European Social Charter

EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF SOCIAL RIGHTS CONCLUSIONS IN A NUTSHELL

2012-2015





2015

Children, families and migrants

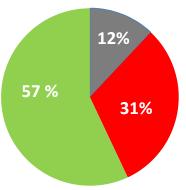


In 2015, the European Committee of Social Rights examined the reports submitted by 31 States Parties on the articles of the Charter relating to **children**, **families and migrants**:

- the right of children and young persons to protection (Article 7)
- the right of employed women to protection of maternity (Article 8)
- the right of the family to social, legal and economic protection (Article 16)
- the right of children and young persons to social, legal and economic protection (Article 17)
- the right of migrant workers and their families to protection and assistance (Article 19)
- the right of workers with family responsibilities to equal opportunity and treatment (Article 27)
- the right to housing (Article 31)

The reports covered the reference period 2010-2013.

762 situations examined



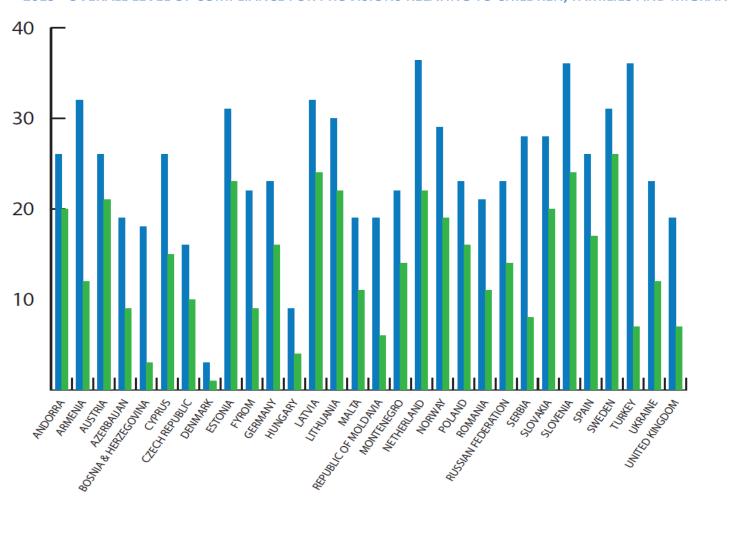
- 57 % Conformity
- 31 % Non-conformity
- 12 % Conclusions deferred because of lack of information

Children, families and migrants

situation examined

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2015 - OVERALL LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND MIGRANTS



2014 *Labour Rights*

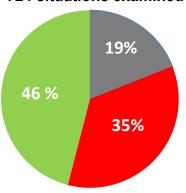
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In 2014, the European Committee of Social Rights examined the reports submitted by States Parties on the articles of the Charter relating to **labour rights**:

- the right to just conditions of work (Article 2)
- the right to a fair remuneration (Article 4)
- the right to organise (Article 5)
- the right to bargain collectively (Article 6)
- the right to information and consultation (Article 21)
- the right to take part in the determination and improvement of working conditions (Article 22)
- the right to dignity at work (Article 26)
- the right of workers' representatives to protection in the undertaking (Article 28)
- the right to information and consultation in collective redundancy procedures (Article 29)

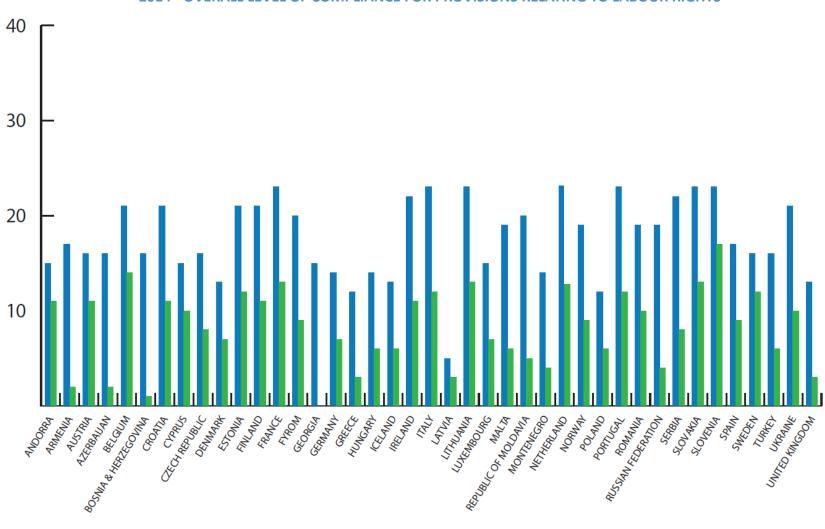
The reports covered the reference period 2009-2012.





- 46 % Conformity
- 35 % Non-conformity
- 19 % Conclusions deferred because of lack of information

2014 - OVERALL LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO LABOUR RIGHTS





2013

Health, social security and social protection

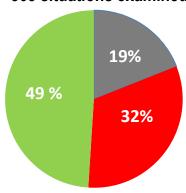


In 2013, the European Committee of Social Rights examined the reports submitted by 38 States Parties on the articles of the Charter relating to health, social security and social protection:

- the right to health and safety at work (Article 3)
- the right to health (Article 11)
- the right to social security (Article 12)
- the right to social and medical assistance (Article 13)
- the right to social services (Article 14)
- the rights of the elderly to social protection (Article 23, Article 4 of the 1988 Additional Protocol)
- the right to protection against poverty and social exclusion (Article 30)

The reports covered the reference period 2008-2011.

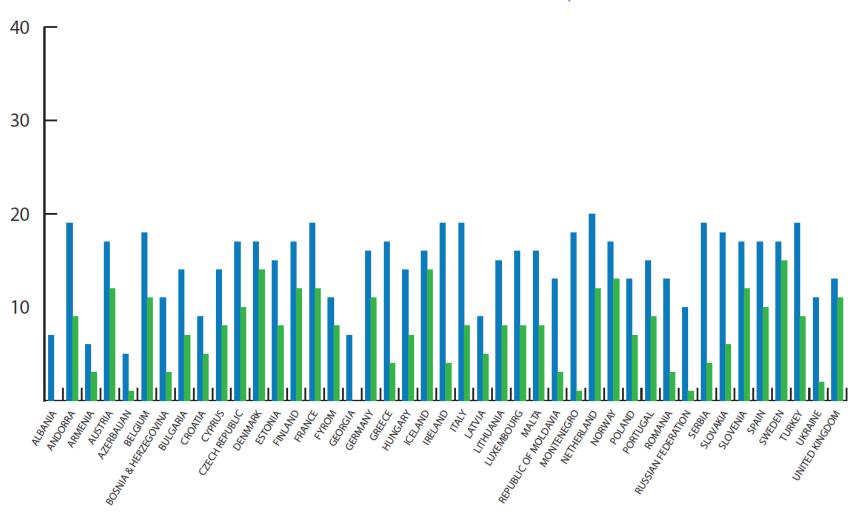
568 situations examined



- 49 % Conformity
- 32 % Non-conformity
- 19 % Conclusions deferred because of lack of information

Health, social security and social protection

2013 - OVERALL LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO HEALTH, SOCIAL SECURITY AND SOCIAL PROTECTION



situation examined conformity

2012

Employment, training and equal opportunities





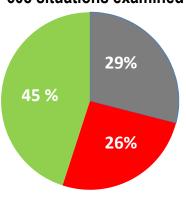


In 2012, the European Committee of Social Rights examined the reports submitted by 42 States Parties on the articles of the Charter relating to employment, training and equal opportunities:

- the right to work (Article 1)
- the right to vocational guidance (Article 9)
- the right to vocation training (Article 10)
- the right of persons with disabilities to independence, social integration and participation in the life of the community (Article 15)
- the right to engage in a gainful occupational in the territory of other Parties (Article 18)
- the right to equal opportunities between women and men (Article 20)
- the right to protection in case of termination of employment (Article 24)
- the right of workers to the protection of their claims in the event of the insolvability of their employer (Article 25).

The reports covered the reference period 2007-2010.

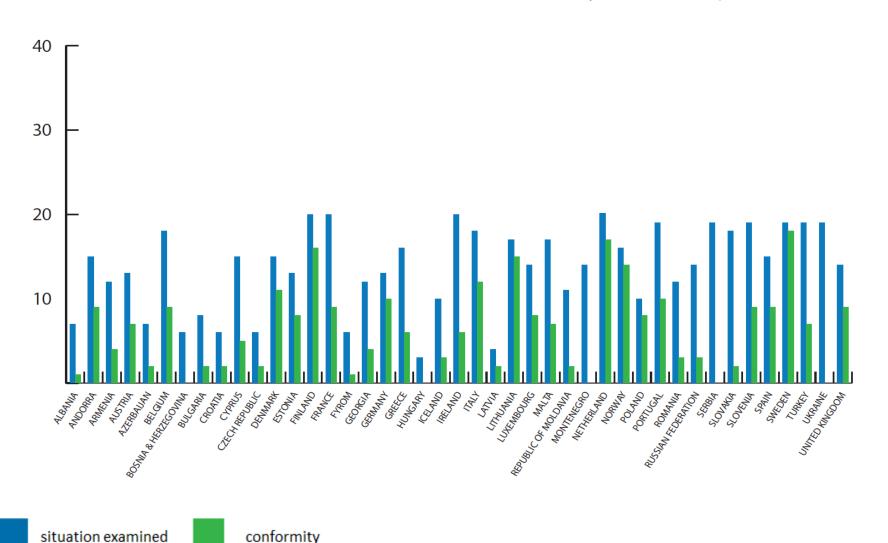




- 45 % Conformity
- 26 % Non Conformity
- 29 % Conclusions deferred because of lack of information

Employment, training and equal opportunities

2012 OVERALL LEVEL OF COMPLIANCE FOR PROVISIONS RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES



Reminder



THE EUROPEAN SOCIAL CHARTER

The European Social Charter is a Council of Europe treaty that guarantees social and economic rights as a counterpart to the European Convention on Human Rights, which refers to civil and political rights. It guarantees a broad range of everyday human rights related to employment, housing, health, education, legal and social protection, movement of persons. The rights of the Charter must be guaranteed without discrimination.



THE EUROPEAN COMMITTEE OF SOCIAL RIGHTS

Council of Europe monitoring body composed of 15 independent & impartial experts which rules on the conformity of national situations with the Charter.



CIVIL SOCIETY

The contribution of civil society is crucial. Non-governmental organization frequently provides information which allows the Committee to gain a better and more comprehensive understanding of national law and practice.



REPORTS – CONCLUSIONS

In the framework of the reporting procedure the Committee's monitoring is based on reports submitted by the States Parties, but the Committee also relies on comments presented by civil society organisations, including notably trade unions and employers' organisations, and any other sources of information which it deems relevant to the examination of national situations.



COLLECTIVE COMPLAINTS - DECISIONS

The Collective Complaints procedure established under the Charter enables the following actors to lodge collective complaints concerning the Charter:

- the social partners
 - At the European level: European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC), for employees; Business Europe and International Organisation of Employers (OIE), for employers
 - National organisations representing employers and employees
- certain international non-governmental organisations (INGOs) holding participatory status with the Council of Europe

Furthermore, any State may grant representative national non-governmental organisations (NGOs) within its jurisdiction the right to lodge complaints against it.

Resources

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