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## Income and Living Conditions 2010

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### **At risk of poverty rate kept at 17.9% and inequality has continued the downward tendency**

According to the 2010 EU-SILC (EU Statistics on Income and Living Conditions) survey provisional data on 2009 incomes, the resident population in risk of poverty kept at 17.9%. The contribution of social transfers reduced the proportion of at-risk-of poverty population in 8.5 percentage points, indicating an increase when compared to the previous year (*circa* 6.5 percentage points).

Complementarily, the outcomes of the survey concerning the indicators Europe 2020 indicate a proportion of 25.3% individuals at risk of poverty or social exclusion: persons at risk of poverty or living in households with very low work intensity or in a condition of severe material deprivation.

Income of the 20% top income group was 5.6 times the income of the 20% bottom income group, continuing the downward tendency of the indicator. A Gini Coefficient of 33.7% also reflected the improvement in the asymmetry of the income distribution.

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