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1 INTRODUCTION

In 2006 the government of Flanders launched the 'Flanders in Action' plan aimed at strengthening Flanders' economic and innovative potential. The ultimate goal is to bring Flanders into the top of the European regions by 2020. Today Flanders is a prosperous region. Yet Flanders cannot afford to let things take their own course. The world is evolving at a high pace. We are being confronted with challenges such as the aftermath of economic and financial crisis, the subprime crisis, the energy and climate question, changing migration patterns, the ageing of the population and mobility problems. Each country and each region will have to respond to these challenges in its own way.

This analysis aims to detect regions that are yet a step ahead of Flanders as far as innovation is concerned. It thus wants to depict how Flanders is positioned compared to those 'excellent' regions. In the process a database containing statistics of 131 EU regions has also been developed. The analysis, however, concentrates on the socio-economic performance of Flanders and the set of benchmark regions.

In the recent past the Research Centre of the Government of Flanders already undertook such analyses¹. The benchmark list is composed of 15 regions. They were identified on the basis of innovation indicators: the share of highly-educated workers, participation in lifelong learning, R&D intensity, the share of workers in knowledge-intensive branches, the share of workers in creative branches and the number of patent applications.

The benchmark list consists of:

Denmark

Baden-Württemberg

Bayern

The Basque Country

Midi-Pyrénées

Oost-Nederland

West-Nederland

Zuid-Nederland

Finland

Sweden

North West (UK)

Eastern (UK)

South East (UK)

South West (UK)

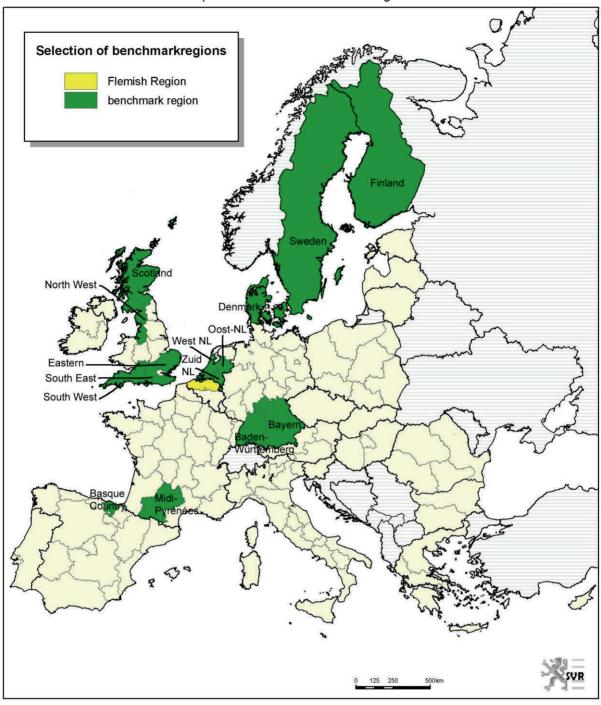
Scotland

Capital regions are not included, due to their specific economic structure.

In the statistical analysis below, Flanders will be compared to those other regions in a list of 16 regions (15 benchmark regions + Flanders).

E.g.: 'Flanders Outlook 2012– A Benchmarking of Flanders amongst the European Regions', February 2012.

Map 0: Selection of benchmark regions



The broad picture is more important than the focus on the individual ranking of Flanders amongst the benchmark regions or the whole set of 131 EU regions. It is not an analysis of how the benchmark regions have evolved, but rather of the Flemish socio-economic performance during the last years and in the light of the recent top performance of the benchmark regions. The benchmarking will monitor the ability of Flanders to catch up with the benchmark regions in the (near) future.

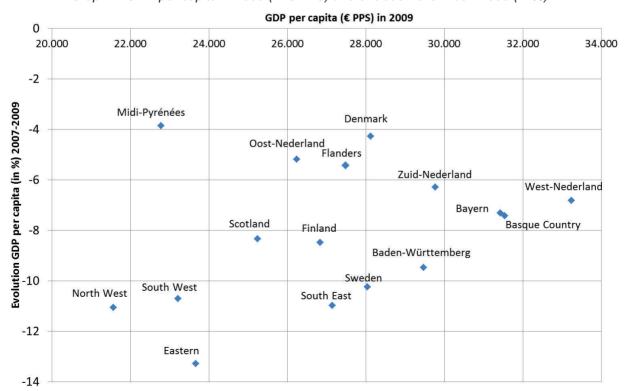
2 ECONOMIC WELFARE

Gross domestic product (GDP) is a broad measure of welfare generated in a country or region. It concerns essentially the value of goods and services produced within an area. GDP data of regions or countries within the European Union are compared by means of purchasing power standards (PPS). In doing so, income-related price differences are accounted for, putting poorer and more prosperous regions on an equal footing.

2.1 General

Flanders is a prosperous region. It is centrally located and has intensive trade relations with its rich neighbouring regions. According to official Eurostat data Flanders had a gross domestic product of € 27,477 PPS per head in 2009, placing it 8th among the 16 benchmark regions. However, the capital city of Brussels does not make part of the geographic territory of Flanders. The Flemish administration is mainly located in Brussels, as well as many of the bigger companies. Furthermore, lots of Flemish people go to work in Brussels and thus contribute to the Brussels GDP (instead of the Flemish). It is to some extent possible to attribute that part of the regional GDP that is realised by commuters to the region of origin. So after correction for commuters GDP is revised upwards to € 29,900 PPS per head in 2009 or a 4th place amongst the benchmark regions.

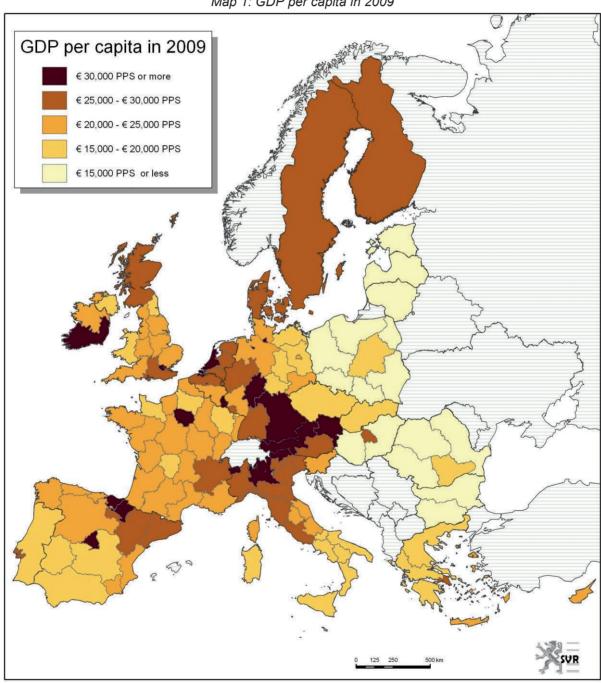
Flemish BBP per capita decreased in 2008 and 2009, which is hardly surprising given the outbreak of the financial-economic crisis. Indeed, each benchmark region had a lower GDP per head in 2009 than in 2007. Graph 1 illustrates that the relative decrease in GDP per head (vertical axis) was less pronounced in Flanders than elsewhere in the benchmark areas.



Graph 1: GDP per capita in 2009 (in € PPS) and evolution over 2007-2009 (in %)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

Since the start of this GDP series, Flanders fell back from a 5th place in 1995 to a 9th in 2003, maintaining this position until 2007 and 2008, when it stood 10th. So the result for 2009 means an improvement with 2 places. West-Nederland leads the ranking of the benchmark regions (€ 33,236 PPS), partly due to the presence of a capital city. The Basque Country is 2nd, closely followed by Bayern (€ 31,536 PPS and € 31,430 PPS). Zuid-Nederland, Baden-Württemberg, Denmark and Sweden also have a higher GDP per head than Flanders. Flanders was able to overtake Finland and the British South-East in 2009.



Map 1: GDP per capita in 2009

Despite being its capital city, Brussels is not part of the territory of Flanders. A great part of the Flemish civil service is located in Brussels; many of the bigger companies are also headquartered there. Furthermore, a large number of Flemish people commute to this city and thus contribute to the Brussels GDP (instead of the Flemish). So in an overall ranking which also contains capital cities Flanders cannot claim an outstanding position:

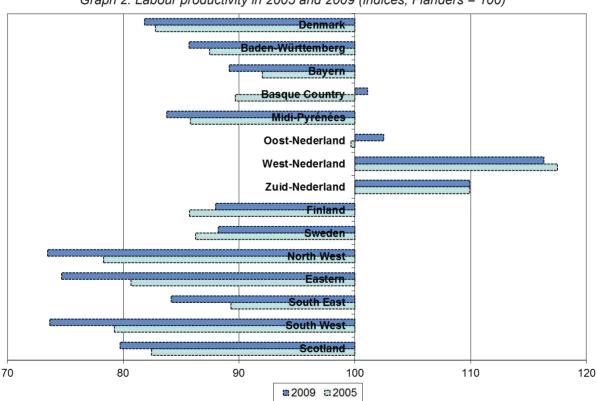
on the whole set of 131 European regions Flanders ranked 30th in 2009, yet another improvement in comparison to 2007 (33rd) or 2008 (34th). The regions that performed best were Luxembourg (\in 62,477 PPS), Brussels Capital Region (\in 52,437 PPS) and London (\in 44,459 PPS), in the wake of which other capital city regions can be found.

2.2 Decomposition of GDP per capita

The GDP per capita can be decomposed into three factors: labour productivity, the number of jobs as a % of the population aged 15 to 64, and the share of the population aged 15 to 64 among the total population. Each of these factors is important for the creation of welfare.

A high **labour productivity** is an asset for the Flemish economy. Flanders ranked 5th amongst the benchmark region in 2009 (€ 66,331 PPS per worker). This is good, but nevertheless, Flanders lost a place compared to 2008: apart from the three Dutch benchmark regions, the Basque Country was also able to perform better in 2009.

Throughout the years the Flemish position deteriorated (2nd place in 1995). In a list of all 131 benchmark regions, Flanders was 15th in 2009. This is good, but here also Flanders did better some years ago (10th in 2005).



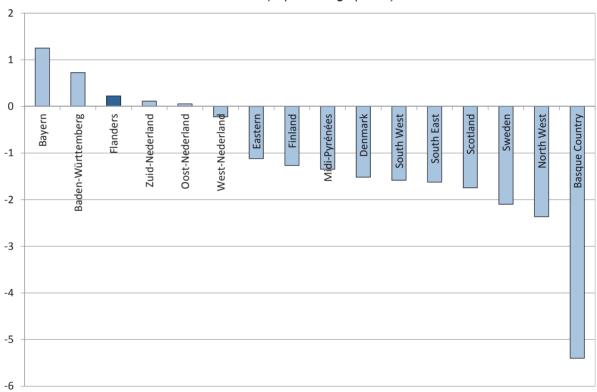
Graph 2: Labour productivity in 2005 and 2009 (indices, Flanders = 100)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

Flanders counted 62.9 **jobs per 100 people aged 15-64** in 2009, putting Flanders on a 14th place amongst the 16 benchmark regions. This is not very good. There is no improvement of its position during the last years. However, even in Flanders the number of jobs per 100 people of active age increased throughout the years (59.8% in 2000, 61.6% in 2005). Apparently other benchmark regions were also able to increase their ratio.

The indicator is highest in Denmark and in the two German Länder. Part of the mediocre performance of Flanders can be put down to the fact that quite a lot of its people commute to the Brussels region. Due to the small area of the Brussels Capital Region the place of residence (income) and the place of employment (employment and generation of GDP) are more likely to be located in two different regions than in other countries. On the broader list of all regions Flanders is 81st.

The outbreak of the crisis brought about a decrease of this indicator in most benchmark regions between 2007 and 2009. Flanders was an exception (+0.2 percentage points or ppt). The two German benchmark Länder performed even better. This contrasts sharply with the deterioration of the indicator in the Basque region.



Graph 3: Evolution of the number of available jobs in relation to people aged 15-64 year between 2007 and 2009 (in percentage points)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

The third and last factor is the **share of people aged 15-64 years**. With 65.8% in 2009 Flanders can be found on a 10th place out of 16 benchmark regions, unchanged from 2008. Over the years, the share of people aged 15-64 year decreased slightly in Flanders, deteriorating its relative position, notably in the list of all 131 regions. The Basque Country has the highest share of people on active age and this throughout the period concerned. However it is also the Basque Country where the indicator is deteriorating fastest. The indicator is lowest in Midi-Pyrénées and a number of British regions.

2.3 Wages and income

Wages and income are key indicators of a region's prosperity.

In Flanders the average wage cost per employee was 46,961 euro in 2009, ranking Flanders 12th amongst the 16 benchmark regions (ranked lowest to highest). Sweden and the British benchmark regions have the lowest cost. Only the three Dutch benchmark areas and Denmark have a higher wage cost. Flanders now stands 12th for the fifth consecutive year. However, in 2000 Flanders was 15th. This indicator must be considered in relation to labour productivity.

The ratio of the average wage cost to labour productivity is the so-called **wage cost per unit of output**. It is equal to the share of wages in gross value added. In Flanders wages account for 57% of gross value added in 2009. This is a good result (4th place amongst the benchmark regions, as in 2007 and 2008). Only Sweden, the Basque Country and Bayern score lower (= better). Denmark has the highest wage cost per unit of output (70%). It thus becomes apparent that the high labour productivity neutralises to a great extent the high labour cost in Flanders. However, in 1995 Flanders scored better with a 2nd place. In the years after that the indicator deteriorated to a 6th place in 2001. The most recent result is therefore a partial recovery. In the larger list of 131 EU regions Flanders does less well (85th place in 2009). The Mediterranean and Eastern regions generally have lower wage costs per unit of output.

Prosperity and income generated in a region are different notions, because its residents can work elsewhere. Prosperity (value added) is attributed to the region where the output is produced, income to the region of residence of those who produce output. The **net disposable income** in Flanders amounted to € 17,587 PPS per head (based on final consumption) in 2009. This allows for a 6th place out of 16 benchmark regions for the third consecutive year by now (in 2005 it was 8th; in 2006 7th). The highest disposable income per head was registered in the Basque Country, Baden-Württemberg en the British South East. Missing values do not allow for Flanders to be ranked amongst the 131 EU regions.

The Flemish real annual growth rate of value added amounted to 1.5% during 2000-2009 (Eurostat data). This is mediocre in a comparison of the benchmark regions (table 1). Only Denmark and Baden-Württemberg had substantially lower growth rates. Real growth rates were highest in the Basque Country, Sweden and in almost all British benchmark regions. However, Flanders weathered the recession period better than most benchmark areas. Baden-Württemberg, and to a lesser extent Sweden and Denmark experienced the sharpest fall in real gross value added (no data available for Finland and Midi-Pyrénées).

Table 1: Real annual growth rates of value added in Flanders and the benchmark regions, 2000, 2001-2003, 2004-2007, 2008-2009 and 2000-2009 (%)

	Expansive business cycle 2000	Contractive business cycle 2001-2003	Expansive business cycle 2004-2007	Recession 2008-2009	Whole period 2000-2009
Flanders	3.6	1.0	2.7	-1.0	1.5
Denmark	4.2	0.5	2.2	-2.6	0.9
Baden-Württemberg	4.1	0.6	2.6	-3.8	8.0
Bayern	6.0	1.5	2.8	-2.6	1.6
Basque Country	4.3	2.4	3.6	-1.2	2.3
Midi-Pyrénées	3.0	2.7	2.4	-	-
Oost-Nederland	4.5	1.0	3.1	-1.0	1.8
West-Nederland	3.5	1.0	3.2	-0.3	1.8
Zuid-Nederland	5.4	0.4	3.0	-1.9	1.4
Finland	6.1	1.7	4.3	-	-
Sweden	4.5	2.0	3.7	-2.8	2.0
North West (UK)	0.4	3.8	3.1	-2.6	1.9
East of England	6.2	2.7	2.2	-1.4	2.0
South East (UK)	4.7	3.0	1.8	-2.2	1.6
South West (UK)	7.0	3.0	2.3	-1.3	2.3
Scotland	4.1	3.4	3.2	-1.0	2.5

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

To invest is to believe in the future. A high investment ratio is typical of the Flemish economy (23.5% in 2008). There are many lacking data. Based on the available information Flanders is a top region as investment is concerned. Oost-Nederland (23.0% in 2007), Bayern (22.0% in 2008) and the Basque country (21.9% in 2007) also rank relatively high.

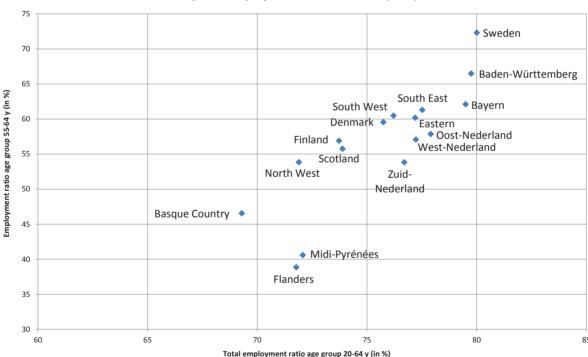
3 LABOUR MARKET

The Flemish **employment rate**², according to Eurostat, amounted to 71.8% in 2011. Only the Basque Country has a lower rate amongst the 16 benchmark regions (now for the fourth consecutive year). Employment rate has always been low in Flanders. There is, however, an improvement since 1999 (67.9%), which apparently was not enough to improve its ranking among the benchmark regions. The employment rate in Flanders peaked in 2008 (72.3%). In 2009 there was a decrease due to the financial and economic crisis of that year. In 2010 the rate increased again to 72.1%, followed by a slight deterioration in 2011.

The top performers of the benchmark regions are Sweden (80.0%) and Baden-Württemberg and Bayern (79.8% and 79.5%).

Flanders did relatively well during the crisis years. Its employment rate decreased with 0.5 percentage point (ppt) between 2008 and 2011, slightly more than in Sweden (-0.4 ppt). Only the German benchmark Länder were able to increase their employment rate between 2008 and 2011. All the other regions suffered bigger losses, worst of which was Denmark (-4.2 ppt).

In a perspective of the 131 EU regions, Flanders is 37th. Nowadays Flanders does rather well, but a few years ago its position was less good (56th in 2006, 52nd in 2007).



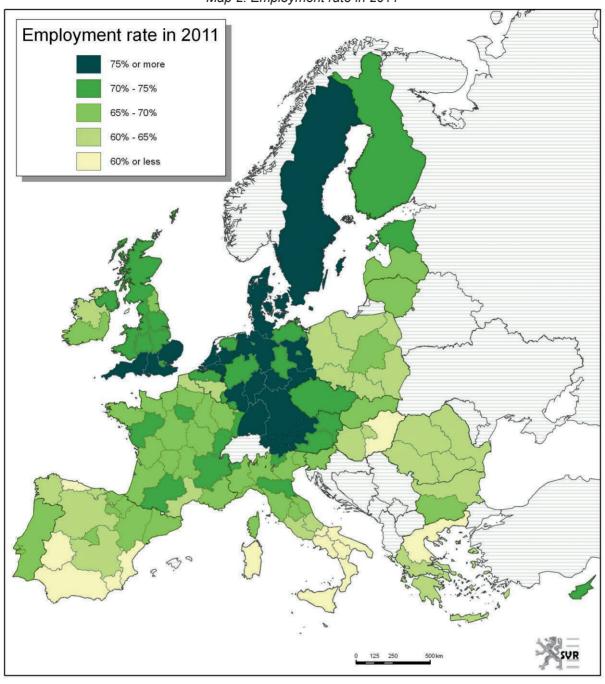
Graph 4: Employment rates in 2011 (in %)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

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The number of workers living in a region as a % of people aged 20-64 y.

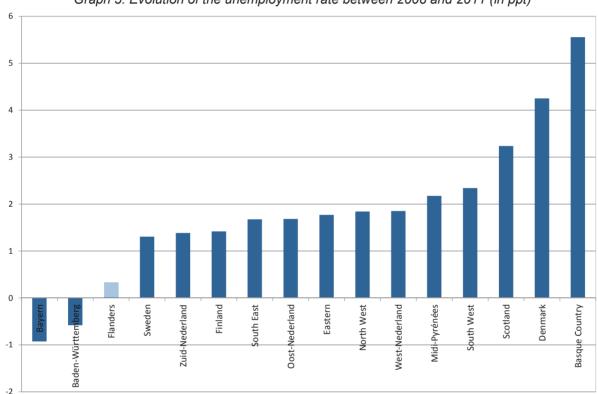
Map 2: Employment rate in 2011



An important reason for the low overall employment rate in Flanders is the relatively low numbers of people at work aged 55-64. The employment rate of that age category was only 38.9% in 2011, the lowest score of all 16 benchmark regions. Over the last 10 years there was, however, an obvious improvement (2001: 24.6%). But the other areas also did better, so the position of Flanders remained the same ever throughout the years. Nonetheless, the gap with the second lowest (Midi-Pyrénées: 40.6% in 2011) is gradually narrowing. The employment rate among the 55-64 year-olds is especially high in Sweden (72.3%). It is noteworthy that 13 out of the 16 benchmark regions have a rate higher than 50. Contrary to the overall indicator the employment rate of older workers was generally less affected by the crisis. Between 2008 and 2011, the indicator only declined in the British benchmark regions and in Midi-Pyrénées. The older workers' employment rate increased by 4.5 ppt in Flanders during those years, only inferior to the increase in the two German benchmark Länder. In a

broader context of all the EU regions Flanders also performs less well (98th in 2011), worse than in 2010 (93rd), but better in a longer time perspective (e.g. 117th in 2006).

The unemployment rate in Flanders is relatively low (4.3% in 2011 or a 4th place amongst the benchmark regions). The unemployment rate saw an increase in 2009, due to the economic downturn. This increase continued in 2010 only to be reversed in 2011. Within just a few years, Flanders improved its relative position (10th in 2005, 5th in 2008). In 2011 only Baden-Württemberg, Bayern and Zuid-Nederland had lower unemployment rates. Here also Flanders did relatively well during the crisis years. In comparison to 2008, the Flemish unemployment rate increase by 0.3 ppt. Again, only the two German benchmark areas performed better (they even saw a decrease!). The unfavourable evolution in the Basque Country between 2008 and 2011 is remarkable (+5.6 ppt).



Graph 5: Evolution of the unemployment rate between 2008 and 2011 (in ppt)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

In the ranking of 131 EU regions Flanders is 7th in 2011, thus improving its position relative to 2010 (13th). Here too it appears that the Flemish labour market did relatively better during the economic downturn around 2009.

The male unemployment rate was at 4.2% in 2011, almost as high as the female rate (4.3%). Nowadays, there's not much difference between male and female unemployment rates. The recent crisis was indeed more perceptible in industry – a branch that employs more men than women. This caused the male unemployment rate to rise faster. Flanders ranks 4th amongst the benchmark regions for both the male and female rates, in either case two places better than in 2010. But on the larger ranking, Flanders is 12th for men and 7th for women. In particular, Flanders was able to improve its position in the ranking of the female unemployment.

The **long-term unemployment rate** (longer than one year) decreased to 1.6% in 2011, ranking Flanders 7th in the benchmark list, which means an improvement by 3 places compared to 2010. The differences between the benchmark regions are not that big. Bayern has the lowest long-term unemployment rate (1.3%). The Basque Country suffers from the highest rate (5.1%). Throughout the past few years Flanders was able to improve its position; in 2006 it stood 14th. In the ranking of all 131 European areas, Flanders can be found at a 12th place. This is an improvement compared to 2010 (20th). In 2006 Flanders was 52nd, which illustrates how good the Flemish performance was.

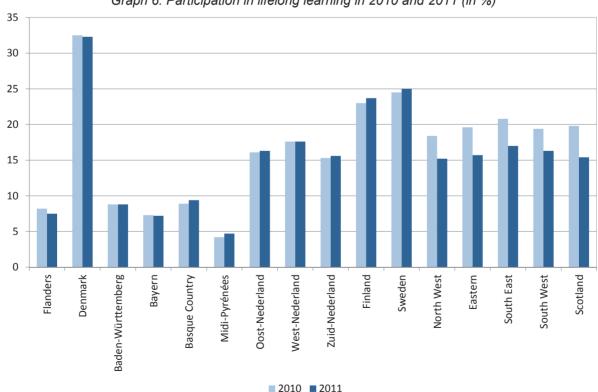
Part-time employment makes up 25.8% of total employment in Flanders in 2011. This is rather low compared to other benchmark areas. In the 3 Dutch benchmark areas about half of the workers are engaged in part-time work. The share of part-time work is gradually increasing in Flanders as well as in the other benchmark regions. So Flanders' position does not change much over time. In the list of 131 European regions Flanders is 27th, somewhat lower than the previous years.

4 INNOVATION

The innovation process can be subdivided into five steps³. These represent the different stages of the innovation process: a region that innovates must have a well-educated workforce and workers must be able and willing to learn new techniques whilst at work. This is an important prerequisite for research and development. However, this can only be turned into welfare if the knowledge is implemented in products and services that can be sold. Entrepreneurship is therefore essential. Apart from that, a sufficient number of people must be working in knowledge-intensive or creative sectors. Finally, patents are the last step in the process: they ensure that the knowledge created will remain the property of the inventor long enough so as to be able to make money out of it.

4.1 Prerequisites to innovation

Flanders has a well-**educated workforce**. In 2010, 39.3% of the workforce had tertiary education. This is good for a 3rd place amongst the benchmark regions. The Basque Country has by far the highest score (51.0%). Scotland (39.9%) overtook Flanders in 2010. Furthermore, Midi-Pyrénées and Finland also have high ratios. The German benchmark Länder and Zuid- and Oost-Nederland have the lowest share of tertiary educated workers (less than 30%). In the list of 131 EU regions Flanders was 14th in 2010, two places lower than in 2009. Flanders is, however, losing some ground in this broader ranking (8th place in 2006). The broader top consists mainly of capital areas and some Spanish regions.



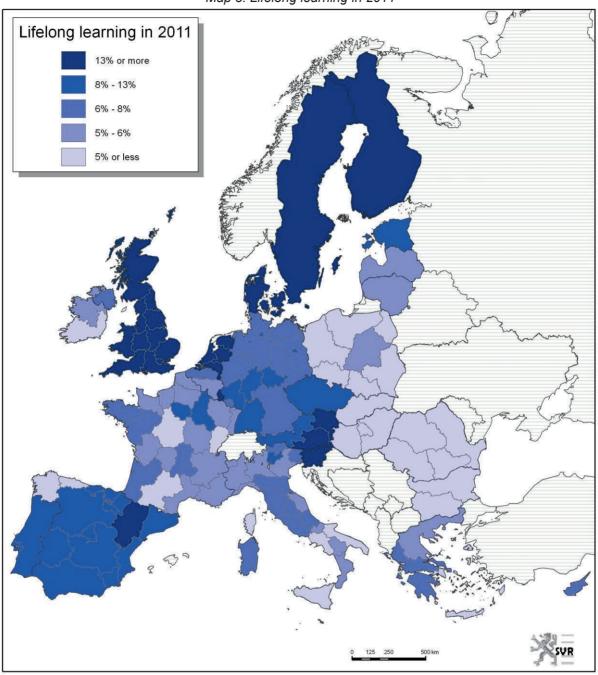
Graph 6: Participation in lifelong learning in 2010 and 2011 (in %)

Source: Eurostat. Research Centre of the Flemish Government

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Inspiration was found in the European Innovation Scoreboard and the reports on economic and social cohesion of the European Commission.

Map 3: Lifelong learning in 2011



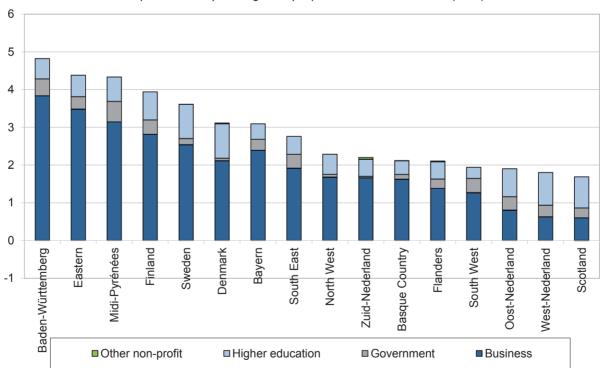
Flanders does not perform as well on **lifelong learning**: in 2011, 7.5% of the adult population participated in lifelong learning. Only Midi-Pyrénées and Bayern did worse. The Scandinavian countries are top performers in this respect: Denmark (32.3%), Sweden (25.0%) and Finland (23.7%). All other benchmark regions have at least a double digit rate, except for Baden-Württemberg (8.8%). In 2002 the Flemish share of lifelong learning was 6.7%. This augmented to 9.8% in 2004. But from then on there was a decrease until 2009 (7.4%). Flanders did somewhat better in 2010 (8.2%), a performance that it could not repeat in 2011.

In the overall ranking of 131 areas Flanders is 55th in 2011, as in 2009. The improvement in 2010 was not lasting. The top of the 131 EU regions is largely composed of Scandinavian, British and Spanish regions. Lifelong learning is the least widespread in the Romanian and Bulgarian regions.

4.2 Creation of knowledge

According to Eurostat data the Flemish **expenditures for research and development (R&D)** equalled 2.11% of GDP in 2009, an increase for the 3rd consecutive year. But compared to 10 years earlier it has dropped. The 2009 result is good for a 12th place amongst the benchmark regions. This is a slight worsening compared to 2008 and the previous years, meaning that other regions are also making efforts. The top regions are Baden-Württemberg (4.82%), Eastern (UK) (4.38%), Midi-Pyrénées (4.33%), Sweden (3.61%). In the broader list of regions the Flemish position is deteriorating throughout the years. In 1999 Flanders stood 19th and in 2008 30th. Thus Flanders still ranks in the first quartile.

Business is generally the most important source of R&D. Government and higher education are of lesser importance. There is not much difference in the position of Flanders in each of these subrankings. With 1.38% of its GDP devoted to business R&D in 2009, Flanders does somewhat better in the broader ranking of all regions (26th). Flemish **government** R&D amounted to 0.25% of GDP in 2009. **Higher education** R&D was 0.46%. With respect to that large set of EU regions Flanders does less well on the government (45th place) or higher education R&D list (49th place). The decrease in the overall R&D percentage is solely due to business investments. The ratio for government and higher education R&D increased over the last 10 years.



Graph 7: R&D spending as a proportion of GDP in 2009 (in %)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

4.3 Innovation and entrepreneurship

Innovation and entrepreneurship will be measured by the share of self-employed people in the total workforce, which is a broad measure of existing entrepreneurship.

In 2011 14.3% of the Flemish workforce was **self-employed**. This indicator is decreasing for the second year (15.1% in 2009, 14.6% in 2010). Flanders ranks 9th amongst the benchmark regions in 2011, coming from a 4th place in 2009. In earlier years Flanders was a top region (2nd place in 2006). But the differences between the benchmark regions are not big: South West (UK) is leading (16.8%). Self-employment is relatively low in Denmark (9.1%) and Sweden (10.5%). In the ranking of all EU regions Flanders is 76th in 2011. Here also, its position is steadily worsening. Self-employment is more widespread in Mediterranean and Eastern EU regions which can be due to the lack of sufficient salaried jobs.

4.4 Application of innovation

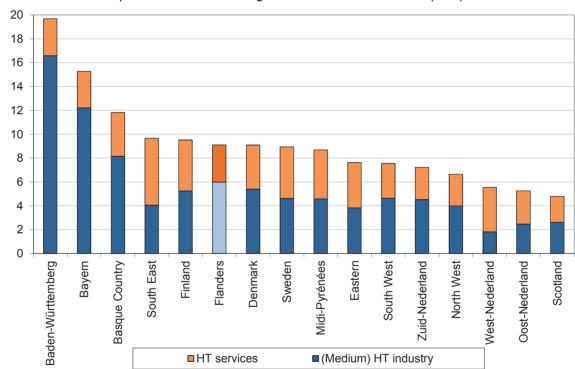
For an economy to be innovative, enough **people must be working in knowledge intensive companies or branches**. These are having a high R&D percentage with respect to turnover. It concerns companies in the medium-high-tech or high-tech industry or knowledge-intensive services (e.g. construction of telecommunication equipment, chemistry, computers, electrical appliances, research,...). Starting from 2008 the definition makes use of the new NACE 2008 classification of branches. Therefore, a comparison with previous years is not straightforward. In 2011 9.1% of Flemish employees was working in such sectors, putting Flanders on a 6th place among the benchmark regions. Baden-Württemberg (19.7%) and to a lesser extent Bayern (15.3%) are the top regions. The Basque Country, South East (UK) and Finland are also preceding Flanders. The performance of the Basque Country is noteworthy, because in 1995 it ranked after Flanders. The 3 Dutch areas and Scotland have the least high ratios. Over the years the place of Flanders did not change much. In the whole EU ranking Flanders is at place 36. This is less good than a few years earlier. Baden-Württemberg is also taking the lead in the greater ranking.

In the subcategory of the **medium-high-tech and high-tech industry** (manufacturing). Flanders does better (6.0% in 2011 or a 4th place) than in the overall ranking. Here again the two German benchmark Länder take the pole position, followed by the Basque Country. The British and Dutch regions are lagging behind. Although a comparison over time is difficult due to the change in classification, it appears that only the German benchmark Länder, the Basque Country and Finland were able to maintain or even increase their share compared to the base year 1995. In the ranking of all the EU regions Flanders stands 39th. This is because quite a lot of the new member states have a relatively great weight of the industrial sector in their economies. Apart from that, Flanders' position in that larger ranking deteriorated somewhat during the last years.

Flanders is doing less well in the ranking of **knowledge-intensive services**, encompassing high-tech, market and financial services. At 11.9% in 2011, Flanders is 12th amongst the benchmark regions. In 2010 Flanders was 13th, but in 2009 (10th) and 2008 (8th) its ranking was better. The highest ratios could be noted in the British South East, Eastern (UK) and West-Nederland (18.1%, 16.3% and 15.6%). There are, however, no big differences between the subsequent regions. Zuid-Nederland has the lowest share of knowledge intensive

workers (10.9%). In the broader ranking of 131 EU regions Flanders is 36th. Capital areas generally have the highest ratios.

- In the subsector of **high-tech services** Flanders scores 3.1% in 2011 (9th place). The British South East is the leading benchmark region (5.6%). Furthermore, Sweden, Finland and Midi-Pyrénées are also scoring high (more than 4%). Flanders lost a place in comparison to 2010, but is still doing better than in 2008 (13th).
- Flanders does also relatively well on the broader scale of 131 EU regions (26th in 2011).
- Flanders is not specialised in **knowledge-intensive market services** (5.5% in 2011). Only the Basque Country and Baden-Württemberg are doing worse (4.9% and 5.3%). Sweden takes the lead (9.2%), before West-Nederland and the British South East. Flanders' position in the ranking of all EU regions is mediocre (62nd).
- Finally, 3.3% of Flemish work in **financial services**. This allows for a 6th place amongst the benchmark regions, as high as in 2010. Most British regions and Bayern have higher ratios. Finland and Sweden are bringing up the rear. In the ranking of 131 EU regions Flanders is 34th in 2011.



Graph 8: Share of knowledge-intensive workers in 2011 (in %)

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

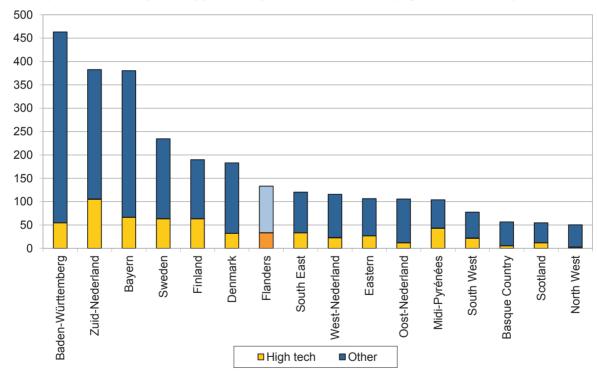
Employment in **creative industries** deserves special attention. An economy needs entrepreneurs and workers who elaborate ideas and who turn them into practical appliances, material (e.g. designers) or non-material (e.g. artists). In 2011 44.2% of the Flemish labour force was working in creative industries. This is good for an 8th place amongst the benchmark regions, 1 place better than in 2010. In Midi-Pyrénées and the British South East half of the workers are in creative industries. The Basque Country has the lowest ratio (37.0%). Furthermore the differences between the benchmark regions are not big. Flanders does well in the ranking of 131 EU regions (20th place). The top positions are taken by capital regions that are real hubs for creative industries.

4.5 Intellectual property

The final step in the innovation process is the patent application. But not all research automatically results in a patent application. Therefore some caution is needed in interpreting these data.

Flanders counted 133 patent applications per million inhabitants in 2008. This allowed for a 7th place in the benchmark listing, the same as in 2007 and better than some years earlier (9th in 2006). There are huge differences among the benchmark regions. Baden-Württemberg (463) and to a lesser extent Zuid-Nederland (383) and Bayern (380) are clearly areas with an intensive patent application. This contrasts with the Basque Country and some British regions that have less than 100 patent applications per million inhabitants. In the set of all European regions Flanders can be found on a 21st position.

In the subcategory of high-tech patent applications, Flanders is also 7th (34 per million inhabitants). Zuid-Nederland is by far the best performing region (106 applications). The German regions and Finland and Sweden are also doing well (between 50 and 70 applications). The Flemish position in the broader list of 131 EU regions is good (12th place in 2008, and improving compared to 2007 and earlier years).



Graph 9: Number of patent applications per million inhabitants (high tech and other) in 2008

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

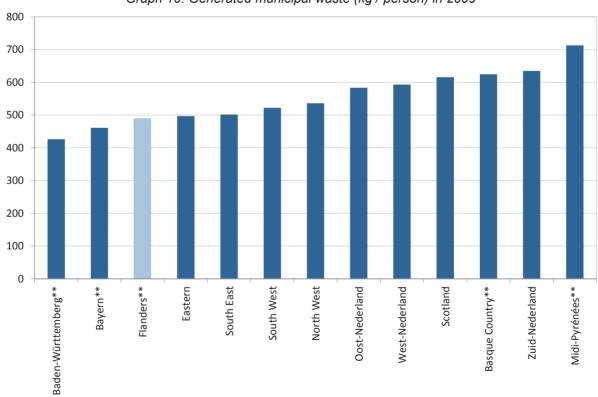
5 TOPIC: SOME ADDITIONAL ASPECTS OF SUSTAINABILITY

The European Union has outlined a strategy for its development in the coming decade: the EU 2020 growth strategy. The emphasis is on a smart, sustainable and inclusive economy. These priorities should bring about high levels of employment, productivity and social cohesion. To that end Eurostat has set up a monitoring system covering statistics in the field of employment, innovation, education, social inclusion and climate/energy. These aspects of durability are only partially encompassed in the basic analysis, due to the larger availability of data the standard benchmarking is confined to economic, social and innovative aspects.

In what follows, some indicators about waste, material recycling and poverty and social exclusion will be analysed for Flanders and the benchmark regions. There are, however, missing data.

5.1 Generated municipal waste and recycled materials

Generated municipal waste is collected by or on behalf of municipal authorities and disposed of through the waste management system. Households are the main source of municipal waste.



Graph 10: Generated municipal waste (kg / person) in 2009*

* no data for Denmark, Finland and Sweden

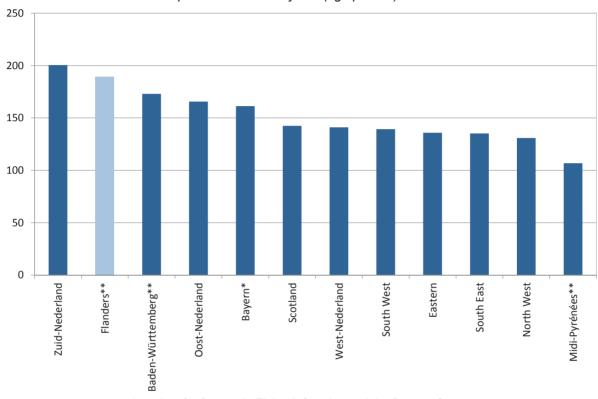
** 2008 data

Source: Eurostat, Research Centre of the Flemish Government

Compared to the benchmark regions that have data, Flanders does relatively well: according to Eurostat it generated 490 kg of municipal waste per person in 2008. The two German benchmark Länder have lower scores. The British regions are also doing relatively well (by

and large 500 kg), with the exception of Scotland. Midi-Pyrénées generated the biggest amount per person (713 kg in 2008).

Flanders does also well as far as recycled material is concerned (190 kg / person in 2008). Zuid-Nederland is best performing (200 kg). Many regions score in the range of 130 – 170 kg. Midi-Pyrénées is doing worst (107 kg).



Graph 11: Material recycled (kg / person) in 2009*

* no data for Denmark, Finland, Sweden and the Basque Country

** 2008 data

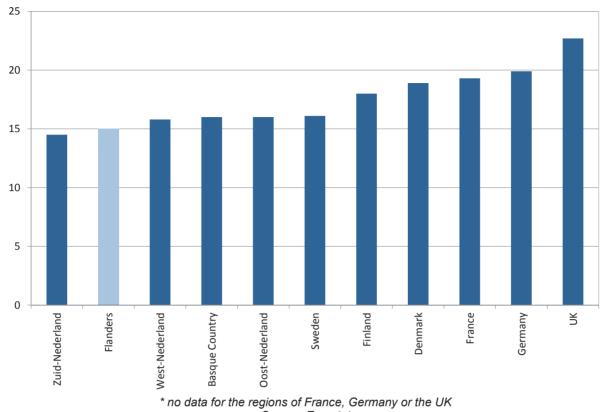
Source: Eurostat. Research Centre of the Flemish Government

5.2 Poverty and social exclusion

A broad indicator of poverty and social exclusion sums up the number of persons who are at risk of poverty, severely materially deprived and / or living in households with very low work intensity. Persons present in several of those subcategories are counted only once in the overall indicator. The data for France, Germany and the UK cover the country as a whole which may not be representative for the benchmark regions in those countries.

According to this broad indicator 15.0% of Flemish people were living in poverty or at risk of social exclusion in 2011. This is quite low in comparison to the other regions and countries. Zuid-Nederland scores lowest (14.5%). The other Dutch benchmark regions, the Basque Country and Sweden also have comparatively low rates (around 16%). France, Germany and especially the UK (22.7%) have the highest percentages of people in poverty and social exclusion, which is not necessarily a good indicator of the situation in their respective benchmark regions.

In 2005 this indicator stood at 17.0% in Flanders, meaning there was an improvement by 2 ppt. Most other regions or countries saw a worsening of their indicator since 2005.



Graph 12: Number of persons at risk of poverty and social exclusion in 2011 (% of total population)*

Source: Eurostat

The level of sub-indicators provides more insight.

A first sub-indicator is the number of people, aged 0-59 years, living in **households with very low work intensity**. These households are defined as containing working age members who worked less than 20% of their potential during the past year.

In 2011 8.5% of Flemish people aged 0-59 years were living in a household with very low work intensity. This is about as good as Zuid-Nederland or the Basque Country. Sweden (6.8%) and Oost-Nederland (7.7%) have the best (= lowest) results. The UK, Denmark and Germany have double-digit rates. In 2005 Flanders still had 10.0% of people living in households with very low work intensity, which was then rather high.

Material deprivation refers to items relating to economic strain and durables. Severely materially deprived people lack at least four of the following: to pay rent or utility bills, to keep their home adequately warm, to pay unexpected expenses, to eat meat, fish or a protein equivalent every second day, a week of holiday away from home, a car, a washing machine, a colour TV or a telephone.

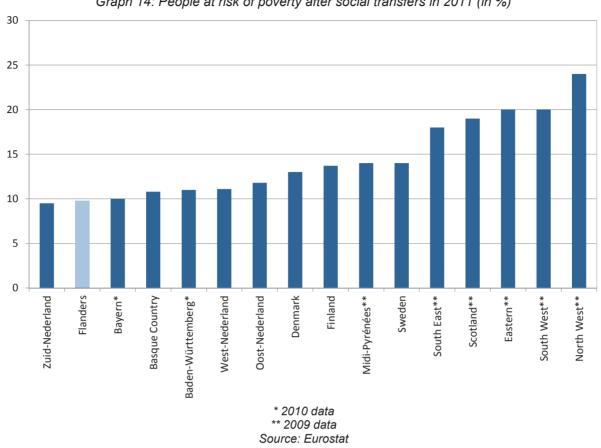
Flanders scores 2.9% in 2011 which is mediocre to good. Sweden (1.2%) and Zuid-Nederland (1.8%) have the lowest percentage of severely materially deprived persons. The 3 big countries in this comparison, Germany, France and the UK, have the highest rates (slightly more than 5%). Again, this is not necessarily representative for the benchmark regions in those countries.

Graph 13: People aged 0-59 year living in households with very low work intensity and severe material deprivation rate in 2011 (in %)



Source: Eurostat

A last sub-indicator deals with **people at risk of poverty after social transfers**. These are persons with an equivalised disposable income below the risk-of-poverty threshold, which is set at 60% of the national median equivalised disposable income after social transfers. Flanders does well on this indicator. In 2011 it scored 9.8% of the population, leaving only Zuid-Nederland before (9.5%). The other Dutch and German benchmark regions as well as the Basque Country all have reasonable values. The British benchmark areas however, have distinctly higher values.



Graph 14: People at risk of poverty after social transfers in 2011 (in %)

6 CONCLUSION

Flanders ranks high on the socio-economic indicators of the 131 EU regions. It is thus a prosperous region. But its welfare cannot be taken for granted. Flanders must continue to evolve as an innovation-driven economy. It must have a well-educated workforce that is able to turn R&D into products and services that can be sold and ensure a high value added. On the basis of technological and innovative indicators 15 regions have been determined to be ahead of Flanders. These regions are therefore the benchmark regions.

With a **GDP** per capita of \in 27,477 PPS in 2009, Flanders ranks 8th on a list of 16 benchmark regions or 30th amongst the 131 EU regions (if a correction for commuters is applied, Flemish GDP amounts to \in 29,900 PPS in 2009, placing it 4th amongst the benchmark regions). Since the mid-nineties Flanders has lost some places in the ranking. Its position has not changed much since 2007, however.

A high **labour productivity** is the main motor behind Flemish welfare. In this respect Flanders is one of the best performers, with only a slight deterioration during the last five years.

The number of jobs is relatively moderate due to the economic hub of neighbouring Brussels. Many workers from Flanders commute to the Brussels-Capital Region, thus contributing to the Brussels GDP, but taking their incomes home where they live.

The share of people aged 15 to 64 is not an asset for Flanders. Flanders has a relatively high average wage cost per employee, which is compensated though by a high labour productivity.

The inhabitants of Flanders have, on average, a relatively high disposable income. During the last years and up until 2006, some benchmark regions tended to perform better. In 2009, however, Flanders ranked 6th, as it did in the two previous years and one place better than in 2006.

The **employment rate** has always been relatively low in Flanders, especially in the older age groups. However, Flanders is gradually performing better on the broader ranking of 131 EU regions.

On the other hand, the **unemployment rate** is quite low in Flanders. In 2011 only three benchmark regions scored better. As far as long-term unemployment is concerned, Flanders is now 7th among the 15 benchmark regions. Over the years, Flanders has been improving its position.

The performance of Flanders in the **innovation process** remains mixed: it has a well-educated workforce, but lifelong learning is less common than in most benchmark regions.

R&D spending as a % of GDP is moderate in comparison with the other benchmark regions. Flanders' position has not changed much since 2008. The strong achievement of the benchmark regions comes as no surprise, given that this was one of the indicators used to identify better performing regions. Moreover, compared to all 131 EU regions, Flanders is positioned among the first quarter of best performing areas. The share of the **self-employed** in the total workforce has dropped significantly from a 2nd position in 2006 to a 9th place in 2011. In a broader setting of 131 EU regions, Flanders again holds a mediocre position, but this also has to do with the need for self-employment as a means of living in Southern and Eastern EU regions.

Flanders' performance is again mediocre in terms of the number of workers in **knowledge-intensive sectors**. It ranked 6th amongst the benchmark regions in 2011, broadly unchanged since 2008. However, Flanders has been catching up as to the number of **patent applications**. Still, it ranks only 7th in the benchmark list in 2008. As far as the last indicator is concerned, Flanders is among the first quarter of best performing EU regions. In order to enhance its future capability of welfare generation Flanders must make sure to improve its overall performance on the innovative indicators. This is all the more urgent because many countries and regions are aware of the importance of innovation as the driver of welfare.

Topic

In the topic, SVR studied Flanders' position amongst the benchmark regions in the field of **sustainability**, covering **waste treatment**, poverty and social exclusion.

Flanders is doing well, both in terms of generated municipal waste (3rd best among the benchmark regions) and in the amount of material recycled (2nd position).

The Flemish Region is also doing better than most benchmark regions as far as **poverty** is concerned. Measured by the broad indicator, summing up the number of persons that are at risk of poverty, severely materially deprived or living in households with very low work intensity, Flanders ranked second best. Moreover, as opposed to most other benchmark regions, Flanders has seen an improvement since 2005. Flanders scores best as regards the sub-indicator of people at risk of poverty after social transfers. By this measure, Flanders is 2^{nd} best among the benchmark regions. The sub-indicator of material deprivation refers to items relating to economic strain and to the lack of certain essential durables. Here, Flanders' score is mediocre to good. The same goes as far as the sub-indicator of people living in households with very low work intensity is concerned.

Annex: Key indicators for Flanders and the benchmark regions

	Population	Population density (inhabitants / km²)	Employment rate 20-64 y (in %)	Employment rate 55-64 y (in %)	Unemployment rate (in %)	Long-term unemployment rate (in %)
	1/1/2010	1/01/2010	2011	2011	2011	2011
EU27	501,120,157	114	68.6	47.4	9.6	4.2
EU25	472,094,261	117	68.9	47.8	9.7	4.2
EU15	397,782,842	120	69.6	49.4	9.6	4.1
be Belgium	10,839,905	355	67.3	38.7	7.1	3.4
cz Czech Republic	10,506,813	133	70.9	47.6	6.7	2.7
dk Denmark	5,534,738	128	75.7	59.6	7.6	1.8
de Germany	81,802,257	229	76.3	59.9	5.9	2.8
ee Estonia	1,340,127	31	70.4	57.2	12.5	7.1
gr Greece	11,305,118	86	59.9	39.4	17.7	8.8
es Spain	45,989,016	91	61.6	44.5	21.6	9.0
fr France	64,694,497	103	68.7	41.4	9.7	4.2
ie Ireland	4,467,854	64	64.1	50.0	14.4	8.6
it Italy	60,340,328	200	61.2	37.9	8.4	4.4
cy Cyprus	819,140	144	73.8	55.2	7.7	1.6
Iv Latvia	2,248,374	35	67.2	51.1	15.4	8.4
It Lithuania	3,329,039	51	67.2	50.5	15.4	8.0
<i>lu</i> Luxembourg (Grand-Duché)	502,066	194	70.1	39.2	4.9	1.4
hu Hungary	10,014,324	108	60.7	35.8	10.9	5.2
mt Malta	414,372	1,313	61.5	31.8	6.4	3.0
nl Netherlands	16,574,989	399	77.0	56.1	4.4	1.5
at Austria	8,375,290	100	75.2	41.5	4.1	1.1
<i>pl</i> Poland	38,167,329	122	64.8	36.9	9.6	3.6
pt Portugal	10,637,713	116	69.1	47.9	12.7	6.1
si Slovenia	2,046,976	101	68.4	31.2	8.2	3.6
sk Slovakia	5,424,925	111	65.1	41.4	13.5	9.2
fi Finland	5,351,427	16	73.8	57.0	7.8	1.7
se Sweden	9,340,682	21	80.0	72.3	7.5	1.4
uk United Kingdom	62,026,962	255	73.6	56.7	8.0	2.7
bg Bulgaria	7,563,710	68	63.9	43.9	11.2	6.3
ro Romania	21,462,186	90	62.8	40.0	7.4	3.1
be1 Brussels Hoofdstedelijk Gewest	1,089,538	6,767	58.2	45.0	16.9	9.8
be2 Vlaams Gewest	6,251,983	462	71.8	38.9	4.3	1.6

be3 Région Wallonne	3,498,384	208	62.2	36.9	9.5	5.0
cz0 Czech Republic	10,506,813	133	70.9	47.6	6.7	2.7
dk0 Denmark	5,534,738	128	75.7	59.6	7.6	1.8
de1 Baden- Württemberg	10,744,921	301	79.8	66.5	3.6	1.4
de2 Bayern	12,510,331	177	79.5	62.1	3.3	1.3
de3 Berlin	3,442,675	3,860	70.1	54.6	11.9	6.0
de4 Brandenburg	2,511,525	85	76.9	60.9	8.8	4.6
de5 Bremen	661,716	1,637	70.4	57.4	7.9	3.0
de6 Hamburg	1,774,224	2,349	76.7	58.1	5.4	2.5
de7 Hessen	6,061,951	287	77.1	59.4	4.7	1.9
de8 Mecklenburg-	0,001,931	201	77.1	33.4	4.7	1.9
Vorpommern	1,651,216	71	73.4	55.6	10.2	5.5
de9 Niedersachsen	7,928,815	167	76.4	59.3	5.6	2.6
dea Nordrhein- Westfalen	17,872,763	524	73.7	57.0	6.4	3.2
deb Rheinland-Pfalz	4,012,675	202	76.5	59.6	4.8	1.9
dec Saarland	1,022,585	398	71.9	54.7	6.1	3.2
ded Sachsen	4,168,732	226	75.7	60.2	9.4	5.3
dee Sachsen-Anhalt	2,356,219	115	75.0	57.7	10.4	6.3
def Schleswig-						
Holstein	2,832,027	180	76.6	59.9	5.9	2.6
deg Thüringen	2,249,882	139	76.9	60.4	7.6	4.1
ee0 Estonia	1,340,127	31	70.4	57.2	12.5	7.1
<i>gr1</i> Voreia Ellada	3,590,447	63	57.6	39.3	19.3	10.1
gr2 Kentriki Ellada	2,484,522	46	61.1	44.0	16.5	8.9
gr3 Attiki	4,109,748	1,079	60.2	35.5	17.6	8.5
<i>gr4</i> Nisia Aigaiou, Kriti	1,120,401	64	62.9	44.9	15.1	5.0
es11 Galicia	2,738,602	93	63.1	45.7	17.4	7.1
es12 Principado de				22.1	4= 0	
Asturias	1,058,114	100	58.6	39.1	17.9	7.3
es13 Cantabria	577,997	109	63.1	42.2	15.3	6.2
es21 Pais Vasco es22 Comunidad	2,138,588	296	69.3	46.6	12.0	5.1
Foral de Navarra	619,011	60	69.6	45.2	12.9	4.4
es23 La Rioja	314,005	62	66.4	49.9	17.0	6.8
es24 Aragón	1,313,017	28	65.9	50.6	17.1	6.7
es30 Comunidad de Madrid	6,335,807	789	68.4	51.6	16.7	6.8
es41 Castilla y León	2,499,155	27	64.2	47.3	16.7	6.8
es42 Castilla-la	, ,		04.2	41.3		0.0
Mancha	2,035,516	26	60.1	42.3	22.9	9.3
es43 Extremadura	1,082,792	26	55.2	37.9	25.1	9.5
es51 Cataluña	7,301,132	227	66.6	49.2	19.2	9.0
es52 Comunidad Valenciana	4,994,322	215	59.0	42.1	24.5	10.5
es61 Andalucia	8,206,057	94	52.6	35.4	30.4	12.1
es62 Región de						
Murcia	1,460,664	129	58.5	41.2	25.4	10.4
fr10 Île de France fr21 Champagne-	11,797,021	985	71.5	51.3	8.6	4.0
Ardenne	1,336,242	52	66.1	38.6	10.7	4.4
fr22 Picardie	1,914,844	99	68.6	37.8	9.4	4.6
fr23 Haute-					_	
Normandie	1,837,388	149	68.5	39.8	9.4	3.9
fr24 Centre	2,544,791	65	69.5	37.8	8.8	3.7

fr25 Basse-						
Normandie	1,473,946	84	67.2	38.2	9.7	3.3
fr26 Bourgogne	1,644,756	52	69.1	39.9	9.4	4.3
fr30 Nord - Pas-de- Calais	4,035,269	325	62.8	32.9	12.9	6.6
fr41 Lorraine	2,352,324	100	67.6	39.5	10.4	4.4
fr42 Alsace	1,851,443	224	71.9	44.2	7.7	2.5
fr43 Franche-Comté	1,172,549	73	71.4	42.5	8.4	3.4
fr51 Pays de la Loire	3,566,686	112	70.3	36.5	8.8	3.2
fr52 Bretagne	3,197,975	118	69.9	37.3	7.5	2.0
fr53 Poitou- Charentes	1,770,149	69	69.7	35.0	8.5	3.5
fr61 Aquitaine	3,231,860	79	68.5	42.4	9.4	3.4
fr62 Midi-Pyrénées	2,889,236	64	72.1	40.6	8.6	3.3
fr63 Limousin	744,187	44	69.6	40.3	8.0	2.8
fr71 Rhône-Alpes	6,222,045	143	71.1	43.7	8.1	2.9
fr72 Auvergne	1,345,712	52	69.4	42.4	8.8	3.6
fr81 Languedoc- Roussillon	2,636,321	97	63.0	35.5	12.7	5.5
fr82 Provence-Alpes- Côte d'Azur	4,916,930	157	66.9	42.5	10.3	4.3
fr83 Corse	309,339	36	68.4	42.5	4.8	2.4
ie01 Border,						
Midlands and Western	1,204,423	36	61.5	48.3	15.5	9.3
ie02 Southern and	0.000.404	00	05.0	50.7	44.0	0.0
Eastern	3,263,431	89	65.0	50.7	14.0	8.3
itc1 Piemonte itc2 Valle	4,446,230	175	68.4	37.3	7.6	3.9
d'Aosta/Vallée						
d'Aoste	127,866	39	71.3	39.0	5.2	2.2
itc3 Liguria	1,615,986	298	67.4	41.7	6.3	2.4
itc4 Lombardia itd1 Provincia	9,826,141	412	69.0	36.4	5.8	2.6
Autonoma Bolzano-						
Bozen itd2 Provincia	503,434	68	76.0	46.4	3.3	0.8
Autonoma Trento	524,826	85	71.0	41.2	4.5	1.2
itd3 Veneto itd4 Friuli-Venezia	4,912,438	267	69.2	37.0	5.0	2.2
Giulia	1,234,079	157	68.2	35.3	5.2	2.4
itd5 Emilia-Romagna	4,377,435	198	72.1	42.2	5.3	2.2
ite1 Toscana	3,730,130	162	67.6	41.7	6.5	3.0
ite2 Umbria	900,790	107	66.6	37.4	6.5	2.7
ite3 Marche	1,577,676	163	67.1	41.2	6.7	2.9
ite4 Lazio	5,681,868	330	63.2	41.3	8.9	4.7
itf1 Abruzzo	1,338,898	124	61.1	40.3	8.5	4.3
itf2 Molise	320,229	72	54.6	39.1	9.9	5.4
itf3 Campania	5,824,662	429	43.1	35.5	15.5	9.7
itf4 Puglia	4,084,035	211	48.6	32.5	13.1	7.3
itf5 Basilicata	588,879	59	51.7	39.4	12.0	7.3
itf6 Calabria	2,009,330	133	46.2	38.5	12.7	7.4
itg1 Sicilia	5,042,992	196	46.2	35.1	14.4	8.4
itg2 Sardegna	1,672,404	69	55.6	38.1	13.5	7.1
cy0 Cyprus	819,140	144	73.8	55.2	7.7	1.6
Iv0 Latvia	2,248,374	35	67.2	51.1	15.4	8.4
It0 Lithuania	3,329,039	51	67.2	50.5	15.4	8.0

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<i>lu0</i> Luxembourg (Grand-Duché)	502,066	194	70.1	39.2	4.9	1.4
hu1 Közép-						
Magyarország	2,951,436	427	64.8	41.2	8.8	4.4
hu2 Dunántúl	3,043,030	83	62.5	35.5	9.6	4.7
hu3 Alföld és Észak	4,019,858	81	56.2	31.9	13.8	6.4
mt0 Malta	414,372	1,313	61.5	31.8	6.4	3.0
nl1 Noord-Nederland	1,713,954	150	74.8	53.3	5.0	1.9
nl2 Oost-Nederland	3,517,162	321	77.9	57.9	4.4	1.4
nl3 West-Nederland	7,777,014	655	77.2	57.1	4.5	1.5
nl4 Zuid-Nederland	3,566,859	489	76.7	53.8	4.1	1.4
at1 Ostösterreich	3,590,763	152	73.7	40.7	5.5	1.7
at2 Südösterreich	1,767,687	68	74.9	39.3	3.3	0.8
at3 Westösterreich	3,016,840	88	77.1	43.8	3.0	0.5
pl1 Centralny	7,763,999	144	69.2	41.9	8.4	2.9
pl2 Poludniowy	7,938,995	288	63.8	33.3	9.3	3.7
p/3 Wschodni	6,718,785	90	64.7	39.5	11.4	4.2
<i>pl4</i> Pólnocno- Zachodni	6,111,526	92	63.4	35.1	9.6	3.6
pl5 Poludniowo-	0,111,020	92	03.4	JU. 1	9.0	3.0
Zachodni	3,907,724	133	62.8	35.1	10.3	3.9
pl6 Pólnocny	5,726,300	95	62.4	34.5	9.7	3.5
pt17 Lisboa	2,830,867	976	68.6	44.7	14.1	7.0
ptx Rest van Portugal - vasteland	7,314,073	85	69.4	49.3	12.2	5.8
si0 Slovenia	2,046,976	101	68.4	31.2	8.2	3.6
sk0 Slovakia	5,424,925	111	65.1	41.4	13.5	9.2
fi1 Manner-Suomi	5,323,693	16	73.7	56.9	7.8	1.7
se0 Sverige	9,340,682	21	80.0	72.3	7.5	1.4
ukc North East	2,595,444	303	68.7	48.8	10.8	3.7
ukd North West	2,000,444	303	00.7	40.0	10.0	5.1
(including	0.040.004	400	74.0	50.0	0.5	0.0
Merseyside) uke Yorkshire and	6,916,821	490	71.9	53.8	8.5	2.8
The Humber	5,279,684	343	71.1	53.5	9.4	3.4
ukf East Midlands	4,466,335	286	75.0	57.7	7.9	2.6
ukg West Midlands	5,443,128	419	71.7	56.1	9.0	3.7
ukh Eastern	5,799,234	303	77.2	60.2	6.5	2.0
<i>uki</i> London	7,789,366	4,955	71.5	57.2	9.6	3.2
ukj South East	8,479,396	445	77.5	61.3	6.0	1.7
ukk South West	5,252,484	220	76.2	60.5	6.4	2.0
ukl Wales	3,002,875	145	71.4	53.0	8.6	2.5
ukm Scotland	5,208,121	67	73.9	55.8	7.9	2.7
ukn Northern Ireland	1,794,362	127	72.1	52.0	7.2	3.2
bg3 Severna i iztochna Bulgaria	3 022 074	57	60.7	41.2	13.1	7.5
bg4 Yugozapadna i	3,922,971	57	00.7	41.2	13.1	7.5
yuzhna centralna	0.040.70					
Bulgaria ro1 Macroregiunea	3,640,739	85	67.1	47.1	9.4	5.1
unu	5,244,137	77	60.1	34.5	7.9	3.5
ro2 Macroregiunea	6 500 044		60.0	47.0	7.0	0.0
ro3 Macroregiunea	6,523,614	90	63.8	47.2	7.0	3.3
trei	5,528,968	152	63.3	35.2	8.2	2.6
ro4 Macroregiunea	A 165 467	60	63.0	40.7	6.4	3.0
patru	4,165,467	68	63.9	42.7	6.4	3.0

	GDP per head (in € PPS)	Labour productivity (in € PPS per worker)	Number of jobs / people 15-64 y (in %)	Share of people 15-64 y (in %)	Average wage cost	Disposable income per head (in € PPS based on final consumption)
	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009	2009
EU27	23,484	53,010	66.0	67.1	31,318	n.d.
EU25	24,263	54,775	66.2	66.9	32,551	n.d.
EU15	25,906	58,085	67.4	66.2	36,130	n.d.
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be Belgium	27,644	67,005	62.5	66.0	47,779	16,594
cz Czech Republic	19,314	39,398	69.3	70.8	13,896	9,672
dk Denmark	28,862	55,620	79.0	65.7	48,521	12,291
de Germany	27,162	55,241	74.6	65.9	34,181	17,894
ee Estonia	14,917	34,560	63.6	67.9	13,439	7,361
gr Greece	22,146	51,681	64.1	66.8	27,207	15,106
es Spain	24,241	57,683	61.4	68.4	31,121	14,834
fr France	25,409	61,213	64.0	64.9	41,395	16,807
ie Ireland	30,023	69,384	63.9	67.7	46,806	15,126
it Italy	24,419	59,174	62.7	65.8	34,247	n.d.
<i>cy</i> Cyprus <i>Iv</i> Latvia	23,471	48,035	68.9	70.9	24,603	14,671
It Lithuania	12,042 12,803	27,726 30,213	63.0 61.5	68.9 68.9	9,989 7,494	6,670 8,093
lu Luxembourg	12,003	30,213	01.5	00.9	7,494	0,093
(Grand-Duché)	62,477	88,305	103.8	68.2	49,359	22,882
hu Hungary	15,191	37,882	58.4 68.		11,862	7,707
mt Malta	19,271	46,492	59.3	69.9	18,054	n.d.
nl Netherlands	30,962	75,719	60.9	67.2	50,258	14,326
at Austria	29,263	58,280	74.4	67.5	39,657	18,426
<i>pl</i> Poland	14,254	34,411	58.1	71.3	9,388	8,737
pt Portugal	18,795	39,854	70.4	67.0	20,027	11,664
si Slovenia	20,484	42,473	69.4	69.5	23,157	12,133
sk Slovakia	17,045	41,920	56.1	72.4	13,250	9,553
fi Finland	26,903	58,369	69.4	66.5	41,444	14,102
se Sweden	28,035	58,518	73.2	65.4	29,270	15,011
uk United Kingdom	25,983	56,197	69.9	66.2	35,370	17,015
bg Bulgaria	10,339	21,053	71.1	69.0	4,846	5,287
ro Romania	11,044	25,838	61.1	69.9	7,680	5,191
be1 Brussels						
Hoofdstedelijk						
Gewest	52,437	83,697	93.4	67.1	57,546	15,708
be2 Vlaams Gewest	27,477	66,331	62.9	65.8	46,961	17,587
be3 Région Wallonne	20,225	59,020	51.9	66.0	43,487	15,068
cz0 Czech Republic	19,314	39,398	69.3	70.8	13,896	9,672
dk0 Denmark	28,120	54,286	78.8	65.7	48,442	12,291
de1 Baden- Württemberg	29,467	56,840	78.4	66.1	36,304	19,334
de2 Bayern	31,430	59,143	80.1	66.3	35,698	18,947
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de3 Berlin	24,798	51,103	70.3	69.0	33,837	14,927
de4 Brandenburg	19,991	47,527	63.2	66.5	28,947	15,457
de5 Bremen	37,483	63,638	89.2	66.0	35,393	19,923
de6 Hamburg	44,243	69,518	93.1	68.3	40,422	22,823
de7 Hessen	32,951	64,002	77.8	66.1	38,189	18,814
de8 Mecklenburg- Vorpommern	19,806	44,966	65.6	67.1	27,078	14,349
de9 Niedersachsen	24,051	51,914	71.5	64.8	32,838	17,381
dea Nordrhein-	24,001	31,314	71.5	04.0	32,030	17,501
Westfalen	27,107	55,909	73.9	65.6	34,740	18,552
deb Rheinland-Pfalz	23,563	51,156	70.2	65.6	33,366	17,567
dec Saarland	25,744	52,318	75.0	65.6	32,730	17,665
ded Sachsen	20,601	44,468	71.7	64.6	28,227	14,966
dee Sachsen-Anhalt	19,759	46,382	65.0	65.6	27,899	14,673
def Schleswig- Holstein	24.072	52 451	70.0	64.3	24 224	17 5 47
deg Thüringen	24,072 19.767	53,451	67.7	66.4	31,224	17,547
ee0 Estonia	14,917	43,976 34,560	63.6	67.9	27,638 13,439	14,621 7,361
gr1 Voreia Ellada	17,649	42,948	62.7	65.5	27,006	13,559
gr2 Kentriki Ellada	17,049	41,610	64.4	65.3	27,370	13,089
gr3 Attiki	29,090	64,828	64.9	69.1	27,463	18,104
<i>gr4</i> Nisia Aigaiou,	20,000	54,520	07.9	00.1	∠1, 1 00	10,104
Kriti	21,429	49,981	64.8	66.2	26,237	13,552
es11 Galicia	21,749	53,712	60.6	66.8	28,486	13,918
es12 Principado de Asturias	22 472	50 275	56.9	67.7	21 602	15 240
es13 Cantabria	22,473 23,505	58,275 57,317	59.6	68.8	31,693 30,307	15,240 15,255
es21 Pais Vasco	31,536	67,066	69.4	67.7	35,649	19,657
es22 Comunidad	31,330	07,000	09.4	01.1	33,043	19,007
Foral de Navarra	30,524	61,526	73.7	67.3	33,861	18,788
es23 La Rioja	26,656	61,360	64.2	67.6	30,409	15,748
es24 Aragón	26,768	58,998	68.1	66.6	31,602	16,548
es30 Comunidad de Madrid	31,829	62,556	73.2	69.5	34,725	17,924
es41 Castilla y León	23,262	56,610	62.5	65.8	29,577	14,884
es42 Castilla-la		, i		00.0	·	
Mancha	19,689	52,704	55.4	67.4	29,025	12,431
es43 Extremadura	16,911	48,880	51.9	66.6	27,275	11,310
es51 Cataluña	28,166	59,967	69.1	68.0	32,845	16,935
es52 Comunidad Valenciana	21,526	56,240	55.5	69.0	29,363	13,239
es61 Andalucia	18,570	52,690	51.1	68.9	28,268	12,035
es62 Región de			51.1	55.5	·	
Murcia	20,273	52,564	55.8	69.1	27,579	12,277
fr10 Île de France	41,458	81,363	75.2	67.8	54,126	20,640
fr21 Champagne-Ardenne	21,760	54,212	61.7	65.0	35,383	16,142
fr22 Picardie	19,414	54,202	54.7	65.5	35,762	15,696
fr23 Haute-						
Normandie	21,788	55,224	60.7	65.0	37,687	16,192
fr24 Centre	21,576	54,285	62.7	63.4	35,814	16,829
fr25 Basse- Normandie	19,757	50,034	62.5	63.2	35,141	16,096
fr26 Bourgogne	21,543	53,811	63.5	63.1	35,758	16,885
fr30 Nord - Pas-de-	21,010	30,011		30.1	30,700	10,000
Calais	20,686	55,010	57.2	65.7	37,598	14,533
fr41 Lorraine	19,926	54,351	55.6	66.0	35,672	15,816
fr42 Alsace	23,921	57,633	62.4	66.5	39,157	16,667
fr43 Franche-Comté	20,237	52,468	59.9	64.4	35,260	16,034
fr51 Pays de la Loire	22,609	53,986	65.8	63.7	36,324	16,111
fr52 Bretagne	21,214	52,625	63.7	63.3	35,496	15,820

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fr53 Poitou- Charentes	20,305	51,832	62.5	62.7	34,220	16,087
fr61 Aquitaine	22,585	56,066	63.0	63.9	36,872	16,471
fr62 Midi-Pyrénées	22,776	55,567	63.9	64.2	38,420	16,140
fr63 Limousin	19,705	50,703	62.4	62.3	35,001	16,575
fr71 Rhône-Alpes	25,489	59,410	66.0	65.0	39,564	17,069
fr72 Auvergne	20,459	59,248	54.2	63.7	35,309	16,814
fr81 Languedoc-	20,439	39,240	54.2	03.1	35,309	10,014
Roussillon	20,205	56,162	56.9	63.2	36,602	15,234
fr82 Provence-Alpes-						
Côte d'Azur	23,839	59,244	63.6	63.3	39,416	16,482
fr83 Corse ie01 Border,	21,262	58,035	56.6	64.7	39,756	15,175
Midlands and						
Western	20,883	52,029	60.5	66.3	42,269	13,629
ie02 Southern and						
Eastern	33,395	75,175	65.1	68.2	48,231	15,678
itc1 Piemonte itc2 Valle	26,084	57,524	70.3	64.5	34,801	n.d.
d'Aosta/Vallée						
d'Aoste	31,129	67,479	70.5	65.4	37,820	n.d.
itc3 Liguria	26,093	63,668	66.3	61.8	35,638	n.d.
itc4 Lombardia	31,331	66,404	71.6	65.9	37,118	n.d.
itd1 Provincia						
Autonoma Bolzano- Bozen	24 724	68,680	77.0	65.7	38,747	n d
itd2 Provincia	34,724	00,000	77.0	03.7	30,747	n.d.
Autonoma Trento	29,269	65,560	68.2	65.4	36,468	n.d.
itd3 Veneto	28,084	60,233	70.6	66.1	35,713	n.d.
itd4 Friuli-Venezia						
Giulia	27,189	57,490	73.6	64.3	34,468	n.d.
itd5 Emilia-Romagna	29,879	61,601	75.3	64.5	35,680	n.d.
ite1 Toscana	26,750	59,039	70.6	64.2	33,353	n.d.
ite2 Umbria	22,533	52,875	66.5	64.1	31,086	n.d.
ite3 Marche	24,601	53,485	71.5	64.3	31,714	n.d.
ite4 Lazio	28,404	65,463	65.4	66.3	38,048	n.d.
itf1 Abruzzo	20,251	53,458	57.7	65.7	32,013	n.d.
itf2 Molise	19,732	53,172	56.7	65.5	30,529	n.d.
itf3 Campania	15,778	50,280	46.5	67.5	29,077	n.d.
itf4 Puglia	16,192	50,485	48.0	66.9	30,106	n.d.
itf5 Basilicata	17,623	48,834	54.4	66.3	28,947	n.d.
itf6 Calabria	15,916	49,352	48.2	66.9	27,896	n.d.
itg1 Sicilia	16,065	52,876	45.9	66.3	31,202	n.d.
itg2 Sardegna	18,800	51,224	53.4	68.7	29,848	n.d.
<i>cy0</i> Cyprus <i>Iv0</i> Latvia	23,471	48,035	68.9	70.9	24,603	14,671
	12,018	27,672	63.0	68.9	9,989	6,670
It0 Lithuania Iu0 Luxembourg	12,803	30,213	61.5	68.9	7,494	8,093
(Grand-Duché)	62,477	88,305	103.8	68.2	49,359	22,882
hu1 Közép-			_	_		_
Magyarország	25,497	44,870	82.4	69.0	13,147	8,503
hu2 Dunántúl	12,460	33,775	53.2	69.3	10,884	7,610
hu3 Alföld és Észak	9,750	32,130	44.6	68.0	10,822	6,899
mt0 Malta	19,227	46,387	59.3	69.9	17,979	n.d.
nl1 Noord-Nederland	29,773	83,820	53.6	66.2	47,959	12,405
nl2 Oost-Nederland	26,239	67,993	58.0	66.5	47,991	13,608
nl3 West-Nederland	33,236	77,161	63.6	67.8	52,082	15,080
nl4 Zuid-Nederland	29,771	72,904	60.9	67.1	48,933	14,231
at1 Ostösterreich	30,258	61,741	72.5	67.6	41,943	18,721
at2 Südösterreich	25,065	51,544	72.5	67.1	37,438	17,754

at3 Westösterreich	30,509	58,068	77.6	67.7	38,235	18,469
pl1 Centralny	19,610	40,457	68.7	70.6	11,140	10,434
pl2 Poludniowy	14,019	35,399	55.6	71.3	9,557	9,099
pl3 Wschodni	10,082	23,047	62.2	70.3	7,348	7,048
pl4 Pólnocno-	10.004	07.004	5 4.0	70.0	0.004	0.000
Zachodni pl5 Poludniowo-	13,931	37,224	51.8	72.3	9,304	8,699
Zachodni	14,512	37,656	53.3	72.4	9,434	8,594
pl6 Pólnocny	12,387	32,684	53.0	71.6	8,572	8,057
pt17 Lisboa	26,408	51,155	77.6	66.5	24,355	14,715
ptx Rest van		,			,	,
Portugal - vasteland	15,663	34,425	67.8	67.1	17,772	10,436
si0 Slovenia	20,484	42,473	69.4	69.5	23,157	12,133
sk0 Slovakia	17,045	41,920	56.1	72.4	13,250	9,553
fi1 Manner-Suomi	26,829	58,360	69.2	66.5	41,396	14,084
se0 Sverige	28,035	58,518	73.2	65.4	29,270	15,011
ukc North East	19,538	45,337	64.9	66.4	29,463	14,432
ukd North West (including						
Merseyside)	21,563	48,729	67.2	65.9	31,268	15,285
uke Yorkshire and	_ :,	,	*=		01,200	,
The Humber	21,096	46,647	68.0	66.5	29,585	14,779
ukf East Midlands	22,375	47,494	71.3	66.1	31,003	15,497
ukg West Midlands	21,213	48,259	67.7	65.0	31,255	15,198
ukh Eastern	23,668	49,535	73.4	65.1	31,101	17,658
<i>uki</i> London	44,459	93,474	67.8	70.2	60,739	21,967
ukj South East	27,144	55,812	74.4	65.3	35,413	19,077
ukk South West	23,210	48,876	73.9	64.3	31,269	16,694
ukl Wales	18,740	43,909	66.1	64.6	29,128	14,936
ukm Scotland	25,239	52,877	71.3	66.9	32,909	16,642
ukn Northern Ireland	19,491	46,339	63.9	65.8	28,379	14,862
bg3 Severna i iztochna Bulgaria	7 626	17 400	64.0	60.1	4 202	4 422
bg4 Yugozapadna i	7,626	17,498	64.0	68.1	4,282	4,422
yuzhna centralna						
Bulgaria	13,268	24,091	78.6	70.0	5,283	6,220
ro1 Macroregiunea	10.262	26 122	56.2	70 5	6 740	4 604
unu ro2 Macroregiunea	10,363	26,132	56.3	70.5	6,718	4,691
doi	7,764	18,085	62.4	68.8	6,448	4,357
ro3 Macroregiunea						
trei	16,224	36,517	63.0	70.5	9,621	6,769
ro4 Macroregiunea patru	10,115	22,945	62.8	70.2	7,412	5,033
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	Share of highly-educated workers in %)	Share of adult population involved in 나 lifelong learning (in %)	Total R&D expenditures / GDP (in %)	Business R&D expenditures / GDP(in & %)	S Government R&D expenditures / GDP ම (in %)	Share of workers in knowledge- I intensive sectors (in %)	Share of workers in (medium) HT 그 industry (in %)	Share of workers in HT services 그 (in %)	B Share of workers in creative sectors 그 (in %)	S Number of patent applications per ഒ million inhabitants
EU27	28.9	8.9	1.92	1.17	0.26	8.3	5.6	2.7	39.6	97
EU25	29.5	9.4	1.96	1.20	0.26	8.5	5.7	2.8	40.5	103
EU15	30.2	10.1	2.07	1.28	0.27	8.5	5.6	2.9	41.2	120
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be Belgium	40.5	7.1	2.01	1.33	0.18	8.5	5.2	3.3	44.1	121
cz Czech Republic	18.4	11.4	1.52	0.91	0.33	13.0	10.2	2.8	37.0	17
dk Denmark	32.5	32.3	3.03	2.06	0.06	9.1	5.4	3.7	44.5	187
de Germany	27.7	7.8	2.82	1.90	0.42	12.3	9.7	2.7	42.9	247
ee Estonia	38.5	12.0	1.43	0.64	0.16	6.9	4.4	2.5	41.8	21
gr Greece	27.6	6.8	0.93	0.62	0.03	3.2	1.4	1.7	31.2	7
es Spain	36.7	2.4	0.14	0.04	0.03	6.7	3.8	2.9	32.4	27
fr France	32.8	10.8	0.94	0.49	0.19	7.8	4.8	3.0	45.3	115
ie Ireland	43.0	5.5	27.37	16.89	4.48	9.2	5.0	4.2	40.1	58
it Italy	17.5	5.7	1.26	0.67	0.17	8.1	5.8	2.3	35.5	70
cy Cyprus	37.7	7.5	0.48	0.10	0.10	3.2	8.0	2.4	35.0	12
<i>Iv</i> Latvia	30.7	5.0	0.46	0.17	0.11	4.0	1.2	2.8	39.0	9
It Lithuania Iu Luxembourg	39.9	5.9	0.84	0.20	0.20	3.7	1.8	1.9	43.2	4
(Grand-Duché)	39.0	13.6	1.67	1.26	0.27	4.4	0.9	3.6	55.9	168
<i>hu</i> Hungary	24.3	2.7	1.15	0.66	0.23	10.8	8.5	2.2	36.1	15
mt Malta	18.6	6.6	0.53	0.34	0.03	7.7	4.2	3.6	39.0	11
nl Netherlands	32.1	16.7	1.81	0.85	0.23	5.7	2.5	3.1	46.4	170
at Austria	19.5	13.4	2.72	1.85	0.15	8.0	5.5	2.5	38.0	171
<i>pl</i> Poland	27.6	4.5	0.68	0.19	0.23	6.7	4.8	1.9	35.0	5
<i>pt</i> Portugal	16.7	11.6	1.65	0.78	0.12	4.5	2.9	1.6	29.8	9
si Slovenia	26.2	15.9	1.88	1.22	0.39	11.6	8.3	3.3	42.3	58
sk Slovakia	20.1	3.9	0.49	0.20	0.16	12.2	9.7	2.5	36.2	5
fi Finland	38.9	23.8	3.91	2.79	0.36	9.5	5.2	4.2	43.7	194
se Sweden	33.8	25.0	3.61	2.54	0.16	8.9	4.6	4.3	47.3	235
uk United Kingdom	37.2	15.8	1.89	1.14	0.17	7.1	3.7	3.5	45.7	69
bg Bulgaria	27.2	1.2	0.53	0.16	0.29	5.8	3.4	2.4	30.5	2
ro Romania	16.0	1.6	0.47	0.19	0.16	6.1	4.7	1.3	23.6	1
<i>be1</i> Brussels Hoofdstedelijk Gewest	50.9	10.3	1.53	0.79	0.18	7.8	2.4	5.4	49.8	106
be2 Vlaams Gewest	39.3	7.5	2.11	1.38	0.25	9.1	6.0	3.1	44.2	133
be3 Région Wallonne	39.8	5.2	2.20	1.66	0.05	7.3	4.3	3.0	42.2	102
cz0 Czech Republic	18.4	11.4	1.52	0.91	0.33	13.0	10.2	2.8	37.0	17
dk0 Denmark	32.5	32.3	3.11	2.12	0.07	9.1	5.4	3.7	44.5	183
de1 Baden- Württemberg	29.1	8.8	4.82	3.84	0.45	19.7	16.6	3.1	44.0	463
de2 Bayern	28.1	7.2	3.09	2.39	0.45	15.3	12.2	3.1	42.4	380

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de3 Berlin	39.2	9.6	3.66	1.50	1.24	8.6	4.0	4.6	54.0	191
de4 Brandenburg	31.2	7.2	1.38	0.35	0.72	7.8	5.9	1.9	41.8	100
de5 Bremen	27.3	9.2	2.48	0.92	0.86	10.5	9.3	1.2	42.4	83
de6 Hamburg	31.2	10.3	2.29	1.28	0.49	9.0	6.1	2.9	51.1	203
de7 Hessen de8 Mecklenburg-	29.1	9.5	3.04	2.42	0.22	12.0	9.2	2.7	46.1	249
Vorpommern	28.2	7.7	1.75	0.56	0.68	6.5	3.7	2.7	38.1	44
de9 Niedersachsen	23.3	6.4	2.71	1.79	0.42	10.0	8.6	1.5	40.1	170
dea Nordrhein-										
Westfalen	24.7	7.1	2.05	1.24	0.32	10.9	8.2	2.6	42.2	218
deb Rheinland-Pfalz	25.0	8.7	2.12	1.55	0.17	12.6	9.5	3.1	42.0	234
dec Saarland	23.0	7.8	1.27	0.51	0.38	12.0	8.8	3.3	40.9	109
ded Sachsen	33.8	7.3	2.69	1.18	0.82	10.8	8.9	1.9	41.1	91
dee Sachsen-Anhalt def Schleswig-	25.8	6.7	1.32	0.43	0.46	7.4	6.1	1.3	37.6	35
Holstein	23.1	7.5	1.26	0.57	0.34	7.7	5.4	2.4	42.7	147
deg Thüringen	29.4	8.3	2.06	1.00	0.50	9.6	7.6	2.0	39.5	116
ee0 Estonia	38.5	12.0	1.43	0.64	0.16	6.9	4.4	2.5	41.8	20
gr1 Voreia Ellada	26.8	5.5	0.46	0.06	0.07	2.2	1.1	1.1	29.7	4
gr2 Kentriki Ellada	19.9	7.2	0.43	0.06	0.03	1.6	1.0	0.6	23.4	2
gr3 Attiki	35.0	2.3	0.75	0.31	0.17	5.3	2.2	3.1	38.4	11
gr4 Nisia Aigaiou,	40.0	4.0	0.50	0.00	0.00	4.0	2.4	4.0	00.0	40
Kriti	18.9	1.6	0.59	0.02	0.23	1.3	0.4	1.0	26.3	10
es11 Galicia es12 Principado de	35.4	3.2	0.93	0.41	0.15	5.1	3.0	2.0	30.4	10
Asturias	40.3	1.6	1.01	0.42	0.17	4.6	2.3	2.3	32.9	20
es13 Cantabria	41.5	10.9	1.16	0.41	0.24	6.0	3.8	2.1	30.9	17
es21 Pais Vasco	51.0	9.4	2.12	1.63	0.12	11.8	8.2	3.7	37.0	57
es22 Comunidad	444	0.0	0.40	4.50	0.04	40.4	0.5	4.0	00.4	00
Foral de Navarra	44.1	8.8	2.18	1.50	0.21	10.4	8.5	1.9	33.1	93
es23 La Rioja es24 Aragón	40.8	12.9	1.07	0.59	0.26	5.9	4.6	1.3	31.0	14
es30 Comunidad de	37.6	13.6	1.12	0.63	0.25	10.4	8.2	2.2	32.9	37
Madrid	45.7	10.6	2.05	1.12	0.56	10.2	3.4	6.7	44.2	39
es41 Castilla y León	37.3	12.5	1.14	0.61	0.14	5.8	3.5	2.3	30.3	13
es42 Castilla-la	20.6	40.5	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.0	2.5	4 7	20.2	7
Mancha	29.6	12.5	0.63	0.32	0.09	4.2	2.5	1.7	28.3	7 2
es43 Extremadura es51 Cataluña	30.3 36.1	11.4 9.7	0.90 1.69	0.12 0.98	0.34	2.7 9.6	1.1 6.7	1.6 2.9	28.5 31.8	60
es52 Comunidad	30.1	9.1	1.09	0.90	0.52	9.0	0.7	2.9	31.0	00
Valenciana	33.1	10.9	1.10	0.45	0.15	5.6	3.4	2.1	28.7	19
es61 Andalucia	32.4	9.1	1.10	0.35	0.27	3.7	1.8	1.9	28.6	7
es62 Región de Murcia	29.7	11.5	0.87	0.33	0.17	2.4	1.6	0.7	29.2	8
fr10 Île de France	43.5	9.9	2.97	1.94	0.17	10.7	4.1	6.6	57.2	230
fr21 Champagne-	45.5	9.9	2.91	1.34	0.43	10.7	7.1	0.0	31.2	230
Ardenne	23.8	10.4	0.80	0.57	0.01	4.7	3.8	0.9	36.1	45
fr22 Picardie	23.6	5.5	1.22	0.99	0.05	7.7	6.4	1.3	37.4	65
fr23 Haute- Normandie	26.4	5.5	1.45	1.19	0.02	9.6	8.7	0.9	41.3	112
fr24 Centre	28.9	4.2	1.63	1.19	0.02	9.2	7.1	2.0	41.7	90
fr25 Basse-	20.9	4.4	1.03	1.20	0.17	₹.∠	1.1	2.0	41.7	90
Normandie	27.7	5.2	1.10	0.72	0.08	6.0	4.8	1.2	38.2	59
fr26 Bourgogne	26.6	5.6	1.02	0.67	0.08	4.9	3.8	1.1	37.2	45
fr30 Nord - Pas-de-	22.7	5 2	0.04	0.40	0.06	E 7	2.6	2.0	40.0	27
Calais fr41 Lorraine	33.7 28.9	5.3 5.0	0.81 1.29	0.40 0.54	0.06 0.16	5.7 6.2	3.6 4.5	2.0 1.7	42.2 42.3	37 61
fr42 Alsace	34.7	5.6	1.65	0.88	0.16	13.0	10.5	2.5	47.6	170
fr43 Franche-Comté	26.1	4.5	2.90	2.54	0.04	12.8	11.6	1.2	38.2	104
fr51 Pays de la Loire	29.6	7.6	1.21	0.82	0.01	6.6	4.6	2.0	40.6	54
fr52 Bretagne	31.4	6.6	1.85	1.15	0.12	5.6	3.3	2.2	41.8	101
nor bretagne	J 1.7	0.0	1.00	1.10	0.20	5.0	5.5	۷.۷	₹1.0	101

fr53 Poitou-			1		1	1	1			
Charentes	25.8	5.8	0.89	0.51	0.05	6.4	4.7	1.7	34.9	51
fr61 Aquitaine	32.8	6.7	1.53	0.99	0.10	5.4	3.3	2.1	42.9	53
fr62 Midi-Pyrénées	38.4	4.7	4.33	3.15	0.54	8.7	4.6	4.1	50.0	104
fr63 Limousin	28.2	5.3	0.95	0.57	0.01	5.1	2.8	2.3	38.9	53
fr71 Rhône-Alpes	32.4	5.7	2.75	1.80	0.34	9.1	6.3	2.8	45.3	226
fr72 Auvergne	27.8	6.8	2.03	1.50	0.21	4.9	2.7	2.2	37.2	71
fr81 Languedoc-										
Roussillon	29.7	5.8	2.73	0.90	1.18	3.5	1.4	2.2	41.2	40
fr82 Provence-Alpes- Côte d'Azur	30.3	5.5	2.02	1.07	0.52	6.2	3.6	2.5	45.8	95
fr83 Corse	22.2	4.7	0.30	0.08	0.08	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.5	5
ie01 Border,										
Midlands and	20.0	5.0	4 75	4.04	0.40	0.5	5.0	0.0	04.0	0.4
Western ie02 Southern and	39.2	5.2	1.75	1.24	0.10	8.5	5.9	2.6	34.6	64
Eastern	44.3	3.3	1.70	1.15	0.06	9.5	4.8	4.7	42.0	48
itc1 Piemonte	16.1	5.6	1.86	1.41	0.08	13.5	10.7	2.8	35.6	118
itc2 Valle										
d'Aosta/Vallée d'Aoste	11.9	5	0.69	0.50	0.06	0.0	0.0	0.0	32.8	29
itc3 Liguria	20.8	5.8	1.35	0.72	0.00	6.1	4.2	1.9	37.4	74
itc4 Lombardia	17.9	5.6	1.27	0.86	0.26	12.0	9.0	3.0	38.6	124
itd1 Provincia		3.0		3.55	5.55	0	3.0	3.0	55.5	
Autonoma Bolzano-	40.5		0.55	0.00	0.00	4.0	2.5	4.5	25.0	400
Bozen itd2 Provincia	12.5	6.9	0.55	0.36	0.06	4.0	2.5	1.5	35.2	120
Autonoma Trento	17.7	8.3	2.14	1.17	0.48	6.1	3.5	2.6	36.4	51
itd3 Veneto	15.3	5.4	1.08	0.69	0.09	9.2	7.4	1.8	33.6	110
itd4 Friuli-Venezia										
Giulia	15.2	6.1	1.48	0.84	0.17	8.4	7.1	1.4	34.9	126
itd5 Emilia-Romagna	17.3	6.4	1.38	0.87	0.12	11.0	8.8	2.1	36.2	147
ite1 Toscana ite2 Umbria	17.2	6.4	1.24	0.54	0.13	5.2	3.9	1.3	35.3	70
ite3 Marche	18.4 17.2	7.0 5.0	0.99	0.24	0.05	6.8 8.3	5.2 6.5	1.6 1.9	32.1 32.1	40 64
ite4 Lazio	22.0	6.4	1.81	0.65	0.02	8.4	2.8	5.5	37.9	36
itf1 Abruzzo	18.9	6.8	0.96	0.03	0.00	6.5	5.5	1.0	36.7	28
itf2 Molise	17.4	5.6	0.50	0.08	0.09	6.5	6.5	0.0	31.0	2
itf3 Campania	18.3	4.8	1.29	0.51	0.15	4.7	3.1	1.6	35.4	17
itf4 Puglia	15.2	4.8	0.79	0.20	0.08	3.7	2.5	1.2	32.8	13
itf5 Basilicata	15.7	5.4	0.67	0.17	0.27	7.5	5.9	1.6	31.0	12
itf6 Calabria	17.8	5.5	0.46	0.05	0.05	2.3	0.7	1.6	31.6	4
itg1 Sicilia	17.0	4.3	0.87	0.24	0.09	2.4	1.3	1.1	32.1	9
itg2 Sardegna	15.4	6.7	0.67	0.07	0.11	2.3	0.8	1.5	33.6	13
cy0 Cyprus	37.7	7.5	0.48	0.10	0.10	3.2	0.8	2.4	35.0	12
Iv0 Latvia	30.7	5.0	0.46	0.17	0.11	4.0	1.2	2.8	39.0	9
It0 Lithuania	39.9	5.9	0.84	0.20	0.20	3.7	1.8	1.9	43.2	4
<i>lu0</i> Luxembourg (Grand-Duché)	20.0	40.0	4.07	4 00	0.07	, ,		2.0	EE O	166
hu1 Közép-	39.0	13.6	1.67	1.26	0.27	4.4	0.9	3.6	55.9	166
Magyarország	33.2	3.5	1.51	0.89	0.38	9.9	5.5	4.4	46.5	31
hu2 Dunántúl	18.4	2.7	0.58	0.33	0.08	13.8	12.8	1.0	30.2	7
hu3 Alföld és Észak	21.5	2.2	0.95	0.53	0.10	8.9	7.6	1.3	31.9	9
mt0 Malta	18.6	6.6	0.54	0.34	0.03	7.7	4.2	3.6	39.0	6
nl1 Noord-Nederland	29.1	15.8	1.16	0.44	0.05	3.9	1.9	1.9	42.1	70
nl2 Oost-Nederland	29.1	16.3	1.82	0.81	0.35	5.3	2.5	2.8	44.1	106
n/3 West-Nederland	35.7	17.6	1.80	0.63	0.31	5.5	1.8	3.7	49.8	116
nl4 Zuid-Nederland	28.6	15.6	2.20	1.67	0.04	7.2	4.5	2.7	42.8	383
at1 Ostösterreich	22.8	14.3	2.87	1.76	0.21	8.0	4.1	3.9	41.9	124
at2 Südösterreich	16.5	13.1	3.47	2.49	0.15	8.1	6.8	1.3	34.9	157

at3 Westösterreich	17.5	12.4	2.20	1.67	0.06	7.9	6.4	1.5	35.4	231
pl1 Centralny	33.3	5.6	1.06	0.28	0.54	7.2	4.0	3.2	40.2	7
pl2 Poludniowy	27.6	4.5	0.68	0.26	0.19	7.6	5.7	1.9	37.0	6
p/3 Wschodni	25.4	4.1	0.42	0.14	0.07	4.6	3.7	1.0	28.7	5
pl4 Pólnocno-			-	-			_	_		
Zachodni	25.2	3.7	0.47	0.09	0.10	6.3	5.0	1.3	32.5	4
<i>pl5</i> Poludniowo- Zachodni	26.2	4.5	0.46	0.12	0.05	9.6	8.0	1.6	34.8	5
pl6 Pólnocny	25.1	4.3	0.49	0.12	0.03	6.0	4.3	1.7	34.2	4
pt17 Lisboa	25.1	12.6	2.46	1.32	0.00	6.2	2.9	3.3	38.5	10
ptx Rest van	25.9	12.0	2.40	1.52	0.21	0.2	2.9	3.3	30.5	10
Portugal - vasteland	13.6	9.08	1.23	0.50	0.06	4.1	3.1	1.0	27.0	9
si0 Slovenia	26.2	15.9	1.88	1.22	0.39	11.6	8.3	3.3	42.3	54
sk0 Slovakia	20.1	3.9	0.49	0.20	0.16	12.2	9.7	2.5	36.2	5
fi1 Manner-Suomi	39.0	23.7	3.94	2.81	0.38	9.5	5.2	4.3	43.7	190
se0 Sverige	33.8	25.0	3.61	2.54	0.16	8.9	4.6	4.3	47.3	235
ukc North East	32.5	14.7	1.30	0.76	0.00	7.0	5.0	1.9	41.0	56
ukd North West										
(including Merseyside)	35.3	15.2	2.29	1.68	0.07	6.6	4.0	2.6	42.3	50
uke Yorkshire and	33.3	10.2	2.29	1.00	0.07	0.0	4.0	2.0	42.5	30
The Humber	31.9	14.4	1.08	0.50	0.06	5.1	3.3	1.8	40.3	44
ukf East Midlands	33.4	16.4	1.72	1.21	0.11	7.7	5.2	2.5	42.7	77
ukg West Midlands	31.1	14.3	1.28	0.93	0.00	7.3	4.8	2.6	41.7	43
ukh Eastern	33.2	15.7	4.38	3.49	0.33	7.6	3.8	3.8	46.0	107
uki London	50.8	18.4	1.06	0.33	0.11	7.3	1.2	6.1	57.3	46
ukj South East	38.4	17.0	2.76	1.92	0.36	9.7	4.1	5.6	50.0	120
ukk South West	35.5	16.3	1.94	1.27	0.37	7.5	4.6	2.9	45.5	77
ukl Wales	37.4	16.0	1.38	0.70	0.05	5.9	3.8	2.1	41.6	27
ukm Scotland	39.9	15.4	1.69	0.60	0.26	4.8	2.6	2.2	42.8	55
ukn Northern Ireland	34.9	6.4	1.65	1.04	0.06	5.9	3.9	2.0	41.0	23
bg3 Severna i	00.4	0.0	0.00	0.07	0.00	<i>-</i> 7	4.4	4.0	07.0	4
iztochna Bulgaria bg4 Yugozapadna i	23.4	8.0	0.20	0.07	0.09	5.7	4.1	1.6	27.2	1
yuzhna centralna										
Bulgaria	30.8	1.6	0.73	0.21	0.42	5.9	2.7	3.1	33.6	2
ro1 Macroregiunea	15.5	1 7	0.24	0.17	0.03	E 4	4.5	1.0	22.2	
unu ro2 Macroregiunea	15.5	1.7	0.31	0.17	0.03	5.4	4.5	1.0	23.2	1
doi	12.0	1.8	0.23	0.08	0.05	2.7	1.9	0.7	19.2	0
ro3 Macroregiunea										
trei	21.5	1.6	0.82	0.33	0.35	8.1	5.3	2.8	31.2	3
ro4 Macroregiunea patru	15.4	1.1	0.18	0.05	0.08	9.4	8.6	0.8	21.4	2
Patra	10.4	1.1	0.10	0.00	0.00	<i>3.</i> ∓	0.0	0.0	4١.٦	