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Income and Living Conditions
2016 (Provisional data)

The at-risk-of poverty rate decreased to 19.0% in 2015

The Survey on Income and Living Conditions held in 2016 shows that 19.0% of the population was at risk of poverty in 2015, declining from the previous year (19.5%).

The at-risk-of-poverty rate corresponded to the proportion of inhabitants with an annual net equivalent monetary income below €5,268 in 2015 (€439 a month).

In 2015 the highest at-risk-of-poverty rates continued to be estimated for households composed of two adults with three or more dependent children and those of one adult with at least one dependent child (respectively, 42.7% and 31.6%).

The risk of poverty also affected, although differently, the following groups:

- 22.4% of people younger than 18 years old, 2.4 p.p. less than in 2014;
- 18.3% of elderly population, higher than in 2014 (17.0%);
- 42.0% of unemployed population and 10.9% of employed population, unchanged from the previous year.

There was a strong inequality in income distribution in 2015 despite a slight decrease from the previous year: the Gini Coefficient declined from 34.0% to 33.9%, and the S80/S20¹ share ratio from 6.0 to 5.9.

In 2016, less people were materially deprived (19.5%, in comparison to 21.6% in 2015) and severely materially deprived (8.4%, in comparison to 9.6% in 2015).

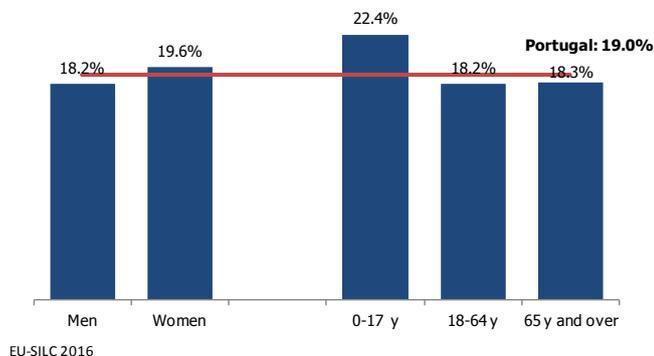
19.0% of population at risk of poverty in 2015

The Survey on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC) held annually with Portuguese resident households showed that 19.0% of people were at risk of poverty in 2015, lower than in the previous year (19.5%).

The at-risk-of-poverty rate corresponded to the share of inhabitants with annual net equivalent monetary income below €5,268 in 2015 (€439 a month). This threshold, or relative at-risk-of-poverty line, corresponded to 60% of the median (€8,780) of net equivalent monetary income distribution.

¹ Ratio of the total income received by the 20% of the population with the highest incomes (top quintile) to that received by the 20% of the population with the lowest incomes (lowest quintile).

At-risk-of-poverty rate by sex and age group, Portugal 2015



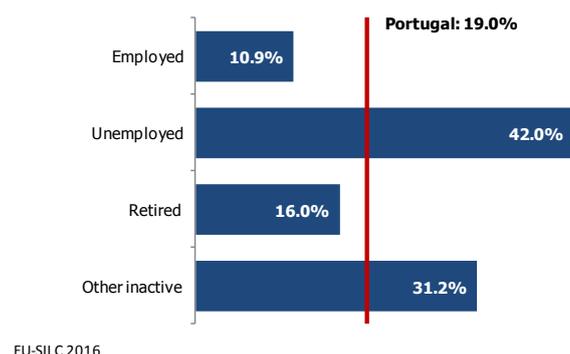
The at-risk-of-poverty rate of the elderly population continued to increase in 2015, with 18.3% (17.0% in the previous year).

In turn, there was a new decrease in 2015 in the risk of poverty for the population aged less than 18: 22.4%, i.e. 2.4 percentage points (p.p.) lower than in 2014. The at-risk-of-poverty rate for working age adults was 18.2%, i.e. 0.6 p.p. lower than in the previous year (18.8% in 2014).

In 2015, the risk of poverty decreased both to men and to women, keeping a stronger impact on women: 19.6% compared to 18.2% for men.

The risk of poverty for the employed and for the unemployed populations were kept unchanged

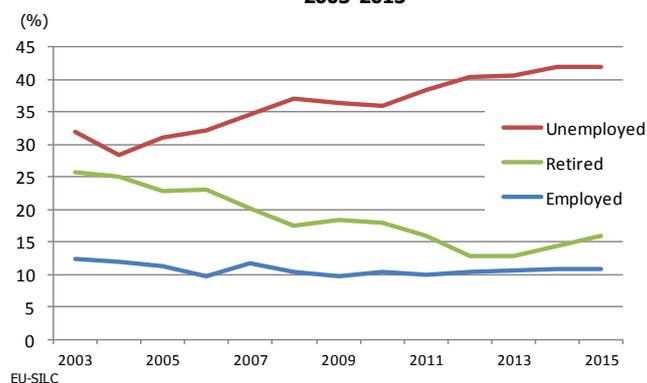
At-risk-of-poverty rate by activity status, Portugal 2015



The unemployed population recorded a 42.0% at-risk-of-poverty rate in 2015, similar to the one in previous year.

The at-risk-of-poverty rate for the employed population was 10.9% in 2015, with no change compared to 2014.

At-risk-of-poverty rate by activity status, Portugal 2003-2015

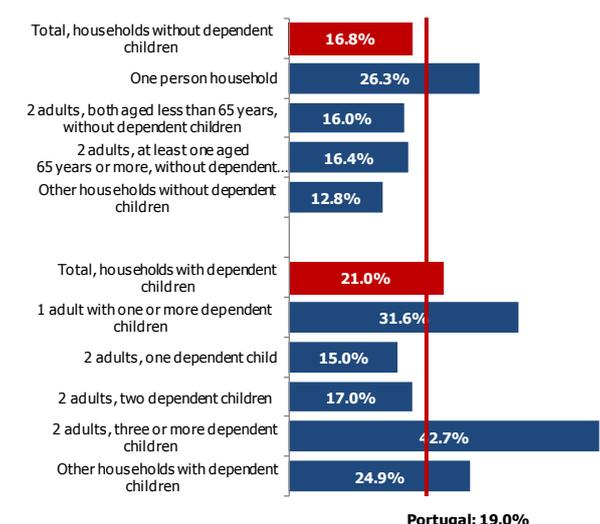


In 2015 the retired population in particular saw a rise in the at-risk-of-poverty rate, which stood at 16.0%, from 14.4% in the previous year (+1.6 p.p.), in spite of the maintenance of the downward trend observed in the series for this indicator: 10.0 p.p. less compared with the start of the series in 2003.

Households composed by one adult with dependent children and those composed of two adults with three or more dependent children were the most affected by poverty

The at-risk-of-poverty rate of households with no dependent children was 16.8% in 2015, slightly higher than in 2014. Although the at-risk-of-poverty for households with dependent children decreased 1.2 p.p. (21.0% from 22.2% in 2014), these households continued to show a higher risk of poverty than those with no dependent children.

At-risk-of-poverty rate by household type, Portugal 2015



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As in previous years, the highest at-risk-of-poverty rates were estimated for households composed of one adult with at least one dependent child (31.6%) and those composed of two adults with three or more dependent children (42.7%). The at-risk-of-poverty rate for households composed of three or more adults with dependent children was 24.9%.

The contribution of social transfers to the reduction of the at-risk-of-poverty rate reduced to 6.1 p.p.

Considering only income from employment, propriety and capital property income and private transfers, 46.3% of Portuguese residents would be at risk of poverty in 2015. Also in that year, income from retirement and survivors' pensions contributed to a 21.2 p.p. decrease in the at-risk-of-poverty rate, thus resulting in an at-risk-of-poverty rate after pensions and before social transfers of 25.1%.

At-risk-of-poverty (%) considering social transfers, Portugal, 2012-2015

Income reference year	Unit: %			
	2012	2013	2014	2015 (Po)
After pensions and social transfers	18.7	19.5	19.5	19.0
After pensions and before social transfers	25.5	26.7	26.4	25.1
Before pensions and social transfers	46.9	47.8	47.8	46.3

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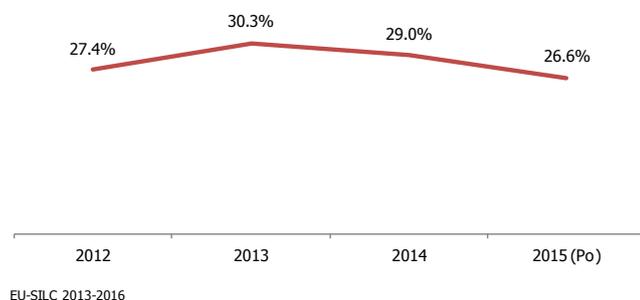
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The contribution from social transfers related to sickness and disability, family, unemployment, and social inclusion to the reduction of the at-risk-of-poverty rate was 6.1 p.p. in 2015, i.e. with a new decline from the previous year (7.2 p.p. in 2013 and 6.9 p.p. in 2014).

The lack of resources of the population at risk of poverty kept decreasing

The relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap, which measures, as a percentage, the lack of resources of the population at risk of poverty, was 26.6% in 2015, declining by 2.4 p.p. from the resource deficit recorded in the previous year (29.0%), and by 3.7 p.p. from the one recorded in 2013 (30.3%).

Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap (60% of median), Portugal 2012-2015



A strong inequality in income distribution maintained

In 2015, according to the S80/S20 ratio, net equivalent monetary income received by the 20% of the population with the highest income was 5.9 times the net equivalent monetary income received by the 20% of the population with the lowest income (6.0 in 2014).

The S90/S10 ratio, which is the ratio of the net equivalent monetary income received by the 10% of the population with the highest income to that received by the 10% of the population with the lowest income, was 10.1, i.e. 0.5 p.p. less compared to the previous year (10.6).

Indicators on income inequality, Portugal, 2012-2015

Income reference year	2012	2013	2014	2015 (Po)
Gini coefficient (%)	34.2	34.5	34.0	33.9
S80/S20 (no.)	6.0	6.2	6.0	5.9
S90/S10 (no.)	10.7	11.1	10.6	10.1
EU-SILC	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)

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The Gini Coefficient takes into account the entire income distribution, reflecting income differences across all population groups, and not only those with the highest and lowest incomes. In 2015 this indicator stood at 33.9%, slightly declining from the previous year.

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There are less people in material deprivation in 2016

Material deprivation indicators are based on a set of nine items related to the economic and durable goods needs of households, listed in the methodological note. Three distinct indicators are calculated:

- The general indicator of material deprivation, corresponding to situations where there is not access to at least three of these nine items due to economic difficulties;
- The severe material deprivation indicator, corresponding to situations where there is not access to at least four of the nine items due to the same type of reasons;
- The intensity of material deprivation, i.e. the average number of items lacking this materially deprived population.

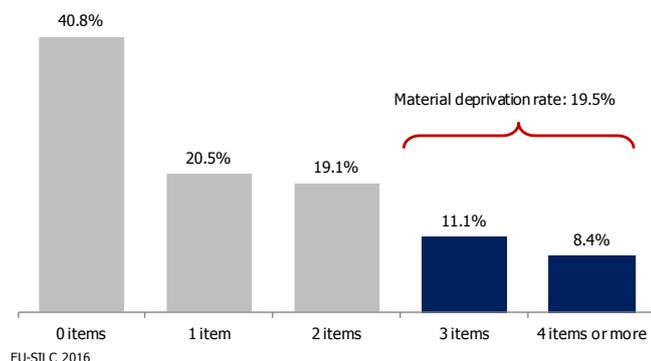
Indicators on material deprivation, Portugal, 2013-2016

Data reference year	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)
Material deprivation rate (%)	25.5	25.7	21.6	19.5
Severe material deprivation rate (%)	10.9	10.6	9.6	8.4
Intensity of material deprivation (no.)	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6
EU-SILC	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)

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In 2016, 19.5% of Portuguese residents were materially deprived, and 8.4% were severely materially deprived, maintaining the tendency for decline of the two series.

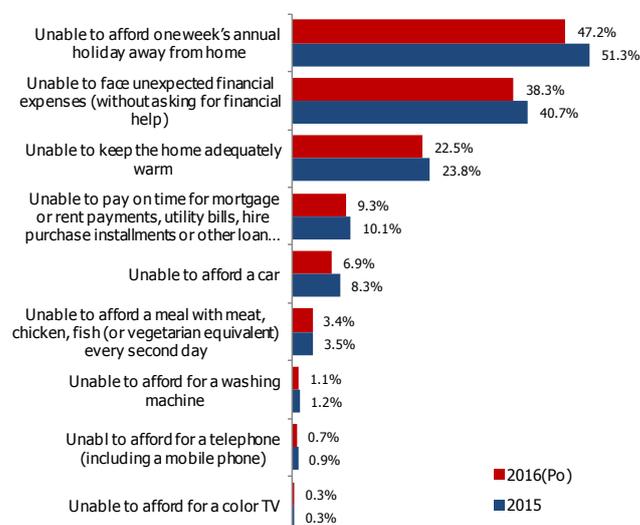
Proportion of resident population by number of lacking material deprivation items, Portugal 2016



In 2016, for most of the nine items considered, the proportion of residents reporting economic difficulties declined, in particular:

- 47.2% of people lived in households unable to afford one week’s annual holiday away from home (51.3% in 2015 and 55.5% in 2014);
- 38.3% of people lived in households unable to face unexpected financial expenses corresponding to the monthly national at-risk-of-poverty threshold (40.7% in 2015 and 42.2% in 2014);
- 22.5% of people lived in households unable to keep the home adequately warm (23.8% in 2015 and 28.3% in 2014);
- 9.3% of people lived in households with arrears on mortgage or rent payments, utility bills, hire purchase instalments, or other loan payments (10.1% in 2015 and 12.0% in 2014).

% of items of material deprivation lacking for the total population, Portugal 2015 e 2016



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2,6 million people at risk of poverty or social exclusion

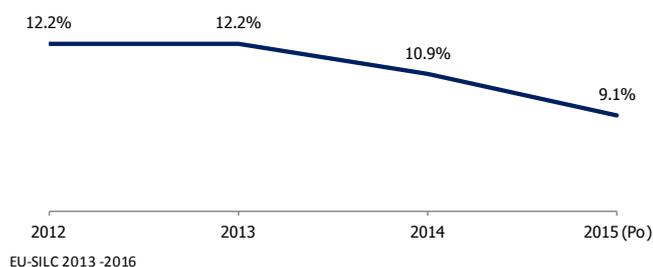
Europe 2020, the European Union’s growth strategy for this decade, defines, among other objectives, a reduction of at least 20 million of the number of people at risk of poverty or social exclusion in the European Union by 2020.

Within this scope, an indicator was set out regarding the population at risk of poverty or social exclusion, joining the concepts of relative at-risk-of-poverty rate – people with an annual equivalent income below the poverty threshold – and severe material deprivation with the concept of very low per capita labour intensity.

People with very low labour intensity are those aged less than 60 who, in the income reference period, lived in households where adults aged 18-59 (excluding students) worked on average less than 20% of the labour potential.

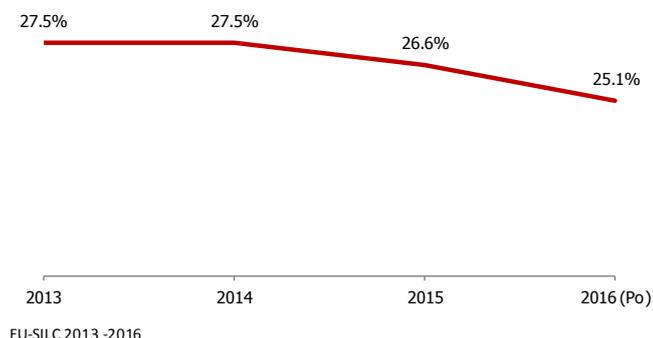
The share of the population aged less than 60 living in households with a very low per capita labour intensity was 9.1% in 2015 (1.8 p.p. less than in 2014 and 3.1 p.p. less than in 2013).

Very low per capita labour intensity, Portugal 2012-2015



According to the survey held in 2016, 2.6 million people are at risk of poverty or social exclusion (people at risk of poverty or living in households with a very low per capita labour intensity or severely materially deprived). Hence, 25.1% of the population is at-risk-of-poverty or social exclusion, i.e. 1.5 p.p. less than in the previous year.

Population at-risk-of-poverty or social exclusion, Portugal 2013-2016



Note:

On the at-risk-of-poverty threshold anchored at a fixed moment in time

Since the at-risk-of-poverty rate is an indicator that by definition only considers the distribution of net monetary income in each year, it is thus conditioned by changes in median income.

Complementarily, an at-risk-of-poverty threshold anchored at 2009 values was calculated and updated in the six following years based on the rate of change in the consumer price index.

At-risk-of-poverty threshold anchored at 2009 and at-risk-of-poverty rate(%), Portugal 2009-2015

Income reference data	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 (Po)
At-risk-of-poverty threshold anchored at 2009	5,207 €	5,280 €	5,473 €	5,624 €	5,639 €	5,624 €	5,651 €
At-risk-of-poverty ratea (%):							
Total	17.9	19.6	21.3	24.7	25.9	24.1	21.8
0-17 y	22.4	23.9	26.1	30.9	31.1	28.3	24.5
18-64 y	15.7	17.7	20.3	23.7	24.6	23.1	20.7
65 y and over	21.0	21.6	19.8	22.4	25.5	24.0	23.0
EU-SILC	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)

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With an at-risk-of-poverty threshold anchored at 2009 levels, there was a noticeable increase in the share of people at risk of poverty over the period under analysis, from 17.9% in 2009 to 21.8% in 2015. The indicator registered a maximum of 25.9% in 2013 and a decline in the two most recent years: 24.1% in 2014 and 21.8% in 2015.

The analysis of at-risk-of-poverty rates anchored in 2009 by age group shows that the working age population was the most severely penalized in income terms over the 7 years under review: 20.7% in 2015, i.e. 5 p.p. higher than the initial year. The at-risk-of-poverty rates anchored at 2009 for people less than 18 years old and for the elderly population increased by around 2 p.p.

Annex

Monetary poverty and inequality indicators, Portugal, EU-SILC 2013-2016

Income reference year	unit	2012	2013	2014	2015 (Po)
At-risk-of-poverty threshold	€	4 906	4 937	5 061	5 268
At-risk-of-poverty rate (60% of the median)					
Before pensions and social transfers	%	46.9	47.8	47.8	46.3
After pensions and before social transfers	%	25.5	26.7	26.4	25.1
After pensions and social transfers	%	18.7	19.5	19.5	19.0
Dispersion around the at-risk-of-poverty threshold					
After pensions and social transfers (70% of the median)	%	25.8	27.1	27.0	26.4
After pensions and social transfers (50% of the median)	%	12.3	13.8	13.8	13.0
After pensions and social transfers (40% of the median)	%	7.8	8.6	8.5	7.3
Income inequality indicators					
Gini coefficient	%	34.2	34.5	34.0	33.9
Inequality of income distribution (S80/S20)	n.º	6.0	6.2	6.0	5.9
Inequality of income distribution (S90/S10)	n.º	10.7	11.1	10.6	10.1

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At-risk-of-poverty rate (60% of the median) by gender and age group, Portugal, EU-SILC 2013-2016

Unit: %

Income reference year	2012				2013				2014				2015 (Po)			
	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years
After pensions and social transfers⁽¹⁾																
Total	18.7	24.4	18.4	14.6	19.5	25.6	19.1	15.1	19.5	24.8	18.8	17.0	19.0	22.4	18.2	18.3
Men	18.8	24.6	18.5	13.7	18.9	25.2	18.7	12.6	18.8	23.9	18.6	14.2	18.2	21.2	18.0	16.0
Women	18.7	24.3	18.3	15.2	20.0	26.1	19.5	16.9	20.1	25.8	18.9	19.0	19.6	23.7	18.5	19.9
After pensions and before social transfers⁽²⁾																
Total	25.5	31.7	26.3	17.4	26.7	33.6	27.4	18.5	26.4	31.3	27.1	20.2	25.1	28.6	25.3	21.4
Men	25.9	31.6	26.7	16.2	26.5	34.1	27.1	15.9	26.0	30.1	27.1	17.8	24.4	27.2	25.1	19.3
Women	25.2	31.9	25.8	18.2	26.9	33.1	27.7	20.3	26.8	32.6	27.0	22.0	25.6	30.1	25.5	22.9
Before pensions and social transfers⁽³⁾																
Total	46.9	35.4	37.8	87.0	47.8	36.5	37.9	88.9	47.8	34.6	37.7	90.3	46.3	31.6	35.7	90.0
Men	45.6	35.1	37.6	87.8	46.1	37.2	36.8	90.0	45.7	33.4	36.8	90.5	44.2	30.1	35.0	90.5
Women	48.1	35.7	38.0	86.5	49.3	35.8	38.8	88.2	49.8	35.7	38.6	90.2	48.1	33.2	36.4	89.7

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(1) Include wages and salaries, self-employment, property and capital income, pensions from individual private or public plans and other social transfers (relative to family, education, housing, sickness/disability, unemployment and social inclusion benefits).

(2) Include wages and salaries, self-employment, property and capital income and pensions from individual private or public plans, but excludes all others social transfers.

(3) Include wages and salaries, self-employment, property and capital income.

Survey on Income and Living Conditions (ICOR; EU-SILC)

At-risk-of-poverty rate (60% of the median), after social transfers, by household type, Portugal, EU-SILC 2013-2016

Unit: %

Income reference year	2012	2013	2014	2015 (Po)
Total, households without dependent children	15.0	15.8	16.6	16.8
One person household	21.9	23.1	25.4	26.3
<i>One person household less than 65 years</i>	<i>22.3</i>	<i>23.8</i>	<i>23.7</i>	<i>23.9</i>
<i>One person household aged 65 years or more</i>	<i>21.6</i>	<i>22.5</i>	<i>26.8</i>	<i>28.1</i>
2 adults, both aged less than 65 years, without dependent children	17.0	17.4	16.8	16.0
2 adults, at least one aged 65 years or more, without dependent children	13.4	13.1	14.3	16.4
Other households without dependent children	12.0	13.1	13.7	12.8
Total, households with dependent children	22.2	23.0	22.2	21.0
1 adult with one or more dependent children	33.1	38.4	34.6	31.6
2 adults, one dependent child	16.0	15.4	13.7	15.0
2 adults, two dependent children	19.9	18.0	20.4	17.0
2 adults, three or more dependent children	40.4	38.4	37.7	42.7
Other households with dependent children	23.8	28.8	26.1	24.9
EU-SILC	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)

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Note: In EU-SILC "dependent children" correspond to all individuals aged under 18 years old, as well as the individuals aged between 18-24 years old but economically dependent.

Survey on Income and Living Conditions (ICOR; EU-SILC)

At-risk-of-poverty rate (60% of the median), after social transfers, by activity status and sex, Portugal, EU-SILC 2013-2016

Unit: %

Income reference year	2012			2013			2014			2015 (Po)		
	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women
Employed	10.5	11.7	9.2	10.7	11.5	9.9	10.9	11.6	10.2	10.9	11.3	10.5
Not Employed	23.8	23.7	23.8	24.7	23.6	25.5	25.2	24.3	26.0	25.4	24.5	26.1
Unemployed	40.3	43.3	37.3	40.5	41.5	39.6	42.0	44.1	39.7	42.0	44.5	39.4
Retired	12.8	12.2	13.2	12.9	12.4	13.4	14.4	13.5	15.2	16.0	15.6	16.3
Other inactive	29.6	27.7	30.4	32.4	29.4	33.8	31.9	27.7	33.9	31.2	26.0	33.5
EU-SILC	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)								

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Note: In the activity status indicators it was considered the total population aged 18 years and over.

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Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap (60% of the median) by sex and age group, Portugal, EU-SILC 2013-2016

Unit: %

Income reference year	2012				2013				2014				2015 (Po)			
	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years	Total	0 - 17 years	18 - 64 years	65 + years
Total	27.4	33.1	31.3	13.4	30.3	32.7	32.7	20.6	29.0	31.4	32.2	18.2	26.6	28.7	29.3	18.0
Men	28.4	32.8	21.7	12.1	31.2	32.7	32.7	19.7	30.1	30.9	33.6	17.2	27.0	29.1	29.2	16.6
Women	27.0	33.3	30.6	13.6	29.3	32.7	32.7	21.3	28.7	32.1	31.5	19.3	26.5	26.9	29.4	19.1

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EUROPE 2020 indicators, Portugal, EU-SILC 2013-2016

Unit: %

Income reference year	2013	2014	2015	2016 (Po)
At-risk-of-poverty rate after social transfers	18.7	19.5	19.5	19.0
Severe material deprivation rate	10.9	10.6	9.6	8.4
Very low work intensity per capita	12.2	12.2	10.9	9.1
People at-risk-of poverty or social exclusion	27.5	27.5	26.6	25.1

EU-SILC 2013 2014 2015 2016 (Po)

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Note: By convention, data refers to the survey year. The indicator Resident population at-risk-of-poverty or social exclusion combines two indicators based on the income reference year (At-risk-of-poverty rate after pensions and social transfers and Very low per capita work intensity) with one indicator based on the survey year (Severe material deprivation rate).

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Methodological note

The indicators shown in this press release are provisional, reflecting an anticipation of the overall set of indicators to be released in liaison with Eurostat next year.

The indicators were based on the net annual monetary income of households in the year (2015) previous to survey data collection year. Non monetary income sources, namely wages in kind, self-consumption and imputed rents associated with owner occupation are excluded.

As to reflect the differences in the size and composition of households, net income was transformed into equivalent income using the OECD-modified equivalence scale. Equivalent income is obtained by dividing the net income of each household by its size in number of adult equivalents and their value assigned to each household member.

Data on material deprivation refer to the survey data collection year (2016).

At-risk-of-poverty rate: percentage of the population with an equivalent income lower than the at-risk-of-poverty threshold, which is defined as 60% of the median equivalent income.

At-risk-of-poverty threshold: Income threshold under which a household is considered to be living in risk of poverty. It was conventionalised by the European Commission as 60% of the median national equivalent income.

Equivalent income: the result of the division of the household's disposable income by its size in terms of "equivalent adults". Note: "Equivalent adults" is a unit resulting from the application of the OECD modified scale.

Gini coefficient: Inequality income distribution indicator aiming at transmitting in one sole value the asymmetry of that distribution, with values between 0 (everyone having exactly the same income) and 100 (one person has all the income, while everyone else has zero income).

Household net disposable income: Total monetary net annual income of a household from all sources: wages and salaries, self-employment and capital income, public and private transfers and other income sources, net of income taxes and social security contributions.

Intensity of material deprivation: Mean of items of material deprivation lacked by the population in material deprivation.

Low per capita labour intensity: Population aged less than 60 who, in the income reference period, lived in households where adults aged 18-59 (excluding students) worked on average less than 20% of the labour potential.

Material deprivation rate: percentage of population with an enforced lack of at least three out of the following nine items, due to economic difficulties: a) capacity to face unexpected financial expenses (without asking for financial help); b) capacity to afford paying for one week's annual holiday away from home, paying travel and accommodation costs for all household members; c) capacity to pay on time for mortgage or rent payments, utility bills, hire purchase installments or other loan payments; d) capacity to afford a meal with meat, chicken, fish (or vegetarian equivalent) every second day; e) capacity to pay for keeping its home adequately warm; f) capacity to afford for a washing machine; g) capacity to afford for a color TV; h) capacity to afford for a telephone (including a mobile phone); i) capacity to afford a car.

Modified OECD equivalence scale: an equivalence scale that assigns a weight of 1.0 to the first household member aged 14 or over, 0.5 to each additional member aged 14 or more and 0.3 to each member aged less than 14 years old. The use of this scale accounts for differences in size and age composition among households.

Population at-risk-of-poverty or social exclusion: population at-risk-of-poverty or living in households with a very low per capita labour intensity or severely materially deprived.

Relative median at-risk-of-poverty gap: corresponds to the difference between the poverty threshold and the median income of at-risk-of poverty population in percentage.

S80/S20 Ratio: Inequality income distribution indicator defined as the ratio of the total income received by the 20% of the population with the highest incomes (top quintile) to that received by the 20% of the population with the lowest incomes (lowest quintile).

S90/S10 Ratio: Inequality income distribution indicator defined as the ratio of the total income received by the 10% of the population with the highest incomes (top decile) to that received by the 10% of the population with the lowest incomes (lowest decile).

Severe material deprivation rate: percentage of population with an enforced lack of at least four out of the same nine items considered in the material deprivation rate.

Social transfers (except pensions): Include social transfers related to family, education, housing, sickness and disability, unemployment, and social exclusion.

The Inquérito às Condições de Vida e Rendimento das Famílias (EU-SILC) has been held in Portugal since 2004, within the framework of specific EU legislation (Regulation (EC) No 1177/2003), establishing a common EU program for the systematic production of statistics on poverty, deprivation, and social exclusion.

In Portugal, data are collected on an annual basis through Computer Assisted Personal Interviews (CAPI). The questionnaire includes questions on the household and also on each member's personal characteristics, particularly on the income of all members aged 16 and over. In 2016 the Survey was addressed to 12,287 households, of which 10,613 with a complete interview (data was collected on 26,562 persons; 22,667 aged 16 and over). Fieldwork usually takes place between April and June each year.

This survey aims to obtain results for all those residing in Portuguese territory in the reference period. For income, this reference period corresponds to the year prior to that when interviews are carried out.

Households are selected by stratified two-stage sampling, from a sampling frame of dwellings of usual residence. The longitudinal nature of the sample, as well as the limitation of the statistical burden on respondents, are ensured by setting up an annual rotational scheme involving four independent sub-samples, each one being replaced every year. Hence, each household is interviewed four times at most, and thus the overlapping of $\frac{3}{4}$ of respondents vis-à-vis the previous year is guaranteed.

Up to 2012 the sample was selected exclusively from the Master Sample. However, from 2013 onwards a gradual transition of the latter to the new sampling frame was initiated (based on the National Dwellings Register – FNA in Portuguese). This transition took place over four years: between 2013 and 2015 dwellings selected from both sampling frames co-existed in the sample. As from 2016, the Survey annual sample, i.e. all four sub-samples is selected from the sampling frame based on the National Dwellings Register.

Sampling selection follows a NUTS 2 stratified multistage sampling design, with primary sampling units (INSPIRE grid cells of 1km²) being selected with probability proportional to the number of dwellings of usual residence, and secondary sampling units (dwellings) selected systematically in each primary sampling unit. All households and individuals residing in the selected dwellings are interviewed.

The estimated results are obtained using household and individual weights, calibrated by region, household size, age, and sex.