

Registered Long-term Unemployed



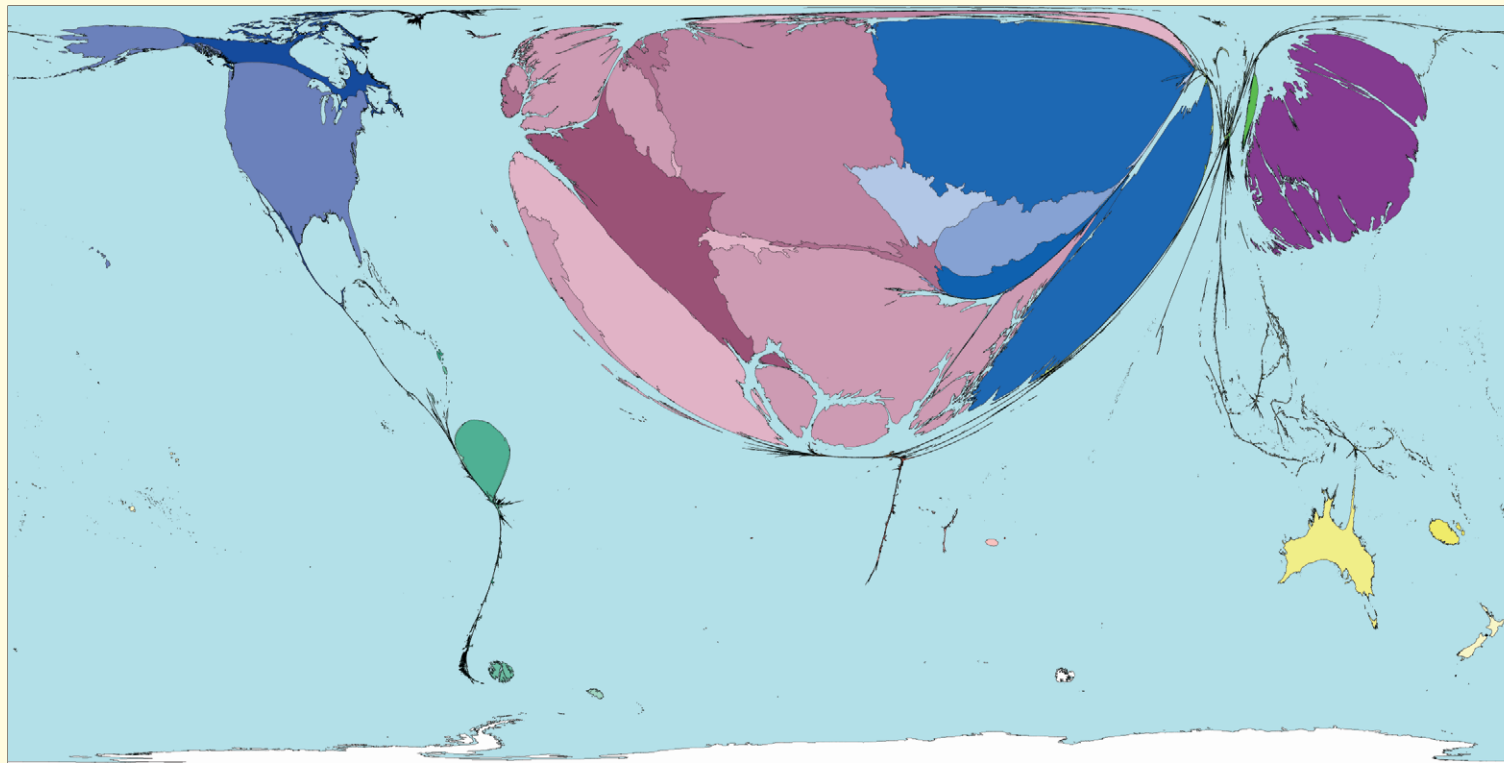
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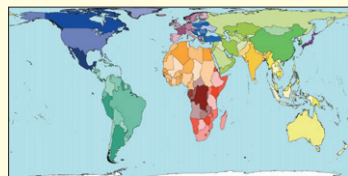


Long-term unemployment is when someone is out of work and seeking work for over one year. In 2002 almost 11 million long-term unemployed people were living in territories that are members of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Only OECD territories have an area on this map, due to data availability.

The highest rates of long-term unemployment are found in European territories. In Slovakia 5.5% of the total population have been out of work for longer than one year. That is 9.6% of the workforce.

The lowest long-term unemployment rate, in the territories for which data was available, was recorded in Mexico where state support was weakest.

Territory size shows the proportion of all long-term unemployed living in territories of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development that live there.



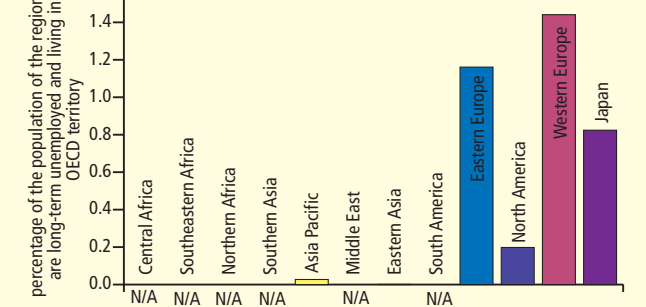
Land area

MOST AND FEWEST REGISTERED LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED PEOPLE

| Rank | Territory | Value | Rank | Territory | Value |
|------|----------------|-------|------|-------------------|-------|
| 1 | Slovakia | 5.40 | 21 | Switzerland | 0.400 |
| 2 | Poland | 4.32 | 22 | Luxembourg | 0.399 |
| 3 | Italy | 2.23 | 23 | Canada | 0.389 |
| 4 | Greece | 2.04 | 24 | New Zealand | 0.383 |
| 5 | Spain | 2.00 | 25 | Netherlands | 0.281 |
| 6 | Germany | 1.98 | 26 | United States | 0.245 |
| 7 | Czech Republic | 1.86 | 27 | Iceland | 0.201 |
| 8 | Belgium | 1.59 | 28 | Norway | 0.128 |
| 9 | France | 1.38 | 29 | Republic of Korea | 0.032 |
| 10 | Turkey | 1.12 | 30 | Mexico | 0.004 |

percentage of the total population that are long-term unemployed in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)*

PERCENTAGE PEOPLE THAT ARE LONG-TERM UNEMPLOYED IN THE OECD



Technical notes

- Data are from the United Nations Human Development Report, 2004. Unemployment was only reported for territories in the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
- *For every 100 people in Spain, 2 are long-term unemployed. The work force ranges from 21% to 60% of the population.
- N/A on the graph indicates no OECD territories.
- See website for further information.

“There are days when it feels like one big nightmare.” Donata Wittmann, 2005