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**Eurostat estimates that the seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate in the European Union (twelve Member States) for the month of December 1994 was 10.8%, which represents a fall of -0.1 by comparison with the previous month and also in comparison with December 1993.**

After four years of continuous increase, the seasonally-adjusted Community unemployment rate peaked in mid-1994 at 11.0% and has since shown a slow but consistent decline, to reach the same level in December 1994 as in the autumn of 1993. This same trend can be observed nationally in Germany, Spain, Belgium and Denmark, though it has taken place on greatly varying levels in these different Member States. By contrast, in the United Kingdom the unemployment rate has been falling steadily for the last fifteen months, while it has remained stationary for over six months in France (11.3%) and in Ireland (17.6%).

The average annual unemployment rate for 1994 for the whole of the European Union is estimated at 10.9%, which is 0.4% higher than the 1993 figure of 10.5%.

The unemployment rate and the number of unemployed persons are estimated after removing the differences in the national methods of measuring unemployment.

The unemployment rate is estimated by extrapolating the 1991 results of the labour force surveys for all the Member States. The introduction of subsequent results, when available, will probably lead to a revision of the estimates, but this will not affect recent trends. The results of the quarterly labour force surveys are now being used for the United Kingdom and for Spain, which has caused a significant revision of the results previously published.

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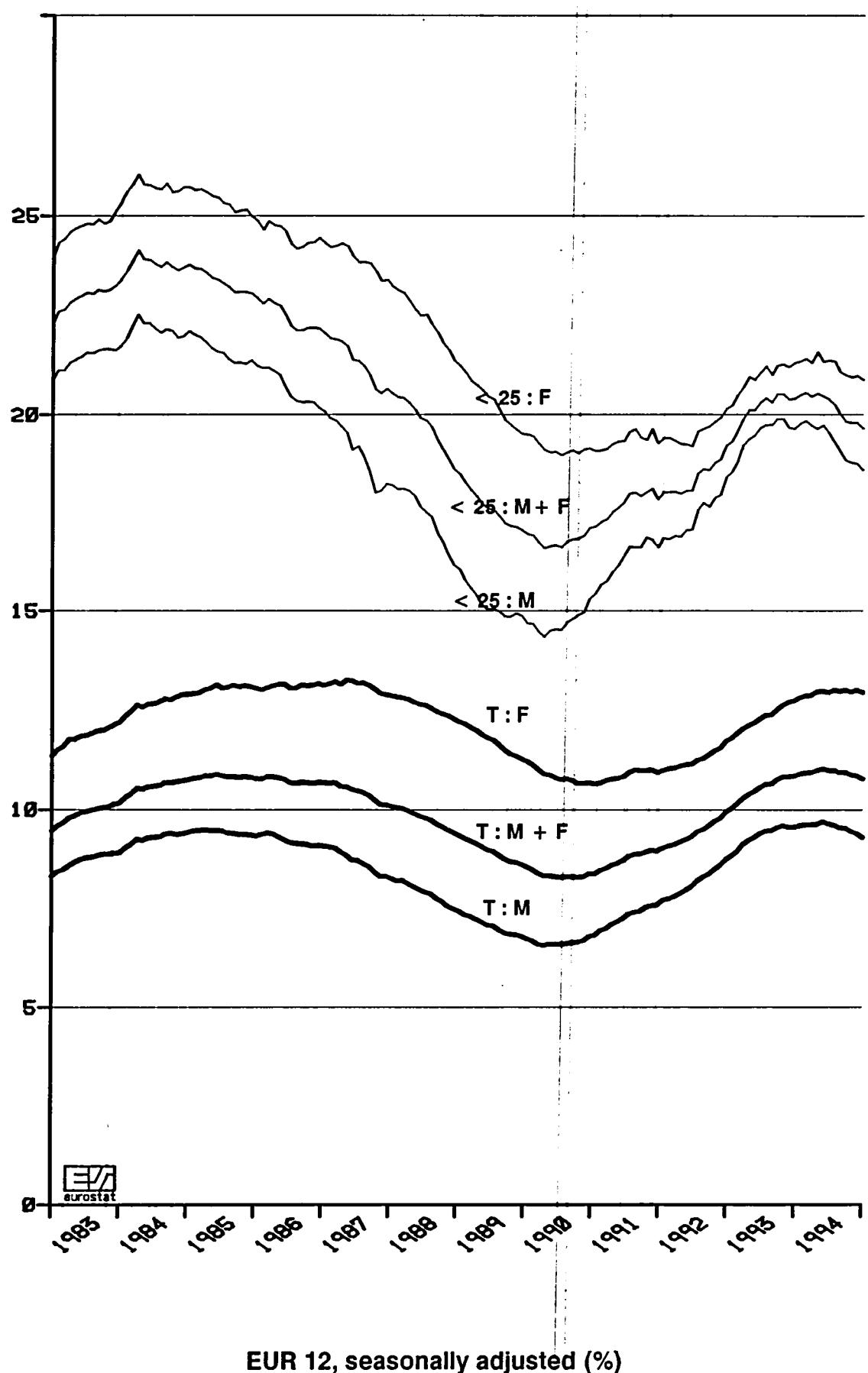
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In the tables on pages 4 to 6, data are shown by country and sex for total unemployed and unemployed aged under 25 years. Data in the tables on pages 7 and 8 are by country and sex only.

#### Symbols and abbreviations:

T	Total	Ø	Average
M	Males	:	Not available
F	Females	*	Estimated by Eurostat

## Unemployment rates for comparison between Member States



# Unemployment rates, not seasonally adjusted

(%)

	EUR 12	Belgique/ België	Danmark	BR Deutschland	Elias	España	France	Ireland	Italia	Luxembourg	Nederland	Portugal	United Kingdom
<b>Total</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1993.12	10.9	10.0	10.5	6.1	:	22.9	11.6	18.5	11.3	3.0	10.0	5.9	10.0
1994.07	10.9	10.2	10.0	6.2	:	22.5	11.0	17.8	11.7	2.9	9.7	6.0	10.0
1994.08	10.9	10.5	9.9	6.1	:	22.6	11.2	17.8	11.7	3.0	10.0	5.9	9.9
1994.09	10.9	10.4	9.5	6.0	:	22.8	11.5	17.4	12.1	3.4	10.0	6.0	9.5
1994.10	10.9	10.3	9.3	6.0	:	23.0	11.6	17.2	12.1	3.6	10.1	6.2	9.0
1994.11	10.8	10.1	9.2	6.0	:	23.1	11.5	17.2	12.1	3.6	9.9	6.3	8.9
1994.12	10.8	10.1	9.3	6.2	:	22.8	11.6	17.6	12.1	3.6	:	6.3	8.8
<b>Males</b>													
1993.12	9.7	7.1	9.6	5.8	:	19.1	9.9	17.5	7.9	2.5	7.9	4.9	11.7
1994.07	9.4	7.1	8.9	5.8	:	17.9	9.0	16.5	8.2	2.3	7.6	5.2	11.6
1994.08	9.4	7.3	8.6	5.7	:	18.1	9.2	16.5	8.2	2.5	7.6	5.2	11.4
1994.09	9.4	7.2	8.2	5.6	:	18.1	9.4	16.3	8.5	2.7	7.5	5.2	11.0
1994.10	9.3	7.2	8.1	5.6	:	18.2	9.5	16.1	8.6	2.8	7.6	5.4	10.4
1994.11	9.3	7.0	8.2	5.6	:	18.3	9.5	16.1	8.5	2.8	7.4	5.5	10.3
1994.12	9.4	7.1	8.5	5.9	:	18.2	9.7	16.4	8.6	2.8	:	5.5	10.4
<b>Females</b>													
1993.12	12.7	14.4	11.5	6.5	:	29.9	13.7	20.3	17.1	4.0	13.1	7.2	7.6
1994.07	13.0	14.8	11.4	6.8	:	30.7	13.5	20.2	17.8	3.9	12.9	7.0	7.8
1994.08	13.1	15.2	11.3	6.7	:	30.7	13.8	20.2	17.8	3.8	13.6	6.9	7.9
1994.09	13.1	15.1	10.9	6.5	:	31.2	14.1	19.5	18.0	4.8	13.7	7.0	7.6
1994.10	13.1	14.8	10.7	6.5	:	31.5	14.2	19.3	18.0	4.9	13.9	7.3	7.0
1994.11	13.0	14.6	10.4	6.5	:	31.6	14.0	19.4	18.0	5.0	13.6	7.4	6.9
1994.12	12.9	14.6	10.3	6.6	:	30.9	14.1	19.8	18.0	5.1	:	7.4	6.8
<b>Under 25 years</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1993.12	20.7	21.3	11.1	5.2	:	38.5	26.5	27.7	31.0	6.9	16.6	11.1	14.7
1994.07	20.4	20.7	10.6	5.5	:	37.4	22.0	26.3	30.9	5.8	15.0	11.1	17.4
1994.08	20.5	22.2	10.7	5.3	:	37.8	23.3	26.3	30.9	6.5	15.7	10.9	16.7
1994.09	20.4	22.1	10.2	5.0	:	38.5	25.1	26.0	30.4	7.8	15.1	11.1	15.4
1994.10	20.1	21.3	9.9	4.7	:	38.8	25.7	25.7	30.5	7.8	15.1	11.5	13.9
1994.11	20.0	20.4	9.5	4.6	:	38.9	25.6	26.4	30.3	7.8	14.4	11.8	13.5
1994.12	19.9	20.1	9.4	4.8	:	37.9	25.8	25.8	30.5	7.6	:	11.6	13.4
<b>Males</b>													
1993.12	20.0	19.4	10.3	5.7	:	35.3	24.7	29.2	26.8	7.7	16.6	9.3	17.4
1994.07	19.4	18.2	9.7	5.9	:	33.0	19.4	27.4	26.9	6.6	14.8	9.3	19.9
1994.08	19.4	19.5	9.5	5.6	:	33.5	20.6	27.4	26.9	7.3	14.4	9.2	19.2
1994.09	19.2	19.4	9.0	5.2	:	33.9	22.3	27.1	26.4	8.6	13.7	9.3	17.9
1994.10	18.9	18.9	8.7	4.8	:	34.1	23.0	26.8	26.5	8.6	14.4	9.6	16.3
1994.11	18.9	18.1	8.6	4.8	:	34.4	23.1	27.7	26.3	8.4	14.2	9.9	16.0
1994.12	18.9	17.9	8.7	5.1	:	33.6	23.6	26.9	26.5	8.2	:	9.8	16.0
<b>Females</b>													
1993.12	21.5	23.4	12.0	4.6	:	42.6	28.3	25.8	36.0	5.9	16.6	13.3	11.5
1994.07	21.5	23.5	11.7	5.1	:	43.0	24.8	25.0	35.8	4.8	15.2	13.3	14.3
1994.08	21.8	25.0	12.0	5.1	:	43.3	26.2	24.9	35.8	5.5	17.1	13.1	13.8
1994.09	21.8	24.9	11.5	4.7	:	44.2	28.1	24.6	35.4	6.8	16.6	13.4	12.3
1994.10	21.6	23.9	11.2	4.5	:	44.6	28.5	24.4	35.5	6.9	15.8	13.8	10.9
1994.11	21.4	22.9	10.5	4.4	:	44.6	28.2	24.6	35.3	7.1	14.6	14.1	10.5
1994.12	21.1	22.5	10.2	4.4	:	43.4	28.1	24.3	35.5	6.7	:	13.8	10.2

# Unemployment rates, seasonally adjusted

(%)

	EUR 12	Belgique/ België	Danmark	BR Deutschland	Elias	España	France	Ireland	Italia	Luxembourg	Nederland	Portugal	United Kingdom
<b>Total</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1993.12	10.9	9.8	10.4	6.0	:	22.7	11.2	18.4	11.3	3.0	10.0	5.8	10.0
1994.07	11.0	9.9	10.7	6.3	:	23.0	11.3	17.5	12.0	3.2	9.8	6.1	9.8
1994.08	10.9	10.0	10.1	6.3	:	22.9	11.3	17.5	11.9	3.3	9.9	6.0	9.6
1994.09	10.9	10.1	9.8	6.3	:	23.0	11.3	17.6	12.0	3.4	10.0	6.0	9.4
1994.10	10.9	10.0	9.6	6.2	:	22.9	11.3	17.6	12.0	3.5	10.1	6.1	9.2
1994.11	10.9	10.0	9.3	6.2	:	23.0	11.3	17.6	12.1	3.5	10.0	6.2	9.1
1994.12	10.8	9.9	9.3	6.1	:	22.6	11.3	17.6	12.2	3.5	:	6.2	8.9
<b>Males</b>													
1993.12	9.6	6.9	9.5	5.7	:	18.8	9.4	17.4	7.9	2.4	7.9	4.9	11.7
1994.07	9.6	6.9	9.7	6.0	:	18.4	9.4	16.6	8.4	2.6	7.6	5.3	11.5
1994.08	9.5	7.0	9.1	6.0	:	18.4	9.4	16.5	8.3	2.8	7.6	5.2	11.2
1994.09	9.5	7.0	8.9	6.0	:	18.4	9.4	16.5	8.5	2.7	7.6	5.3	11.0
1994.10	9.4	7.0	8.6	5.9	:	18.2	9.3	16.6	8.5	2.7	7.8	5.4	10.7
1994.11	9.4	6.9	8.4	5.9	:	18.2	9.3	16.4	8.5	2.7	7.4	5.5	10.6
1994.12	9.3	6.9	8.3	5.8	:	17.9	9.3	16.2	8.6	2.7	:	5.5	10.4
<b>Females</b>													
1993.12	12.7	14.2	11.5	6.5	:	30.0	13.4	20.4	17.2	4.0	13.2	7.0	7.9
1994.07	13.0	14.4	11.7	6.7	:	31.1	13.7	19.4	18.0	4.3	13.0	7.1	7.4
1994.08	13.0	14.5	11.2	6.7	:	31.0	13.7	19.4	17.9	4.1	13.4	7.1	7.4
1994.09	13.0	14.6	10.9	6.7	:	31.2	13.7	19.6	17.9	4.7	13.5	7.0	7.3
1994.10	13.0	14.5	10.7	6.7	:	31.3	13.7	19.7	18.0	4.8	13.7	7.0	7.1
1994.11	13.0	14.5	10.5	6.6	:	31.4	13.7	19.8	18.1	4.9	13.8	7.1	7.1
1994.12	13.0	14.4	10.4	6.6	:	31.0	13.8	20.0	18.2	5.0	:	7.2	7.0
<b>Under 25 years</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1993.12	20.4	20.3	11.3	5.2	:	38.5	23.7	28.1	30.9	6.6	17.0	10.9	15.3
1994.07	20.2	19.4	11.0	5.5	:	38.0	23.2	25.1	31.2	7.0	14.3	11.2	15.7
1994.08	20.0	19.7	10.4	5.1	:	38.0	23.2	25.0	30.8	7.5	14.9	11.0	15.1
1994.09	19.8	19.7	10.2	5.1	:	38.3	23.2	25.9	30.3	7.3	14.6	11.2	14.5
1994.10	19.8	19.6	10.0	5.0	:	38.2	23.0	26.4	30.3	7.3	15.3	11.2	14.4
1994.11	19.8	19.4	9.7	4.8	:	38.6	23.0	27.1	30.2	7.1	14.7	11.4	14.2
1994.12	19.6	19.2	9.6	4.8	:	38.0	23.0	26.2	30.4	7.3	:	11.4	14.0
<b>Males</b>													
1993.12	19.6	18.2	10.4	5.7	:	35.1	21.7	29.3	26.8	7.4	17.1	9.3	17.9
1994.07	19.3	17.2	10.2	6.1	:	33.5	21.0	26.8	27.2	8.2	14.1	9.4	18.3
1994.08	19.1	17.4	9.4	5.5	:	33.9	21.1	26.6	26.9	8.8	13.9	9.2	17.8
1994.09	18.8	17.3	9.3	5.5	:	34.0	21.0	27.1	26.3	8.3	13.8	9.4	17.2
1994.10	18.8	17.3	9.1	5.4	:	33.7	20.8	27.5	26.4	8.3	15.1	9.5	16.9
1994.11	18.7	17.0	8.9	5.2	:	34.2	20.7	28.3	26.2	7.8	14.3	9.7	16.8
1994.12	18.6	16.8	8.8	5.1	:	33.4	20.6	27.0	26.5	8.0	:	9.8	16.6
<b>Females</b>													
1993.12	21.3	22.6	12.3	4.7	:	42.9	25.8	26.6	35.9	5.6	16.8	13.0	12.2
1994.07	21.3	21.8	12.0	5.0	:	43.6	25.6	23.0	36.1	5.6	14.5	13.4	12.5
1994.08	21.1	22.2	11.3	4.7	:	43.1	25.6	22.9	35.6	6.0	15.9	13.3	11.9
1994.09	21.0	22.3	11.1	4.7	:	43.8	25.5	24.4	35.3	6.0	15.4	13.3	11.4
1994.10	20.9	22.1	11.0	4.6	:	43.9	25.5	25.1	35.1	6.1	15.5	13.3	11.3
1994.11	21.0	22.0	10.5	4.4	:	44.3	25.6	25.5	35.1	6.2	15.2	13.5	11.1
1994.12	20.9	21.7	10.5	4.4	:	43.8	25.6	25.1	35.4	6.5	:	13.5	10.9

## Unemployment rates, annual averages

(%)

	EUR 12	Belgique/ België	Danmark	BR Deutschland	Elias (1)	España	France	Ireland	Italia	Luxembourg	Nederland	Portugal	United Kingdom
<b>Total</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1987	10.5	11.3	5.6	6.3	7.4	20.5	10.4	18.0	10.8	2.5	10.0	6.8	10.4
1988	9.8	10.2	6.4	6.3	7.7	19.4	9.9	17.3	10.9	2.0	9.3	5.7	8.5
1989	8.9	8.6	7.7	5.6	7.5	17.1	9.4	15.7	10.9	1.8	8.5	5.0	7.1
1990	8.3	7.6	8.1	4.8	7.1	16.2	9.0	14.5	10.0	1.7	7.5	4.6	7.0
1991	8.7	7.5	8.9	4.2	7.7	16.4	9.5	16.2	10.1	1.6	7.1	4.0	8.9
1992	9.4	8.2	9.5	4.5	:	18.2	10.0	17.8	10.3	1.9	7.2	3.9	10.2
1993	10.5	9.4	10.3	5.6	:	21.8	10.8	18.4	11.1	2.6	8.8	5.1	10.4
1994	10.9	10.0	10.1	6.2	:	23.0	11.3	17.7	11.8	3.3	:	6.1	9.6
<b>Males</b>													
1987	8.7	7.4	4.4	5.3	5.1	16.9	8.2	17.4	7.4	1.8	7.5	5.1	10.8
1988	7.9	6.9	5.4	5.1	4.9	15.2	7.6	16.8	7.3	1.5	7.1	4.0	8.7
1989	7.1	5.5	6.9	4.5	4.6	12.9	7.0	15.4	7.2	1.4	6.4	3.5	7.3
1990	6.6	4.8	7.2	4.0	4.3	12.0	6.8	14.0	6.6	1.2	5.6	3.2	7.4
1991	7.2	5.0	7.8	3.7	4.8	12.3	7.4	15.6	6.8	1.3	5.3	2.8	10.0
1992	8.1	5.5	8.4	4.1	:	14.2	8.1	16.9	7.1	1.5	5.6	3.3	11.9
1993	9.3	6.5	9.4	5.2	:	18.0	9.1	17.4	7.7	2.0	6.9	4.3	12.2
1994	9.5	7.0	9.1	5.9	:	18.5	9.4	16.7	8.3	2.6	:	5.3	11.2
<b>Females</b>													
1987	13.1	17.5	6.9	7.9	11.3	27.9	13.2	19.2	17.0	3.7	14.0	9.2	9.9
1988	12.6	15.4	7.6	7.9	12.5	27.5	12.8	18.4	17.2	3.0	12.7	8.0	8.3
1989	11.8	13.3	8.6	7.2	12.3	25.1	12.4	16.4	17.2	2.8	11.9	7.1	6.9
1990	10.8	11.9	9.1	5.9	11.9	24.0	11.8	15.5	15.8	2.5	10.5	6.4	6.5
1991	10.9	11.4	10.2	4.9	12.8	23.8	12.1	17.3	15.6	2.3	9.8	5.7	7.6
1992	11.3	12.2	10.8	5.1	:	25.5	12.5	19.4	15.7	2.8	9.7	4.8	7.8
1993	12.3	13.7	11.3	6.1	:	28.7	13.0	20.1	16.8	3.6	11.7	6.2	8.0
1994	12.9	14.4	11.2	6.7	:	30.9	13.6	19.7	17.8	4.4	:	7.3	7.4
<b>Under 25 years</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1987	21.3	22.4	7.9	7.1	24.7	43.1	23.6	26.3	33.6	5.7	17.1	16.4	15.4
1988	19.8	20.3	8.7	6.8	25.6	40.3	22.1	25.0	33.0	4.8	14.6	13.1	12.4
1989	17.6	18.1	10.8	5.5	24.7	34.1	20.4	21.8	31.9	4.3	13.3	11.6	10.2
1990	16.8	17.0	11.1	4.5	23.3	32.2	20.1	20.9	29.1	3.9	11.7	10.5	10.8
1991	17.7	16.7	11.2	3.8	24.6	31.1	21.3	24.5	28.5	3.2	11.4	9.1	15.0
1992	18.4	17.6	11.4	4.0	:	32.9	21.8	27.6	28.5	3.8	11.8	9.0	16.1
1993	20.1	19.6	11.4	4.9	:	37.8	23.1	27.9	30.5	5.7	15.0	10.3	16.2
1994	20.2	20.0	10.6	5.2	:	38.3	23.4	26.4	31.1	7.1	:	11.4	14.9
<b>Males</b>													
1987	19.1	15.9	6.7	6.5	17.4	38.0	19.7	28.4	28.1	4.5	15.9	12.5	16.4
1988	17.4	15.1	7.8	6.2	16.8	34.1	18.3	26.8	27.6	4.4	13.9	9.6	13.3
1989	15.2	13.6	9.9	5.1	16.9	27.6	16.6	23.3	26.0	3.6	12.0	8.7	11.0
1990	14.7	12.7	10.4	4.3	15.2	26.2	16.5	22.1	23.8	3.2	10.9	8.2	11.9
1991	16.3	13.6	10.2	3.9	17.1	25.7	18.1	25.9	24.2	3.2	10.8	6.5	17.3
1992	17.4	14.8	10.4	4.1	:	28.3	19.1	29.0	24.4	4.0	11.9	7.6	18.9
1993	19.5	17.3	10.7	5.3	:	34.4	21.1	29.5	26.5	6.4	15.4	8.5	19.0
1994	19.3	17.7	9.7	5.6	:	34.3	21.2	27.8	27.1	7.9	:	9.5	17.5
<b>Females</b>													
1987	23.9	29.3	9.3	7.7	33.6	49.4	27.6	23.7	40.2	7.0	18.3	21.3	14.3
1988	22.4	25.8	9.7	7.4	35.6	47.7	26.0	22.7	39.2	5.2	15.4	17.5	11.3
1989	20.3	23.0	11.8	5.8	33.7	42.0	24.3	19.9	38.6	5.1	14.6	15.1	9.2
1990	19.1	21.6	11.8	4.7	32.7	39.4	23.8	19.5	35.4	4.7	12.5	13.3	9.5
1991	19.3	20.0	12.4	3.8	33.5	37.8	24.6	22.7	33.7	3.1	12.0	12.1	12.1
1992	19.5	20.6	12.4	3.8	:	38.7	24.7	25.8	33.6	3.6	11.7	10.7	12.6
1993	21.0	22.1	12.2	4.5	:	42.3	25.2	25.9	35.5	4.7	14.5	12.6	12.8
1994	21.2	22.4	11.5	4.7	:	43.5	25.7	24.7	36.1	6.1	:	13.6	11.8

(1) Data refer to spring.

# Estimates of the number of unemployed, annual averages

(1000)

	EUR 12	Belgique/ België	Danmark	BR Deutschland	Elias (1)	España	France	Ireland	Italia	Luxembourg	Nederland	Portugal	United Kingdom
<b>Total</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1987	14772	445	157	1807	286	2945	2491	238	2523	3.9	649	322	2903
1988	13976	398	183	1807	304	2841	2363	229	2562	3.1	608	269	2410
1989	12902	336	219	1637	297	2532	2257	206	2560	2.9	568	243	2047
1990	12173	301	233	1451	282	2435	2166	192	2356	2.7	515	227	2009
1991	12814	303	259	1278	303	2471	2308	219	2408	2.7	493	204	2568
1992	13936	332	277	1377	:	2806	2468	246	2462	3.2	499	198	2965
1993	15794	386	304	1732	:	3519	2679	255	2687	4.3	622	262	3042
1994	16458	413	296	1933	:	3760	2808	244	2888	5.5	:	317	2778
<b>Males</b>													
1987	7455	179	67	911	128	1622	1113	155	1103	1.8	304	139	1735
1988	6808	164	84	896	122	1459	1027	149	1095	1.5	288	108	1415
1989	6102	132	106	791	115	1245	950	135	1076	1.4	261	96	1195
1990	5764	116	112	716	108	1165	914	123	983	1.3	234	90	1201
1991	6329	120	121	667	121	1202	999	139	1027	1.3	224	79	1631
1992	7175	134	131	736	:	1410	1104	153	1065	1.6	234	94	1992
1993	8320	159	148	959	:	1878	1260	158	1174	2.1	295	124	2041
1994	8541	172	142	1087	:	1941	1304	150	1271	2.8	:	154	1859
<b>Females</b>													
1987	7317	265	90	896	158	1323	1378	83	1420	2.1	345	183	1168
1988	7168	234	100	911	182	1382	1335	79	1467	1.6	320	161	995
1989	6800	204	113	846	182	1287	1306	71	1484	1.5	307	147	852
1990	6409	186	122	735	174	1269	1252	69	1373	1.4	281	137	808
1991	6484	183	138	611	181	1269	1309	80	1381	1.3	269	125	937
1992	6760	199	147	641	:	1396	1364	92	1397	1.6	265	104	973
1993	7475	227	155	773	:	1641	1419	97	1513	2.2	327	138	1001
1994	7916	241	154	846	:	1819	1504	94	1617	2.7	:	163	920

(1) Data refer to spring.

## Method of estimating unemployment rates for comparison between Member States

- The unemployment rates for comparison between Member States are calculated according to the recommendations of the 13th International Conference of Labour Statisticians organised by the International Labour Office (ILO) in 1982.  
In the Community labour force survey, a person is considered as unemployed if he/she is aged 14 or over, without work, actively seeking work and immediately available for work.  
The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed as a percentage of the working population (armed forces excluded). Working population includes both those in employment and unemployed persons.
- The Community labour force survey is carried out in the spring of each year(1). The monthly estimates are made using the best available national indicator of unemployment.  
The number of persons registered at employment offices, and the number of unemployed (ILO definition) taken from the quarterly labour force surveys carried out in Spain, Italy, Portugal and United Kingdom, are considered to be the best national indicators of unemployment. No such reliable monthly indicator exists for Greece.
- The estimate is made separately for each sex, for persons under 25 years of age and those aged 25 years and over. Totals are obtained by the addition of these categories.
- Both seasonally adjusted and non-adjusted rates are published. The seasonal adjustment is carried out using the X-11 method of the US Bureau of the Census.

(1) The most recent results are based on the 1991 surveys in all the Member States. For the Federal Republic of Germany results continue to relate to the territory before 3rd October 1990.

# Persons registered at employment offices

(1000)

	EUR 12	Belgique/ België	Danmark	BR Deutschland	Elias	Espana	France	Ireland	Italia	Luxembourg	Nederland	Portugal	United Kingdom
<b>Monthly data, not seasonally adjusted</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1993.12	18664	592	350	2514	205	2706	3400	297	4968	4.3	480	365	2783
1994.07	18497	601	342	2570	167	2560	3241	284	5245	4.1	470	387	2626
1994.08	18265	622	326	2531	162	2531	3317	283	5000	4.3	484	384	2621
1994.09	18404	617	312	2452	151	2562	3392	277	5200	4.8	484	390	2564
1994.10	18361	606	318	2446	160	2590	3410	273	5220	5.0	490	403	2439
1994.11	18323	595	303	2450	196	2600	3393	272	5210	5.1	480	412	2408
1994.12	18438	599	308	2545	209	2557	3424	280	5220	5.1	:	410	2401
<b>Males</b>													
1993.12	10162	261	171	1442	102	1328	1738	196	2340	2.6	282	154	2146
1994.07	9852	260	161	1452	78	1229	1596	183	2460	2.5	274	169	1988
1994.08	9672	269	149	1422	75	1224	1625	182	2308	2.7	278	169	1969
1994.09	9768	267	143	1377	69	1225	1662	180	2460	2.8	274	171	1938
1994.10	9727	263	144	1374	73	1234	1679	177	2469	2.9	276	175	1859
1994.11	9717	259	142	1380	91	1240	1677	176	2460	3.0	271	179	1840
1994.12	9860	261	147	1460	100	1237	1707	181	2469	3.0	:	179	1845
<b>Females</b>													
1993.12	8502	330	180	1071	103	1378	1663	101	2628	1.7	198	211	637
1994.07	8645	341	181	1118	89	1331	1646	101	2784	1.7	196	218	638
1994.08	8592	353	178	1109	87	1307	1692	101	2692	1.6	206	215	651
1994.09	8637	350	169	1076	82	1336	1730	97	2740	2.0	210	220	626
1994.10	8634	343	174	1073	87	1356	1731	95	2751	2.1	214	227	580
1994.11	8606	336	162	1070	105	1360	1716	96	2750	2.2	209	233	567
1994.12	8577	337	160	1085	109	1320	1717	99	2751	2.2	:	231	556
<b>Annual averages</b>													
<b>Males and females</b>													
1987	:	501	216	2233	110	2924	2622	247	3317	2.7	:	319	2953
1988	15671	459	241	2237	109	2858	2563	241	3833	2.5	454	306	2370
1989	14628	419	263	2032	118	2550	2532	232	3962	2.3	407	312	1799
1990	14277	403	268	1872	140	2349	2505	225	4185	2.1	358	307	1665
1991	15182	429	292	1687	173	2289	2709	254	4427	2.3	335	293	2292
1992	16158	473	314	1821	185	2260	2911	283	4475	2.7	336	317	2779
1993	17921	550	343	2291	176	2538	3172	294	4870	3.5	415	347	2919
1994	18613	589	337	2557	180	2647	3329	282	5178	4.6	:	396	2628
<b>Males</b>													
1987	:	209	94	1210	60	1525	1298	176	1663	1.5	:	138	2046
1988	8204	188	107	1196	56	1360	1225	170	1861	1.5	281	112	1650
1989	7374	168	118	1065	57	1087	1178	160	1904	1.4	244	102	1291
1990	7109	161	122	963	68	942	1149	152	2009	1.2	209	100	1233
1991	7780	178	135	898	84	908	1266	170	2112	1.4	190	101	1737
1992	8497	199	146	991	90	954	1404	187	2084	1.6	195	118	2126
1993	9677	238	166	1290	88	1193	1604	194	2284	2.0	241	141	2236
1994	10004	257	160	1462	87	1284	1665	184	2439	2.8	:	172	2010
<b>Females</b>													
1987	:	292	122	1023	51	1399	1324	71	1654	1.1	:	181	908
1988	7467	272	134	1041	53	1499	1338	72	1972	1.0	173	194	720
1989	7254	252	145	967	60	1463	1354	72	2058	0.9	163	210	508
1990	7168	242	146	909	72	1407	1356	73	2176	0.8	149	207	431
1991	7402	252	157	790	89	1381	1443	83	2316	0.9	145	192	555
1992	7661	274	167	830	95	1306	1507	96	2391	1.2	141	199	653
1993	8244	312	177	1001	88	1345	1568	101	2587	1.5	174	206	683
1994	8609	332	177	1095	92	1364	1665	98	2739	1.9	:	224	618

## **Definition of the number of persons registered at employment offices**

The tables on page 8 contain national series of the number of persons registered at employment offices. The data given are standardized to the greatest extent possible at the present time and may differ in some cases from those normally used by the individual countries. Differing national legislation and administrative procedures in the Member States prevent the establishment of comparable figures. The data should therefore be used only for the identification of trends. They are not suitable for inter-country comparisons of absolute levels.

In principle, persons registered at employment offices are those without a job who are seeking work as employees and are immediately available for work. Workers on short time for economic or meteorological reasons are excluded.

The following national series are used:

### **BELGIUM**

All persons in the following categories registered at employment offices: wholly unemployed persons in receipt of benefit, other unemployed persons compulsorily registered and voluntarily registered persons without work; series provided by the Office National de l'Emploi.

### **DENMARK**

Persons seeking full-time or part-time employment, whether or not they are members of an unemployment insurance fund; series provided by Danmarks Statistik.

### **FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

Unemployed persons registered at public employment offices and seeking work as employees for at least 18 hours per week; series provided by the Bundesanstalt für Arbeit.

### **GREECE**

Persons registered at employment offices (OAED); series provided by the Ministry of Labour. The Greek registration and benefit system for unemployed persons differs considerably from that in other Community countries so that, even if the different employment structure in Greece is taken into account, the number of persons registered as unemployed does not reflect the true level of unemployment.

### **SPAIN**

Unemployed persons registered at public employment offices and seeking work as employees for 20 hours or more per week; series provided by the Ministerio de Trabajo y Seguridad Social.

### **FRANCE**

Unemployed persons registered at the Agence de l'Emploi and seeking permanent full-time employment (demeureurs de catégorie 1); series provided by the Ministère du Travail, de l'Emploi et de la Formation Professionnelle.

### **IRELAND**

Claimants for unemployment benefit, applicants for unemployment assistance and others seeking work who are registered with the employment services of the Department of Social Welfare. Excluded are persons seeking part-time employment; series provided by the Central Statistics Office.

### **ITALY**

Persons without work, persons seeking their first job, persons working part-time for less than 20 hours per week and workers on a fixed-term contract of not more than 4 months in any 12-month period, who are looking for a different job; series provided by the Ministero del Lavoro e della Previdenza Sociale.

### **LUXEMBOURG**

Unemployed persons registered at employment offices and seeking work as employees for at least 20 hours per week; series provided by the Administration de l'Emploi.

### **NETHERLANDS**

Persons registered at employment offices, between the ages of 16 and 64 years ;  
-who are without work or with work less than 12 hours a week and  
-who are immediately available for paid employment for at least 12 hours a week or who found a job and will start working for at least 12 hours a week.

### **PORTUGAL**

Persons registered at employment offices who are available for work within 30 days after registration; series provided by the Instituto de Emprego e Formação Profissional.

### **UNITED KINGDOM**

Persons seeking full-time work and claiming unemployment benefit because they are out of work; series provided by the Department of Employment.

## **Federal Republic of Germany Unemployment In the five new Länder and East Berlin**

### **Unemployment rates for comparison between Member States**

The five new Länder and East Berlin, being part of the Federal Republic of Germany (and therefore of the European Union) since 3rd October 1990, will be included in the estimation of unemployment rates according to the ILO definition, as soon as the results of the first Community labour force survey for these territories are available. These new territories will be included for the first time in the survey of spring 1991.

### **Persons registered at unemployment offices**

The system of registration at unemployment offices has been applied in the five new Länder and East Berlin according to the norms and practices already in use in the other Länder of the Federal Republic of Germany. The following table shows the relevant data by sex:

### **Number of persons registered at unemployment offices in the five new Länder and East Berlin**

	1994.07	1994.08	1994.09	1994.10	1994.11	1994.12	(1000)
Males and females	1136	1105	1041	1001	980	1015	
Males	384	368	344	330	327	355	
Females	752	737	697	671	653	660	

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