

## UNEMPLOYMENT

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Reference period: October 2023

### OECD unemployment rate broadly stable at 4.9% in October 2023

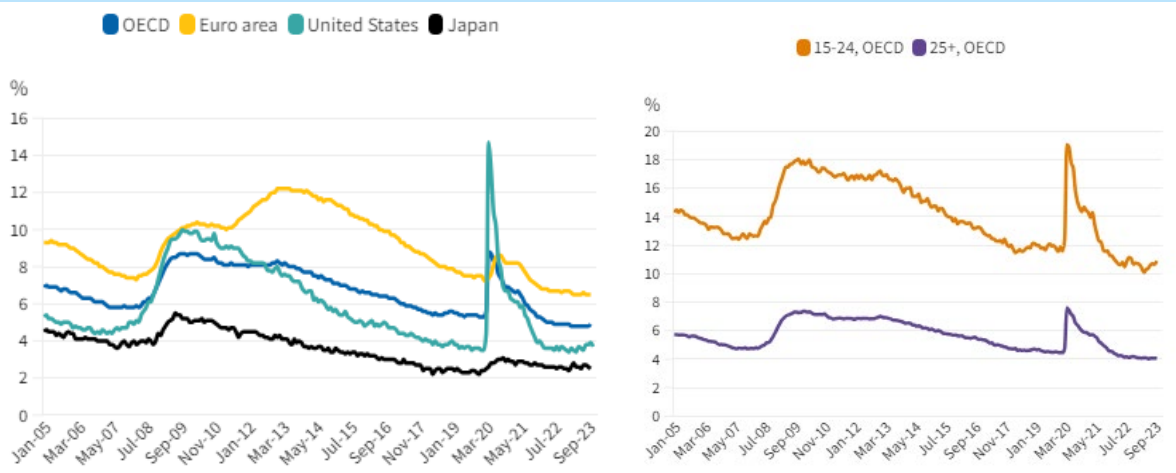
The OECD unemployment rate was broadly stable at 4.9% in October 2023, having remained below 5.0% since July 2022 (Figure 1 and Table 1). The unemployment rate rose in 14 OECD countries in October, was unchanged in 9, and declined in 10 (Figure 2 and Table 1). The number of unemployed persons in the OECD increased to 33.4 million in October, its highest level in 2023.

In October, the OECD youth unemployment rate (workers aged 15-24) increased to 10.9%, 0.8 percentage point (p.p.) above its April low. It stood 6.8 p.p. above the unemployment rate for workers aged 25 and above, which remained stable. The youth unemployment rate increased in 17 OECD countries with increases of more than one p.p. recorded in Australia, Colombia, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, and Italy. Youth unemployment rates close to or above 20% were recorded in 9 OECD countries in October (Figure 3 and Table 4). The unemployment rates for women and men remained stable (Table 3).

In the euro area, the unemployment rate has been stable at 6.5% since February 2023. In October, it was stable or increased slightly in 12 of the 17 OECD euro area countries. By contrast, pronounced decreases were recorded in Austria, Lithuania, and Greece, bringing the Greek unemployment rate below 10% for the first time since August 2009. Spain's double-digit unemployment rate remained the highest in the euro area in October.

Outside Europe, unemployment rates were stable or rose slightly in Australia, Canada, and the United States. A pronounced increase was recorded in Colombia (Figure 2 and Table 1). More recent data show that in November the unemployment rate rose further to 5.8% in Canada and decreased in the United States to 3.7% from 3.9% in October.

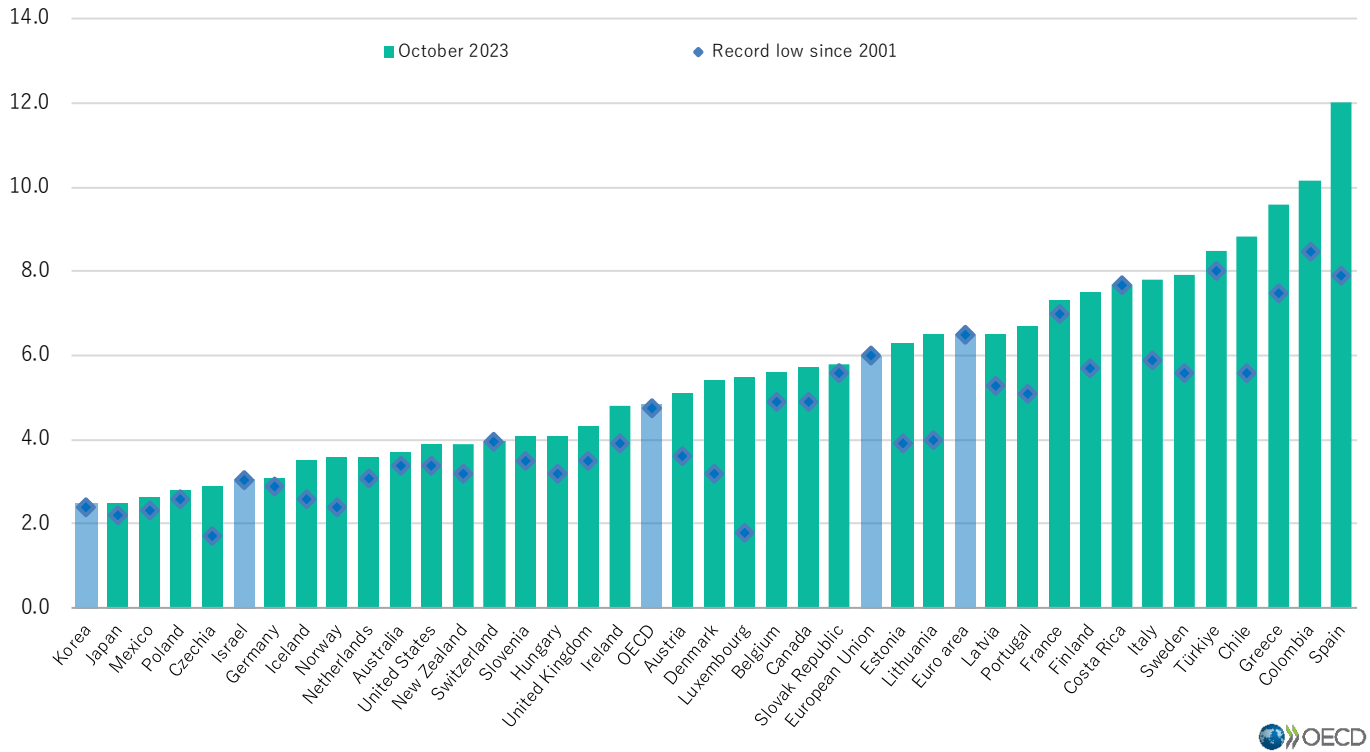
» **Figure 1 – Unemployment rates**  
Percentage of labour force, seasonally adjusted



Note: The fall in the OECD unemployment rate when compared with the April 2020 peak should be interpreted with caution, as it largely reflects the return of temporary laid-off workers in the United States and Canada, where they are recorded as unemployed, unlike in most other countries, including European member states, where they are recorded as employed.

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**Figure 2 – Unemployment rate for OECD countries**  
 October 2023 compared with the lowest rate recorded since 2001, percentage of labour force, seasonally adjusted

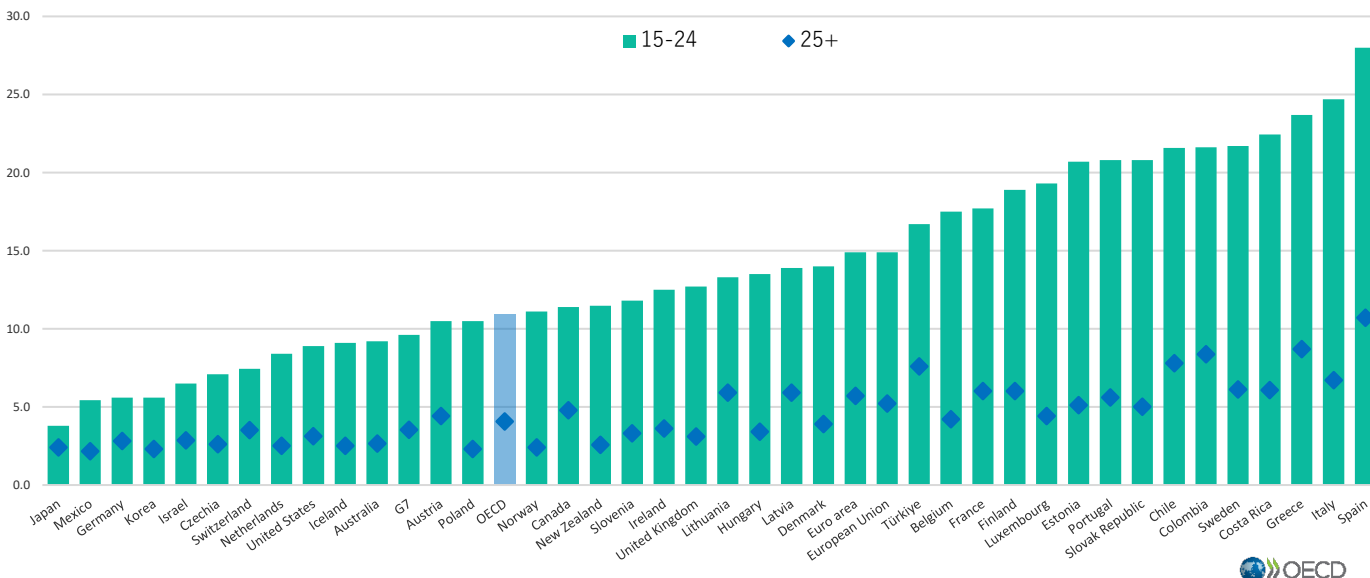


Note: The October 2023 unemployment rate was at or within 0.1 percentage point of its record low in Israel and Korea, as well as for the OECD, the European Union and the euro area (bars reported in blue).

For Costa Rica and Chile, the unemployment rate for September 2023 is reported ; for the United Kingdom, June 2023; for Switzerland, second quarter 2023; for New Zealand, third quarter 2023.

Source: OECD Short-term Labour Market Statistics, <https://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?lang=en&QueryId=36324>

**Figure 3 – Unemployment rate by age for OECD countries**  
 October 2023, Percentage of labour force, seasonally adjusted



Note: For Belgium, Costa Rica, Chile and Slovenia, the unemployment rates for both age groups (15-24 and 25+) for September 2023 is reported ; for the United Kingdom, June 2023; for Switzerland, second quarter 2023; for New Zealand, third quarter 2023; for Italy, the unemployment rate for workers aged 25 and above for June 2023 is reported.

**Table 1 – Unemployment rates (aged 15 and over)**
*Percentage of labour force, seasonally adjusted*

	2021	2022	2022	2023			2020	2023						Change from previous period	Record low	
				Q4	Q1	Q2		Q3	Feb	May	Jun	Jul	Aug		Sep	Oct
<b>OECD</b>	6.2	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.3	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	→	<b>4.8</b>	<b>Jun-23</b>
<b>G7</b>	5.2	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.2	→	3.9	Jan-23
<b>European Union</b>	7.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.6	6.0	6.0	6.1	6.0	6.0	6.0	→	<b>6.0</b>	<b>Mar-23</b>
<b>Euro area</b>	7.7	6.7	6.7	6.6	6.5	6.5	7.3	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.5	→	<b>6.5</b>	<b>Mar-23</b>
<b>Australia</b>	5.1	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7	5.1	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.7	↑	3.4	Oct-22
<b>Austria</b>	6.2	4.8	5.0	4.8	5.0	5.5	4.6	4.7	5.1	5.7	5.4	5.5	5.1	↓	3.6	Jan-01
<b>Belgium</b>	6.3	5.6	5.7	5.6	5.6	5.3	5.1	5.6	5.6	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.6	↑	4.9	Apr-20
<b>Canada</b>	7.5	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.2	5.5	5.7	5.2	5.4	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.7	↑	4.9	Jun-22
<b>Chile</b>	8.9	7.9	8.4	8.7	8.3	8.7	8.2	8.3	8.4	8.7	8.7	8.8	..	↑	5.6	Jul-13
<b>Colombia</b>	13.8	11.2	11.0	10.6	9.9	9.5	11.2	10.1	9.4	9.3	9.6	9.7	10.2	↑	8.5	Nov-15
<b>Costa Rica</b>	16.4	12.2	11.7	10.6	9.5	8.1	12.5	9.5	9.6	8.8	8.1	7.7	..	↓	7.7	Sep-23
<b>Czechia</b>	2.8	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.6	1.8	2.5	2.8	2.7	2.5	2.7	2.9	↑	1.7	Feb-19
<b>Denmark</b>	5.1	4.5	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	5.3	4.8	4.7	5.5	4.3	4.7	5.4	↑	3.2	Jan-08
<b>Estonia</b>	6.2	5.6	5.4	5.5	6.7	7.1	5.1	6.7	7.1	7.5	7.3	6.5	6.3	↓	3.9	May-08
<b>Finland</b>	7.7	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.1	7.4	6.7	7.1	7.2	7.4	7.3	7.4	7.5	↑	5.7	Apr-08
<b>France</b>	7.9	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.3	7.4	7.8	7.3	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	→	7.0	May-20
<b>Germany</b>	3.6	3.1	3.0	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.3	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	→	2.9	May-19
<b>Greece</b>	14.8	12.5	11.8	11.3	11.4	10.8	16.3	11.3	11.2	11.3	10.8	10.3	9.6	↓	7.5	May-08
<b>Hungary</b>	4.0	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	4.0	3.3	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.1	↑	3.2	May-19
<b>Iceland</b>	6.1	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.9	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	→	2.6	Sep-07
<b>Ireland</b>	6.3	4.5	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.5	4.8	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.8	↑	3.9	Mar-01
<b>Israel</b>	5.0	3.8	4.1	3.9	3.6	3.2	3.3	3.6	3.6	3.4	3.2	3.2	3.1	↓	<b>3.1</b>	<b>Oct-23</b>
<b>Italy</b>	9.6	8.1	7.8	7.9	7.7	7.6	9.5	7.7	7.5	7.8	7.5	7.6	7.8	↑	5.9	Apr-07
<b>Japan</b>	2.8	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.7	2.7	2.6	2.5	↓	2.2	May-18
<b>Korea</b>	3.7	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.6	2.6	3.4	2.5	2.6	2.8	2.4	2.6	2.5	↓	<b>2.4</b>	<b>Aug-23</b>
<b>Latvia</b>	7.6	6.9	6.8	6.1	6.4	6.6	7.3	6.4	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.5	→	5.3	Oct-07
<b>Lithuania</b>	7.1	5.9	6.1	7.2	6.1	6.6	7.3	6.1	5.8	6.3	6.7	6.9	6.5	↓	4.0	Nov-07
<b>Luxembourg</b>	5.4	4.6	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.3	5.8	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.5	5.5	→	1.8	May-01
<b>Mexico</b>	4.1	3.3	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.8	3.5	3.0	2.7	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.7	→	2.3	Aug-01
<b>Netherlands</b>	4.2	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.6	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6	↓	3.1	Apr-01
<b>New Zealand</b>	3.8	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.6	3.9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	↑	3.2	Q4-21
<b>Norway</b>	4.5	3.2	3.2	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.1	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.6	↑	2.4	Sep-07
<b>Poland</b>	3.4	2.9	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	→	2.6	Feb-23
<b>Portugal</b>	6.7	6.2	6.4	6.9	6.4	6.4	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.7	↑	5.1	Jan-01
<b>Slovak Republic</b>	6.8	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.9	5.8	6.0	5.9	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	→	5.6	Apr-19
<b>Slovenia</b>	4.8	4.0	3.6	3.6	3.8	3.8	4.3	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.9	4.1	↑	3.5	Dec-22
<b>Spain</b>	14.8	12.9	12.9	12.8	12.0	12.0	13.6	11.9	11.9	12.0	11.9	12.0	12.0	→	7.9	May-07
<b>Sweden</b>	8.9	7.5	7.5	7.4	7.5	7.8	7.8	7.2	8.0	7.1	8.1	8.2	7.9	↓	5.6	Jun-02
<b>Switzerland</b>	5.1	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.0	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	↓	4.0	Q2-23
<b>Türkiye</b>	12.0	10.5	10.2	10.0	9.6	9.1	12.6	9.4	9.5	9.3	9.1	9.0	8.5	↓	8.0	Jun-12
<b>United Kingdom</b>	4.5	3.7	3.7	3.9	4.2	..	4.0	4.2	4.3	..	..	..	..	↑	3.5	Jul-22
<b>United States</b>	5.4	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.5	3.7	3.6	3.5	3.8	3.8	3.9	↑	3.4	Jan-23

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Change from previous period (x)				
↑	x ≥ 0.1	→	-0.1 < x < 0.1	↓
Change between September 2023 and October 2023 except for Chile and Costa Rica where the change is reported between August and September 2023; for the United Kingdom, change between May and June 2023; for Switzerland, change between first quarter 2023 and second quarter 2023; for New Zealand, change between second quarter 2023 and third quarter 2023;				

Note: figures in bold in the columns "Record low since 2001" stress that the unemployment rate reached its lowest level in the current monthly period.

Source: OECD Short-term Labour Market Statistics, <https://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?lang=en&QueryId=36324>

**Table 2 – Unemployment levels (aged 15 and over)***Thousands of persons, seasonally adjusted*

	2021	2022	2023			2023			
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct
<b>OECD</b>	41,000	33,940	33,220	32,978	33,261	33,176	33,314	33,318	33,421
<b>G7</b>	19,907	15,754	15,500	15,710	16,204	15,904	16,374	16,333	16,552
<b>European Union</b>	14,963	13,253	13,100	12,967	13,098	13,150	13,029	13,115	13,156
<b>Euro area</b>	12,761	11,290	11,165	10,994	11,081	11,125	11,031	11,086	11,134
<b>Australia</b>	700	523	515	519	536	545	542	520	548
<b>Austria</b>	284	221	227	234	262	271	256	258	240
<b>Belgium</b>	324	294	300	296	282	282	279	285	295
<b>Canada</b>	1,542	1,098	1,055	1,099	1,179	1,167	1,181	1,189	1,229
<b>Chile</b>	806	758	858	819	864	861	864	881	..
<b>Colombia</b>	3,263	2,781	2,665	2,545	2,437	2,405	2,439	2,468	2,560
<b>Costa Rica</b>	401	300	249	225	183	204	183	172	..
<b>Czechia</b>	150	126	133	139	137	142	129	141	151
<b>Denmark</b>	155	139	152	150	152	173	133	149	172
<b>Estonia</b>	43	40	40	50	53	56	55	48	47
<b>Finland</b>	212	190	191	203	208	206	207	211	212
<b>France</b>	2,365	2,234	2,181	2,246	2,264	2,281	2,265	2,247	2,248
<b>Germany</b>	1,536	1,343	1,305	1,307	1,340	1,330	1,341	1,350	1,357
<b>Greece</b>	678	588	533	538	507	536	503	482	454
<b>Hungary</b>	195	176	188	192	196	196	197	194	201
<b>Iceland</b>	13	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
<b>Ireland</b>	158	120	113	115	125	121	123	130	133
<b>Israel</b>	206	163	176	162	146	151	142	144	137
<b>Italy</b>	2,371	2,028	2,000	1,949	1,951	1,981	1,918	1,953	1,998
<b>Japan</b>	1,946	1,793	1,807	1,767	1,820	1,840	1,850	1,770	1,750
<b>Korea</b>	1,037	833	789	752	765	823	709	761	721
<b>Latvia</b>	71	65	58	61	62	63	62	62	62
<b>Lithuania</b>	105	89	110	94	103	99	104	107	103
<b>Luxembourg</b>	18	15	16	17	18	18	18	19	19
<b>Mexico</b>	2,372	1,940	1,679	1,727	1,698	1,781	1,670	1,642	1,618
<b>Netherlands</b>	408	350	358	350	366	362	364	371	361
<b>New Zealand</b>	110	97	103	110	118	...	...	...	...
<b>Norway</b>	129	95	111	100	107	107	109	105	109
<b>Poland</b>	580	498	463	477	482	483	482	480	481
<b>Portugal</b>	341	318	364	339	340	336	336	349	353
<b>Slovak Republic</b>	188	170	166	163	161	162	161	161	161
<b>Slovenia</b>	49	41	36	39	39	39	39	40	43
<b>Spain</b>	3,430	3,025	3,019	2,854	2,868	2,866	2,861	2,878	2,889
<b>Sweden</b>	492	421	421	427	446	407	462	468	452
<b>Switzerland</b>	252	212	206	199	..	...	...	...	...
<b>Türkiye</b>	3,927	3,592	3,476	3,365	3,180	3,241	3,176	3,124	2,961
<b>United Kingdom</b>	1,525	1,263	1,329	1,439	..	..	..	..	..
<b>United States</b>	8,623	5,996	5,823	5,904	6,185	5,841	6,355	6,360	6,506

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Source: OECD Short-term Labour Market Statistics, <https://stats.oecd.org/index.aspx?lang=en&QueryId=36325>.

**Table 3 – Unemployment rates by sex (aged 15 and over)**
*Percentage of the labour force of each group, seasonally adjusted*

	Women							Men						
	2021	2022	2023		2023			2021	2022	2023		2023		
			Q2	Q3	Aug	Sep	Oct			Q2	Q3	Aug	Sep	Oct
<b>OECD</b>	6.3	5.3	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	4.8	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7
<b>G7</b>	5.1	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.1	5.3	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
<b>European Union</b>	7.4	6.5	6.3	6.4	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.8	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
<b>Euro area</b>	8.1	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.4	6.3	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2
<b>Australia</b>	5.0	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6	5.2	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.4	3.9
<b>Austria</b>	6.1	4.5	4.9	5.2	5.1	5.0	4.5	6.3	4.9	5.1	5.8	5.7	5.9	5.5
<b>Belgium</b>	5.9	5.3	4.9	4.8	4.7	5.0	5.2	6.6	5.8	6.2	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.9
<b>Canada</b>	7.4	5.1	5.0	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.5	7.7	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.8	5.9
<b>Chile</b>	9.2	8.5	8.8	9.2	9.2	9.3	..	8.6	7.4	7.9	8.3	8.3	8.5	..
<b>Colombia</b>	17.5	14.3	12.9	11.9	12.1	12.1	12.7	11.3	9.0	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.9	8.3
<b>Costa Rica</b>	22.0	16.4	12.1	9.0	9.0	8.2	..	12.7	9.4	8.0	7.5	7.5	7.4	..
<b>Czechia</b>	3.4	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.0	3.0	3.6	2.3	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.5	2.4
<b>Denmark</b>	5.2	4.5	4.8	5.3	5.1	5.0	5.8	5.1	4.4	4.8	4.5	3.6	4.5	5.0
<b>Estonia</b>	5.6	5.0	6.9	7.6	7.7	7.1	7.1	6.8	6.1	6.5	6.6	7.0	5.9	5.5
<b>Finland</b>	7.1	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.7	7.1	8.2	7.1	7.8	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.8
<b>France</b>	7.8	7.1	7.2	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3	8.0	7.5	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.3	7.3
<b>Germany</b>	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.9	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
<b>Greece</b>	19.0	16.4	14.7	13.7	13.8	13.0	12.1	11.4	9.3	8.6	8.6	8.5	8.2	7.6
<b>Hungary</b>	4.2	3.5	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1	3.9	3.7	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.9	4.1
<b>Iceland</b>	6.4	3.5	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	5.8	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.0
<b>Ireland</b>	6.2	4.6	4.0	4.3	4.2	4.5	4.5	6.3	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.7	4.9	5.0
<b>Israel</b>	4.9	3.6	3.4	3.1	3.1	3.0	2.8	5.0	3.9	3.8	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.3
<b>Italy</b>	10.7	9.4	8.7	8.8	8.5	8.9	9.0	8.7	7.1	6.9	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.9
<b>Japan</b>	2.5	2.4	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.5	3.1	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.6
<b>Korea</b>	3.8	3.1	2.6	2.7	2.6	2.7	2.4	3.6	2.8	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.5
<b>Latvia</b>	6.6	5.6	5.0	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4	8.5	8.2	7.7	7.9	7.9	7.8	7.7
<b>Lithuania</b>	6.6	5.5	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.5	7.6	6.3	6.4	7.4	7.6	7.8	7.4
<b>Luxembourg</b>	5.9	4.7	5.1	5.5	5.4	5.6	5.6	5.0	4.5	4.9	5.2	5.2	5.5	5.5
<b>Mexico</b>	4.1	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.5	4.1	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6	2.7
<b>Netherlands</b>	4.5	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	3.6	4.0	3.3	3.2	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.5
<b>New Zealand</b>	3.9	3.6	3.9	4.1	...	...	...	3.7	3.1	3.4	3.8	...	...	...
<b>Norway</b>	4.2	3.1	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.4	4.7	3.4	3.4	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.9
<b>Poland</b>	3.4	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	3.4	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
<b>Portugal</b>	7.1	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.2	6.3	5.7	6.1	6.1	5.9	6.2	6.2
<b>Slovak Republic</b>	7.0	6.4	6.0	5.9	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.7	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.8	5.7
<b>Slovenia</b>	5.4	4.3	3.5	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	3.8	4.0	3.7	3.6	3.7	4.0
<b>Spain</b>	16.7	14.8	13.6	13.6	13.6	13.7	13.7	13.1	11.3	10.4	10.5	10.4	10.5	10.4
<b>Sweden</b>	9.2	7.9	7.5	8.3	8.6	8.8	8.0	8.6	7.1	7.5	7.4	7.7	7.6	7.9
<b>Switzerland</b>	5.3	4.6	4.1	..	...	...	...	4.9	4.1	3.9	..	...	...	...
<b>Türkiye</b>	14.7	13.5	13.3	12.4	12.4	12.1	11.3	10.7	9.0	7.8	7.4	7.4	7.4	7.0
<b>United Kingdom</b>	4.3	3.6	3.9	..	..	..	..	4.7	3.9	4.4	..	..	..	..
<b>United States</b>	5.2	3.6	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.4	3.6	5.5	3.7	3.6	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1

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**Table 4 – Unemployment rates by age group***Percentage of the labour force of each group, seasonally adjusted*

	Youth (15-24)							Prime-age and Older Workers (25+)						
	2021	2022	2023		2023			2021	2022	2023		2023		
			Q2	Q3	Aug	Sep	Oct			Q2	Q3	Aug	Sep	Oct
<b>OECD</b>	12.8	10.9	10.2	10.7	10.7	10.7	10.9	5.3	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1	4.1
<b>G7</b>	10.6	9.0	8.5	9.2	9.4	9.2	9.6	4.5	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5
<b>European Union</b>	16.7	14.5	14.1	14.6	14.6	14.8	14.9	6.2	5.4	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.2
<b>Euro area</b>	16.9	14.5	14.0	14.6	14.6	14.7	14.9	6.8	5.9	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
<b>Australia</b>	11.3	8.2	8.0	8.3	8.4	8.0	9.2	4.0	2.9	2.7	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.7
<b>Austria</b>	11.0	9.4	10.1	11.8	11.4	11.9	10.5	5.6	4.2	4.3	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.4
<b>Belgium <sup>(1)</sup></b>	18.2	16.3	14.5	17.5	17.5	17.5	..	5.3	4.7	4.8	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.3
<b>Canada</b>	13.6	10.1	10.6	10.7	11.3	10.5	11.4	6.6	4.5	4.3	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.8
<b>Chile</b>	20.0	17.7	19.9	21.9	21.9	21.6	..	7.9	7.0	7.3	7.6	7.6	7.8	..
<b>Colombia</b>	25.6	21.9	19.8	19.0	18.8	19.7	21.6	11.7	9.4	8.2	8.0	8.0	8.1	8.4
<b>Costa Rica</b>	39.4	31.0	26.3	22.4	22.4	22.4	..	12.5	9.3	7.0	6.1	6.1	5.6	..
<b>Czechia</b>	8.2	7.6	10.3	8.9	7.9	9.3	7.1	2.5	2.1	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.4	2.6
<b>Denmark</b>	10.8	10.5	9.7	12.0	11.6	12.6	14.0	4.2	3.5	4.0	3.7	3.1	3.4	3.9
<b>Estonia</b>	16.9	18.1	16.0	21.3	21.0	20.2	20.7	5.4	4.5	5.9	5.8	6.1	5.3	5.1
<b>Finland</b>	17.1	14.1	16.3	16.9	15.7	16.6	18.9	6.5	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.2	6.2	6.0
<b>France</b>	18.9	17.3	16.8	17.7	17.8	17.6	17.7	6.6	6.1	6.2	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0
<b>Germany</b>	7.0	5.9	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	3.2	2.8	2.6	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
<b>Greece</b>	35.5	31.4	26.3	25.9	26.6	24.5	23.7	13.8	11.4	10.5	9.9	9.9	9.4	8.7
<b>Hungary</b>	13.1	10.8	12.3	12.4	12.8	12.1	13.5	3.4	3.1	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4
<b>Iceland</b>	12.2	8.9	8.4	8.9	8.9	9.0	9.1	5.1	3.0	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5
<b>Ireland</b>	14.8	10.0	10.2	11.5	11.2	12.5	12.5	5.1	3.7	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.6
<b>Israel <sup>(2)</sup></b>	7.7	6.9	5.4	6.6	6.9	5.9	6.5	4.5	3.2	3.0	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9
<b>Italy</b>	29.9	23.7	22.7	23.3	23.6	23.2	24.7	8.3	7.1	6.7	..	..	..	..
<b>Japan</b>	4.6	4.3	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8	2.7	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.4
<b>Korea</b>	8.5	7.0	5.3	5.5	4.4	6.3	5.6	3.4	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.3	2.4	2.3
<b>Latvia</b>	14.8	15.1	9.7	12.2	12.3	13.3	13.9	7.1	6.3	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.0	5.9
<b>Lithuania</b>	14.4	11.8	9.3	11.9	12.0	14.1	13.3	6.6	5.5	5.9	6.3	6.4	6.5	5.9
<b>Luxembourg</b>	18.3	17.3	17.1	18.3	18.1	19.3	19.3	4.3	3.6	4.0	4.3	4.2	4.4	4.4
<b>Mexico</b>	8.1	6.5	5.9	5.8	5.6	5.9	5.4	3.4	2.6	2.3	2.2	2.2	2.1	2.1
<b>Netherlands</b>	9.4	7.6	8.1	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.4	3.2	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<b>New Zealand</b>	10.5	9.3	10.0	11.5	..	..	..	2.7	2.3	2.5	2.6	..	..	..
<b>Norway</b>	12.5	9.9	9.7	11.1	11.8	10.5	11.1	3.2	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4
<b>Poland</b>	11.9	10.8	11.4	10.7	10.7	10.4	10.5	2.8	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3
<b>Portugal</b>	23.1	19.2	18.4	20.6	20.3	21.2	20.8	5.6	5.2	5.5	5.3	5.2	5.4	5.6
<b>Slovak Republic</b>	20.6	19.9	20.0	20.6	20.6	20.9	20.8	6.1	5.4	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.0
<b>Slovenia <sup>(1)</sup></b>	13.1	10.2	10.5	11.8	11.8	11.8	..	4.2	3.6	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.4
<b>Spain</b>	35.0	29.7	27.9	27.9	27.8	27.8	28.0	13.4	11.7	10.8	10.7	10.7	10.7	10.7
<b>Sweden</b>	24.7	21.7	21.3	21.2	22.1	23.4	21.7	6.9	5.6	5.6	6.0	6.2	6.1	6.1
<b>Switzerland</b>	8.9	7.5	7.4	..	..	..	..	4.6	3.9	3.5	..	..	..	..
<b>Türkiye</b>	22.8	19.5	17.9	17.1	17.0	16.7	16.3	10.1	8.8	8.1	7.7	7.7	7.6	7.1
<b>United Kingdom</b>	12.3	10.5	12.3	..	..	..	..	3.4	2.8	3.0	..	..	..	..
<b>United States</b>	9.7	8.1	7.1	8.3	8.6	8.4	8.9	4.7	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1

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Note:

(1) Belgium and Slovenia: For youth unemployment, quarterly data are shown for all the months in the quarter.

(2) Israel: Data shown in this table are not seasonally adjusted.

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