



Territorial indicators for policy purposes: NUTS regions and beyond

Territorial Diversity and Networks
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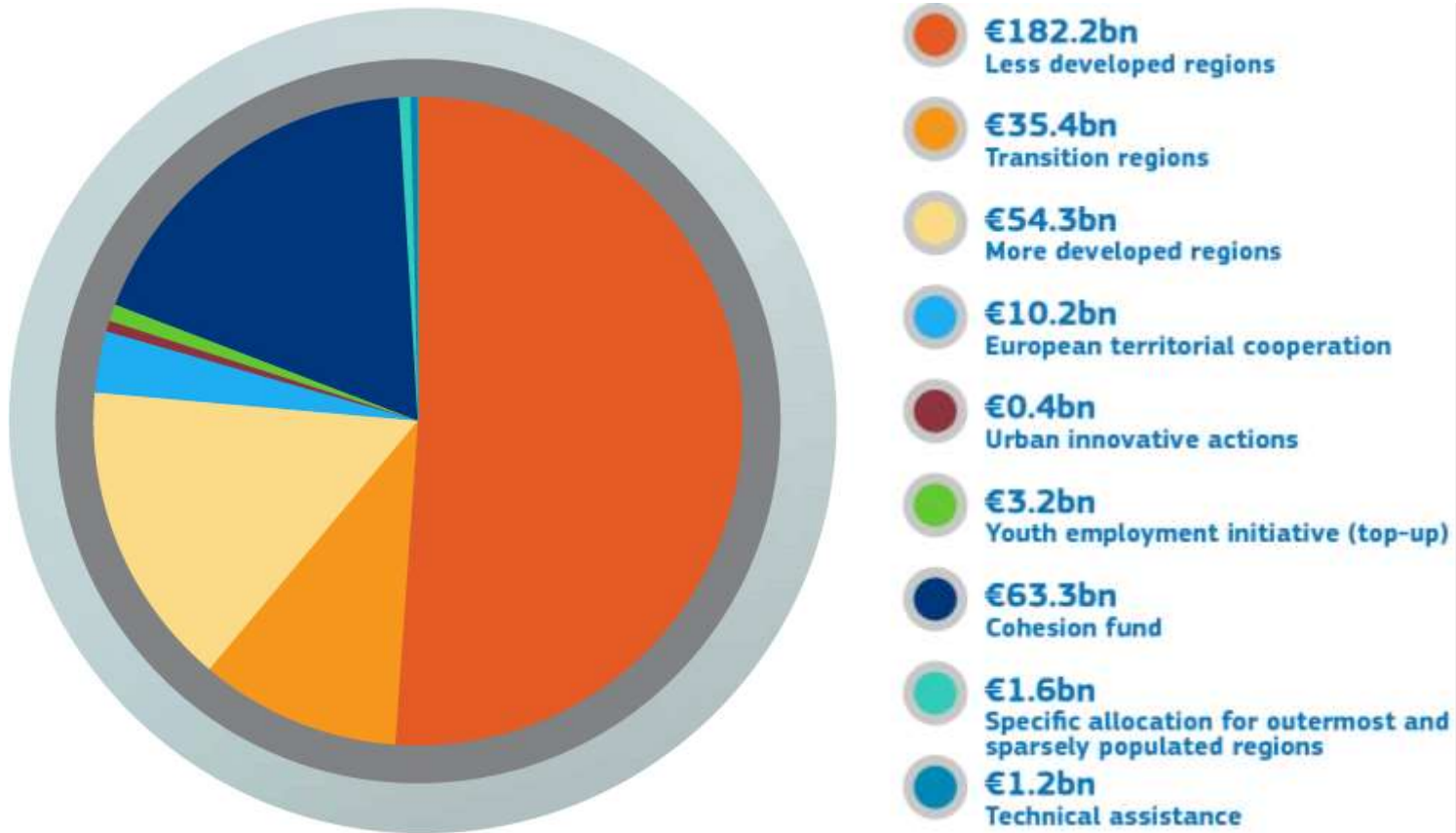
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Cohesion Policy Funding 2014-2020



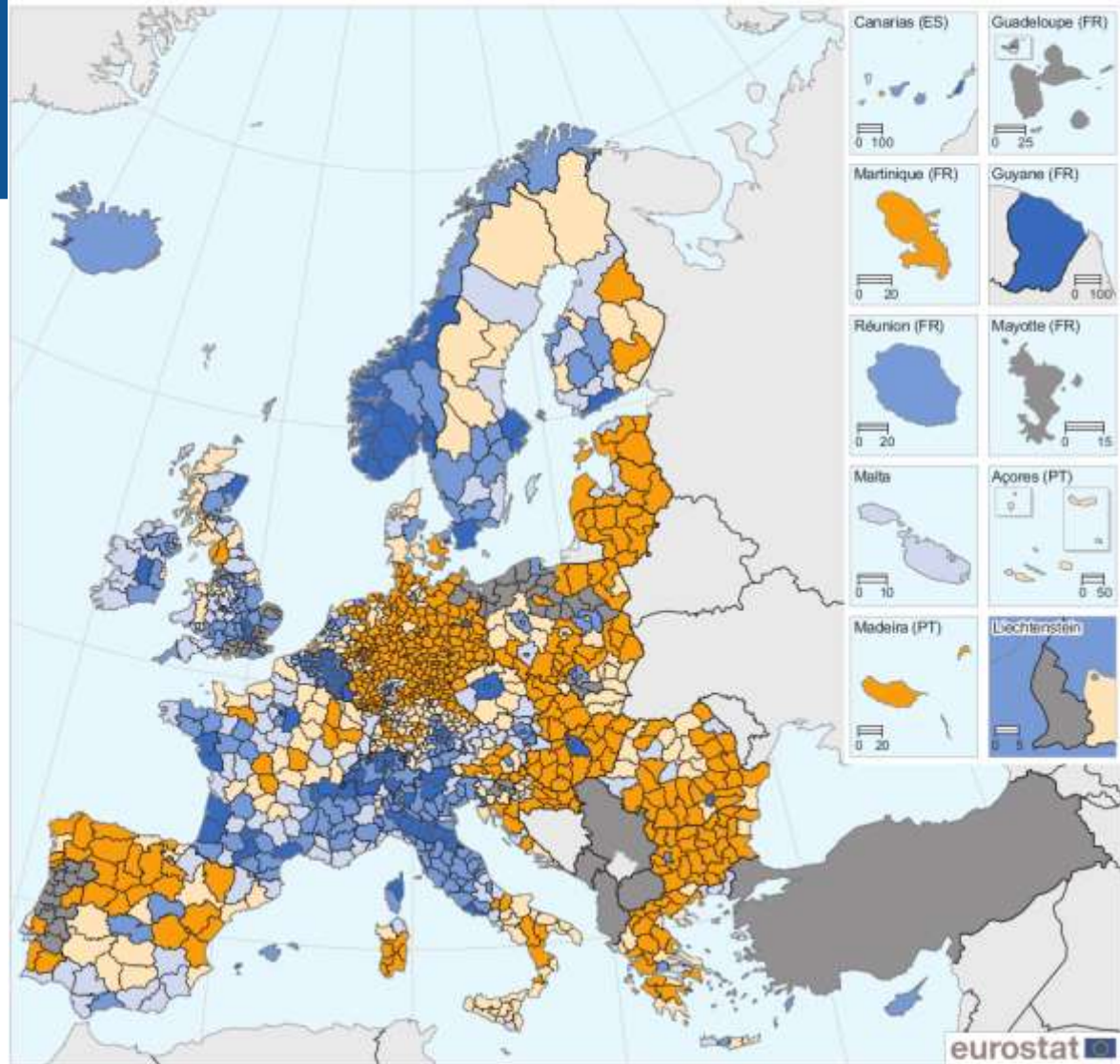
Regional statistics by NUTS regions

- Population
- Health
- Economy
- Education
- Labour market
- Structural business statistics
- Research and innovation
- Income and living conditions
- Digital economy and society
- Tourism
- Transport
- Agriculture

What's new?

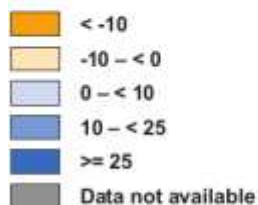
- Population projections
- Timeliness: T+12 months, ESA 2010
- Business demography
- Improved coverage at NUTS level 2

Projected percentage change of the population, by NUTS 3 regions, 2015–50

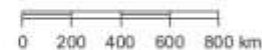


(%)

EU-28 = 3.4



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Source: [Eurostat regional yearbook 2016](#)

(*) EU-28: Ireland and France: provisional; Portugal, Romania and the United Kingdom: estimates; Attiki (Greece), Opolskie (Poland), London



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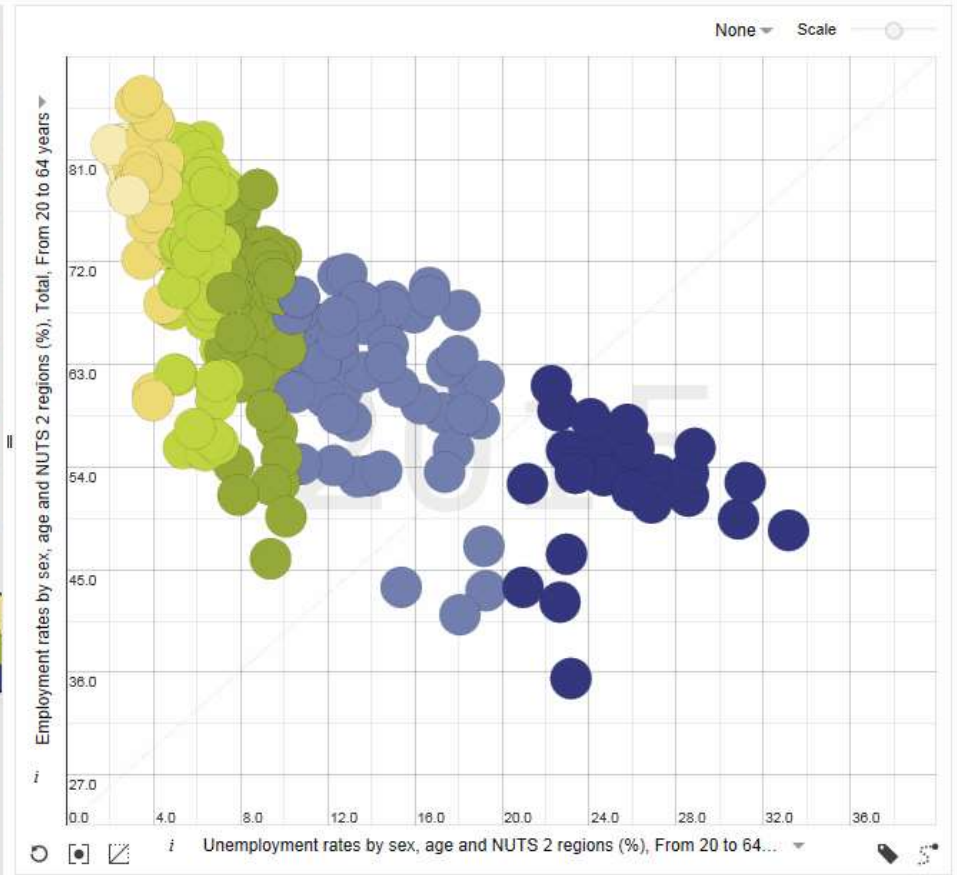
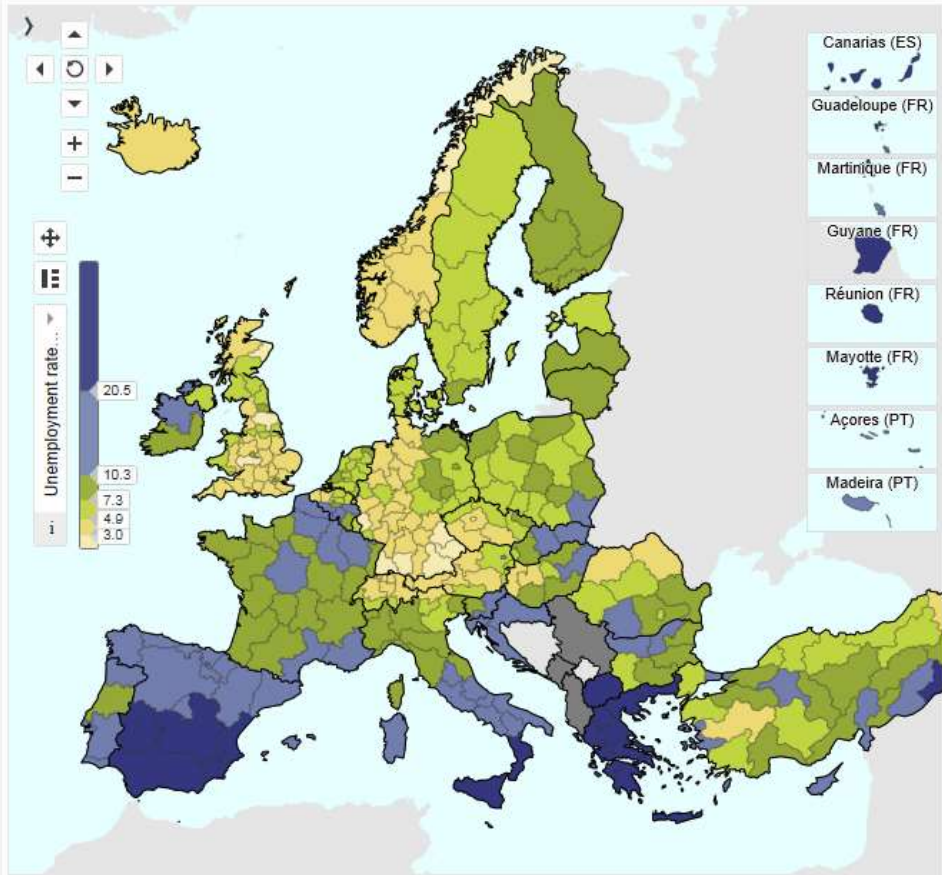
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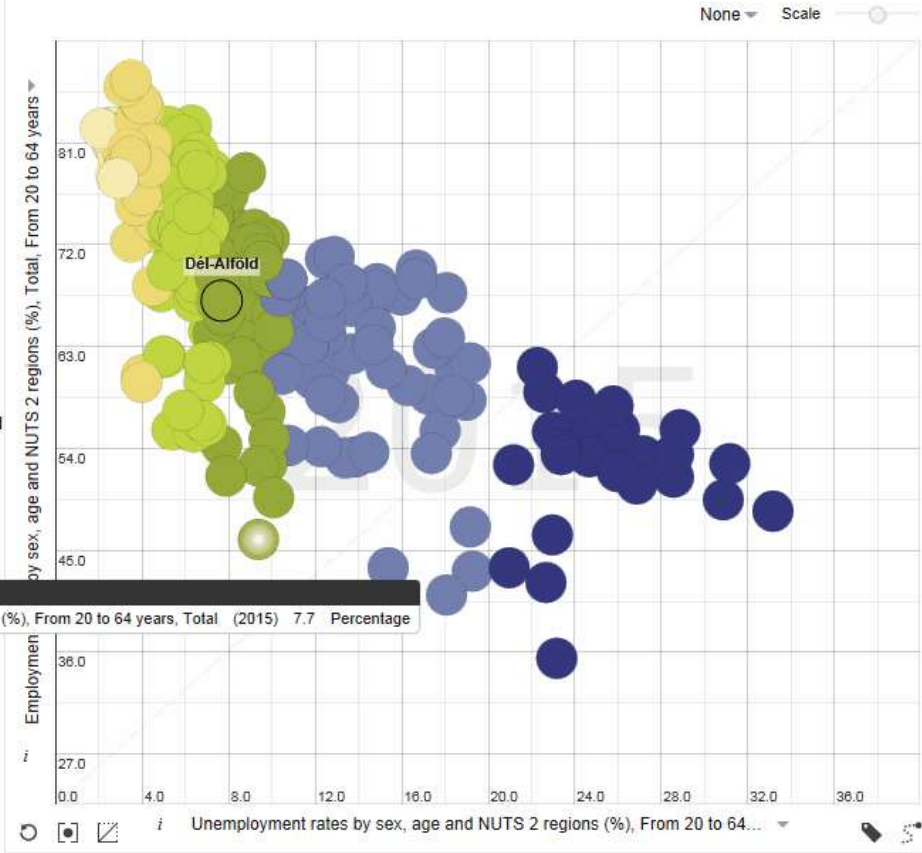
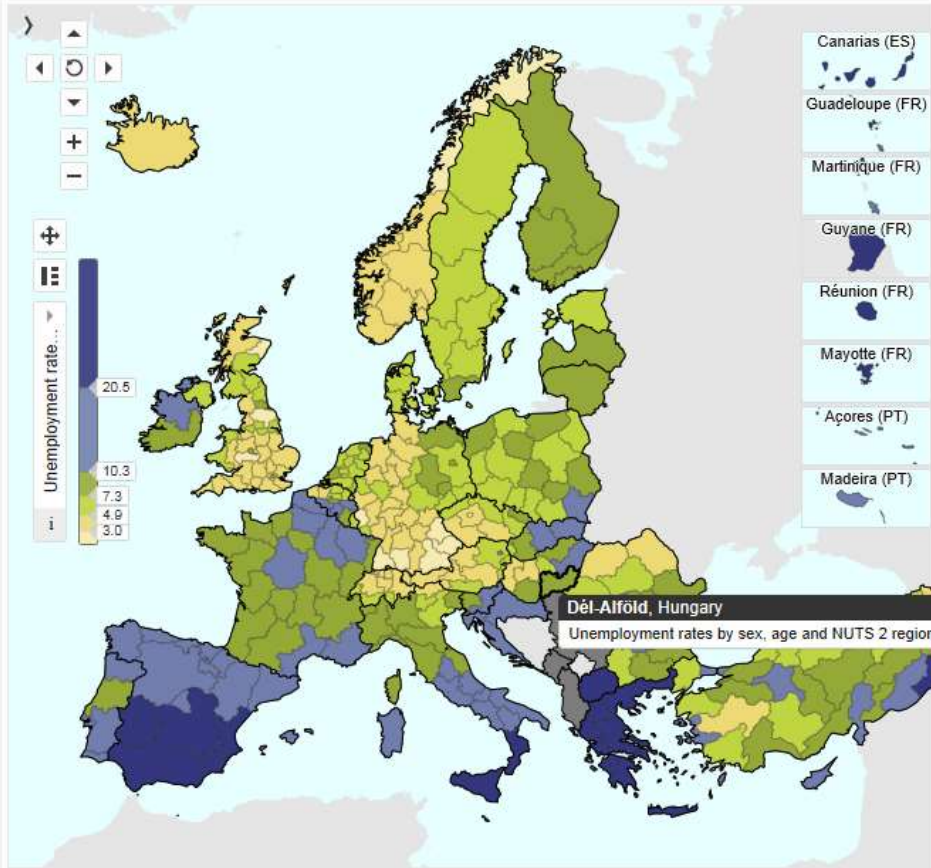
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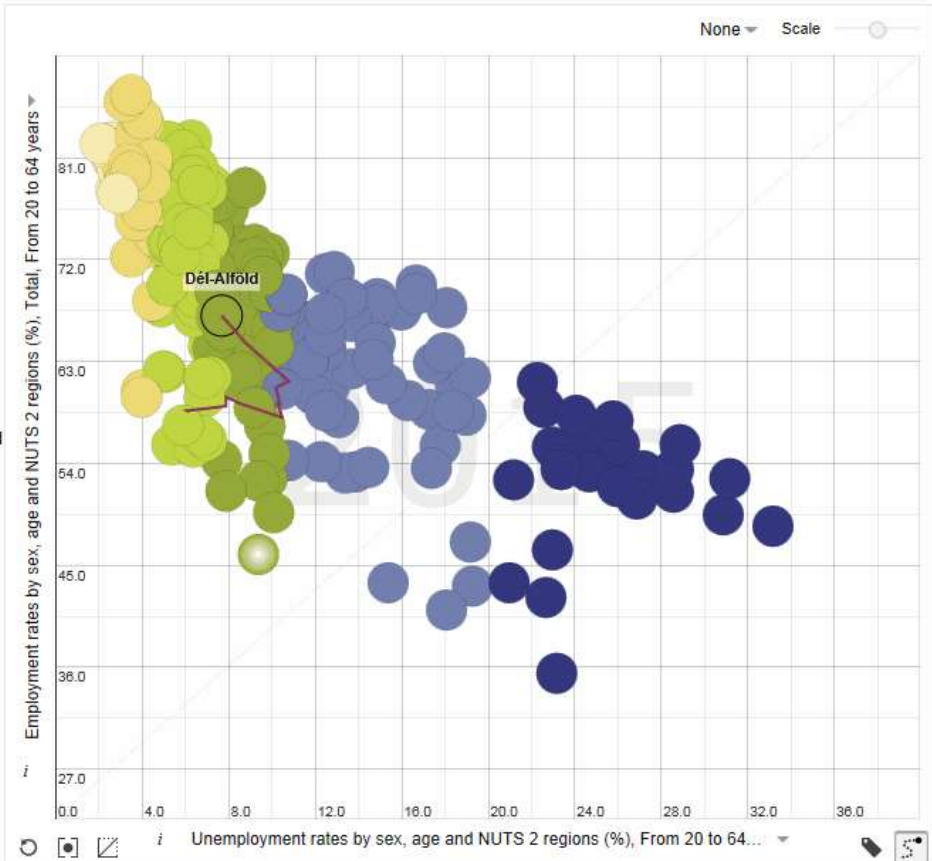
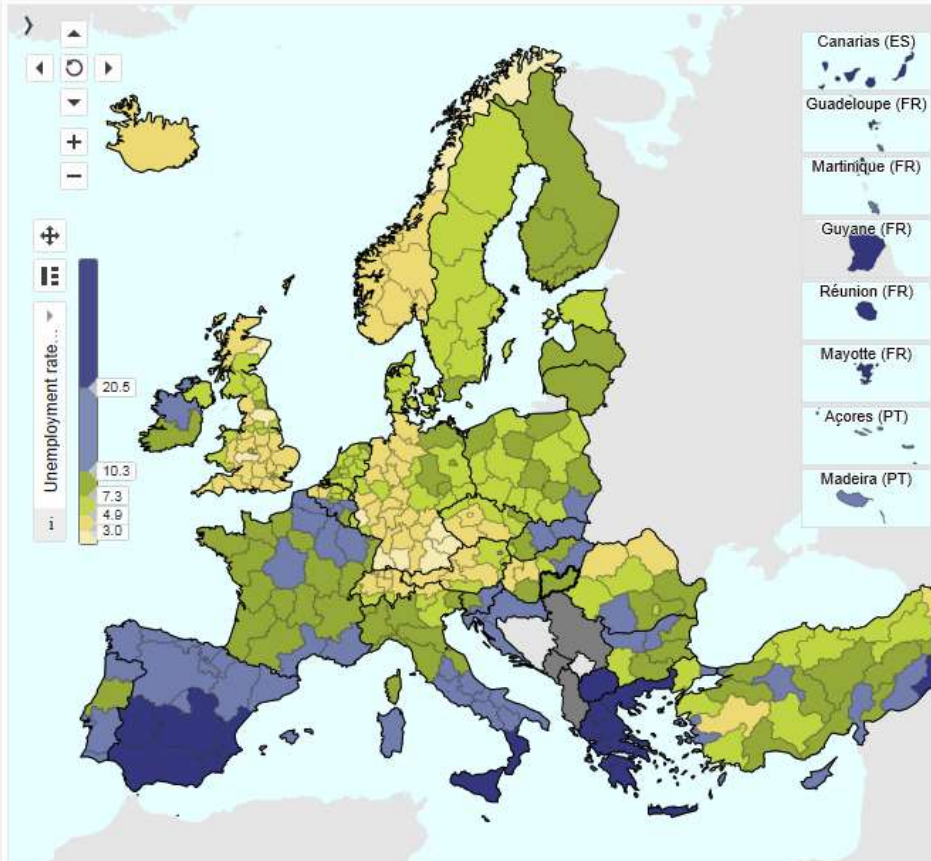
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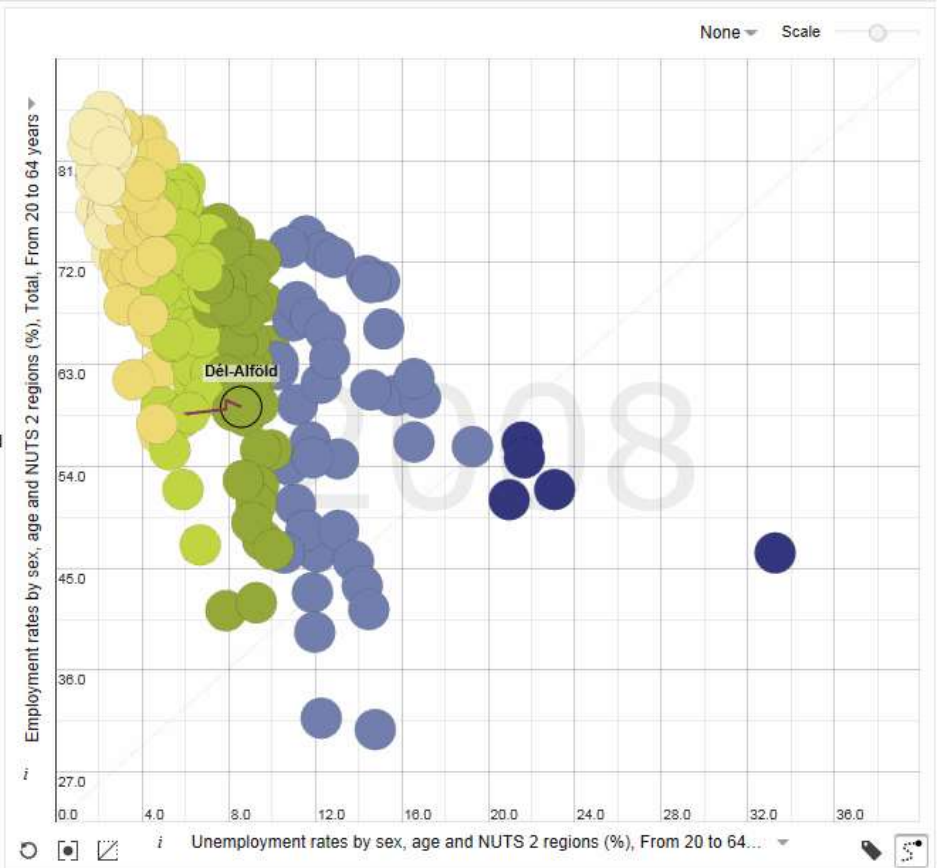
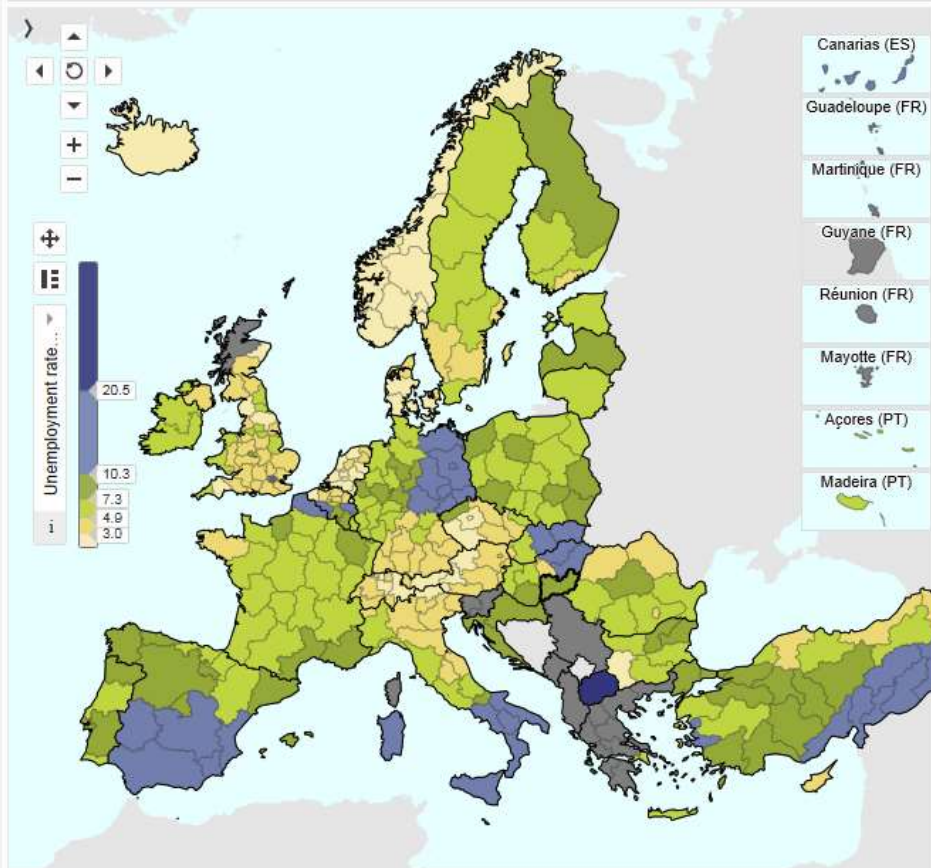
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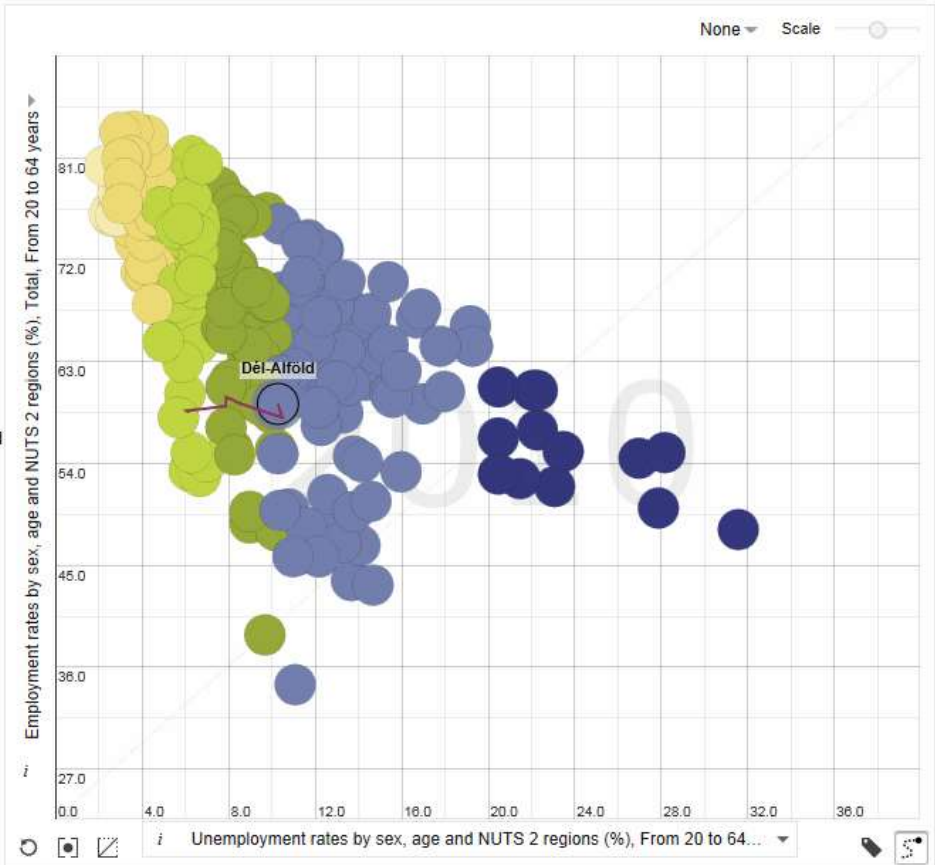
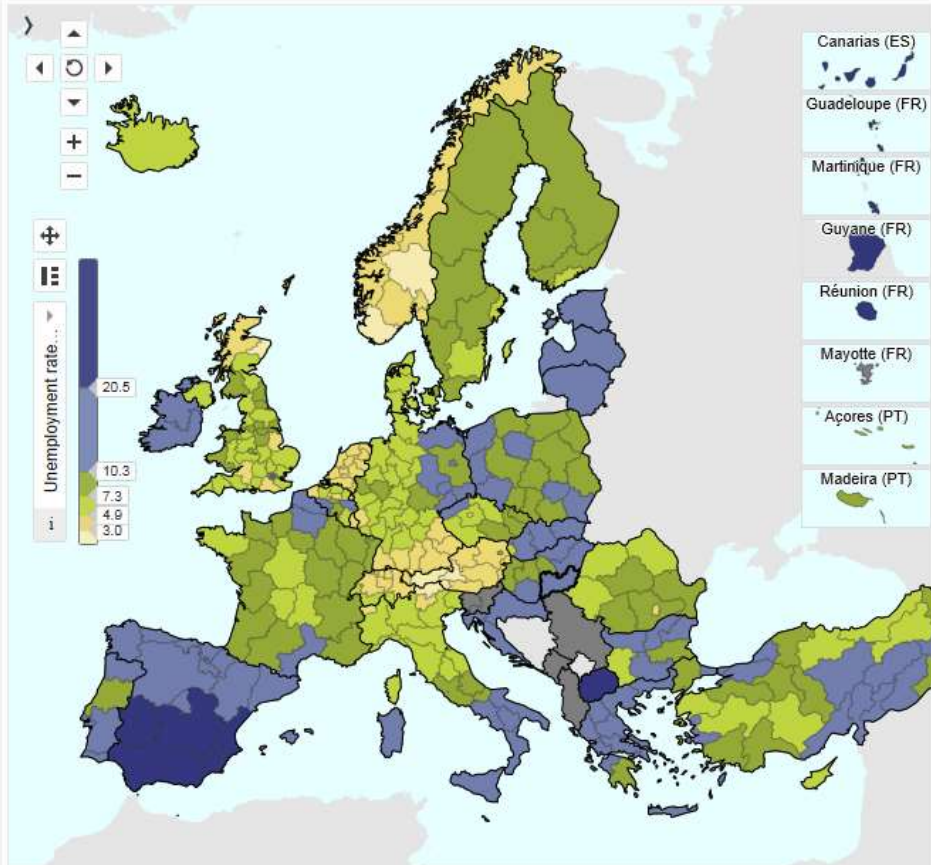
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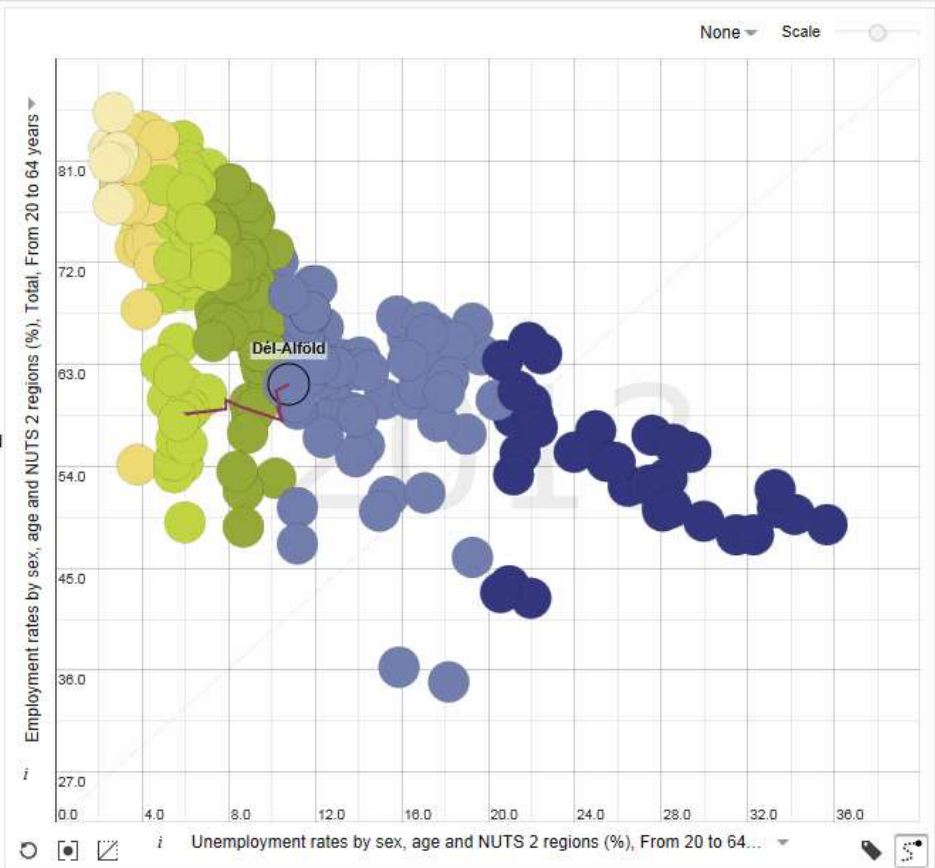
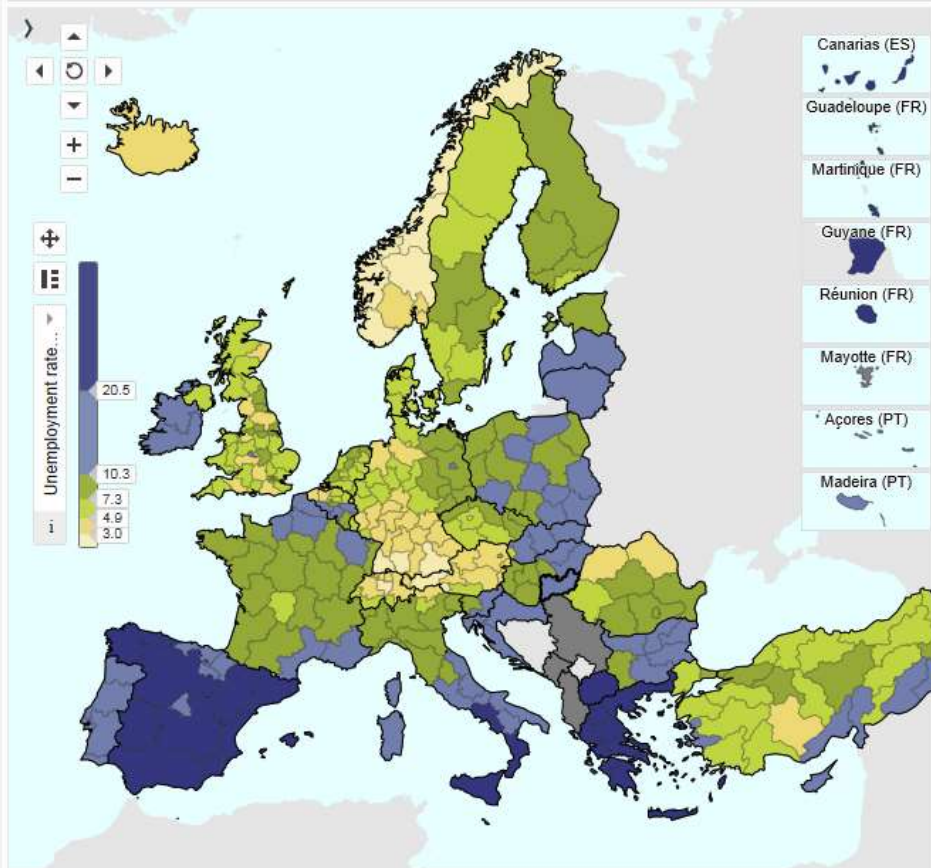
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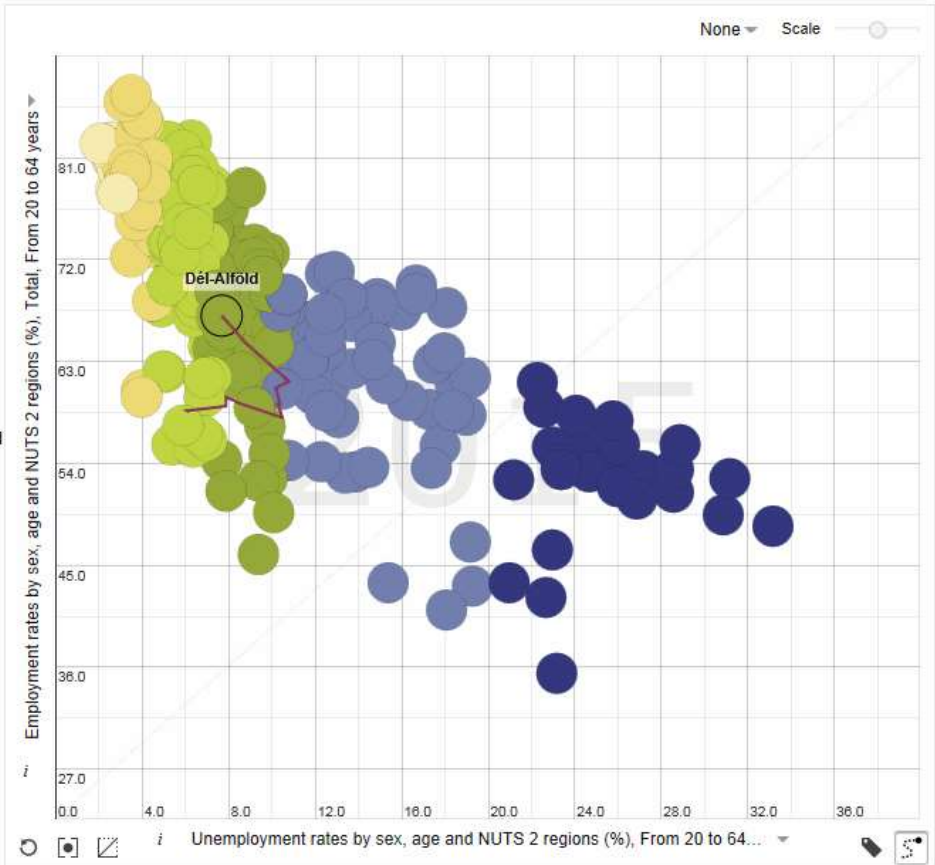
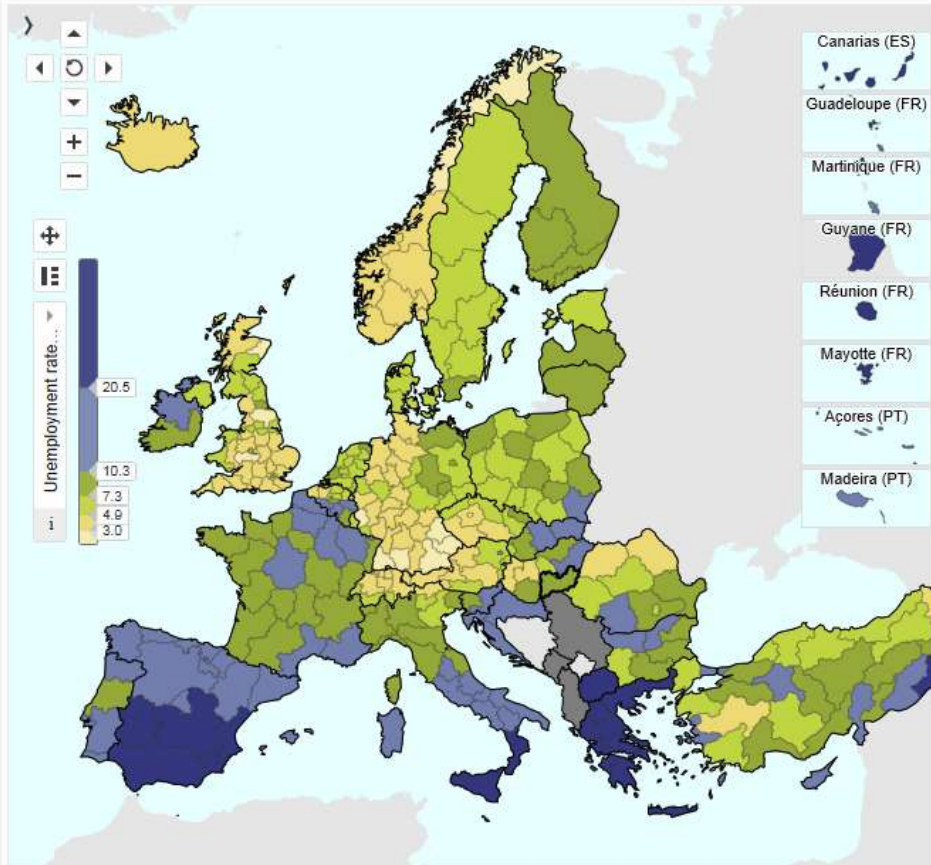
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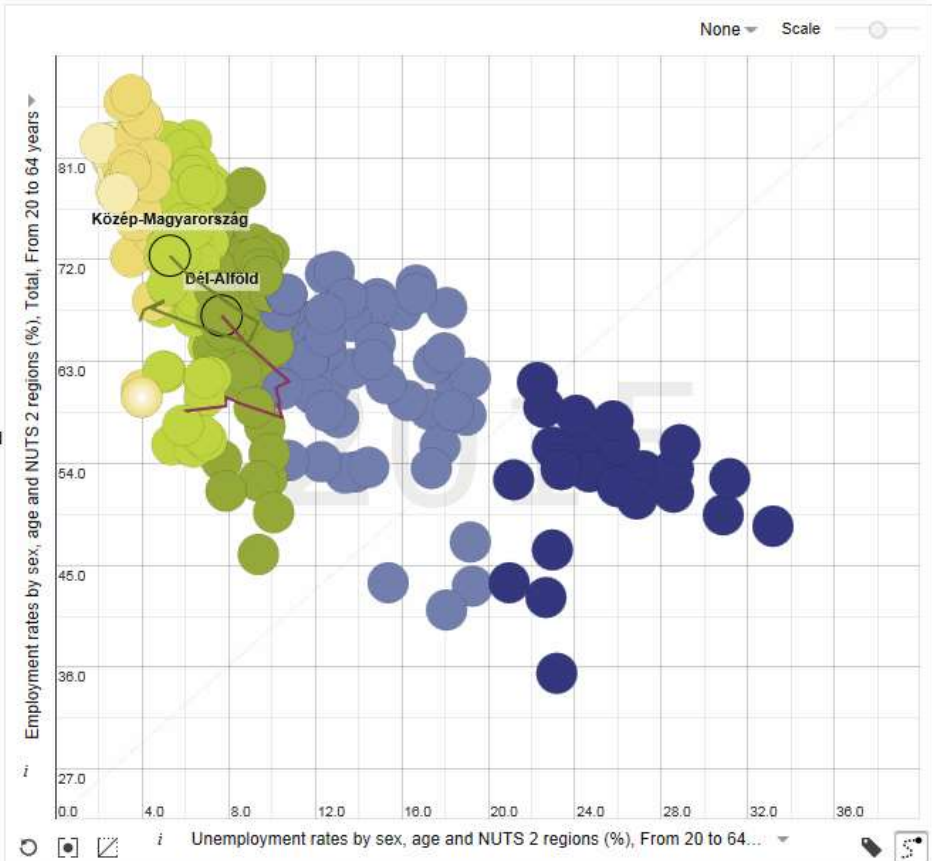
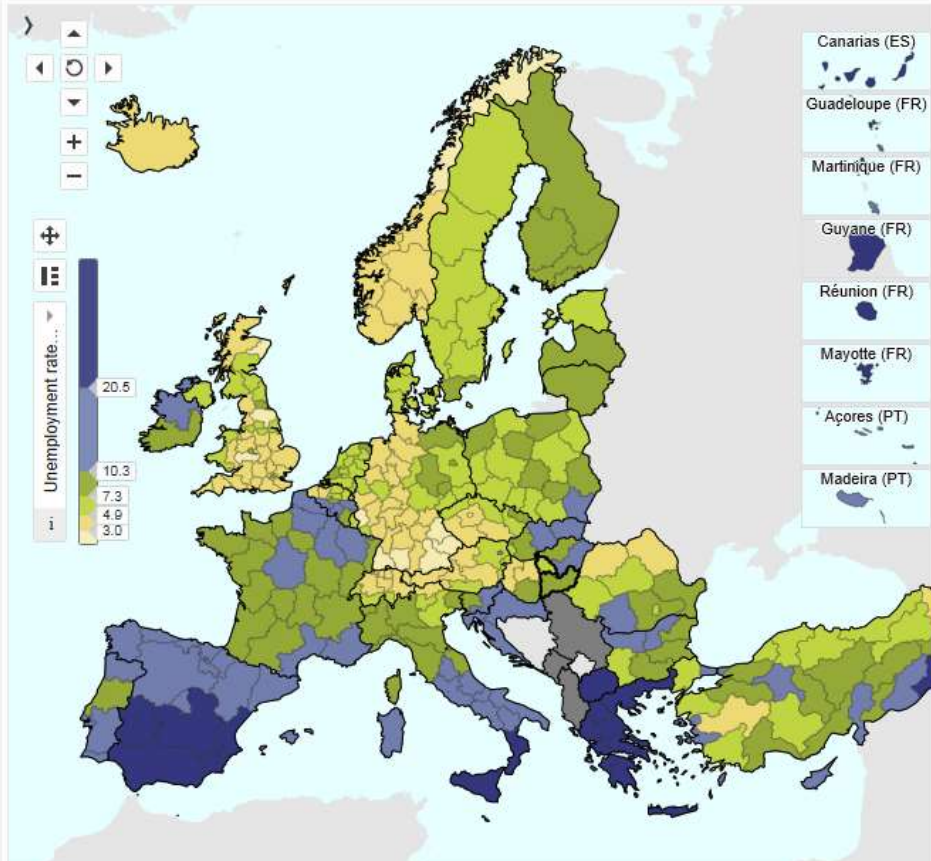
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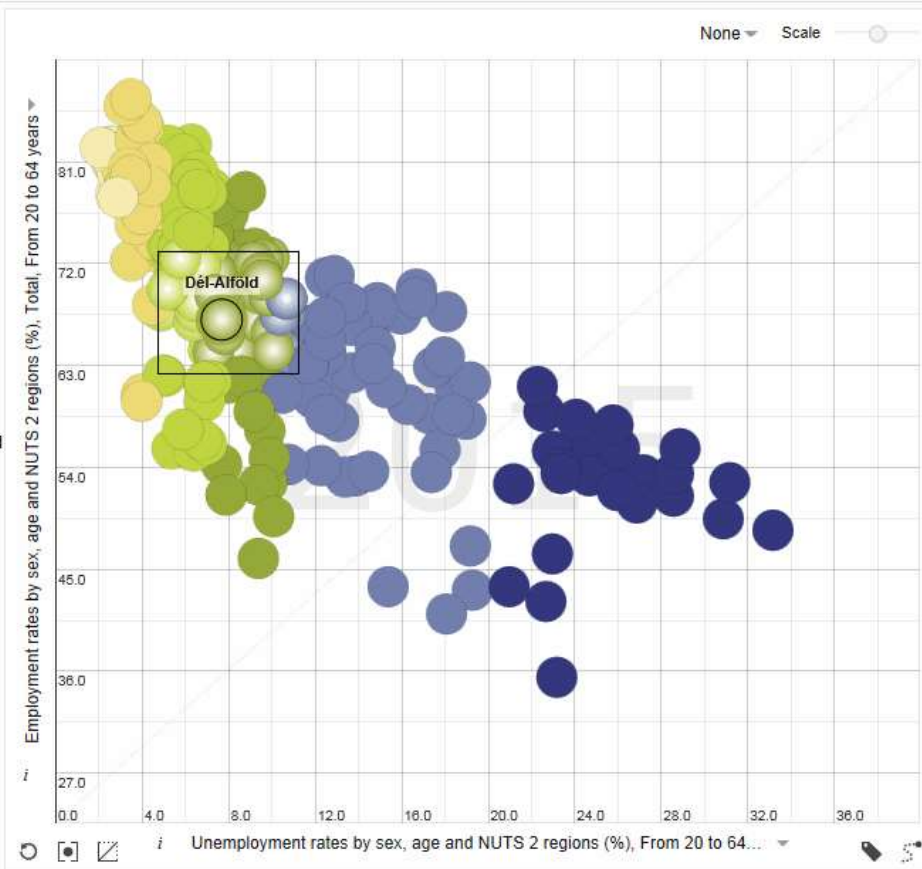
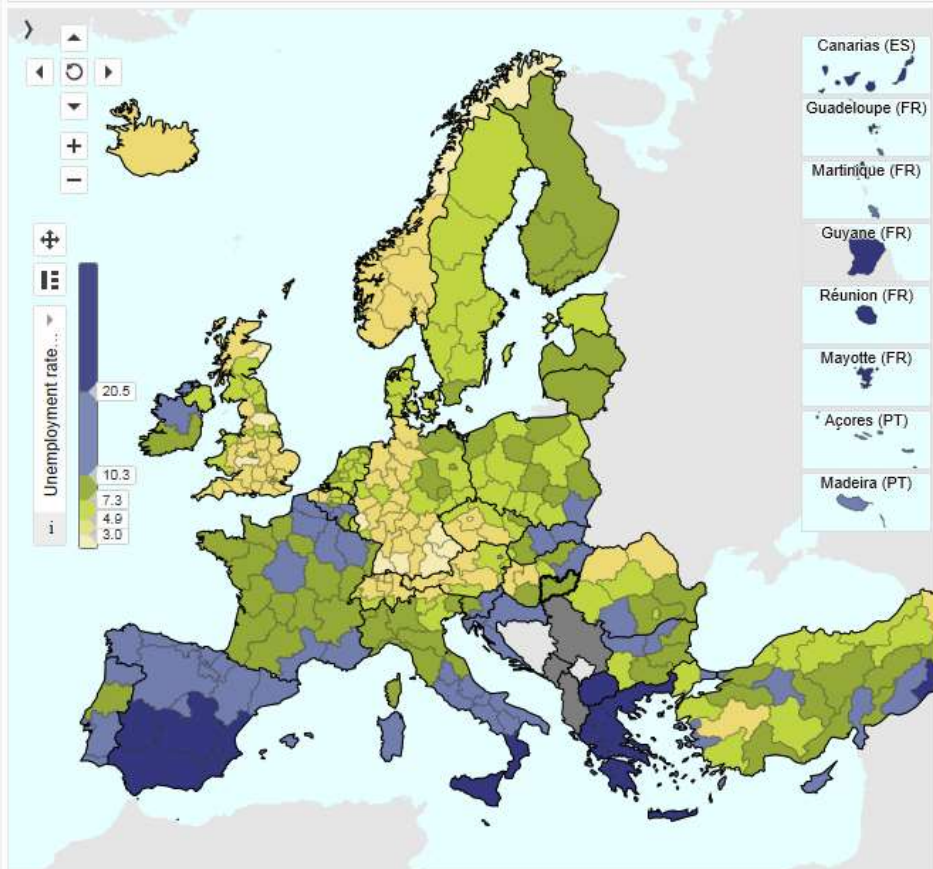
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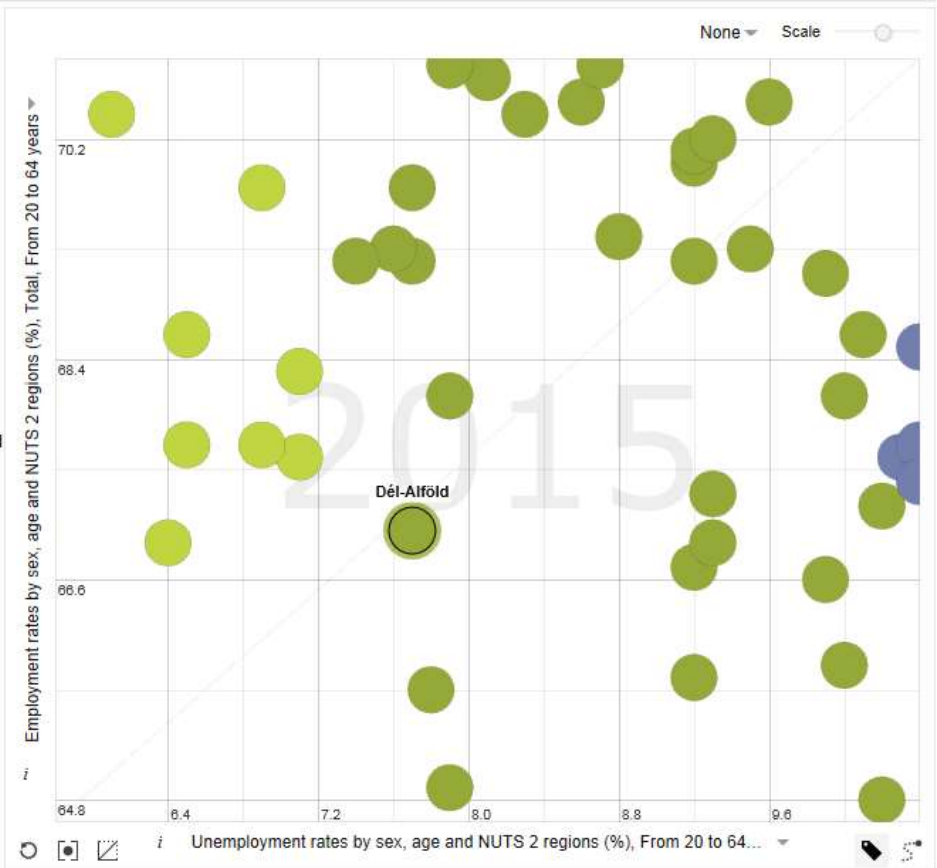
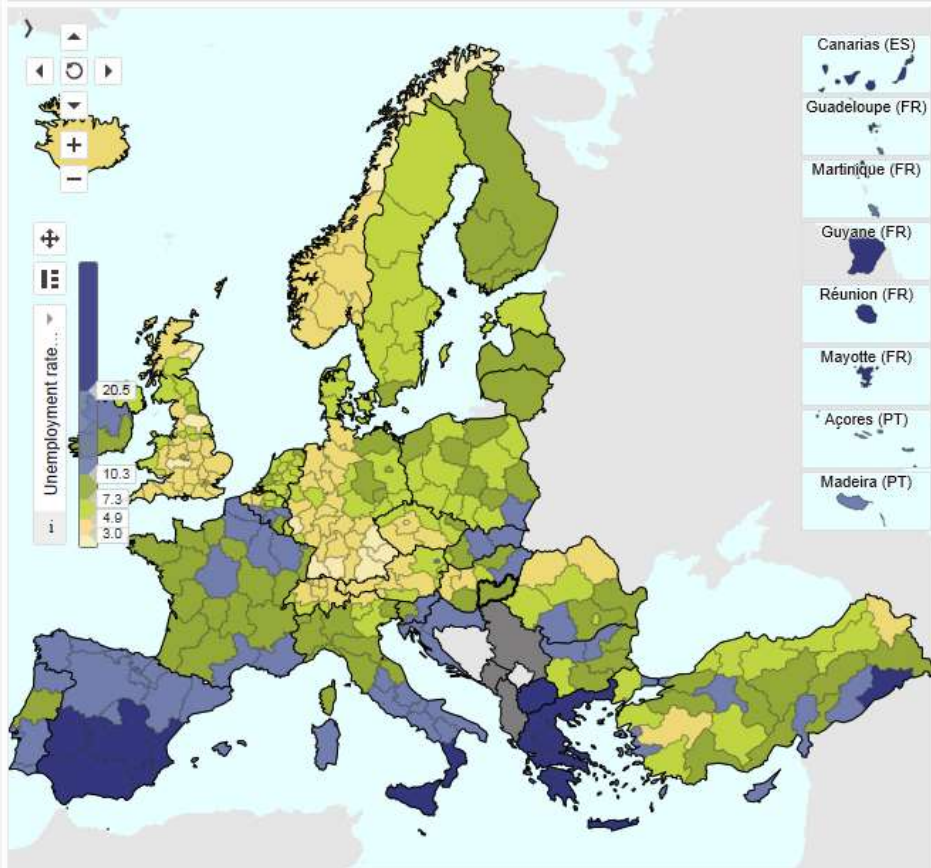
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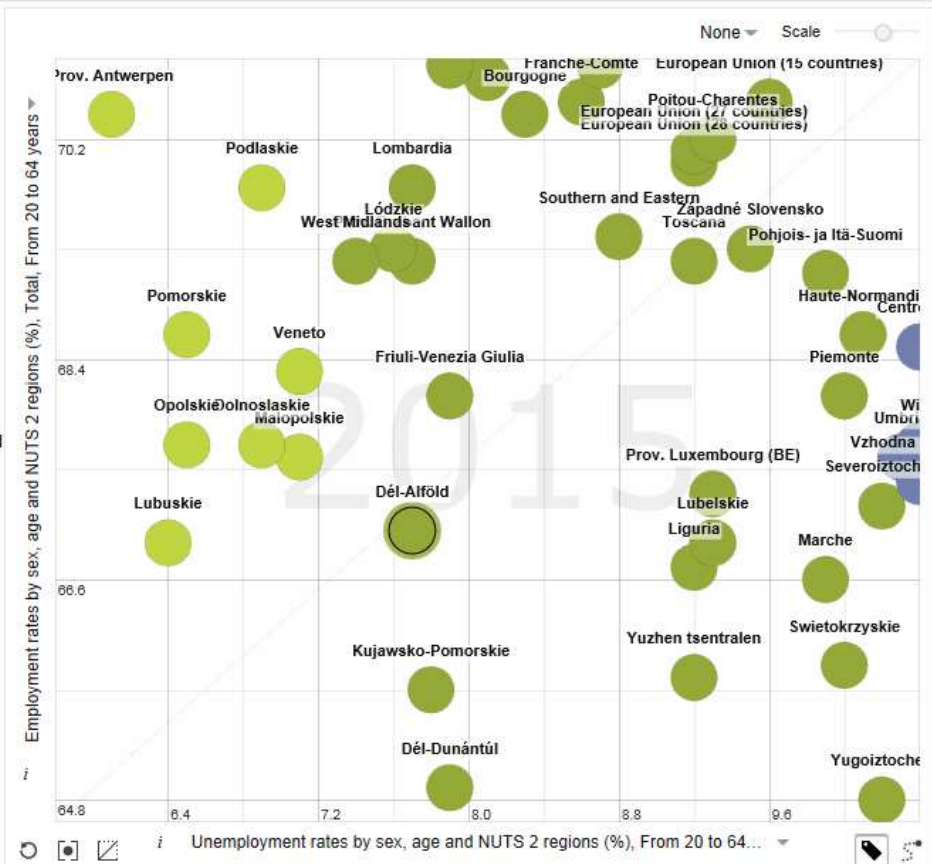
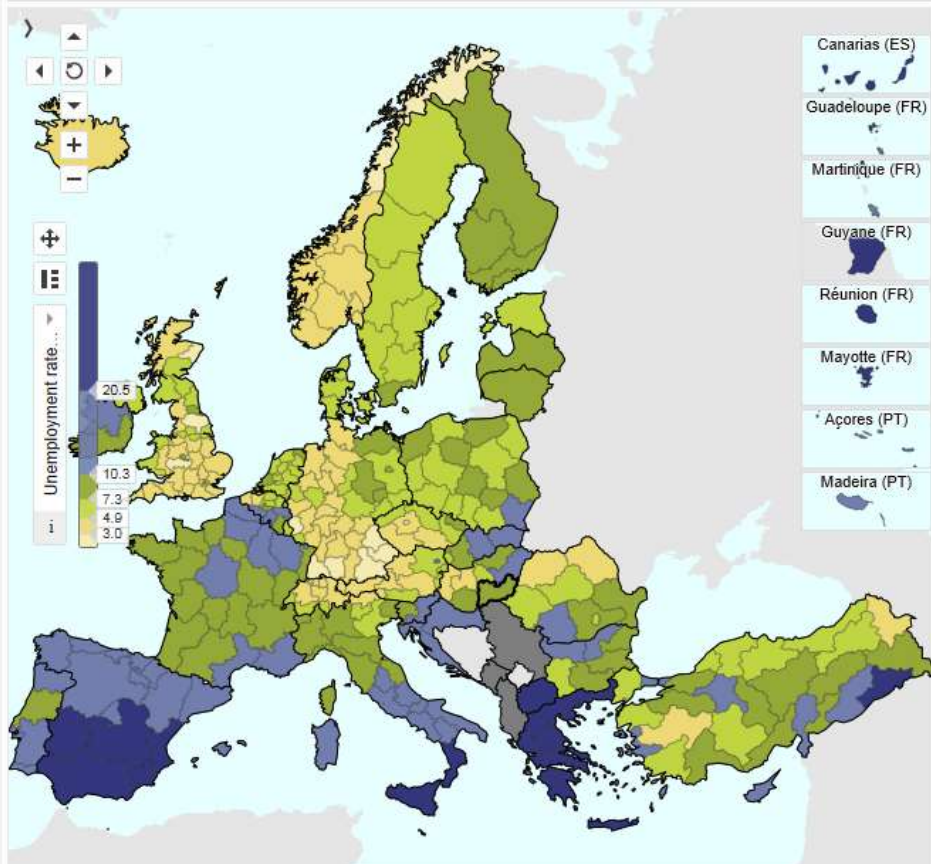
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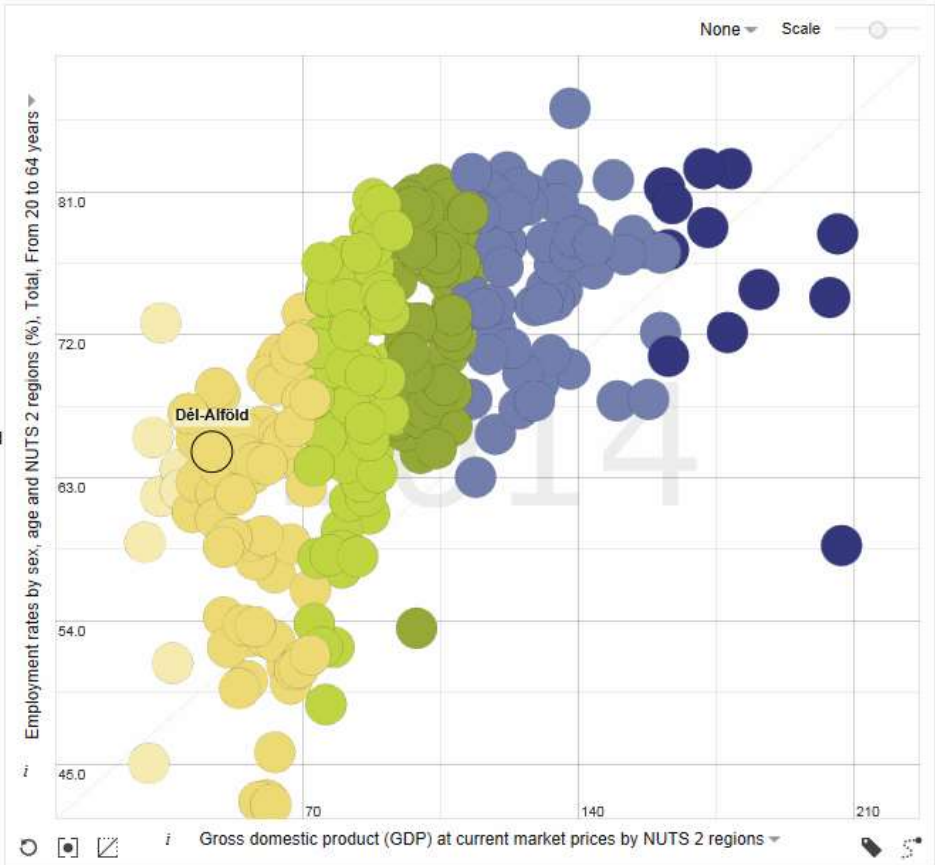
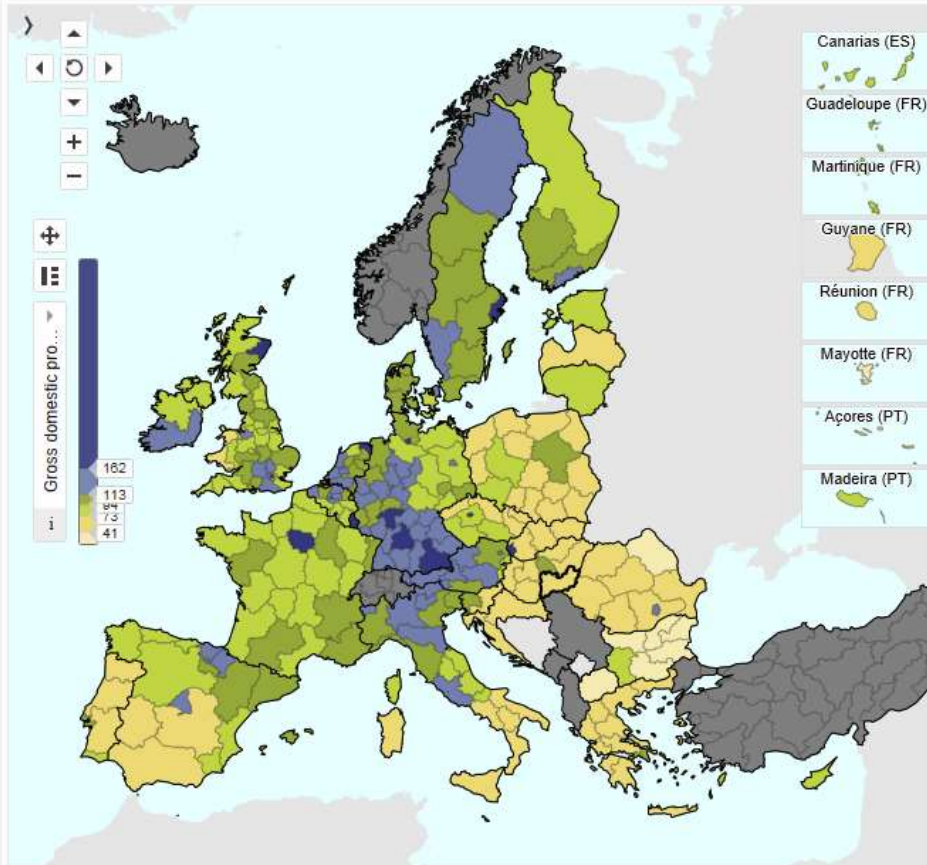
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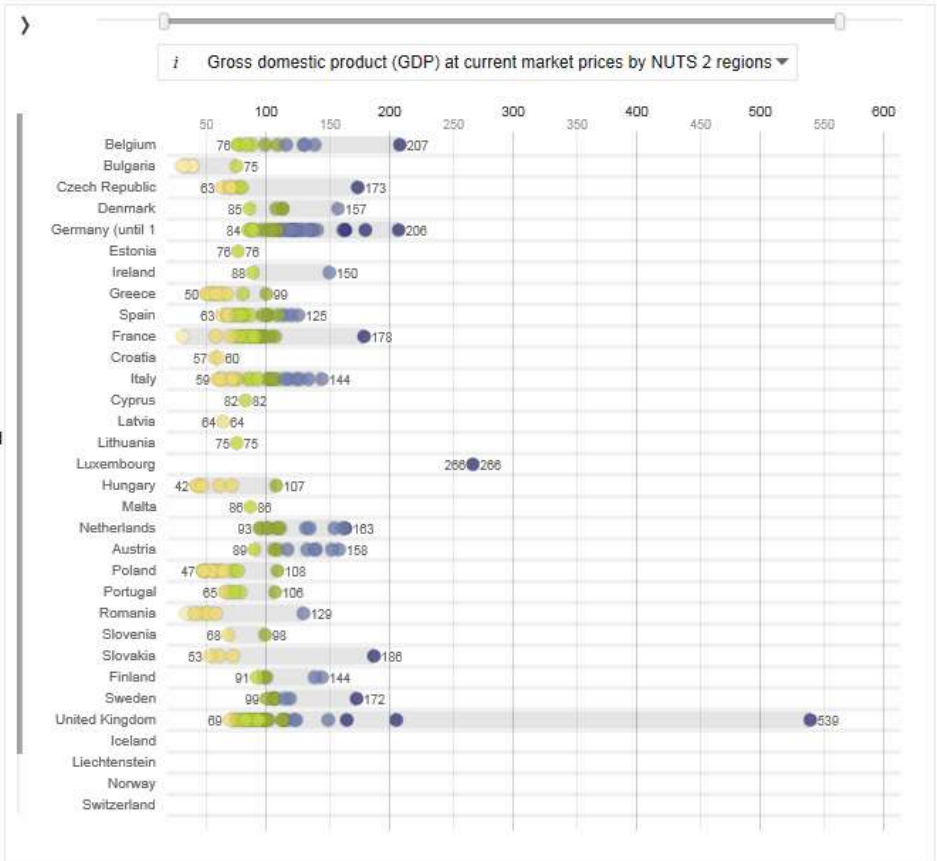
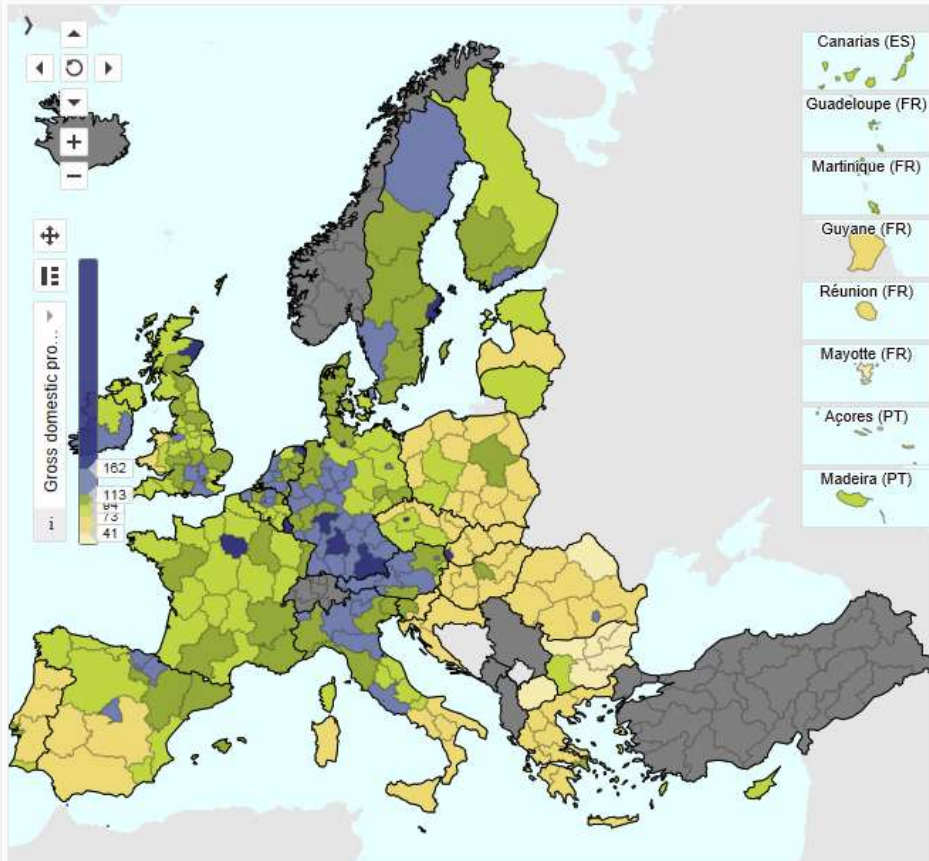
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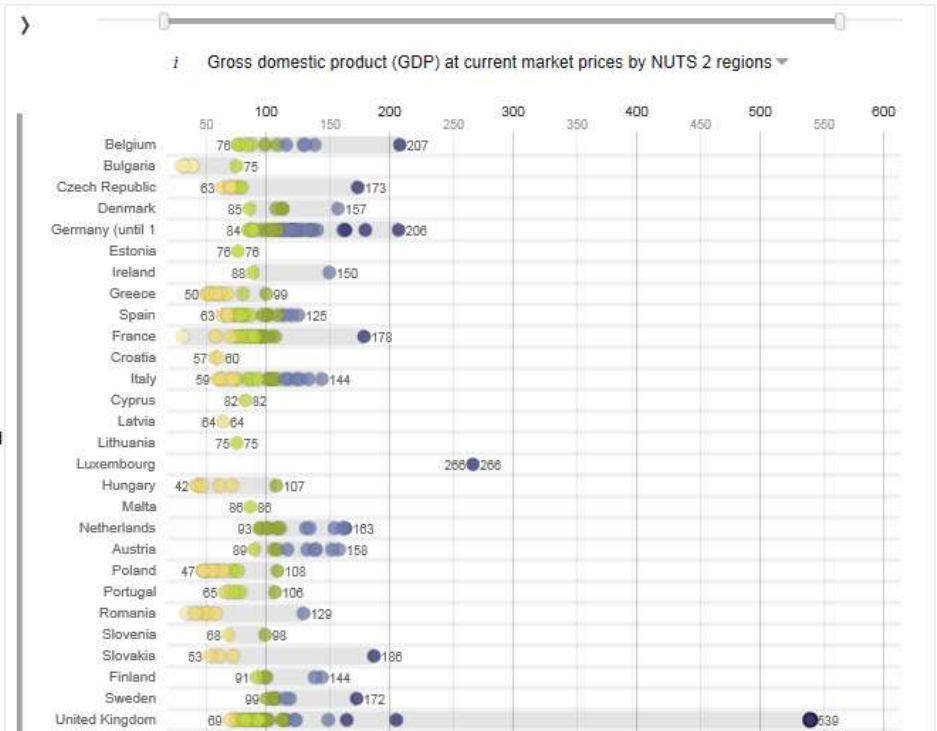
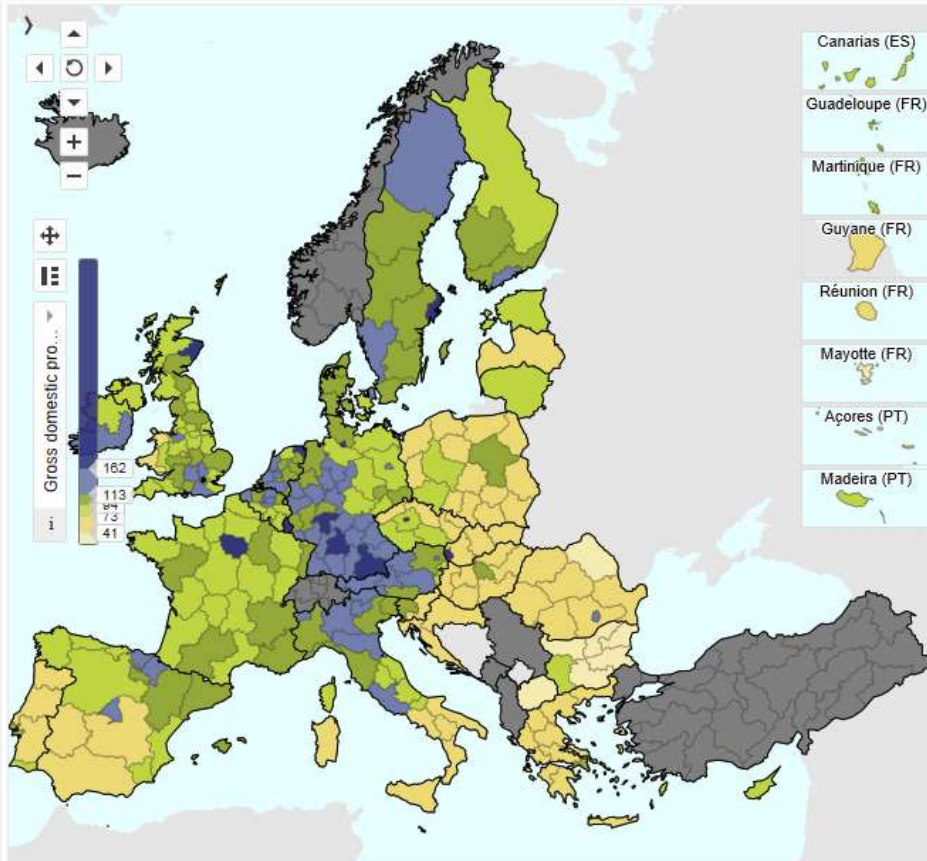
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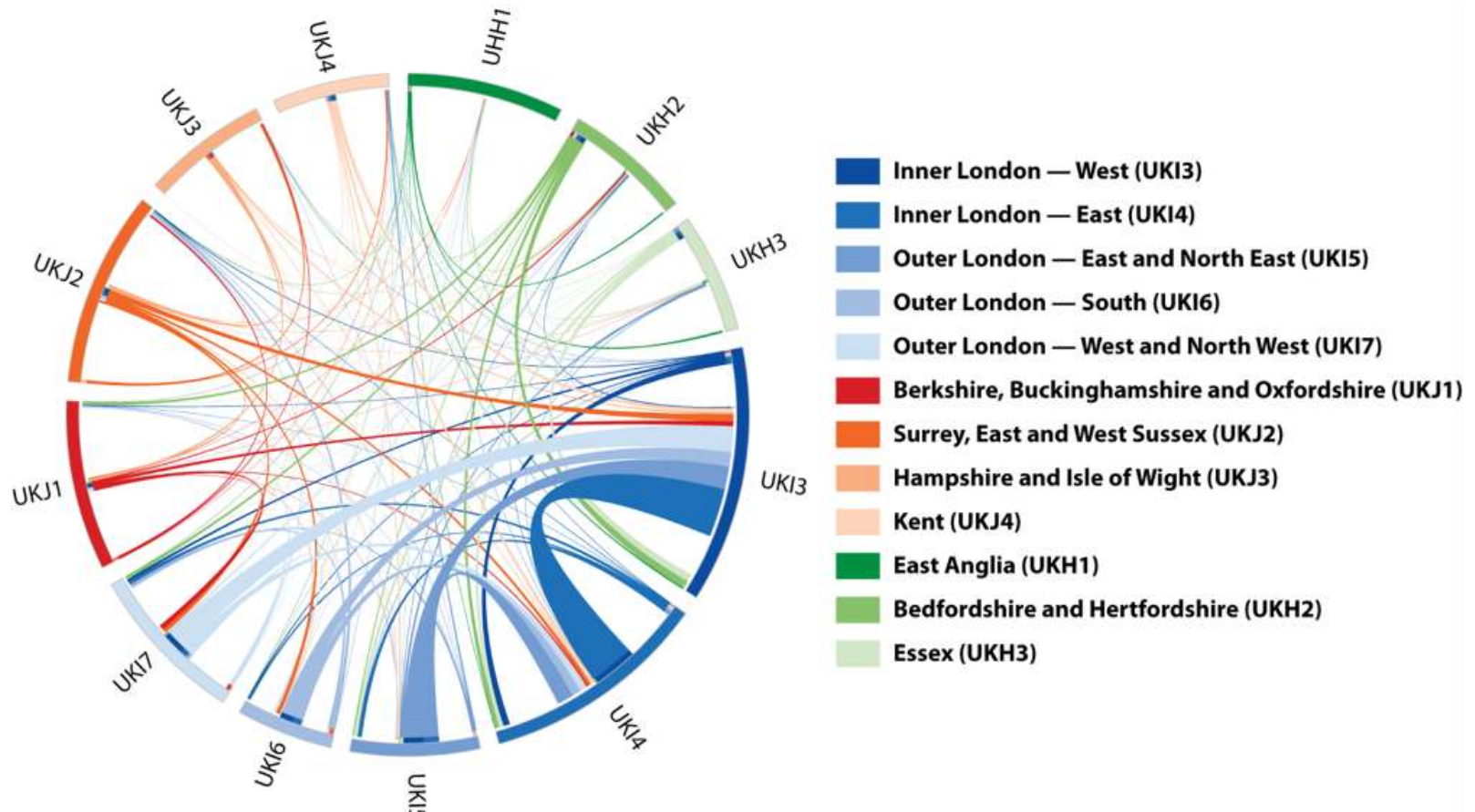
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Inner London - West, United Kingdom
Gross domestic product (GDP) at current market prices by NUTS 2 regions (2014) 539 Purchasing Power Standards per inhabitant in percentage of the EU average

Commuter flows of London



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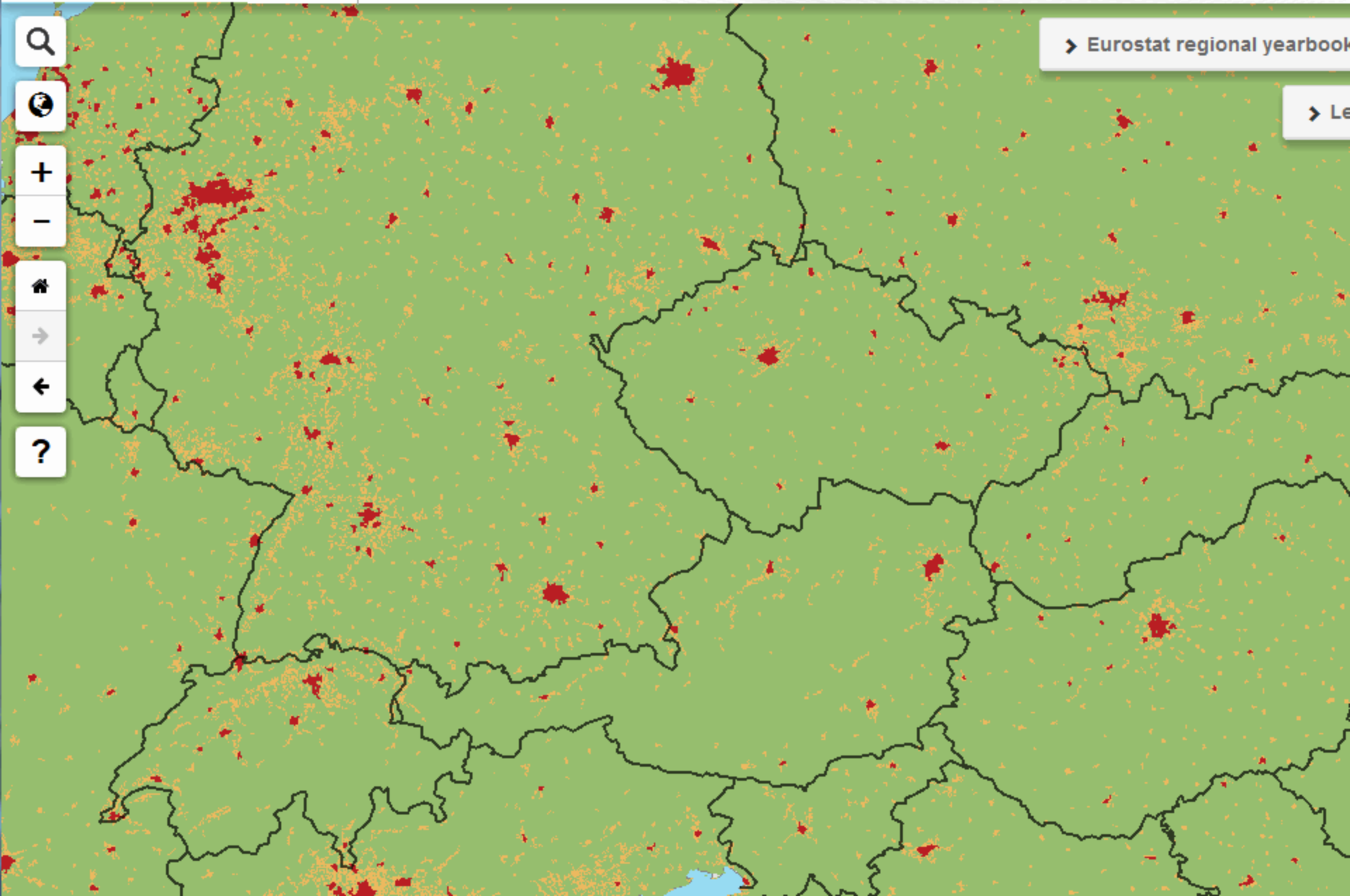
Learning from the ex-post assessments of the past

Location of RD investments in a representative sample of 300 EAGGF projects

Sample population	Ex-objective 5b		ESPON typology			National definition			OECD typology		
	No	Yes	Urban	Medium	Rural	Urban	Medium	Rural	Urban	Medium	Rural
Regions outside Objective 1	55 %	45 %	47 %	29 %	25 %	44 %	7 %	49 %	29 %	38 %	33 %
Objective 1 regions	n/a	n/a	21 %	53 %	26 %	22 %	2 %	76 %	9 %	43 %	48 %

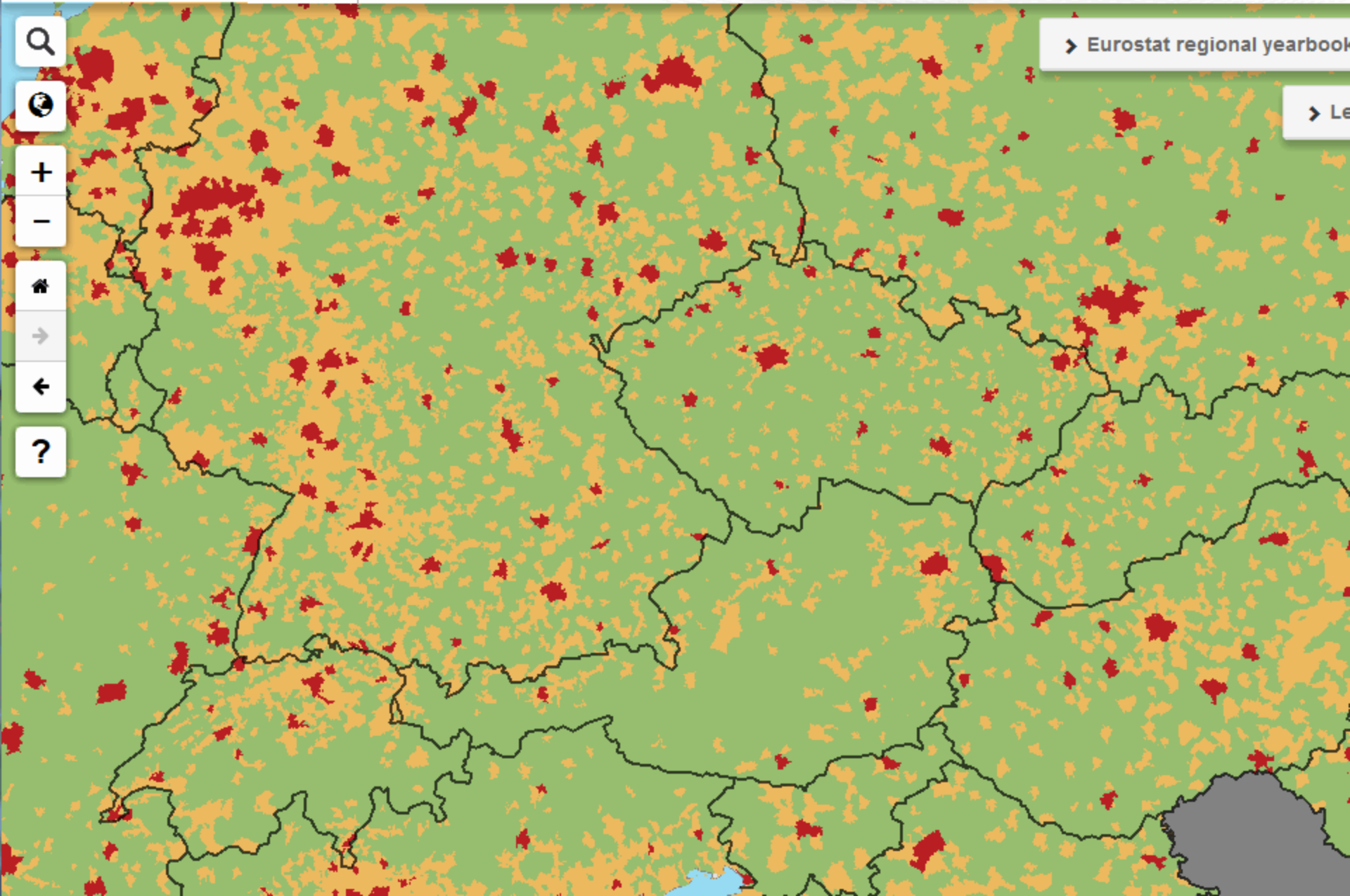


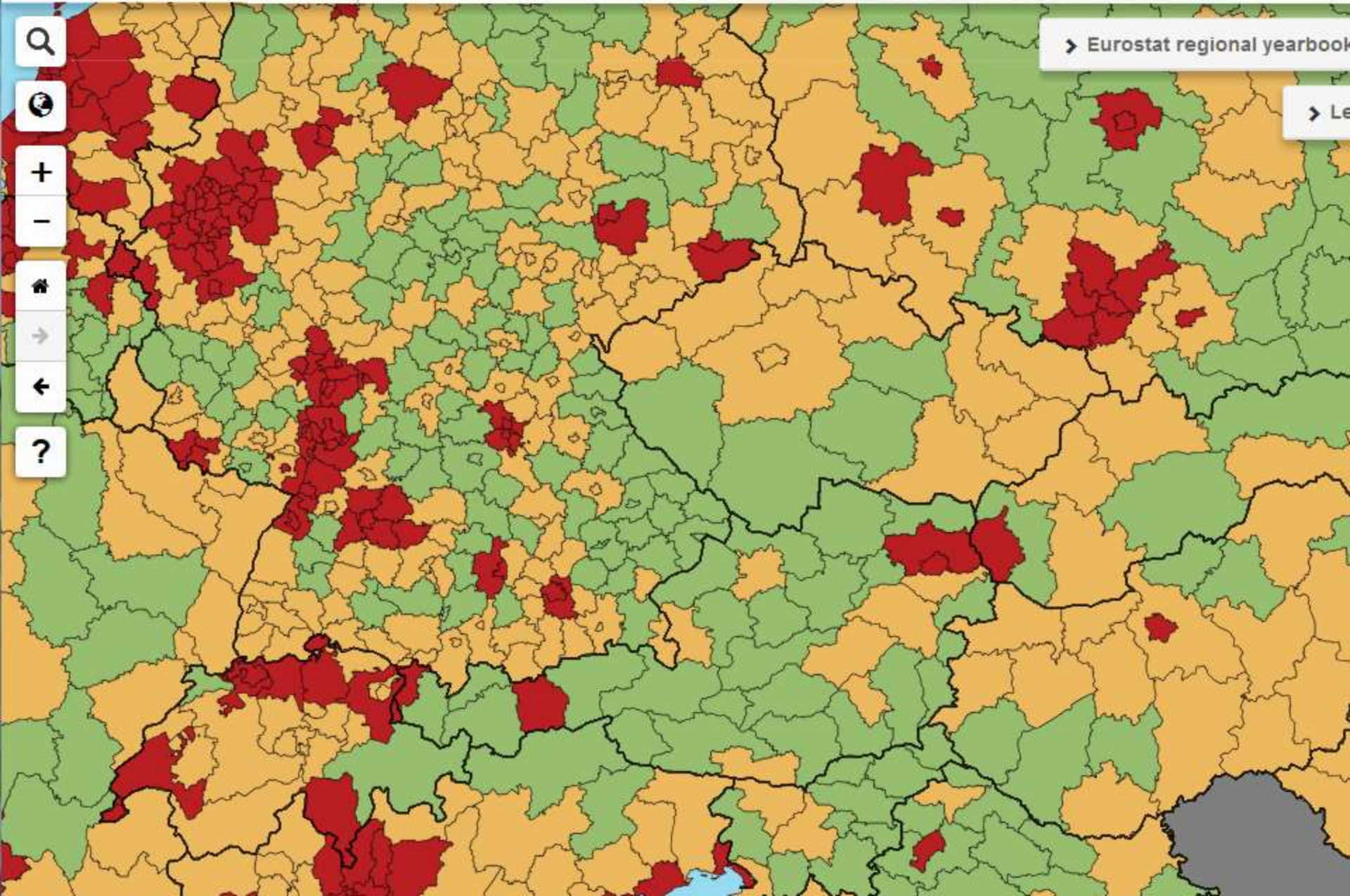
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- > Transport
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 - Type of clusters (population gri **+** **-**)
 - Degree of urbanisation (population grid...
 - Urban-rural typology
 - > NUTS regions, 2013
 - > Cities
 - > Country and city names

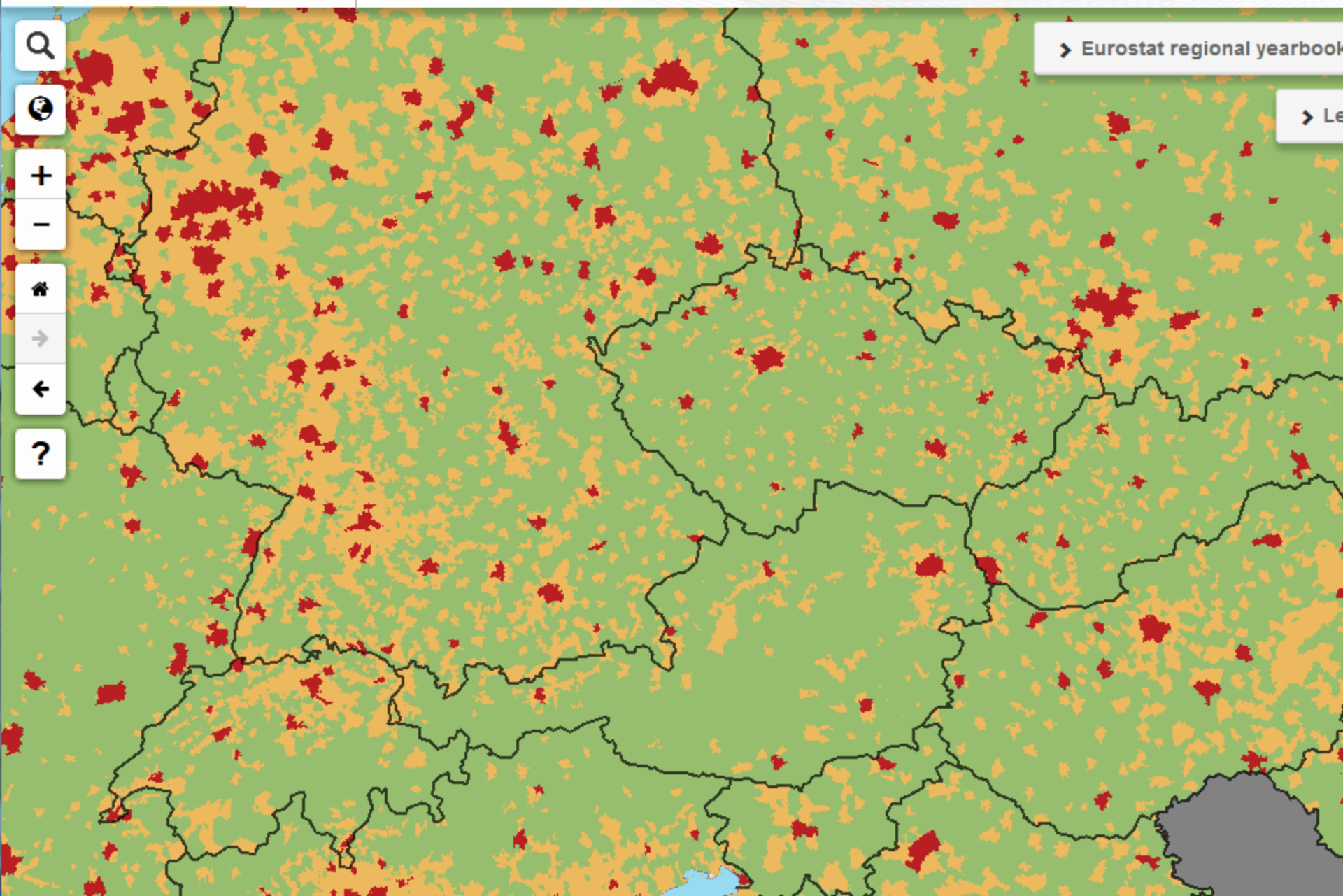


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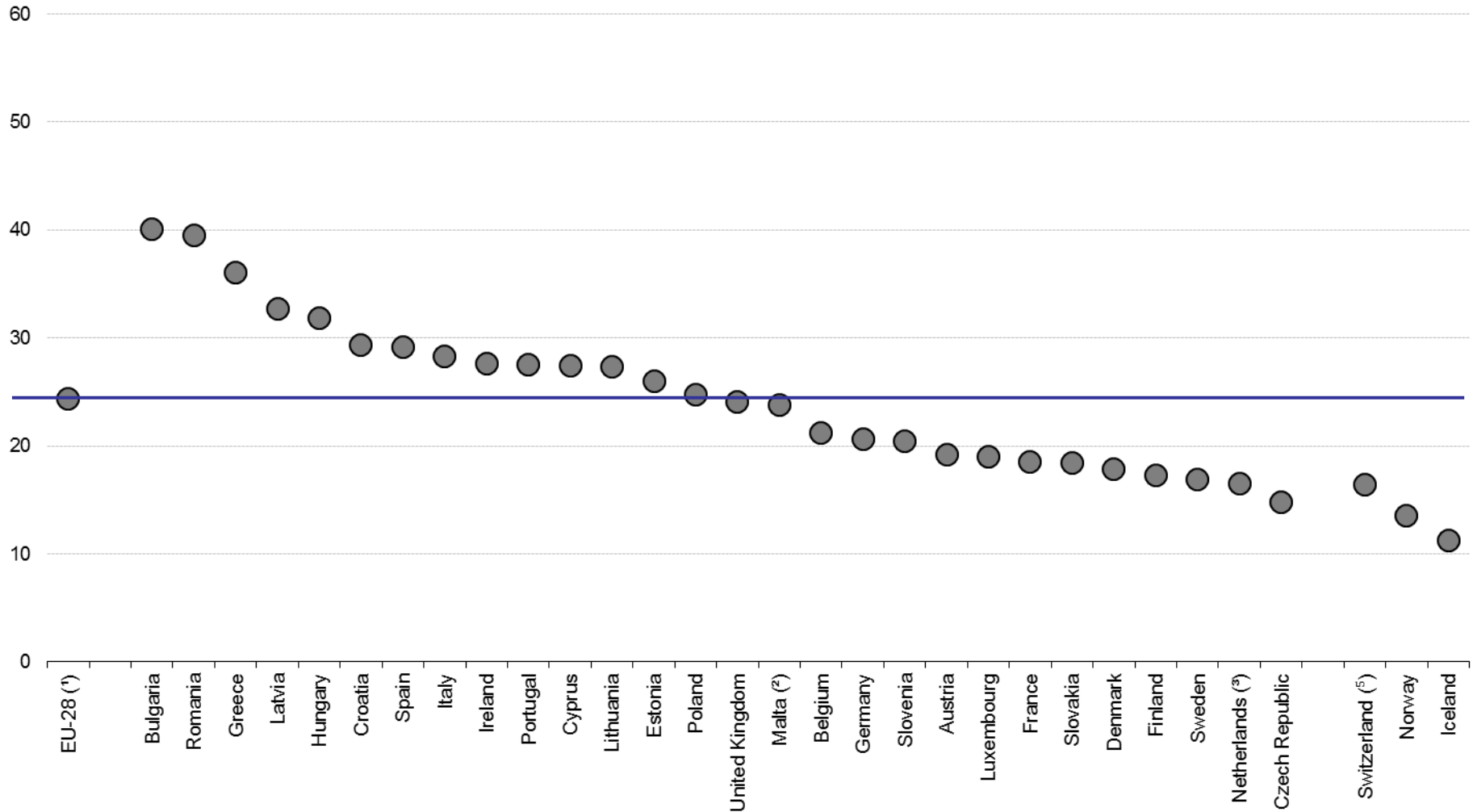






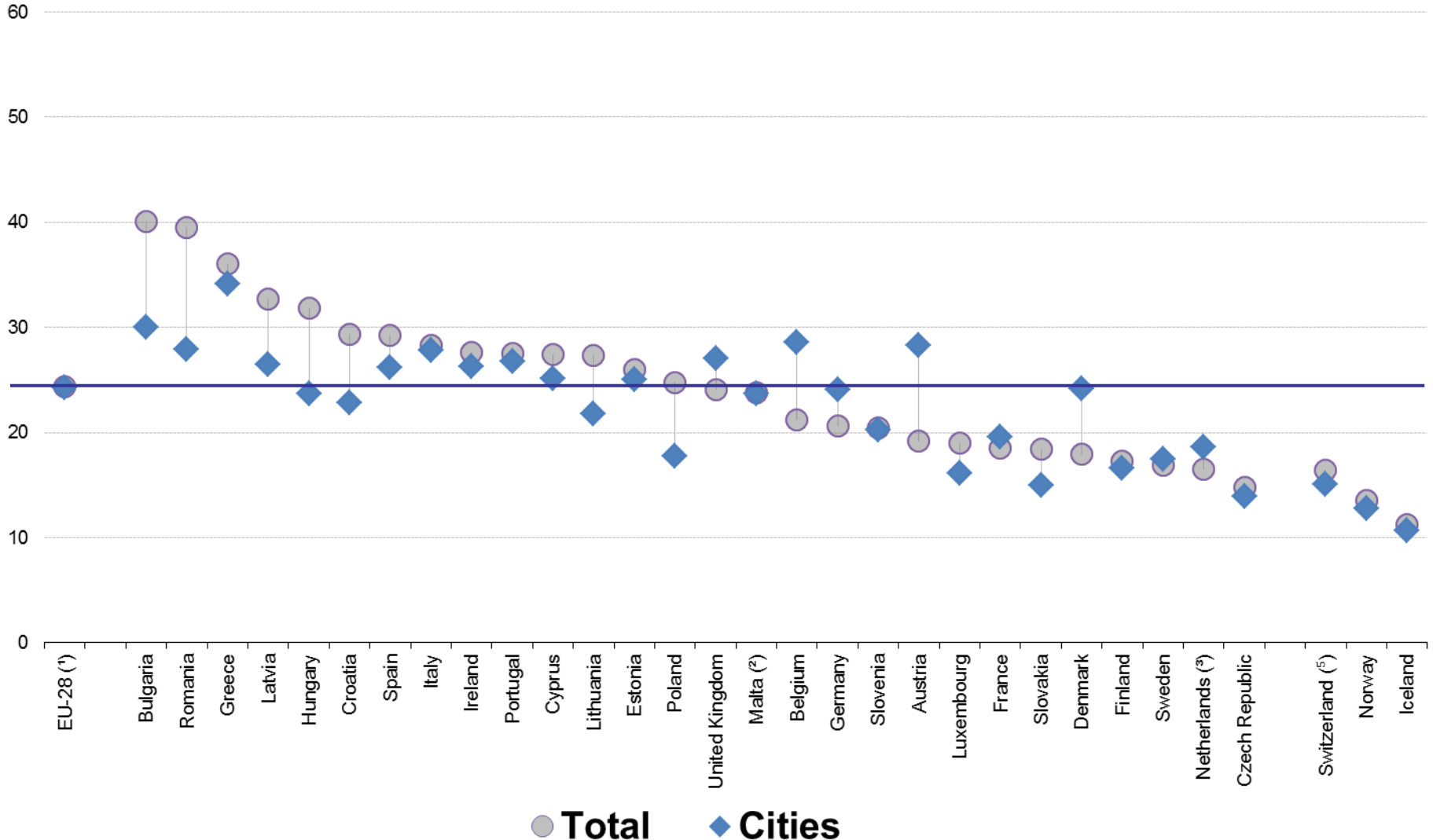
People at risk of poverty or social exclusion

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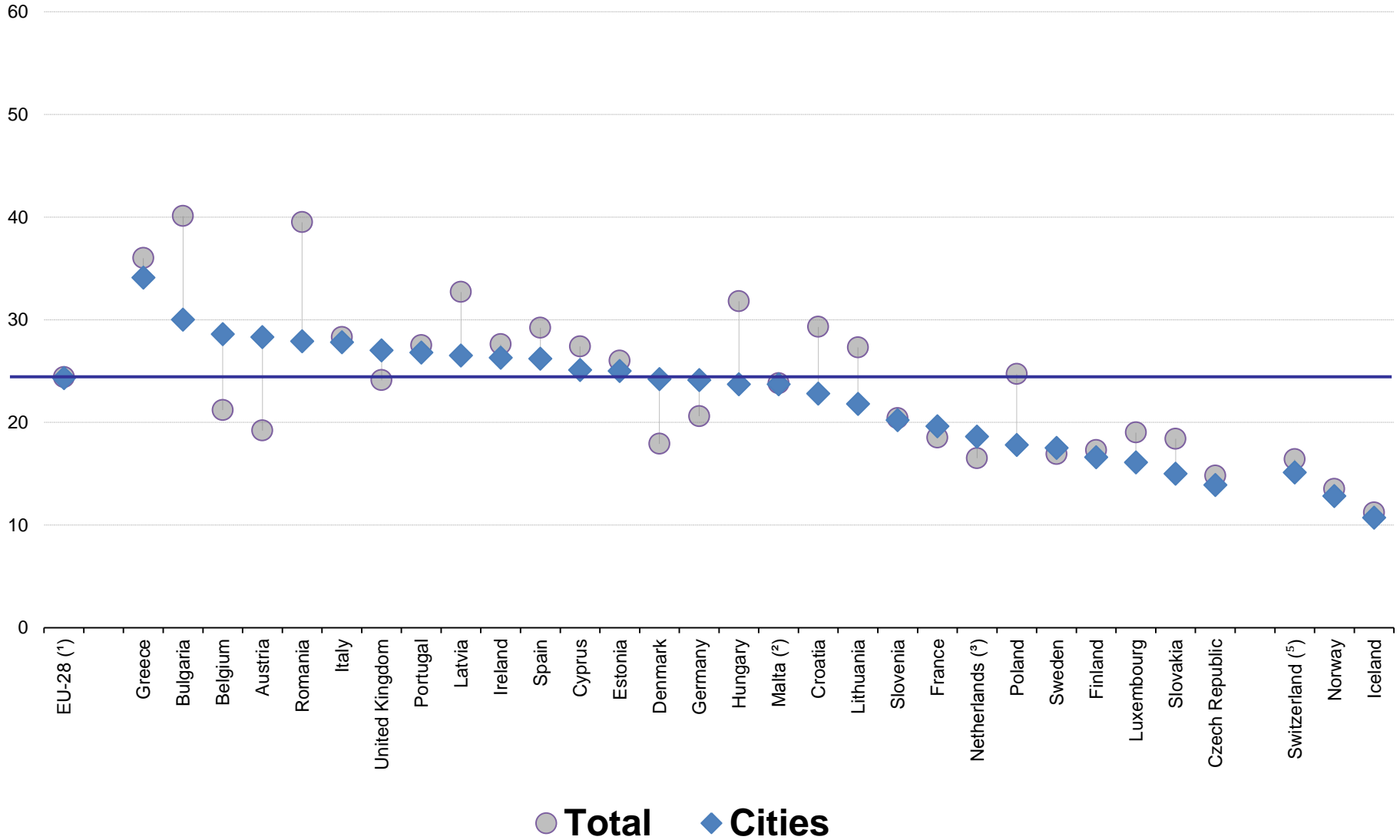
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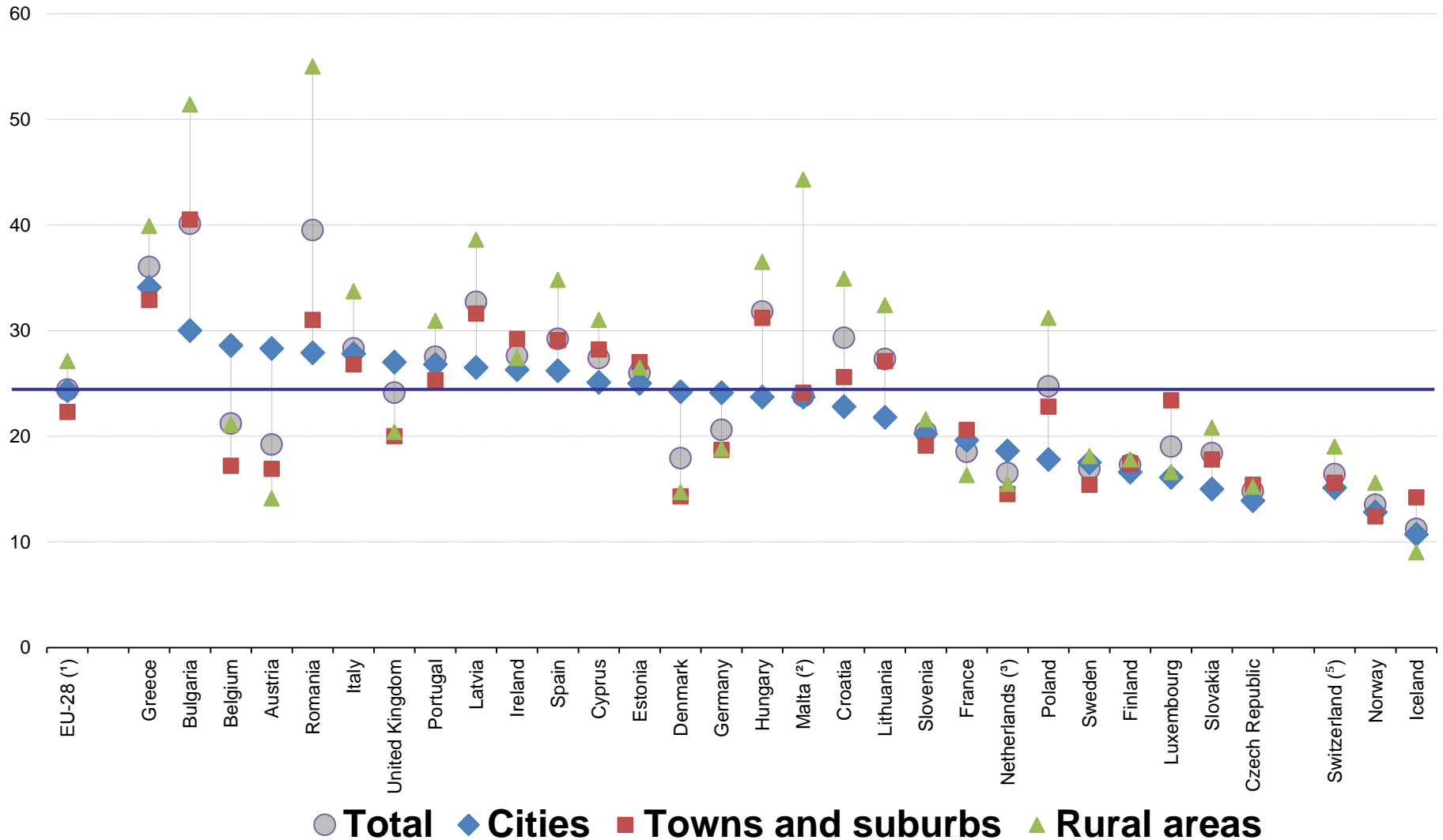
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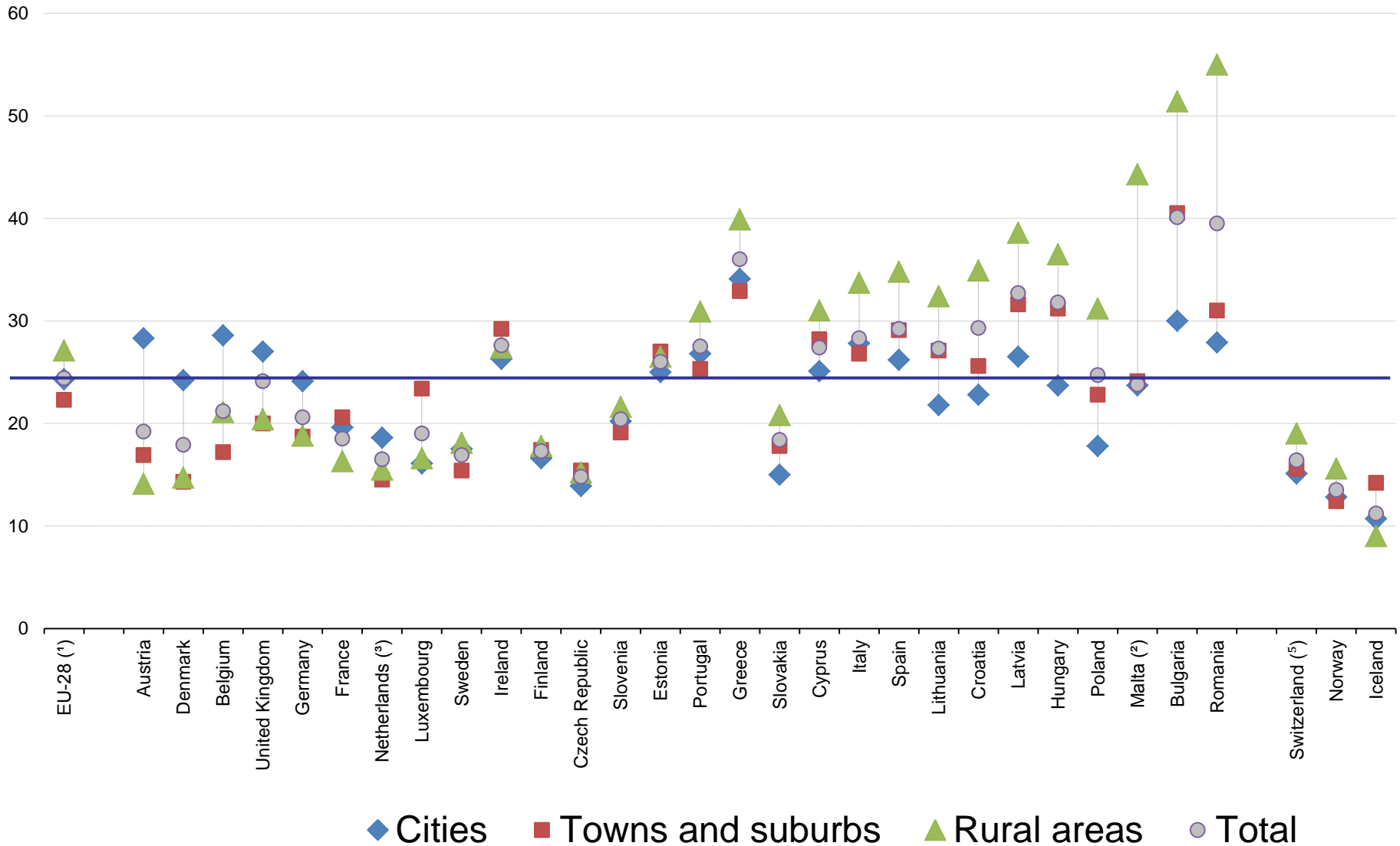
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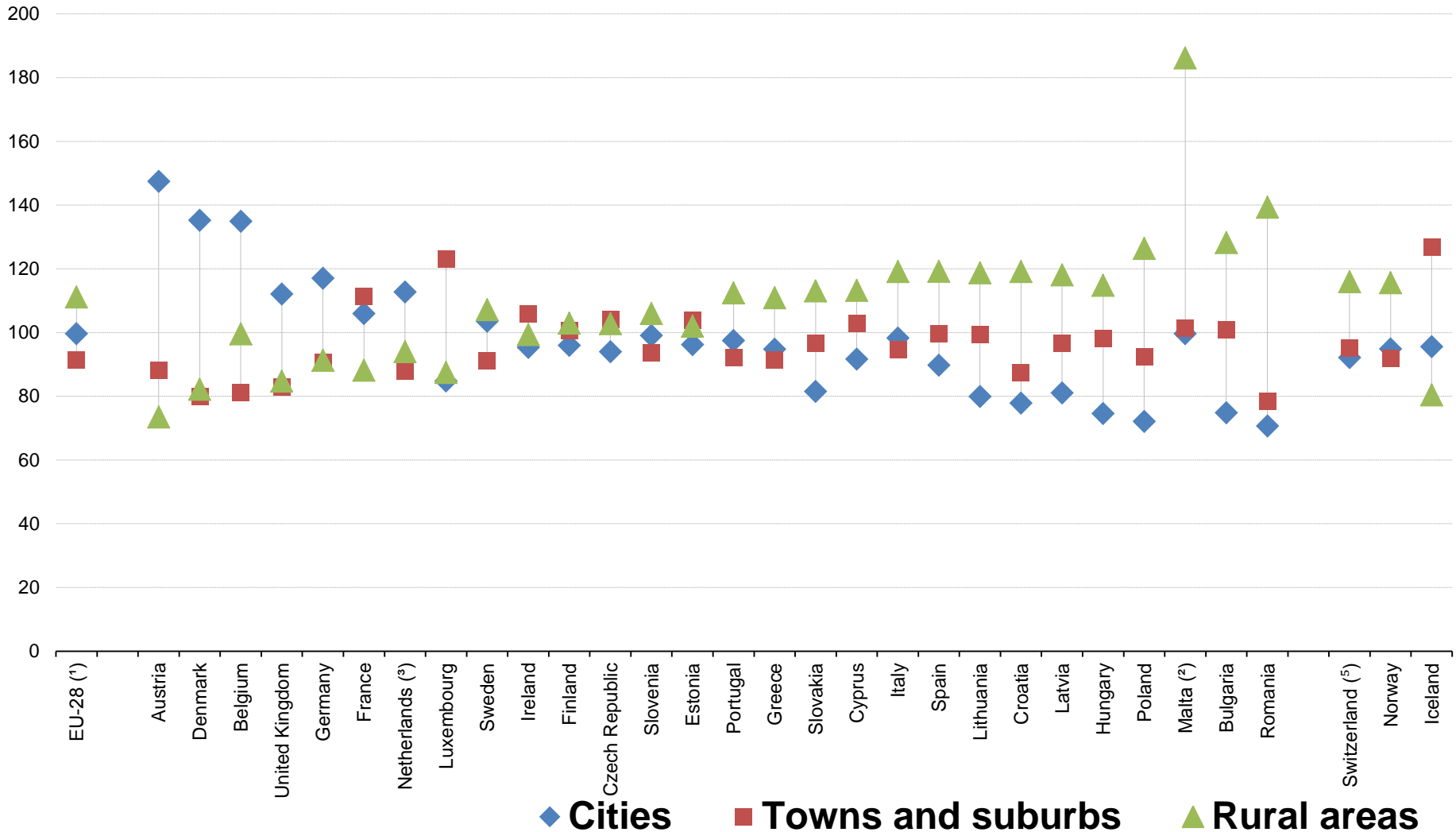
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(Country average = 100 %)



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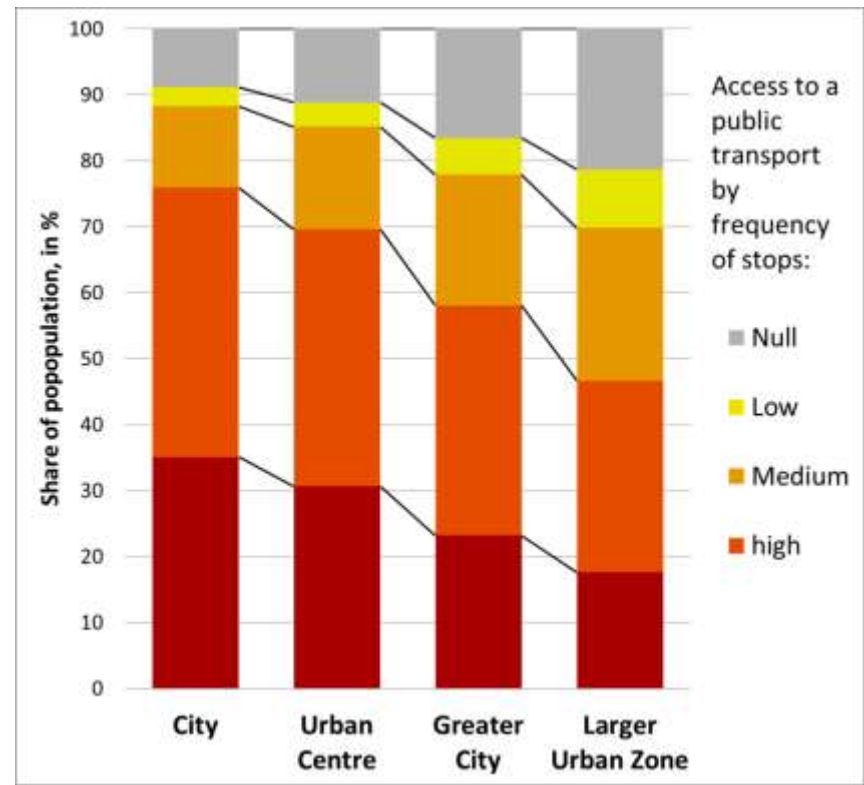
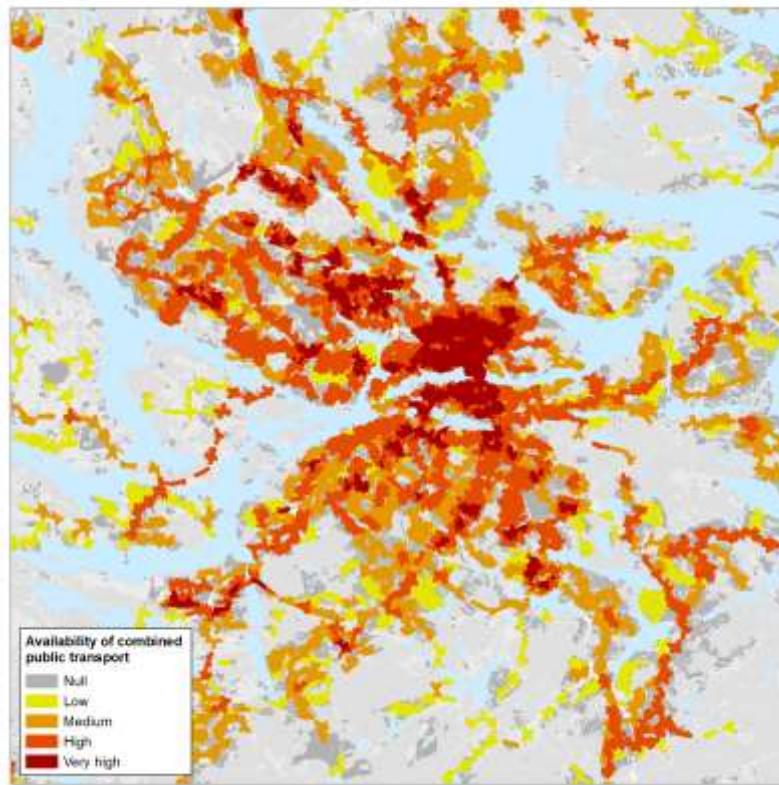
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Goal 11 - Transport target and indicator

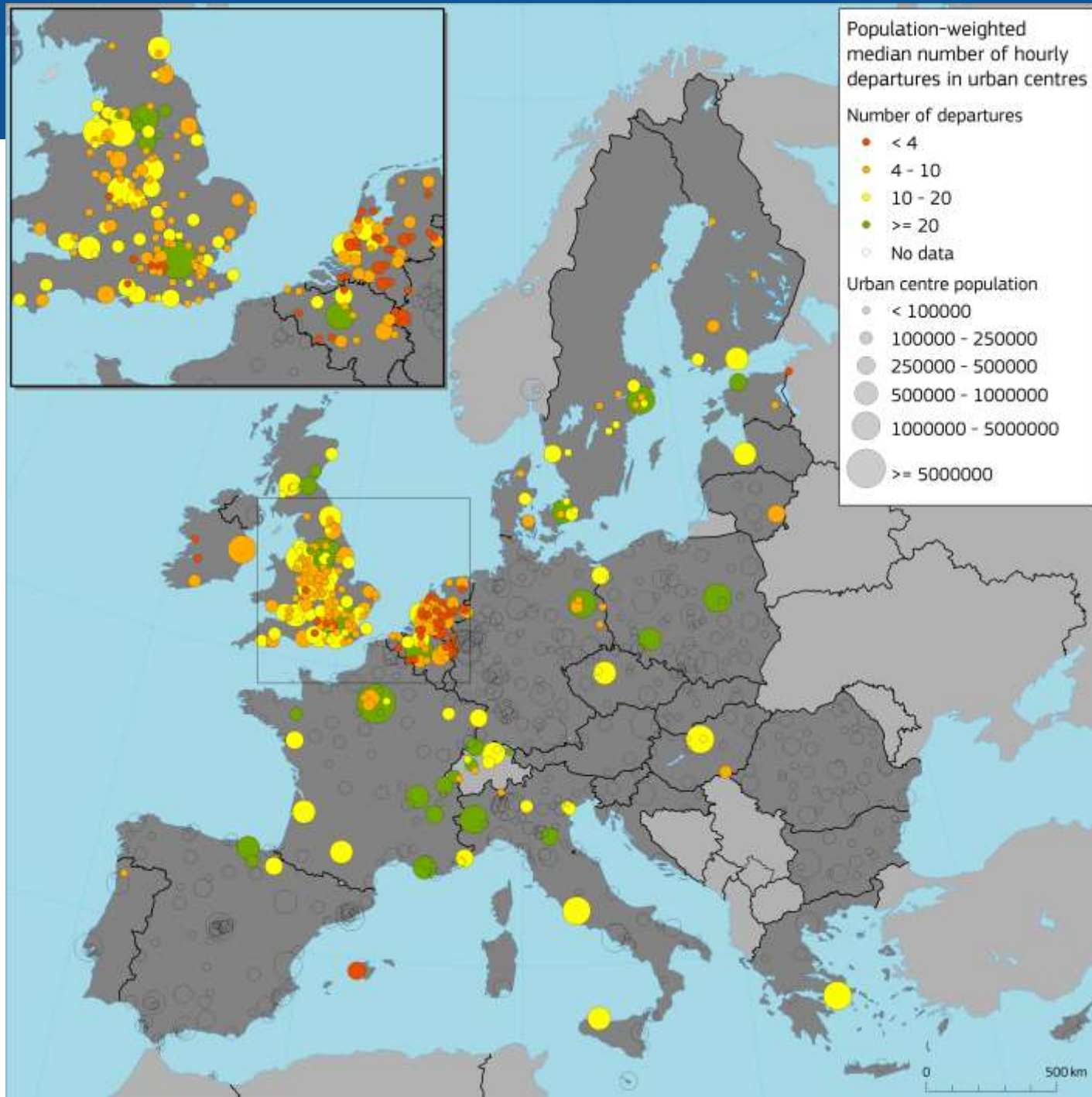
- 11.2 By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving **road safety**, notably by expanding **public transport**, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons
 - **11.2.1. Proportion of the population that has convenient access to public transport, disaggregated by age group, sex and persons with disabilities**

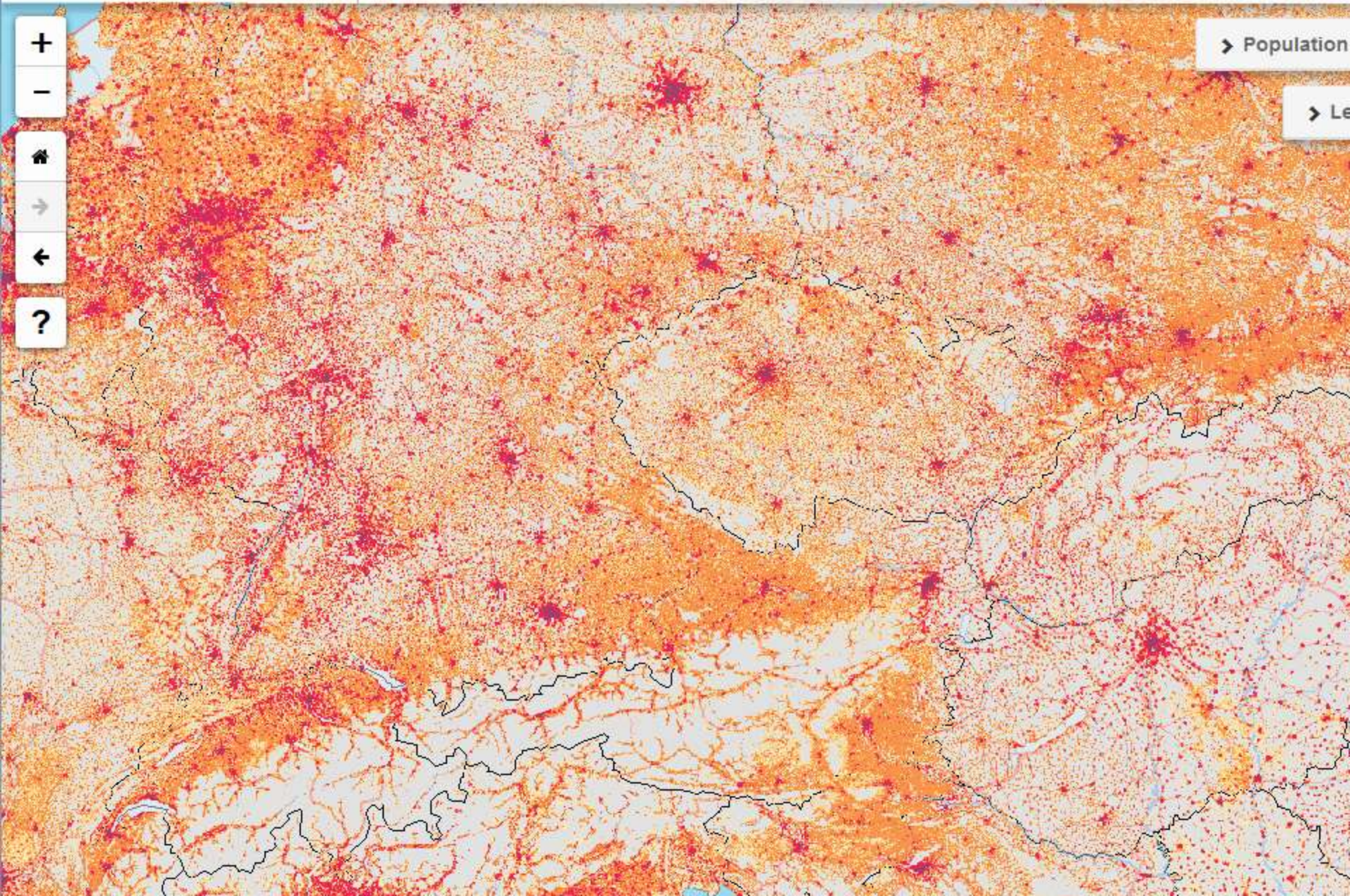
Stockholm: areas and population by access to public transport and its frequency

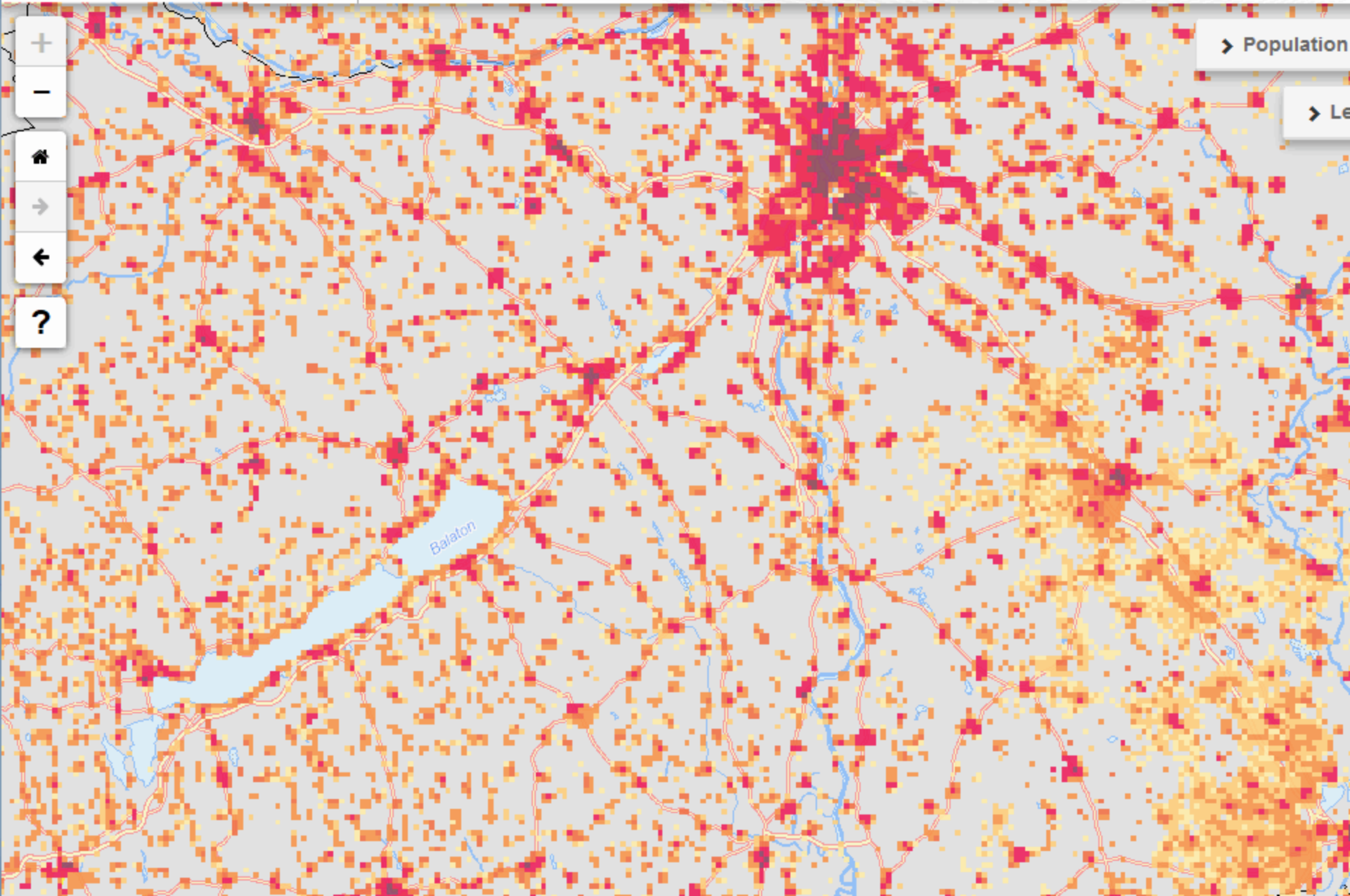


Source: H. Poelman, L. Dijkstra: Measuring access to public transport in European cities, Regional Working Paper 2015

Access to public transport







Population grid

- Population grids from point-based census type microdata will be a unique dataset
- High quality, official statistics not available from other sources
- Harmonised, non-administrative, neutral system for European purposes
- Comparability and time stability ensures manifold use cases

Policy use cases

- Territorial impact assessments of EU policies look into the risk of exposure of certain areas/populations to policy options and the potential impacts (e.g. exposure to pollution)
- Evaluating the exposure to risks and man-made or natural disasters (day- and night-time population)
- Analysis of access to services and infrastructure

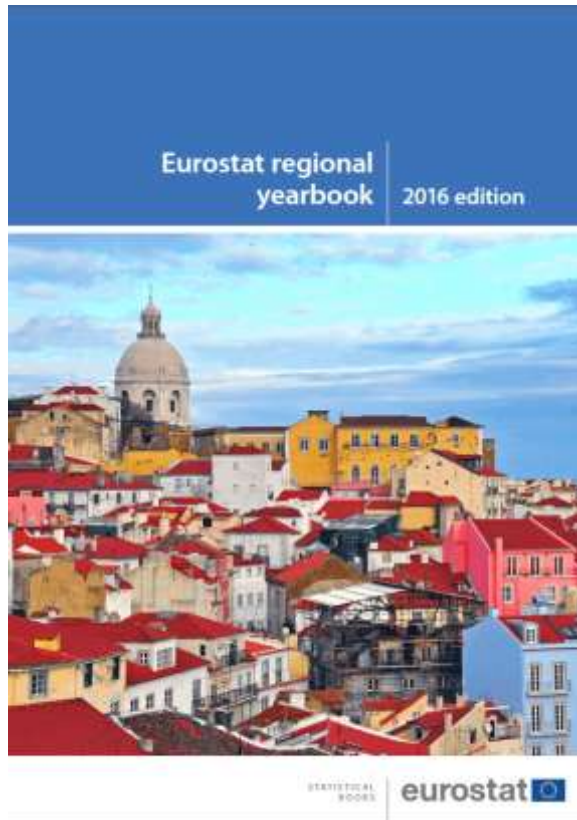
Conclusions - NUTS

- regional statistics based on NUTS are widely used for territorial policies
- serve as the "backbone" of territorial statistics
- shall be safeguarded and further improved

Conclusions – and Beyond

- **Functional geographies**
 - Labour Market areas
- **Legal recognition of typologies**
 - Amendment of NUTS Regulation
- **Integration of statistical and geospatial information**
 - Population grids

For more information



- <http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/regions/overview>
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