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First quarter of 2014 compared with fourth quarter of 2013

## Employment up by 0.1% in euro area and by 0.2% in the EU28

+0.2% and +0.7% respectively compared with the first quarter of 2013

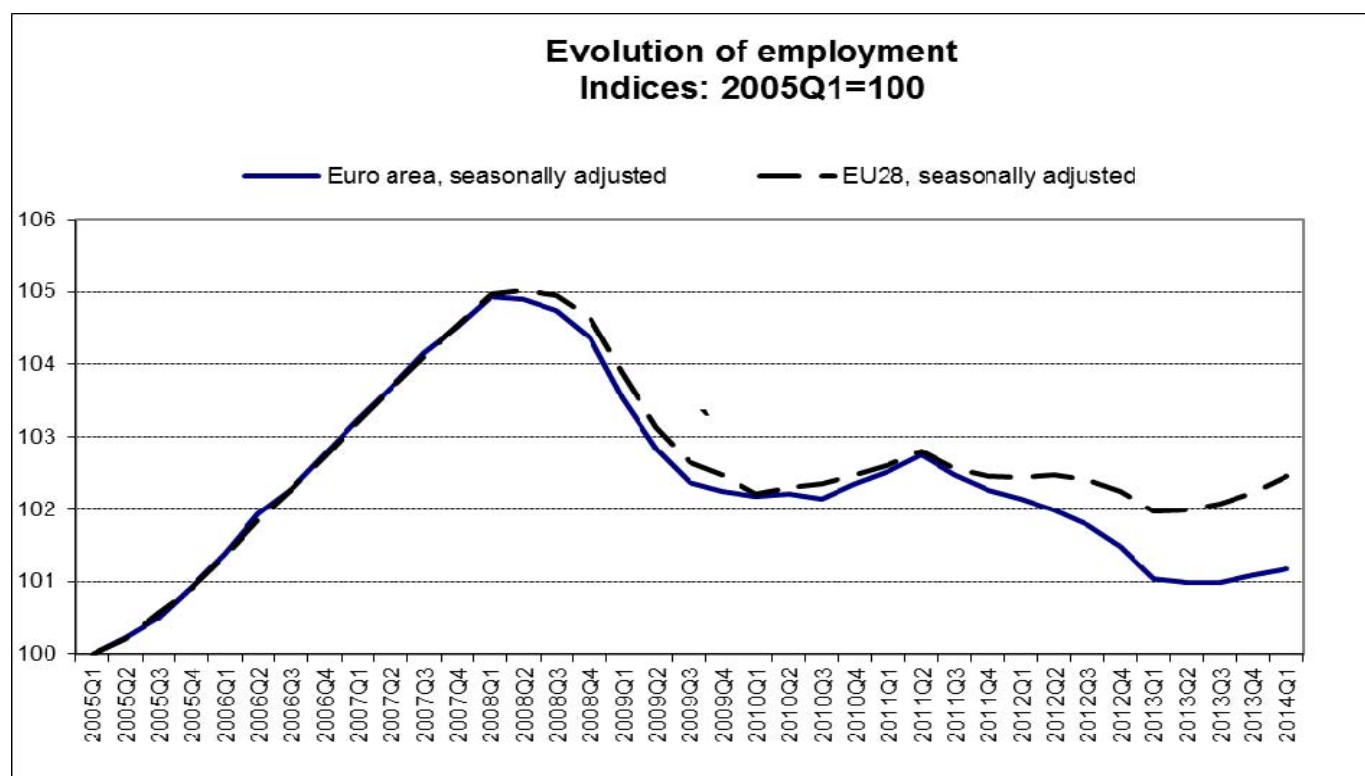
*This News Release, published on 13 June 2014, has been revised following a technical error in the quarterly employment growth rates for Greece and the United Kingdom, and in the quarterly and annual growth rates for Norway. We apologise for any inconvenience this error may have caused.*

The number of persons employed<sup>1</sup> increased by 0.1% in the **euro area**<sup>2</sup> (EA18) and by 0.2% in the **EU28**<sup>2</sup> in the first quarter of 2014 compared with the previous quarter, according to national accounts estimates published by **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**. In the fourth quarter of 2013, employment also increased by 0.1% in the **euro area** and by 0.2% in the **EU28**. These figures are seasonally adjusted.

Compared with the same quarter of the previous year, employment increased by 0.2% in the **euro area** and by 0.7% in the **EU28** in the first quarter of 2014 (after -0.4% and 0.0% respectively in the fourth quarter of 2013).

According to estimates from Eurostat, 224.2 million men and women were employed in the **EU28**, of which 146.1 million were in the **euro area**, in the first quarter of 2014. These figures are seasonally adjusted.

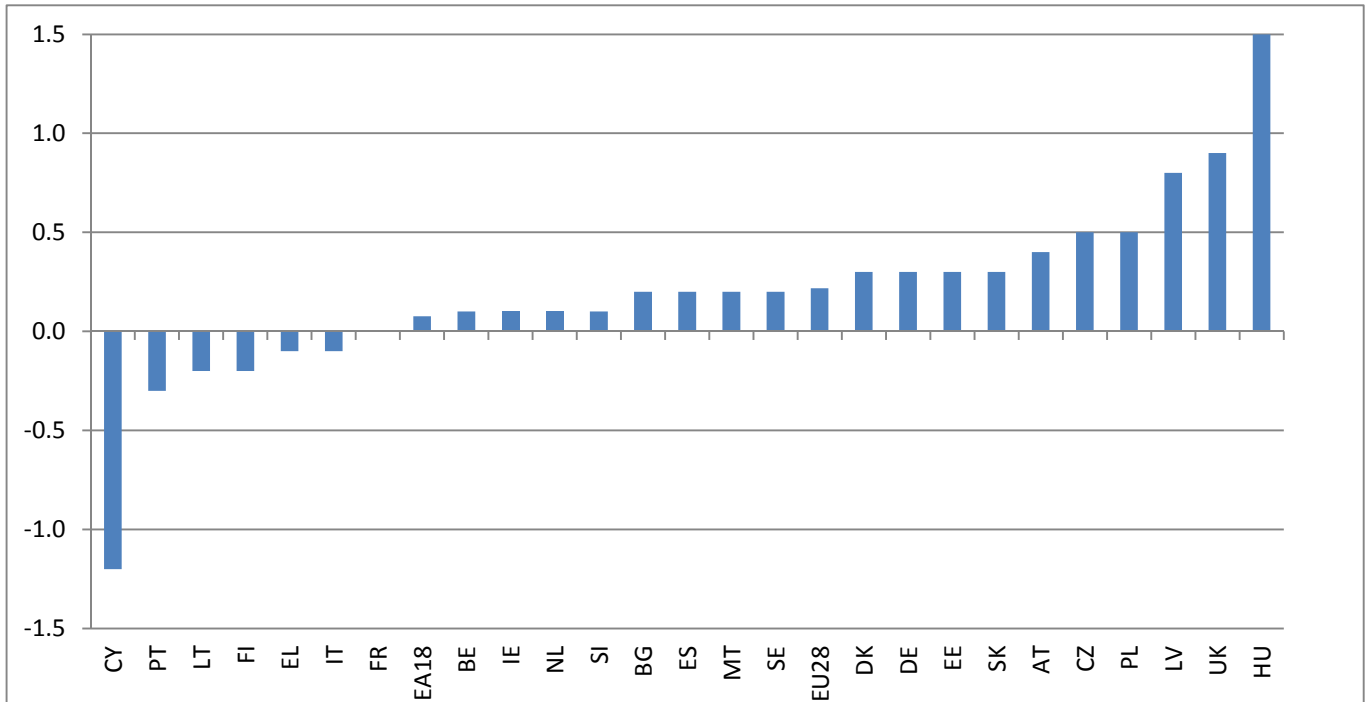
These quarterly data on employment provide a picture of labour input consistent with the output and income measure of national accounts.



## Employment growth in Member States

Among Member States for which data are available, **Hungary** (+1.5%), the **United Kingdom** (+0.9%), **Latvia** (+0.8%), the **Czech Republic** and **Poland** (both +0.5%) recorded the highest increases in the first quarter of 2014 compared with the previous quarter. **Cyprus** (-1.2%), **Portugal** (-0.3%), **Lithuania** and **Finland** (both -0.2%), **Greece** and **Italy** (both -0.1%) recorded the only decreases.

**Member States' growth rates for employment in the first quarter of 2014**  
% change over the previous quarter, seasonally adjusted



1. Employment covers employees and self-employed working in resident production units (i.e. the domestic employment concept). Unless otherwise stated, all employment estimates in this release use *persons* as the measurement unit. ESA95 acknowledges other possible measures for employment: jobs, full-time equivalents and total hours worked. More information on employment in national accounts is available on Eurostat's website:  
[http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/national\\_accounts/methodology/employment](http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page/portal/national_accounts/methodology/employment).
2. The euro area (EA18) includes Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovakia and Finland.  
The EU28 includes Belgium (BE), Bulgaria (BG), the Czech Republic (CZ), Denmark (DK), Germany (DE), Estonia (EE), Ireland (IE), Greece (EL), Spain (ES), France (FR), Croatia (HR), Italy (IT), Cyprus (CY), Latvia (LV), Lithuania (LT), Luxembourg (LU), Hungary (HU), Malta (MT), the Netherlands (NL), Austria (AT), Poland (PL), Portugal (PT), Romania (RO), Slovenia (SI), Slovakia (SK), Finland (FI), Sweden (SE) and the United Kingdom (UK).

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## Employment growth rates

	Percentage change compared with the previous quarter*				Percentage change compared with the same quarter of the previous year**			
	2013			2014	2013			2014
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
<b>EA18</b>	-0.1	0.0	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	<b>0.2</b>
<b>EU28</b>	0.0	0.1	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	<b>0.7</b>
Member States								
<b>Belgium</b>	-0.1	0.1	0.0	<b>0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.2	-0.1	<b>0.1</b>
<b>Bulgaria</b>	0.4	-0.2	-0.1	<b>0.2</b>	0.7	-0.1	-0.7	<b>0.3</b>
<b>Czech Republic</b>	0.4	-0.5	0.0	<b>0.5</b>	1.3	0.7	0.7	<b>0.6</b>
<b>Denmark</b>	0.5	0.1	0.1	<b>0.3</b>	0.3	0.4	0.8	<b>1.0</b>
<b>Germany</b>	0.1	0.2	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	0.5	0.6	0.6	<b>0.8</b>
<b>Estonia</b>	1.4	-1.5	-1.3	<b>0.3</b>	3.0	1.3	0.8	<b>-1.1</b>
<b>Ireland</b>	0.7	1.0	0.5	<b>0.1</b>	1.9	3.2	3.2	<b>2.3</b>
<b>Greece</b>	0.1	-0.7	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-4.3	-2.9	-2.6	<b>-0.5</b>
<b>Spain</b>	-0.3	-0.4	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	-3.6	-2.7	-1.3	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>France</b>	0.1	0.0	0.0	<b>0.0</b>	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Croatia***</b>	:	:	:	:	-1.6	-1.6	c	<b>c</b>
<b>Italy</b>	-0.5	-0.2	-0.2	<b>-0.1</b>	-2.3	-2.1	-1.8	<b>-0.9</b>
<b>Cyprus</b>	-1.8	-1.2	-0.6	<b>-1.2</b>	-6.0	-6.0	-4.1	<b>-4.6</b>
<b>Latvia</b>	0.5	-0.1	-1.1	<b>0.8</b>	3.9	1.8	-0.3	<b>0.1</b>
<b>Lithuania</b>	3.0	1.0	-0.9	<b>-0.2</b>	1.0	0.8	2.3	<b>2.3</b>
<b>Luxembourg</b>	0.6	0.5	0.6	:	1.7	1.8	1.9	:
<b>Hungary</b>	0.6	0.3	0.5	<b>1.5</b>	0.2	0.6	1.0	<b>3.2</b>
<b>Malta</b>	0.9	1.4	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	3.8	3.5	3.5	<b>2.8</b>
<b>Netherlands</b>	-0.2	-0.2	-0.6	<b>0.1</b>	-0.8	-1.0	-1.4	<b>-1.0</b>
<b>Austria</b>	0.3	0.3	0.4	<b>0.4</b>	0.6	0.8	1.0	<b>1.5</b>
<b>Poland</b>	0.5	0.5	-0.1	<b>0.5</b>	-0.4	0.0	0.7	<b>1.7</b>
<b>Portugal</b>	0.7	0.8	0.7	<b>-0.3</b>	-4.0	-2.4	0.5	<b>1.8</b>
<b>Romania</b>	:	:	:	:	-0.1	-0.1	-0.4	<b>0.4</b>
<b>Slovenia</b>	-0.3	0.0	0.0	<b>0.1</b>	-2.5	-1.7	-1.0	<b>-0.2</b>
<b>Slovakia</b>	-0.2	0.2	0.2	<b>0.3</b>	-1.3	-0.9	0.1	<b>0.6</b>
<b>Finland</b>	0.0	-1.1	0.6	<b>-0.2</b>	-1.1	-1.8	-1.0	<b>-0.5</b>
<b>Sweden</b>	0.1	0.3	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.8	1.0	1.2	<b>1.0</b>
<b>United Kingdom</b>	0.2	0.6	0.6	<b>0.9</b>	1.0	1.3	1.4	<b>2.5</b>
EFTA countries								
<b>Norway</b>	0.4	0.4	0.3	<b>0.1</b>	1.1	1.2	1.2	<b>1.2</b>

: Data not available

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\* Percentage change compared with the previous quarter based on seasonally adjusted data for Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Ireland, France, Italy, Cyprus, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, and United Kingdom, and based on seasonally and working day adjusted data for the remaining Member States and Norway.

\*\* Percentage change compared with the same quarter of the previous year based on non-seasonally adjusted data.

\*\*\* Employment data based on national employment concept.

## T1 - TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

t/t-1 - PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER THE PREVIOUS QUARTER – SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

NACE Rev 2	Total economy				Agriculture, forestry and fishing				Industry (mining, manufacturing, electricity, water and waste)				of which: Manufacturing				Construction				Trade, transport, accommodation and food service activities			
Section					A				B, C, D and E				C				F				G, H and I			
	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
EA18	-0.1	0.0	0.1	<b>0.1</b>	1.6	-0.4	-0.5	<b>0.0</b>	-0.4	-0.4	0.2	<b>0.1</b>	-0.4	-0.4	0.0	<b>0.2</b>	-1.0	-0.4	-0.5	<b>-1.0</b>	0.0	-0.1	0.2	<b>-0.1</b>
EU28	0.0	0.1	0.2	<b>0.2</b>	1.7	-0.7	-1.2	<b>1.4</b>	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	<b>0.2</b>	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	<b>0.4</b>	-0.7	0.0	-0.2	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.1	0.0	0.3	<b>0.1</b>

NACE Rev 2	Information and communication				Financial and insurance activities				Real estate activities				Professional and support service activities				Administration and other public services				Arts, entertainment and other services			
Section	J				K				L				M and N				O, P and Q				R, S, T and U			
	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
EA18	0.1	-0.3	0.6	<b>0.1</b>	-0.2	0.1	-0.1	<b>0.0</b>	0.0	0.3	-1.2	<b>1.5</b>	0.5	0.5	0.1	<b>0.4</b>	-0.1	0.2	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.4	0.3	0.1	<b>0.4</b>
EU28	-0.1	-0.2	0.6	<b>0.2</b>	-0.5	-0.1	-0.1	<b>0.7</b>	1.1	1.1	-0.5	<b>0.5</b>	0.6	0.7	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	0.1	0.2	0.3	<b>0.2</b>	-0.5	0.4	0.4	<b>0.4</b>

## T2 - TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

t/t-4 - PERCENTAGE CHANGE OVER THE SAME QUARTER OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR – NON-SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

NACE Rev 2	Total economy				Agriculture, forestry and fishing				Industry (mining, manufacturing, electricity, water and waste)				of which: Manufacturing				Construction				Trade, transport, accommodation and food service activities			
Section					A				B, C, D and E				C				F				G, H and I			
	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
EA18	-1.0	-0.7	-0.4	<b>0.2</b>	-1.8	-0.3	-0.5	<b>1.1</b>	-1.5	-1.5	-1.0	<b>-0.4</b>	-1.5	-1.6	-1.0	<b>-0.5</b>	-5.6	-4.0	-3.1	<b>-2.3</b>	-0.9	-0.9	-0.3	<b>-0.1</b>
EU28	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	<b>0.7</b>	-1.9	-1.9	-2.6	<b>1.5</b>	-0.9	-0.8	-0.3	<b>0.1</b>	-0.9	-0.9	-0.4	<b>0.1</b>	-4.4	-2.9	-2.0	<b>-0.4</b>	-0.6	-0.6	0.1	<b>0.5</b>

NACE Rev 2	Information and communication				Financial and insurance activities				Real estate activities				Professional and support service activities				Administration and other public services				Arts, entertainment and other services			
Section	J				K				L				M and N				O, P and Q				R, S, T and U			
	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014	2013			2014
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
EA18	-0.2	0.4	0.0	<b>0.4</b>	-1.2	-0.3	-0.3	<b>-0.2</b>	-3.0	-1.0	-1.4	<b>0.5</b>	0.3	0.3	0.6	<b>1.6</b>	-0.5	-0.1	0.1	<b>0.5</b>	-0.1	-0.2	-0.4	<b>0.2</b>
EU28	0.6	1.0	0.2	<b>0.5</b>	-1.3	-0.7	-0.5	<b>0.3</b>	1.2	3.1	2.6	<b>2.3</b>	1.2	1.2	1.5	<b>1.9</b>	0.2	0.5	0.4	<b>0.8</b>	0.1	0.1	0.3	<b>1.0</b>