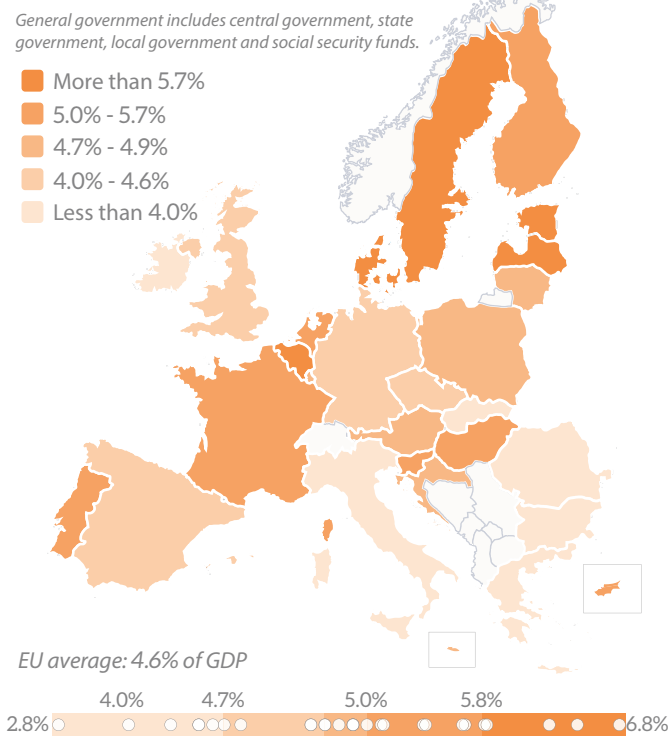


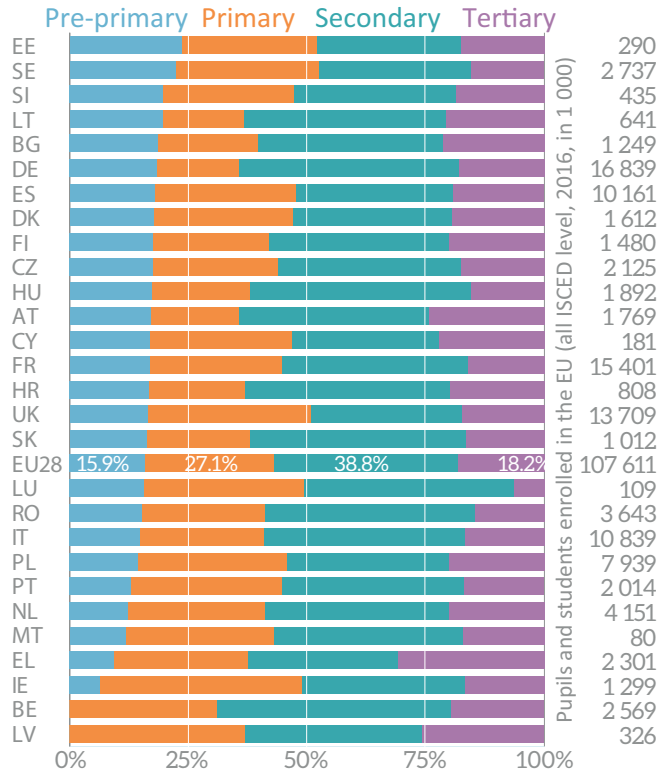
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The European Union complements national health and education policies, in particular those with a cross-border dimension. The main responsibility for health and education, however, lies with the governments of its Member States. This combination explains the spread in government expenditure on national welfare policies among the Member States, and in particular in individual direct payments for health. In terms of the gender gap in the area, women with tertiary education still suffer employment gaps. Moreover, national differences in the number of hospital beds available and people suffering from obesity, mainly concentrated among elderly people, also stand out.

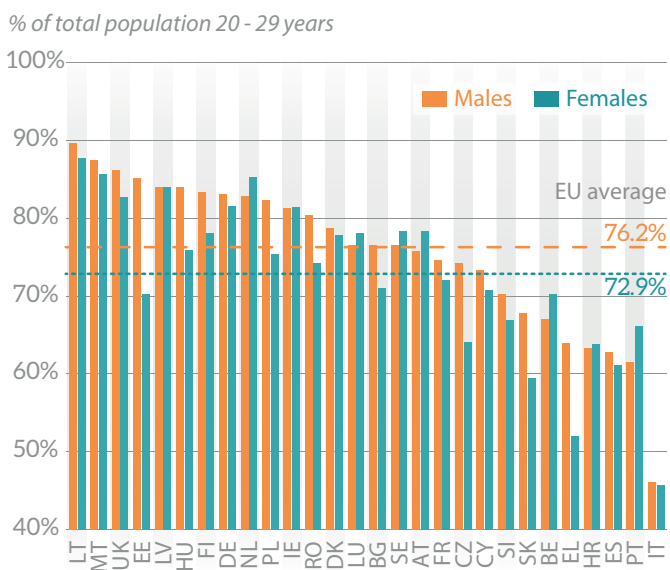
Government expenditure in education (Percentage of GDP, 2017)



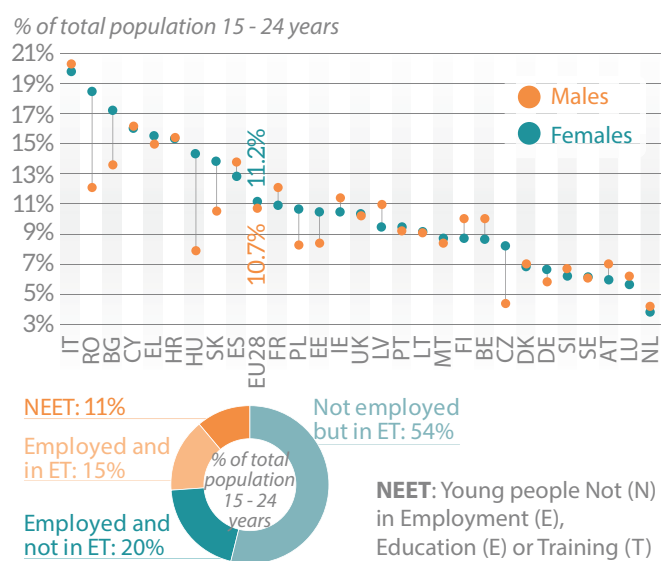
Pupils and students enrolled by education level (2016)



Youth employment - Tertiary education level (Percentage of population 20-29 years, 2016)

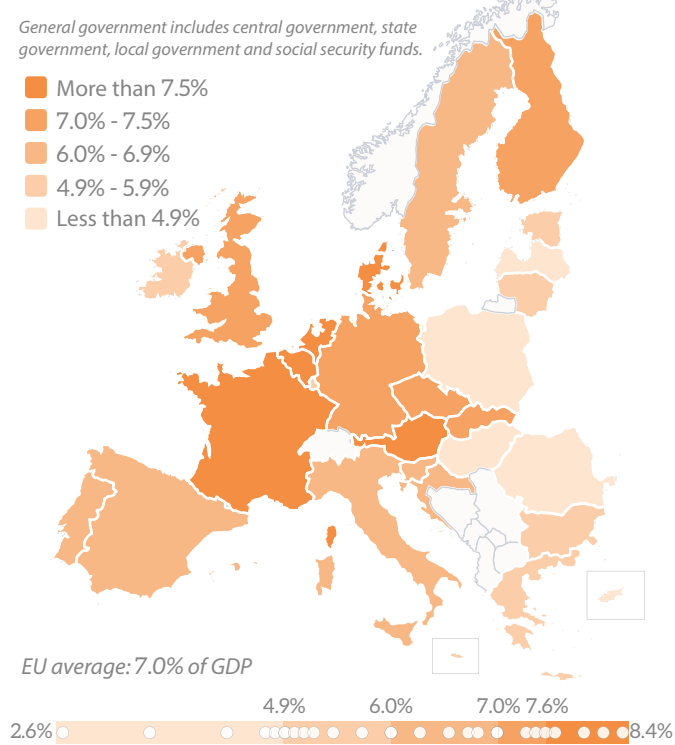


NEET (Percentage of population 15-24 years, 2017)



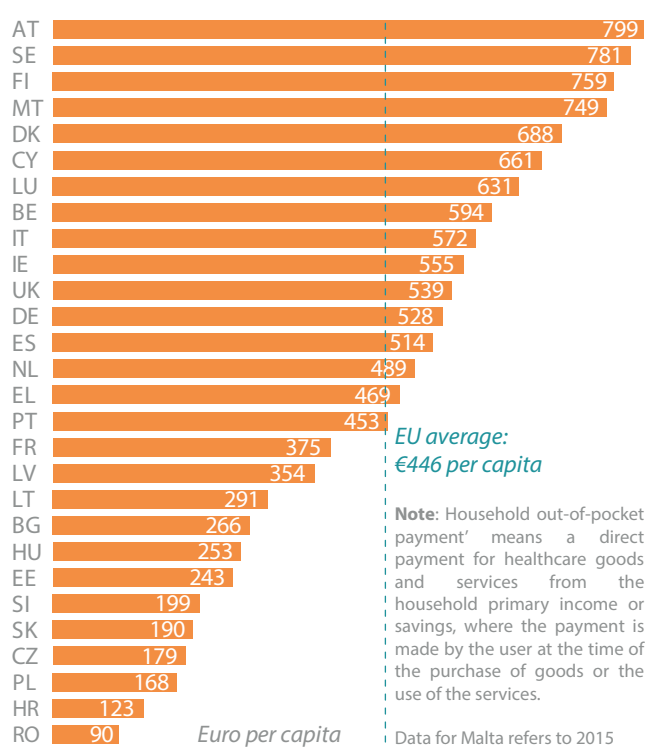
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Government expenditure on health (Percentage of GDP, 2017)

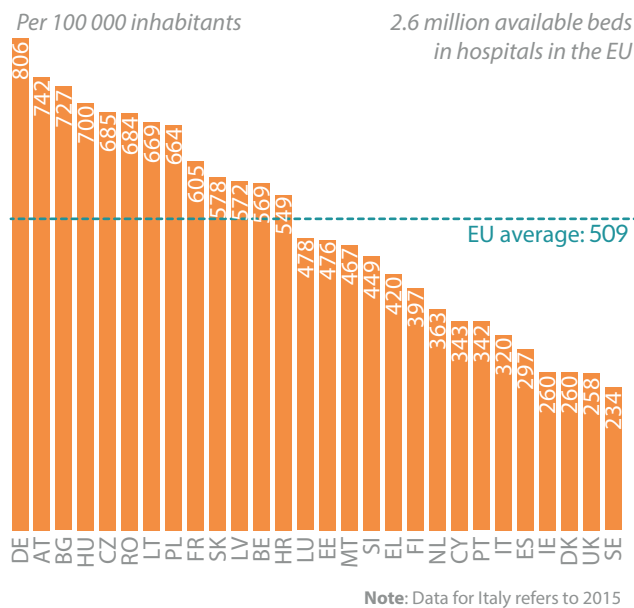


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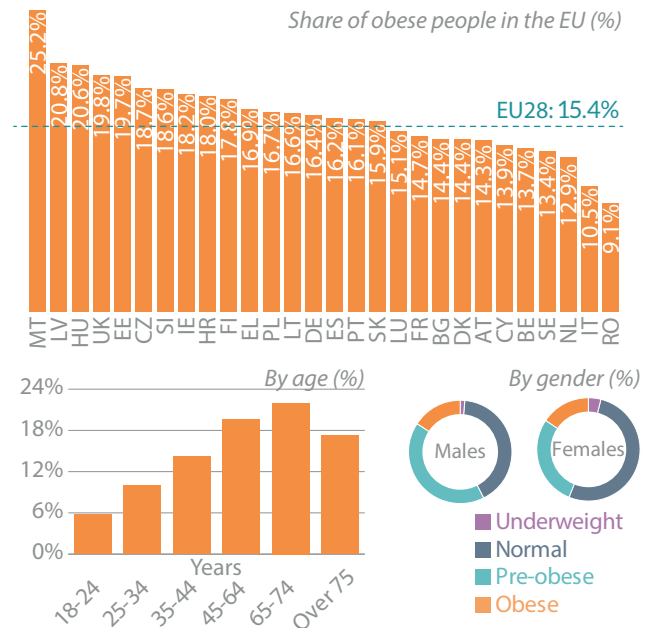
Household out-of-pocket expenditure on healthcare (Euro per capita, 2016)



Available beds in hospitals (Per 100 000 inhabitants, 2016)



Share of obese people in the EU (%) (Percentage of population, 2014)



Notes

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