# **Eurostat EDA**

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In this paper we are going to present an explanatory data analysis of different statistics of selected European countries. We are more specifically going to analyze the European countries Austria (AT), Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), Croatia (HR), Italy (IT), Serbia (RS), and Sweden (SE).

The paper will consist of four parts (assignments), where in the first part we will explore sub-national GDP and regional inequity in our selected countries. For this part we will use data collected from Eurostat. The data for the first part of the paper consists of GDP and population statistics for the years 2000 - 2020, on a sub-regional level i.e., at NUTS 3 level. NUTS (Nomenclature of territorial units for statistics) is the geographical nomenclature subdividing the economic territory of countries in the European Union. These levels consist of NUTS 1, 2 and 3, with 3 representing the smallest territorial units in a country (*Glossary*, 2021). The remaining parts of this paper i.e., 2, 3 and 4, will be explained continuously and gradually when we eventually get to them later in the paper.

To start our analysis of sub-national GDP and regional inequity for our selected countries we must, as mentioned, collect data from Eurostat. We download population by broad age group and sex, as well as gross domestic product at current markets prices, at NUTS 3 level (Population on 1 January by Broad Age Group, Sex and NUTS 3 Region, 2022) (Gross Domestic Product (GDP) at Current Market Prices by NUTS 3 Regions, 2022). After we have added our two datasets to our RStudio project, we can calculate GDP per capita at the NUTS 3 level for the separate countries. This is achieved with dividing the GDP on the number of population figures, and can be presented with the following formula:

 $y_i = GDP_i/population_i$ 

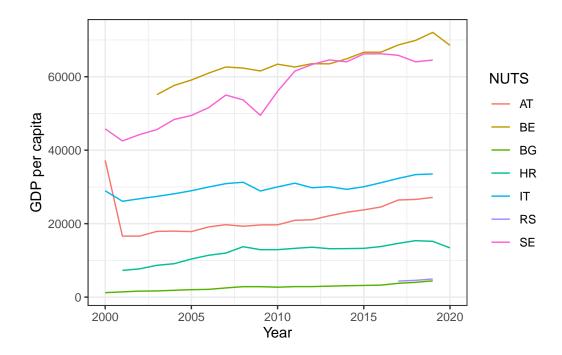
#### Sub-National GDP

GDP	Population	GDP_capita
Min.: 74.55	Min.: 20320	Min.: 1087
1st Qu.: 1738.28	1st Qu.: 164518	1st Qu.:17180
Median : 5614.05	Median : 273920	Median :25185
Mean: 10238.24	Mean: $406217$	Mean :24191
3rd Qu.: 10640.23	3rd Qu.: 429030	3rd Qu.:31351
Max. :181212.88	Max. :4355725	Max. :72062
NA	NA's :771	NA's :771

Looking at the GDP per capita for all countries in the dataset, we find that the difference in population from min to max is big. The difference between Median and Mean is also relatively big witch can indicate that some of the biggest regions has much larger amount of population then the rest and therefore affects the mean and pulls it higher. The fact that the 3rd quartile is just a few thousands away from the mean amplifies our suspicion that we have some outliers with a very high population compared to the rest.

Its reason to believe that high population equals high GDP based on the fact that it is more people that contributes to the GDP. However, this can not be applied in every circumstances. For example Monaco with a population in 2020 of just above 39.000 (MonacoPopulation2022?) had a GDP on 6.25 billion USD the same year versus Burundi with a GDP on 3.22 billion (GDPConstant2015?) and a population just above 11.89 million (BurundiPopulation2022?). The GDP per capita gives us a more accurate measure. in the model above we can see that its a big difference in GDP per capita in each region, this can be caused by a population or a cluster with rich/poor individuals.

We also had some NA values witch we chose to take out of the dataset. NA values may come from the fact that Population or the GDP was not measured this year or was not available when the dataset was made.



In the gg plot above we have taken out the countries that belongs to our selection - Austria (AT), Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), Croatia (HR), Italy (IT), Serbia (RS) and Sweden (SE) - and added them in to a time series from year 2000 - 2020 (X-axis) to compare the evolution of GDP per capita (Y-axis) over the given time period. The data is found and downloaded from Eurostat (Statistics | Eurostat, n.d.)

Seven out of eight countries we where given was available for download trough Eurostat, the country witch we are missing is Bosnia and Herzegovina.

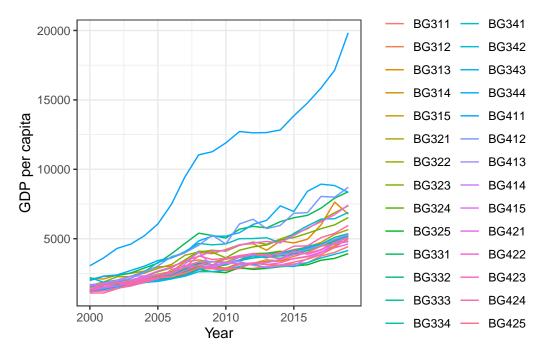
From the GG plot we can see that none of the countries have data from the whole time frame, some are missing data from the first years and others are missing from the last years. Serbia only have data from around 2017 to 2019. This might come from the fact that Serbia became an independent republic in 2006 and for that reason has not been collecting og establishing much info around GDP (Serbia, n.d.).

The country's with the highest GDP per capita is Belgium and Sweden, where both countries has experienced growth in GDP per capita over time. Sweden also has had the biggest growth in GDP Per capita compared to the other countries.

From the graphs, the three countries with highest GDP per capita had a noticeable decline around 2008, which is related to the financial crises at this time. Sweden also experiences the largest dip around this time (*Economic Recovery of EU Regions After 2008*, n.d.)

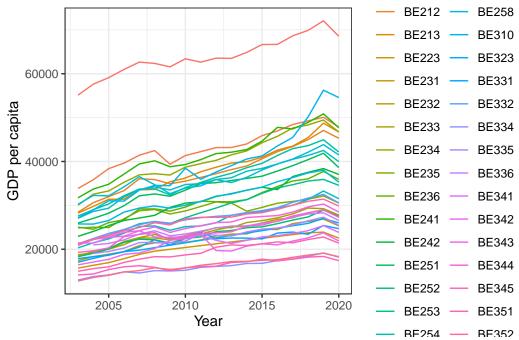
Four of the five countris on the bottom also has experienced growth, just not as significant as Sweden and Belgium. Austria had a big downfall in GDP per capita from year 2000 to 2001, but has had a stable growth since then.

# **Bulgaria GDP**



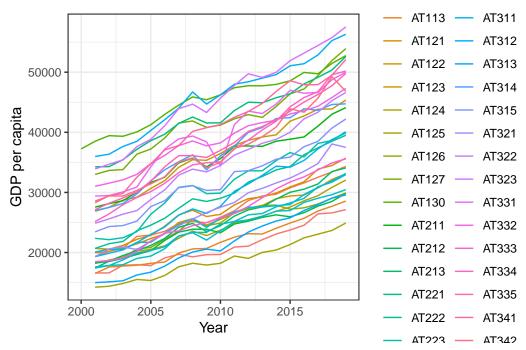
Region	GDP_capita
BG411	11904.952
BG344	5186.760
BG331	5048.607
Region	GDP_capita
BG325	2555.374
BG311	0=01.000
DG911	2701.086

# Belgium GDP



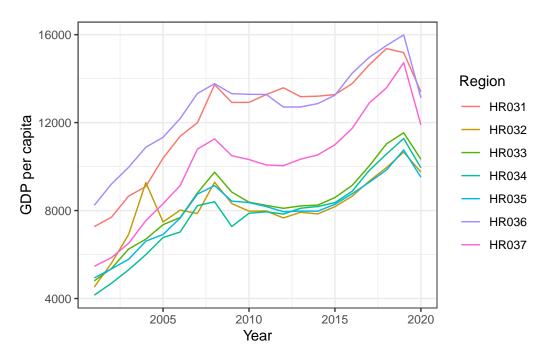
Region	GDP_capita
BE100	63408.55
BE211	41353.08
BE241	39306.81
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Region	GDP_capita
Region BE334	GDP_capita 15211.81

#### Austria GDP



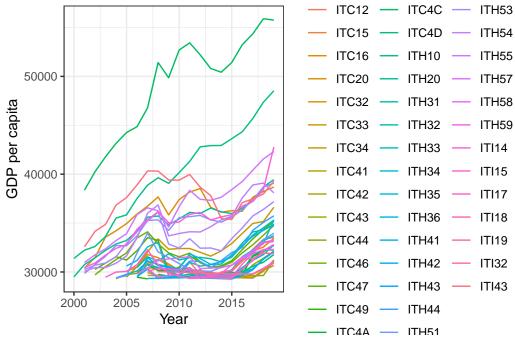
Region	GDP_capita
AT312	46232.41
AT130	46230.94
AT323	45690.26
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Region	GDP_capita
Region AT125	GDP_capita 18212.92
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#### Croatia GDP



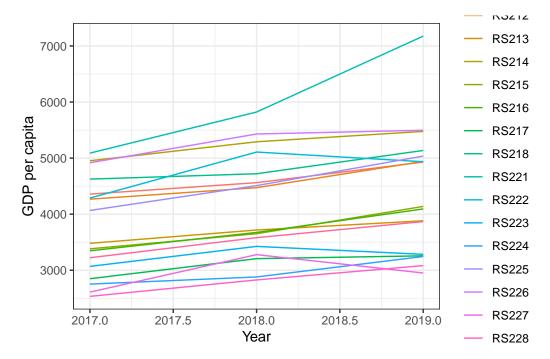
Region	GDP_capita
HR036	13287.36
HR031	12920.32
HR037	10320.23
Region	GDP_capita
Region HR034	GDP_capita 7877.665
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# Italy GDP



GDP_capita
52696.50
40159.02
39391.67
GDP_capita
14502.91
14831.01
15105.24

#### Serbia GDP

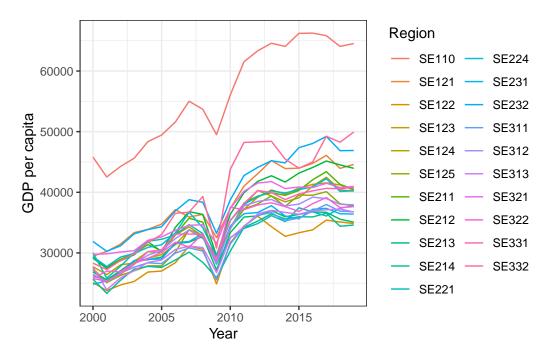


Region	GDP_capita
RS221	5088.925
RS214	4952.876
RS226	4916.722
Region	GDP_capita
RS228	2534.092
RS227	2609.823

2753.131

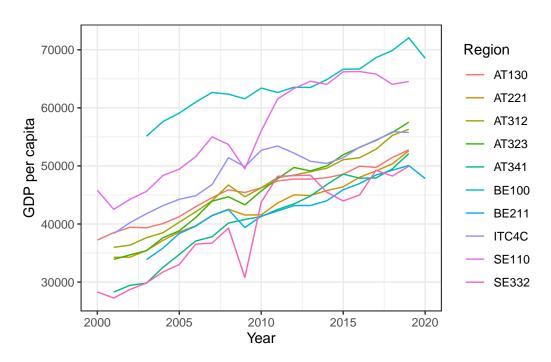
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#### Sweden GDP

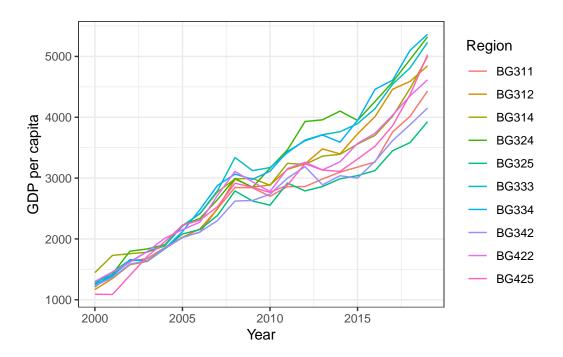


Region	GDP_capita
SE110	56036.50
SE332	43768.31
SE232	38740.05
Region	GDP_capita
Region SE214	GDP_capita 30273.33
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# 10 regions with highest GDP



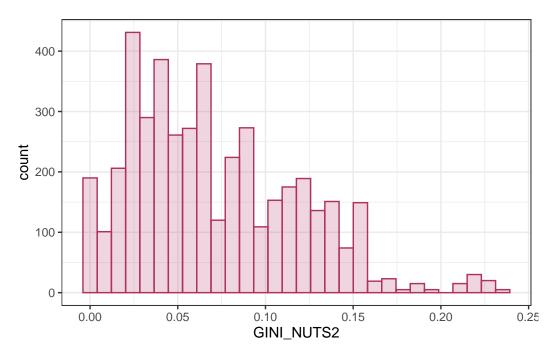
#### 10 regions with lowest GDP



# Regional inequality

GINI_NUTS2
Min. :0.00000
1st Qu.:0.03295
Median :0.06233
Mean :0.07098
3rd Qu.:0.10441
Max. :0.23524





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