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### UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE COMMUNITY REGIONS IN 1991

#### Unemployment rates increase in almost 60% of the regions

The unemployment rate in the Community as a whole (excluding the 5 new Landers of the F.R. of Germany and the French D.O.M.) went up from 8.4% in April 1990 to 8.8% in April 1991 mainly due to the increases in unemployment in Belgium, France, Ireland and the United Kingdom. Almost 60% of the regions suffered increases in their unemployment rates in 1991; particularly large increases occurred in the southern regions of the U.K. (rates in the South East and South West rose around 3 percentage points), and the central English regions (Yorkshire and Humberside, East and West Midlands and East Anglia) who experienced increases of between 1.5 and 2 percentage points). Increases in the regions of Molise (I), and Valencia and Rioja (E) were also significant. In France, unemployment rates increased in the majority of regions rising above 10% in Auvergne and in the coastal regions (except those in the north west). In the F.R. of Germany unemployment rates fell in all the old German Landers except West Berlin.

Although the regional rates converged slightly towards the Community average there are still regions with rates higher than 15% in Spain (Extremadura and most of the coastal regions: Asturias, Cantabria, Pais Vasco, Comunidad Valenciana, Murcia, Andalucia, Ceuta y Melilla and Canarias), in the south of Italy (Campania, Puglia, Basilicata, Calabria, Sicilia and Sardegna), in Ireland and in Northern Ireland.

Unemployment rates, between April 1990 and April 1991, increased mainly for men (from 6.6% to 7.1%) remaining stable for women. This relative approach between the rates for men and women, also occurred in the majority of the regions being more pronounced in the F.R. of Germany. Female unemployment rates, rose in more than 55% of the Community regions, (including all the Portuguese), although in all regions of the F.R. of Germany rates fell. One out of eight Community regions (all in Spain and Italy) had female unemployment rates bigger than 20%. The same proportion (mainly from the F.R. of Germany) had rates of less than 5%.

The youth unemployment rate in the Community, increased by almost the same proportion as the total, rising from 16.1% in April 1990 to 16.7% in April 1991, and reversing the clear downward trend of recent years. At regional level the existing disparities remain the highest of all categories (sex, age). Italy and Spain are the countries most affected by youth unemployment (almost half of the Italian and the Spanish regions). Furthermore, Campania, Basilicata, Calabria and Sicilia (I), and Ceuta y Melilla (E) have youth unemployment rates higher than 50%.

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## UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN APRIL (%)

	TOTAL		MALES		FEMALES		< 25 YEARS		≥ 25 YEARS	
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
ELLADA	7.0	8.1	4.3	4.9	11.7	13.6	23.2	26.7	4.4	5.1
VOREIA ELLADA	6.9	:	3.8	:	12.2	:	22.4	:	4.4	:
ANATOLIKI MAKEDONIA, THRAKI	5.7	:	3.0	:	9.6	:	20.0	:	3.5	:
KENTRIKI MAKEDONIA	6.4	:	4.0	:	10.7	:	19.7	:	4.2	:
DYTIKI MAKEDONIA	10.0	:	6.3	:	17.3	:	30.8	:	6.0	:
THESSALIA	7.8	:	3.1	:	16.5	:	27.9	:	5.0	:
KENTRIKI ELLADA	6.0	:	3.4	:	9.9	:	23.5	:	3.4	:
IPEIROS	3.2	:	1.8	:	5.2	:	17.6	:	1.6	:
IONIA NISIA	3.4	:	1.1	:	6.8	:	17.6	:	1.4	:
DYTIKI ELLADA	7.7	:	4.7	:	12.0	:	25.4	:	4.6	:
STEREA ELLADA	6.5	:	4.6	:	10.0	:	27.4	:	3.6	:
PELOPONNISOS	5.8	:	2.5	:	10.9	:	21.9	:	3.4	:
ATTIKI	8.8	:	5.6	:	14.2	:	26.4	:	5.8	:
NISIA	3.4	:	2.5	:	5.0	:	11.5	:	2.1	:
VOREIO AIGAIO	4.7	:	3.8	:	6.7	:	13.7	:	3.3	:
MOTIO AIGAIO	4.7	:	3.9	:	6.5	:	18.1	:	2.1	:
KRITI	2.5	:	1.3	:	4.1	:	7.2	:	1.8	:
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ESPANA	16.4	15.8	12.1	11.7	24.3	23.3	32.1	30.1	12.5	12.2
NOROESTE	13.8	13.4	11.3	10.3	17.7	18.4	31.6	30.5	10.7	10.4
GALICIA	12.0	12.2	10.5	9.9	14.2	15.7	25.5	26.4	9.7	9.8
ASTURIAS	17.4	15.9	12.6	11.0	25.3	24.6	42.3	38.9	12.4	11.8
CANTABRIA	17.0	15.1	13.3	11.0	22.9	23.3	38.5	35.7	12.8	11.2
NORESTE	14.8	14.4	9.6	9.1	24.9	24.5	35.1	32.6	10.6	10.6
PAIS VASCO	19.4	18.8	13.5	12.2	30.7	31.1	47.6	42.9	13.7	13.7
NAVARRA	11.0	10.3	7.1	5.0	18.3	19.6	26.4	21.3	7.9	8.1
RIOJA	7.4	9.0	5.2	6.3	12.1	14.7	11.6	23.7	6.5	6.2
ARAGON	9.3	9.3	4.2	5.7	19.2	16.1	20.8	19.9	6.8	7.0
MADRID	12.6	11.5	9.7	8.5	17.7	17.1	24.4	24.9	9.8	8.5
CENTRO	16.9	15.9	11.7	10.7	28.1	26.9	34.2	29.3	12.6	12.9
CASTILLA - LEON	15.6	14.3	10.0	8.6	26.8	25.3	36.3	31.2	11.2	11.1
CASTILLA - LA MANCHA	13.4	13.4	9.1	9.3	23.7	23.3	23.9	22.2	10.3	10.9
EXTREMADURA	25.5	23.8	19.9	17.9	38.3	35.7	45.4	37.3	19.7	20.5
ESTE	13.0	12.8	8.5	9.0	20.7	19.6	24.2	23.8	10.1	10.0
CATALUNA	12.7	11.6	7.9	7.9	20.8	18.0	24.7	21.7	9.6	9.2
COMUNIDAD VALENCIANA	14.1	15.7	9.9	11.4	21.7	23.4	24.0	27.8	11.5	12.3
BALEARES	10.2	8.4	6.9	5.3	15.6	13.8	20.3	18.7	7.8	5.7
SUR	24.7	23.2	19.5	18.8	35.4	32.3	42.4	37.6	19.0	18.8
ANDALUCIA	26.0	24.2	20.9	19.8	36.9	33.4	44.1	39.1	20.2	19.6
MURCIA	15.9	16.3	10.1	11.9	26.2	24.4	30.5	27.0	10.9	12.8
CEUTA Y MELILLA	29.8	27.8	22.3	19.9	45.0	45.0	58.0	52.0	20.6	22.3
CANARIAS	23.2	24.0	18.8	20.2	31.5	30.5	38.9	43.1	18.4	18.3
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FRANCE	8.8	9.3	6.6	7.1	11.6	12.0	17.3	17.5	7.5	7.9
ILE DE FRANCE	7.3	8.0	6.7	7.3	8.0	8.7	11.8	12.3	6.7	7.4
BASSIN PARISIEN	9.2	9.6	6.4	6.8	13.0	13.2	18.6	18.8	7.6	7.9
CHAMPAGNE-ARDENNE	9.2	9.7	6.2	6.9	13.3	13.6	19.3	20.1	7.5	7.9
PICARDIE	9.9	9.8	6.8	6.9	14.4	13.9	19.0	18.3	8.2	8.2
HAUTE-NORMANDIE	10.4	11.1	7.5	8.2	14.1	14.8	19.4	20.5	8.6	9.3
CENTRE	8.7	8.9	6.0	6.2	12.0	12.2	17.7	17.2	7.1	7.5
BASSE-NORMANDIE	8.2	8.4	5.9	6.1	11.2	11.4	16.9	17.0	6.6	6.8
BOURGOGNE	8.9	9.4	5.7	6.2	13.2	13.7	19.5	20.6	7.4	7.8
NORD-PAS-DE-CALAIS	11.8	11.6	9.2	9.1	15.6	15.1	22.3	21.7	9.8	9.6
EST	6.7	6.8	4.4	4.7	9.8	9.8	13.6	13.9	5.5	5.6
LORRAINE	7.9	7.8	5.5	5.5	11.4	11.2	18.6	18.0	6.3	6.3
ALSACE	4.8	4.9	3.2	3.4	7.0	6.9	8.6	8.6	4.1	4.2
FRANCHE-COMTE	7.1	7.9	4.1	5.2	11.0	11.5	12.8	15.1	6.0	6.6
QUEST	9.2	9.4	6.4	6.6	12.8	13.0	20.0	19.3	7.5	7.8
PAYS DE LA LOIRE	9.2	9.4	6.4	6.6	12.7	13.0	21.0	20.4	7.3	7.7
BRETAGNE	8.4	8.4	6.0	6.0	11.6	11.6	18.6	17.7	6.9	7.0
POITOU-CHARENTES	10.9	11.3	7.2	7.7	15.7	16.1	20.4	20.1	9.1	9.6

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	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
SUD-OUEST	9.2	9.4	6.3	6.7	12.9	12.9	19.0	18.5	7.7	8.0
AQUITAINE	10.3	10.6	7.1	7.5	14.4	14.5	19.1	18.8	8.8	9.2
MIDI-PYRENEES	8.5	8.6	5.8	6.1	11.9	11.9	19.2	18.1	7.0	7.4
LIMOUSIN	7.5	7.8	5.1	5.5	10.5	10.5	17.9	18.1	6.2	6.4
CENTRE-EST	7.8	8.6	5.4	6.2	10.8	11.6	15.3	16.5	6.6	7.3
RHONE-ALPES	7.3	8.2	5.1	5.9	10.2	11.1	13.8	15.2	6.2	7.0
AUVERGNE	9.8	10.2	6.8	7.4	13.4	13.7	22.5	22.6	7.9	8.4
MEDITERRANEE	11.4	12.3	9.1	10.0	14.5	15.4	21.8	22.2	9.8	10.8
LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON	12.5	13.6	9.7	10.9	16.1	17.2	25.8	26.5	10.5	11.7
PROVENCE-ALPES-COTE D'AZUR	10.9	11.8	8.9	9.7	13.6	14.5	20.1	20.4	9.5	10.5
CORSE	9.8	11.1	7.2	7.8	14.9	17.5	18.3	19.2	8.3	9.7
DEPARTEMENTS D'OUTRE-MER	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
GUADELOUPE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
MARTINIQUE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
GUYANE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
REUNION	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
IRELAND	15.3	16.9	14.8	16.4	16.3	18.1	20.6	23.8	13.8	14.8
ITALIA	9.8	9.9	6.4	6.5	15.7	15.8	28.9	29.6	6.0	5.9
NORD OVEST	6.4	6.4	3.6	3.4	10.9	11.1	22.4	22.8	3.3	3.5
PIEMONTE	5.8	6.0	3.1	3.1	10.1	10.5	19.6	20.7	3.1	3.3
VALLE D'AOSTA	2.3	3.5	1.2	1.3	4.1	6.7	5.6	11.8	1.6	1.8
LIGURIA	8.2	7.8	5.2	4.4	13.6	13.4	32.9	30.0	4.1	4.1
LOMBARDIA	3.3	3.4	1.8	2.0	5.7	5.7	9.0	9.6	2.1	2.1
NORD EST	3.9	4.1	2.0	2.4	7.3	6.8	9.5	10.9	2.6	2.4
TRENTINO-ALTO ADIGE	2.7	3.3	1.4	2.3	4.9	5.0	6.3	7.1	1.7	2.3
VENETO	3.8	3.9	1.9	2.4	7.1	6.6	8.8	9.9	2.6	2.4
FRIULI-VENEZIA GIULIA	5.5	5.1	2.9	2.6	9.6	9.0	16.4	20.1	3.5	2.4
EMILIA-ROMAGNA	4.1	4.2	2.3	1.8	6.8	7.6	10.9	13.5	3.0	2.6
CENTRO	7.1	7.3	3.9	3.9	11.9	12.8	21.0	20.2	4.6	5.0
TOSCANA	7.3	7.3	4.1	4.0	12.4	12.6	22.3	19.5	4.6	5.1
UMBRIA	7.9	9.2	4.4	4.2	13.7	17.1	24.9	28.5	5.1	6.0
MARCHE	6.1	6.3	3.4	3.5	9.9	10.6	16.3	17.7	4.2	4.0
LAZIO	10.6	10.0	7.3	6.8	16.1	15.5	39.2	37.6	6.0	5.4
CAMPANIA	19.2	20.2	13.3	14.4	31.2	32.6	56.4	58.0	11.0	11.5
ABRUZZI-MOLISE	10.2	10.5	6.2	5.6	16.8	18.5	33.9	36.2	6.4	5.6
ABRUZZI	9.9	9.4	5.8	4.4	16.5	17.5	32.2	32.7	6.3	5.0
MOLISE	11.7	14.7	7.9	10.0	17.6	22.1	40.1	48.7	6.8	8.1
SUD	17.1	17.2	11.8	12.1	27.3	27.1	47.4	47.1	10.7	10.7
PUGLIA	14.0	15.0	9.7	10.6	22.9	23.6	40.5	40.9	7.9	8.8
BASILICATA	20.7	19.4	13.5	11.4	32.7	32.8	57.8	50.9	13.0	12.7
CALABRIA	21.8	21.0	15.4	15.3	33.3	31.9	59.7	60.6	15.0	13.5
SICILIA	21.0	21.2	13.3	13.3	38.7	38.7	56.6	54.1	13.4	13.2
SARDEGNA	18.3	18.0	11.4	11.2	31.5	31.4	49.0	47.8	10.7	10.6
LUXEMBOURG (GRAND-DUCHE)	1.5	1.7	1.1	1.2	2.3	2.6	3.2	3.6	1.2	1.4
NEDERLAND	8.0	:	5.8	:	11.4	:	11.0	:	7.2	:
NOORD-NEDERLAND	10.9	:	8.0	:	16.0	:	17.0	:	9.2	:
GROWINGEN	13.6	:	11.1	:	17.8	:	21.7	:	11.1	:
FRIESLAND	9.9	:	7.6	:	14.0	:	14.9	:	8.5	:
DRENTHE	8.8	:	4.4	:	16.2	:	13.4	:	7.7	:
OOST-NEDERLAND	8.2	:	5.8	:	12.2	:	10.8	:	7.5	:
OVERIJSSSEL	8.6	:	6.3	:	12.7	:	10.3	:	8.2	:
GELDERLAND	7.9	:	5.5	:	11.8	:	11.0	:	7.0	:
FLEVOLAND	8.9	:	:	:	13.7	:	:	:	8.4	:
WEST-NEDERLAND	7.4	:	5.8	:	10.2	:	10.5	:	6.8	:
UTRECHT	6.6	:	4.7	:	9.5	:	9.5	:	5.8	:
NOORD-HOLLAND	7.9	:	6.2	:	10.5	:	11.2	:	7.1	:
ZUID-HOLLAND	7.7	:	6.1	:	10.4	:	10.5	:	7.1	:
ZEELAND	5.6	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	4.8	:
ZUID-NEDERLAND	7.2	:	5.2	:	11.0	:	9.3	:	6.9	:
NOORD-BRABANT	7.1	:	5.0	:	10.7	:	8.8	:	6.8	:
LIMBURG	7.7	:	5.6	:	11.2	:	10.4	:	7.1	:

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	TOTAL		MALES		FEMALES		< 25 YEARS		≥ 25 YEARS	
	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991	1990	1991
PORTUGAL	4.1	4.2	3.0	2.9	5.6	6.0	9.0	8.5	2.9	3.2
CONTINENTE	4.1	4.2	3.0	2.9	5.6	6.0	9.0	8.5	2.9	3.2
NORTE	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.3	3.0	3.1	5.0	4.6	1.8	2.0
CENTRO	2.0	2.1	1.5	1.4	2.8	2.9	7.1	6.7	1.0	1.1
LISBOA E VALE DO TEJO	5.8	6.1	4.1	4.1	8.1	8.7	14.7	13.9	4.1	4.5
ALENTEJO	9.7	10.3	4.5	4.5	17.9	19.3	20.7	20.0	7.7	8.5
ALGARVE	3.8	4.0	2.4	2.5	6.1	6.4	10.5	10.2	2.5	2.8
ACORES	3.0	3.0	1.8	1.7	5.9	6.1	7.6	7.1	1.4	1.5
MADEIRA	5.0	5.0	4.8	4.6	5.2	5.5	11.9	11.1	3.0	3.3
UNITED KINGDOM	6.9	9.0	7.2	9.8	6.6	8.0	10.3	13.9	6.1	7.7
NORTH	10.1	11.4	10.9	12.7	9.1	9.6	16.0	18.5	8.6	9.5
CLEVELAND, DURHAM	10.7	12.0	11.5	13.4	9.5	9.9	16.5	19.4	9.2	10.0
CUMBRIA	5.7	7.3	5.2	7.2	6.5	7.3	9.5	12.3	4.8	6.0
NORTHUMBERLAND, TYNE AND WEAR	11.1	12.3	12.3	13.9	9.6	10.1	17.7	19.9	9.5	10.4
YORKSHIRE AND HUMBERSIDE	8.0	9.7	8.3	10.7	7.4	8.3	12.5	15.8	6.8	8.1
HUMBERSIDE	9.0	11.3	9.3	12.3	8.5	10.0	13.3	17.3	7.9	9.7
NORTH YORKSHIRE	4.5	5.6	4.2	5.5	4.9	5.7	6.1	8.3	4.0	4.9
SOUTH YORKSHIRE	10.1	11.7	10.6	13.0	9.5	9.8	16.4	19.4	8.4	9.5
WEST YORKSHIRE	7.4	9.2	7.9	10.4	6.7	7.7	11.8	15.4	6.2	7.6
EAST MIDLANDS	5.9	7.9	5.9	8.5	5.8	7.1	8.9	12.7	5.1	6.6
DERBYSHIRE, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE	6.8	8.7	7.0	9.4	6.4	7.6	10.3	14.0	5.9	7.3
LEICESTERSHIRE, NORTHAMPT.	4.5	6.7	4.4	7.3	4.7	6.1	6.7	10.7	4.0	5.7
LINCOLNSHIRE	6.4	8.1	6.1	8.3	6.8	7.9	9.8	12.9	5.5	6.9
EAST ANGLIA	4.2	6.3	4.3	6.8	4.1	5.8	6.1	9.7	3.7	5.4
SOUTH EAST	4.7	7.8	4.8	8.3	4.6	7.2	6.4	11.3	4.3	6.9
BEDFORD., HERTFORDSHIRE	2.9	6.0	3.0	6.5	2.9	5.3	4.1	9.1	2.7	5.2
BERKS., BUCKS., OXFORDSHIRE	2.4	5.0	2.4	5.5	2.3	4.4	2.8	7.0	2.3	4.5
SURREY, EAST-WEST SUSSEX	2.6	5.4	2.8	6.0	2.4	4.6	3.5	7.9	2.4	4.8
ESSEX	4.1	7.0	4.0	7.5	4.3	6.4	5.6	10.8	3.7	6.1
GREATER LONDON	6.9	10.4	7.1	10.7	6.7	10.0	9.5	14.9	6.3	9.2
HAMPSHIRE, ISLE OF WIGHT	4.1	6.8	4.2	7.5	4.0	5.8	5.3	9.6	3.8	6.0
KENT	4.4	7.3	4.4	8.0	4.4	6.5	6.1	11.3	3.9	6.3
SOUTH WEST	4.9	7.8	4.8	8.3	5.1	7.0	6.9	11.8	4.4	6.7
AVON, GLOUCESTER., WILTSHIRE	4.4	7.0	4.3	7.6	4.4	6.3	6.1	10.8	3.9	6.1
CORNWALL, DEVON	6.5	9.2	6.1	9.7	6.9	8.6	9.0	13.7	5.8	8.1
DORSET, SOMERSET	4.1	7.3	4.0	7.9	4.2	6.4	5.8	11.4	3.7	6.3
WEST MIDLANDS	6.9	9.2	6.9	9.8	6.9	8.4	10.6	14.8	5.9	7.7
HEREFORD, WORCS., WARWICK.	4.1	6.6	3.9	6.7	4.5	6.4	6.3	10.5	3.6	5.6
SHROPSHIRE, STAFFORDSHIRE	4.9	7.2	4.6	7.4	5.3	7.0	7.6	12.3	4.2	5.9
WEST MIDLANDS (COUNTY)	9.2	11.4	9.5	12.4	8.8	10.1	13.8	17.8	7.9	9.7
NORTH WEST	9.1	10.4	9.7	11.6	8.4	8.9	14.6	17.2	7.7	8.6
CHESHIRE	6.2	7.6	6.1	8.0	6.2	7.0	10.2	13.1	5.2	6.2
GREATER MANCHESTER	8.7	10.4	9.3	11.5	7.9	8.8	13.9	16.7	7.3	8.6
LANCASHIRE	6.8	8.0	7.1	8.8	6.5	6.9	10.8	13.4	5.9	6.6
MERSEYSIDE	14.0	14.8	15.2	16.6	12.4	12.3	21.9	23.7	11.8	12.3
WALES	7.6	9.5	8.3	10.9	6.8	7.6	11.6	15.1	6.5	7.9
CLWYD, DYFED, GWYNEDD, POWYS	7.1	8.6	7.0	9.1	7.2	7.9	10.5	13.5	6.2	7.3
GWENT, MID-S-W GLAMORGAN	7.9	10.0	9.0	12.1	6.5	7.4	12.2	16.1	6.7	8.3
SCOTLAND	10.1	10.3	10.5	11.0	9.6	9.3	15.0	15.5	8.8	8.8
BORD.-CENTR.-FIFE-LOTHIAN-TAY.	8.9	9.4	9.1	10.1	8.7	8.6	13.5	14.4	7.7	8.1
DUMFRIES-GALLO., STRATHCLYDE	12.1	12.1	13.0	13.4	11.0	10.4	17.9	18.3	10.5	10.3
HIGHLANDS, ISLANDS	9.6	9.4	8.7	8.7	11.1	10.6	12.7	12.7	8.9	8.7
GRAMPIAN	5.2	5.0	4.6	4.6	6.0	5.7	7.0	6.9	4.7	4.5
NORTHERN IRELAND	17.1	16.8	17.8	17.8	16.2	15.2	21.7	20.8	15.8	15.5

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
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# UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

- TOTAL -  
APRIL 1991

EUR12 = 8.8 %

-   $\geq 12\%$
-  8 - 12 %
-  4 - 8 %
-   $< 4\%$
-  no data available

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



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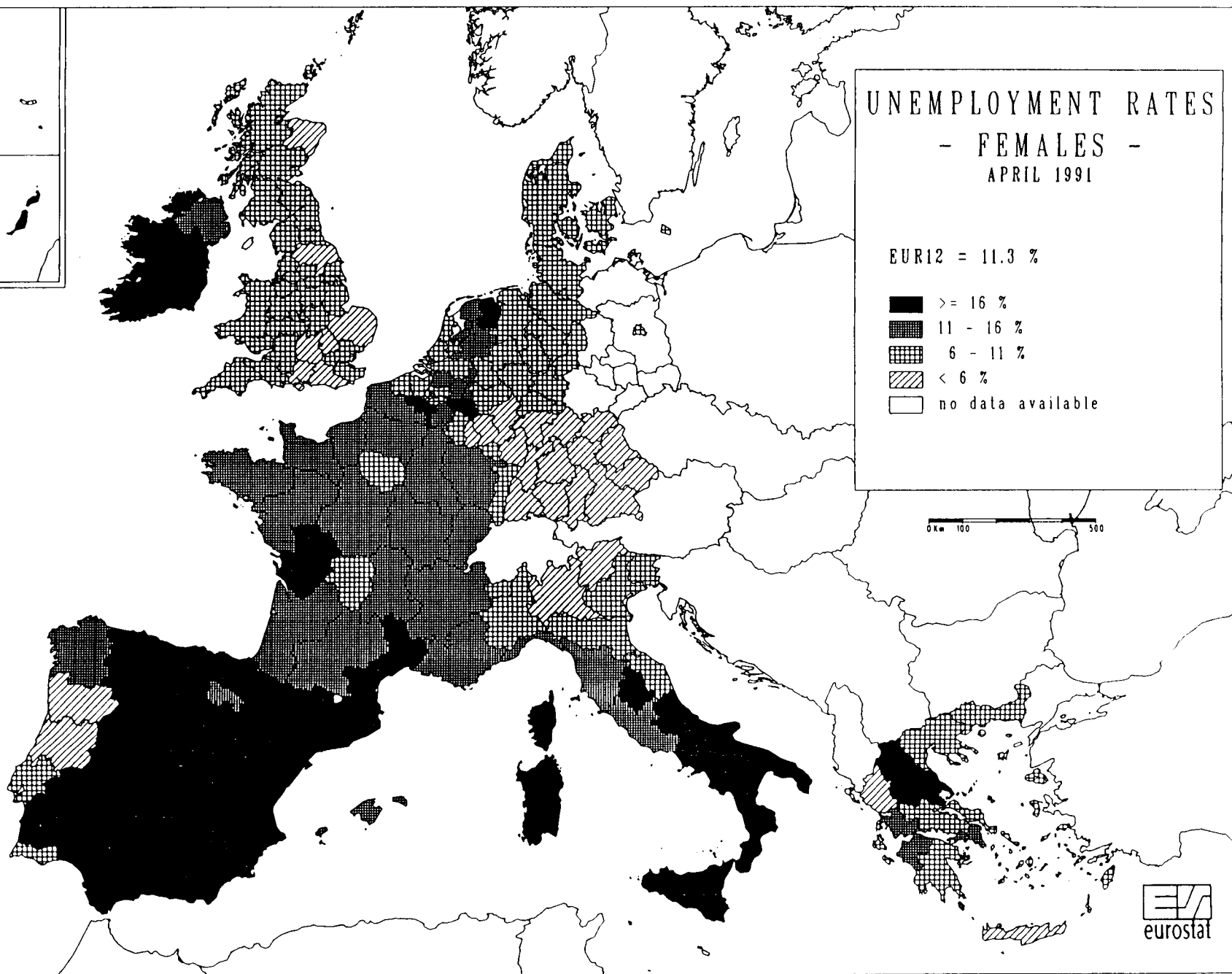
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# UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - FEMALES - APRIL 1991

EUR12 = 11.3 %

-   $\geq 16\%$
-  11 - 16 %
-  6 - 11 %
-   $< 6\%$
-  no data available

0 km 100 500



## METHOD USED FOR THE CALCULATION OF REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

### 1. Starting point, the Community labour force survey (LFS)

The definition of unemployment used in the LFS corresponds to that of the International Labour Office, according to which a person is regarded as unemployed if, during the reference period, he/she was aged 14 years or over, without work, actively seeking work and immediately available for work. This definition agreed upon by the 13th International Conference of Labour Statisticians can differ significantly from those used by national administrations. The LFS survey, carried out in spring every year provides: for each Member State, the number of unemployed broken down by sex and age (under 25 years - 25 years and over), thus four categories in all; for each region, the working population broken down into the same categories.

The most recent LFS data available are for:

1989 for the F.R. Germany, Ireland and the Netherlands;  
1991 for Italy;  
1990 for other Member States.

### 2. Updating of unemployment and working population

The updating of the number of unemployed according to the four categories provided by the labour force survey is done in two stages:

A. Adjustment to the month of April of the results provided by the last available survey according to the trend of the number of persons registered at employment offices;

B. Updating of these results according to the trend of the number of persons registered at employment offices. For Spain and Portugal, the figures are updated with the results of the quarterly national labour force survey in conjunction with data on the number of persons registered at employment offices. The LFS results are not updated for Greece.

The working population is calculated by adding these estimated unemployment figures to the employment data provided by the most recent LFS data available.

### 3. Regional breakdown of unemployment and working population

The estimated unemployment data for April for each category and for each Member State, are regionalized based on the number of persons registered at employment offices for April of the same year. The regional unemployment structure is taken from :

the 1990 and 1991 Community LFS for Spain and Italy;  
the 1990 Community LFS for Portugal.

The data for working population are regionalized according to the results of the Community LFS.

### 4. Calculation of unemployment rates

The unemployment rates are obtained by dividing the number of unemployed in April 1990 or 1991 by the corresponding figures of working population.

### 5. Revision

The regional unemployment rates will be revised when the results of the LFS survey for the reference year become available.

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- D** - Data relate to the territory of the F.R. Germany and of Berlin according to their boundaries before 3 October 1990.
- GR** - no data is available for 1991, the maps therefore refer to 1990 data.
- F** - no data is available for the DOM due to the fact that the LFS is not yet carried out in these regions.
- NL** - no data is available for 1991, the maps therefore refer to 1990 data. For 1990 national rates were estimated by Eurostat. Regional estimates were calculated adjusting CBS (ILO) rates to the Eurostat national rates.