



Table 4.1: At-risk-of-poverty rate (1)

(%)



|                | Before social transfers |      |      |      |        |      | After social transfers |      |      |      |        |      |
|----------------|-------------------------|------|------|------|--------|------|------------------------|------|------|------|--------|------|
|                | Total                   |      | Male |      | Female |      | Total                  |      | Male |      | Female |      |
|                | 1998                    | 2003 | 1998 | 2003 | 1998   | 2003 | 1998                   | 2003 | 1998 | 2003 | 1998   | 2003 |
| EU-25          | 24                      | 25   | 23   | 23   | 25     | 26   | 15                     | 15   | 14   | 14   | 16     | 16   |
| EU-15          | 24                      | 25   | 23   | 23   | 25     | 26   | 15                     | 15   | 14   | 14   | 16     | 17   |
| Euro area      | 23                      | 24   | 22   | 23   | 24     | 25   | 15                     | 15   | 14   | 14   | 16     | 16   |
| Belgium (2)    | 25                      | 29   | 24   | 28   | 27     | 30   | 14                     | 15   | 12   | 14   | 15     | 16   |
| Czech Republic | :                       | 21   | :    | 19   | :      | 22   | :                      | 8    | :    | 7    | :      | 9    |
| Denmark (2)    | :                       | 32   | :    | 30   | :      | 33   | :                      | 12   | :    | 11   | :      | 12   |
| Germany        | 22                      | 23   | 21   | 21   | 22     | 25   | 11                     | 15   | 10   | 13   | 12     | 17   |
| Estonia        | :                       | 25   | :    | 23   | :      | 26   | :                      | 18   | :    | 17   | :      | 20   |
| Greece (2)     | 22                      | 24   | 21   | 24   | 23     | 25   | 21                     | 21   | 20   | 20   | 22     | 22   |
| Spain          | 25                      | 22   | 25   | 21   | 25     | 23   | 18                     | 19   | 18   | 18   | 18     | 20   |
| France         | 25                      | 24   | 24   | 24   | 25     | 25   | 15                     | 12   | 14   | 12   | 15     | 13   |
| Ireland (2)    | 32                      | 36   | 30   | 35   | 34     | 38   | 19                     | 21   | 18   | 20   | 20     | 22   |
| Italy          | 21                      | :    | 20   | :    | 22     | :    | 18                     | :    | 17   | :    | 19     | :    |
| Cyprus         | :                       | 20   | :    | 18   | :      | 21   | :                      | 15   | :    | 14   | :      | 17   |
| Latvia         | :                       | 24   | :    | 23   | :      | 25   | :                      | 16   | :    | 16   | :      | 17   |
| Lithuania      | :                       | 23   | :    | 22   | :      | 23   | :                      | 15   | :    | 14   | :      | 15   |
| Luxembourg (2) | 23                      | 23   | 23   | 23   | 23     | 24   | 12                     | 10   | 12   | 9    | 13     | 11   |
| Hungary        | :                       | 17   | :    | 17   | :      | 17   | :                      | 12   | :    | 12   | :      | 12   |
| Malta          | :                       | :    | :    | :    | :      | :    | :                      | :    | :    | :    | :      | :    |
| Netherlands    | 21                      | 23   | 21   | 22   | 22     | 24   | 10                     | 12   | 10   | 12   | 10     | 12   |
| Austria (2)    | 24                      | 24   | 22   | 23   | 27     | 26   | 13                     | 13   | 11   | 12   | 15     | 14   |
| Poland         | :                       | 31   | :    | 32   | :      | 31   | :                      | 17   | :    | 17   | :      | 16   |
| Portugal       | 27                      | 26   | 26   | :    | 28     | :    | 21                     | 19   | 19   | :    | 22     | :    |
| Slovenia       | :                       | 16   | :    | 15   | :      | 18   | :                      | 10   | :    | 9    | :      | 11   |
| Slovakia       | :                       | 28   | :    | 28   | :      | 27   | :                      | 21   | :    | 21   | :      | 21   |
| Finland        | 22                      | 28   | 21   | 27   | 23     | 29   | 9                      | 11   | 8    | 11   | 11     | 12   |
| Sweden         | :                       | :    | :    | :    | :      | :    | :                      | :    | :    | :    | :      | :    |
| United Kingdom | 30                      | 29   | 26   | 28   | 33     | 30   | 19                     | 18   | 17   | 17   | 21     | 19   |
| Bulgaria       | :                       | 16   | :    | 14   | :      | 18   | :                      | 14   | :    | 12   | :      | 16   |
| Croatia        | :                       | 31   | :    | 29   | :      | 33   | :                      | 18   | :    | 17   | :      | 19   |
| Romania        | :                       | 22   | :    | 22   | :      | 23   | :                      | 17   | :    | 17   | :      | 18   |
| Turkey         | :                       | 31   | :    | 29   | :      | 32   | :                      | 26   | :    | 25   | :      | 26   |
| Norway (2)     | 26                      | 19   | :    | :    | :      | :    | :                      | 11   | :    | 9    | :      | 13   |

(1) For some countries the available data currently only permits adjustment for social transfers on a gross basis, which may affect the accuracy of the at-risk-of-poverty rate before social transfers.

(2) Break in series, 2003.

The share of women/men with an equivalised disposable income (before social transfers) below the risk-of-poverty threshold, which is set at 60 % of the national median equivalised disposable income (after social transfers); retirement and survivor's pensions are counted as income before transfers and not as social transfers.