nasjonal overvåking av arbeidsmiljø og -helse

Working conditions in Norway and EU - with a special focus on sexual harassment

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# Outline of the presentation

- European Working Condition Survey (EWCS)
- Trends Change over last 20 years
- Key labour marked indicators Important background information
- Adverse social behavior (Violence, bullying and sexual harassment, results from EWCS)
- Adverse social behavior (Results from the Norwegian Survey of living conditons, working environment)
- Physical and psychosocial exposures



### **1. 5th European Working Conditions Survey**

Only European dataset covering wide range of working conditions in a comparable way

developed with support of Eurofound tripartite stakeholders as well as experts in measuring working conditions

5 waves: 1991, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010.

5th EWCS (2010): 34 countries: EU27 + NO (for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time) 43816 interviews (1000-4000 interviews per country)

Surveying employees, self-employed (15+; LFS definition)
 Face-to-face' interviews at peoples' homes (40 minutes)
 Same questionnaire translated in all languages

2010: 25 languages and 16 language variants

### EWCS....

- Covers many different aspects of the conditions of work and employment of European workers (more than 100 questions)
  - Demographics, structure of workforce, job characteristics, household info (incl work at home)
  - Working time : duration, organisation
  - Physical and psychosocial work factors
  - Nature of work / place of work / work organisation
  - Job content and training
  - Work-life balance
  - Information and consultation
  - Outcomes : health, job satisfaction
  - Earnings

• Gender mainstreaming : central in reflection on questionnaire



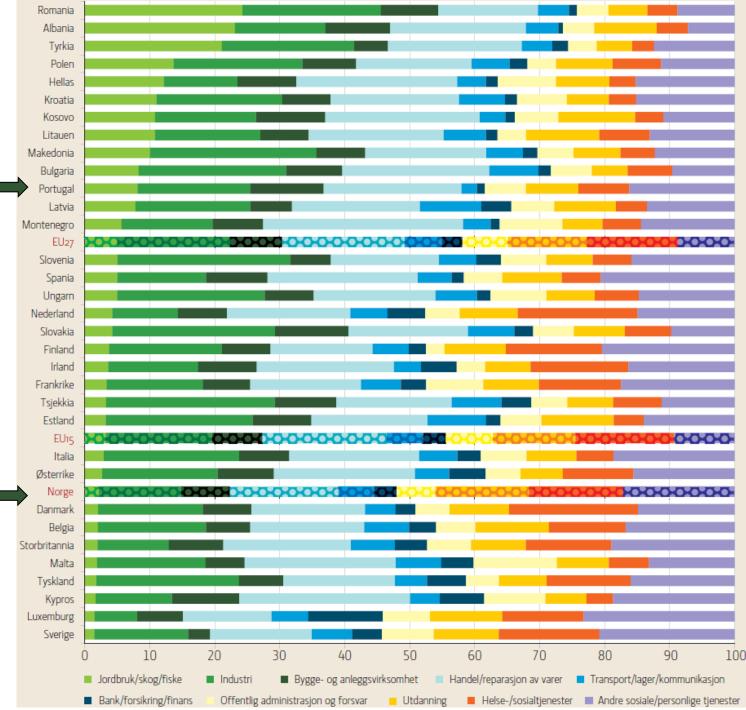
# 2. Change over the last 20 years

- Globalisation
- Structure of employment
  - More in services, less in industry
  - A wide variety of employment contracts (& blurring division between selfemployed and employees)
- A more diverse workforce
  - More women on the labour market -> but gender segregation remains
  - Ageing workforce
- (National) policies aiming at modernising working life aimed at social progress and /or developing competitiveness



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RATE (15 – 64 YRS)	Belgium	62.0	67.4	56.5	8.3	8.1	8.5	24.0	9.0	42.3	8.1	6.8	9.6
	Bulgaria	59.7	63.0	56.4	10.2	10.9	9.5	2.4	2.2	2.6	4.5	5.0	4.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (15 – 64 YRS)	Czech Republic	65.0	73.5	56.3	7.3	6.4	8.5	5.9	2.9	9.9	8.9	7.5	10.6
	Denmark	73.4	75.8	71.1	7.4	8.2	6.6	26.5	15.2	39.0	8.6	8.3	8.8
	Germany	71.1	76.0	66.1	7.1	7.5	6.6	26.2	9.7	45.5	14.7	14.5	14.9
	Estonia	61.0	61.5	60.6	16.9	19.5	14.3	11.0	7.1	14.5	3.7	4.7	2.8
	Ireland	60.0	63.9	56.0	13.7	16.9	9.7	22.4	11.8	34.7	9.3	8.6	10.0
% WORKING PART-TIME	Greece	59.6	70.9	48.1	12.6	9.9	16.2	6.4	3.7	10.4	12.4	10.9	14.4
	Spain	58.6	64.7	52.3	20.1	19.7	20.5	13.3	5.4	23.2	24.9	23.9	26.1
	France	64.0	68.3	59.9	9.7	9.4	10.2	17.8	6.7	30.0	15.1	14.2	16.0
	Italy	56.9	67.7	46.1	8.4	7.6	9.7	15.0	5.5	29.0	12.8	11.4	14.5
% TEMPORARY CONTRACTS	Cyprus	69.7	76.6	63.0	6.5	6.4	6.7	9.3	6.5	12.7	13.5	7.0	20.5
	Latvia	59.3	59.2	59.4	18.7	21.7	15.7	9.7	7.8	11.4	6.8	8.9	5.0
	Lithuania	57.8	56.8	58.7	17.8	21.2	14.5	8.1	6.7	9.3	2.4	3.3	1.7
	Luxembourg	65.2	73.1	57.2	4.5	4.0	5.3	17.9	4.0	36.0	7.1	6.2	8.3
	Hungary	55.4	60.4	50.6	11.2	11.6	10.7	5.8	3.9	8.0	9.7	10.1	9.2
	Malta	56.0	72.3	39.2	6.8	6.6	7.2	12.4	5.9	24.9	5.7	4.7	7.3
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	Slovenia	66.2	69.6	62.6	7.3	7.5	7.1	11.4	8.6	14.7	17.3	15.4	19.3
	Slovakia	58.8	65.2	52.3	14.4	14.2	14.6	3.9	2.8	5.4	5.8	5.6	5.9
Key labour	Finland	68.1	69.4	66.9	8.4	9.1	7.6	14.6	10.0	19.6	15.5	12.4	18.4
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indicators in	Croatia	54.1	59.5	48.8	11.8	11.5	12.3	9.7	7.3	12.5	12.3	12.1	12.6
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	Turkey	46.3	66.7	26.2	10.7	10.4	11.4	11.7	6.9	23.8	11.5	11.1	12.5
$\rightarrow$	Norway	75.3	77.3	73.3	3.5	4.0	3.0	28.4	15.4	42.9	8.4	7.0	9.8
r i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	Albania <sup>b</sup>	42.3	51.0	33.5	13.5	11.2	16.7	а	а	а	а	а	а
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	Montenegro <sup>d</sup>	47.6	54.3	41.0	19.7	18.9	20.7	5.0	5.3		Kildte8.Eu		20108.2
$\rightarrow$	EU27	64.2	70.1	58.2	9.6	9.7	9.6	19.2	8.7		14.0		

#### Distribution of employment, by country and sector



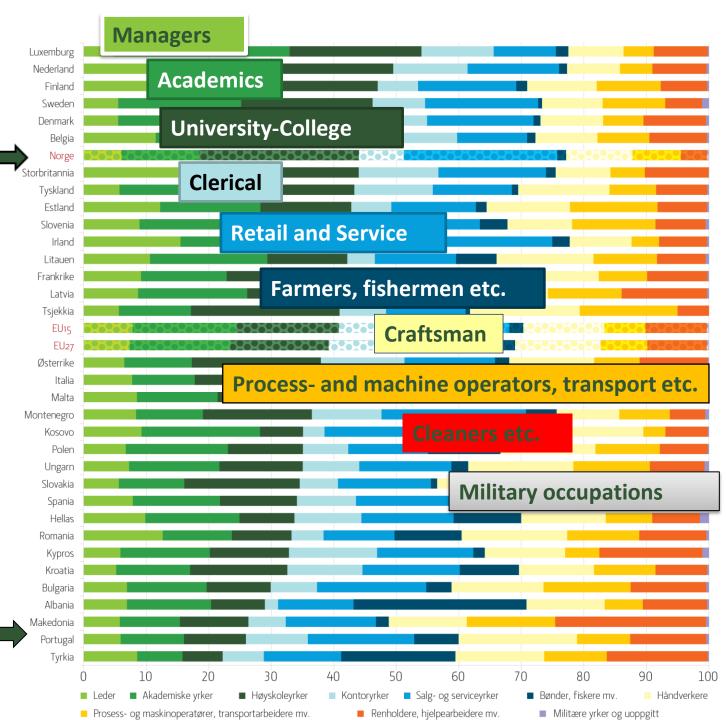
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#### Distribution of employment by country and occupation

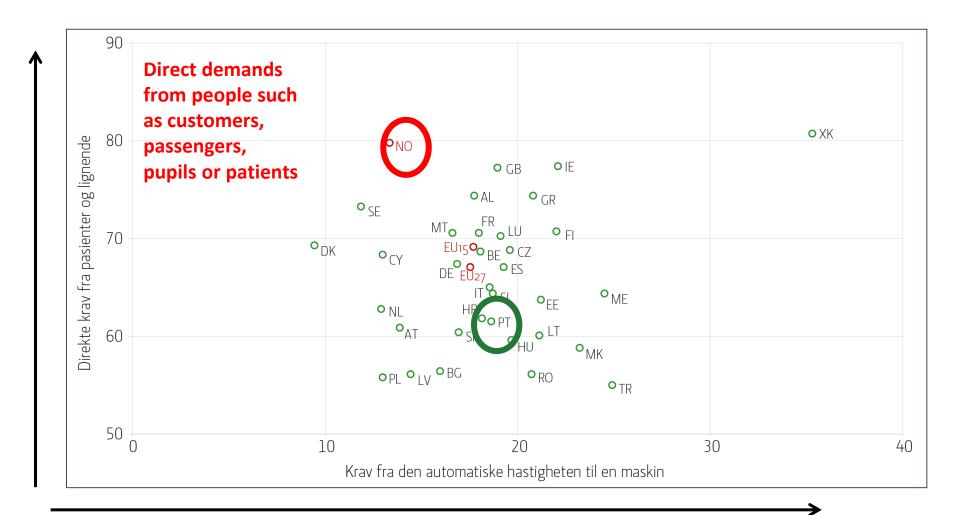
The figure is sorted after porportion of employees employed as managers, professionals, technicians and assosiate professionals

The labour market in 2010 remains highly segregated. Men and women continue to work not

only in different sectors but also in different occupations

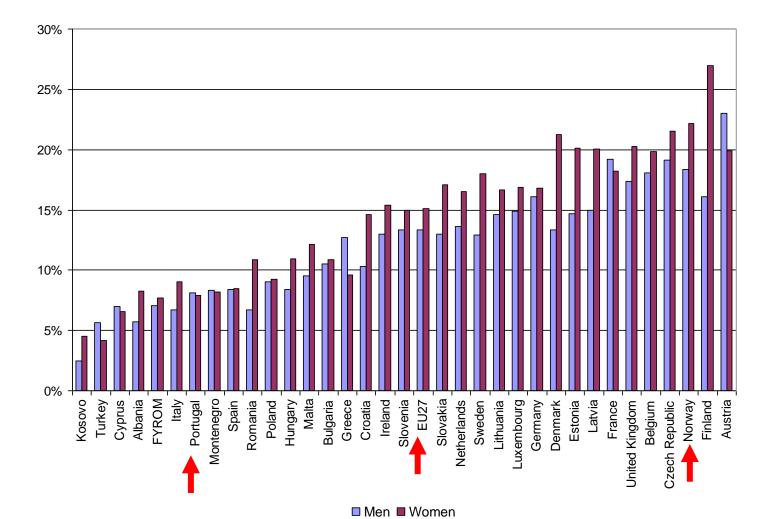


## Factors determing the pace of work



#### The automatic speed of a machine or movement of a product

### Subjection to adverse social behaviour



# **Can we interpret the differences?**

- It is difficult to interpret the differences between countries concerning exposure to adverse social behaviour, as the differences not only reflect variations in the actual prevalence of adverse social behaviour, but also cultural differences with regard to the type of behaviour that is considered adverse (e.g. when does 'playful teasing' turn into bullying? what type of sexual attention is unwanted?).
- Moreover, there are country differences in the likelihood of people reporting that they were subjected to any of these types of behaviour (while people might recognise that they are being bullied or harassed, they could feel that reporting it is socially less acceptable and could be scared that it would not be followed up on, or loose their job etc)

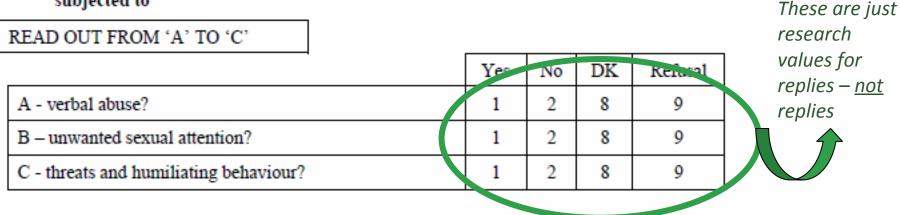
In Norway we have Regulation, laws on preventing sexual harassment and third party violence on local level.



#### EWCS 2010 http://www.eurofound.europa.eu/surveys/ ewcs/2010/questionnaire.htm

(MODIFIED TREND) ASK ALL

Q70 [formerly Q65] Over the last month, during the course of your work have you been subjected to



Q71 [formerly Q65] And over the past 12 months, during the course of your work have you been subjected to

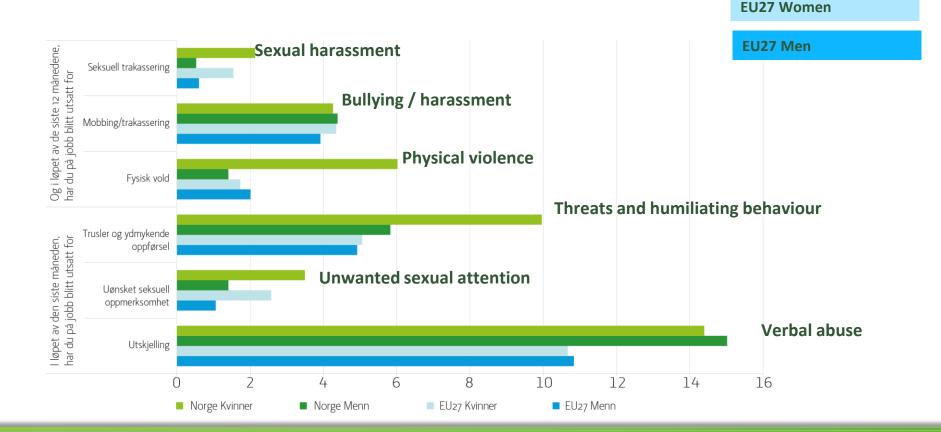
#### READ OUT FROM 'A' TO 'C'

	Yes	No	DK	Refusal
A - physical violence (MODIFIED TREND)	1	2	8	9
B – bullying /harassment	1	2	8	9
C – sexual harassment	1	2	8	9

## Adverse social behavior

TABELL 6.12 Prosentandel som opplever å være utsatt for negative sosiale relasjoner og fysisk vold i arbeidet, i Norge, de fem enkeltlandene der de yrkesaktive oppgir høvest eller lavest forekomst, og EU27, (Kilde: EWCS, 2010) In the past month, have you – at work -In the past 12 months, have you – at work been exposed to... - been exposed to... Sexual Verbal Unwanted **Threats and Physical** Bullying/ abuse sexual humiliating violence harrasment harrasment attention behaviour 17,5 3,8 Frankrike 1,9 Tsjekkia Finland Storbritannia 7,8 Frankrike 9,5 Frankrike 4,6 Høy forekomst Østerrike 17,3 Sverige 3,6 Nederland 7.2 Storbritannia 3,2 Belgia 8.6 Finland 1,9 15.8 Luxemburg 3.1 Frankrike 3.2 Nederland 1.8 Estland 7.1 Irland 7.7 Tsjekkia 1,8 Finland 15,7 Storbritannia 2,4 Slovenia 6.6 3.0 Luxemburg 7,2 Nederland Belgia Latvia 15.6 Frankrike 2,4 Irland 6.6 Danmark 2.9 Østerrike 7,2 1,6 Luxemburg Bulgaria 6.8 0.7 Slovakia 3,4 0.4 Estland 1,6 0.2 Romania Kypros **Kypros** Portugal Lay forekomst 5.8 0,6 3,3 Estland Slovakia 1,2 Portugal 0,2 Italia 0.4 Romania 0.6 5,5 Portugal 2.6 Ungarn 0.3 0,9 Ungarn Litauen Italia 0,2 Kypros Spania 5,2 Spania 0.6 Polen 2,4 Ungarn 0.3 Polen 0,7 Bulgaria 0.2 Portugal 4.6 0.5 2.3 0.2 0.6 0.1 Latvia Italia Italia Bulgaria Litauen 1,2 14.8 2,4 7,8 3,7 4,2 Norge Norge Norge Norge Norge Norge 1,7 5,0 4,1 EU<sub>27</sub> 10,8 EU<sub>27</sub> EU27 EU<sub>27</sub> 1,9 EU<sub>27</sub> EU<sub>27</sub> 1,0

# Violence, bullying and sexual harassment



### Norwegian Survey of Living Conditions – Working Environment

- Survey by Statistics Norway
  - Population survey (17-66 years)
  - Every third year since 1989

The 2009 survey

- Sample size : 12 500 individuals
  10 000 economically active
- Response rate: 61 %
- Telephone interviews or at home (0.5 %)
- Modified panel design (cohort) both cross sectional and longitudinal data





# **Examples of questions (2009)**

- Do you sometimes receive unwanted sexual attention, comments, etc. at your workplace? Would you say...
- yes, once or more a week,
- yes, once or more a month,
- no?
- Do you yourself sometimes get bothered or teased in an unpleasant way by your colleagues? Would you say...
- yes, once or more a week,
- yes, once or more a month,
- no
- Do you yourself sometimes get bothered or teased in an unpleasant way by superiors? Would you say...
- yes, once or more a week,
- yes, once or more a month,
- no

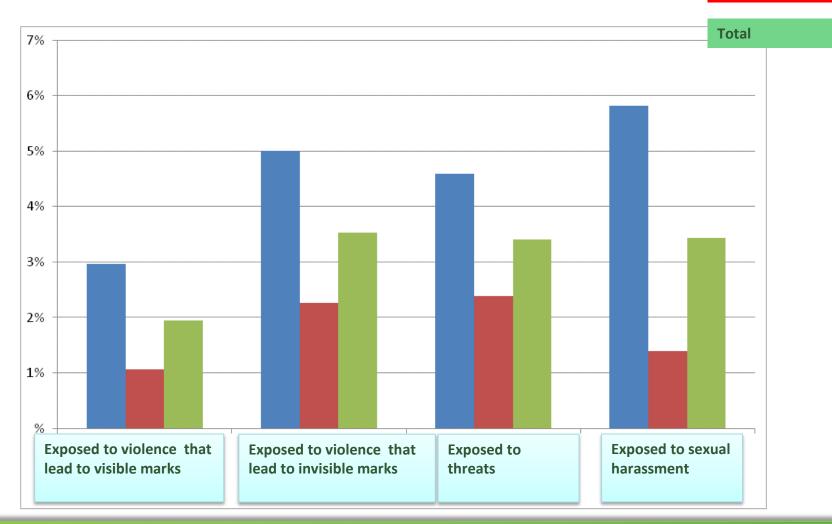


- Over the past 12 months, have you been the victim ... of violence at the workplace that caused visible marks or physical damage?
- YES
- NO
- how many times?
- Over the past 12 months, have you been the victim ...
- of violence at the workplace that did not cause visible marks or physical damage?
- YES
- NO
- how many times?
- Over the past 12 months, have you been threatened ... at the workplace in such a way that you felt scared?
- YES
- NO
- How many times?



#### Violence, Threats and Sexual Harassment

(Norwegian Living Condition Survey, 2009)



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Women

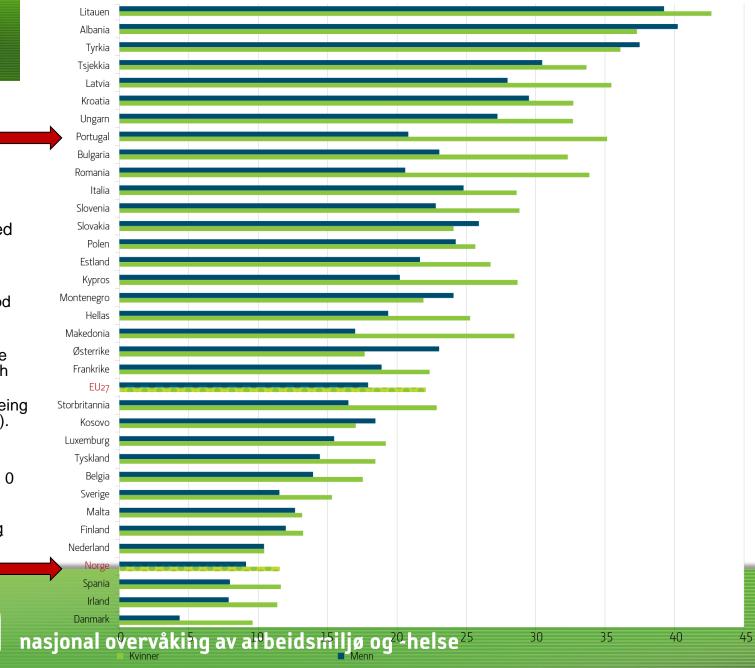


#### Mental \_\_\_\_\_ health

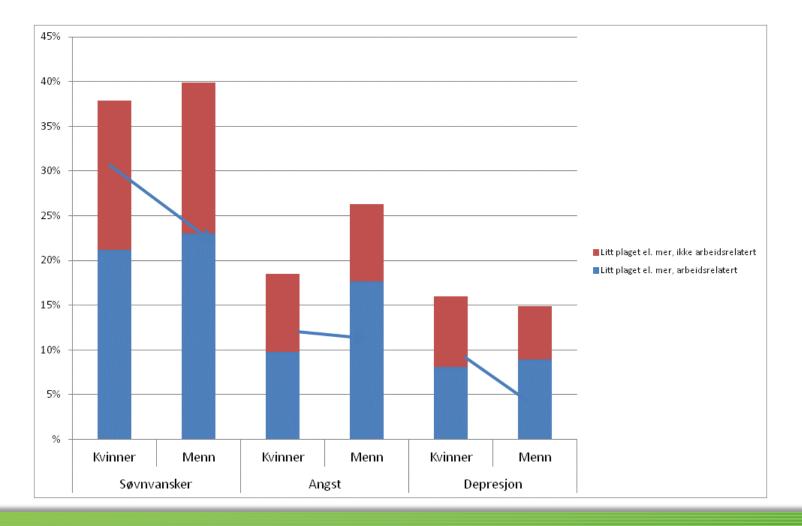
The five questions used by the WHO-5 index assess:

- 1) Positive mood (good spirit, relaxation)
- Vitality (being active and waking up fresh and rested)
- 3) General interest (being interested in things).

The answers score from 0 to 25. <u>Levels below 13</u> indicate a poor mental well-being



### **Violence, Threats and Mental Health**



### A short summary

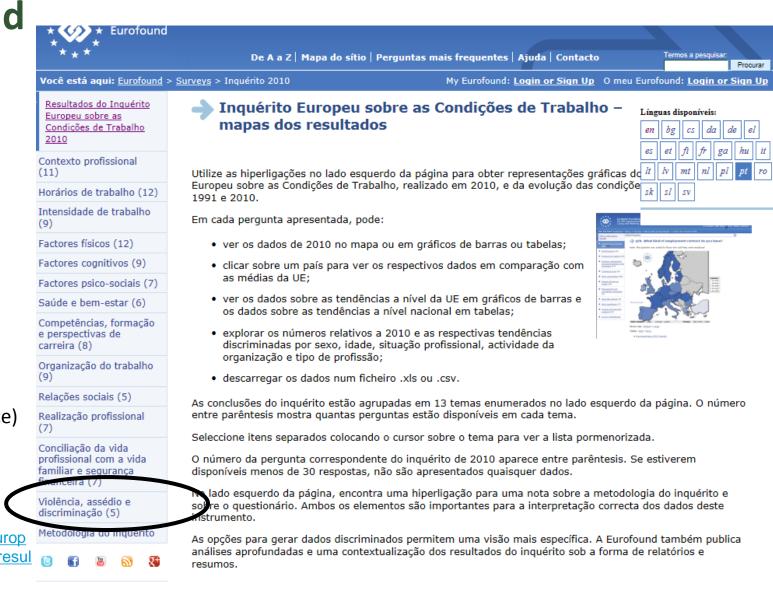
- Regarding the breakdown by sector per country, the European workforce is mainly occupied in three sectors: wholesale, industry and other services.
- Largest sectors in Norway; Health, Education, Wholesale and other services
- Largest sectors in Portugal ; Agriculture, Industry, wholesale and other services
- In Norway 80 % say that their pace of work is determined by direct demands from people such as customers, passengers, pupils or patients (EU27, 70%, Portugal 62 %)
- According to the adverse social behavior index developed by Eurofound. Approx 20 % employees are exposed to adverse social behavior in Norway, 15 % in EU27 and near 8 % in Portugal.



### Eurofound Survey Mapping Tool

The dataset si availible at ESDS International (Economic and Social Data Service) http:// www.esds.ac.uk/

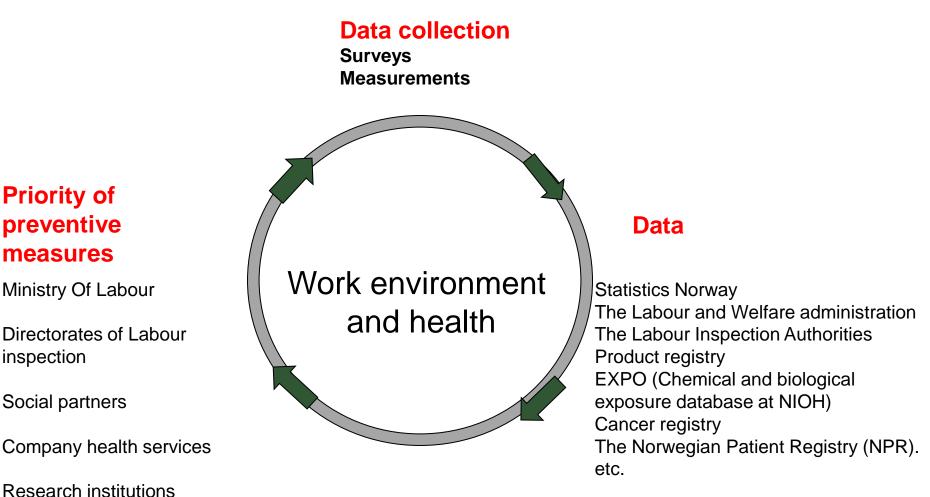
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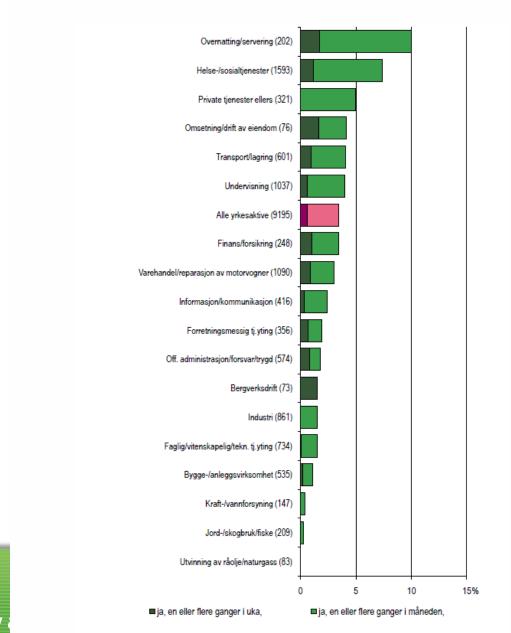
#### NOA

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Dpt. Of Occupational Work and Health Surveillance

NOA provides and improves new knowledge

3.2.45 Prosentandel av alle yrkesaktive som opplever å bli utsatt for seksuell trakassering på jobb etter ulike næringer. Antall spurte i hver næringsgruppe står oppført i parentes. (Kilde: SSB, LKU, 2009)



#### Sexual harassment

In total 3,4 % report being subjected to unwanted sexual attention in 2009.

Highest prevalence among those working in Accomodation/service (fig.)

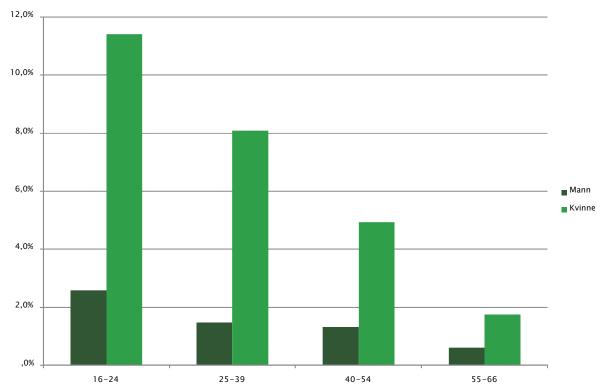
Occupational groups especially prone to sexuall harassment. Hotel-/restaurant workers (25 %) Assistant nurses Nurses Physiotherapists

5,7 % Public sector 2,5 % Private sector



# Sexual harassment and age

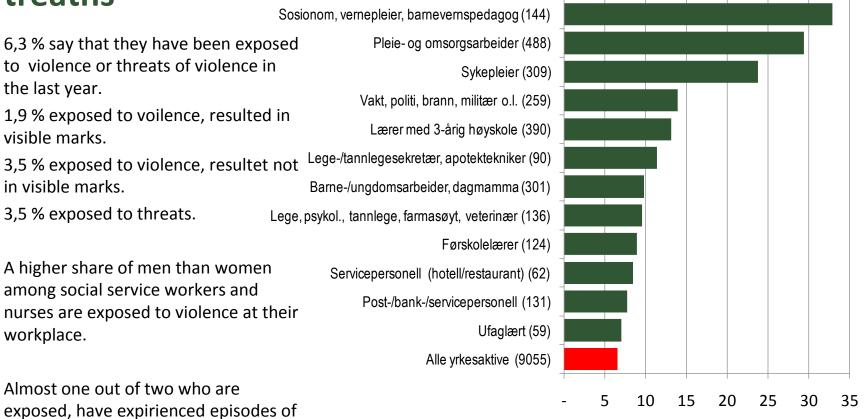
Near 12 percent of women in the age group 16-24 are exposed to sexual harassment at the work place





# Violence and treaths

violence or threats once or twice.

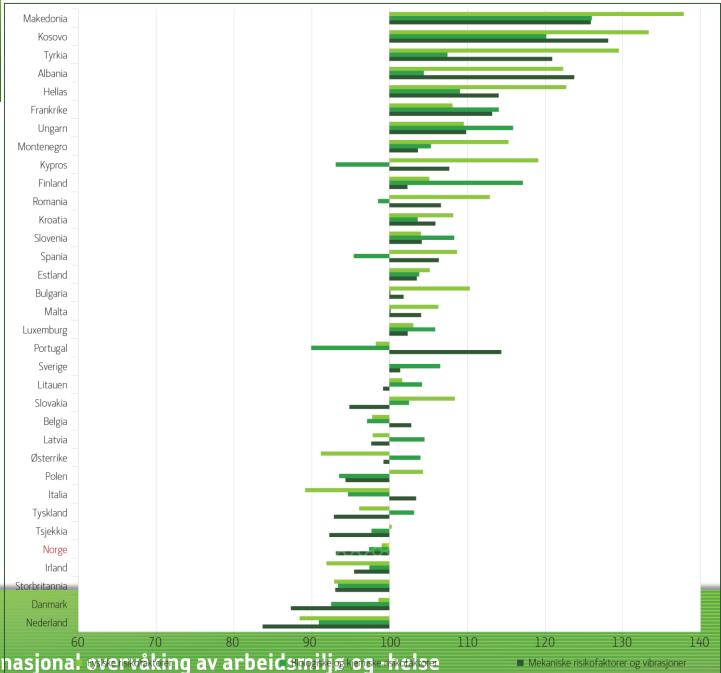




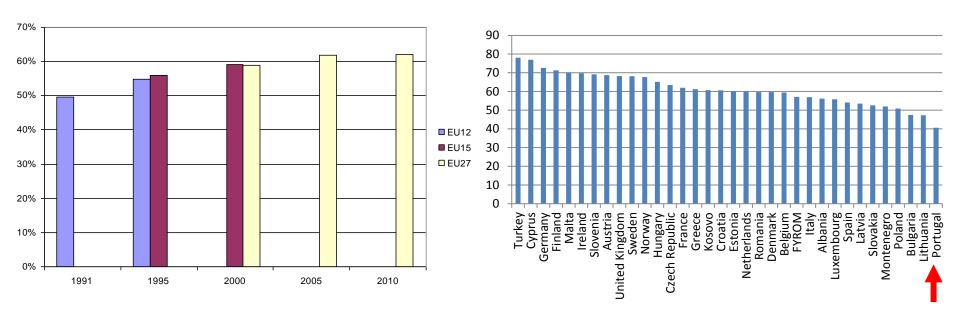
**EWCS** 

The figure shows the scores for each country on separate indices measuring exposure to posture-related, biological and chemical, and ambient risks.

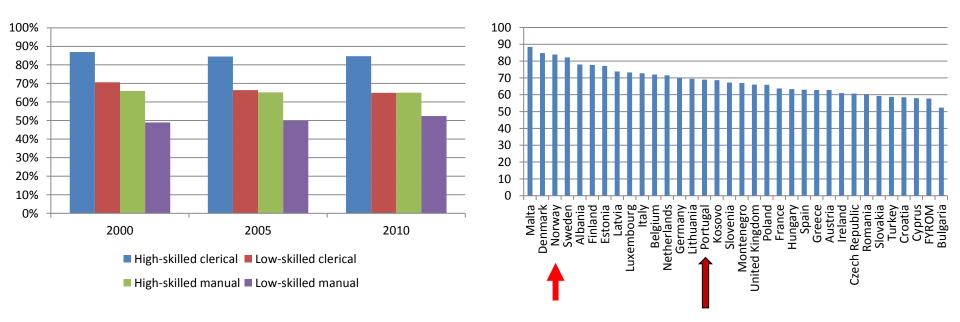
The EU27 average has been set to 100.



Trends and country comparisons in work intensity –Tight deadlines (at least ¼ of the time)



#### Trends and country comparisons in autonomy –Ability to choose or change methods of work



# Employer paid training by country, employees



