Belgium

- Capital (population in thsd, 2013): Brussels (169)
- Area (km²): 30,528
- Total population (thsd, 2012): 11,128
- Population density (per km²): 365
- Official language(s): Dutch, French, and German
- National currency: Euro (EUR)
- National statistical office: General Statistics and Economic Information (Statistics Belgium), www.statbel.gov.be

Population by age, 2012

- Males: 49.2%  Females: 50.8%

Life expectancy (in years)

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<th>at birth</th>
<th>at 65</th>
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<td>Males</td>
<td>77.8</td>
<td>2012</td>
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<td>Females</td>
<td>83.1</td>
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Total fertility rate, 2012: 1.8
Adolescent fertility rate, 2012: 8.5
Mean age of women at birth of first child, 2010: 28.2

Computer use by age and sex, 2013

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<th>Age</th>
<th>% of total</th>
<th>Women</th>
<th>Men</th>
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Women in the labour force, 2013: 46%
Gender pay gap: monthly earnings, 2011: 21%
hourly wage, 2012: 10%
Women in part-time employment, 2013: 43%
Female tertiary students, 2011: 55%
Women victims of homicide: percentage of total for both sexes: ..
Women researchers, 2011: 33%

Women and men in selected occupation groups, 2013

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<th>Occupation</th>
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<th>Men</th>
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<td>Legislators, senior officials and managers</td>
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<td>Professionals</td>
<td>54%</td>
<td>46%</td>
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<td>Clerks</td>
<td>61%</td>
<td>39%</td>
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<td>Craft and related trade workers</td>
<td>6%</td>
<td>94%</td>
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<td>Plant and machine operators and assemblers</td>
<td>14%</td>
<td>86%</td>
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Women and men in public life

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<td>Government ministers, 2011</td>
<td>38%</td>
<td>62%</td>
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<td>Members of parliament, 2014</td>
<td>39%</td>
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<td>Judges, 2010</td>
<td>47%</td>
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#### Employment (% change over previous year)
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<td>Employment</td>
<td>1.8</td>
<td>-0.2</td>
<td>0.7</td>
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<td>Unemployment rate (%)</td>
<td>7.0</td>
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#### Economic activity rate, 2013

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#### Exports of goods and services, 2013
- 82.8

#### Imports of goods and services, 2013
- 81.4

#### Exchange rate
- Annual average, EUR per USD, 2013: 0.753

#### Consumer price index

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#### Road accidents

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<td>Persons injured in road accidents</td>
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<td>Persons killed in road accidents</td>
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#### Transport infrastructure

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<td>Railways</td>
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