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### Croatia's job market between now and 2020

Although generally similar to the rest of the EU, Croatia's labour market has some interesting differences. For example, Croatia's labour force is slightly younger and has a higher proportion of people with medium-level and a lower proportion of people with low-level qualifications than the EU averages. Also, compared to the rest of the EU Croatia has a relatively high share of employment in agriculture and manufacturing.

However, although employment in the EU overall will return to its pre-crisis 2008 level between 2017 and 2018, in Croatia employment will still be below its 2008 peak in 2020.

These data for Croatia's labour market come from Cedefop's skill supply and demand forecasting project. They provide some insights into the challenges and opportunities for people in Croatia and enable comparisons to be made with other EU Member States <sup>(1)</sup>.

Between now and 2020, most job opportunities in Croatia are forecast to be in distribution and transport, and non-marketed services. Total job opportunities include newly created jobs (expansion demand) and the need to replace people leaving jobs, for example, to retire (replacement demand). In Croatia, replacement demand is forecast to provide almost seven times more job opportunities than newly created jobs up to the year 2020.

For a more detailed analysis, download the [country forecast on Croatia](#).

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<sup>(1)</sup> For data on all countries see:

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