

FACTSHEET ON EMPLOYMENT IN LATVIA



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1) Employment/ Unemployment

1.1 Employment Rate of Young People

	Sources	Year	%
Total rate of employment, age specific rate for 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	35,90
Total rate of employment, age specific rate for 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	77,90
Total rate of employment for men 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	42,80
Total rate of employment for men 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	85,40
Total rate of employment for women 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	28,70
Total rate of employment for women 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	70,10
Employment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2000	<u>Eurostat</u>	2006	29,60
Employment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2001	<u>Eurostat</u>	2006	28,80
Employment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2002	<u>Eurostat</u>	2006	31,00
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2003	Eurostat	2006	32,70
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2004	Eurostat	2006	29,70
Employment rate of 15-24years olds: year 2005	Eurostat	2006	32,60
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2006	Eurostat	2006	35,90
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2007	Eurostat	2006	38,40
Activity rate, age range 15-24	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	71,30
(Activity rate = The economically active proportion of the working age population (aged 15–64) – i.e. that part of the population in employment or actively looking for a job.)			
Activity rates by time (12 months) since leaving continuous education for the first time	Eurostat (Data- Education & Training-Education-Youth transitions from education to working life in Europe)	-	-

1.2 Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24

	Sources	Year	%
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Legislators, senior officials and managers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	94,40 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Professionals	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	150,40 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Technicians and associate professionals	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter	181,70 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Clerks	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	52,30 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Service workers and shop or market sale workers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	141,20 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	56,90 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Craft and related trades workers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	189,40 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Plant and machines	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	111,60 (1000 of persons)

Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Elementary occupations	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	137,20 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Armed forces	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	-

1.3 Unemployment Rate of Young People

	Sources	Year	%
Total rate of unemployment of young people, age 15-24	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	12,20
Total rate of unemployment of young people, age 25-29	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	6,90
Total rate of unemployment, for men 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10,50
Total rate of unemployment, for men 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	7,40
Total rate of unemployment, for women 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	14,70
Total rate of unemployment, for women 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	6,30
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2000	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	21,40
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2001	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	23,00
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2002	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	22,00
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2003	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	18,00
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2004	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	18,10
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2005	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	13,60
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2006	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	12,20
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2007	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10,70
Long-term unemployment of young people, age range 15-24	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	19,20
Long term unemployment of young people, age range 25-29	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	27,70
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, low education, total (1)	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	28,60
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, low education, men	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	19,50
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, low education, women	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	45,00
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, medium education, total	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	13,10
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, medium education, men	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	7,90
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, medium education, women	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	17,80
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, high education, total	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	-
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, high education, men	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	-
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, high education, women	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	-

(1): ("Around 43% of 15–29 year olds who are inactive and not in education do not participate in the labour market because of taking care of children or other family members or because of other family responsibilities, the vast majority of them women. Another 43% of those inactive and not in education

- most of them young males - are either discouraged by the labour market or name other reasons, with the rest being ill or suffering from a disability.") p. 37

2) Types and Quality of Employment

2.1 Type of Employment

	Sources	Year	%
Temporary Work, age range 15-24	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	14,40
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: Could not find permanent job	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	-
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: Did not want permanent job	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	39,00 (%) of those who did not want permanent job
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: In education or training	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	-
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: probationary period	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	-
Full-time work, age range 15-24	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	119,80 (1000 of persons)
Part-Time Work, age range 15-24	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	17,70 (1000 of persons)
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Other reasons	Eurostat	2007	-
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Could not find a full-time work			-
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Own disability or illness	Eurostat	2007	-
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Other personal or family responsibilities	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	-
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Looking for children or incapacitated adults	Eurostat	2007	-
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: In education or training	Eurostat	2007	72,90 of those who are in education or training
Proportion of self-employed by time (12 months) since leaving continuous education for the first time	Eurostat	2007	-
Self-employment by men, age groups 15 -24 and highest level of education attained	Eurostat	2007	-
Self-employment by women, age groups 15-24 and highest level of education attained	Eurostat	2007	-
Apprenticeship	•	Annex 1	

3) Education

3.1 Educational Level

	Sources	Year	%
Percentages of the population aged 20 to 24 having completed at least secondary education	<u>(Eurostat)</u>	2007	80,20

3.2 Early School-Leavers

Sources

Year

%

Percentages of the population aged 18-24 with at most lower secondary education and not in further education

Gender inequalities in the risks of	2004	9,50	1
poverty and social exclusion for			
disadvantaged groups in thirty			
European countries, 2006 (Eurostat)			

3.3 Formal and non-formal learning

	Sources	Year	%
Percentage of people aged 25-34 who takes part of formal education	Eurostat	2005	11,60
Percentage of people aged 25-34 who takes part of non formal education	Eurostat	2005	16,10

3.4 Support structures

Guidance and counselling for learning, career and employment	Annex 2
Support for entrepreneurship	Annex 3

ANNEX 1 : No data available

ANNEX 2 : GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING FOR LEARNING, CAREER AND EMPLOYMENT IN LATVIA

The Ministries of Education and Science (IZM), and Welfare are responsible for career guidance and counselling.The concept of career guidance in the Republic of Latvia determines its goals. The Ministry of Welfare's policy isrealised by the Professional Career Counselling State Agency (PKIVA) which is under their supervision and whichoperates in accordance with the Law on Social Security (adopted in May1995) and the Law on the Support for theUnemployedandJobSeekers(adopted in May 2002).(http://www.trainingvillage.gr/etv/Information_resources/National/Vet/Thematic/ .)

The Law of Education stipulates that district local governments ensure the provision of guidance and counselling for children and young adults while the Law of Vocational Education stipulates that the Ministry of Education and Science, organizes guidance and counselling for unemployed people and for labour market research (http://www.trainingvillage.gr/etv/Information_resources/National/Vet/Thematic/).

Clients of the *PKIVA* receive the following services: 1.) individual and group consultations on career and educational choices and professional suitability; 2.) individual consultations on employment related questions, 3.) workshops for young people and adults on career development and questions on seeking employment and 4.) consultations on educational opportunities in Latvia and abroad. *PKIVA* was created in 1987; in 2006 the agency structure consisted of 5 regional consultation centres and 19 district consultation rooms. (http://www.trainingvillage.gr/etv/Information_resources/National/Vet/Thematic/.)

Professional Career Counselling State Agency is a state institution under the Ministry of Welfare. It offers career counselling for all: young people about to choose a career; adults – whether employed, unemployed or returning to the labour market; disabled people; parents; and educators. The *PKIVA* offers not only individual but group consultations and seminars. The total number of people who used the service in 2006 is 53 463. (http://www.trainingvillage.gr/etv/Information_resources/National/Vet/Thematic/.)

The total number of employees in the Professional Career Counselling State Agency in 2006 was 89. The total number of vocational and career guidance consultants was 64. The requirement for working at the PCCSA is higher education in psychology (academic or vocational) but higher pedagogical education is also acceptable. (http://www.trainingvillage.gr/etv/Information_resources/NationalVet/Thematic/ .) Source : http://www.trainingvillage.gr/etv/Information_resources/NationalVet/Thematic/

ANNEX 3 : No data available