Population increase in eighteen Member States

During 2016, the population increased in eighteen EU Member States and decreased in ten.

The largest relative increase was observed in **Luxembourg** (+19.8 per 1 000 residents), ahead of **Sweden** (+14.5‰), **Malta** (+13.8‰), **Ireland** (+10.6‰), **Austria** (+9.5‰), **Germany** and **Cyprus** (both +7.6‰), **Denmark** (+7.2‰), the **United Kingdom** (+6.5‰) and the **Netherlands** (+6.0‰),

In contrast, the largest decrease was recorded in **Lithuania** (-14.2‰), followed by **Latvia** (-9.6‰), **Croatia** (-8.7‰), **Bulgaria** (-7.3‰) and **Romania** (-6.2‰).

In total, the population of the **EU** increased by 1.5 million people (+3.0‰) during the year 2016.

Total population

	Population 1.1.2016 (in 1 000)	Population 1.1.2017 (in 1 000)	Change 2017/2016 (per 1 000)*	Share in EU population, 2017
EU	**510 278.7**	**511 805.1**	**+3.0**	**100%**
Belgium	11 311.1	11 365.8	+4.8	2.2%
Bulgaria	7 153.8	7 101.9	-7.3	1.4%
Czech Republic	10 553.8	10 578.8	+2.4	2.1%
Denmark	5 707.3	5 748.8	+7.2	1.1%
Germany**	82 175.7	82 800.0	+7.6	16.2%
Estonia	1 315.9	1 315.6	-0.2	0.3%
Ireland**	4 724.7	4 774.8	+10.6	0.9%
Greece**	10 783.7	10 757.3	-2.5	2.1%
Spain	46 440.1	46 529.0	+1.9	9.1%
France	66 750.0	67 024.5	+4.0	13.1%
Croatia	4 190.7	4 154.2	-8.7	0.8%
Italy	60 665.6	60 589.4	-1.3	11.8%
Cyprus	848.3	854.8	+7.6	0.2%
Latvia	1 969.0	1 950.1	-9.6	0.4%
Lithuania	2 888.6	2 847.9	-14.2	0.6%
Luxembourg	576.2	590.7	+19.8	0.1%
Hungary	9 830.5	9 797.6	-3.4	1.9%
Malta	434.4	440.4	+13.8	0.1%
Netherlands	16 979.1	17 081.5	+6.0	3.3%
Austria	8 690.1	8 772.9	+9.5	1.7%
Poland	37 967.2	37 973.0	+0.2	7.4%
Portugal**	10 341.3	10 309.6	-3.1	2.0%
Romania**	19 760.3	19 638.3	-6.2	3.8%
Slovenia	2 064.2	2 065.9	+0.8	0.4%
Slovakia	5 426.3	5 435.3	+1.7	1.1%
Finland	5 487.3	5 503.3	+2.9	1.1%
Sweden	9 851.0	9 995.2	+14.5	2.0%
United Kingdom**	65 382.6	65 808.6	+6.5	12.9%
Iceland	332.5	338.3	+17.4	-
Norway	5 214.0	5 258.3	+8.5	-
Switzerland	8 327.1	8 417.7	+10.8	-
Montenegro	622.2	622.4	+0.3	-
FYR of Macedonia	2 071.3	2 073.7	+1.2	-
Serbia	7 076.4	7 040.3	-5.1	-
Turkey	78 741.1	79 814.9	+13.5	-

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\-   Not applicable

*   Crude rate of population change represents the ratio, expressed per 1 000 residents, between the increase of population during 2016 (difference between the population on 1 January 2017 and the population on 1 January 2016) and the average population in 2016.

**   Data are estimated

The source dataset can be found here.

Natural change of population in 2016

	Absolute number in 1 000			Crude rate*		
	Live births	Deaths	Natural change	Live births	Deaths	Natural change
EU	**5 114.1**	**5 130.0**	**-15.9**	**10.0**	**10.0**	**0.0**
Belgium	121.9	108.1	13.8	10.8	9.5	1.2
Bulgaria	65.0	107.6	-42.6	9.1	15.1	-6.0
Czech Republic	112.7	107.8	4.9	10.7	10.2	0.5
Denmark	61.6	52.8	8.8	10.8	9.2	1.5
Germany**	770.0	920.0	-150.0	9.3	11.2	-1.8
Estonia	14.1	15.4	-1.3	10.7	11.7	-1.0
Ireland**	63.9	30.4	33.5	13.5	6.4	7.1
Greece**	92.8	118.8	-26.0	8.6	11.0	-2.4
Spain	406.6	406.8	-0.3	8.7	8.8	0.0
France	785.7	587.1	198.6	11.7	8.8	3.0
Croatia	37.5	51.5	-14.0	9.0	12.4	-3.4
Italy	473.4	615.3	-141.8	7.8	10.1	-2.3
Cyprus	9.5	5.5	4.0	11.1	6.4	4.7
Latvia	22.0	28.6	-6.6	11.2	14.6	-3.4
Lithuania	30.6	41.1	-10.5	10.7	14.3	-3.7
Luxembourg	6.1	4.0	2.1	10.4	6.8	3.6
Hungary	95.4	127.1	-31.7	9.7	13.0	-3.2
Malta	4.5	3.3	1.1	10.2	7.6	2.6
Netherlands	172.5	149.0	23.5	10.1	8.7	1.4
Austria	87.7	80.7	7.0	10.0	9.2	0.8
Poland	382.3	388.0	-5.8	10.1	10.2	-0.2
Portugal**	87.1	110.5	-23.4	8.4	10.7	-2.3
Romania**	188.4	256.5	-68.1	9.6	13.0	-3.5
Slovenia	20.3	19.7	0.7	9.9	9.5	0.3
Slovakia	57.6	52.4	5.2	10.6	9.6	1.0
Finland	52.8	53.9	-1.1	9.6	9.8	-0.2
Sweden	117.4	91.0	26.4	11.8	9.2	2.7
United Kingdom**	774.8	597.2	177.6	11.8	9.1	2.7
Iceland	4.0	2.3	1.7	12.0	6.9	5.1
Norway	58.9	40.7	18.2	11.2	7.8	3.5
Switzerland	87.9	65.0	22.9	10.5	7.8	2.7
Montenegro	7.6	6.5	1.1	12.2	10.4	1.8
FYR of Macedonia	23.0	20.4	2.6	11.1	9.9	1.2
Serbia	64.7	100.8	-36.1	9.2	14.3	-5.1
Turkey	1 309.8	422.1	887.6	16.5	5.3	11.2

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*   The crude rate is calculated as the ratio of the number of events to the average population in a given year. For easier presentation, it is multiplied by 1 000; the result is therefore expressed per 1 000 residents.

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