




REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA  
STATISTICAL OFFICE

A small green seedling with two leaves growing out of a mound of dark soil, set against a blurred green background.

**EUROPEAN SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT WEEK,**  
20–26 September 2023



**The European Sustainable Development Week 2023** will take place again this year from 20 to 26 September. In this and the coming weeks, additional efforts will be made to raise awareness of and realize sustainable development goals.

SURS has been monitoring **Sustainable Development Goals Indicators** for several years.

Those that are relevant for Slovenia are presented in detail. If not stated otherwise, the data refer to 2021 compared to the previous year.

# PEOPLE - eliminating poverty, hunger and inequality and ensuring health, justice and dignity



The at-risk-of-poverty rate was 11.7% and was 0.7 of a percentage point lower.



Government budget appropriations or outlays on research and development intended for agriculture amounted to EUR 13.6 million, which is EUR 1.1 million more.



The standardized mortality rate due to suicide was 16.2 per 100,000 population, up 2.9 per 100,000 population.



The rate of early leavers from education and training was 3.1% or 0.9 of a percentage point lower. This is the lowest rate since we have this type of data available.



The gender employment gap was 6.7 percentage points, which is 0.5 of a percentage point more.



# PROSPERITY - ensuring successful and fulfilling lives and progress at all levels in harmony with nature

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



The final energy consumption in households per capita amounted to 6,403 kWh, which is 368 kWh per capita more.

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



The long-term unemployment rate was 2.2% and was 0.2 of a percentage point higher.

9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



Those working in high- and medium-high technology manufacturing sectors accounted for 8.8% of all employed people, which is 1.6 percentage points less. Knowledge-intensive service sectors accounted for 41.8%, which is 4.2 percentage points more.

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



5,301 asylum applications were recorded in Slovenia, of which 17 were approved. A year earlier, 3,548 asylum applications were recorded, and 89 were approved.

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



The recycling rate of municipal waste was 59.9%, which is 0.7 of a percentage point more.



# PLANET -

limit the use and consumption of natural resources and preserve them and ensure them for future generations



The nitrate level in groundwater samples was 11.9 mg NO<sub>3</sub>/L, which is 0.2 mg NO<sub>3</sub>/L more.



68 kilograms of food waste were generated per inhabitant, which is the same amount as in the previous year.



Greenhouse gas emissions decreased by 22.5% in 2020 compared to the base year of the Kyoto Protocol (1986).



The share of marine bathing waters of excellent quality was 95.2%, which is exactly the same as in the previous year. The share of inland bathing waters of excellent quality was 73.1%, which is 3.8 percentage points less.



Forest area as a share of total land area of the country was 58%, which is the same share as in the previous year. In the last twenty years, the share was the largest in the 2008–2010 period, when it stood at 58.5%.



**PEACE** - encouraging peaceful and inclusive societies, ensuring access to legal protection for all and building efficient, responsible and inclusive institutions at all levels



The share of households having problems with crime, violence or vandalism in their area was 8% in 2020, which is the same share as in the previous year. The share was the largest in 2009, when it stood at 13%.

**PARTNERSHIP** - implement the agenda through a solid global partnership between governments, and private and public bodies



Imports from developing countries were record high and amounted to EUR 13,308 million. In the previous year they amounted to EUR 8,042 million.