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UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE REGIONS IN 1987

Unemployment rates for comparison between Member States

The unemployment measured corresponds to the International Labour Office definition (a description of the estimation method is annexed). It should be remembered that according to this definition a person can be regarded as unemployed if he/she, during the reference period, was without work, immediately available for work and actively looking for a job.

This definition agreed upon by the 13th International Conference of Labour Statisticians can differ significantly from the definitions used by the national administrations.

Regional disparities remain high throughout the Community ...

Although the overall unemployment rate in the Community of Twelve has fallen slightly from 10.8% in April 1986 to 10.6% in April 1987, the level of unemployment remains high and the disparities between Member States and regions are marked.

Nearly half of the unemployed are living in only 42 regions with a rate of more than 12%. All Spanish regions are to be found in this group. Consequently, only two regions outside Spain (Campania/Ireland) are included in the ten regions with the highest unemployment rates.

There is an enormous gap between low unemployment regions with a rate of about 3% and less (Kriti, Luxembourg, Stuttgart) and regions where every third of the labour force is without work (Andalucia).

... but also within Member States

Some countries show clear regional patterns of unemployment:

- Northern and central regions of the FR of Germany and the United Kingdom have higher unemployment than southern country parts; however, the level of unemployment is quite different in the two countries: rates in the southern UK are similar to those in northern Germany;
- In Italy (Mezzogiorno), Portugal (Alentejo) and Belgium (Région Wallonne) unemployment is higher in the South; adjacent to southern Belgium other industrial regions with employment problems could be found (Nord-Pas de Calais, Champagne Ardenne, Lorraine, Saarland);
- In addition, France shows high unemployment rates in the South east between the Spanish and Italian border (Languedoc-Roussillon, Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur);
- In Spain the unemployment situation still got worse in the southern part whereas the rates in Madrid and the Northeast have fallen.

Less youth unemployment

From April 1985 to April 1987 the situation for persons under 25 years has improved at Community level, especially for Belgium, Denmark, the FR of Germany and the Netherlands.

Nevertheless, youth unemployment in Europe remains at a very high level (every fifth of the labour force is without work) and countries like Italy and Ireland show even growing unemployment of the young.

Youth unemployment is highly concentrated: about 50% of the unemployed under 25 years live in Spain and Italy (against a labour force share of only a quarter for these two countries).

Men better off than women

With the exception of Galicia and nearly all UK regions unemployment rates for men are always lower than those of women. The disparities between male and female unemployment rates are especially marked for Belgium (Vlaams gewest), Spain and Italy.

Moreover these disparities have increased: male unemployment rates have generally fallen whereas unemployment for women has risen in total, especially in Spain (in eastern and southern regions).

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (O/O) IN APRIL

CATEGORIES	TOTAL		MEN		WOMEN		AGE < 25		AGE ≥ 25	
	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87
EUR 12	10.8	10.6	9.4	9.0	12.9	13.2	22.3	21.8	8.0	7.9
BELGIQUE-BELGIE	11.3	11.1	7.1	7.0	17.9	17.8	21.1	20.0	9.4	9.5
VLAAMS GEWEST	9.5	9.4	5.2	5.0	16.7	16.7	16.3	15.3	8.1	8.1
REGION WALLONNE	13.7	14.2	9.5	10.0	20.2	20.8	29.1	29.3	10.9	11.5
BRUXELLES-BRUSSEL	14.2	12.0	11.7	9.7	17.8	15.3	30.8	23.0	12.3	10.7
ANTWERPEN	10.5	10.2	5.9	5.6	18.7	18.6	18.4	16.9	8.9	8.9
BRABANT	10.3	9.3	7.4	6.5	14.7	13.5	20.1	16.9	8.9	8.2
HAINAUT	15.6	16.1	11.5	12.0	21.8	22.5	32.2	32.7	12.4	13.0
LIEGE	14.1	14.4	9.1	9.6	21.7	21.7	30.7	30.3	11.3	11.8
LIMBURG	14.0	13.9	5.5	5.1	28.0	28.5	20.7	19.8	12.3	12.5
LUXEMBOURG	10.9	11.4	6.9	7.0	18.7	20.2	25.4	25.6	7.7	8.5
NAMUR	12.6	13.3	9.2	9.8	18.1	19.0	26.2	26.5	9.9	10.7
OOST-VLAANDEREN	9.0	9.1	5.5	5.5	14.6	14.8	15.9	15.8	7.6	7.7
WEST-VLAANDEREN	7.9	7.6	4.6	4.2	13.4	13.2	12.9	11.7	6.7	6.7
DANMARK	5.8	6.1	4.2	4.8	7.6	7.6	7.8	8.1	5.3	5.5
HOVEDSTADSREGIONEN	4.9	4.8	4.4	4.5	5.4	5.2	7.0	7.0	4.4	4.3
OST FOR STOREBAELT, EX. HOVEDST.	7.0	7.3	5.0	5.7	9.5	9.3	9.6	9.5	6.4	6.8
VEST FOR STOREBAELT	6.1	6.6	4.0	4.8	8.8	8.8	7.9	8.5	5.7	6.1
BR DEUTSCHLAND	6.6	6.6	5.5	5.6	8.2	8.0	7.8	7.2	6.3	6.4
SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN	8.1	7.6	7.2	7.0	9.4	8.7	12.1	10.5	7.2	7.0
HAMBURG	10.3	10.8	10.1	10.6	10.6	11.1	15.1	14.6	9.5	10.1
NIEDERSACHSEN	8.5	8.3	7.2	7.2	10.4	10.0	10.1	9.2	8.0	8.0
BRAUNSCHWEIG	8.5	8.2	6.4	6.4	11.7	11.0	9.4	8.8	8.3	8.1
HANNOVER	8.5	8.3	7.5	7.2	9.9	9.8	9.8	9.1	8.2	8.1
LUENEBURG	7.4	6.9	6.3	6.0	9.0	8.3	9.7	8.6	6.8	6.5
WESER-EMS	9.3	9.3	8.2	8.4	11.2	10.8	11.1	10.1	8.8	9.1
BREMEN	11.7	12.0	11.0	11.3	12.8	13.0	16.0	16.1	10.8	11.2
NORDRHEIN-WESTFALEN	8.4	8.4	6.9	7.0	11.0	10.8	9.8	9.0	8.1	8.3
DUESSELDORF	8.5	8.7	7.2	7.5	10.7	10.7	10.1	9.9	8.2	8.5
KOELN	7.7	7.6	6.1	6.2	10.3	10.1	9.2	8.1	7.3	7.5
MUENSTER	9.2	9.0	7.5	7.4	12.2	11.8	10.2	8.9	8.9	9.0
DETMOLD	7.6	7.3	6.2	6.0	9.6	9.4	8.7	7.7	7.3	7.2
ARNSBERG	9.1	9.2	7.3	7.5	12.5	12.1	10.3	9.6	8.8	9.0
HESSEN	5.0	5.0	3.9	4.0	6.7	6.6	6.0	5.9	4.8	4.8
DARMSTADT	4.5	4.6	3.5	3.7	5.9	5.9	4.9	5.1	4.4	4.5
GIESSEN	5.2	5.3	3.9	4.0	7.3	7.3	6.5	6.3	4.9	5.0
KASSEL	6.7	6.2	5.2	4.8	9.1	8.6	8.9	7.8	6.2	5.9
RHEINLAND-PFALZ	6.1	6.0	4.8	4.8	8.3	8.1	7.8	7.2	5.6	5.6
KOBLENZ	6.2	6.0	5.0	4.9	8.1	7.8	7.1	6.5	5.9	5.8
TRIER	7.4	7.2	6.6	6.4	8.8	8.6	8.6	8.2	6.9	6.8
RHEINHESSEN-PFALZ	5.7	5.7	4.2	4.3	8.2	8.1	8.2	7.6	5.1	5.3
BADEN-WUERTTEMBERG	3.8	3.7	2.9	2.9	5.0	4.9	4.3	3.9	3.6	3.6
STUTT GART	3.1	3.1	2.3	2.3	4.4	4.4	3.7	3.5	3.0	3.1
KARLSRUHE	4.5	4.5	3.5	3.5	6.1	5.8	5.3	4.9	4.4	4.4
FREIBURG	4.1	4.0	3.3	3.2	5.3	5.1	4.4	4.0	4.0	4.0
TUEBINGEN	3.6	3.4	2.9	2.8	4.6	4.2	4.0	3.2	3.5	3.4
BAYERN	4.7	4.6	3.8	3.9	5.9	5.6	5.0	4.5	4.6	4.6
OBEBAYERN	4.3	4.3	3.5	3.6	5.4	5.2	4.2	3.8	4.3	4.4
NIEDERBAYERN	5.1	5.1	4.4	4.7	6.1	5.7	5.7	4.9	4.9	5.1
OBEPFALZ	6.4	6.2	5.5	5.3	7.7	7.4	7.1	6.1	6.2	6.2
OBFRANKEN	5.5	5.0	4.6	4.2	6.5	5.9	5.4	4.3	5.5	5.1
MITTELFRANKEN	4.7	4.7	3.8	3.8	6.0	6.0	4.4	4.2	4.8	4.8
UNTERFRANKEN	4.5	4.4	3.4	3.4	6.1	5.8	4.9	4.6	4.4	4.3
SCHWABEN	4.1	4.0	3.3	3.3	5.4	5.0	5.3	4.9	3.9	3.8
SAARLAND	10.1	10.1	9.0	9.2	12.1	12.0	12.4	11.5	9.4	9.8
BERLIN (WEST)	7.9	8.3	7.9	8.3	7.9	8.2	9.6	9.4	7.5	8.1

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (O/O) IN APRIL

CATEGORIES	TOTAL		MEN		WOMEN		AGE < 25		AGE ≥ 25	
	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87
ELLAS	7.4	7.4	5.1	5.1	11.6	11.5	24.1	24.4	4.8	4.8
VOREIA ELLADA	5.9	:	4.2	:	9.1	:	19.5	:	3.8	:
KENTRIKI KAI DYTIKI MAKEDONIA	5.9	:	4.2	:	9.3	:	19.7	:	3.7	:
THESSALIA	7.1	:	4.7	:	11.6	:	24.1	:	4.7	:
ANATOLIKI MAKEDONIA	5.5	:	4.3	:	7.6	:	19.3	:	3.4	:
THRAKI	3.9	:	2.9	:	5.6	:	9.9	:	3.0	:
KENTRIKI ELLADA	8.7	:	6.0	:	13.7	:	27.9	:	5.7	:
ANATOLIKI STEREA KAI NISIA	10.4	:	7.1	:	16.8	:	31.7	:	6.9	:
PELOPONNISOS KAI DYTIKI STEREA	4.7	:	2.9	:	7.4	:	18.0	:	2.6	:
IPEIROS	6.3	:	4.8	:	8.7	:	21.6	:	4.6	:
ANATOLIKA KAI NOTIA NISIA	3.9	:	2.4	:	6.4	:	13.8	:	2.5	:
KRITI	1.8	:	1.0	:	3.1	:	6.9	:	1.2	:
NISIA ANATOLIKOU AIGAIU	7.2	:	4.4	:	14.1	:	22.2	:	4.6	:
ESPANA	21.5	21.3	19.9	17.9	25.2	28.5	46.9	47.1	14.6	14.2
NORDESTE	15.6	15.8	15.4	14.9	15.8	17.3	41.5	42.9	10.3	10.6
GALICIA	14.0	13.7	14.9	14.2	12.5	13.0	37.6	37.4	9.3	9.3
ASTURIAS	18.9	20.1	16.1	16.3	24.4	26.9	49.8	53.7	12.4	13.5
CANTABRIA	18.1	19.0	16.7	15.9	21.4	26.1	46.7	50.0	11.9	12.1
NORESTE	21.1	18.9	17.8	14.8	29.1	28.5	53.1	50.8	12.8	10.9
PAIS VASCO	24.8	23.8	21.7	19.6	32.0	33.2	62.1	63.4	15.0	13.2
NAVARRA	17.8	15.5	14.2	12.1	26.4	23.4	45.2	42.2	10.4	8.6
RIOJA	16.8	13.5	13.5	10.1	25.2	22.3	40.6	29.1	11.5	10.1
ARAGON	16.8	12.9	13.2	8.4	25.6	23.2	42.4	34.1	10.2	7.9
MADRID	20.8	16.7	19.0	13.6	24.5	22.8	48.1	41.4	13.8	10.9
CENTRO	19.3	19.0	17.6	16.0	24.3	26.8	41.4	41.7	12.9	12.6
CASTILLA - LEON	18.2	18.0	15.4	14.2	25.4	26.8	43.0	45.0	12.0	11.6
CASTILLA - LA MANCHA	15.5	15.6	14.1	14.1	19.7	20.2	32.5	30.9	9.7	10.6
EXTREMADURA	28.3	26.8	28.3	23.3	28.3	36.4	52.2	51.2	20.3	18.5
ESTE	20.5	21.1	18.1	16.0	25.6	30.7	44.9	44.3	13.6	14.1
CATALUNA	21.7	22.2	19.1	16.2	26.9	33.0	48.9	46.3	14.1	14.9
COMUNIDAD VALENCIANA	19.7	20.5	17.6	16.8	24.5	28.1	39.9	43.3	13.7	13.8
BALEARES	13.6	13.6	11.1	9.3	18.9	21.9	34.1	31.1	8.9	8.4
SUR	28.9	30.8	28.4	27.7	30.1	38.2	51.5	56.1	21.5	22.0
ANDALUCIA	30.5	32.2	30.2	29.4	31.2	39.3	53.3	57.9	22.9	23.2
MURCIA	18.5	21.9	16.2	16.5	24.0	32.5	39.5	43.8	12.3	15.0
CEUTA Y MELILLA	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
CANARIAS	26.6	26.2	22.9	21.4	34.9	36.3	49.7	53.1	19.2	17.3
FRANCE	10.1	10.4	8.5	8.3	12.2	13.2	23.4	22.4	7.5	8.2
ILE DE FRANCE	8.1	8.6	7.6	7.7	8.7	9.8	15.5	15.9	6.8	7.5
BASSIN PARISIEN	10.6	11.0	8.5	8.3	13.4	14.6	24.5	24.4	7.6	8.3
CHAMPAGNE-ARDENNE	11.6	12.0	9.6	9.1	14.3	16.0	28.0	26.9	8.1	8.8
PICARDIE	10.9	11.4	8.6	8.5	14.3	15.5	23.5	24.4	7.9	8.6
HAUTE-NORMANDIE	12.1	12.8	9.9	10.1	15.0	16.5	28.3	27.9	8.6	9.7
CENTRE	9.7	10.1	7.6	7.5	12.4	13.3	22.2	21.6	7.1	7.7
BASSE-NORMANDIE	9.8	10.5	7.8	7.9	12.6	14.1	23.7	26.6	6.8	7.5
BOURGOGNE	9.7	9.7	7.6	7.2	12.4	12.9	22.1	20.5	7.1	7.5
NORD - PAS-DE-CALAIS	13.2	14.0	12.0	12.2	14.9	16.7	30.5	28.9	9.4	10.8
EST	9.2	9.4	7.4	7.2	11.8	12.6	20.7	19.0	6.5	7.2
LORRAINE	10.7	11.0	8.4	8.4	14.3	14.9	24.6	23.3	7.4	8.2
ALSACE	7.1	7.0	5.9	5.4	8.8	9.2	14.8	12.8	5.3	5.6
FRANCHE-COMTE	9.7	10.4	7.7	7.8	12.1	13.9	22.3	21.3	6.7	8.0

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CATEGORIES	TOTAL		MEN		WOMEN		AGE < 25		AGE ≥ 25	
	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87
OUEST	11.1	10.9	9.0	8.2	13.9	14.3	28.4	24.0	7.9	8.3
PAYS DE LA LOIRE	11.1	11.2	9.1	8.4	13.7	14.8	28.7	25.2	7.6	8.4
BRETAGNE	11.2	10.5	9.0	7.9	14.0	13.8	29.3	22.1	8.0	8.3
POITOU-CHARENTES	11.1	11.0	8.9	8.3	14.0	14.4	26.8	25.0	8.0	8.3
SUD-OUEST	10.0	10.5	7.6	7.6	13.1	14.3	25.8	24.7	7.2	8.1
AQUITAINE	10.9	11.8	8.4	8.6	14.2	16.1	26.5	26.8	8.1	9.2
MIDI-PYRENEES	9.0	9.2	6.8	6.7	12.0	12.5	25.9	23.3	6.4	7.0
LIMOUSIN	9.4	9.8	7.3	6.9	12.2	13.5	22.5	21.3	6.9	7.7
CENTRE-EST	8.6	8.8	6.9	6.6	10.7	11.6	20.8	20.5	6.3	6.8
RHONE-ALPES	8.1	8.5	6.6	6.5	10.1	11.2	18.8	18.8	6.1	6.7
AUVERGNE	10.3	9.9	8.2	7.2	13.1	13.5	30.6	28.4	7.1	7.3
MEDITERRANEE	12.7	13.0	10.9	10.7	15.2	16.0	28.4	27.0	9.8	10.5
LANGUEDOC-ROUSSILLON	13.9	14.3	11.3	11.3	17.7	18.3	30.6	29.9	10.6	11.3
PROVENCE-ALPES-COTE D'AZUR	12.2	12.4	10.8	10.5	14.1	14.9	27.6	25.7	9.6	10.2
CORSE	11.7	12.0	9.8	9.6	15.7	16.7	23.8	22.7	9.4	9.9
IRELAND	18.2	19.4	17.6	18.3	19.4	21.9	26.5	27.4	15.2	16.6
ITALIA	10.6	10.6	7.1	7.1	17.0	17.1	33.6	35.3	5.6	5.1
NORD OVEST	8.6	8.6	5.5	5.2	13.6	14.1	31.7	33.4	4.1	3.6
PIEMONTE	8.9	8.5	5.9	4.9	13.6	14.2	30.9	31.5	4.3	3.7
VALLE D'AOSTA	4.6	6.1	3.5	3.9	6.6	9.8	21.5	17.0	3.9	3.5
LIGURIA	8.1	8.9	4.9	5.9	14.0	14.3	35.3	40.9	3.6	3.3
LOMBARDIA	7.0	6.1	4.3	3.6	11.5	10.3	21.8	20.3	3.5	2.6
NORD EST	7.4	6.9	5.1	4.3	11.9	11.8	19.9	20.9	4.3	3.2
TRENTINO-ALTO ADIGE	6.6	5.8	4.7	3.7	10.3	9.8	16.8	16.0	3.6	2.7
VENETO	7.3	6.6	5.0	4.2	11.8	11.2	19.0	19.7	4.3	3.1
FRIULI-VENEZIA GIULIA	8.4	8.8	5.4	5.3	13.6	15.1	27.2	31.9	4.8	4.2
EMILIA-ROMAGNA	7.5	6.7	4.3	3.5	12.2	11.5	24.0	22.4	4.5	3.8
CENTRO	8.7	7.8	4.7	4.3	15.4	13.5	30.3	26.8	4.8	4.2
TOSCANA	9.0	7.9	4.6	4.1	16.3	14.2	30.6	28.3	5.2	4.1
UMBRIA	11.0	8.7	6.9	6.0	18.7	13.7	42.4	30.9	5.7	4.8
MARCHE	6.8	7.1	3.5	3.9	11.8	12.0	23.8	21.6	3.5	4.2
LAZIO	10.3	9.8	7.3	6.6	16.2	16.0	42.7	44.2	4.8	3.7
CAMPANIA	16.6	21.1	11.3	15.3	27.7	33.1	50.8	62.9	8.0	10.2
ABRUZZI-MOLISE	11.1	10.0	6.9	6.5	18.3	15.9	34.9	37.4	6.7	4.8
ABRUZZI	11.9	9.5	7.2	6.4	19.9	14.7	36.3	34.6	7.2	4.4
MOLISE	7.8	12.0	5.5	7.2	12.0	20.7	28.4	50.9	4.8	6.1
SUD	15.2	15.5	10.7	10.7	24.5	25.2	42.7	46.3	9.1	8.4
PUGLIA	14.3	13.7	10.8	9.6	21.8	22.4	40.6	42.5	8.3	6.9
BASILICATA	20.7	17.7	13.9	11.2	32.8	29.0	50.4	47.0	13.3	10.0
CALABRIA	15.1	18.0	9.6	12.7	26.5	29.1	44.4	54.5	9.5	10.7
SICILIA	14.9	15.9	10.2	10.9	27.4	29.0	45.2	49.3	8.3	8.4
SARDEGNA	20.2	18.7	15.3	12.6	30.7	31.6	53.8	53.6	10.8	8.5
LUXEMBOURG (GRAND-DUCHE)	2.7	3.1	1.9	2.3	4.0	4.5	6.1	6.2	1.7	2.2

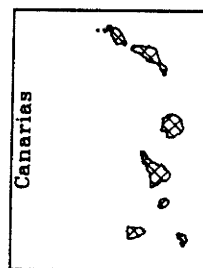
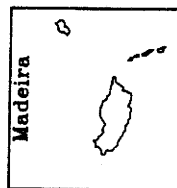
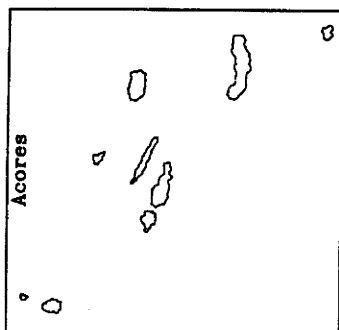
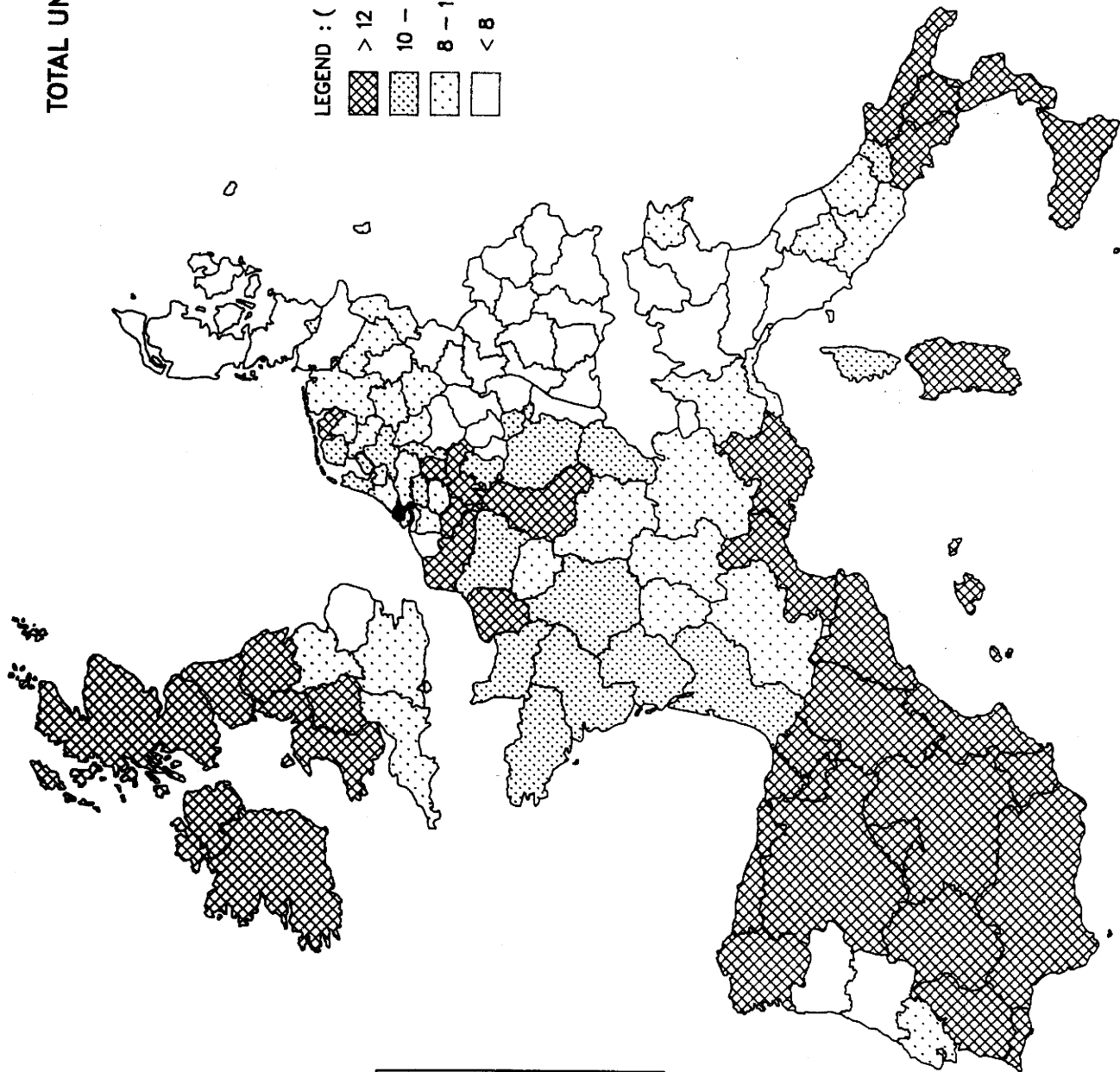
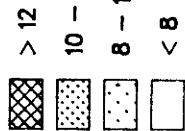
UNEMPLOYMENT RATES (O/O) IN APRIL

CATEGORIES	TOTAL		MEN		WOMEN		AGE < 25		AGE ≥ 25	
	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87	86	87
NEDERLAND	10.0	9.7	8.8	8.2	12.4	12.5	15.3	13.8	8.6	8.6
HOORD-NEDERLAND	11.5	11.6	10.4	10.1	13.7	14.6	18.5	17.9	9.5	9.8
GROHINGEN	13.6	13.8	12.3	12.0	16.2	17.4	22.1	21.3	11.3	11.8
FRIESLAND	10.9	11.2	10.0	10.0	12.7	13.9	17.8	18.1	8.8	9.3
DRENTHE	9.5	9.0	8.6	7.7	11.4	11.7	14.9	13.2	7.9	7.8
OOST-NEDERLAND	10.5	9.9	9.2	8.3	13.0	13.1	16.8	14.7	8.7	8.6
OVERIJSSSEL	10.4	9.7	9.7	8.6	11.9	11.7	16.7	14.4	8.5	8.2
GELDERLAND	10.5	10.1	9.0	8.1	13.6	13.9	16.9	14.8	8.8	8.8
WEST-NEDERLAND	9.4	9.3	8.2	8.0	11.5	11.6	13.8	12.6	8.3	8.5
UTRECHT	8.0	8.2	6.8	6.7	10.0	10.6	12.4	11.8	6.8	7.3
HOORD-HOLLAND	10.7	10.3	9.2	8.7	13.3	13.0	15.4	13.6	9.6	9.5
ZUID-HOLLAND	9.1	9.2	8.2	8.2	10.8	11.1	13.3	12.5	8.0	8.3
ZEELAND	6.7	6.4	5.5	5.2	9.1	8.9	10.3	9.4	5.7	5.6
ZUID-NEDERLAND	10.3	9.6	8.7	7.8	13.3	13.2	15.9	13.5	8.7	8.5
HOORD-BRABANT	9.6	8.9	8.2	7.3	12.4	12.2	14.4	12.3	8.2	8.0
LIMBURG	11.7	10.9	9.9	8.8	15.3	15.1	19.0	16.1	9.7	9.5
PORTUGAL	8.6	7.1	6.9	5.5	11.2	9.3	19.8	16.6	5.5	4.5
NORTE DO CONTINENTE	6.4	5.1	5.7	4.3	7.3	6.2	14.2	11.4	3.7	3.0
NORTE	6.7	4.9	6.3	4.5	7.2	5.5	14.1	10.2	3.9	3.0
CENTRO	5.6	5.5	4.4	3.9	7.5	7.9	14.5	15.0	3.3	3.0
SUL DO CONTINENTE	12.0	10.2	8.7	7.5	16.8	14.1	31.8	28.0	7.9	6.5
LISBOA E VALE DO TEJO	11.3	9.8	8.5	7.3	15.2	13.1	31.7	27.1	7.2	6.2
ALENTEJO	14.9	12.0	9.4	7.9	25.4	19.3	32.2	32.5	11.3	8.0
ALGARVE	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
ILHAS	5.7	4.2	4.4	3.0	7.9	6.1	13.8	10.3	2.9	2.0
ACORES	5.0	3.8	2.0	2.1	12.8	8.3	10.9	8.7	2.8	1.9
MADEIRA	6.3	4.5	6.8	4.0	5.8	5.2	16.1	11.6	3.0	2.1
UNITED KINGDOM	11.6	10.9	12.0	11.3	11.0	10.2	18.7	16.6	9.5	9.2
NORTH	15.7	14.6	17.0	16.2	13.9	12.2	25.8	21.7	12.7	12.5
YORKSHIRE AND HUMBERSIDE	13.0	12.2	13.8	13.1	11.8	10.9	21.7	19.2	10.3	10.1
EAST MIDLANDS	10.1	9.6	10.2	9.8	9.9	9.4	16.2	14.3	8.3	8.3
EAST ANGLIA	8.6	8.0	8.3	7.7	9.1	8.4	13.7	11.8	7.1	6.9
SOUTH EAST	8.8	8.1	8.9	8.1	8.7	7.9	13.3	11.6	7.5	7.0
SOUTH WEST	9.4	8.7	8.9	8.2	10.0	9.4	14.3	12.4	7.9	7.6
WEST MIDLANDS	13.1	12.1	13.6	12.5	12.3	11.4	21.0	18.5	10.7	10.2
NORTH WEST	14.2	13.2	15.2	14.2	12.8	11.9	23.7	20.9	11.3	11.0
WALES	13.8	12.3	14.8	13.3	12.3	10.9	22.7	18.8	11.0	10.4
SCOTLAND	14.2	14.6	14.7	15.3	13.5	13.5	24.4	24.3	11.2	11.7
NORTHERN IRELAND	17.8	18.1	19.5	19.7	15.2	15.8	27.5	26.7	14.5	15.3

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT

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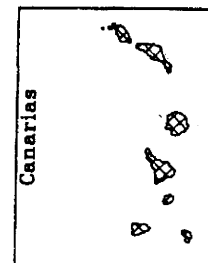
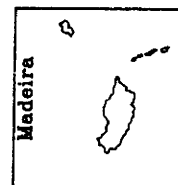
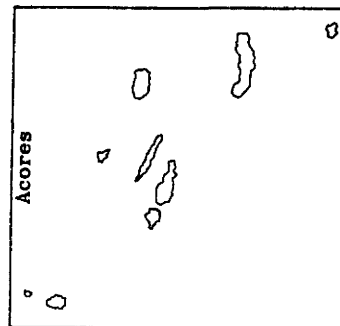
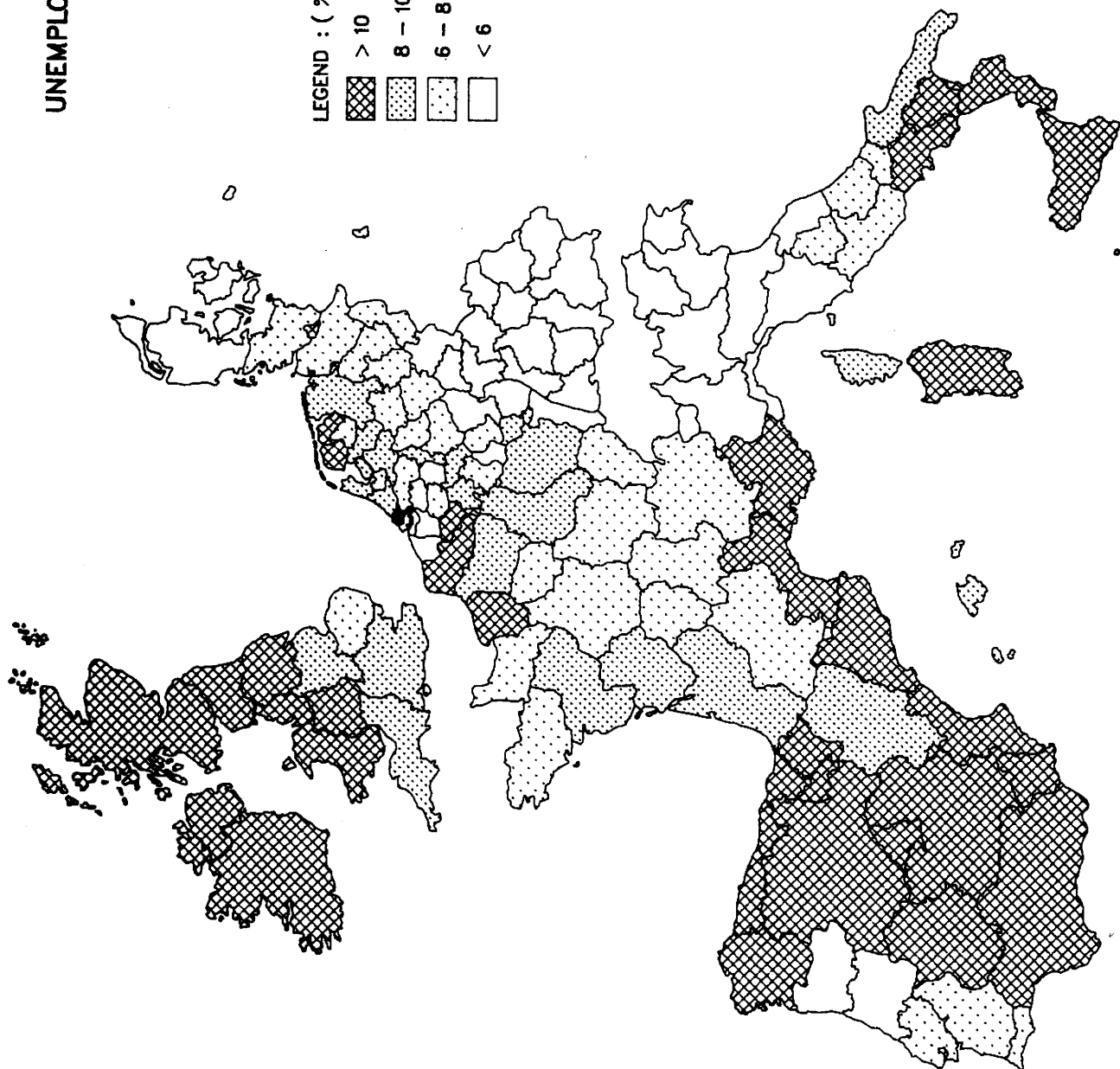
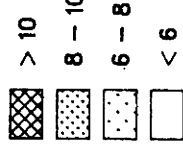
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UNEMPLOYMENT OF MEN

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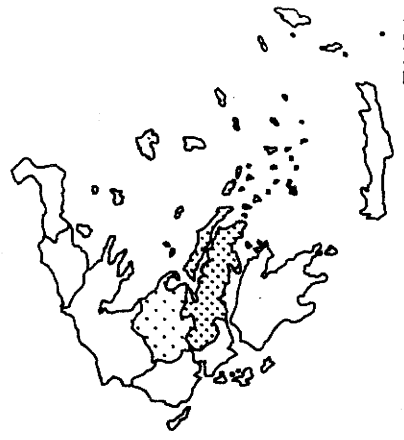
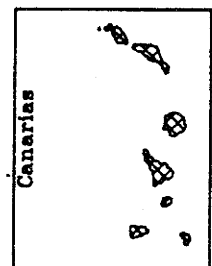
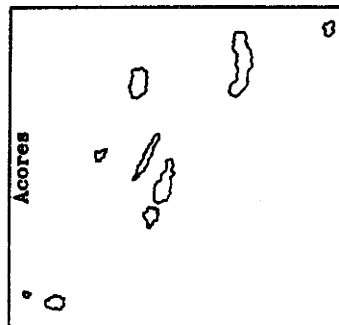
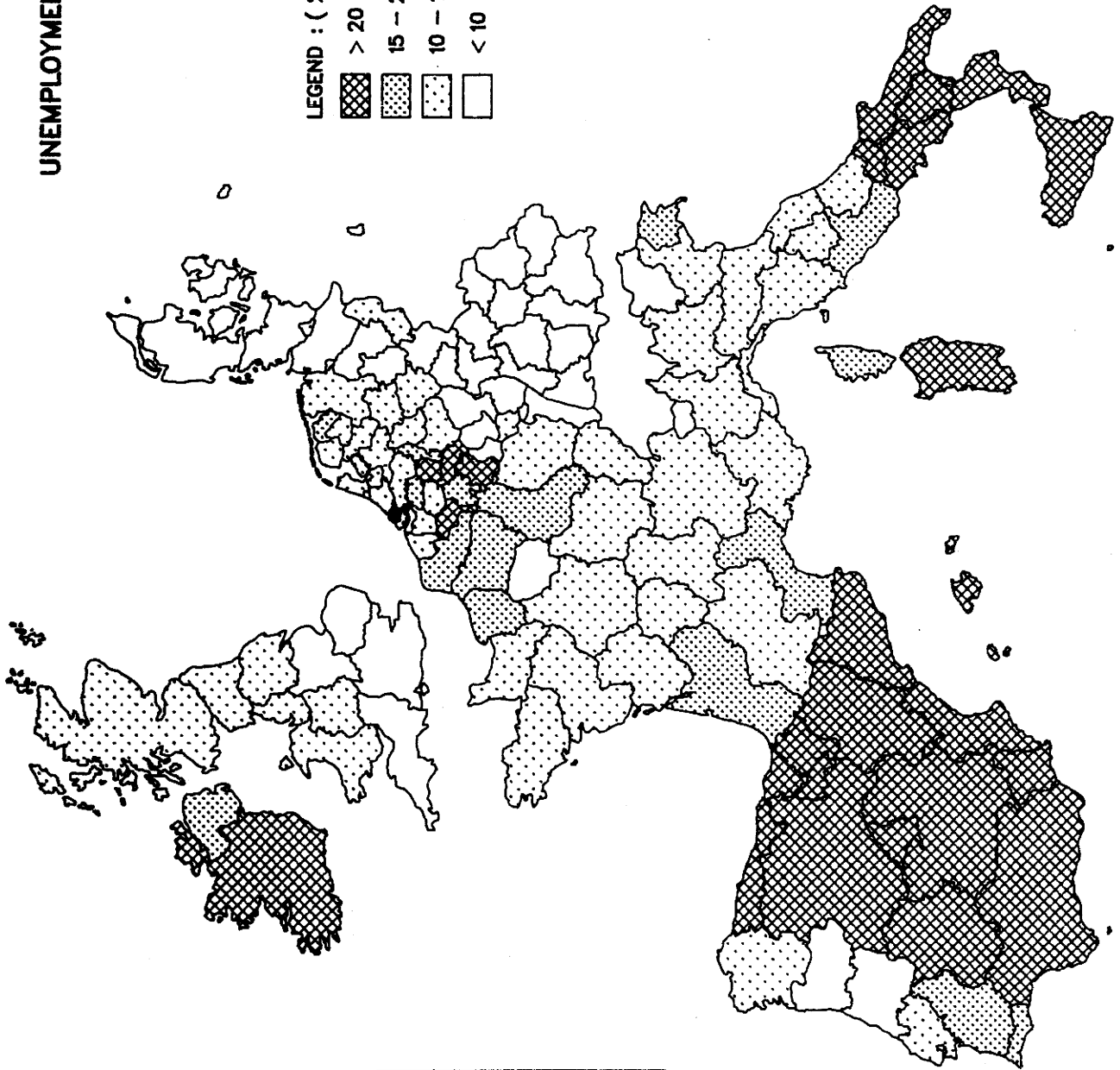
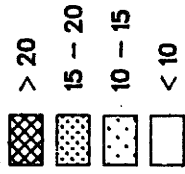


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UNEMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN

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

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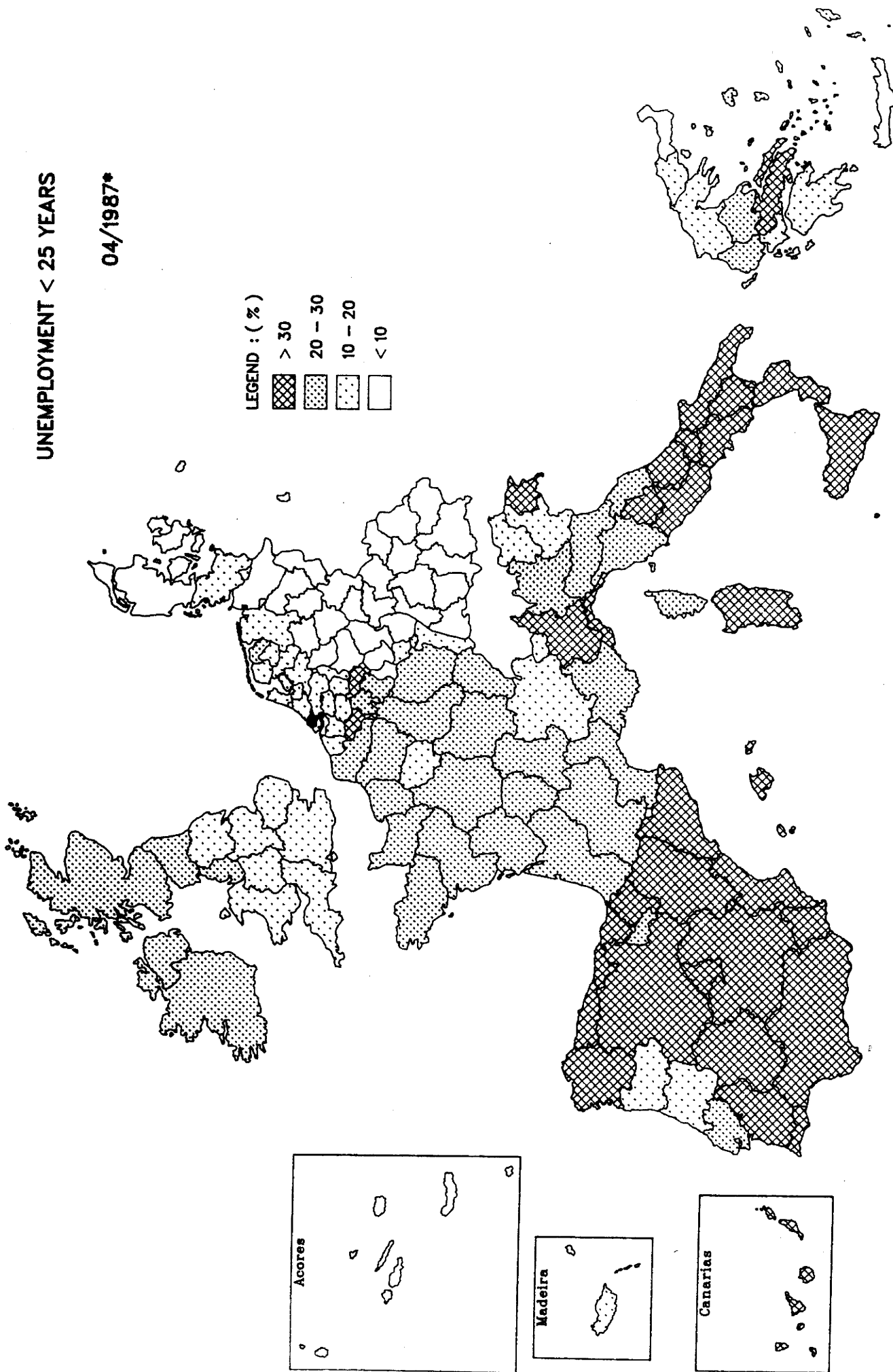


UNEMPLOYMENT < 25 YEARS

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LEGEND : (%)





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	20 - 30
	10 - 20
	< 10

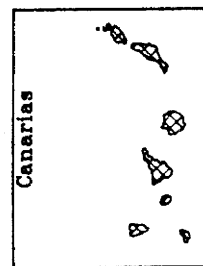
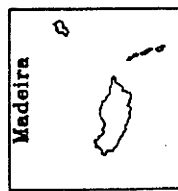
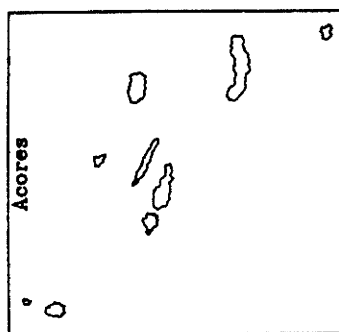
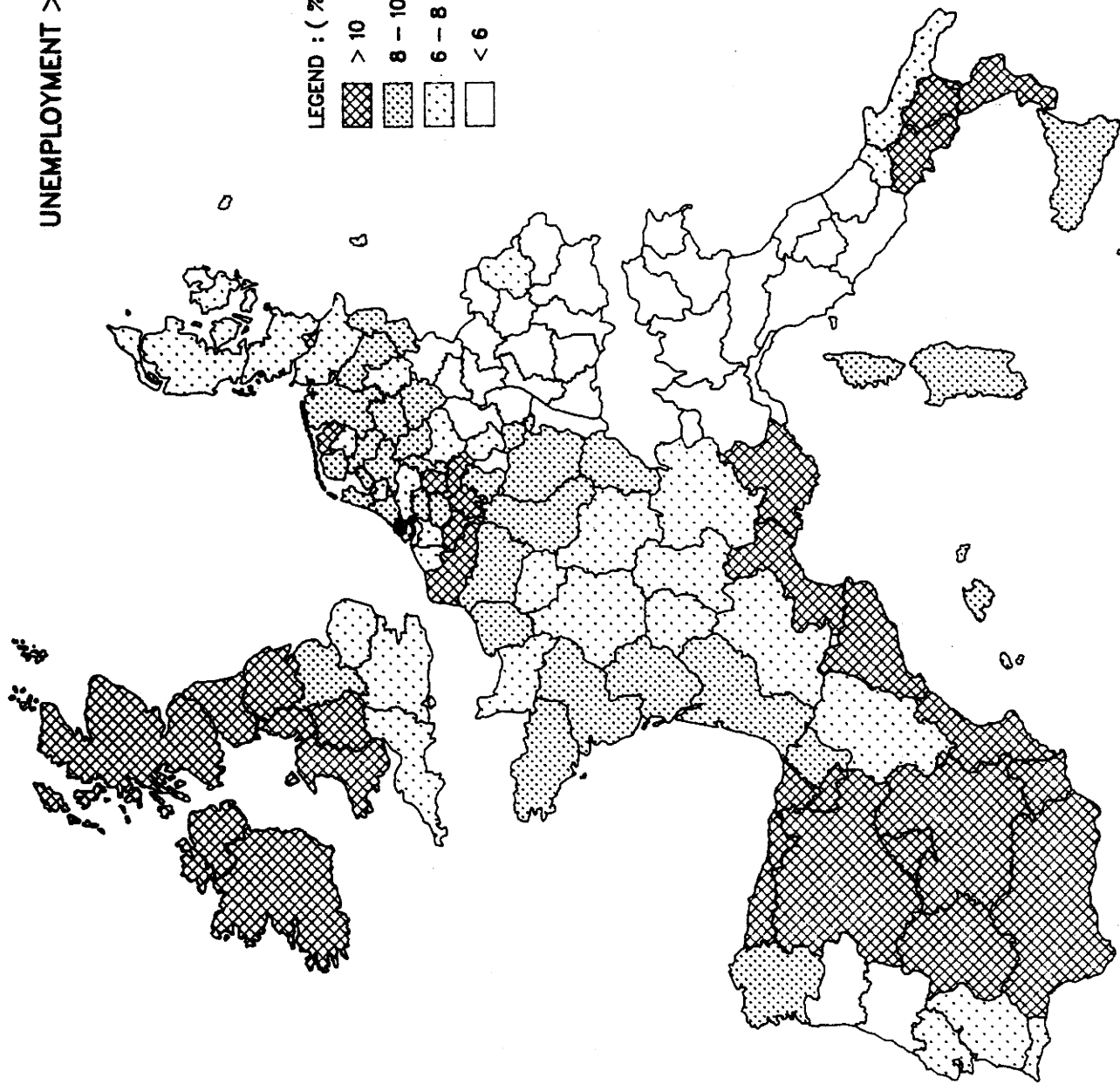


UNEMPLOYMENT \geq 25 YEARS

04/1987*

LEGEND : (%)

	> 10
	8 - 10
	6 - 8
	< 6



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METHOD USED FOR THE CALCULATION OF REGIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

The mixed estimation method for regional unemployment rates has been defined by Member States' statistical experts and EUROSTAT for the requirements of the statistical mechanism for the European Social Fund (communication from the Commission to the Council - document COM (84) 344 final of 13 July 1984).

It is consistent with the estimation method of unemployment rates for comparison between countries described in the "Unemployment" monthly bulletin (no 2/1988).

1. Starting point, the Community Labour force sample survey (LFS)

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 and over 25 years), 4 categories in all;
- for each region, the active population broken down into the same categories.

The 1986 results of the survey are available for all the Member States; the 1987 results are only available for France, Greece and Portugal.

2. Updating, according to the development of registered unemployment

For each of the Member States where the 1987 results are not available,

- the 4 numbers of unemployed provided at national level by the 1986 survey are updated according to the development of registered unemployment between the reference period of the survey and April 1987; for Spain, the figures are updated using data from the quarterly national labour force survey in conjunction with data on registered unemployment.
- the active population is calculated by adding these estimated unemployment figures to the employment data provided by the 1986 labour force survey.

3. Regional breakdown, according to the regional structure of registered unemployment

The 4 levels of unemployment, estimated for April for each Member State, are regionalized on the basis of the regional breakdown of registered unemployment for April of the same year. However, the regional unemployment structure has been taken

- from the quarterly national labour force survey for Italy;
- from the Community LFS survey for Greece and Portugal;
- for Spain, from the Community LFS survey for 1986 and from the quarterly national labour force survey for 1987.

The active population is regionalized according to the Community LFS survey data; for the Member States where the 1987 results are not available, the 1986 regional structure is used.

4. Rate calculation

The unemployment rates are obtained by dividing the number of unemployed, in April 1986 or 1987, by the figures for active population.

5. Revision

The regional unemployment rates are revised as soon as the results of the LFS survey for the reference year become available.