

EUROPEAN UNION

Overall Performance

Index score

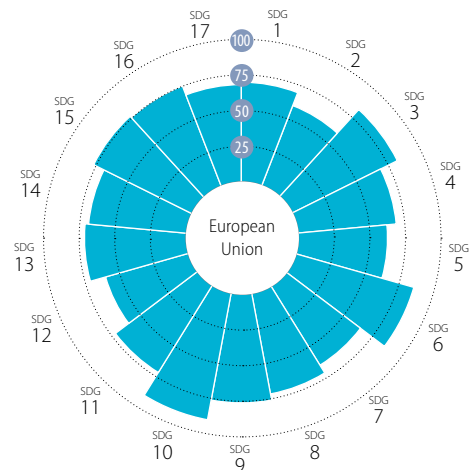


SDG Rank

European Union

NA/34

Performance by SDG



SDG Dashboards and Trends



■ Major challenges
 ■ Significant challenges
 ■ Challenges remain
 ■ SDG achieved
 ■ Information unavailable

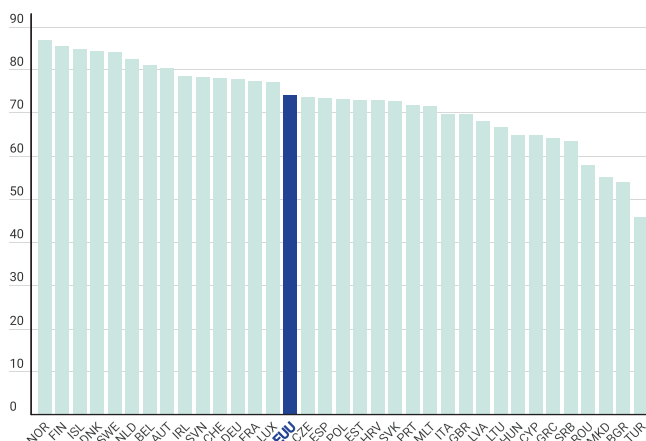
➔ Decreasing
 ➔ Stagnating
 ➔ Moderately improving
 ➔ On track or maintaining SDG achievement
 ● Information unavailable

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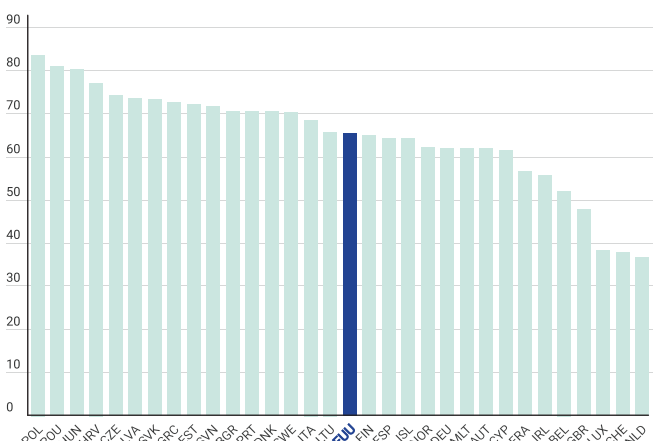
Leave No One Behind Index

100 (best) to 0 (worst)



Spillover Index

100 (best) to 0 (worst)



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SDG1 – No Poverty

	Value	Year	Rating	Trend
People at risk of income poverty after social transfers (%)	17.1	2020	●	→
Severely materially deprived people (%)	5.6	2020	●	↑
Poverty headcount ratio at \$5.50/day (%)	1.6	2021	●	↑

SDG2 – Zero Hunger

Prevalence of obesity, BMI ≥ 30 (% of adult population)	16.5	2019	●	↓
Human Trophic Level (best 2–3 worst)	2.43	2017	●	↓
Yield gap closure (%)	63.2	2015	●	●
Gross nitrogen balance on agricultural land (kg/hectare)	59.4	2019	●	↓
Ammonia emissions from agriculture (kg/hectare)	24.1	2018	●	↓
Exports of pesticides banned in the EU (kg per 1,000 population)	113.1	2019	●	●

SDG3 – Good Health and Well-Being

Life expectancy at birth (years)	80.5	2020	●	↑
Gap in life expectancy at birth among regions (years)	3.0	2019	●	↑
Population with good or very good perceived health (% of population aged 16 or over)	68.4	2020	●	↑
Gap in self-reported health, by income (p.p.)	21.7	2020	●	↓
Gap in self-reported unmet need for medical examination and care, by income (p.p.)	2.4	2020	●	↑
New reported cases of tuberculosis (per 100,000 population)	11.0	2019	●	↑
Standardised preventable and treatable mortality (per 100,000 population aged less than 75)	250.5	2018	●	↑
Suicide rate (per 100,000 population)	10.4	2018	●	↑
Age-standardised death rate attributable to household air pollution and ambient air pollution (per 100,000 population)	20	2016	●	●
Mortality rate, under-5 (per 1,000 live births)	3.9	2019	●	↑
People killed in road accidents (per 100,000 population)	5.1	2019	●	↑
Surviving infants who received 2 WHO-recommended vaccines (%)	93	2019	●	↑
Population engaging in heavy, episodic drinking at least once a week (%)	3.7	2019	●	↑
Smoking prevalence (%)	24	2020	●	↑
People covered by health insurance for a core set of services (%)	98.6	2020	●	↑
Share of total health spending financed by out-of-pocket payments (%)	22.0	2020	●	↑
Subjective Wellbeing (average ladder score, worst 0–10 best)	6.6	2021	●	↑
Individuals that use the internet to make appointments with a practitioner (%)	21	2020	●	↑

SDG4 – Quality Education

Participation in early childhood education (% of children between age of 3 and starting age of compulsory primary education)	92.7	2019	●	↑
Early leavers from education and training (% of population aged 18 to 24)	10.0	2020	●	↓
PISA score (worst 0–600 best)	488.9	2018	●	↑
Underachievers in science (% of population aged 15)	22.2	2018	●	↓
Variation in science performance explained by students' socio-economic status (%)	14.6	2018	●	→
Tertiary educational attainment (% of population aged 25 to 34)	40.4	2020	●	↑
Adult participation in learning (%)	9.2	2020	●	↓

SDG5 – Gender Equality

Unadjusted gender pay gap (% of gross male earnings)	12.9	2019	●	↑
Gender employment gap (p.p.)	11.0	2020	●	↓
Population inactive due to caring responsibilities (% of population aged 20 to 64)	20.7	2020	●	↓
Seats held by women in national parliaments (%)	33.5	2020	●	↑
Positions held by women in senior management positions (%)	32.1	2020	●	↑
Proportion of ICT specialists that are women (%)	18.6	2020	●	→

SDG6 – Clean Water and Sanitation

Population having neither a bath, nor a shower, nor indoor flushing toilet in their household (%)	1.5	2020	●	↑
Population connected to at least secondary wastewater treatment (%)	80.0	2018	●	↑
Freshwater abstraction (% of long-term average available water)	9.8	2017	●	↑
Scarce water consumption embodied in imports (m ³ /capita)	31.2	2013	●	↑
Population using safely managed water services (%)	97.7	2020	●	↑
Population using safely managed sanitation services (%)	90.3	2020	●	↑

SDG7 – Affordable and Clean Energy

Population unable to keep home adequately warm (%)	7.0	2020	●	↑
Share of renewable energy in gross final energy consumption (%)	19.2	2019	●	↑
CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion per electricity output (MtCO ₂ /TWh)	1.2	2019	●	→

SDG8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth

Protection of fundamental labour rights (worst 0–1 best)	0.74	2020	●	↑
Gross disposable income (€/capita)	23,350	2019	●	↑
Youth not in employment, education or training (NEET) (% of population aged 15 to 29)	13.9	2020	●	↑
Unemployment Rate (% labour force)	7.2	2020	●	↑

SDG8 – (continued)

People killed in accidents at work (per 100,000 population)	1.9	2019	●	↑
In work at-risk-of-poverty rate (%)	9.4	2020	●	↑
Fatal work-related accidents embodied in imports (per 100,000 population)	1.2	2015	●	↑

SDG9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (% of GDP)	2.0	2019	●	↑
R&D personnel (% of active population)	1.4	2019	●	↑
Patent applications to the European Patent Office (per 1,000,000 population)	147.9	2020	●	↑
Households with broadband access (%)	91	2020	●	↑
Gap in internet access, urban vs rural areas (p.p.)	4	2020	●	↑
Individuals aged 55 to 74 years old who have basic or above basic digital skills (%)	33	2019	●	↑
Logistics performance index: Quality of trade and transport-related infrastructure (worst 1–5 best)	3.8	2018	●	↑
The Times Higher Education Universities Ranking: Average score of top 3 universities (worst 0–100 best)	55.1	2021	●	●
Scientific and technical journal articles (per 1,000 population)	1.2	2018	●	↑

SDG10 – Reduced Inequalities

Gini Coefficient	30.0	2020	●	↑
Palma ratio	1.13	2018	●	↑

SDG11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

Urban population without access to green urban areas in their neighbourhood (%)	5.7	2018	●	↑
Overcrowding rate among people living with below 60% of median equivalized income (%)	28.1	2020	●	↑
Recycling rate of municipal waste (%)	45.8	2019	●	↑
Population living in a dwelling with a leaking roof, damp walls, floors or foundation or rot in window frames or floor (%)	13.7	2020	●	↑
Exposure to air pollution: PM _{2.5} in urban areas (µg/m ³)	12.7	2019	●	↑

SDG12 – Responsible Consumption and Production

Circular material use rate (%)	13.1	2019	●	→
Gross value added in environmental goods and services sector	2.1	2019	●	→
Production-based SO ₂ emissions (kg/capita)	39.6	2015	●	→
Imported SO ₂ emissions (kg/capita)	25.3	2015	●	↓
Production-based emissions of reactive nitrogen (kg/capita)	16.0	2015	●	↓
Imported emissions of reactive nitrogen (kg/capita)	11.3	2015	●	↓

SDG13 – Climate Action

CO ₂ emissions from fossil fuel combustion and cement production (tCO ₂ /capita)	6.6	2019	●	→
CO ₂ emissions embodied in imports (tCO ₂ /capita)	1.8	2015	●	→
CO ₂ emissions embodied in fossil fuel exports (kg/capita)	155.0	2020	●	●

SDG14 – Life Below Water

Bathing sites of excellent quality (%)	70.3	2019	●	↓
Fish caught from overexploited or collapsed stocks (% of total catch)	36.6	2018	●	→
Fish caught by bottom trawling or dredging (%)	28.7	2018	●	↓
Fish caught that are then discarded (%)	10.1	2018	●	↓
Marine biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	0.3	2018	●	●
Mean area that is protected in marine sites important to biodiversity (%)	81.5	2020	●	→

SDG15 – Life on Land

Mean area that is protected in terrestrial sites important to biodiversity (%)	77.5	2020	●	↑
Mean area that is protected in freshwater sites important to biodiversity (%)	78.3	2020	●	↑
Biochemical oxygen demand in rivers (mg O ₂ /litre)	2.1	2018	●	↑
Nitrate in groundwater (mg NO ₃ /litre)	23.5	2018	●	↑
Red List Index of species survival (worst 0–1 best)	0.91	2021	●	↓
Terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity threats embodied in imports (per million population)	3.9	2018	●	●

SDG16 – Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

Death rate due to homicide (per 100,000 population)	0.6	2018	●	↑
Population reporting crime in their area (%)	11.1	2020	●	↑
Gap in population reporting crime in their area, by income (p.p.)	3.7	2020	●	↓
Access to justice (worst 0–1 best)	0.69	2020	●	↑
Timeliness of administrative proceedings (worst 0–1 best)	0.63	2020	●	→
Constraints on government power (worst 0–1 best)	0.73	2020	●	↑
Corruption Perceptions Index (worst 0–100 best)	65	2020	●	↑
Unsentenced detainees (% of prison population)	20.2	2018	●	↑
Exports of major conventional weapons (TIV constant 1990 million USD per 100,000 population)	1.49	2020	●	●
Press Freedom Index (best 0–100 worst)	20.3	2021	●	↑

SDG17 – Partnerships for the Goals

Official development assistance (% of GNI)	0.40	2020	●	↑
Shifted profits of multinationals (billion USD)	-7.3	2018	●	↑
Corporate Tax Haven Score (best 0–100 worst)	61	2021	●	●
Statistical Performance Index (worst 0–100 best)	86.9	2019	●	↑