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Brussels-Capital Region in figures



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Keen to learn about the Brussels-Capital Region? Through figures, Mini-Bru 2017 tells you more about the strengths and the challenges of the Brussels-Capital Region.

Brussels is growing and cosmopolitan. At present, more than 180 different nationalities call the Brussels Region home. Come 2025, the Region's population is set to rise to 1,277,000 residents, i.e. an increase of 90,000 inhabitants compared to 2016. While this dynamic offers tremendous potential for development, societal changes will be no less significant and will require an appropriate response from all the relevant stakeholders, more specifically in terms of land-use planning, mobility, housing and education.

Brussels is an economic powerhouse. A largely open economy, high added-value services, a skilled workforce, above-average productivity and leading R&D players make Brussels a region to reckon with at an economic level.

Brussels is attractive. With 6,170,000 registered overnight stays across the Brussels hotels in 2015, it is safe to call the city a top visitor attraction. Whether people come for its long history, its architecture or its gastronomy, to name just a few of its attractions, fact is that Brussels is prized for its cultural richness. But visitors are also drawn to this "green capital" in the heart of the European Union because of its relaxed atmosphere and its human scale.

Across these various aspects, Mini-Bru 2017 illustrates the various missions of perspective.brussels. This new player on the Brussels institutional landscape will act as a regional centre of expertise and initiator of the development strategy for the Brussels territory. For us, and we hope for you too, this brochure is a tool to reflect on the Brussels-Capital Region.

Happy reading,



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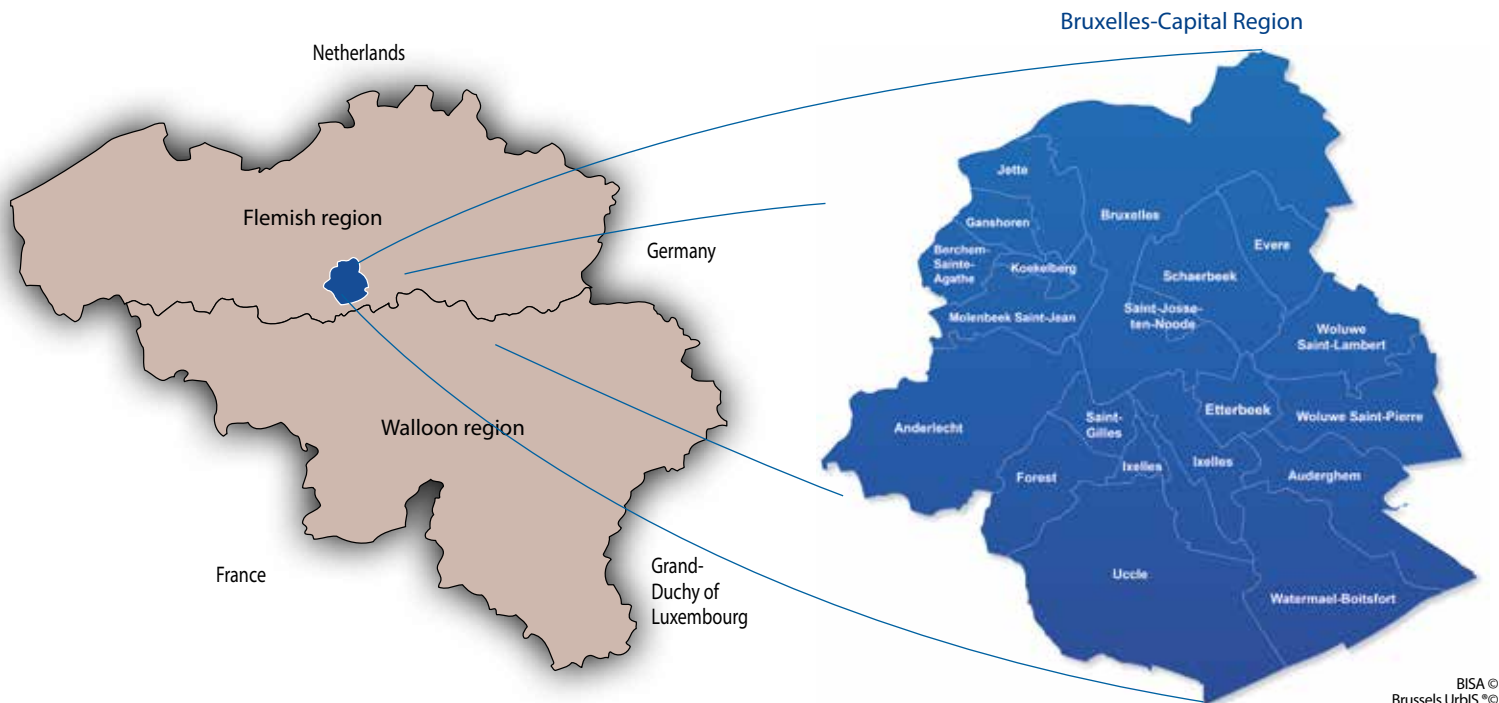
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Until 1500	1015-1020	First mention of <i>Bruocsella as portus</i> on the Senne
	1229	First urban charter
	1357-1379	Construction of an 8 km pentagon-shaped enclosure
	XIV th	Golden Age for the Brussels luxury drapery industry
1500 - 1800	1402	Start of construction of the City Hall on the Grand-Place
	1430	Philip the Good chooses Brussels as his primary residence
	1506-1555	Reign of Charles V who regularly resides in Brussels
	XV th -XVII th	Golden Age for the Brussels tapestry manufacturers
	1549	Ommegang procession in honour of the son of Charles V
	1561	Opening of the Willebroek Canal linking Brussels to Antwerp
1800 - 1900	XVII th -XIX th	Golden Age for the Brussels lace industry
	1695	Bombing by the French army which destroyed a large part of the city
	1819	Brussels is lit by gas
	1831	Brussels becomes the capital of independent Belgium
	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
1900 - 2000	1898	Start of construction of the Horta home in the Art nouveau style
	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
As of 2000	1989	Creation of the Brussels-Capital Region within Federal Belgium
	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

Brussels in Belgium and the European Union



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Population, health, education	Year	BCR	Belgium	EU 28
Population (number of inhabitants on 1 January)	2016	1,187,890	11,267,910	510,087,606
Population density (inhabitants per km ²)	2016	7,361	369	114
Share of population under age 18 (%)	2016	22.9	20.3	18.8 ¹
Share of population aged 65 or over (%)	2016	13.1	18.3	18.9 ¹
Share of non-nationals in the population (%)	2016	34.6	11.5	6.9 ¹
Life expectancy at birth (number of years)	2015	80.9	80.9	80.9 ²
Fertility rate (number of children per woman)	2014	1.91	1.74	1.58
Share of persons aged 25-64 with a high level of education ³ (%)	2015	43.4	36.9	30.1
Economy				
GDP (million euro)	2014	73,381	400,643	13,959,739
Growth rate of gross value added in volume (%)	2014	1.0	1.3	1.3
GDP per capita (euros)	2014	62,755	35,836	27,500
Labour market				
Working population aged 15-64 (thousands of people)	2015	429	4,499	215,726
Employment rate (% of the population aged 15-64)	2015	54.2	61.8	65.6
ILO unemployment rate (% of the population aged 15-64) ⁴	2015	17.5	8.6	9.6
Land				
Land area (km ²)		161	30,528	4,463,534

Sources: Eurostat, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, INA (Regional accounts, February 2016), BISA calculations

¹ 2015

² 2014

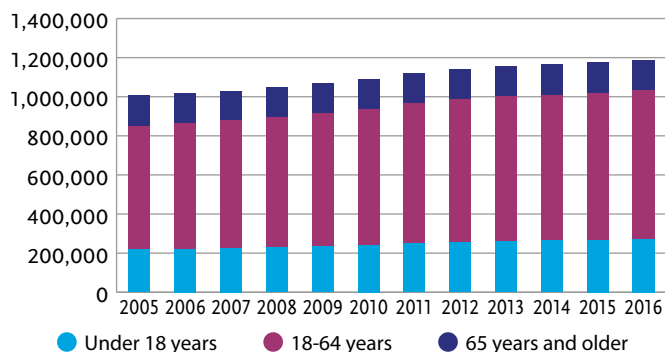
³ Tertiary education (levels 5 to 8 of the International Standard Classification of Education 2011)

⁴ Survey data which differs from administrative data on unemployed job seekers

Population observed and projected (number of inhabitants on 1 January)	2016	2025
Men	579,795	627,077
Women	608,095	649,478
0-2 years	53,554	58,859
3-5 years	51,574	54,752
6-11 years	90,773	95,678
12-17 years	75,882	90,484
18-29 years	205,264	215,992
30-44 years	287,574	297,510
45-64 years	267,163	293,627
65-79 years	105,921	121,554
80 years and older	50,185	48,099
Total population	1,187,890	1,276,555

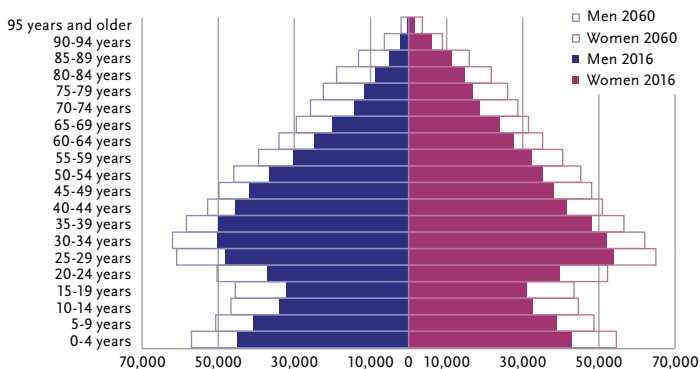
Sources: BISA, FPB – FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium (Prospects 2016)

Evolution of the population by age group (number of inhabitants on 1 January)



Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Age pyramid: number of males and females in 2016 et 2060



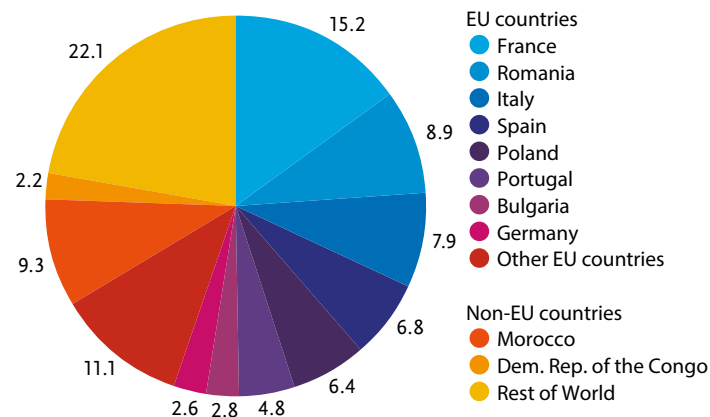
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Non-national population ¹ (number of inhabitants on 1 January)	2016
Male	204,534
Female	206,541
Under 18 years	76,865
18-64 years	306,932
65 years and older	27,278
Total non-national population	411,075
Number of foreign nationalities on 1 January	181

Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

¹ People of foreign nationality who do not simultaneously own the Belgian nationality

Main foreign nationalities¹ in 2016 (% of the total non-national population on 1 January)



Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

¹ People of foreign nationality who do not simultaneously own the Belgian nationality

Movements of population (number of inhabitants)	2015
Natural balance	8,885
Births	18,214
Deaths	9,329
Internal net migration	-13,336
Internal arrivals	24,139
Internal departures	37,475
International net migration	17,309
International immigration ¹	50,887
International emigration ²	33,578

Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

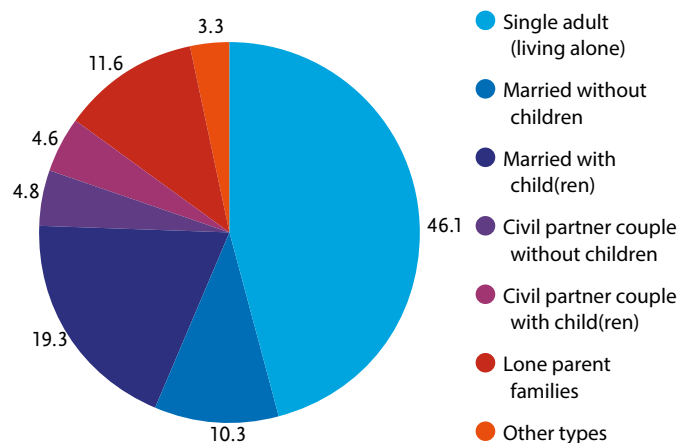
¹ Including register changes (in) and re-registrations after removal from register

² Including register changes (out) and mandatory removals

Private households by size (number on 1 January)	2016
One-person households (men)	125,497
One-person households (women)	127,052
Two-person households	126,016
Three-person households	67,708
Four-person households	55,025
Households of five persons and more	44,096
Total	545,394
Average size of the private households (number of persons per household)	2.15

Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Private households by type¹ in 2016 (% of the private households on 1 January)



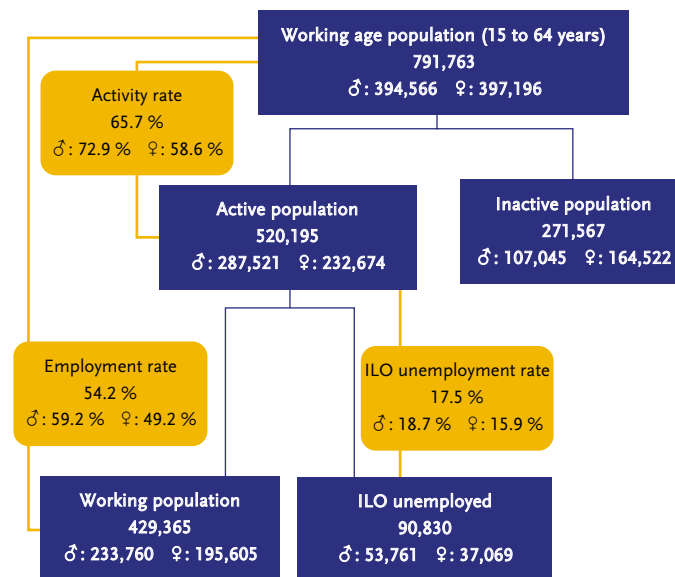
Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

¹ Civil partner couples are determined on the basis of an algorithm. More information at www.statistics.brussels

Weddings and divorces (number of events)	2015
Weddings	4,154
Divorces	5,488
Legal cohabitation (number of people concerned)	2014
Legal cohabitation	5,487
Termination of legal cohabitation	2,798

Sources: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, National Register

Socio-economic position of the population aged 15-64 in 2015 (number of persons and %)¹



Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium (LFS)

¹ Survey data

Unemployed job seekers ¹	2015		
	Men	Women	Total
Total number	54,595	48,617	103,212
Under 25 years	6,115	5,596	11,711
25-49 years	35,218	33,132	68,350
50 years and older	13,262	9,890	23,152
Belgian	34,844	32,237	67,080
EU-foreigner	8,129	8,066	16,195
Non-EU foreigner	11,622	8,314	19,937
Low level of diploma ²	14,232	10,554	24,786
Middle level of diploma ²	10,376	10,084	20,460
High level of diploma ²	6,654	7,658	14,312
Other studies ³	23,333	20,322	43,654
<1 year of unemployment	18,997	17,858	36,855
1 to 2 years of unemployment	9,106	8,090	17,197
> 2 years of unemployment	26,492	22,670	49,161

Source: Observatoire bruxellois de l'Emploi

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

³ Foreign studies for which no equivalence certificate was obtained

Employment by sector ¹ (number of workers, NACE Rev. 2)	2014		
	Employees	Self-employed	Total
Primary sector	94	47	141
Secondary sector	44,397	8,043	52,440
Mining and quarrying	110	0	110
Manufacturing	21,701	1,391	23,092
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	3,870	0	3,870
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	4,918	11	4,929
Construction	13,798	6,641	20,439
Tertiary sector	569,970	67,842	637,812
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	61,867	5,701	67,568
Transportation and storage	36,030	710	36,740
Accommodation and food service activities	25,379	1,670	27,049
Information and communication	29,483	1,770	31,253
Financial and insurance activities	57,051	436	57,487
Real estate activities	5,585	567	6,152
Professional, scientific and technical activities	34,175	44,387	78,562
Administrative and support service activities	53,600	2,761	56,361
Public administration	119,173	0	119,173
Education	52,668	512	53,180
Human health and social work activities	60,986	6,272	67,258
Other	33,973	3,056	37,029
Total	614,461	75,932	690,393

Source: INA, BISA calculations

¹ Statistics based on administrative data and in accordance with the employment concept in the ESA 2010

Employment in the main European and international institutions (number of persons)	
European Commission (on 1 January 2016) ¹	21,540
European Parliament (on 1 September 2015) ²	6,324
Council of the EU (on 1 September 2015)	3,049
European Economic and Social Committee (on 1 October 2014)	781
Committee of the Regions (on 1 October 2014)	560
North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (on 1 February 2015) ³	4,578
Eurocontrol (on 1 October 2014)	1,017

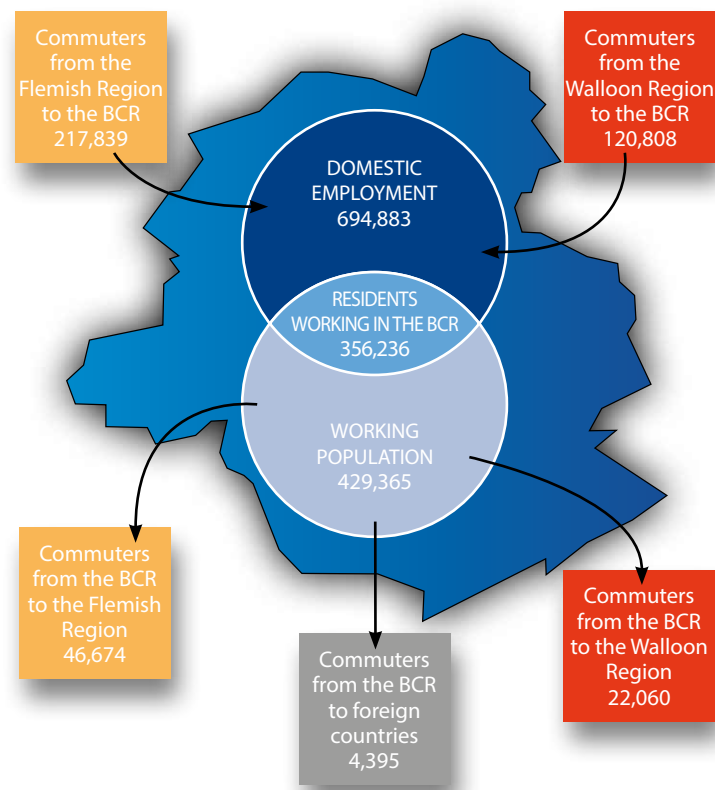
Source: Visit.brussels

¹ Including officials, temporary staff, contract staff, local staff, special advisers and staff under national law

² Including members of parliament, excluding trainees

³ Including diplomats

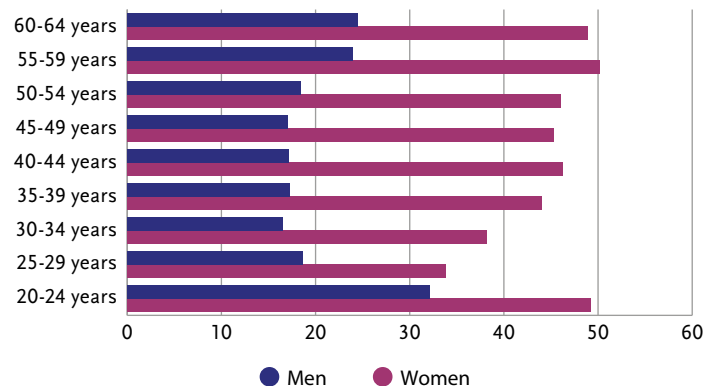
Labour market situation in the BCR in 2015 (population aged 15 to 64 years)¹



Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium (LFS)

¹ Statistics based on survey data and in accordance with the concepts of the ILO

Part-time work in 2014 (%)¹



Source: Steunpunt Werk

¹ Proportion by sex and age group of the number of part-time employed workers domiciled in BCR

Household income and expenditure

Income (euros)	
Average disposable income per inhabitant, 2013	17,038
Average total net taxable income per inhabitant, 2014 ¹	13,839
Median total net taxable income of tax returns, 2014 ¹	19,044

Sources: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, INA

¹ 2015 financial year, 2014 income

Average expenditure per household	2014	
	Euros	%
Food, drink and tobacco	4,834	15.4
Clothing and footwear	1,245	4.0
Housing	10,208	32.5
Rentals (actual and imputed); maintenance and repair of the dwelling	7,898	25.2
Water, electricity, gas and other fuels; other costs related to the dwelling	2,310	7.4
Furniture, domestic appliances and routine household maintenance	2,007	6.4
Health expenditure	1,520	4.8
Transport	3,218	10.3
Communications	1,009	3.2
Culture, leisure and education	2,480	7.9
Restaurants and hotels	1,880	6.0
Miscellaneous goods and services	2,963	9.4
Total consumption	31,364	100.0

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium (HBS)

Living conditions and inequality	
Share of population below the at-risk-of-poverty threshold, 2014 income (%) ¹	29.7
Recipients of social integration income (18 to 64 years), 2015 (number) ²	31,907
Share of population aged 18-64, 2015 (%) ²	4.2
Recipients of increased reimbursement for healthcare (BIM) and dependent persons, January 2016 (number) ³	313,559
Share of total population, January 2016 (%) ³	26.4
Share of lowest 10 % incomes (% of total net taxable income) ⁴	0.5
Share of highest 10 % incomes (% of total net taxable income) ⁴	35.6
Interdecile ratio ⁴	14.8
Private borrowers in default, 2015 (number) ⁵	50,476
Share of population of 18 years and older, 2015 (%) ⁵	5.5

¹ Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium (Quality report Belgian SILC 2015) via HSO (2016 Social Barometer); confidence interval of 24,5 % to 34,9 %

² Source: PPS Social integration (annual mean – provisional data)

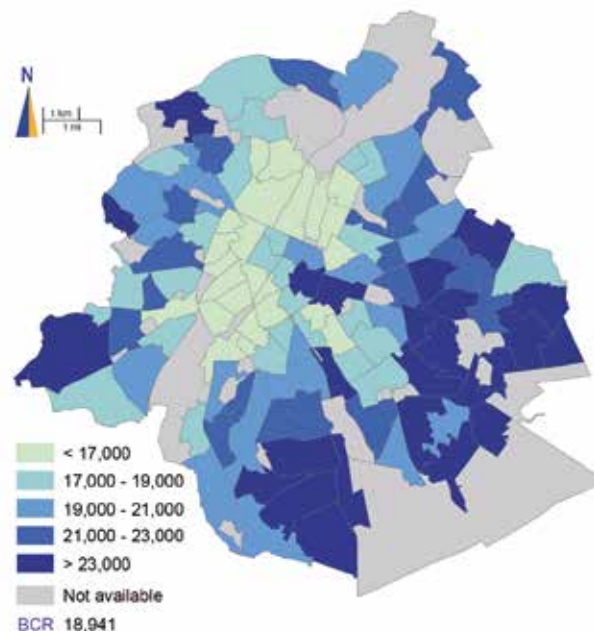
³ Sources: CBSS, National Register, HSO calculations

⁴ Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, BISA calculations; 2015 financial year, 2014 income

⁵ Source: NBB (Central Individual Credit Register)

Household income and expenditure

Median taxable income of tax returns by district in 2013¹
(euros per tax return)

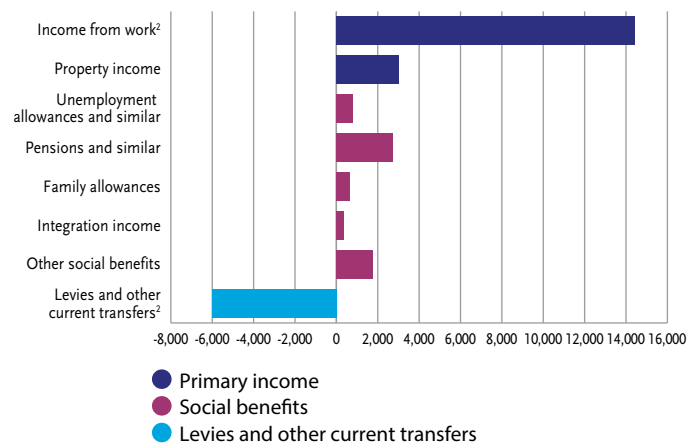


Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

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¹ 2014 financial year, 2013 income

Components of disposable income per capita in 2016¹ (euros)



Source: HERMREG, BISA calculations

¹ Estimate

² Net of employers' social contributions

Gross domestic expenditure on R&D by sector of performance ¹	2014	
	Million euro	% of GDP
Business enterprise	561.8	0.77
Government	127.0	0.17
Higher education	410.7	0.56
Private non-profit institutions	19.8	0.03
Total	1,119.3	1.53

Sources: Belspo, INA, BISA calculations

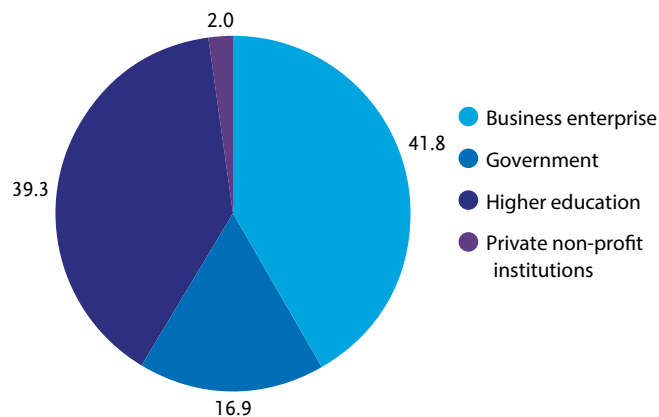
¹ Data extrapolated from preliminary data on Belgium established by Belspo

R&D staff ¹	2014
Total R&D staff (FTE)	10,524
Share of researchers (% of total R&D staff)	74.1

Source: Belspo, BISA calculations

¹ Data extrapolated from preliminary data on Belgium established by Belspo

R&D staff (FTE) broken down by sector of performance in 2014¹ (%)



Source: Belspo, BISA calculations

¹ Data extrapolated from preliminary data on Belgium established by Belspo

Government budget appropriations or outlays for R&D ¹	2015
Total (million euro)	36.1
As a percentage of total actual expenditure of BRPS	0.86

Sources: Belspo, BRPS Brussels Finances and Budget, BISA calculations

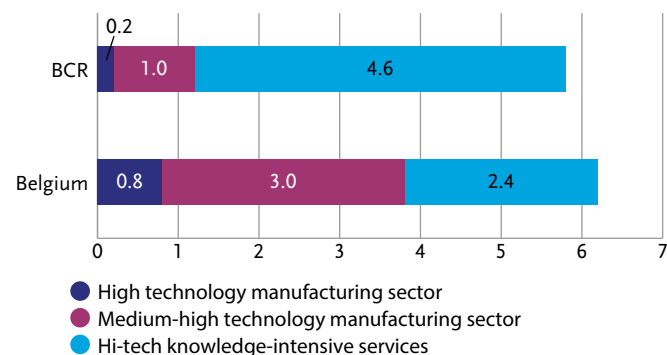
¹ Based on initial budget and total actual expenditure of BRPS

Employees in the ICT sector ¹ (number of jobs on 31 December)	2014		
	Men	Women	Total
ICT manufacturing industries	17	9	26
ICT trade	2,457	826	3,283
ICT services	15,706	6,670	22,376
Software publishing	416	82	498
Telecommunications	7,080	3,591	10,671
Computer programming, consultancy and related activities	6,425	2,248	8,673
Data processing, hosting and related activities; web portals	1,744	736	2,480
Repair of computers and communication equipment	41	13	54
Total ICT sector	18,180	7,505	25,685

Source: NSSO, BISA calculations

¹ Based on the OECD definition (2007) and NACE Rev. 2

Employment in high- and medium-high technology sectors in 2014 (% of total employment)



Source: INA, BISA calculations

¹ Based on the Eurostat definition and NACE Rev.2

Innovating enterprises by type of innovation (% of all enterprises ¹)	2014
Technological and non-technological innovation	30
Only technological innovation	13
Only non-technological innovation	13
Total innovating enterprises	57

Source: Belspo

¹ Enterprises with at least 10 employees in sectors covered by the Community Innovation Survey

Macroeconomic indicators	2014
GDP (million euro)	73,381
GDP per capita (euros)	62,755
GDP growth rate in volume (%)	1.0
Compensation of employees (million euro) ¹	39,054
Value added per worker (euros)	95,084

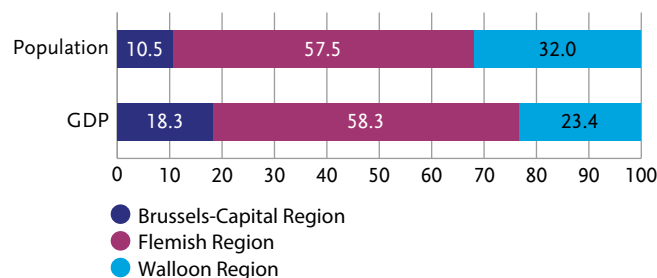
Sources: HERMREG, INA, BISA calculations

¹ 2013

Value added per sector (NACE Rev. 2)	2014	
	Million euro	Share in %
Primary sector	7.2	0.0
Secondary sector	5,631.9	8.6
Mining and quarrying	18.6	0.0
Manufacturing	1,973.2	3.0
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	1,393.9	2.1
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	487.3	0.7
Construction	1,758.9	2.7
Tertiary sector	60,006.5	91.4
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	6,378.1	9.7
Transportation and storage	3,309.1	5.0
Accommodation and food service activities	1,370.4	2.1
Information and communication	4,814.4	7.3
Financial and insurance activities	11,651.4	17.7
Real estate activities	4,564.8	7.0
Professional, scientific and technical activities	6,739.9	10.3
Administrative and support service activities	2,298.2	3.5
Public administration	9,259.2	14.1
Education	3,630.2	5.5
Human health and social work activities	3,554.3	5.4
Other	2,436.5	3.7
Total	65,645.6	100.0

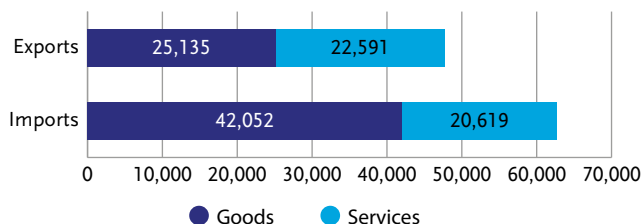
Source: INA, BISA calculations

Regions' share of Belgian population and GDP in 2014 (%)



Source: INA, BISA calculations

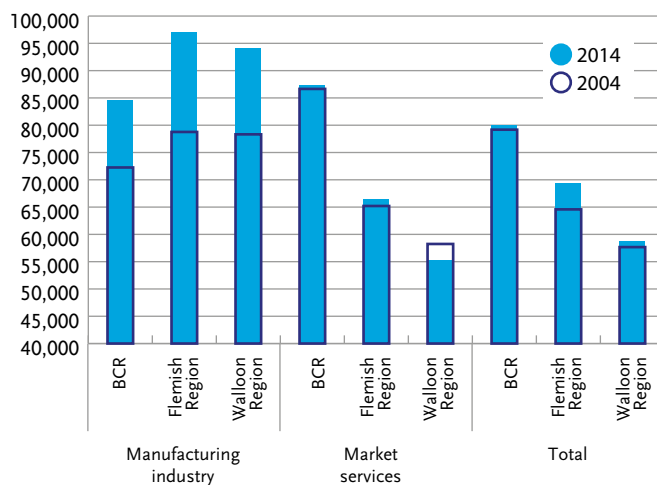
Foreign trade in goods and services in 2013¹ (million euro)



Source: NBB

¹ 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 region¹



Source: HERMREG

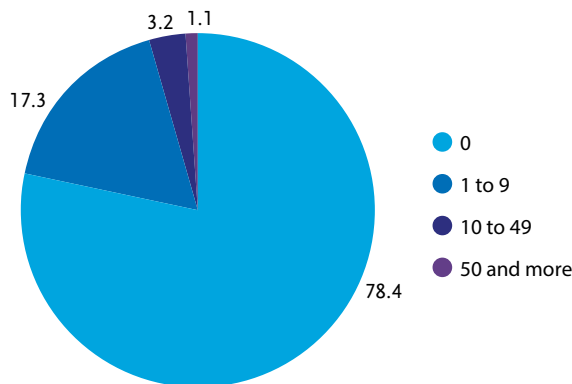
¹ Value added per worker in chained euros, reference year 2005

Enterprises ¹ (number)	2015
Active enterprises (at the end of the year)	97,173
Enterprise births	11,060
Enterprise deaths	7,780

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

¹ VAT-registered businesses; localisation according to head office

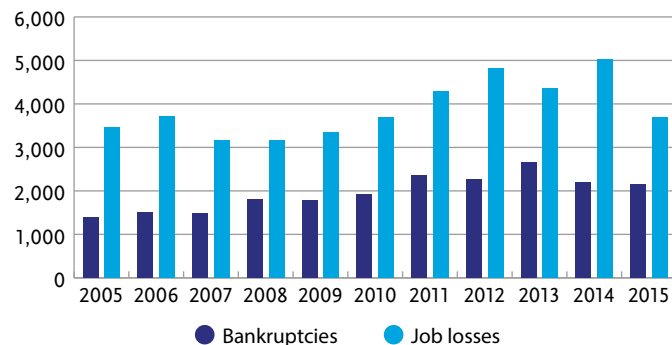
Breakdown of enterprises¹ by number of workers in 2015 (%)



Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

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: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Brussels-Capital Region revenues (million euro)	2017 (initial budget)
Revenues of the Brussels Regional Public Service ¹	4,259.0
I. Tax revenues	3,225.0
Regional taxes ²	1,351.8
Taxes collected by the BCR	165.6
Personal income tax revenue allocated to the BCR ³	1,707.6
II. Non-fiscal revenues	1,034.0
Fair financing ⁴	551.9
Other ⁵	482.1
Revenues of consolidated institutions ⁶	4,638.7

Source: Parliamentary documents

¹ Excluding the Regional debt management fund and long term loans (more than 1 year)

² Includes among others inheritance taxes and registration fees on sales

³ Includes the regional personal income tax, the national solidarity mechanism and the levies on the federal personal income tax

⁴ Transfers from the federal authority resulting from the special finance act since 2012

⁵ Including revenue from the urban area and revenue on organic funds

⁶ Including the autonomous institutions within the perimeter of consolidation like Actiris, STIB and Brussels Environment

Brussels-Capital Region expenditure (million euro)	2017 (initial budget)
Expenditure of the Brussels Regional Public Service ¹	4,979.9
Brussels Parliament	43.7
Ministerial departments	24.8
Civil service (staff, logistics and ICT)	226.1
Budget, management and financial control	439.1
Fire protection and emergency medical assistance	99.7
Local authorities	654.5
Economy, agriculture and foreign trade	97.6
Support for scientific research	56.4
Energy policy	46.0
Employment and social economy	935.0
Mobility and transport	951.0
<i>of which construction and management of public transport networks</i>	759.3
Environment, natural resources, water policy	331.6
Housing, urban planning and heritage	555.6
Funding of community commissions	365.1
Other	153.7
Expenditure of consolidated institutions ²	4,591.0

Source: Parliamentary documents

¹ Excluding the Regional debt management fund

² Including the autonomous institutions within the perimeter of consolidation like Actiris, STIB and Brussels Environment

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
Environmental maintenance, waste collection and treatment
Scientific research
External relations
Safety and prevention
Regional statistics
Tourism
Transport and mobility
Public works

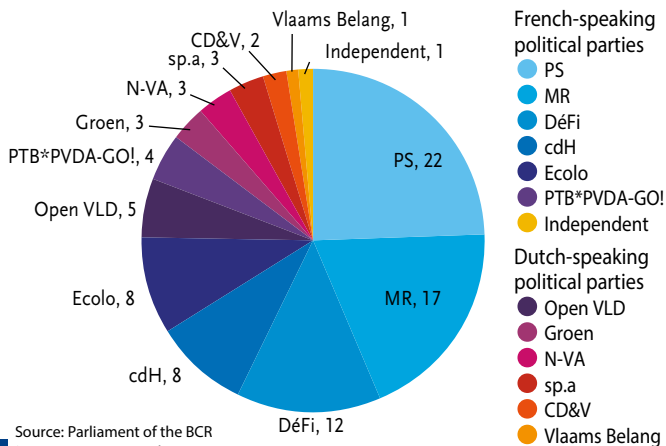
Sources: BRPS, Parliament of the BCR

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 BCR¹



Source: Parliament of the BCR
¹ Situation on 28 October 2016

Early childcare facilities (on 31 December)

	2015	
	Number of places	Number of facilities
By community organisation		
ONE	11,732	441
Kind en Gezin	6,964	246
By type of care		
Collective	17,992	544
Family	584	139
Total ¹	18,576	683

Sources: BISA, Kind en Gezin, ONE

¹ The total amount of places and facilities differs from the sum per community organisation seeing as four establishments, representing 120 places, have been accredited by both ONE and Kind en Gezin

School population in the French-speaking and Dutch-speaking education system (number of pupils or students)

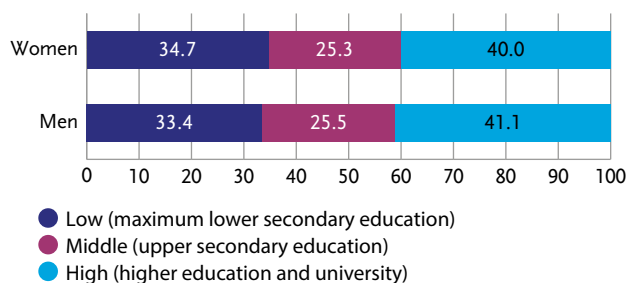
	2014-2015	
	French-speaking	Dutch-speaking
Kindergarten	46,704	12,637
Primary	77,075	17,073
Secondary	80,447	14,536
Non-university higher education ¹	36,707	17,201
University (principal registrations) ²	32,963	12,119

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

¹ 2013-2014

² 2011-2012

Highest diploma obtained by gender in 2015 (% of the population aged 25 and over)

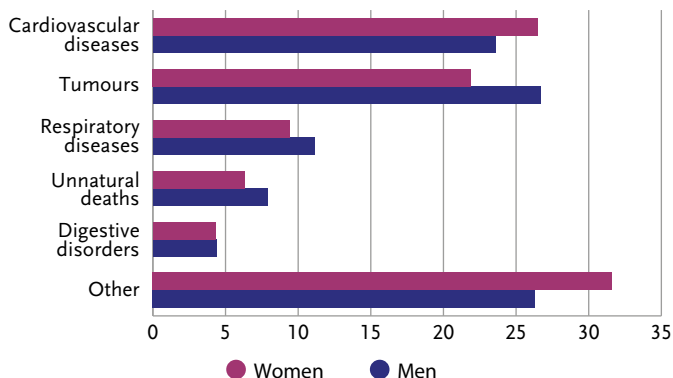


Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium (LFS)

Demographics	Men	Women
Average age (number of years on 1 January 2016)	36.1	38.6
Life expectancy at birth (number of years in 2015)	78.1	83.4
Births (number in 2015)	9,370	8,844
Deaths (number in 2015)	4,341	4,988

Sources: BISA, FPS Economy - Statistics Belgium

Causes of death in 2013 (% of number of deaths)



Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Practitioners of a medical profession (based on place of residence on 1 January)	2016	
	Number	Density (per 10,000 inhabitants)
Doctors	6,878	58
Pharmacists	1,792	15
Dentists	1,065	9
Nurses	9,359	79
Physiotherapists	3,031	26
Nursing auxiliaries	7,124	60
Midwives	773	7

Source: FPS Public Health

Hospital services (on 1 January)	2015
Number of hospitals ¹	22
Private	17
Public	5
Total number of beds ²	8,457

Source: FPS Public Health

¹ Number of main sites

² Sum of beds in all sites

Accommodation services for the elderly (on 1 January)	2016	
	Number of institutions	Number of beds
Assisted living residences	32	1,717
Rest homes and nursing homes	156	16,083
Public sector	27	3,608
Non-profit private sector	21	2,406
Commercial private sector	108	10,069
Total	188	17,800

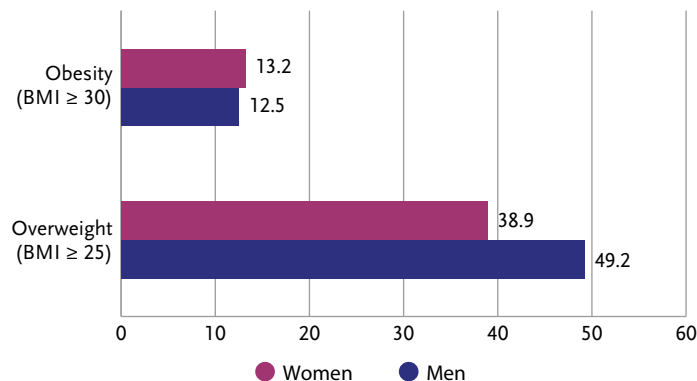
Source: Infor-Homes Bruxelles

Daily smokers (% of the population aged 15 and older)



Source: Scientific Institute of Public Health, Health Interview Survey 1997, 2004 and 2013

Overweight and obesity in 2013 (% of the population aged 18 and older)



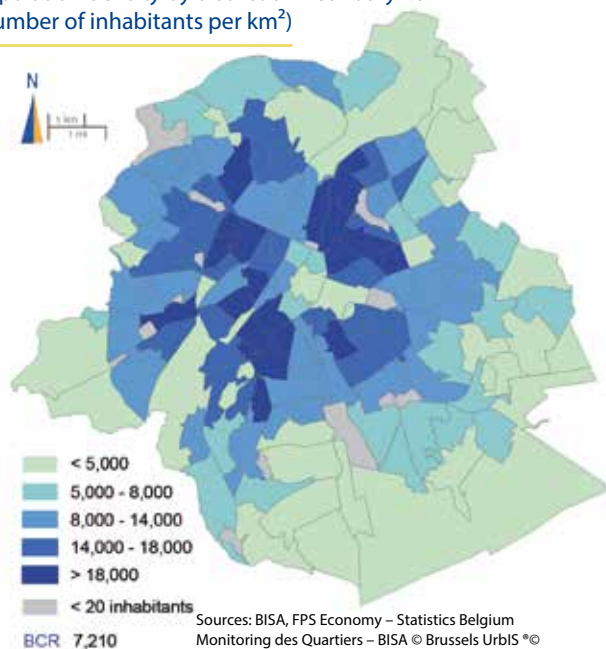
Source: Scientific Institute of Public Health, Health Interview Survey 2013

Land-use planning and real estate

Population, area and density by municipality (on 1 January)	2016		
	Population (inhabitants)	Area (km ²)	Density (inhab./km ²)
Anderlecht	117,412	17.7	6,617
Auderghem	33,161	9.0	3,671
Berchem-Sainte-Agathe	24,224	2.9	8,213
Bruxelles	178,552	32.6	5,476
Etterbeek	47,180	3.1	14,981
Evere	39,556	5.0	7,883
Forest	55,613	6.2	8,901
Ganshoren	24,269	2.5	9,885
Ixelles	85,541	6.3	13,482
Jette	51,426	5.0	10,197
Koekelberg	21,638	1.2	18,455
Molenbeek-Saint-Jean	96,586	5.9	16,393
Saint-Gilles	50,659	2.5	20,065
Saint-Josse-Ten-Noode	27,402	1.1	23,989
Schaerbeek	132,590	8.1	16,289
Uccle	81,944	22.9	3,577
Watermael-Boitsfort	24,619	12.9	1,904
Woluwe-Saint-Lambert	54,311	7.2	7,517
Woluwe-Saint-Pierre	41,207	8.9	4,655
Total BCR	1,187,890	161.4	7,361

Sources: BISA, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Population density by district on 1 January 2014 (number of inhabitants per km²)



Land occupation according to the land register (area in ha)	2015
Non built-up parcels	5,235
Built-up parcels	7,602
Not surveyed	3,301
Total	16,138

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Property sales (number)	2014
Standard private dwellings	3,272
Villas, bungalows, country homes	199
Apartments, flats, studios	8,906
Building land	117

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Average property prices (euros)	2014
Standard private dwellings (per sale)	365,204
Villas, bungalows, country homes (per sale)	952,257
Apartments, flats, studios (per sale)	224,843
Building land (per m ²)	619

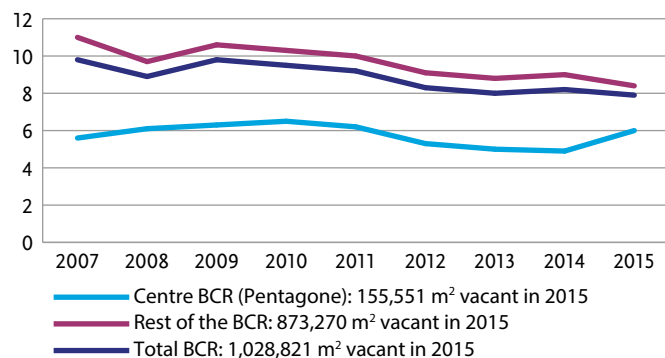
Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Housing units by building type ¹ (number)	2015
Terraced	190,560
Semi-detached	17,293
Detached	6,121
Apartment buildings	304,520
Merchant houses	36,547
Other buildings	7,955
Total	562,996
Of which social housing (31/12/2015)	39,607

Sources: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, SLRB

¹ Situation of housing stock on 1 January

Office vacancy rate (%)



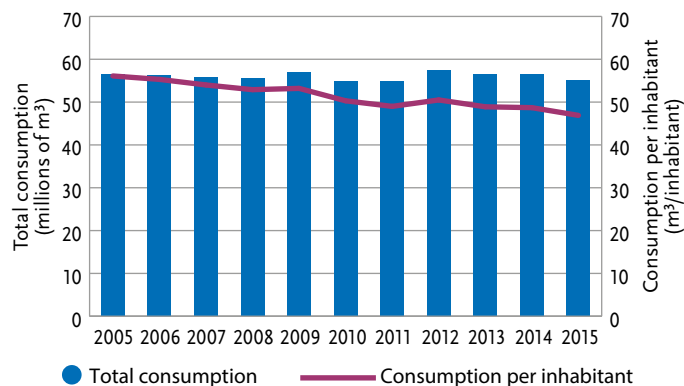
Sources: Brussels Urban Development, Citydev.brussels

Final energy consumption (GWh NCV)	2013
By sector	
Industry	613
Tertiary	7,882
Housing	8,785
Transport	5,033
Non-energy purposes	226
By vector	
Natural gas	9,688
Electricity	5,564
Oil products ¹	7,032
Other	255
Total energy consumption	22,539

Source: Brussels Environment (Energy audit of the BCR 2013)

¹ Including oil-based fuels and biofuels

Consumption of tap water



Sources: FPS Economy –Statistics Belgium, Hydrobru

Breakdown of publically-accessible ¹ green spaces per type (area in ha)	2009
Wooded	1,795
Public space consisting mainly of green areas	1,027
Cemetery	143
Public space consisting mainly of paved areas	50
Wasteland	22
Total	3,037

Source: Brussels Environment

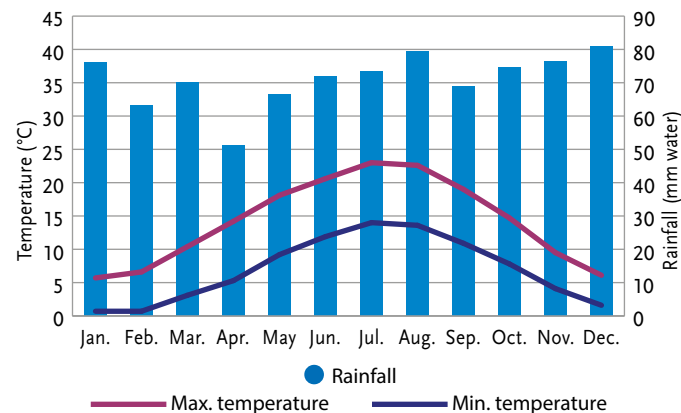
¹ Legal and actual public access

Domestic and related waste (metric tons)	2015
Unsorted domestic and commercial waste	316,746
Selective collections	145,419
Paper/cardboard	51,317
PMC packaging	12,712
Glass	25,884
Green waste	16,025
Food waste	826
Other ¹	38,655
Total	462,164

Source: Bruxelles-Propreté

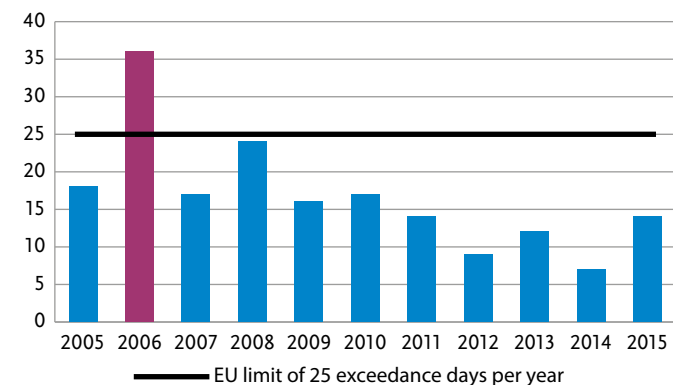
¹ Mainly bulky waste, wood, metal, chemical and electronic products, etc.

Average temperatures and rainfall in Uccle (monthly normal values 1981-2010)



Source: Royal Meteorological Institute

Number of days of ozone exceedance of EU target value (120 µg/m³) per 8-hour period (monitoring station in Uccle)¹



Source: Brussels Environment

¹ In red, years when the EU limit has been exceeded

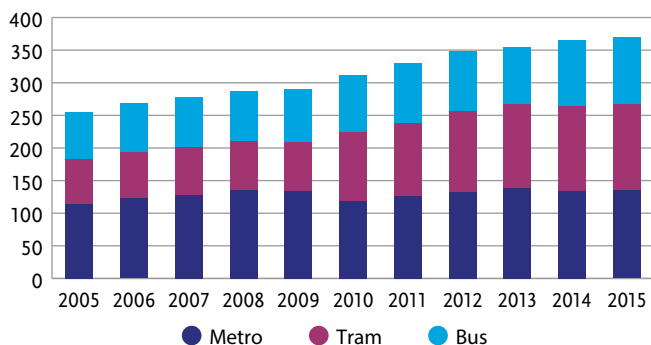
Vehicle fleet (number on 1 August)	2015
Private cars	514,651
Motorcycles	32,328
Buses and coaches	1,980
Utility vehicles	79,761
Total	628,720

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Road accidents involving death and injury (number)	2015
With deaths within 30 days	28
With serious injuries	178
With minor injuries	3,555
Total	3,761

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

Number of journeys on the STIB public transport network (millions)



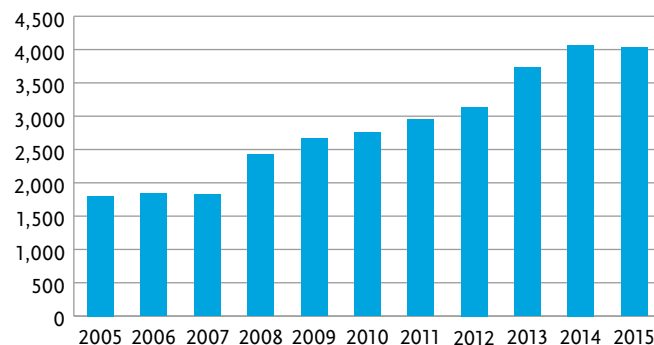
Source: STIB

Shared transport of persons ¹	2015
Users of bike sharing schemes (number of annual subscribers)	37,342
Shared bicycle fleet (number of bicycles)	4,205
Bike-sharing stations (number of stations)	351
Users of the Cambio carsharing scheme (number of subscribers)	11,722
Cambio carsharing stations (number of stations)	108

Sources: Cambio, Villo!

¹ On 31/12/2015 except for Cambio data (on 31/07/2015)

Evolution of the number of cyclists (totals for 15 observation points)¹



Source: Bicycle Observatory of the BRC (Provelo asbl)

¹ Counts on a Tuesday or Thursday in September, between 8 am and 9 am

Rail transport: travellers boarding a train in the station (number per day) ¹	2015
Three main train stations:	
Bruxelles-Nord	63,104
Bruxelles-Midi	62,545
Bruxelles-Central	61,099
Total 31 train stations	222,422

Source: SNCB

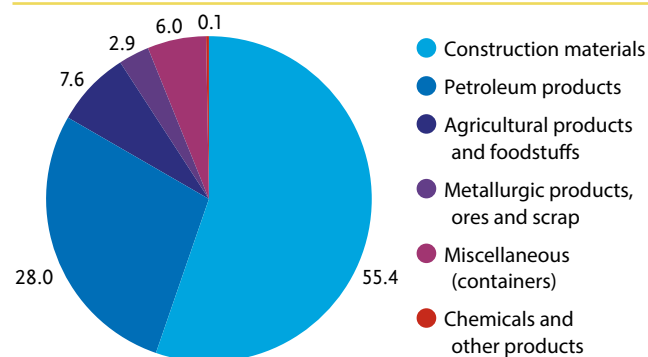
¹ Counts for an average business day

Cargo transport (thousand tons)	2015
Road transport: loading and unloading in the BCR ¹	10,150
Waterborne transport: loading and unloading at the Port of Brussels	4,350
Air transport: to and from Brussels Airport	487

Sources: Brussels Airport, FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, Port of Brussels

¹ 2014

Waterborne transport: loading, discharging and local traffic of cargo vessels in the Port of Brussels in 2015 (% of the total number of tons)¹



Source: Port of Brussels

¹ Excluding transit

Tourist accommodations	2015 ¹		
	Number of establishments	Number of rooms	Number of bed-places
Hotels and similar establishments	183	17,659	36,306
Youth accommodation	8	211	1,224
Bed and Breakfast	61	138	319

Sources: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium, Visit.brussels (Brussels Tourism Observatory)

¹ Methodological change in 2015. More information at www.statistics.brussels

Number of overnight stays in hotels and similar establishments by trip purpose	2015 ¹
Overnight stays for leisure	2,667,382
Conferences – Conventions – Seminars	2,594,807
Other professional reasons	906,161
Total	6,168,350

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

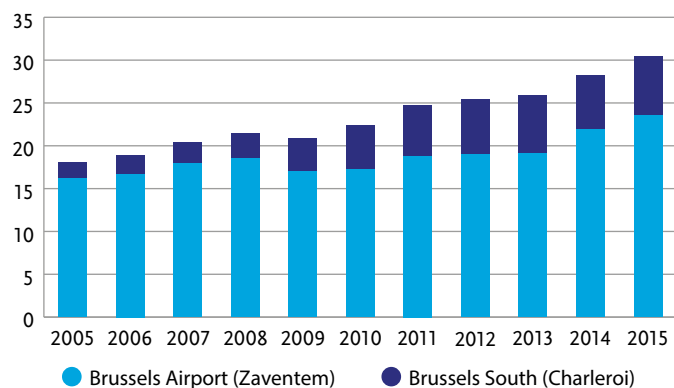
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Top 5 overnight stays in hotels and similar establishments by country of residence of the visitors	2015 ¹
Belgium	1,181,608
France	675,094
United Kingdom	516,269
Spain	438,845
Germany	429,053

Source: FPS Economy – Statistics Belgium

¹ Methodological change in 2015. More information at www.statistics.brussels

Evolution of the number of passengers at airports (millions)



Sources: Brussels Airport, Brussels South Charleroi Airport

Top 15 Museums and attractions in 2015

>500,000 visitors
Atomium
300,000-500,000 visitors
Mini-Europe
Parlamentarium
Natural Sciences Museum
Magritte Museum
200,000-300,000 visitors
Océade
BOZAR
Comics Art Museum
100,000-200,000 visitors
Old Masters Museum
Royal Museum of the Armed Forces and of Military History
Fin-de-Siècle Museum
Cinquantenaire Museum (RMAH)
Musical Instruments Museum
Autoworld
Museum of the City of Brussels

Source: Visit.brussels (Brussels Tourism Observatory)

Organised events (number of visitors)	2015
Regular paid events	
Brussels Summer Festival	125,000
Couleur Café	68,300
Memorial Van Damme	47,500
Anima Festival	39,000
Brosella	22,000
Regular free events	
Foire du Midi	1,600,000
Plaisirs d'Hiver	1,000,000
Bruxelles-les-Bains	379,000
Brussels Jazz Marathon	350,000
Comic Strip Festival	100,000
Trade fairs and shows	
European Motor Show	427,000
Batibouw	300,000
Salon de l'Alimentation	120,000
Brussels Holiday Show	97,500
Foire du Livre	60,000

Source: Visit.brussels (Brussels Tourism Observatory)

BCR	Brussels-Capital Region
Belspo	Belgian Federal Science Policy
BIM	Bénéficiaire de l'intervention majorée (recipient of increased reimbursement for health care)
BISA	Brussels Institute for Statistics and Analysis
BMI	Body Mass Index
BRPS	Brussels Regional Public Service
CBSS	Crossroads Bank for Social Security
ESA	European system of national and regional accounts
EU	European Union
FPB	Federal Planning Bureau
FPS	Federal Public Service
FTE	Full-time equivalent
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GWh	Gigawatt-hours
HBS	Household Budget Survey
HSO	Brussels-Capital Health and Social Observatory
ICT	Information and communications technologies
ILO	International Labour Office
INA	Institute for National Accounts
LFS	Labour Force Survey
NACE Rev. 2	Latest version of the Statistical Classification of Economic Activities in the European Community
NBB	National Bank of Belgium
NCV	Net calorific value
NSSO	National Social Security Office
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
ONE	Office de la Naissance et de l'Enfance
PMC	Plastic, Metal and beverage Cartons
PPS	Public Planning Service
R&D	Research and Development
SILC	Survey on Income and Living Conditions
SLRB	Société du logement de la Région bruxelloise
SNCB	Société nationale des chemins de fer belges
STIB	Société des Transports Intercommunaux de Bruxelles
VAT	Value Added Tax
µg/m ³	Micrograms per Cubic Metre

- **Activity rate:** Proportion of the active population (employed 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 employed population as a percentage of persons of working age (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.
- **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 (employed and unemployed persons) aged 15 to 64 years.
- **Interdecile ratio:** Ratio between the lower income threshold of the richest 10% (9th decile or D9) and the upper income threshold of the poorest 10% (1st decile or D1).
- **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...)
- **Technological and non-technological innovation:** Technological innovation is the introduction of a new or improved product or process. Non-technological innovation consists in the implementation of a new marketing or organizational method.
- **Unemployed job seeker:** Person without paid employment registered as a job seeker with a public employment service.

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