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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	37.40
Total rate of employment, age specific rate for 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	82.80
Total rate of employment for men 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	41.00
Total rate of employment for men 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	87.40
Total rate of employment for women 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	34.10
Total rate of employment for women 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	78.30
Employment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2000	Eurostat	2006	37.00
Employment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2001	Eurostat	2006	38.40
Employment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2002	Eurostat	2006	37.00
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2003	Eurostat	2006	37.50
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2004	Eurostat	2006	37.30
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2005	Eurostat	2006	36.70
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2006	Eurostat	2006	37.40
Employment rate of 15-24 years olds: year 2007	Eurostat	2006	37.40
Activity rate, age range 15-24 (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.)	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	41.50
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)	13.40 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Professionals	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	57.50 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Technicians and associate professionals	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	44.40 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Clerks	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	56.00 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Service workers and shop or market sale workers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	61.00 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	10.90 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Craft and related trades workers	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	53.70 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Plant and machines	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	20.60 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Elementary occupations	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	56.30 (1000 of persons)
Sector of Employment, for age range 15-24: Armed forces	Eurostat	2007 (1.quarter)	4.20 (1000 of persons)

1.3 Unemployment Rate of Young People

	Sources	Year	%
Total rate of unemployment of young people, age 15-24	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10,0
Total rate of unemployment of young people, age	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	5,90
Total rate of unemployment, for men 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	8.90
Total rate of unemployment, for men 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	5.70
Total rate of unemployment, for women 15-24 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	11.10
Total rate of unemployment, for women 25-29 years old	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	6.10
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2000	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10.10
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2001	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	8.10
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2002	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	8.10
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2003	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	8.90
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2004	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10.50
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2005	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	13.00
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2006	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10.50
Unemployment rate of under 25 years olds: year 2007	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10.00
Long-term unemployment of young people, age range 15-24	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	11.90
Long term unemployment of young people, age range 25-29	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	11.80
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, low education, total (1)	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	16.30
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, low education, men	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	9.10
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, low education, women	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	33.70
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, medium education, total	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	12.20
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, medium education, men	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	13.00
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, medium education, women	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	10.90
Share of youth not in education, employment or training, age range 20-24, high education, total	Employment in Europe 2007	2006	18.70
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	18.50

(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	<u>Eurostat</u> <u>Employment in Europe 2007</u>	2006	21.20
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: Could not find permanent job	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	65.60 of those who could not find permanent job
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: Did not want permanent job	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	13.20 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)	18.10 of those who are in education or training
Main reason for the temporary employment by age group 15-24: probationary period	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	- of those who are in probationary period
Full-time work, age range 15-24	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	31.50 (1000 of persons)
Part-Time Work, age range 15-24	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007 (1.quarter)	3.60 (1000 of persons)
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Other reasons	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	- of those who could have other reasons
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Could not find a full-time work	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	37.80 of those who could not find a full-time work
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Own disability or illness	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	- of those whose reason is own disability or illness
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Other personal or family responsibilities	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	- of those whose reason is other personal or family responsibilities
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: Looking for children or incapacitated adults	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	- of those whose reason is looking for children or incapacitated adults
Main reason for part-time employment by age group 15-24: In education or training	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	45.70 of those who are in education or training
Proportion of self-employed by time (12 months) since leaving continuous education for the first time	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	-
Self-employment by men, age groups 15 -24 and highest level of education attained	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	0.90 (%), upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education (Levels 3-4)
Self-employment by women, age groups 15-24 and highest level of education attained	<u>Eurostat</u>	2007	- upper secondary and post-secondary non-tertiary education (Levels 3-4)
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	85.80

3.2 Early School-Leavers

	Sources	Year	%
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Percentages of the population aged 18-24 with at most lower secondary education and not in further education	Gender inequalities in the risks of poverty and social exclusion for disadvantaged groups in thirty European countries, 2006 (Eurostat)	2004	18,40
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3.3 Formal and non-formal learning

	Sources	Year	%
Percentage of people aged 25-34 who takes part of formal education	Eurostat	2005	6.10
Percentage of people aged 25-34 who takes part of non formal education	Eurostat	2005	27.90

3.4 Support structures

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

ANNEX 1 : APPRENTICESHIP

No data available.

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

The main actors for guidance and counselling in Cyprus are the Ministry of Education and Culture, MoEC, the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance, MLSI and the Human Resource Development Authority, HRDA. The Counselling and Career Education Service, CCES of the MoEC offers students of public secondary general and technical schools assistance in developing personal awareness as regards their interests, needs and skills and in making suitable decisions about their education and career. Academic and vocational guidance is provided throughout the student's attendance in upper secondary education both in class sessions and on a personal basis upon request. The services are provided by qualified guidance counsellors, who have gone through specialised post-graduate education. The counsellors are placed in schools and at the central offices of the MoEC. The Vocational Guidance Service of the MLSI delivered through the Public Employment Service. In addition to the above, the HRDA presents the results of studies and information on its schemes and the options available to parents and to secondary school students through presentations and through its website. Furthermore, the Cyprus Youth Board, in cooperation with local youth organisations has developed similar information facilities. Private Counselling and Guidance Services are also expanding their activities. (CEDEFOP 2008.)

Guidance is directed mainly to students, to the unemployed as well as the employed and the economically inactive. A website has been set up by the National Resource Centre for Guidance Cyprus, in accordance with the Euroguidance initiative. The website will undergo a revision and will be updated in 2007. It provides information about education and training opportunities that exist in Cyprus, private and public, for the benefit of interested people in the EU countries, including expatriate Cypriots as well as local people (early school leavers, workers, unemployed and adult learners). The Vocational Guidance Service of the Public Employment Services, PES of the MLSI provides information to adults and secondary-school graduates on employment prospects and opportunities or on skills-training possibilities. These services also cater for school dropouts, who may be interested in joining the apprenticeship system. (CEDEFOP 2008.)

The Counselling and Career Education Service is part of the Department of Secondary Education of the Ministry of Education and Culture, MoEp. The central office is run by a chief education officer and is staffed with qualified counsellors

who have gone through specialised post-graduate education. Initial teacher training is compulsory for all new teachers, including counsellors in secondary schools. All new appointees are required by law to have proof of the Pre-service Training Programme, PTP. There are also qualified guidance counsellors, appointed in each upper secondary school, that provide vocational guidance to students both in class sessions and on a personal basis upon request. (CEDEFOP 2008.)

Sources : CEDEFOP 2008. [European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training web site.](#)

ANNEX 3 : SUPPORT FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP

No data available.