

## INTERNATIONAL COMPARISONS

**Table 29. Unemployment as a percentage of labour force**

Percentage

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Australia	5.1	5.2	5.7	6.1	6.1	5.7	5.6	5.3	5.2	6.5
Austria	4.6	4.9	5.3	5.6	5.7	6.0	5.5	4.8	4.5	5.4
Belgium	7.1	7.5	8.4	8.5	8.5	7.8	7.1	5.9	5.4	5.5
Canada	7.6	7.3	7.1	6.9	6.9	7.1	6.4	5.9	5.7	9.6
Chile	7.1	6.5	6.1	6.5	6.3	6.7	7.0	7.4	7.2	10.8
Colombia	10.9	10.4	9.7	9.2	9.0	9.3	9.4	9.7	10.5	16.1
Costa Rica	10.3	10.2	9.4	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.1	10.3	11.8	19.6
Czech Republic	6.7	7.0	7.0	6.1	5.0	4.0	2.9	2.2	2.0	2.5
Denmark	7.8	7.8	7.4	6.9	6.3	6.0	5.8	5.1	5.0	5.6
Estonia	12.3	10.0	8.6	7.4	6.2	6.8	5.8	5.4	4.4	6.8
Finland	7.8	7.7	8.2	8.7	9.4	8.8	8.6	7.4	6.7	7.8
France	8.8	9.4	9.9	10.3	10.4	10.0	9.4	9.0	8.4	8.0
Germany	5.8	5.4	5.2	5.0	4.6	4.1	3.7	3.4	3.1	3.8 e
Greece	17.9	24.4	27.5	26.5	24.9	23.5	21.5	19.3	17.3	16.3
Hungary	11.0	11.0	10.2	7.7	6.8	5.1	4.2	3.7	3.4	4.3
Iceland	7.0	6.0	5.4	4.9	4.0	3.0	2.7	2.7	3.5	5.5
Ireland	15.4	15.4	13.7	11.9	9.9	8.4	6.7	5.7	5.0	5.6
Israel	5.6	6.9	6.2	5.9	5.2	4.8	4.2	4.0	3.8	4.3
Italy	8.4	10.7	12.1	12.7	11.9	11.7	11.2	10.6	10.0	9.2
Japan	4.6	4.4	4.0	3.6	3.4	3.1	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.8
Korea	3.4	3.2	3.1	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.9
Latvia	16.2	15.1	11.9	10.8	9.9	9.6	8.7	7.4	6.3	8.1
Lithuania	15.4	13.4	11.8	10.7	9.1	7.9	7.1	6.2	6.3	8.5
Luxembourg	4.9	5.1	5.8	5.9	6.7	6.3	5.5	5.6	5.6	6.8
Mexico	5.2	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.3	3.9	3.4	3.3	3.5	4.5 e
Netherlands	5.0	5.8	7.2	7.4	6.9	6.0	4.8	3.8	3.4	3.8
New Zealand	6.0	6.5	5.9	5.4	5.4	5.1	4.7	4.3	4.1	4.6
Norway	3.2	3.1	3.4	3.5	4.3	4.7	4.2	3.8	3.7	4.4
Poland	9.6	10.1	10.3	9.0	7.5	6.2	4.9	3.8	3.3	3.2
Portugal	12.7	15.5	16.2	13.9	12.4	11.1	8.9	7.0	6.5	6.8
Slovak Republic	13.6	14.0	14.2	13.2	11.5	9.7	8.1	6.5	5.8	6.7
Slovenia	8.2	8.8	10.1	9.7	9.0	8.0	6.6	5.1	4.4	5.0
Spain	21.4	24.8	26.1	24.4	22.1	19.6	17.2	15.3	14.1	15.5
Sweden	7.8	8.0	8.1	8.0	7.4	7.0	6.7	6.4	6.8	8.3
Switzerland	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.7	4.4	4.8
Turkey	8.8	8.2	8.7	9.9	10.2	10.8	10.8	10.9	13.7	13.1
United Kingdom	8.1	8.0	7.6	6.2	5.4	4.9	4.4	4.1	3.8	4.6
United States	9.0	8.1	7.4	6.2	5.3	4.9	4.4	3.9	3.7	8.1
<b>OECD-Total</b>	<b>8.1  </b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>8.0  </b>	<b>7.4  </b>	<b>6.9  </b>	<b>6.5  </b>	<b>5.9  </b>	<b>5.5  </b>	<b>5.4  </b>	<b>7.1 e</b>
G7	7.6	7.3	7.1	6.4	5.8	5.5	5.0	4.6	4.3	6.5 e
Euro area	10.1	11.3	11.9	11.6	10.8	10.0	9.0	8.2	7.5	7.8
European Union <sup>1</sup>	9.9	10.8	11.3	10.9	10.0	9.1	8.1	7.3	6.7	7.1
Brazil	6.7	7.3	7.2	6.9	8.7	11.5	12.5	12.0	11.6	13.5
Russian Federation	6.5	5.5	5.5	5.2	5.6	5.5	5.2	4.8	4.6	5.8

e Estimated value; | Break in series

1. European Union refer to European Union with 27 countries.