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Income and Living Conditions 2013

18.7% at-risk-of-poverty in 2012

According to the 2013 EU-SILC (EU Statistics on Income and Living Conditions) survey on 2012 income data, 18.7% of the population was at risk of poverty, 0,8 p.p. more than in 2011 (17.9%).

The risk of poverty for households with dependent children was 22.2% in 2012, with a new increase in the relative disadvantage to the resident population as a whole. The highest poverty rates were estimated for households composed by an adult with at least one dependent child (33.6%), by two adults with three or more dependent children (40.4%) and by three or more adults with dependent children (23.7%), these facing for the first time in the series a risk higher than that for single persons (21.7%).

The at-risk-of-poverty rate for the unemployed population was 40.2% in 2012, a rise of 1.9 p.p. when compared to the previous year, and the proportion of people less than 60 years of age living in very low work intensity households increased 2.0 p.p. to a value of 12.2% in 2012.

The asymmetry of the income distribution between richer and poorer maintained the growth trend already observed in recent years.

