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Region  
in figures

2022

Dear readers,

We are pleased to present the 2022 edition of Mini-Bru. This brochure allows you to discover at a glance the most recent key figures on the Brussels-Capital Region. Whether you are interested in the population of Brussels, the economy, household income and expenditure, labour market, spatial planning, mobility or many other topics, the Mini-Bru 2022 is your gateway to learning more about the Brussels Region and its main players and having its key figures at your fingertips.

This edition reflects the significant impact of the health crisis related to the Covid-19 pandemic in many areas. This impact can be seen, for example, in the increase in the number of deaths, the decline in life expectancy, the drop in international migration, the reduction in certain types of household expenditure (culture, leisure, hospitality), the increase in public spending and the drop in the number of visitors in the transport, tourism and cultural sectors. These figures must therefore be interpreted in the light of this major change.

Mini-Bru 2022 also turns the page on *Brexit*, as the statistics related to the European Union now cover 27 Member States following the UK's exit. Finally, this year's brochure includes new data on business migration, long-term temperature trends, air quality trends and a barometer of attendance at museums and attractions. These novelties are a reflection of the work carried out by BISA to constantly enrich its data and fields of study!

We hope that the Mini-Bru 2022 will arouse your interest and that you find it a rewarding read.

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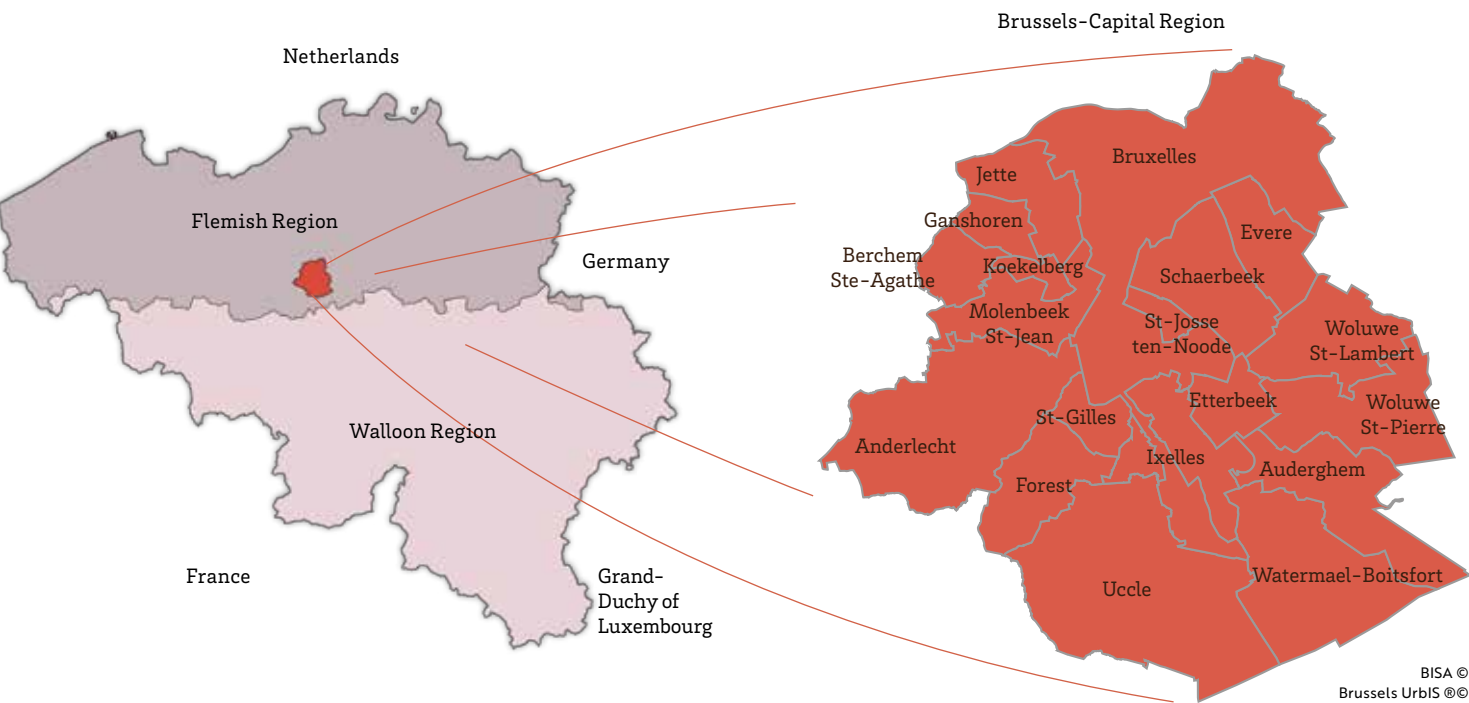


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Until 1500	1015-1020	First mention of <i>Bruocsella</i> as <i>portus</i> on the Senne
	1229	First urban charter
	1357-1379	Construction of an 8 km pentagon-shaped enclosure
	XIV <sup>th</sup> 1402	Golden Age for the Brussels luxury drapery industry Start of construction of the City Hall on the Grand-Place
	1430	Philip the Good chooses Brussels as his primary residence
1500 – 1800	1506-1555	Reign of Charles V who regularly resides in Brussels
	XVI <sup>th</sup> -XVII <sup>th</sup> 1549	Golden Age for the Brussels tapestry manufacturers Ommegang procession in honour of the son of Charles V
	1561	Opening of the Willebroek Canal linking Brussels to Antwerp
	XVII <sup>th</sup> -XIX <sup>th</sup> 1831	Golden Age for the Brussels lace industry Brussels becomes the capital of independent Belgium
1800 – 1900	1832	Opening of the Brussels-Charleroi Canal
	1834	Establishment of the Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB)
	1835	Opening of the Brussels-Malines railway
	1871	Opening of the covered Senne and the City Centre boulevards
	1898	Start of construction of the Horta home in the Art nouveau style
1900 – 2000	1929	Hergé publishes Tintin's first adventures
	1951	First edition of the Queen Elisabeth International Music Competition
	1952	Opening of the North-South railway junction, begun in 1911
	1957	Treaty of Rome, Brussels becomes the headquarters of the European Economic Community
	1958	Opening of the Atomium for the World's Fair
	1967	NATO sets up its headquarters in Brussels
	1989	Creation of the Brussels-Capital Region within Federal Belgium
As of 2000	2000	Brussels is the European Capital of Culture and hosts the opening game of the European Football Championship
	2005	The Brussels population surpasses the one-million mark
	2009	Opening of the Magritte Museum
	2013	François Englert (ULB) is awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics
	2014	Transfer of many competencies to the Brussels-Capital Region following the 6 <sup>th</sup> State reform
	2019	The Brussels-Capital Region celebrates its 30 <sup>th</sup> anniversary

# BRUSSELS IN BELGIUM AND THE EUROPEAN UNION



Population, health, education	Year	BCR	Belgium	EU 27
Population (number of inhabitants on 1 January)	2021	1,219,970	11,521,238	447,007,596
Population density (number of inhabitants per km²)	2021	7,511	375	109
Share of population under age 18 (%)	2021	22.6	20.1	18.2 <sup>1</sup>
Share of population aged 65 or over (%)	2021	13.0	19.3	20.6 <sup>1</sup>
Share of non-nationals in the population (%)	2021	35.5	12.6	8.2 <sup>1</sup>
Life expectancy at birth (number of years)	2020	79.6	80.8	81.3 <sup>2</sup>
Fertility rate (number of children per woman)	2020	1.59	1.55	1.53 <sup>2</sup>
Share of persons aged 25-64 with a high level of education <sup>3</sup> (%)	2020	49.3	42.4	32.8
Economy				
GDP (million euro)	2019	86,651	476,203	13,963,897
GDP per capita (euros)	2019	71,412	41,546	31,200
Labour market				
Employed population aged 15-64 (thousands of people)	2020	464	4,741	192,238
Employment rate (% of the population aged 15-64)	2020	56.5	64.7	67.6
ILO unemployment rate <sup>4</sup> (% of the population aged 15-64)	2020	12.4	5.6	7.2
Land				
Total area (km²)		162	30,689	4,225,127

Sources: Eurostat, NAI (Regional accounts), Statbel, BISA calculations

<sup>1</sup> 2020

<sup>2</sup> 2019

<sup>3</sup> Tertiary education (levels 5 to 8 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011)

<sup>4</sup> Survey data which differs from administrative data on unemployed job seekers

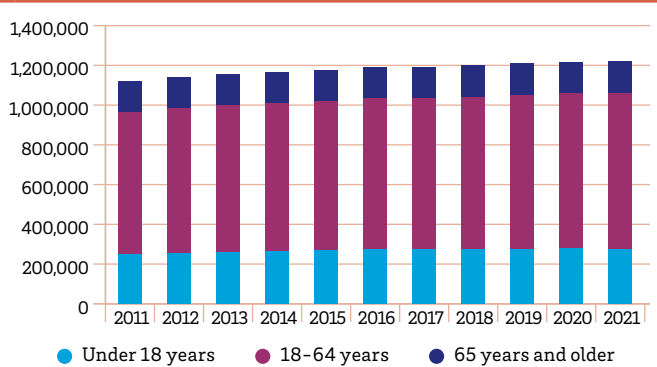
POPULATION OBSERVED AND PROJECTED

Number of inhabitants on 1 January	2021	2030
Men	599,074	619,423
Women	620,896	637,740
0-2 years	47,889	48,586
3-5 years	48,174	44,151
6-11 years	95,016	83,587
12-17 years	84,474	87,741
18-29 years	209,118	224,054
30-44 years	291,241	289,117
45-64 years	285,032	302,188
65-79 years	111,316	126,560
80 years and older	47,710	51,179
Total population	1,219,970	1,257,163
Average age (number of years on 1 January)	37.7	38.6

Sources: BISA, FPB, Statbel (National Register and regional prospects, 2021)

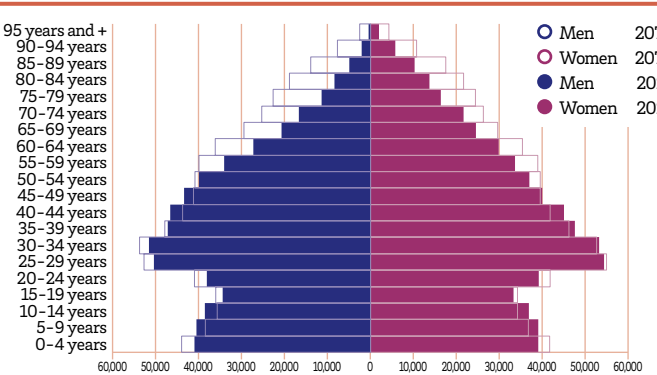
EVOLUTION OF THE POPULATION BY AGE GROUP

Number of inhabitants on 1 January



Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

POPULATION PYRAMID: NUMBER OF MEN AND WOMEN IN 2021 AND 2070



Sources: BISA, FPB, Statbel (National Register and regional prospects, 2021)

NON-NATIONAL POPULATION<sup>1</sup>

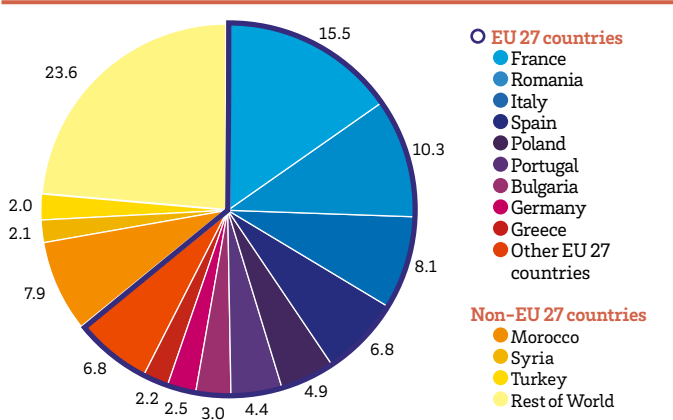
Number of inhabitants on 1 January	2021
Men	215,139
Women	217,558
Under 18 years	79,668
18-64 years	323,935
65 years and older	29,094
Nationality of an EU 27 country (without Belgium)	279,111
Other nationality	153,586
Total non-national population	432,697
Number of foreign nationalities on 1 January	185

Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

<sup>1</sup> People of foreign nationality who do not own the Belgian nationality

MAIN FOREIGN NATIONALITIES IN 2021<sup>1</sup>

% of the total non-national population on 1 January



Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

<sup>1</sup> People of foreign nationality who do not own the Belgian nationality

MOVEMENTS OF POPULATION

Number	2020
Natural balance	4,863
Births	15,847
Deaths	10,984
Internal net migration	-17,319
Internal arrivals	23,585
Internal departures	40,904
International net migration	13,635
International immigration <sup>1</sup>	42,748
International emigration <sup>2</sup>	29,113

Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

<sup>1</sup> Including register changes (in) and re-registrations after removal from register

<sup>2</sup> Including register changes (out) and mandatory removals

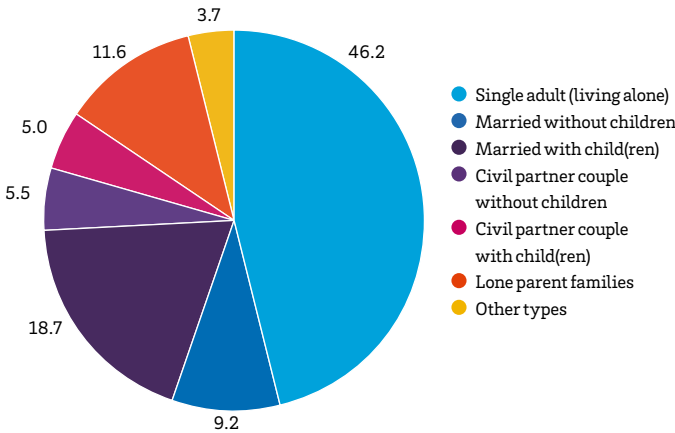
PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS BY SIZE

Number on 1 January	2021
One-person households (men)	131,309
One-person households (women)	128,786
Two-person households	126,977
Three-person households	68,473
Four-person households	57,027
Households of five persons and more	46,688
Total	559,260
Average size of the private households (number of persons per household)	2.16

Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

PRIVATE HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE IN 2021¹

% of the private households on 1 January



Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

¹ Civil partner couples are determined on the basis of an algorithm. More information at <https://ibsa.brussels>

WEDDINGS AND DIVORCES

Number of events	2020
Weddings	3,325
Divorces	2,058

Source: Statbel (National Register)

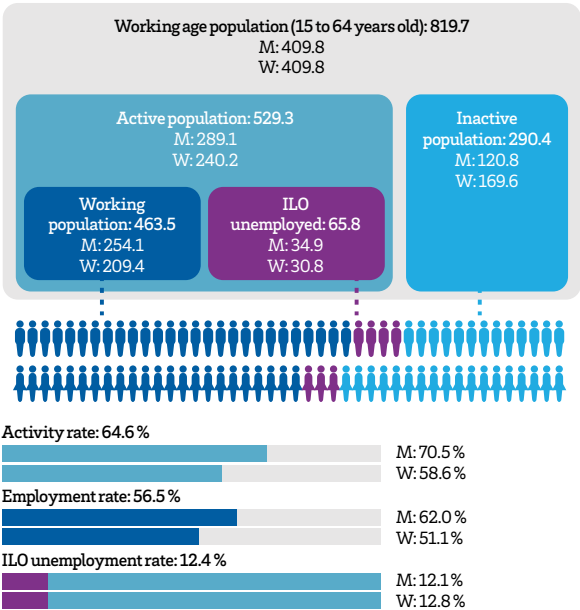
LEGAL COHABITATION

Number of events	2020
Legal cohabitation	2,790
Termination of legal cohabitation	1,283

Source: Statbel (National Register)

BREAKDOWN OF THE WORKING AGE POPULATION IN 2020¹

Thousands of people and %



Source: Statbel (LFS)

¹ Annual averages based on survey data and in accordance with the concepts of the ILO (M = men, W = women)

UNEMPLOYED JOB SEEKERS¹

	Men	Women	Total
Total number	46,756	42,047	88,803
Under 25 years	5,009	4,107	9,117
25-49 years	27,767	27,783	55,550
50 years and older	13,979	10,157	24,136
Belgian	30,659	27,451	58,110
EU 27 foreigner	6,690	7,560	14,250
Non-EU 27 foreigner	9,407	7,036	16,442
Low level of diploma²	11,233	7,468	18,701
Middle level of diploma²	10,024	9,231	19,255
High level of diploma²	7,038	8,687	15,725
Foreign diploma without equivalence certificate	18,461	16,661	35,122
< 1 year of unemployment	17,990	16,931	34,921
1 to 2 years of unemployment	6,658	5,955	12,613
> 2 years of unemployment	22,108	19,162	41,269

Source: Actiris

¹ Administrative data, annual average

² Highest diploma obtained: low = maximum 2nd cycle of secondary education; middle = upper secondary education; high = higher education and university

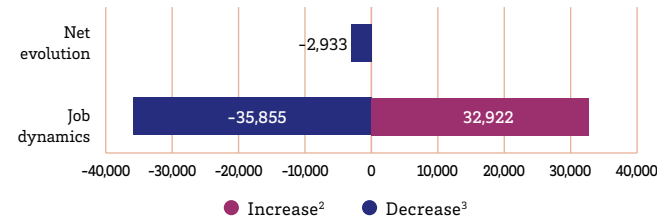
EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR<sup>1</sup>

Number of workers, NACE Rev. 2	2019		
	Employees	Self-employed	Total
Primary sector (agriculture, forestry...)	197	26	223
Secondary sector	41,056	10,005	51,061
Mining and quarrying	92	0	92
Manufacturing	18,089	1,360	19,449
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	3,724	0	3,724
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	5,269	12	5,281
Construction	13,882	8,633	22,515
Tertiary sector	588,795	74,702	663,497
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	56,709	4,588	61,297
Transportation and storage	38,371	1,296	39,667
Accommodation and food service activities	27,714	1,321	29,035
Information and communication	30,565	2,522	33,087
Financial and insurance activities	49,279	349	49,628
Real estate activities	5,964	599	6,563
Professional, scientific and technical activities	35,953	49,575	85,528
Administrative and support service activities	58,865	2,989	61,854
Public administration	119,991	0	119,991
Education	60,031	903	60,934
Human health and social work activities	65,366	7,183	72,549
Other	39,987	3,377	43,364
Total	630,048	84,733	714,781

Source: NAI, BISA calculations

<sup>1</sup> Statistics based on administrative data and in accordance with the employment concept in the ESA 2010

EVOLUTION OF SALARIED EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN 2019 AND 2020<sup>1</sup>



Source: Dynam-Reg

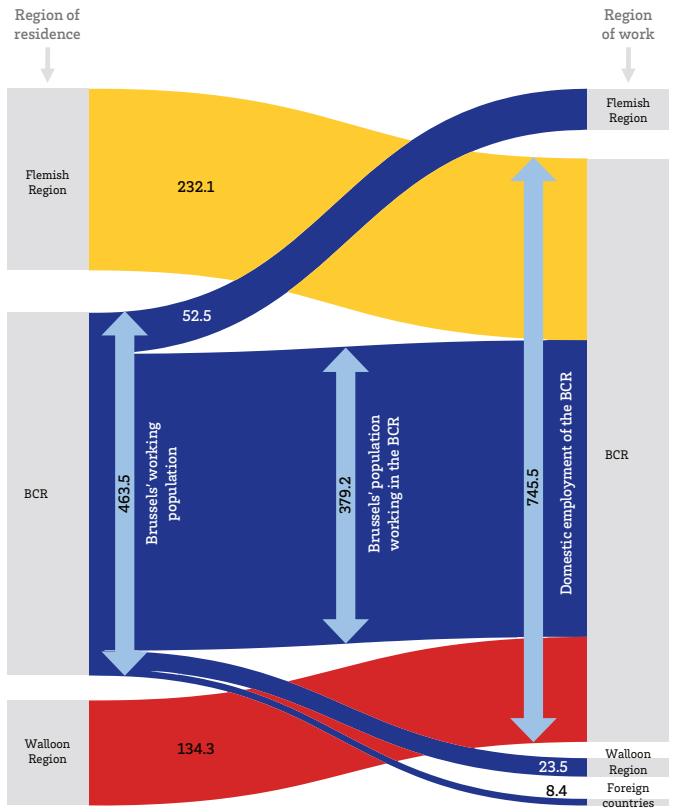
<sup>1</sup> Employment measured in number of jobs on the 30th of June

<sup>2</sup> Sum of new jobs created in BCR and existing job displacement to BCR

<sup>3</sup> Sum of job destruction in BCR and existing job displacement to another region

LABOUR MARKET SITUATION IN THE BCR IN 2020<sup>1</sup>

Population aged 15 to 64 years (in thousands of people)



Source: Statbel (LFS)

<sup>1</sup> Annual averages based on survey data and in accordance with the concepts of the ILO

EMPLOYMENT IN INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS<sup>1</sup>

Number of employees on 31 December	2020		
	Men	Women	Total
European Institutions	16,489	21,771	38,260
International Institutions	1,843	1,281	3,124
Embassies and diplomatic staff	4,791	2,818	7,609
European Schools	223	383	606
Total	23,346	26,253	49,599

Source: BISA

<sup>1</sup> These employees include neither military staff nor local staff under Belgian contract (subject to NSSO contributions)

# HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

## HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND SAVING

Average disposable income per inhabitant, 2018 (euros)	19,363
Average household saving rate (gross), 2018 (%)	5.6
Average total net taxable income per inhabitant, 2019 (euros) <sup>1</sup>	14,973
Median total net taxable income of tax returns, 2019 (euros) <sup>1</sup>	20,427

Sources: NAI, Statbel (Fiscal statistics on income)

<sup>1</sup> 2020 financial year, 2019 income

## AVERAGE EXPENDITURE PER HOUSEHOLD

	2020	
	Euros	%
Food, beverages and tobacco	5,803	18.1
Clothing and footwear	1,184	3.7
Housing	11,090	34.6
Rentals (actual and imputed); maintenance and repair of the dwelling	8,944	27.9
Water, electricity, gas and other fuels; other costs	2,146	6.7
Furnishings, household equipment and routine household maintenance	1,606	5.0
Health	1,725	5.4
Transport	2,432	7.6
Communications	1,105	3.4
Culture, recreation and education	2,332	7.3
Restaurants, hotels and cafes	1,508	4.7
Miscellaneous goods and services	3,272	10.2
<b>Total consumption</b>	<b>32,057</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Source: Statbel (HBS)

## PRECARITY AND WELFARE BENEFITS

Share of population below the at-risk-of-poverty threshold, 2020 income (%) <sup>1</sup>	27.8
Recipients of social integration income (18 to 64 years), 2020 (number) <sup>2</sup>	40,556
Share of population aged 18-64, 2020 (%) <sup>2</sup>	5.2
Recipients of financial aid equivalent to social integration income (18 to 64 years), 2020 (number) <sup>2</sup>	3,803
Share of population aged 18-64, 2020 (%) <sup>2</sup>	0.5
Recipients of increased reimbursement for healthcare (entitled and dependent persons), January 2021 (number) <sup>3</sup>	323,719
Share of total population, January 2021 (%) <sup>3</sup>	26.5
Recipients of Guaranteed income for elderly persons (GRAPA), January 2021 (number) <sup>4</sup>	20,120
Share of population of 65 years and older, January 2021 (%) <sup>4</sup>	12.7
Private borrowers in default, December 2021 (number) <sup>5</sup>	41,284
Share of population of 18 years and older, December 2021 (%) <sup>5</sup>	4.4

<sup>1</sup> Source: Statbel (EU-SILC); Risk of monetary poverty; confidence interval of 25.1 % to 30.5 %

<sup>2</sup> Source: PPS Social integration (annual mean - provisional data)

<sup>3</sup> Sources: CBSS, National Register, BISA calculations

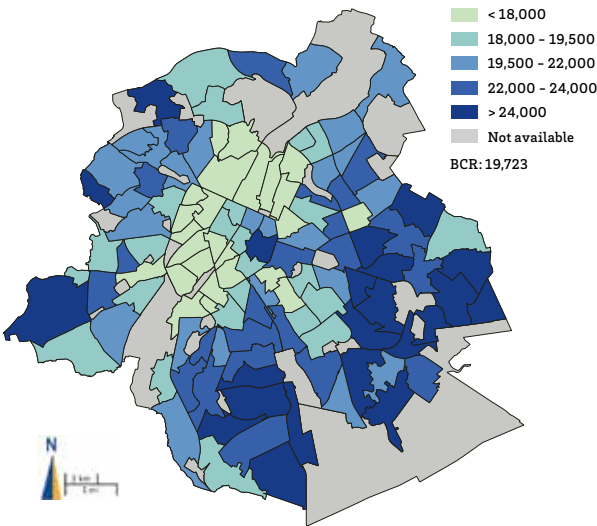
<sup>4</sup> Source: Federal Pensions Service, National Register, BISA calculations. The recipients of the guaranteed income from the previous system are included

<sup>5</sup> Source: NBB (Central Individual Credit Register)

# HOUSEHOLD INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

## MEDIAN TAXABLE INCOME OF TAX RETURNS BY DISTRICT IN 2018<sup>1</sup>

Euros per tax return



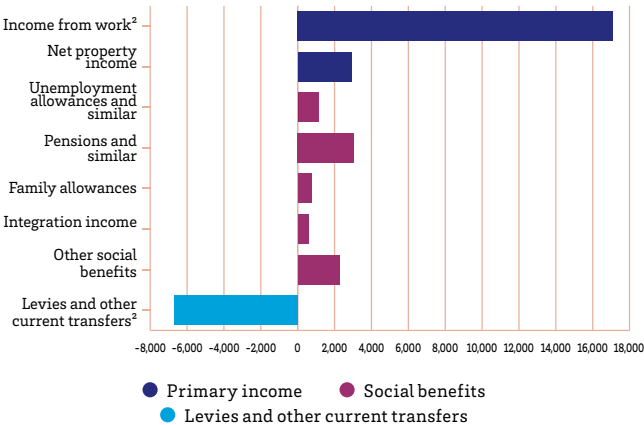
Sources: BISA, Statbel (Fiscal statistics on income)

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<sup>1</sup> 2019 financial year, 2018 income

## COMPONENTS OF DISPOSABLE INCOME PER CAPITA IN 2021<sup>1</sup>

Euros



Source: HERMREG, BISA calculations

<sup>1</sup> Estimate

<sup>2</sup> Net of employers' social contributions



# RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

## GROSS DOMESTIC EXPENDITURE ON R&D BY SECTOR OF PERFORMANCE

	2019	
	Million euro	% of GDP
Business enterprise	1,296.6	1.50
Government	191.2	0.22
Higher education	470.6	0.54
Private non-profit sector	76.7	0.09
Total	2,035.1	2.35

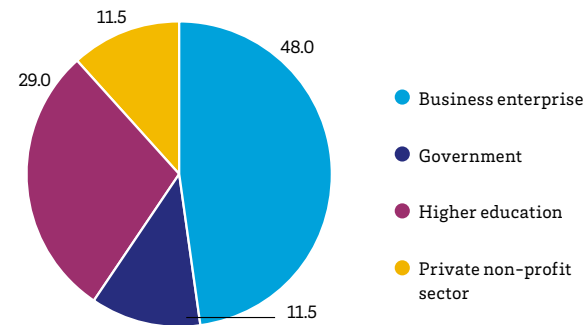
Sources: Belspo, NAI, BISA calculations

## R&D PERSONNEL

	2019
Total R&D personnel (FTE)	16,557
Share of researchers (% of total R&D personnel)	65.7

Source: Belspo, BISA calculations

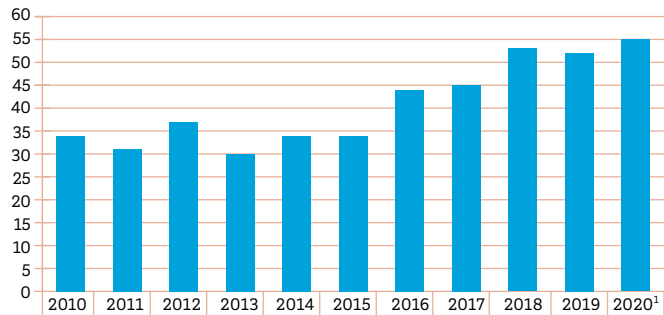
## R&D PERSONNEL (FTE) BROKEN DOWN BY SECTOR OF PERFORMANCE IN 2019 (%)



Source: Belspo, BISA calculations

## EVOLUTION OF THE GOVERNMENT BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS OR OUTLAYS FOR R&D OF THE BCR

Million euro



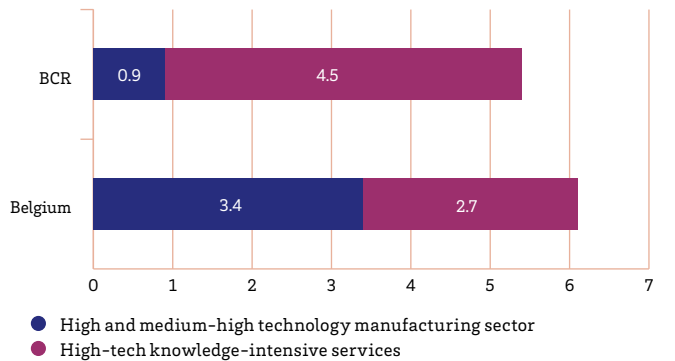
Source: Belspo

<sup>1</sup> Based on initial budget data

# RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

## EMPLOYMENT IN HIGH- AND MEDIUM-HIGH TECHNOLOGY SECTORS IN 2019<sup>1</sup>

% of total employment



Source: NAI, BISA calculations

<sup>1</sup> Based on the Eurostat definition and NACE Rev.2

## EMPLOYEES IN THE ICT SECTOR<sup>1</sup>

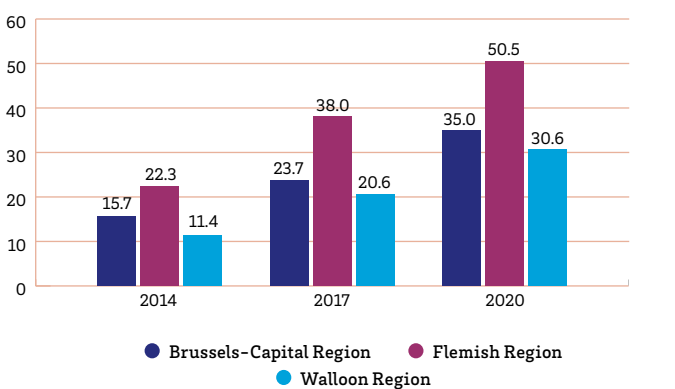
Number of jobs on 31 December	2019		
	Men	Women	Total
ICT manufacturing industries	14	9	23
ICT trade	1,813	676	2,489
ICT services	16,795	7,277	24,072
Total ICT sector	18,622	7,962	26,584

Source: NSSO, BISA calculations

<sup>1</sup> Based on the OECD definition (2007) and NACE Rev. 2

## HOUSEHOLDS USING A MOBILE BROADBAND CONNECTION AT HOME : 2014-2020

% of total number of households with at least one person aged 16 to 74 years



Source: Statbel (Survey on ICT usage by households and individuals)

MACROECONOMIC INDICATORS

	2019
GDP (million euro)	86,651
GDP per capita (euros)	71,412
Compensation of employees (million euro)	43,504
Value added per worker (euros)	108,193

Source: NAI, BISA calculations

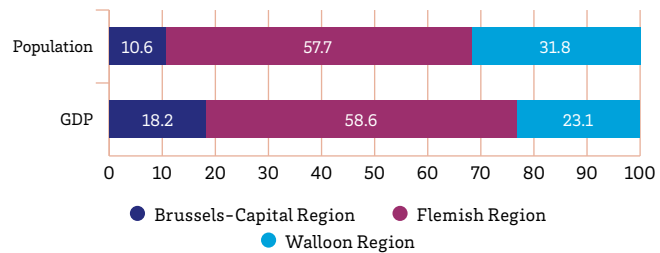
VALUE ADDED PER SECTOR

NACE Rev. 2	2019 Million euro	Share in %
<b>Primary sector</b> (agriculture, forestry...)	22.0	0.0
<b>Secondary sector</b>	5,353.9	6.9
Mining and quarrying	14.7	0.0
Manufacturing industry	2,018.9	2.6
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	918.4	1.2
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	480.0	0.6
Construction	1,921.9	2.5
<b>Tertiary sector</b>	71,958.4	93.0
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	6,210.3	8.0
Transportation and storage	4,455.7	5.8
Accommodation and food service activities	1,646.2	2.1
Information and communication	6,007.0	7.8
Financial and insurance activities	15,452.7	20.0
Real estate activities	5,602.0	7.2
Professional, scientific and technical activities	7,881.3	10.2
Administrative and support service activities	3,833.0	5.0
Public administration	10,009.9	12.9
Education	4,504.8	5.8
Human health and social work activities	3,753.2	4.9
Other	2,602.3	3.4
<b>Total</b>	77,334.3	100.0

Source: NAI, BISA calculations

REGIONS' SHARE OF BELGIAN POPULATION AND GDP IN 2019

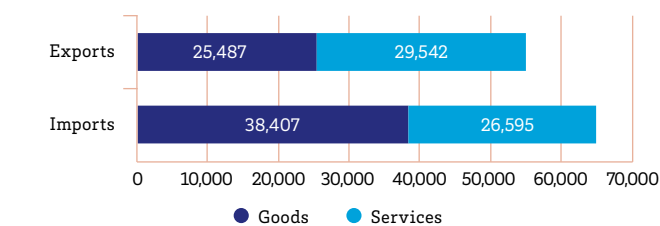
% of total for Belgium



Source: NAI, BISA calculations

FOREIGN TRADE IN GOODS AND SERVICES IN 2019<sup>1</sup>

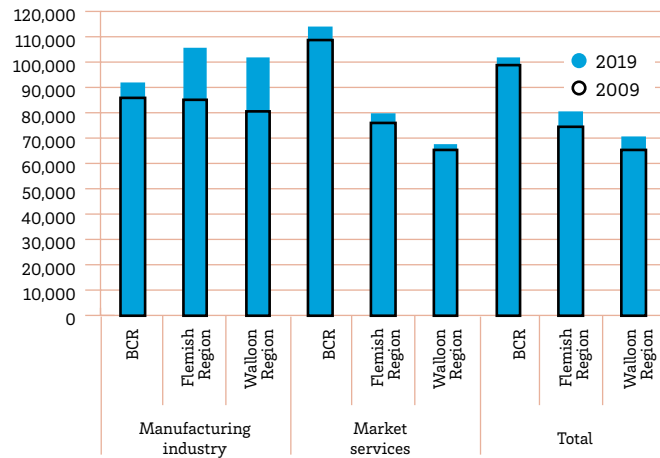
Million euro



Source: NAI

<sup>1</sup> Regional distribution of Belgian imports and exports of goods and services according to the regional accounts

EVOLUTION OF THE PRODUCTIVITY PER CAPITA IN VOLUME PER SECTOR AND REGION<sup>1</sup>



Source: HERMREG

<sup>1</sup> Value added per worker in chained euros, reference year 2015

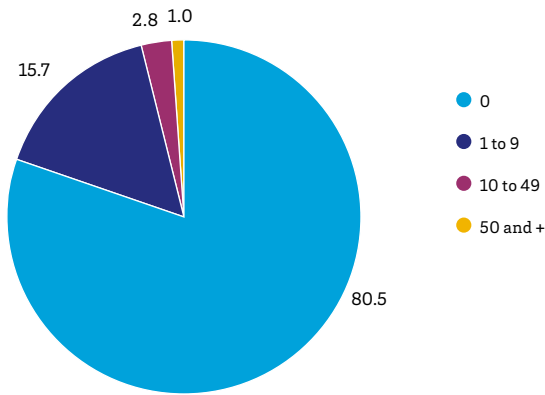
ENTERPRISES¹

Number	Natural person	2020 Legal person	Total
Active enterprises (at the end of the year)	37,575	75,619	113,194
Enterprise births	5,168	6,018	11,186
Enterprise deaths	3,689	4,200	7,889
Enterprise immigrations	848	1,080	1,928
Enterprise emigrations	1,318	1,506	2,824

Source: Statbel  
¹ VAT-registered businesses; localisation according to head office

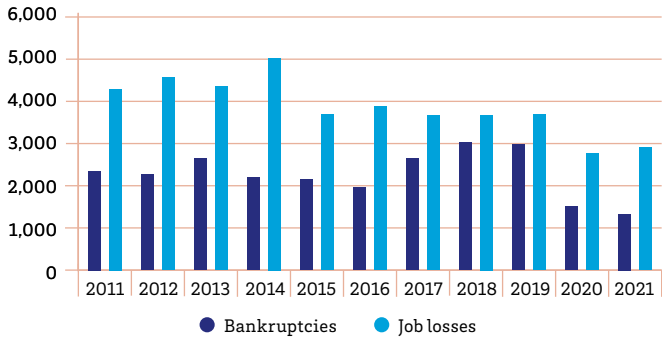
BREAKDOWN OF ENTERPRISES BY NUMBER OF WORKERS IN 2020¹

% of total number of enterprises



Source: Statbel  
¹ VAT-registered businesses. For enterprises established in several regions, all the employment is allocated to the head office

BANKRUPTCIES AND RELATED JOB LOSSES



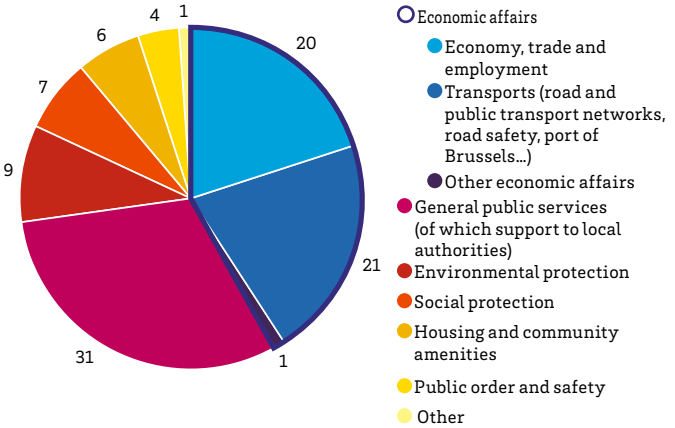
Source: Statbel

BCR RECEIPTS, EXPENDITURE AND OVERALL BALANCE¹

	2020	
	Million euro	Share in %
<b>Total of the receipts of the BCR</b>	<b>4,940</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Fiscal and parafiscal receipts</b>	<b>2,549</b>	<b>52</b>
Direct taxes to households	1,057	21
Indirect taxes	1,042	21
Taxes on capital (endowment and inheritance tax)	449	9
<b>Non-fiscal and non-parafiscal receipts</b>	<b>711</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Transfers coming from other government</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>34</b>
Current transfers of fiscal receipts	1,035	21
Non-fiscal current transfers and capital transfers	645	13
<b>Total of the expenditure of the BCR</b>	<b>6,218</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Current expenditure excluding interest charges</b>	<b>5,161</b>	<b>83</b>
Compensation of employees	1,489	24
Intermediate consumption and paid taxes	820	13
Social benefits and subsidies	968	16
Current transfers	1,884	30
<b>Interest charges</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Capital expenditure</b>	<b>953</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Overall balance of the BCR²</b>	<b>-1,278</b>	

Source: NAI  
¹ According to the framework of the ESA 2010. In this framework, the BCR is composed of the BRPS and the autonomous administrative authorities which depend on it.  
² The overall balance equals the difference between the receipts and the expenditure. A positive balance indicates net lending while a negative balance shows net borrowing.

BREAKDOWN OF THE TOTAL BCR SPENDING BY FUNCTION IN 2020¹ (%)



Source: NAI  
¹ According to the framework of the ESA 2010. In this framework, the BCR is composed of the BRPS and the autonomous administrative authorities which depend on it.

# POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

## COMPETENCIES OF THE BCR

Land-use planning (plans, planning permission, urban renewal, real estate policy, monuments and sites)
Animal welfare
Economy, foreign trade and development cooperation
Employment
Energy
Environment, water and nature conservation policy
Taxation, finances and budget
Civil service, equal opportunities policy
Sport facilities
Housing
Fire-fighting and emergency medical assistance
Urban Policy
Local authorities and subsidiary authorities (municipalities, intermunicipality organisations...)
Environmental maintenance, waste collection and treatment
Scientific research
External relations
Safety and prevention
Regional statistics
Tourism
Transport and mobility
Public works

Sources: BRPS, Parliament of the BCR

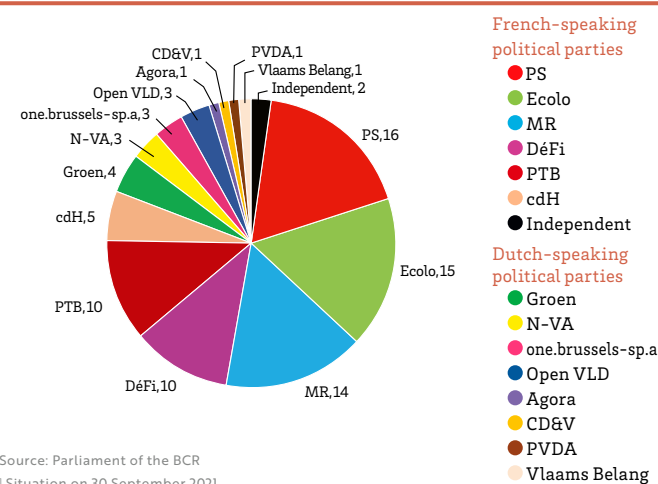
## COMPOSITION OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE BCR

### Number of seats

French-speaking elected representatives	72
Dutch-speaking elected representatives	17
Total	89

Source: Parliament of the BCR

## BREAKDOWN OF NUMBER OF SEATS IN THE PARLIAMENT OF THE BCR<sup>1</sup>



Source: Parliament of the BCR  
<sup>1</sup> Situation on 30 September 2021

# EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDCARE

## CHILDCARE FACILITIES FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

2020		
On 31 December	Number of facilities	Number of places
By authorising organisation		
ONE	493	14,282
Kind en Gezin	204	6,705
By type of care		
Family	127	804
Collective	568	20,111
Total <sup>1</sup>	695	20,915

Sources: BISA, Kind en Gezin, ONE

<sup>1</sup> The total number of facilities and places differs from the sum by authorising organisation since 2 facilities, representing 72 places, are authorised by both ONE and Kind en Gezin

## SCHOOL POPULATION IN THE FRENCH-SPEAKING AND DUTCH-SPEAKING EDUCATION SYSTEMS

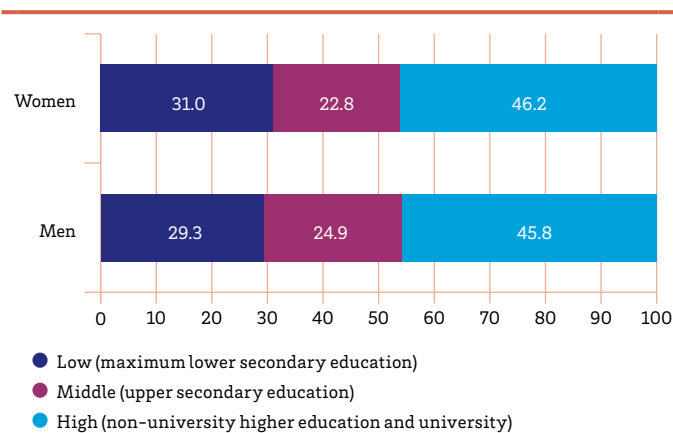
2019-2020		
Number of pupils or students	French-speaking	Dutch-speaking
Kindergarten	43,075	14,290
Primary	80,451	19,866
Secondary	85,074	16,321
Non-university higher education	33,580	19,525
University (principal registrations) <sup>1</sup>	37,540	19,217

Sources: BISA, Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles, Flemish Community, Fondation Universitaire

<sup>1</sup> 2015-2016

## HIGHEST DIPLOMA OBTAINED BY GENDER IN 2020

% of the population aged 25 and over



Source: Statbel (LFS)

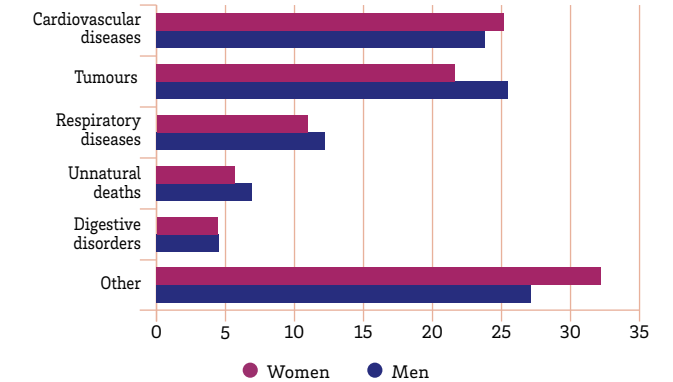
DEMOGRAPHICS

	Men	Women
Average age (number of years on 1 January 2021)	36.5	38.7
Life expectancy at birth (number of years in 2020)	76.9	82.2
Births (number in 2020)	8,189	7,658
Deaths (number in 2020)	5,278	5,706

Sources: BISA, Statbel (National Register)

CAUSES OF DEATH IN 2018

% of number of deaths



Source: Statbel

PRACTITIONERS OF A MEDICAL PROFESSION

Based on place of residence on 1 January	2021	
	Number	Density (per 10.000 inhabitants)
Doctors	6,364	52
Pharmacists	1,961	16
Dentists	1,196	10
Nurses	9,926	81
Physiotherapists	3,051	25
Nursing auxiliaries	6,424	53
Midwives	817	7

Source: FPS Public Health

HOSPITAL SERVICES

On 1 January	2021
Number of hospitals <sup>1</sup>	23
Private	18
Public	5
Total number of beds <sup>2</sup>	8,355

Source: FPS Public Health

<sup>1</sup> Number of main sites

<sup>2</sup> Sum of beds in all sites in the Brussels-Capital Region

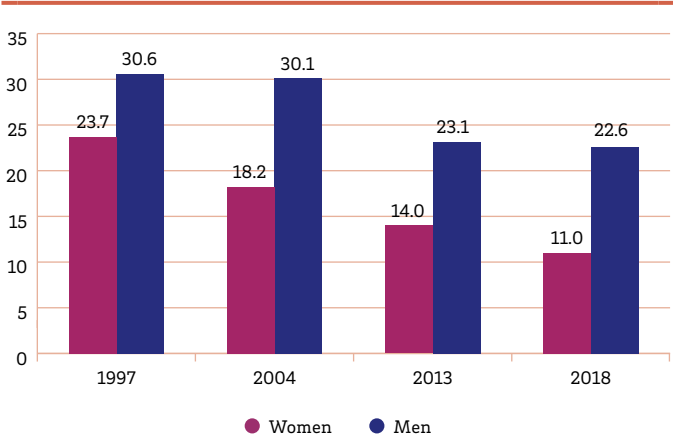
ACCOMODATION SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

On 1 January	2021	
	Number of institutions	Number of beds
Rest homes and nursing homes	146	16,400
Public sector	27	3,575
Non-profit private sector	27	2,941
Commercial private sector	92	9,884

Source: Infor-Homes Bruxelles

DAILY SMOKERS

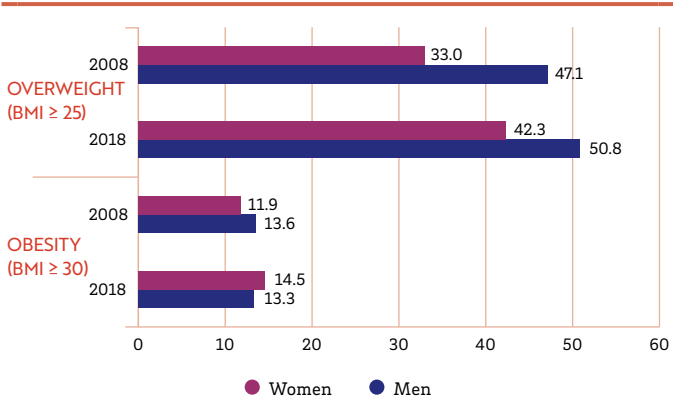
% of the population aged 15 and older



Source: Sciensano (Health Interview Surveys)

OVERWEIGHT AND OBESITY

% of the population aged 18 and over



Source: Sciensano (Health Interview Surveys)

# LAND USE PLANNING AND REAL ESTATE

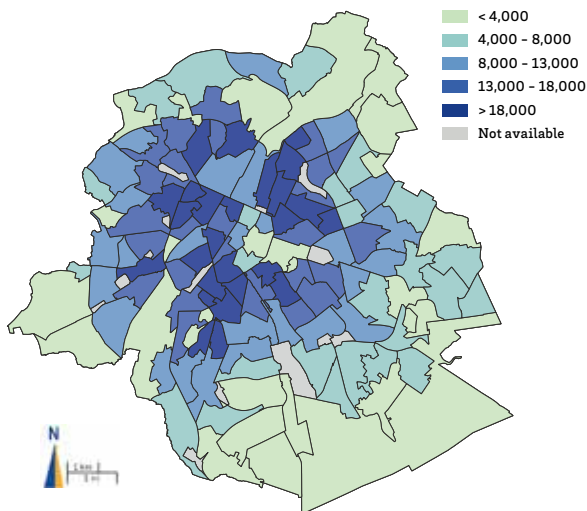
## POPULATION, AREA AND DENSITY BY MUNICIPALITY

On 1 January	Population (inhabitants)	2021 Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	Density (inhab./km <sup>2</sup> )
Anderlecht	121,929	17.9	6,806
Auderghem	34,723	9.0	3,873
Berchem-Sainte-Agathe	25,441	3.0	8,624
Bruxelles	186,916	33.1	5,649
Etterbeek	48,331	3.2	15,226
Evere	43,061	5.1	8,402
Forest	56,281	6.3	8,945
Ganshoren	25,189	2.4	10,333
Ixelles	87,488	6.4	13,646
Jette	52,854	5.2	10,185
Koekelberg	21,873	1.2	18,506
Molenbeek-Saint-Jean	98,112	6.0	16,310
Saint-Gilles	49,196	2.5	19,416
Saint-Josse-Ten-Noode	27,124	1.2	23,371
Schaerbeek	131,451	7.9	16,637
Uccle	84,774	22.9	3,706
Watermael-Boitsfort	25,221	13.0	1,945
Woluwe-Saint-Lambert	58,010	7.3	7,954
Woluwe-Saint-Pierre	41,996	8.9	4,695
<b>Total BCR</b>	<b>1,219,970</b>	<b>162.4</b>	<b>7,511</b>

Sources: BISA, FPS Finance - GAPD, Statbel (National Register)

## POPULATION DENSITY BY DISTRICT ON 1 JANUARY 2021

Number of inhabitants per km<sup>2</sup>



Sources: BISA, FPS Finance - GAPD, Statbel (National Register)  
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## LAND OCCUPATION ACCORDING TO THE LAND REGISTER

Area in ha on 1 January	2021
Non built-up parcels	5,094
Built-up parcels	7,779
Not surveyed	3,369
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,242</b>

Sources: FPS Finance - GAPD, Statbel

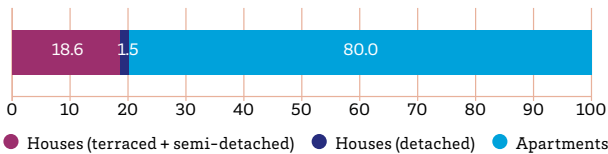
## MEDIAN PROPERTY PRICES BY TYPE

Euros per sale (new build not included)	2020
Houses (terraced + semi-detached)	435,000
Houses (detached)	960,000
Apartments	228,000

Sources: FPS Finance - GAPD (September 2021 version), Statbel

## PROPERTIES SOLD BY TYPE IN 2020

% of the total number of properties sold (new build not included)



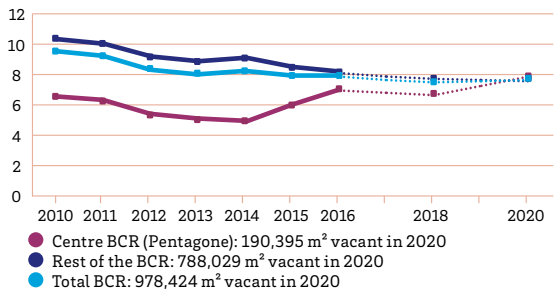
Sources: FPS Finance - GAPD (September 2021 version), Statbel

## BUILDINGS BY TYPE

Cadastral nature (situation on 1 January)	2021
Terraced	105,265
Semi-detached	15,578
Detached	5,821
Apartment buildings	38,312
Merchant houses	15,346
Other buildings	14,548
<b>Total number of buildings (land register)</b>	<b>194,870</b>
<b>Total number of housing units (land register)</b>	<b>592,942</b>
<b>Number of social housing (31/12/2020)</b>	<b>40,089</b>

Sources: SLRB, SPF Finances - AGDP, Statbel

## OFFICE VACANCY RATE<sup>1</sup> (%)



Sources: citydev.brussels, perspective.brussels (Office Property Observatory)

<sup>1</sup> Missing years 2017 and 2019

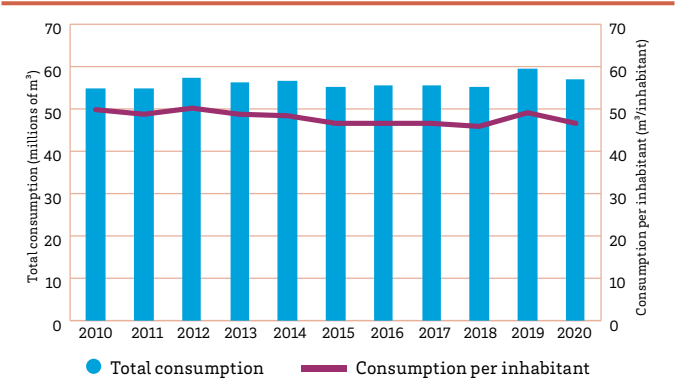
FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION

	2019	
	GWh	Share in %
By sector		
Industry	635	3
Tertiary	6,951	37
Housing	6,872	36
Transport	4,143	22
Non-energy purposes	291	2
By vector		
Natural gas	8,304	44
Electricity	5,221	28
Oil products	4,864	26
Other <sup>1</sup>	503	3
Total energy consumption	18,891	100

Source: Brussels Environment (Energy audit of the BCR)

<sup>1</sup> Including biofuels

CONSUMPTION OF TAP WATER<sup>1</sup>



Sources: Statbel, Vivaqua, BISA calculations

<sup>1</sup> Consumption billed to municipalities, excluding special contracts and itinerant worksites

GREEN SPACES<sup>1</sup>

Type of zone	2021	
	Area (ha)	Portion of total area of the BCR (%)
Forest zones	1,680	10.3
Park zones (including Royal Domain)	1,100	6.8
Outdoor sports or recreational zones	336	2.1
Green zones	304	1.9
Agricultural zones	228	1.4
Green zones of high biological value	179	1.1
Cemetery zones	152	0.9
Total	3,979	24.5

Source: perspective.brussels

<sup>1</sup> According to the Regional Zoning Plan

WASTE COLLECTED BY BRUXELLES-PROPRETÉ

Metric tons	2020
Unsorted domestic and commercial waste	295,616
Selective collections	156,454
Paper/cardboard	48,072
PMC packaging	15,096
Glass	27,224
Biodegradable waste <sup>1</sup>	22,301
Other <sup>2</sup>	43,761
Total	452,070

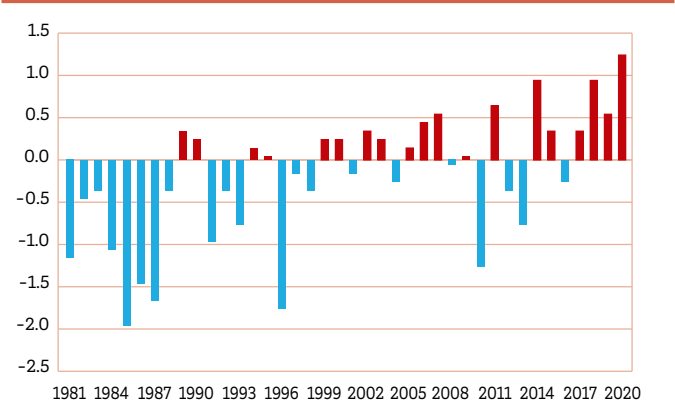
Source: Bruxelles-Propreté

<sup>1</sup> Green waste, food waste and mixed green/food waste

<sup>2</sup> Mainly bulky waste, wood, metal, chemical and electronic products, etc.

ANNUAL MEAN TEMPERATURE IN UCCLE

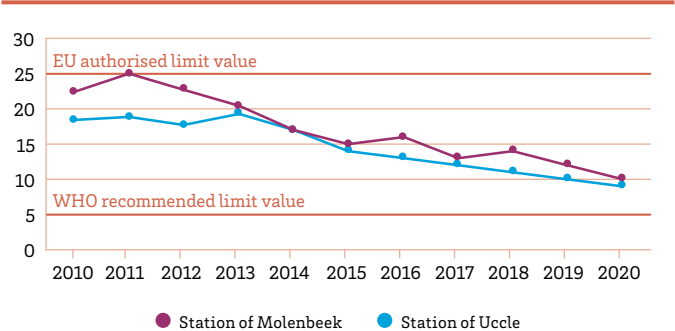
Deviation from the climate normals 1991-2020 (°C)



Source: Royal Meteorological Institute

AIR QUALITY: CONCENTRATIONS IN FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM2,5)

Evolution of annual means in Uccle and Molenbeek (µg/m³)



Source: Brussels Environnement

# MOBILITY AND TRANSPORT

## VEHICLE FLEET

Number on 1 August	2021
Cars	493,994
Trucks, vans, tankers	83,115
Motorcycles	35,424
Buses and coaches	2,109
Other (tractors, special vehicles...)	24,428
Total	639,070

Source: Statbel

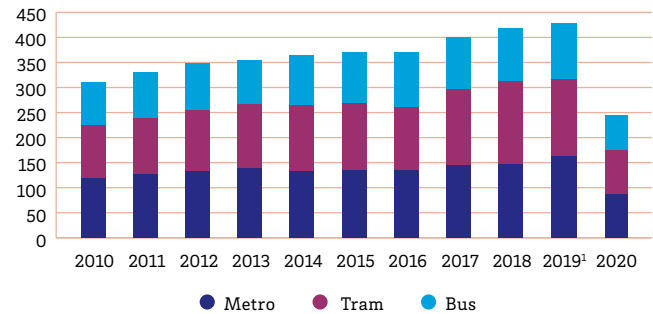
## SHARE OF HOUSEHOLDS WITHOUT A CAR

%	2019
Brussels-Capital Region	53
Flemish Region	23
Walloon Region	25
Belgium	27

Source: Statbel

## EVOLUTION OF THE NUMBER OF JOURNEYS ON THE STIB PUBLIC TRANSPORT NETWORK

Millions

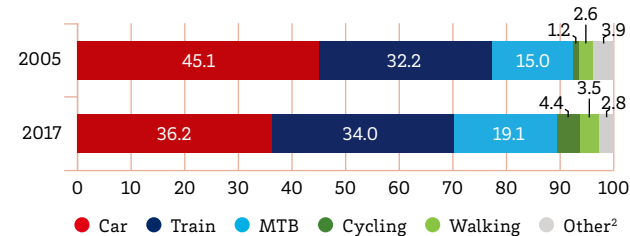


Source: STIB

<sup>1</sup> Break in time series

## BREAKDOWN OF TRAVEL MODES OF PEOPLE COMMUTING TO WORK<sup>1</sup>

% of number of commuting journeys



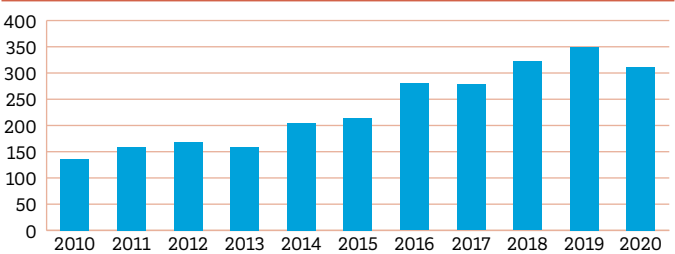
Source: FPS Mobility and Transport (Diagnosis home to work travel)

<sup>1</sup> Main mode of travel (the one used over the longest distance) for employees working in a company located in the BCR with more than 100 employees

<sup>2</sup> Other = carpooling, motorcycle or collective transport organised by the employer

# MOBILITY AND TRANSPORT

## EVOLUTION OF THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF CYCLISTS PER CROSSROAD<sup>1</sup>



Source: Brussels Mobility (Bicycle Observatory of the BCR - Pro Velo asbl)

<sup>1</sup> 26 counting points, on a Tuesday or Thursday during the peak hour (8-9 am) in January, May, September and November

## NEW CARS ADMITTED TO TRAFFIC BY FUEL TYPE

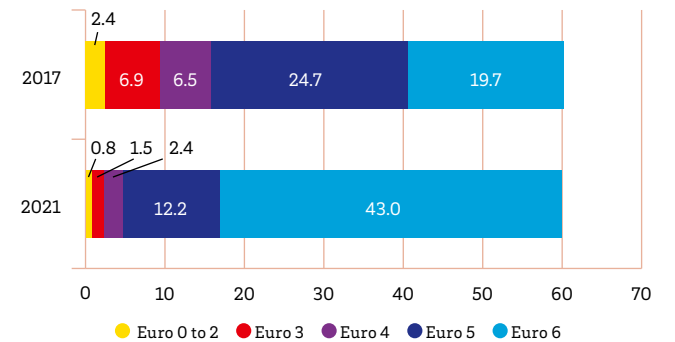
	2012		2020	
	Number	%	Number	%
Diesel	63,536	76.1	18,338	31.3
Gasoline	19,057	22.8	26,461	45.1
Electric	147	0.2	2,076	3.5
Hybrid <sup>1</sup>	681	0.8	11,311	19.3
Natural gas	8	0.0	446	0.8
Other	10	0.0	40	0.1
Total	83,439	100.0	58,672	100.0

Source: Statbel

<sup>1</sup> Hybrid = gasoline-electric or diesel-electric

## DISTRIBUTION OF KILOMETERS TRAVELLED BY TRUCKS (> 3,5 TONS) ON THE ENTIRE BRUSSELS ROAD NETWORK BY EURO NORM

Millions of km



Source: Viapass

## ROAD ACCIDENTS INVOLVING DEATH AND INJURY

Number	2020
With deaths (within 30 days)	14
With serious injuries	152
With minor injuries	3,051
Total	3,217

Source: Statbel



TOURIST ACCOMMODATIONS

	Number of establishments	2020 Number of rooms	Number of bed-places
Hotels and similar establishments	191	18,082	38,217
Youth accommodation	9	453	1,520
Bed and Breakfast	129	217	450

Source: Statbel

NUMBER OF OVERNIGHT STAYS IN HOTELS AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS

By trip purpose	2020
Overnight stays for leisure	846,663
Conferences - Conventions - Seminars	557,241
Other professional reasons	283,171
Total	1,687,075

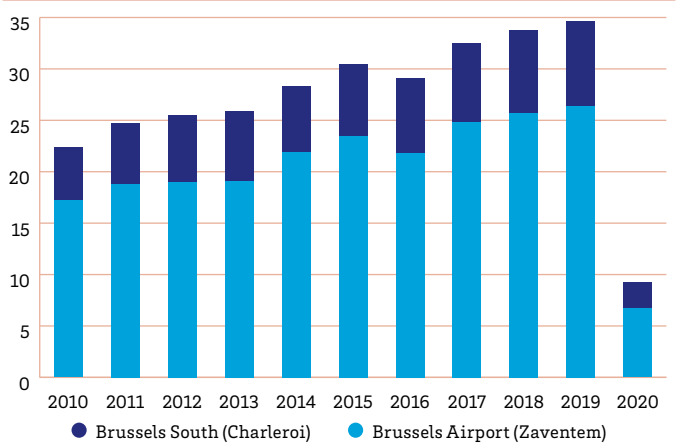
Source: Statbel

TOP 5 OVERNIGHT STAYS IN HOTELS AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS

By country of residence of the visitors	2020
Belgium	468,122
France	271,383
Germany	115,684
United Kingdom	95,941
Spain	87,385

Source: Statbel

EVOLUTION OF THE NUMBER OF PASSENGERS AT AIRPORTS  
Millions



Sources: Brussels Airport, Brussels South Charleroi Airport

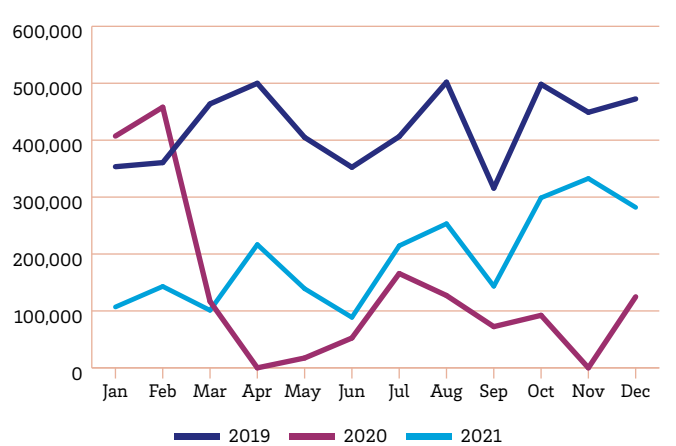
TOP 15 MUSEUMS AND ATTRACTIONS IN 2020

250,000-275,000 visitors
Royal Museums of Fine Arts <sup>1</sup>
150,000-200,000 visitors
Natural Sciences Museum
BOZAR
Atomium
50,000-100,000 visitors
Train World
Comics Art Museum
Mini-Europe
Parlamentarium
Autoworld
25,000-50,000 visitors
Choco Story Brussels
Cinquantenaire Museum
House of European History
European Parliament hemicycle
Musical Instruments Museum
MIMA

Source: visit.brussels (Brussels Tourism Observatory)

<sup>1</sup> Includes the museums Magritte, Fin-de-Siècle, Old Masters, Modern, Meunier and Wiertz

BAROMETER OF MUSEUMS AND ATTRACTIONS'  
Number of visitors



Source: visit.brussels (Brussels Tourism Observatory)

<sup>1</sup> Based on constant scope

<b>BCR</b>	Brussels-Capital Region
<b>Belspo</b>	Belgian Federal Science Policy
<b>BISA</b>	Brussels Institute for Statistics and Analysis
<b>BMI</b>	Body Mass Index
<b>BRPS</b>	Brussels Regional Public Service
<b>CBSS</b>	Crossroads Bank for Social Security
<b>ESA</b>	European system of national and regional accounts
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>FPB</b>	Federal Planning Bureau
<b>FPS</b>	Federal Public Service
<b>FTE</b>	Full-time equivalent
<b>GAPD</b>	General Administration of Patrimonial Documentation
<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product
<b>GWh</b>	Gigawatt-hours
<b>HBS</b>	Household Budget Survey
<b>HSO</b>	Brussels-Capital Health and Social Observatory
<b>ICT</b>	Information and communications technologies
<b>ILO</b>	International Labour Office
<b>LFS</b>	Labour Force Survey
<b>MTB</b>	Metro, tram or bus
<b>NACE Rev. 2</b>	Latest version of the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community
<b>NAI</b>	National Accounts Institute
<b>NBB</b>	National Bank of Belgium
<b>NSSO</b>	National Social Security Office
<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>ONE</b>	Office de la Naissance et de l'Enfance
<b>PM</b>	Particulate Matter
<b>PMC</b>	Plastic, Metal and beverage Cartons
<b>PPS</b>	Public Planning Service
<b>R&amp;D</b>	Research and Development
<b>SILC</b>	Survey on Income and Living Conditions
<b>SLRB</b>	Société du logement de la Région bruxelloise
<b>STIB</b>	Société des Transports Intercommunaux de Bruxelles
<b>VAT</b>	Value Added Tax
<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization
<b>µg/m³</b>	Micrograms per Cubic Metre

- **Activity rate:** Proportion of the active population (working population and unemployed population) in the working age population (15 to 64 years).
- **Chained euros:** Way to measure the change in volume after removing the effects of the price changes for the calculation of various economic aggregates (source: NBB).
- **Employment rate:** Resident working population as a percentage of working age population (15 to 64 years).
- **Enterprise births:** Number of enterprises that are VAT registered on 31 December, whereas the year before, on the same date, they were not.
- **Enterprise deaths:** Number of enterprises that are no longer VAT registered on 31 December, whereas the year before, on the same date, they were.
- **Enterprise emigrations:** change of location of VAT-registered enterprises from the BCR to other Belgian Regions (on 31 December of two successive years).
- **Enterprise immigrations:** change of location of VAT-registered enterprises from other Belgian Regions to the BCR (on 31 December of two successive years).
- **Fertility rate:** Number of children that would be born to a woman over her lifetime if she was to experience the age-specific fertility rates recorded for the year under consideration (total fertility rate).
- **HERMREG:** Multi-sectoral macroeconomic model offering medium term projections of the different aggregates at Belgian regional level.
- **ILO unemployed:** Economically active persons who are without work, available for work and actively seeking employment.
- **ILO unemployment rate:** Proportion of ILO unemployed persons in the economically-active population (working population and unemployed persons) aged 15 to 64 years.
- **Internal net migration:** Difference between the total number of internal arrivals (from other Belgian Regions to the BCR) and the number of total internal departures (from the BCR to other Belgian Regions).
- **International net migration:** Difference between the total number of international immigrations and the total number of international emigrations.
- **Natural balance:** Difference between the number of births and number of deaths recorded over a given period.
- **Office vacancy rate:** Surface of built offices that are for rent or sale on the office market, in relation to the total surface area of the existing office park.
- **Private household:** Group of people habitually living together in the same dwelling, who has no collective character (monastic communities, retirement and nursing homes, prisons...).
- **Unemployed job seeker:** Person without paid employment registered as a job seeker with a public employment service.

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