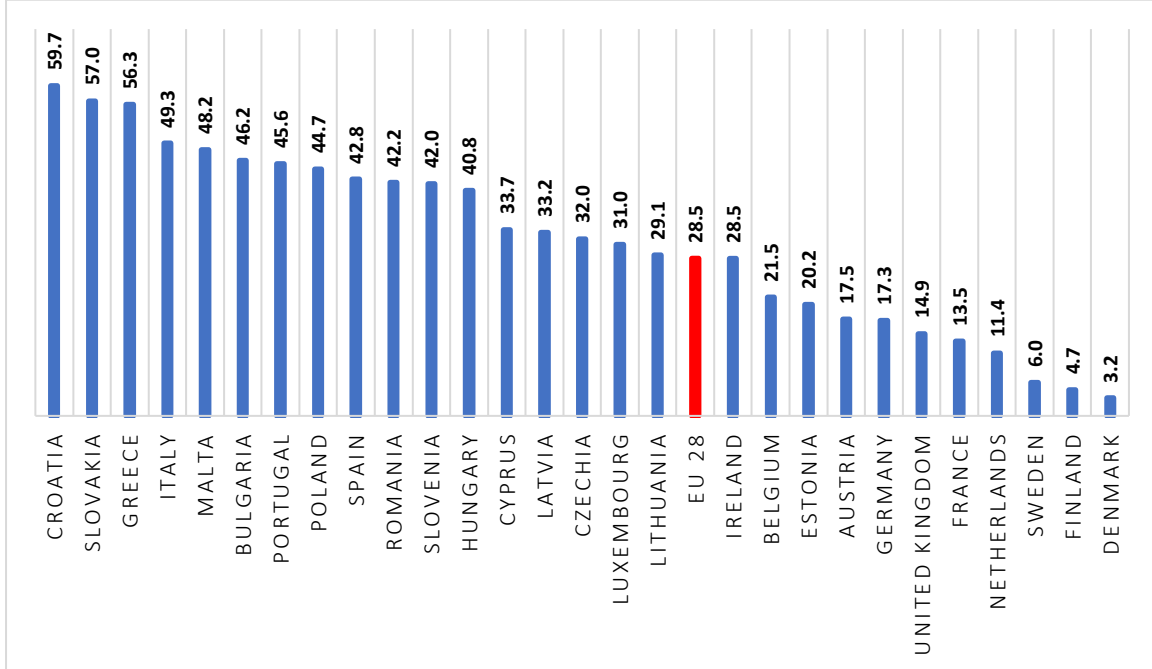
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	17,9	17,7(b)	17,5(b)	17,4	17,2(b)	17,0
<b>Belgium</b>	18,3	18,2	18,2	18,2	18,1	18,0



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**1.3. Share of young adults aged 18-34 living with their parents**  
**Age: 25 - 34**

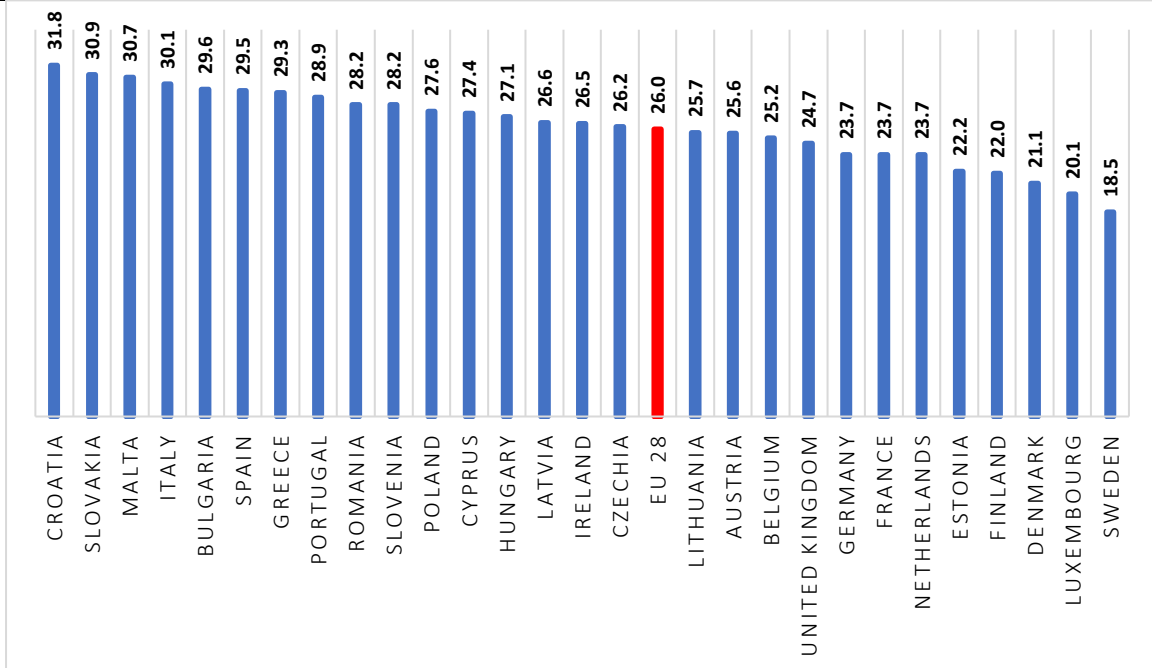
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	28,2	28,6	28,6	28,6	28,5	:
<b>Belgium</b>	17,9	17,2	19,0	22,0	21,5	:



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**1.4. Estimated average age of young people leaving the parental household**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	26,1	26,2	26,1	26,1	26	26
<b>Belgium</b>	24,9	25,1	25,0	25,2	23,4	25,2



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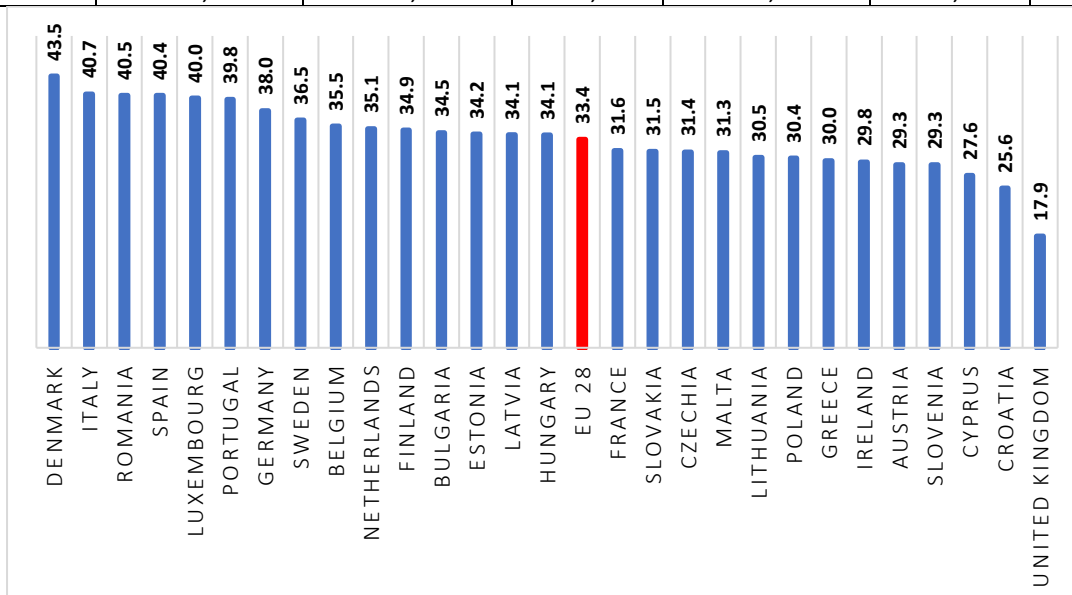
## 2. EDUCATION

### 2.1. Young people by educational attainment level

ISCED 11: Less than primary, primary and lower secondary education (levels 0-2)

Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
EU 28	34,0	34,3(b)	34,1	33,7	33,6	33,4
Belgium	35,2	34,2	34,3	33,9	35,0	35,5



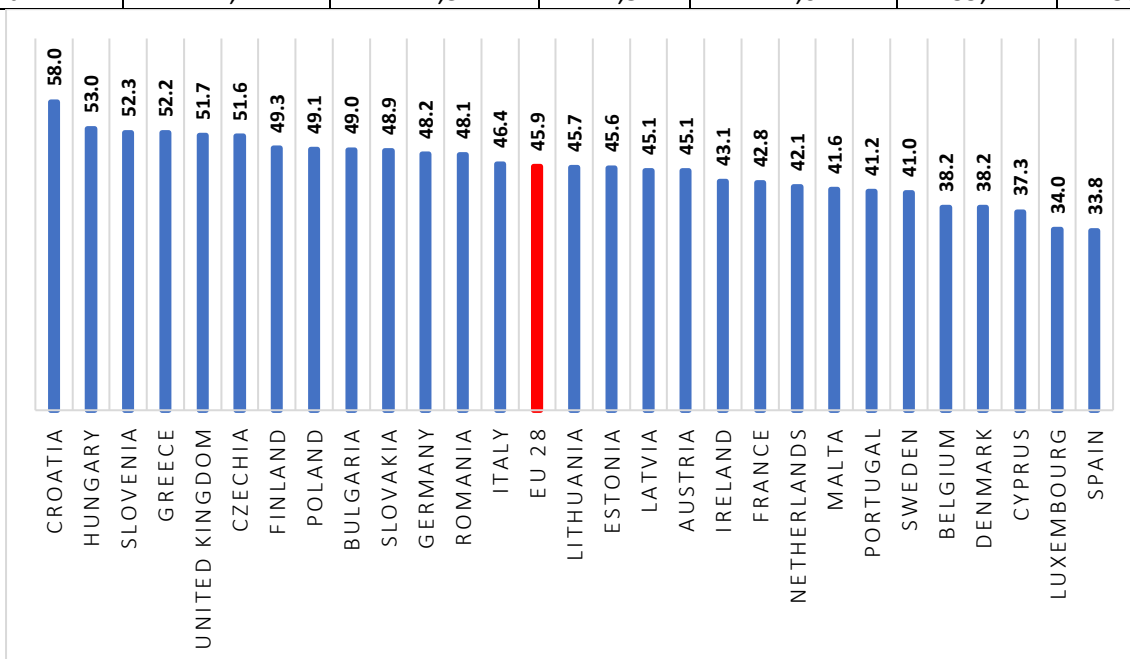
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### 2.2. Young people by educational attainment level

ISCED 11: Upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education (levels 3 and 4)

Age: 15 -29

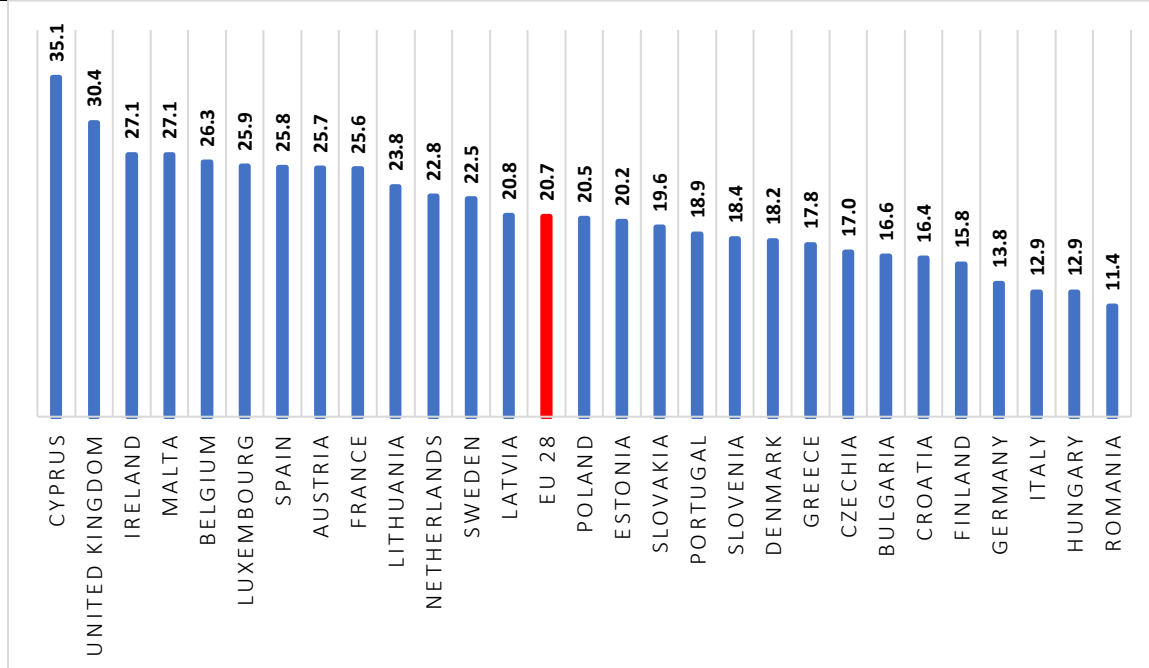
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
EU 28	47,0	46,5(b)	46,4	46,4	46,1	45,9
Belgium	41,2	41,3	41,5	42,0	39,4	38,2



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**2.3. Young people by educational attainment level**  
**ISCED 11: Tertiary education (levels 5-8)**  
**Age: 15 -29**

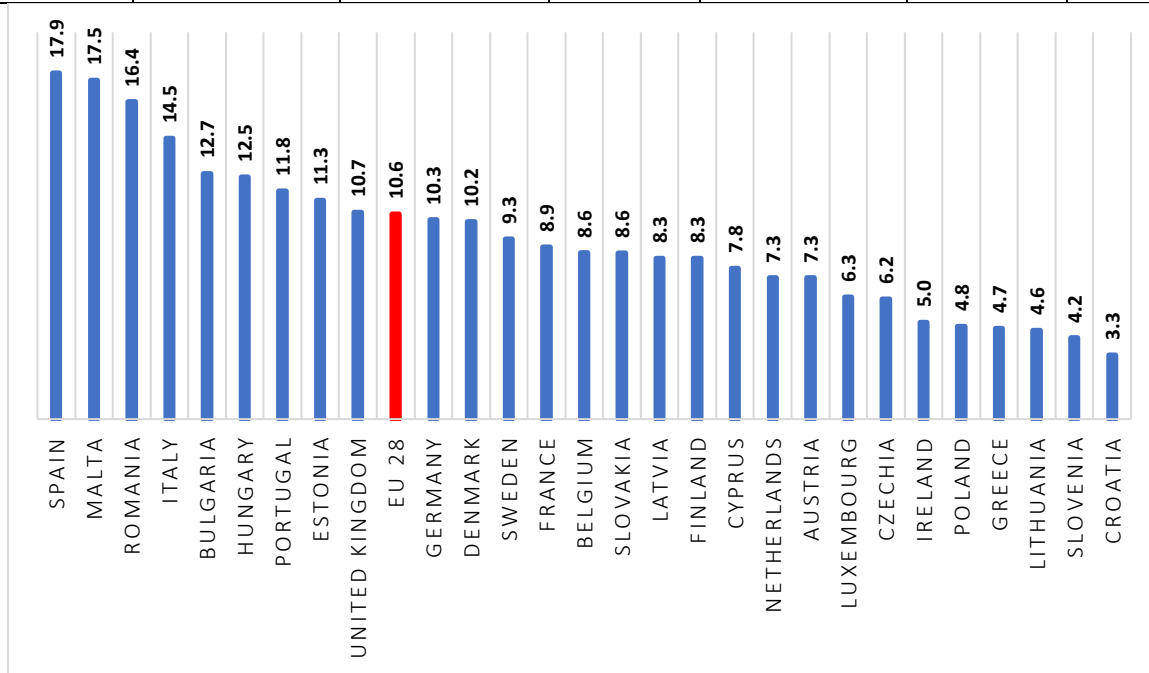
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	19,0	19,2(b)	19,5	19,9	20,2	20,7
<b>Belgium</b>	23,6	24,5	24,2	24,1	25,6	26,3



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**2.4. Early leavers from education and training**  
**Age: 18 - 24**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	11,9	11,2(b)	11,0	10,7	10,6	10,6
<b>Belgium</b>	11,0	9,8	10,1	8,8	8,9	8,6

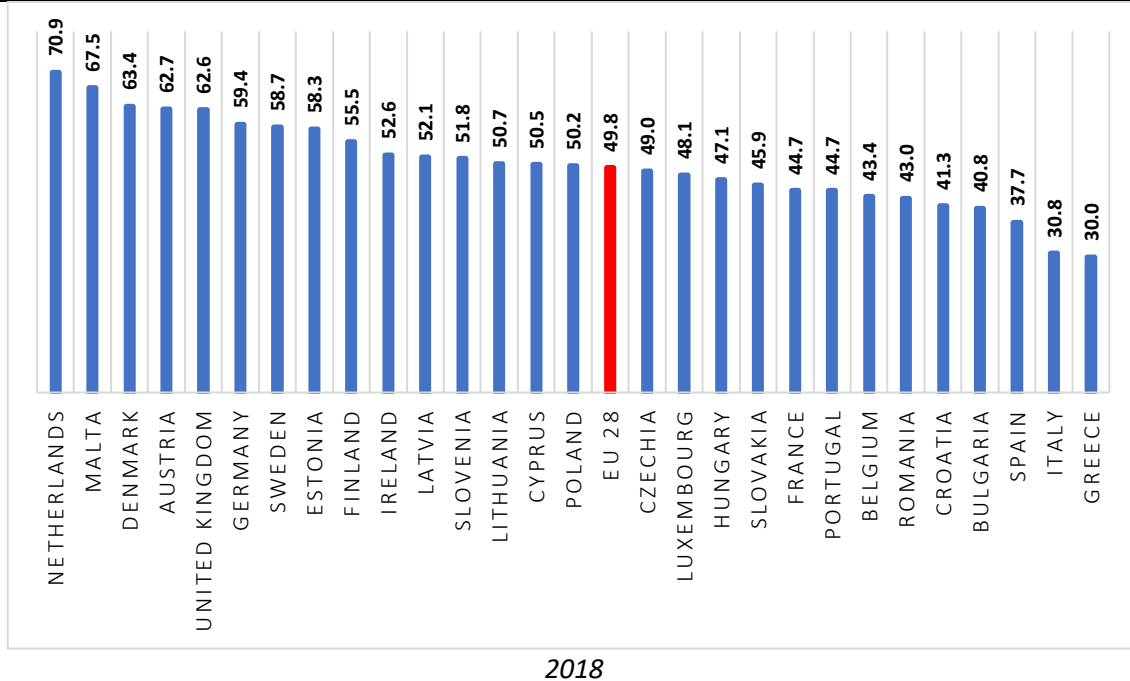


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### 3. EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

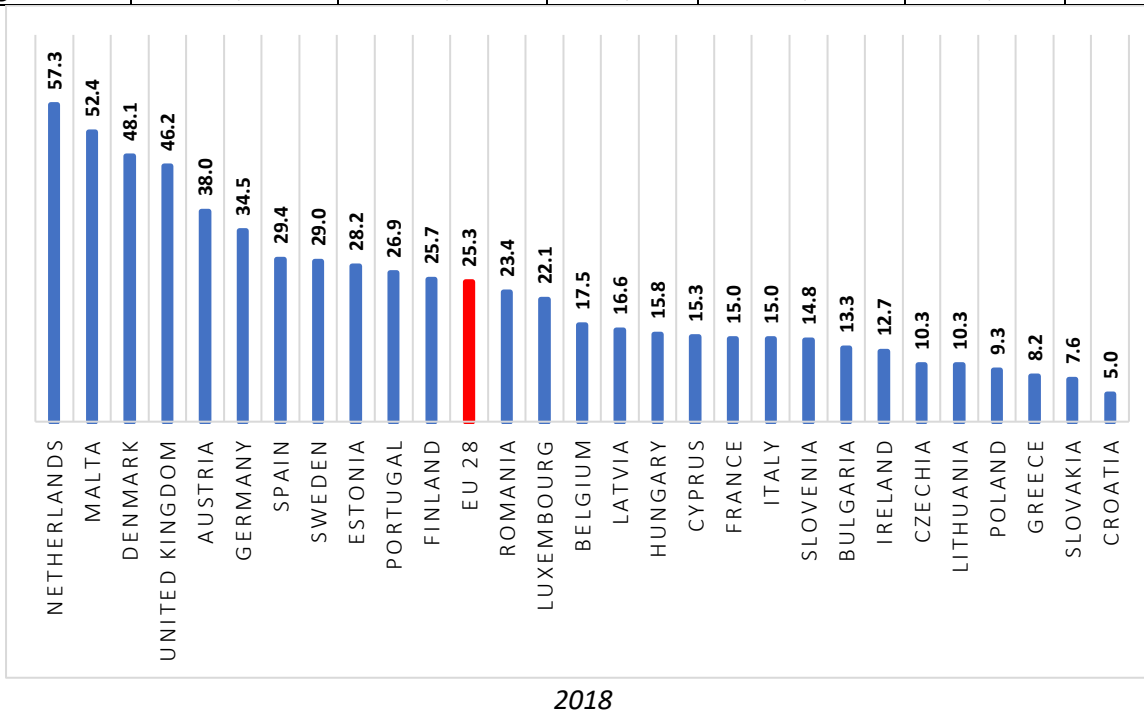
#### 3.1. Youth Employment rate ALL ISCED 11 levels Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	45,9	46,4	47,3	48,3	49,2	49,8
<b>Belgium</b>	41,4	41,5	41,3	41,4	41,6	43,4



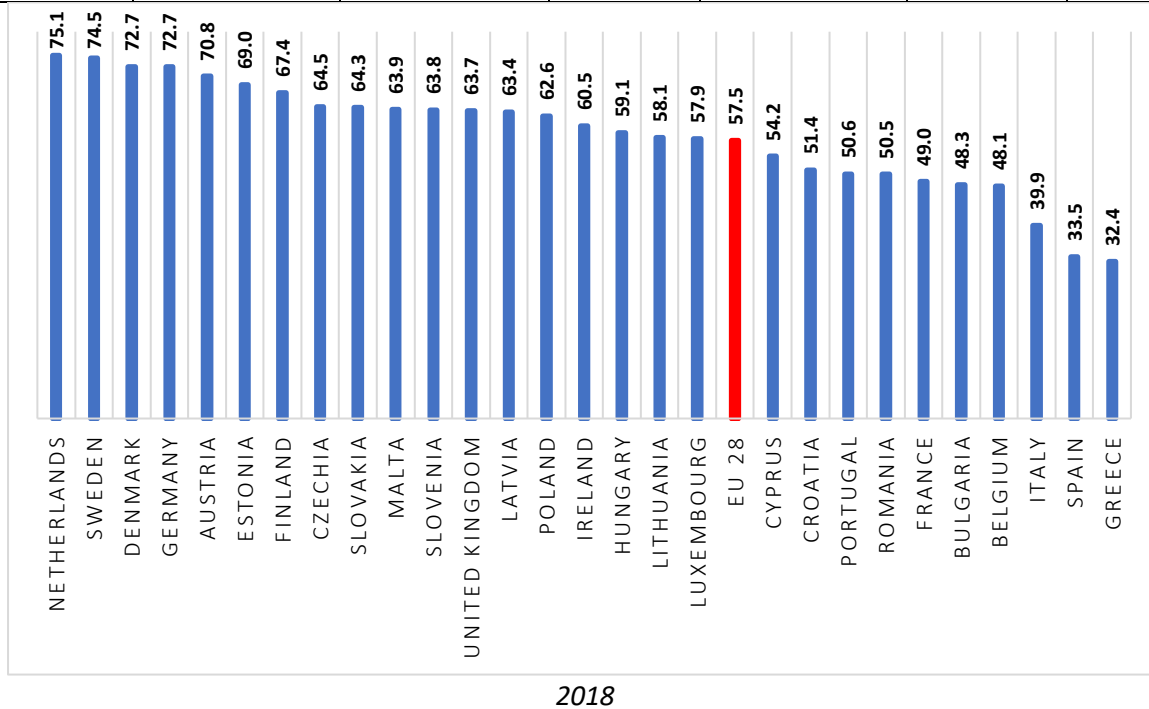
#### 3.2. Youth Employment rate ISCED 11 level: Less than primary, primary and lower secondary education (levels 0-2) Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	25,5	24,1(b)	24,1	24,6	25,0	25,3
<b>Belgium</b>	16,8	16,7	15,2	16,3	15,8	17,5



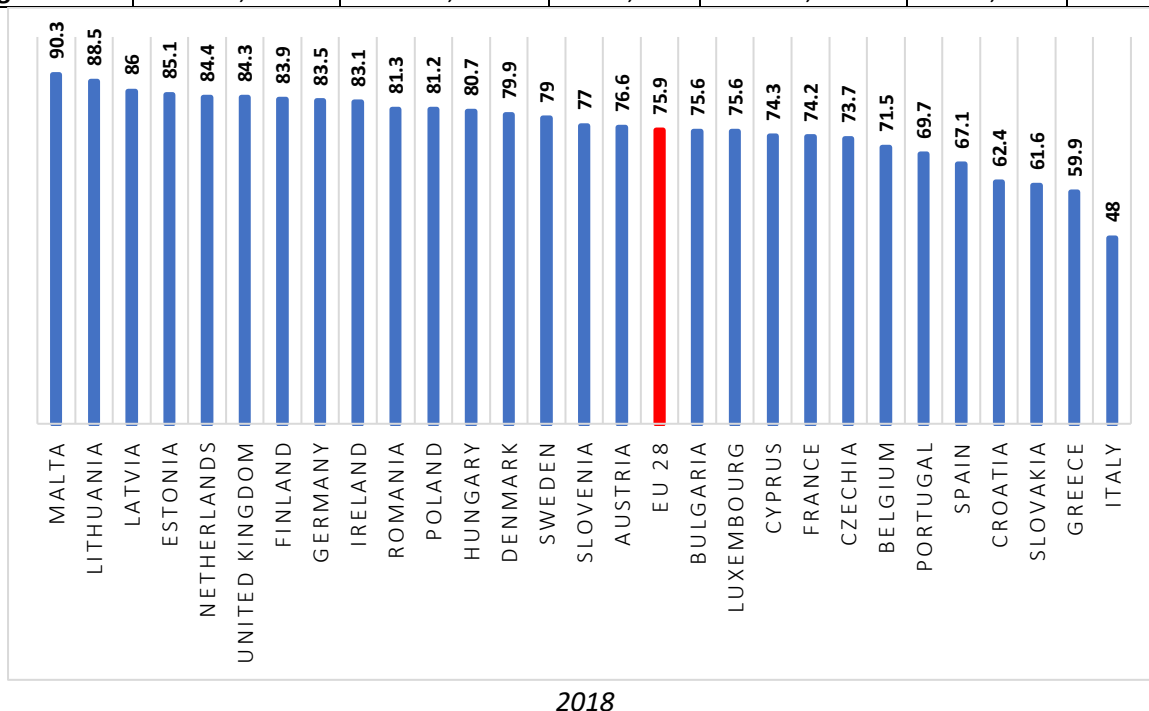
**3.3. Youth Employment rate**  
ISCED 11 level: Upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education (levels 3 and 4)  
Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	53,3	53,8(b)	54,8	55,9	56,9	57,5
<b>Belgium</b>	46,8	44,3	45,5	45,9	46,5	48,1



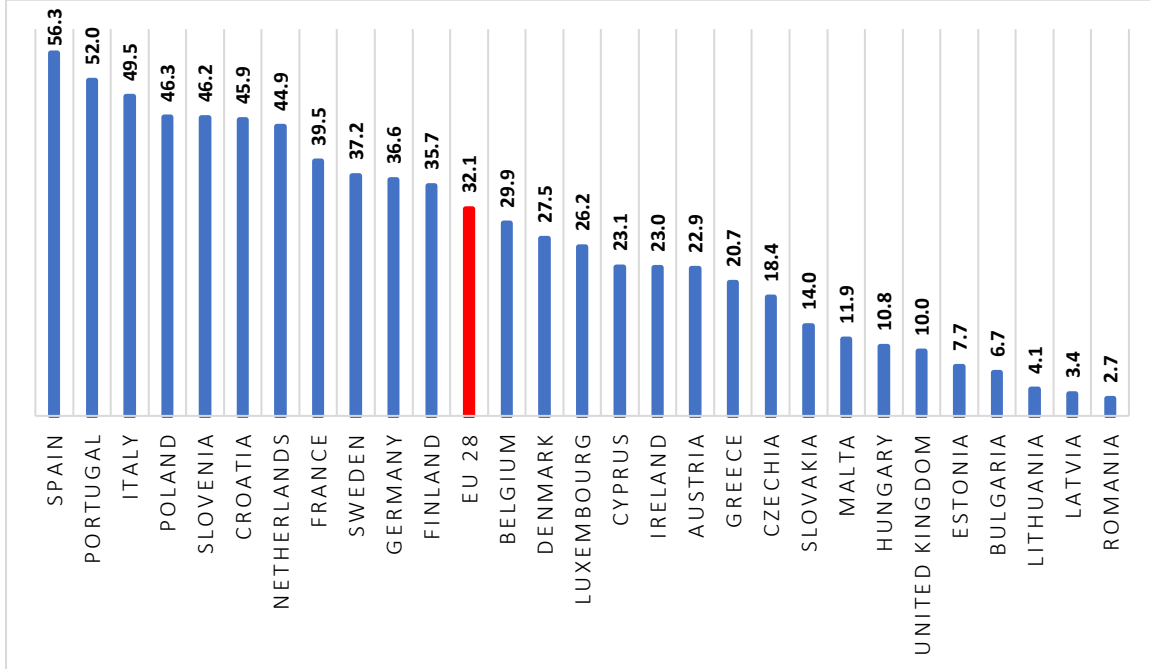
**3.4. Youth Employment rate**  
ISCED 11 level: tertiary  
Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	71,3	71,6	73,1	74,1	75,3	75,9
<b>Belgium</b>	68,8	71,4	71,2	69,0	69,3	71,5



### 3.5. Young temporary employees as percentage of the total number of employees Age: 15 - 29

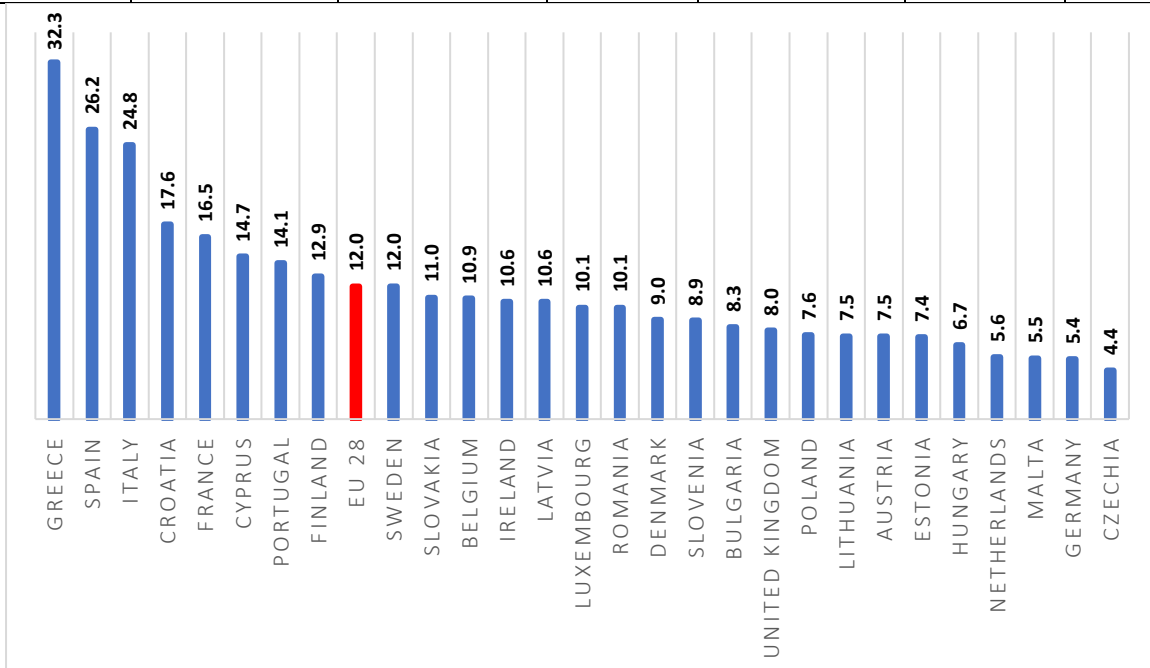
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	31,4	32,0	32,3	32,4	32,5	32,1
<b>Belgium</b>	21,0	22,1	24,1	24,4	28,9	29,9



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### 3.6. Youth unemployment ALL ISCED Levels Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	18,9	17,7	16,2	14,7	13,2	12,0
<b>Belgium</b>	16,5	16,4	15,6	14,3	13,5	10,9



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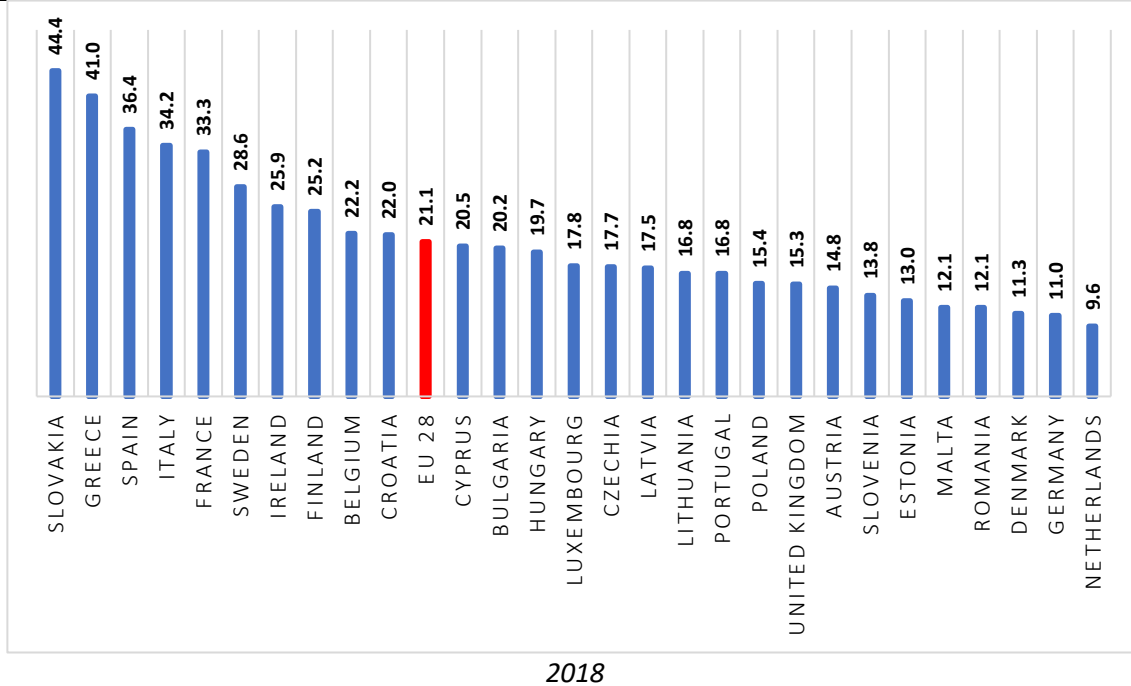


### 3.7. Youth unemployment

ISCED 11 level: Less than primary, primary and lower secondary education (levels 0-2)

Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
EU 28	30,4	29,0(b)	27,3	25,3	23,3	21,1
Belgium	32,9	32,4	33,4	29,0	28,2	22,2

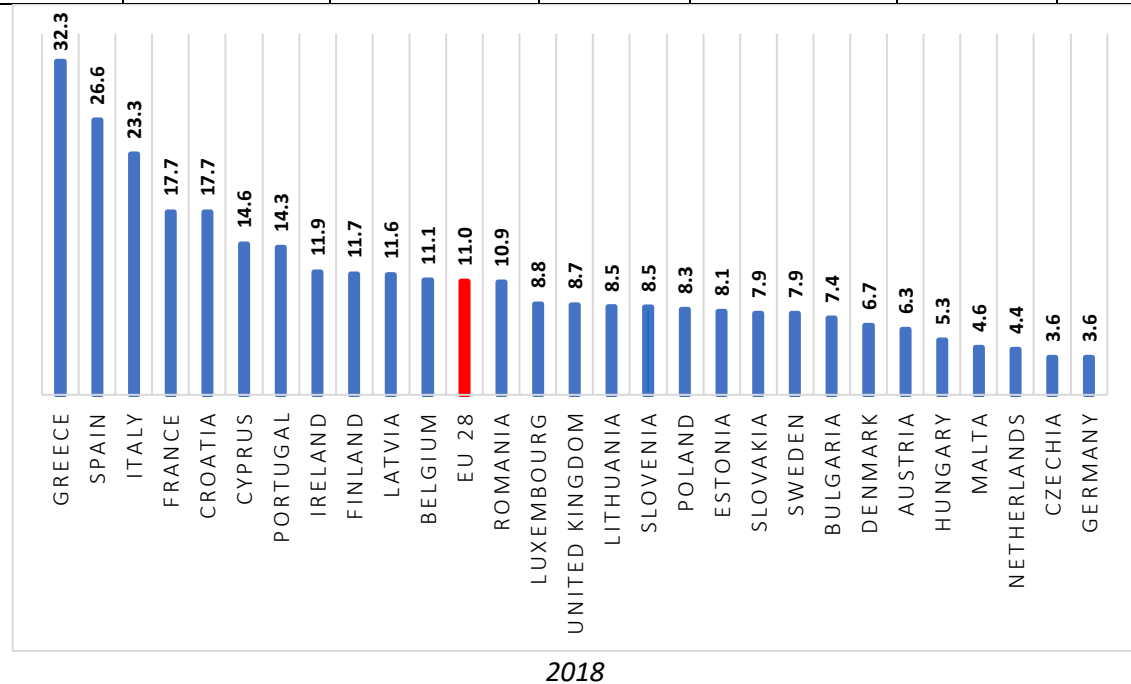


### 3.8. Youth unemployment

ISCED 11 level: Upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education (levels 3 and 4)

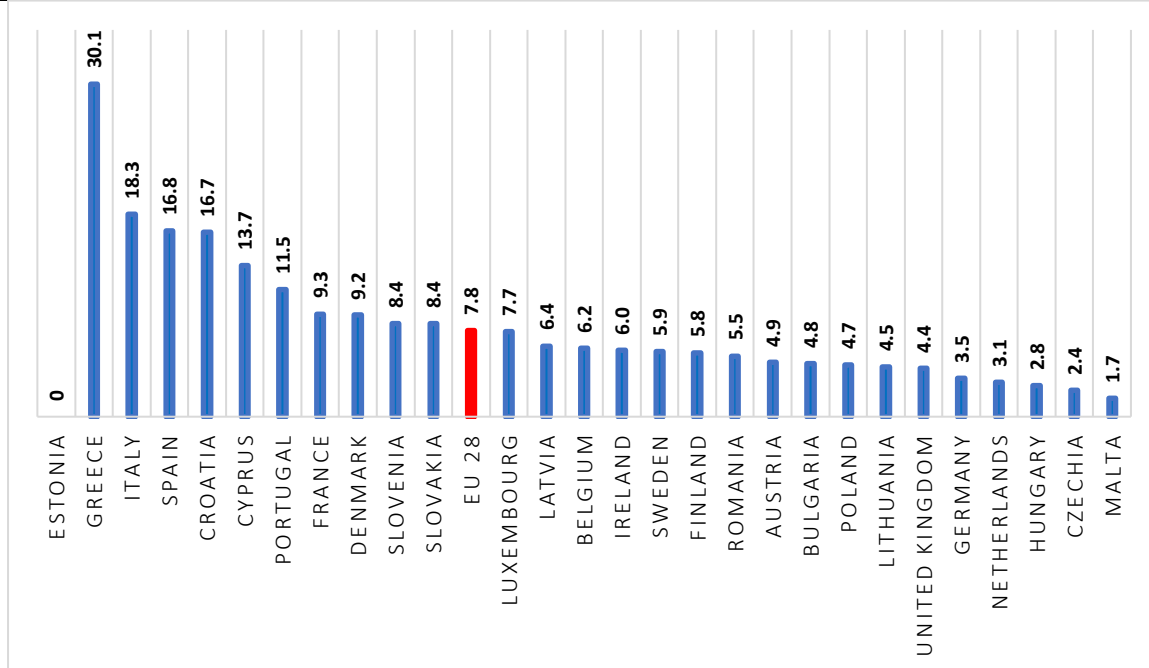
Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
EU 28	17,4	16,3	14,8	13,5	12,1	11,0
Belgium	15,1	17,0	15,4	14,2	12,9	11,1



**3.9. Youth unemployment  
ISCED 11 level: Tertiary  
Age: 15 -29**

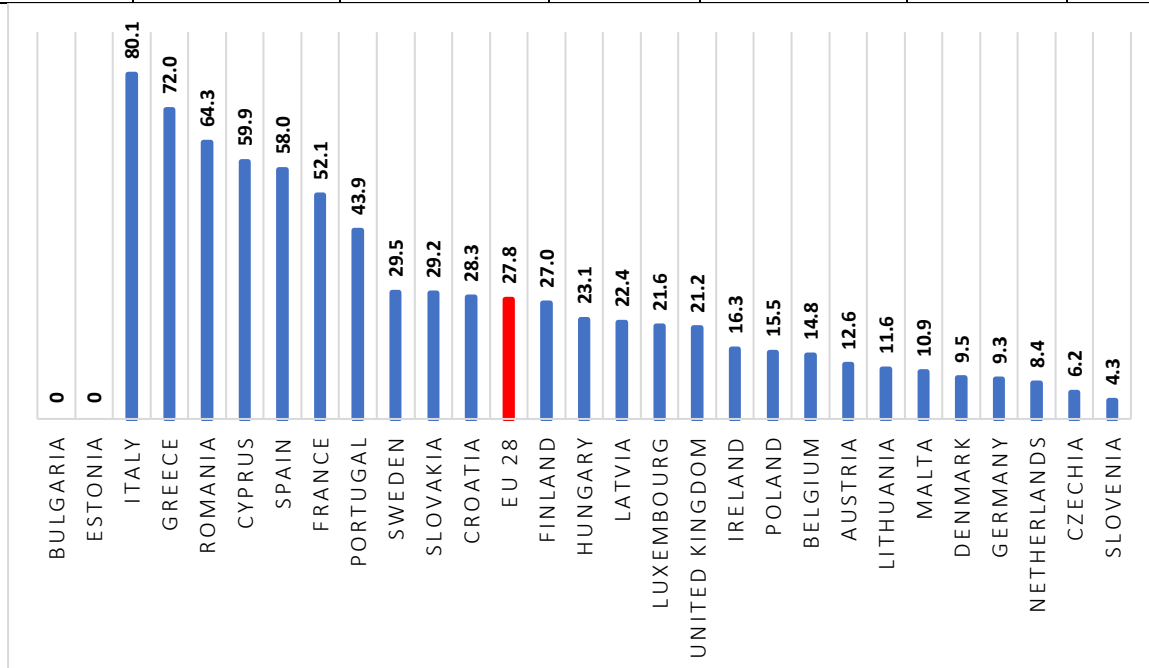
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	12,8	12,0	10,8	9,6	8,5	7,8
<b>Belgium</b>	10,3	8,6	8,6	8,1	8,3	6,2



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**3.10. Involuntary part-time employment as percentage of the total part-time employment for young people  
Age: 15 -29**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	34,0	34,5	33,7	31,0	29,7	27,8
<b>Belgium</b>	19,7	23,3	22,3	18,6	16,4	14,8

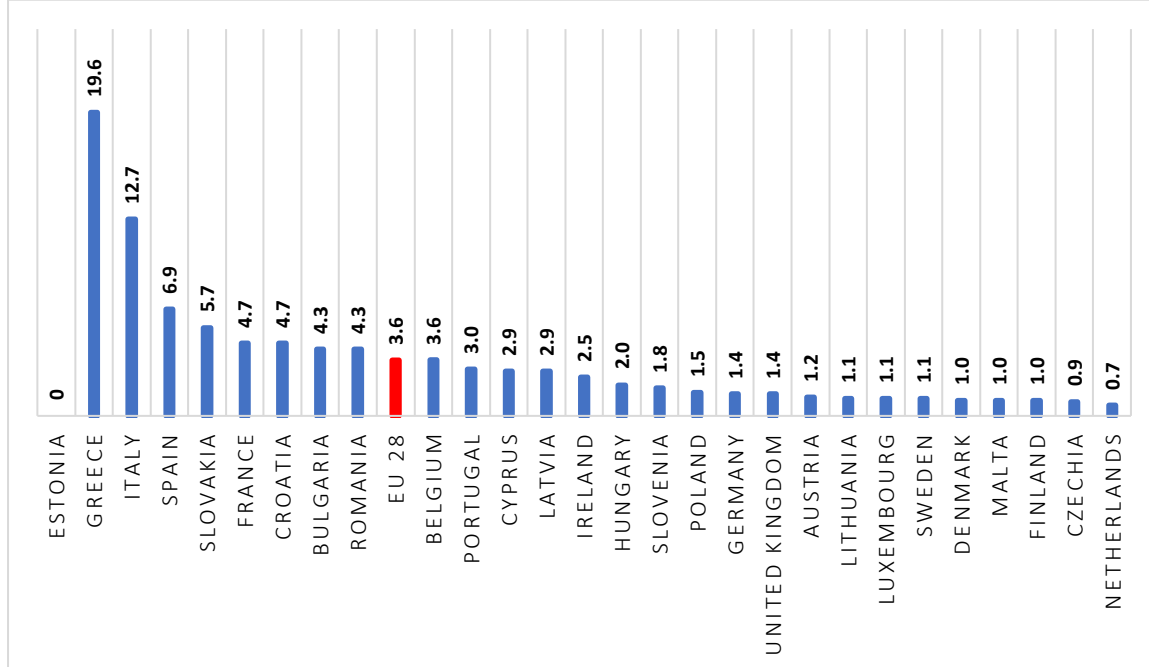


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### 3.11. Youth long-term unemployment rate (12 months or longer)

Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	7,1	6,9	5,9	4,9	4,2	3,6
<b>Belgium</b>	5,5	6,6	6,4	5,4	4,6	3,6



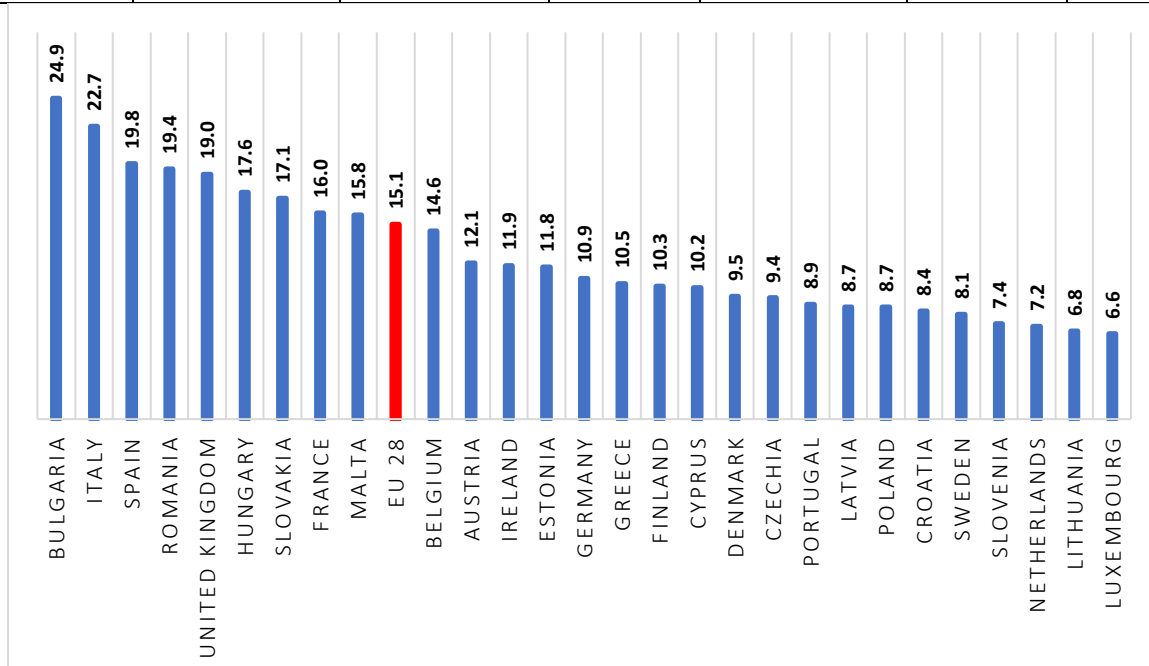
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### 3.12. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training

ISCED11: Less than primary, primary and lower secondary education (levels 0-2)

Age: 15 -29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	18,7	17,3(b)	16,7	16,3	15,7	15,1
<b>Belgium</b>	19,0	17,8	18,7	16,0	15,8	14,6

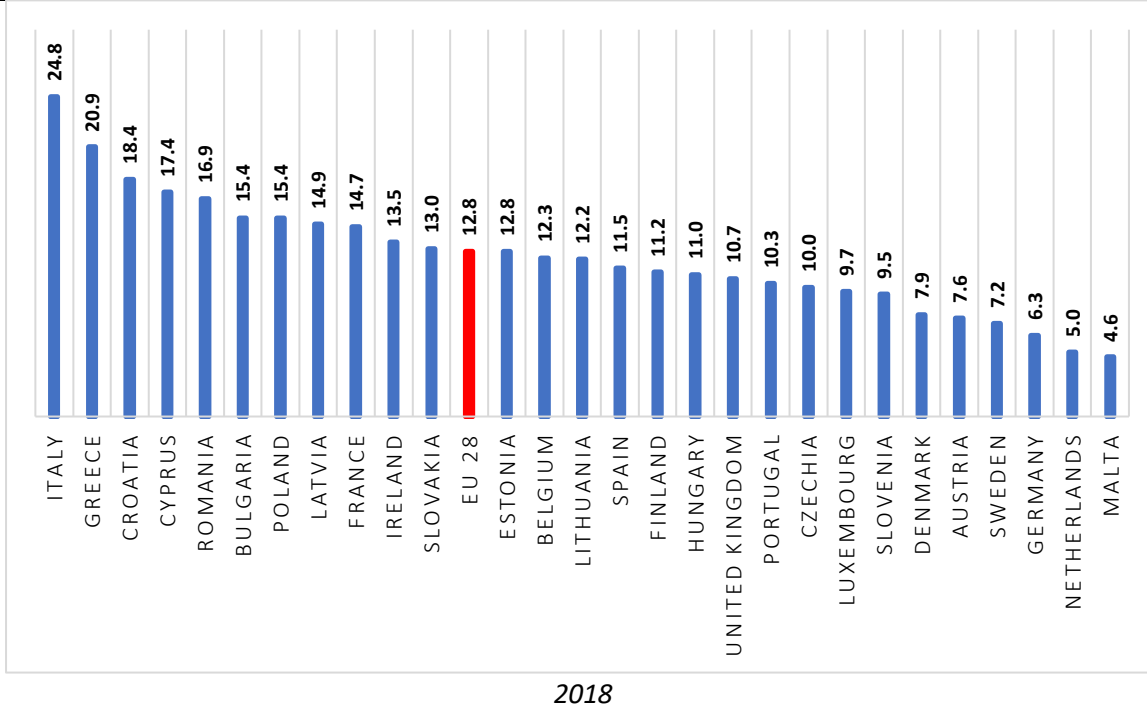


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**3.13. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training  
ISCED11: Upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education – general (levels  
3 and 4)**

**Age: 15 -29**

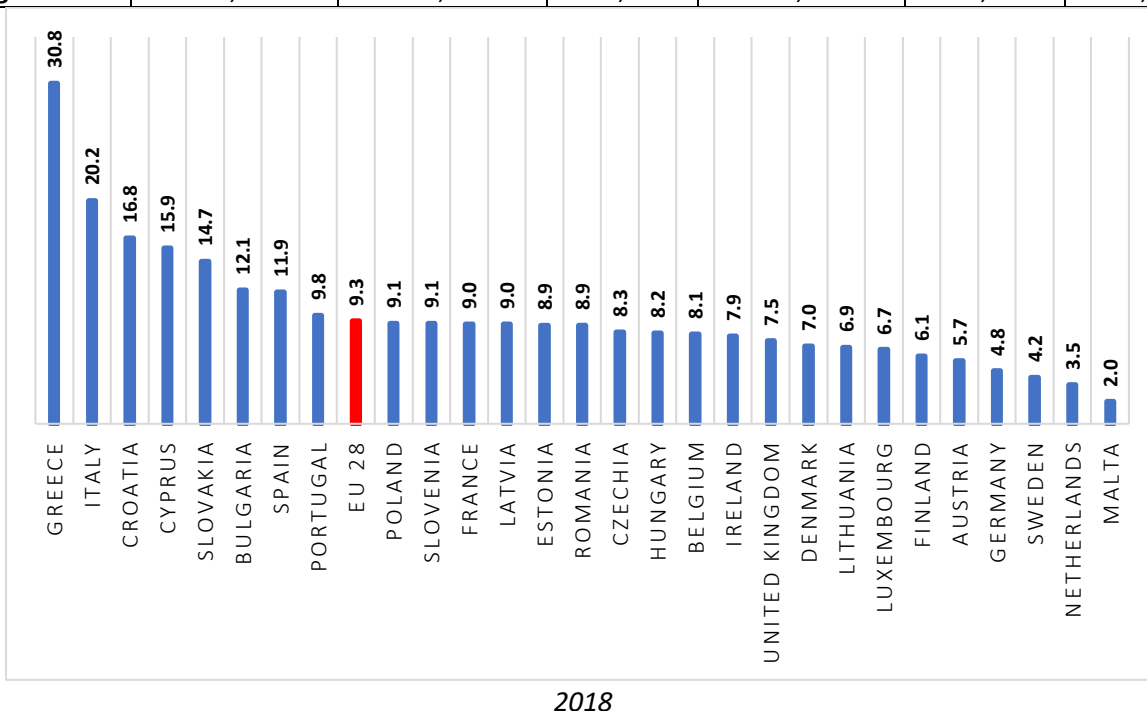
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	15,9	15,4(b)	14,9	14,2	13,3	12,8
<b>Belgium</b>	14,5	14,3	14,0	13,0	12,4	12,3



**3.14. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training  
ISCED11: Tertiary**

**Age: 15 -29**

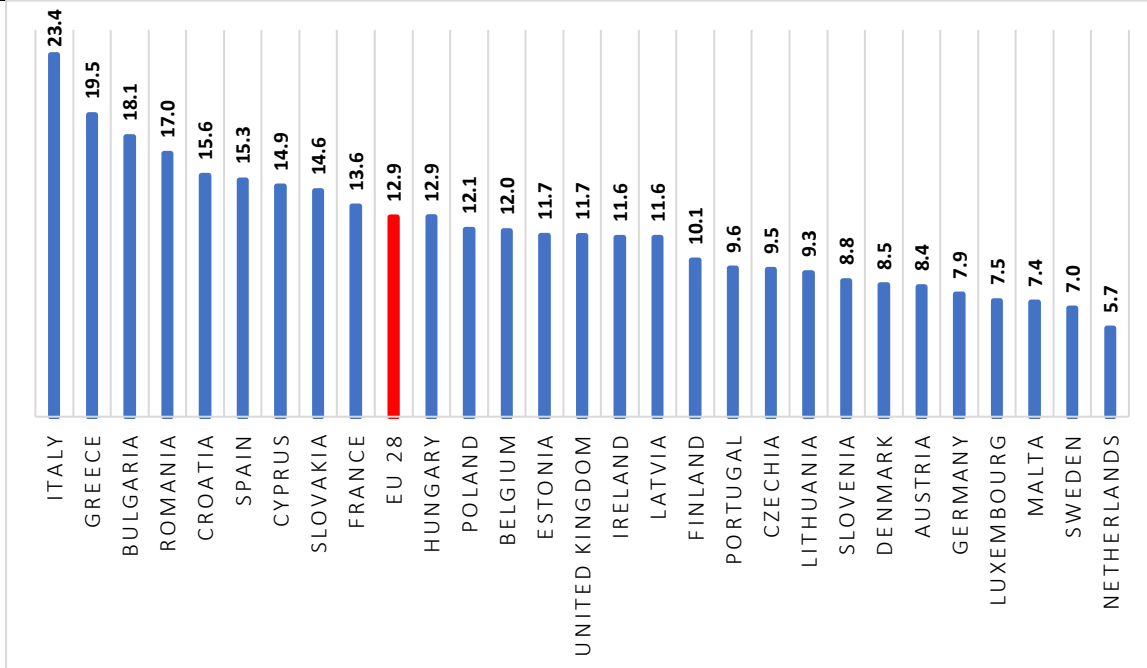
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	11,9	11,6(b)	11,1	10,4	9,6	9,3
<b>Belgium</b>	9,6	8,6	9,2	8,7	8,4	8,1



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**3.15. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training – Not employed**  
**Age: 15 -29**

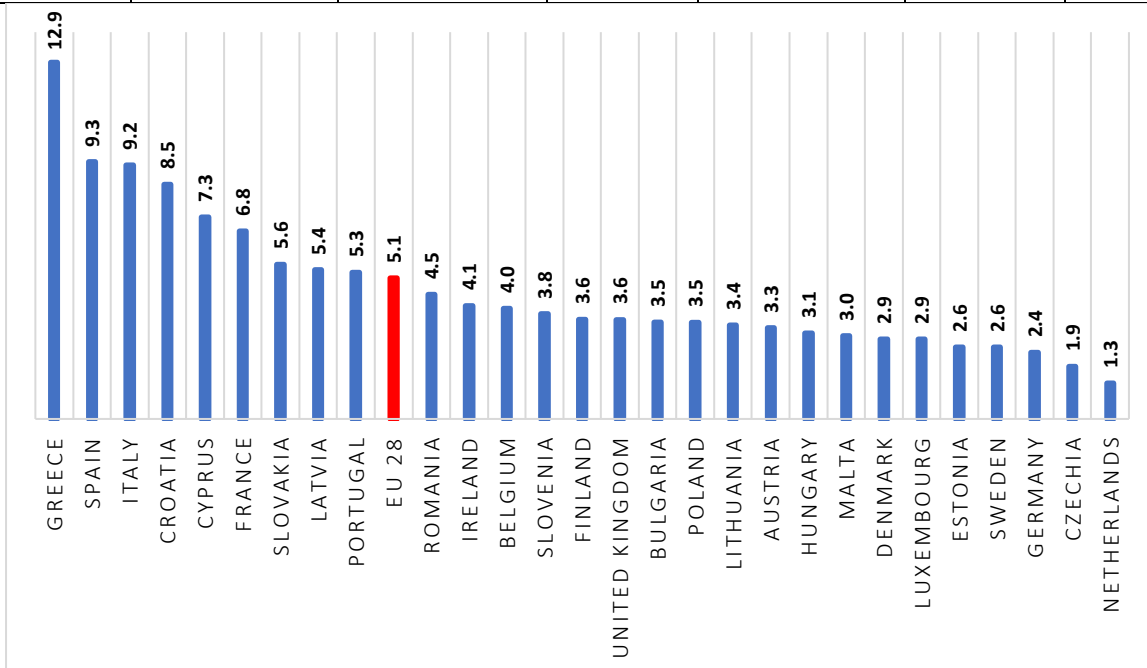
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	15,9	15,3	14,8	14,2	13,4	12,9
<b>Belgium</b>	14,9	14,1	14,4	13,0	12,6	12,0



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**3.16. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training – Unemployed**  
**Age: 15 -29**

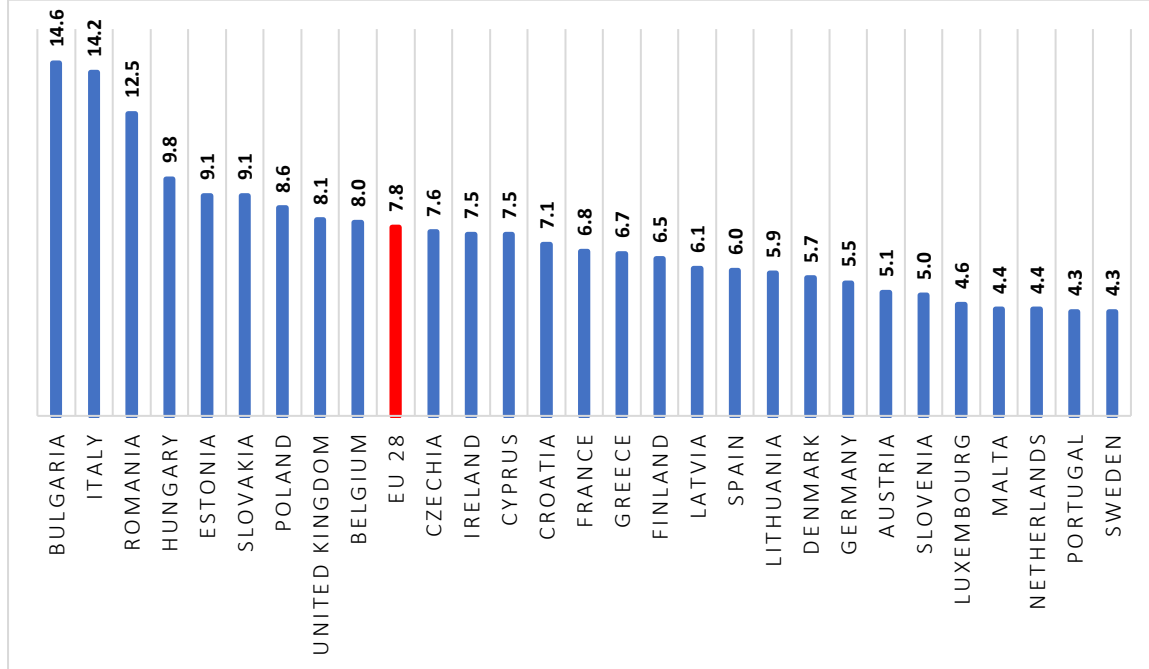
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	8,1	7,5	6,9	6,3	5,6	5,1
<b>Belgium</b>	7,0	7,0	6,8	6,0	5,4	4,0



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**3.17. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training – Inactive**  
**Age: 15 -29**

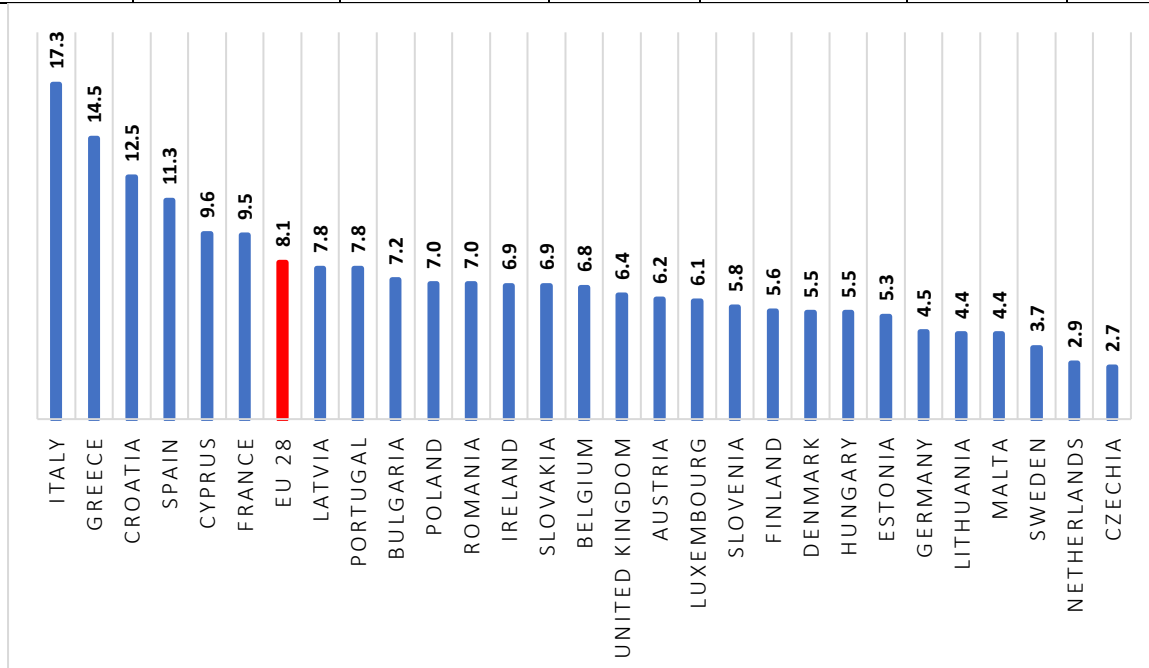
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	7,8	7,8	7,9	7,9	7,9	7,8
<b>Belgium</b>	7,9	7,1	7,6	7,0	7,2	8,0



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**3.18. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training – People who would like to work**  
**Age: 15 -29**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	11,4	10,9	10,3	9,6	8,7	8,1
<b>Belgium</b>	10,0	9,5	9,2	8,4	7,9	6,8

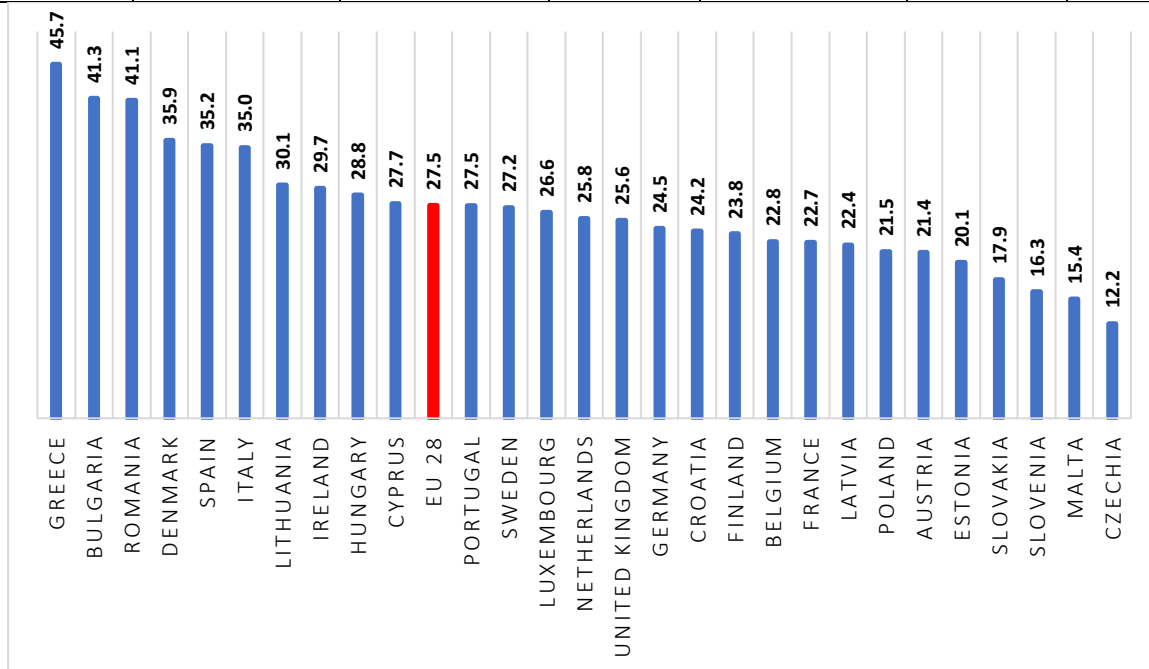


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## 4. SOCIAL INCLUSION

### 4.1. People at risk of poverty or social exclusion Age: 16 - 29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	29,6	29,7	29,2	28,9	27,5	:
<b>Belgium</b>	22,4	24,7	24,6	22,5	22,8	:



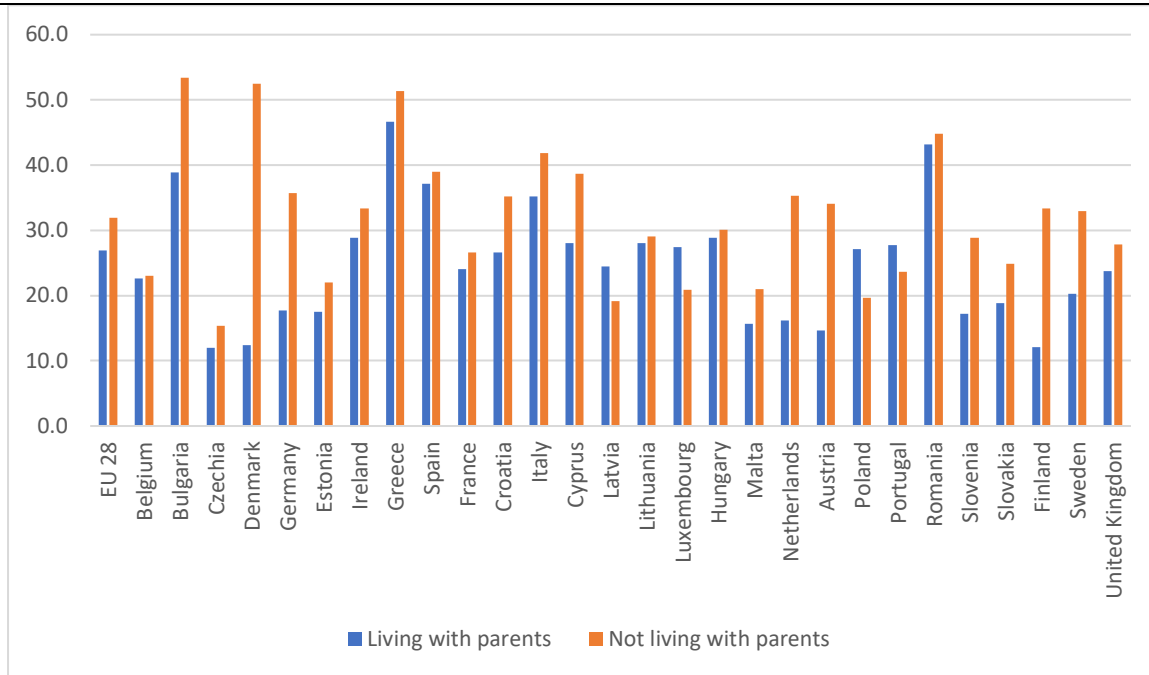
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### 4.2. Young people's at-risk-of-poverty or exclusion rate living with parents Age: 16 - 29

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	27,7	27,8	27,2	26,9	-	-
<b>Belgium</b>	20,9	24,0	24,8	22,6	:	20,9

### 4.3. Young people's at-risk-of-poverty or exclusion rate not living with parents Age: 16 - 29

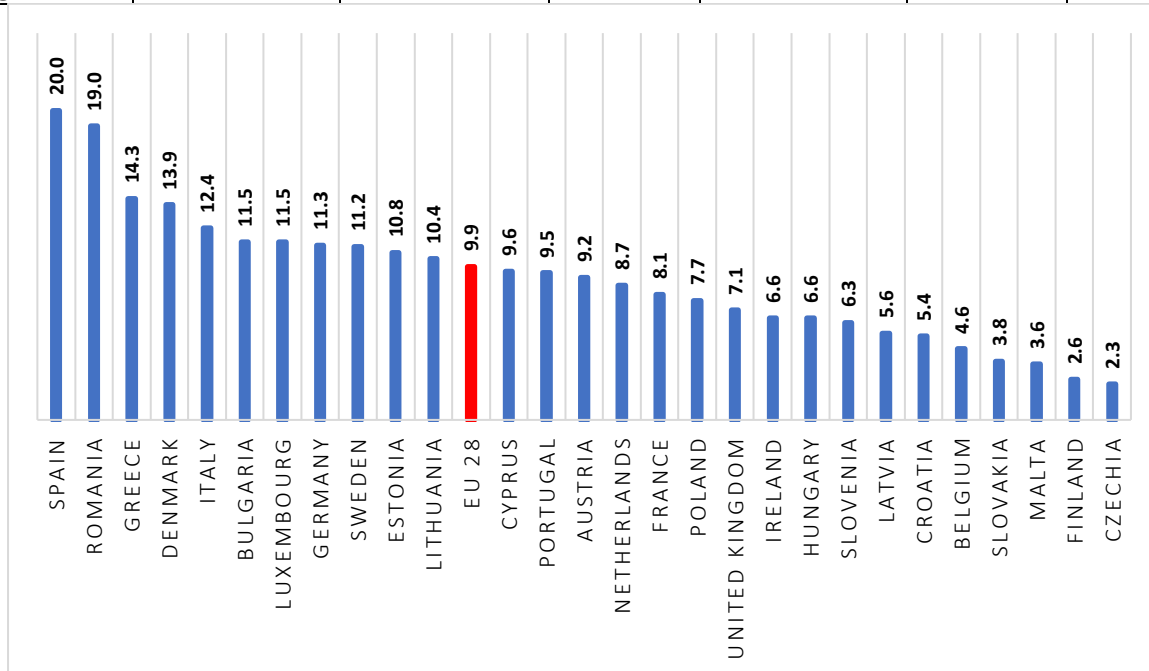
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	32,0	32,6	31,8	31,9	-	-
<b>Belgium</b>	24,5	25,8	22,8	23,0	:	24,5



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**4.4. In-work at-risk-of-poverty rate**  
**Age: 16 - 29**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	9,3(e)	10,5(e)	10,4(e)	10,4(e)	9,9(e)	-
<b>Belgium</b>	3,6	4,9	4,2	3,5	4,6	:

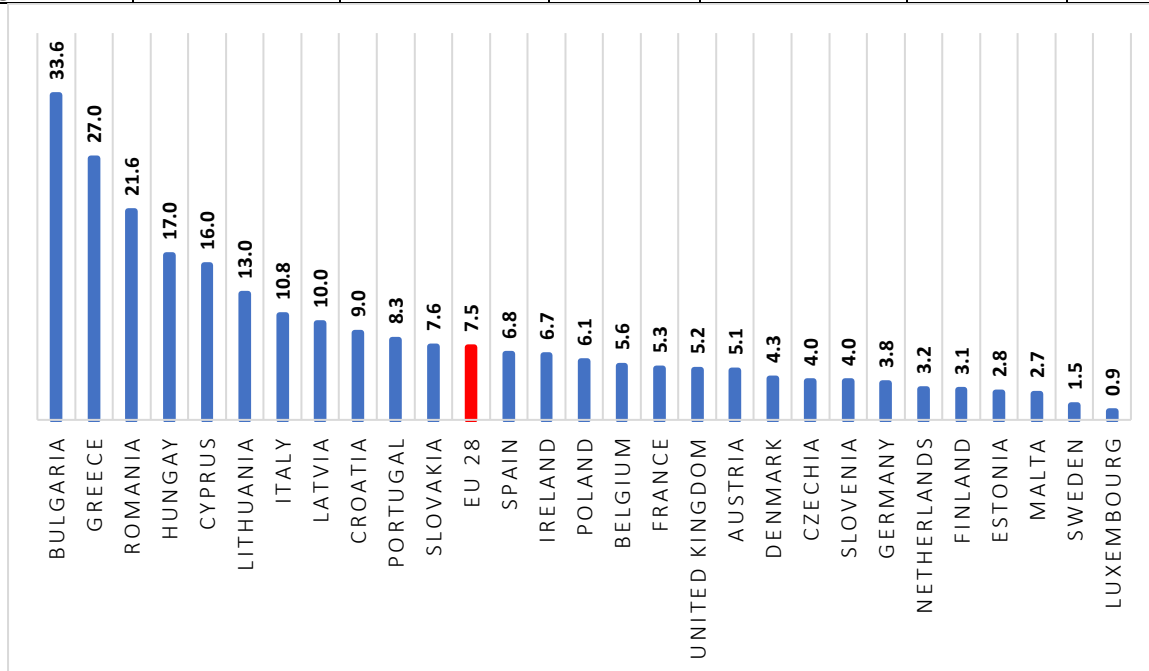


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**4.5. Severe material deprivation rate**  
**Age: 15- 29**

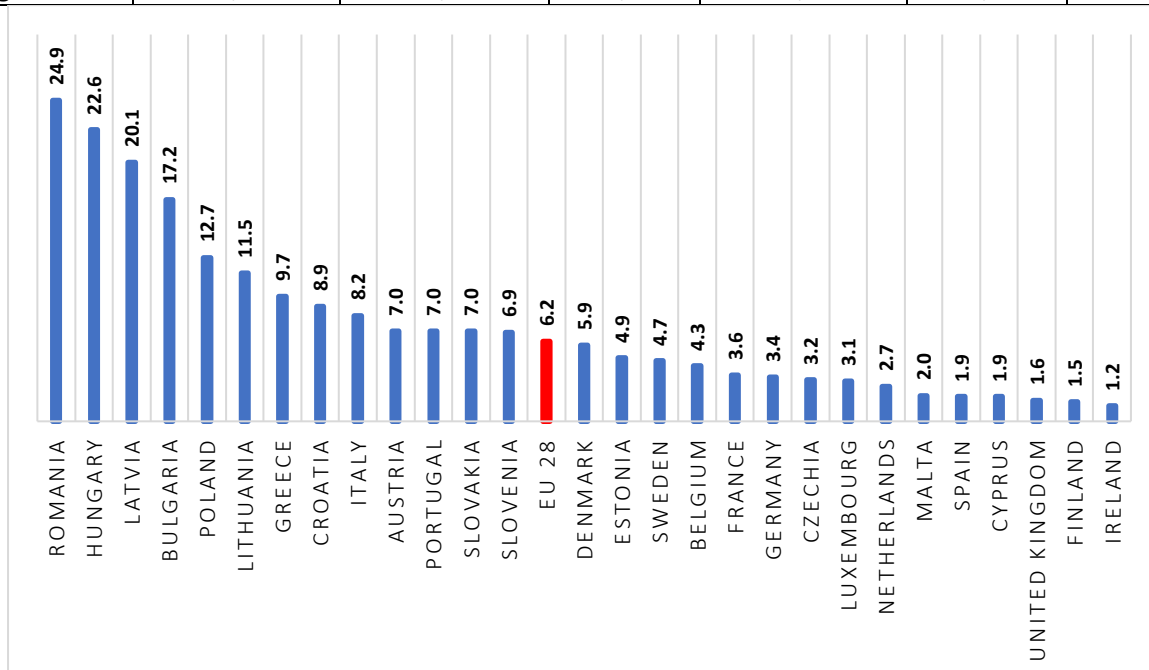
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	11,3	10,5	9,5	8,7	7,5	11,4
<b>Belgium</b>	7,0	9,2	7,6	7,2	5,6	:



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**4.6. Severe housing deprivation rate**  
**Age: 15 - 29**

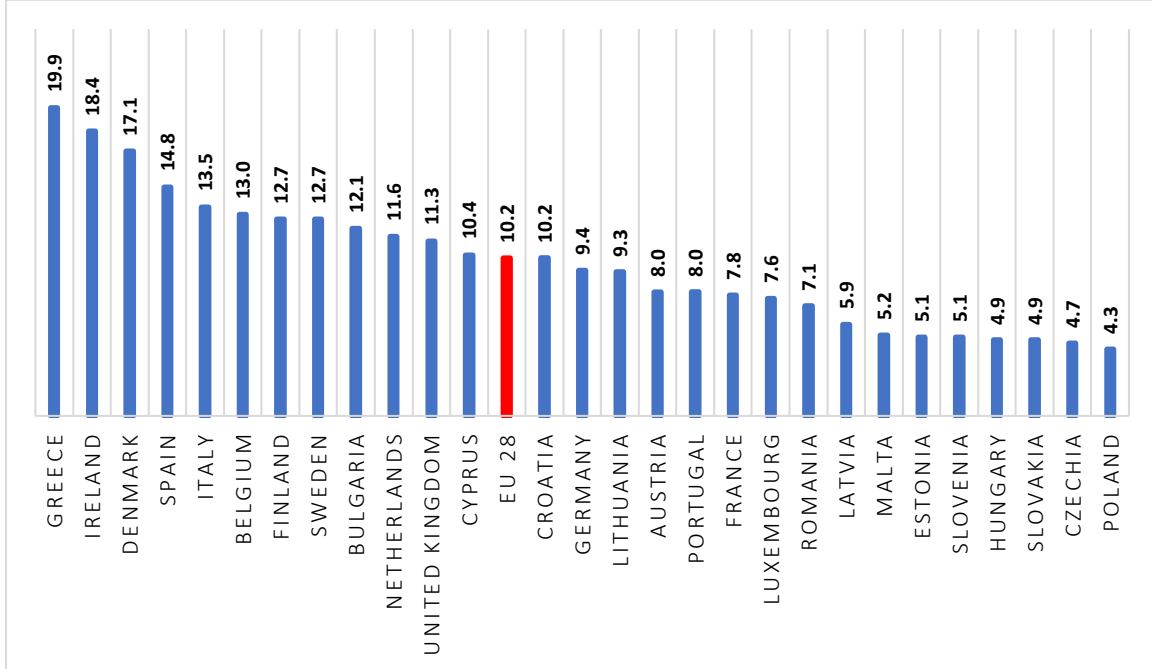
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	7,5	7,7	7,4	7,1	6,2	-
<b>Belgium</b>	1,5	1,2	0,8	3,0	4,3	:



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**4.7. People living in households with very low work intensity**  
**Age: 15 - 29**

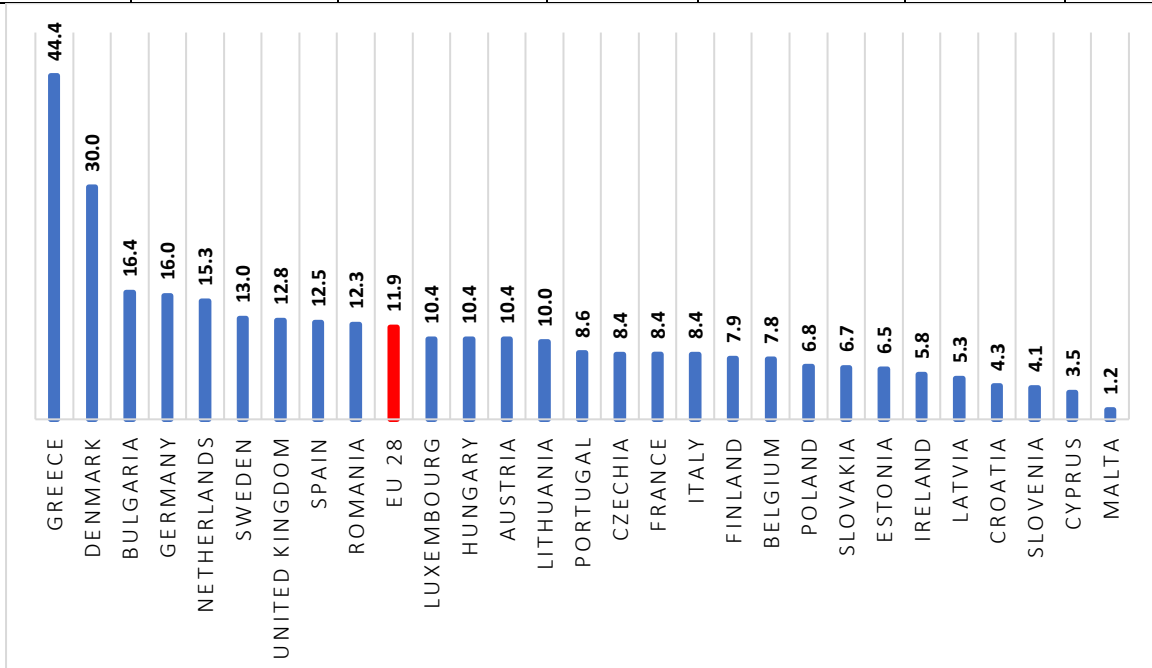
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	11,1	11,7	10,9	11,2	10,2	-
<b>Belgium</b>	13,7	14,5	14,8	14,3	13,0	:



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**4.8. Housing cost overburden rate**  
**Age: 16 - 29**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	12,8	13,7	13,5	13,2	11,9	:
<b>Belgium</b>	9,7	11,4	10,1	9,6	7,8	:



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## 5. DIFFERENCE BETWEEN YOUNG PEOPLE BORN IN EU-REPORTING COUNTRIES AND FOREIGN COUNTRIES

### 5.1. Youth employment rate

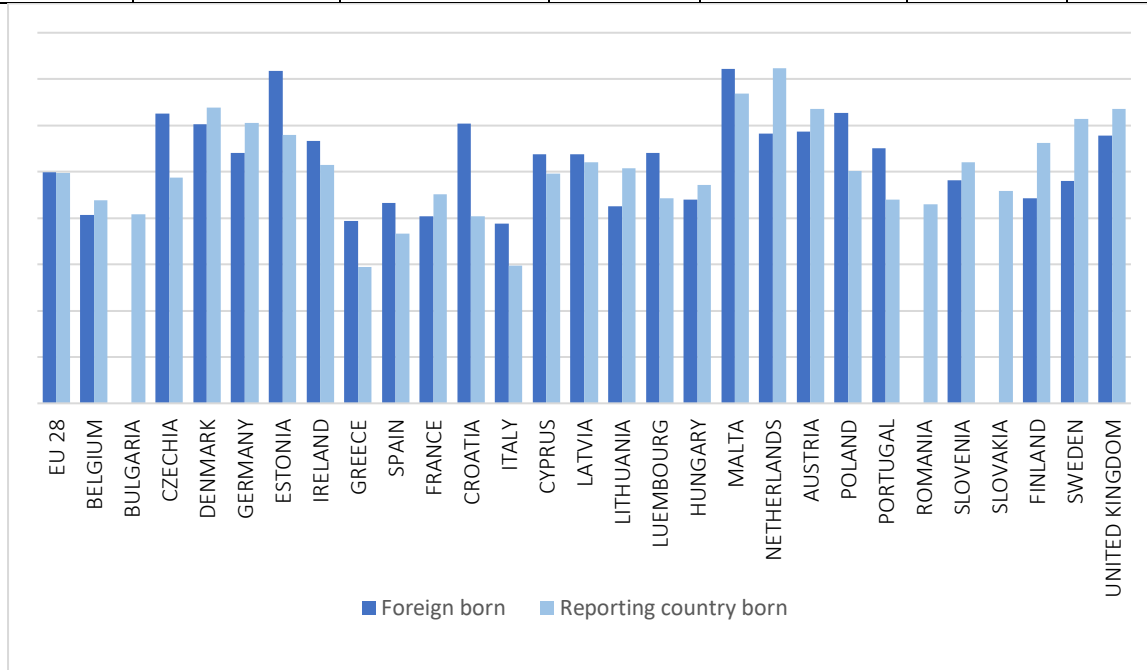
Age: 15 – 29

EU Reporting countries

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	45,9	46,4	47,3	48,3	49,3	49,8
<b>Belgium</b>	42,2	42,3	41,9	42,5	42,0	43,9

Foreign countries						
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	45,8	46,6	46,9	47,6	47,8	49,9
<b>Belgium</b>	36,4	36,4	37,8	35,1	39,3	40,6



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### 5.2. Youth unemployment rate

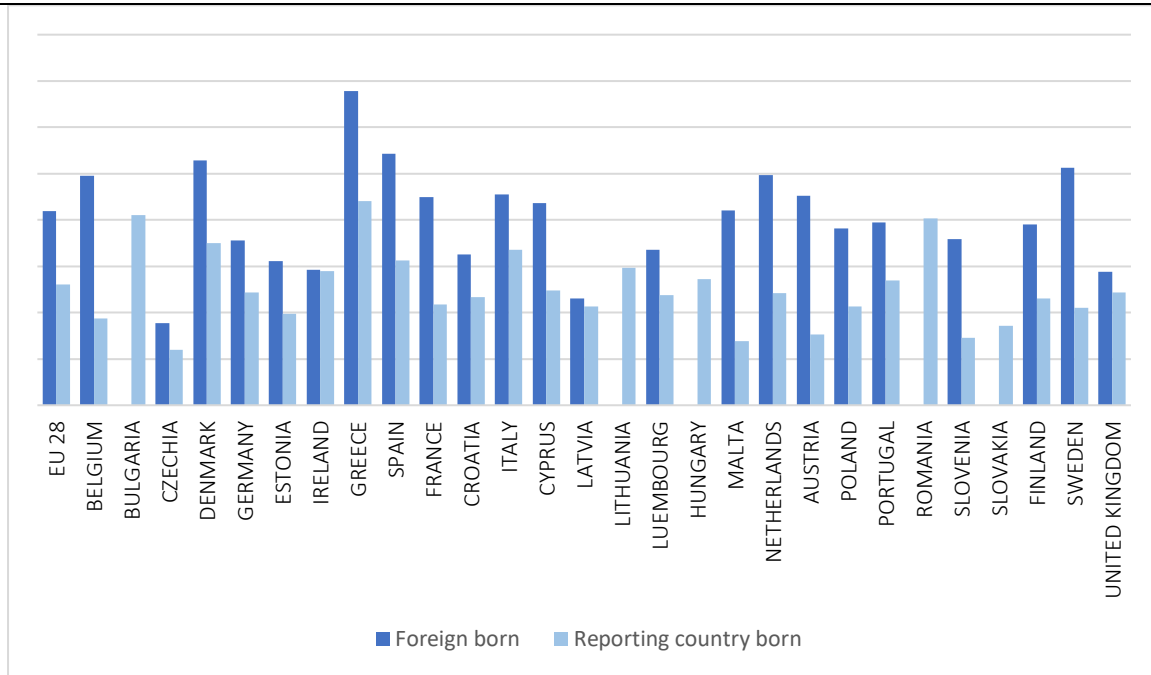
Age: 15 – 29

EU Reporting countries

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	18,4	17,3	15,7	14,3	12,7	11,5
<b>Belgium</b>	15,1	15,1	14,7	12,8	12,5	10,0

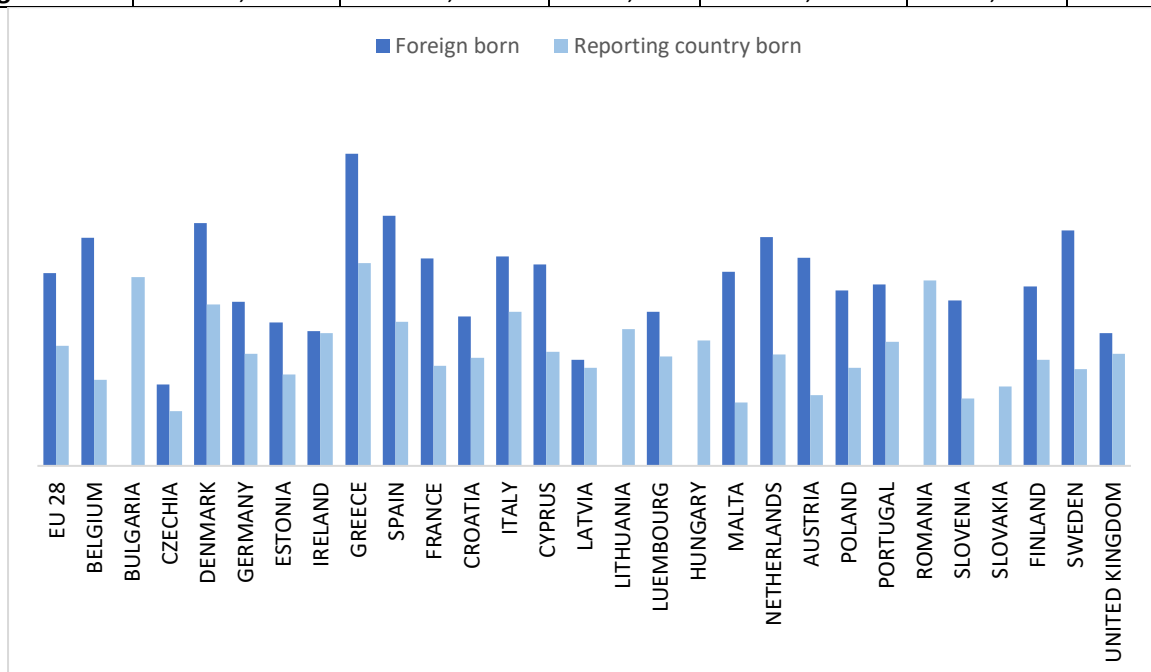
Foreign countries						
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	23,3	21,1	20,0	18,1	17,0	15,8
<b>Belgium</b>	25,7	24,6	21,3	23,8	19,6	16,1



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**5.3. People at risk of poverty or social exclusion by broad group of country of birth**  
**Age: 16 – 29**  
**EU Reporting countries**

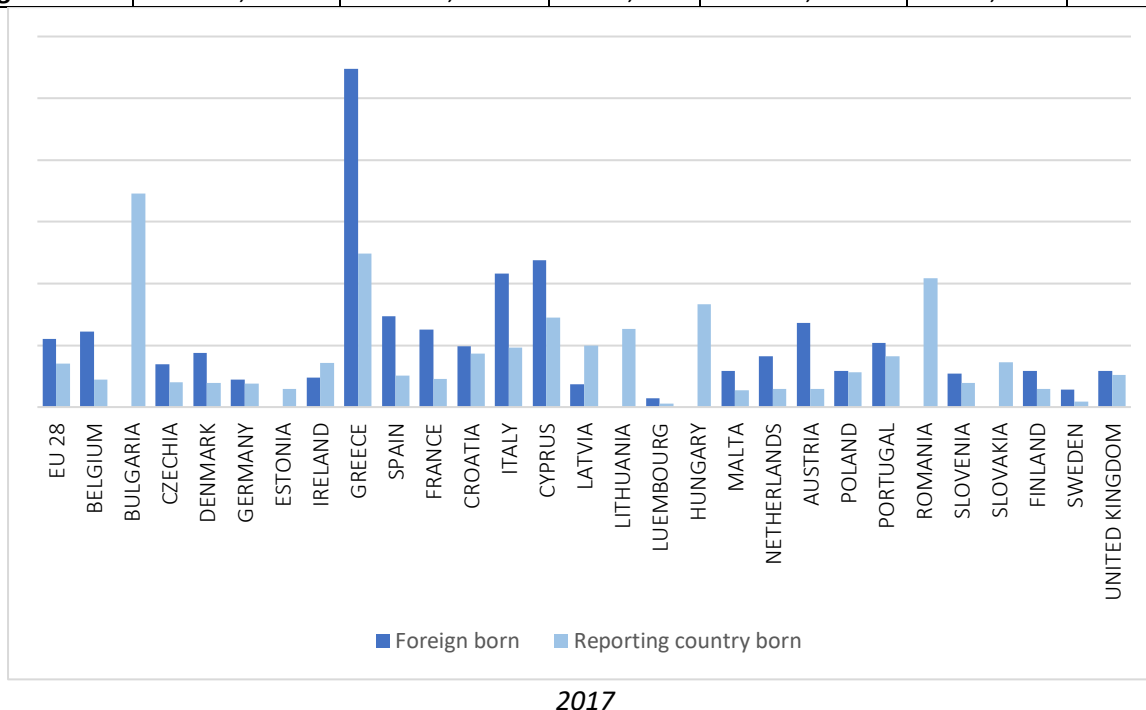
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<b>EU 28</b>	28,0	28,3	27,5	27,4	26,1	:
<b>Belgium</b>	16,8	20,7	21,0	18,0	18,7	:
<b>Foreign countries</b>						
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	44,2	44,4	45,1	43,2	41,9	:
<b>Belgium</b>	52,9	54,2	46,7	49,4	49,5	:



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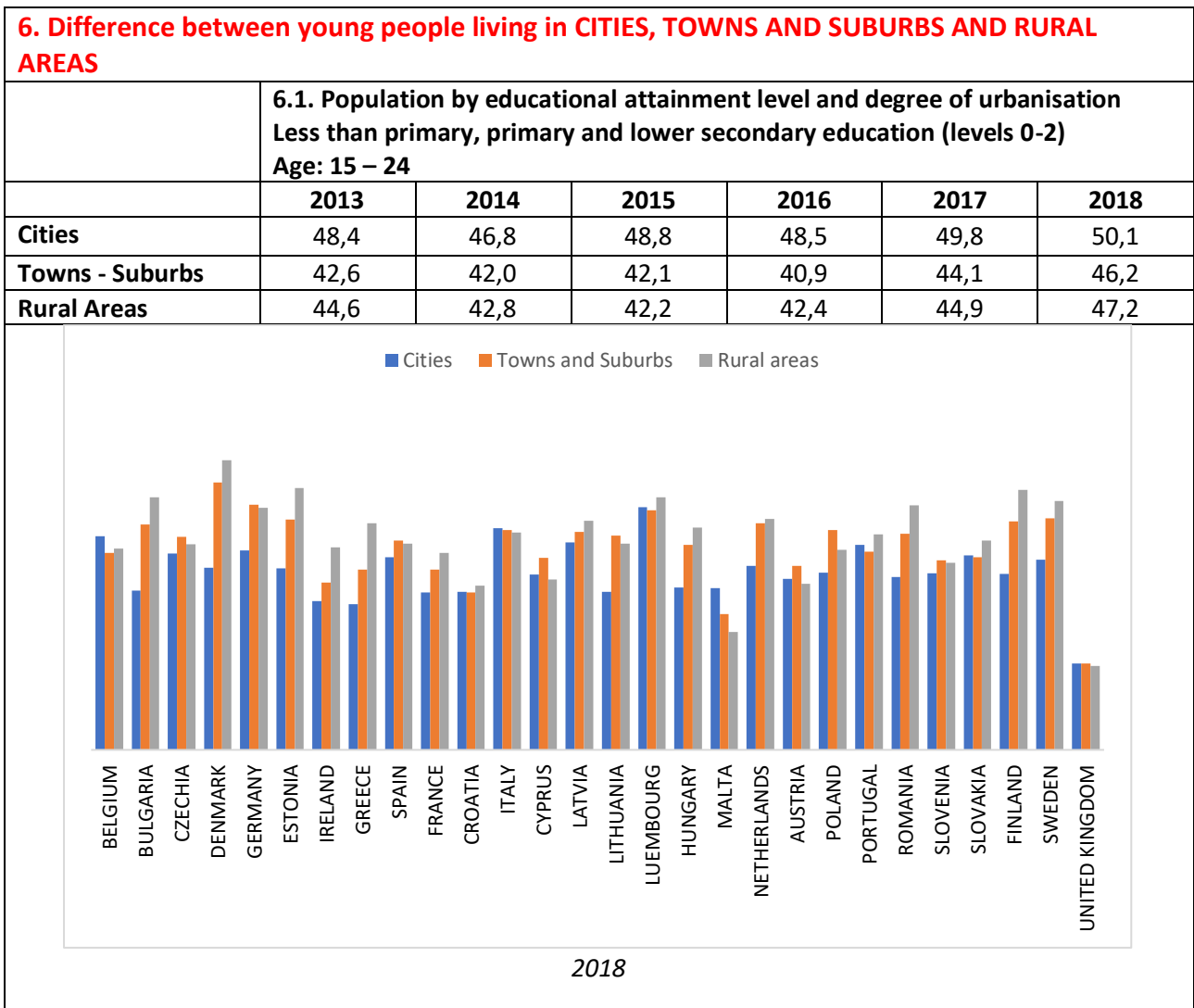
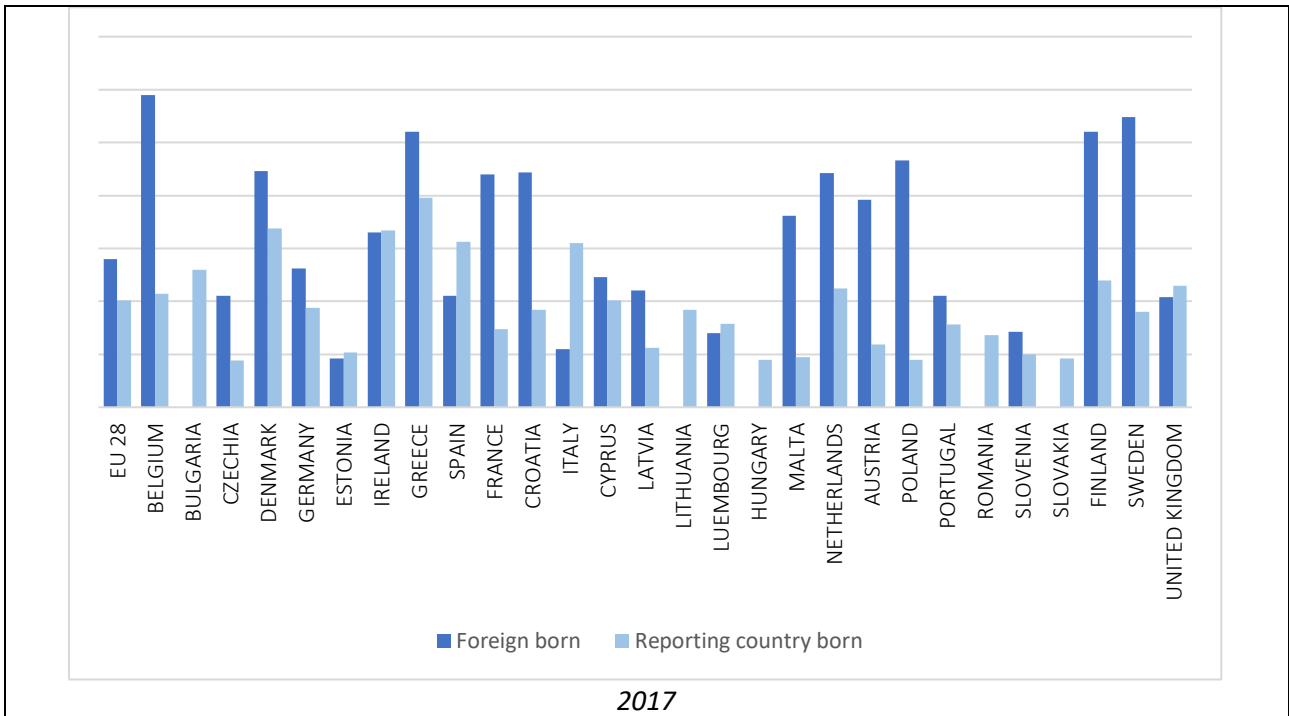
**5.4. Severe material deprivation rate by broad group of country of birth**  
Age: 16 – 29  
EU Reporting countries

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	10,8	10,0	8,8	8,1	7,0	:
<b>Belgium</b>	4,9	7,1	5,5	5,6	4,5	:
Foreign countries						
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	15,4	14,3	14,5	12,5	11,0	:
<b>Belgium</b>	20,5	28,8	21,1	16,6	12,2	:



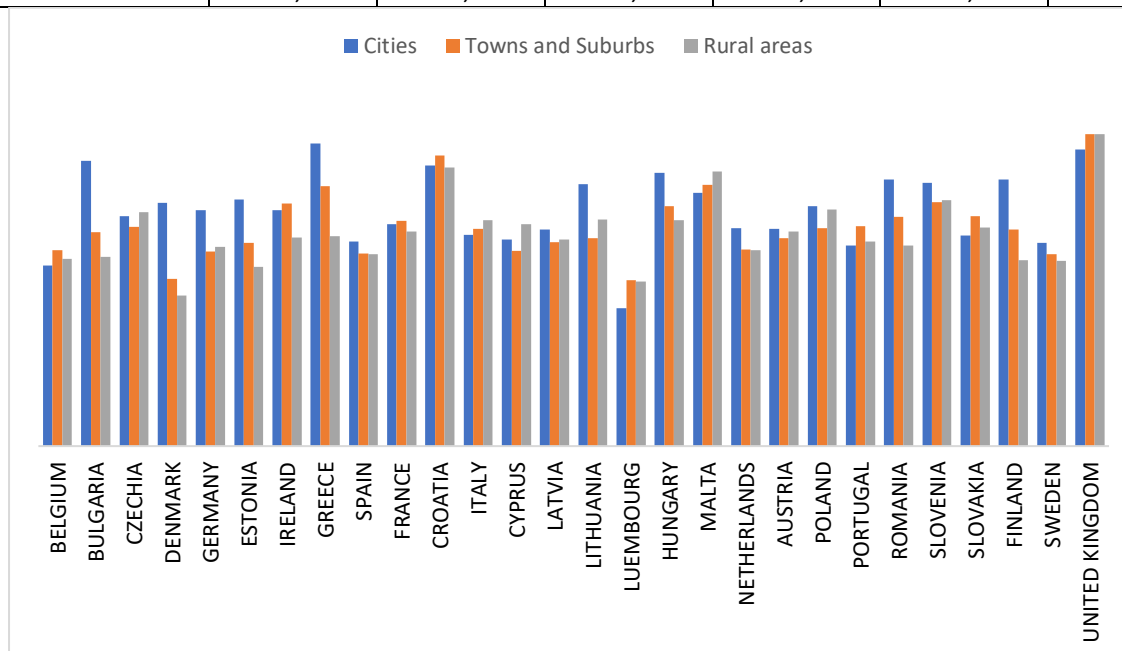
**5.5. People living in households with very low work intensity by broad group of country of birth**  
Age: 16 - 29  
EU Reporting countries

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	10,5	11,2	10,5	10,9	10,1	:
<b>Belgium</b>	9,9	11,5	12,6	11,5	10,7	:
Foreign countries						
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>EU 28</b>	17,4	17,8	15,9	15,2	14,0	:
<b>Belgium</b>	36,5	35,4	32,9	32,1	29,5	:



**6.2. Population by educational attainment level and degree of urbanisation  
Upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education (levels 3 and 4)  
Age: 15 – 24**

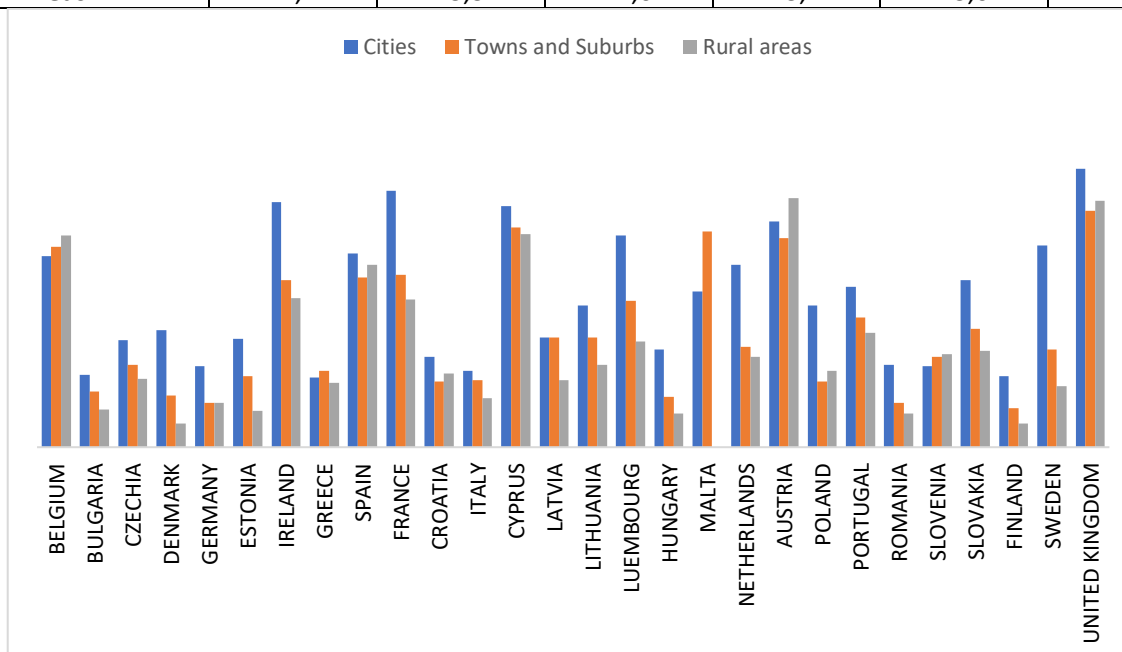
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	39,4	40,0	39,5	40,0	37,3	36,3
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	42,8	44,0	43,5	44,4	40,5	39,4
<b>Rural Areas</b>	43,2	43,9	43,8	44,5	42,1	37,6



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**6.3. Population by educational attainment level and degree of urbanisation  
Tertiary education (level 5)  
Age: 15 – 24**

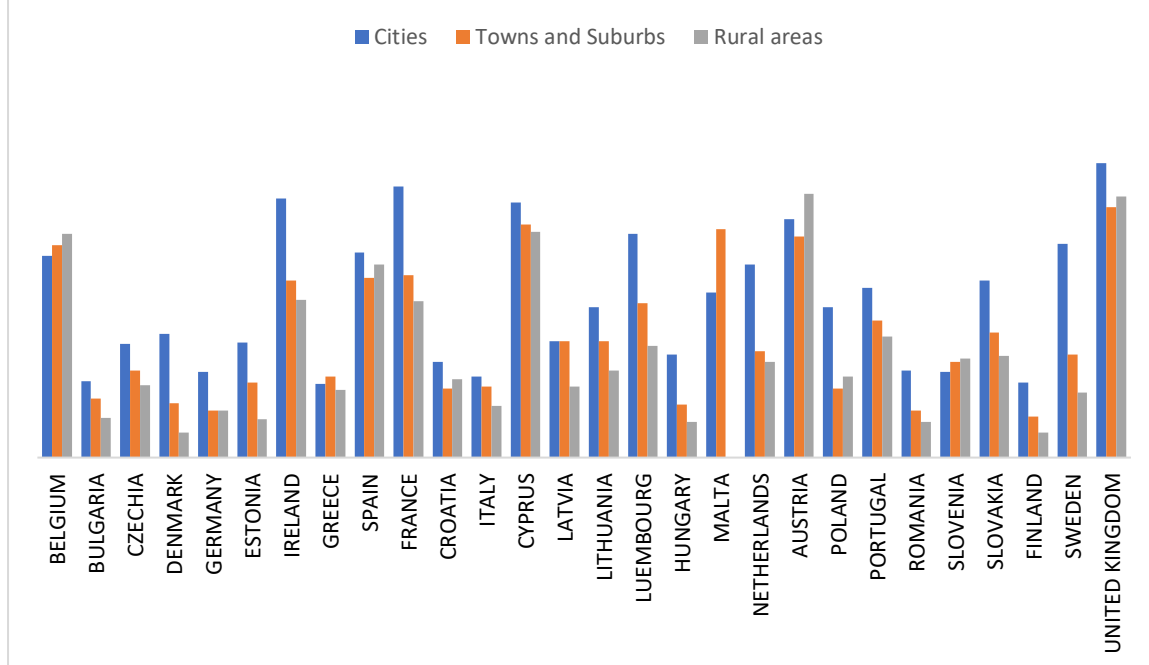
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	12,2	13,2	11,7	11,5	12,9	13,7
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	14,6	14,0	14,4	14,7	15,4	14,4
<b>Rural Areas</b>	12,2	13,3	14,0	13,2	13,0	15,2



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**6.4. Early leavers by degree of urbanisation**  
**Age: 18 – 24**

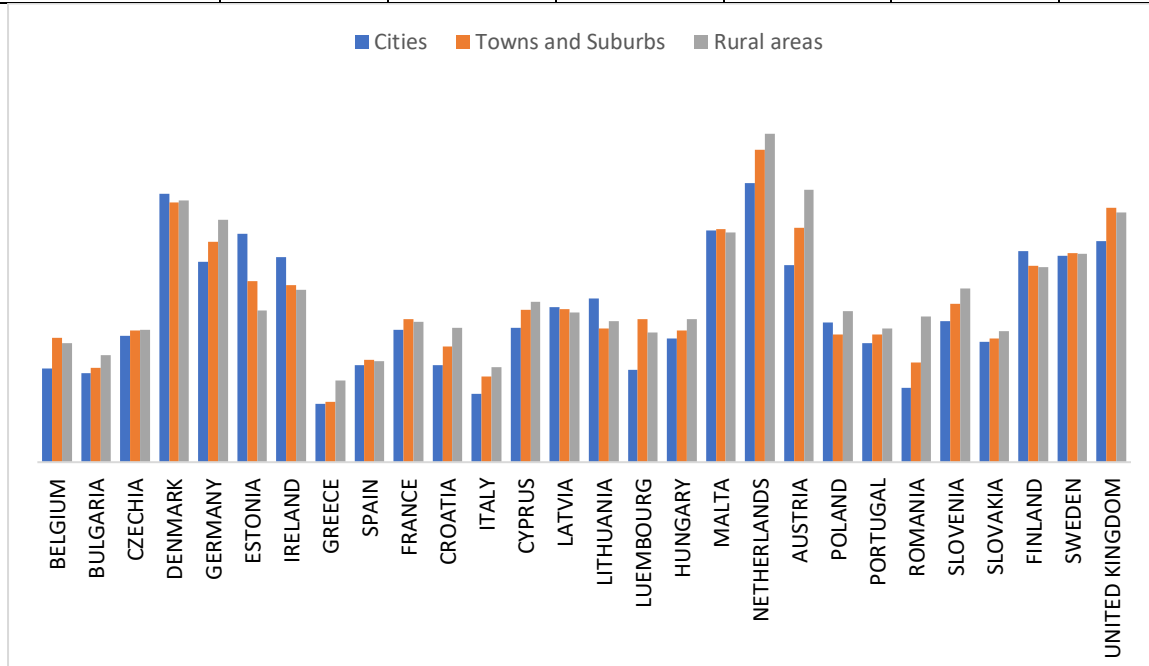
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	14,8	12,5	13,6	13,2	12,2	11,8
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	9,3	8,9	8,6	6,9	7,4	7,4
<b>Rural Areas</b>	10,6	8,3	9,5	7,7	8,0	6,5



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**6.5. Employment rate by degree of urbanisation**  
**Age: 15 - 24**

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	19,2	18,3	18,7	18,4	18,3	20,3
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	25,2	24,7	25,0	24,3	24,2	27,0
<b>Rural Areas</b>	25,3	25,8	25,5	25,1	24,9	25,8

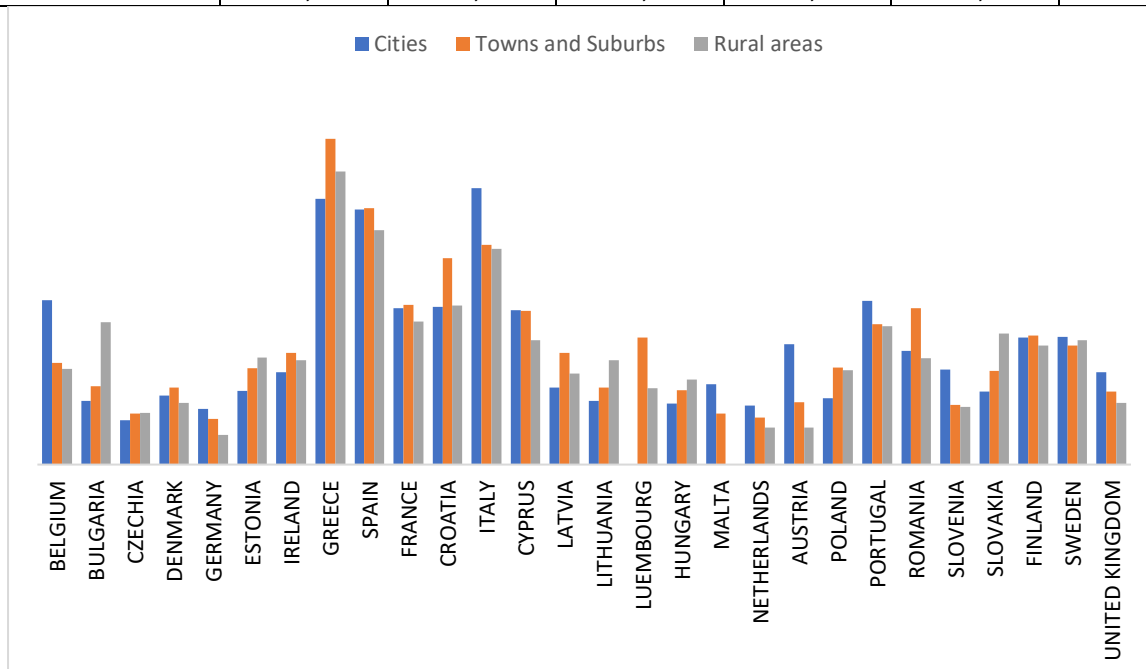


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**6.6. Unemployment rate by degree of urbanisation  
Age: 15 - 24**

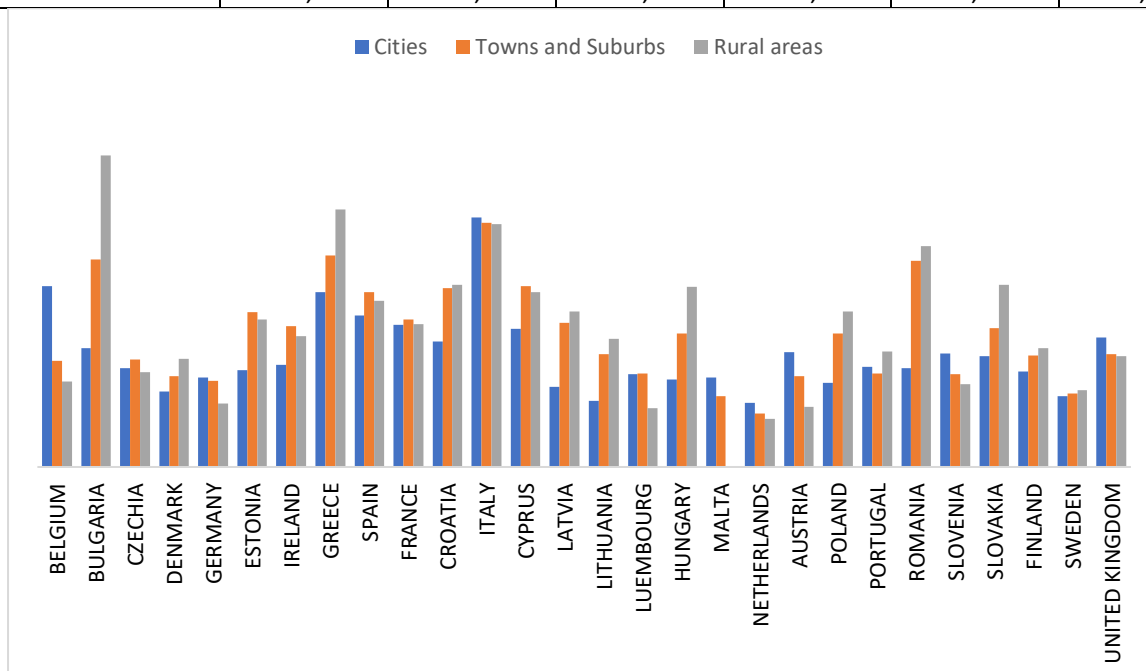
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	32,6	32,4	29,7	27,9	27,4	22,3
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	20,4	20,3	20,2	17,5	16,6	13,8
<b>Rural Areas</b>	22,4	20,6	18,4	17,4	16,5	13,0



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**6.7. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training by degree of urbanisation  
Age: 15 - 29**

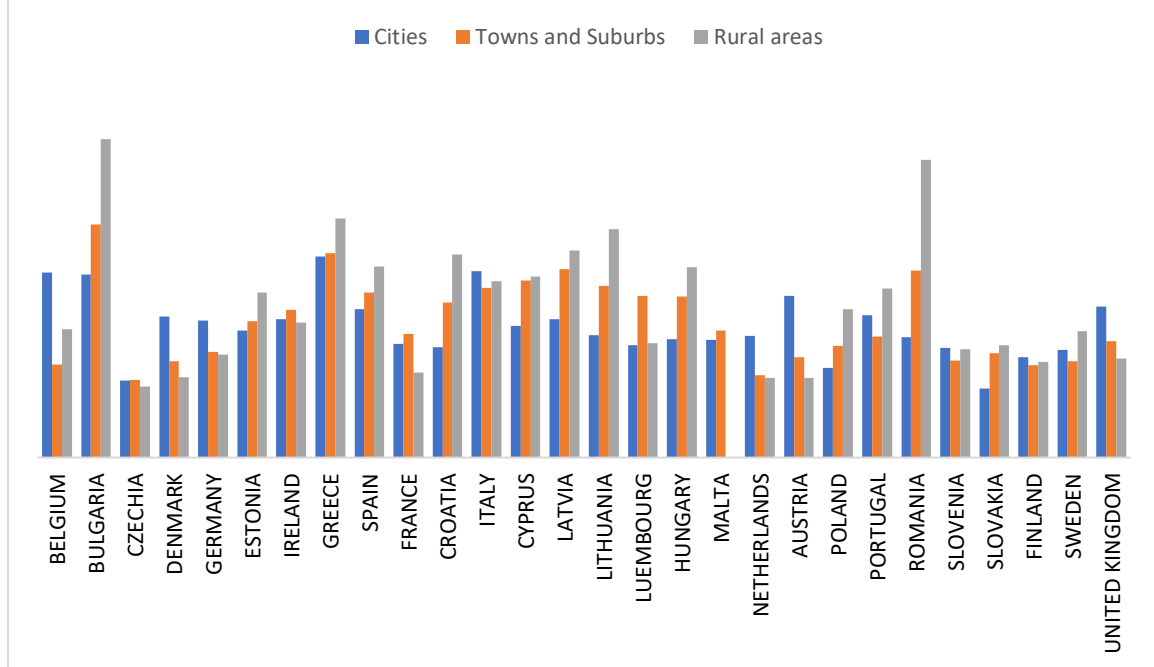
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	20,7	18,7	19,7	17,9	17,3	17,2
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	12,7	12,2	12,3	11,0	10,6	10,1
<b>Rural Areas</b>	12,5	11,9	12,1	10,0	9,6	8,1



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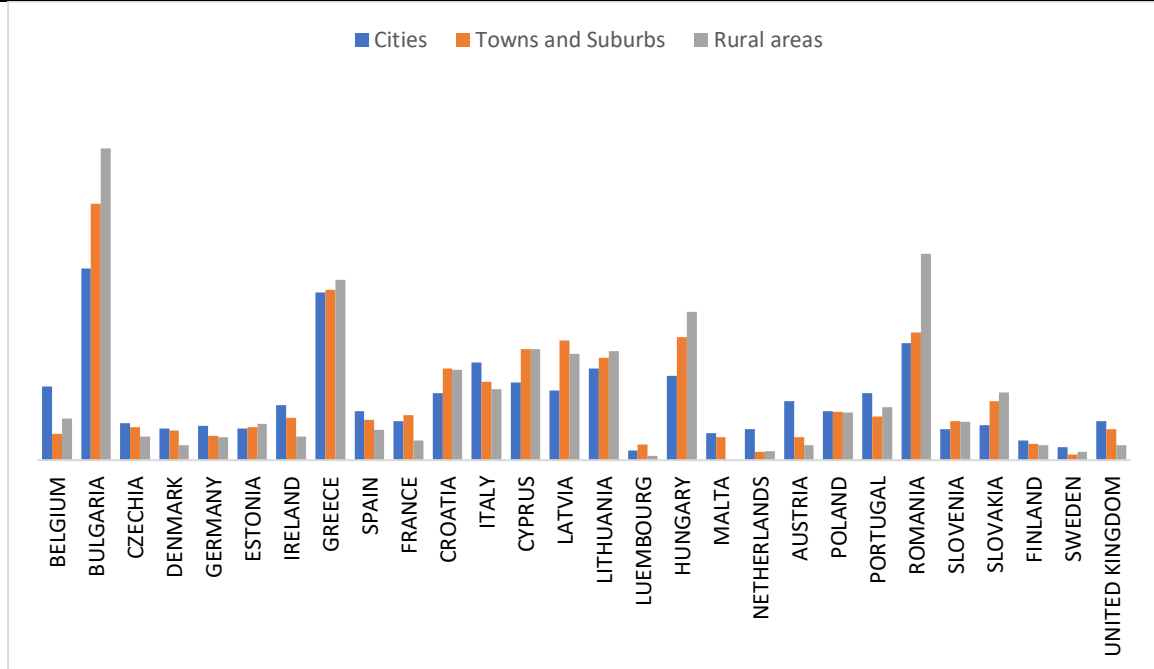
**6.8. People at risk of poverty or social exclusion**  
Overall population (N\A statistics for young population)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	30,2	28,6	29,7	29,3	30,1	:
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	16,1	17,2	17,0	16,5	15,2	:
<b>Rural Areas</b>	19,5	21,1	19,1	19,7	20,9	:



**6.9. Severe material deprivation rate**  
Overall population (N\A statistics for young population)

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Cities</b>	9,8	10,2	10,1	8,4	9,0	:
<b>Towns - Suburbs</b>	3,1	3,4	4,0	4,3	3,2	:
<b>Rural Areas</b>	3,2	6,2	4,1	4,7	5,1	:



<b>7. DISABILITY YOUNG POPULATION – 2011 statistics*</b>				
<b>7.1. Population participating in education and training by type of disability</b>				
<b>Age: 15 - 34</b>				
	<b>Difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>No difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>Limitation in work capacity</b>	<b>No limitation in work capacity</b>
<b>Belgium</b>	61,774	1.199,198	43,884	1.217,088
<b>7.2. Early leavers rate by type of disability</b>				
<b>Age: 15 - 24</b>				
	<b>Difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>No difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>Limitation in work capacity</b>	<b>No limitation in work capacity</b>
<b>Belgium</b>	23,9	10,4	40,7	9,9
<b>7.3. Tertiary educational attainment rate by type of disability</b>				
<b>Age: 30 - 34</b>				
	<b>Difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>No difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>Limitation in work capacity</b>	<b>No limitation in work capacity</b>
<b>Belgium</b>	19,6	47,0	17,8	47,0
<b>7.4. Young people neither in employment nor in education and training by type of disability</b>				
<b>Age: 15 - 29</b>				
	<b>Difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>No difficulty in basic act</b>	<b>Limitation in work capacity</b>	<b>No limitation in work capacity</b>
<b>Belgium</b>	26,1	11,4	46,3	10,7

\* In 2011, the European Union Labour Force Survey (EU-LFS) included an ad hoc module (AHM) on employment of disabled people. The module consisted of 11 variables dealing with:

- Health problems and difficulties in basic activities;
- Limitations in work caused by health problems/difficulties in basic activities;
- Special assistance needed or used by people with health problems/difficulties in basic activities;
- Limitation in work because of other reasons.

On the basis of how the module was operationalised, the following two main definitions for disability were considered for presenting the results:

- Disabled persons = People having a basic activity difficulty (such as seeing, hearing, walking, communicating);
- Disabled persons = People having a work limitation caused by a longstanding health condition and/or a basic activity difficulty.