



## **Migration in Luxembourg**



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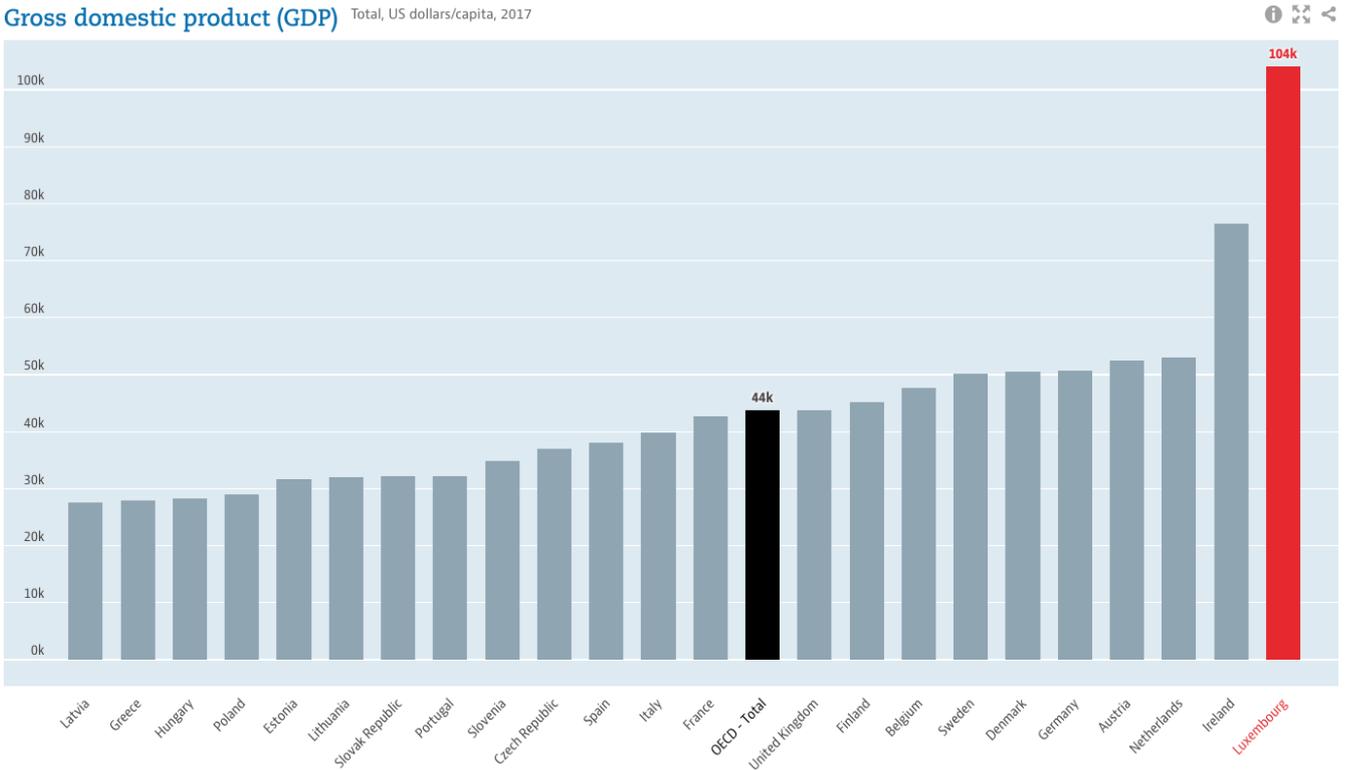
## **MIGRATION IN LUXEMBOURG**

The culturally diverse Grand Duchy of Luxembourg is a small landlocked country in Western Europe, with a population of 590,667 inhabitants (1st January 2017)<sup>1</sup>. Foreigners represent by themselves 48% of the entire population, in addition daily 177,110 cross-border workers from France, Belgium and Germany join Luxembourg's workforce. Luxembourg can therefore be considered as a pole of attraction for workers from all Europe and not only.

We have chosen this country as it has the highest ratio of foreigners of all the countries of the OECD. In addition, Luxembourg's GDP per capita is the highest of the European Union countries. Therefore, the aim of our research is to show how highly skilled migrants contribute to Luxembourg's development.

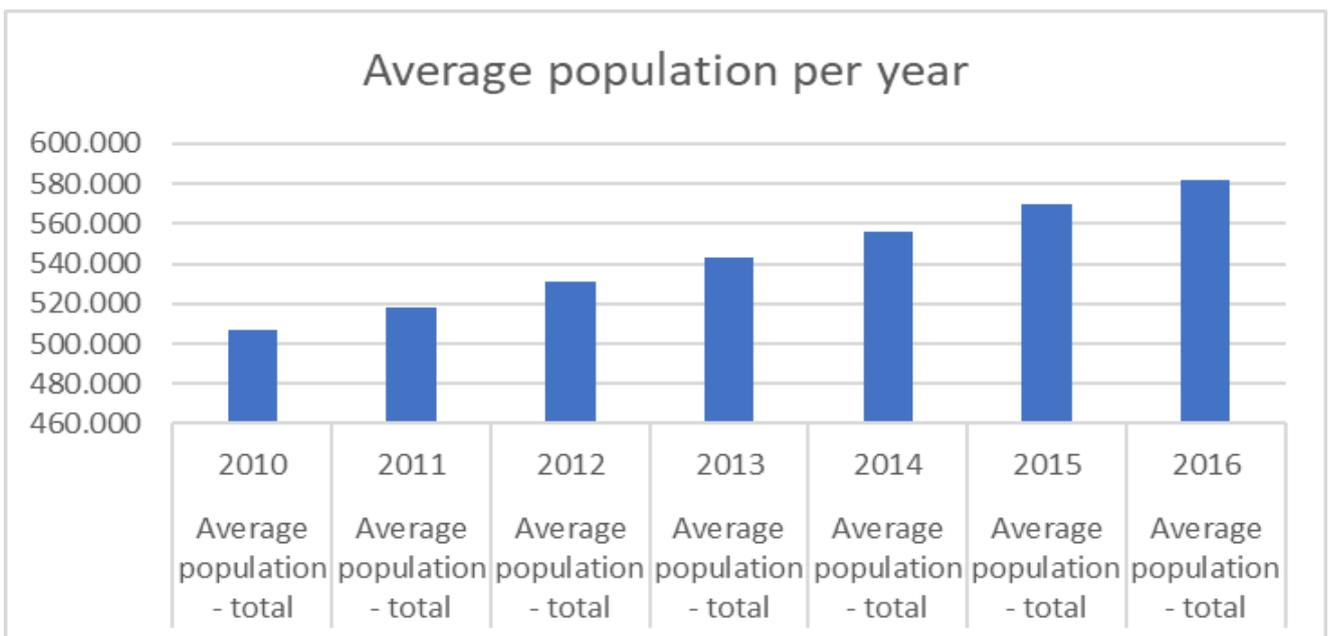
We have used data from Eurostat (<http://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/data/database>) and OECD (<https://data.oecd.org/>).

Gross domestic product (GDP) Total, US dollars/capita, 2017



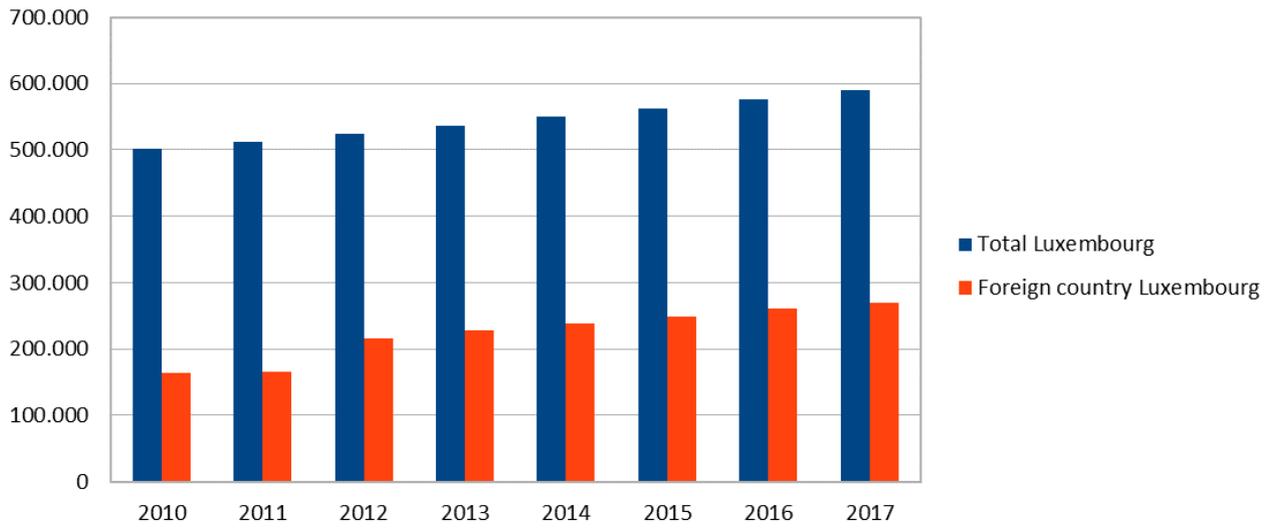
Graph 1: OECD data GDP per capita, 2017

- **POPULATION CHANGE**



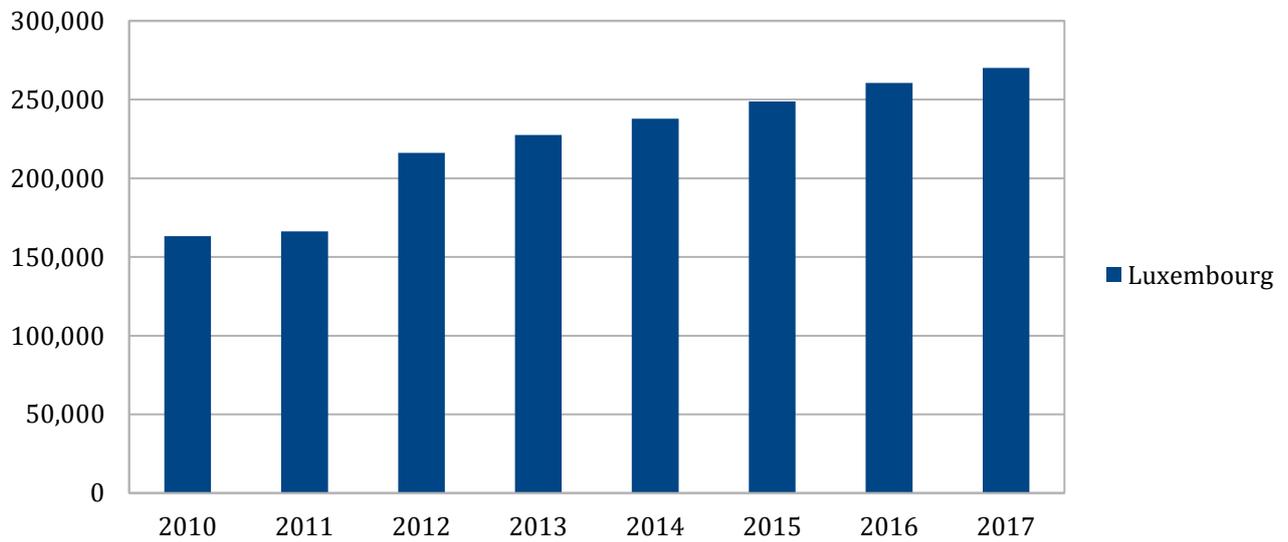
Graph 2

Stock of total population by country of birth

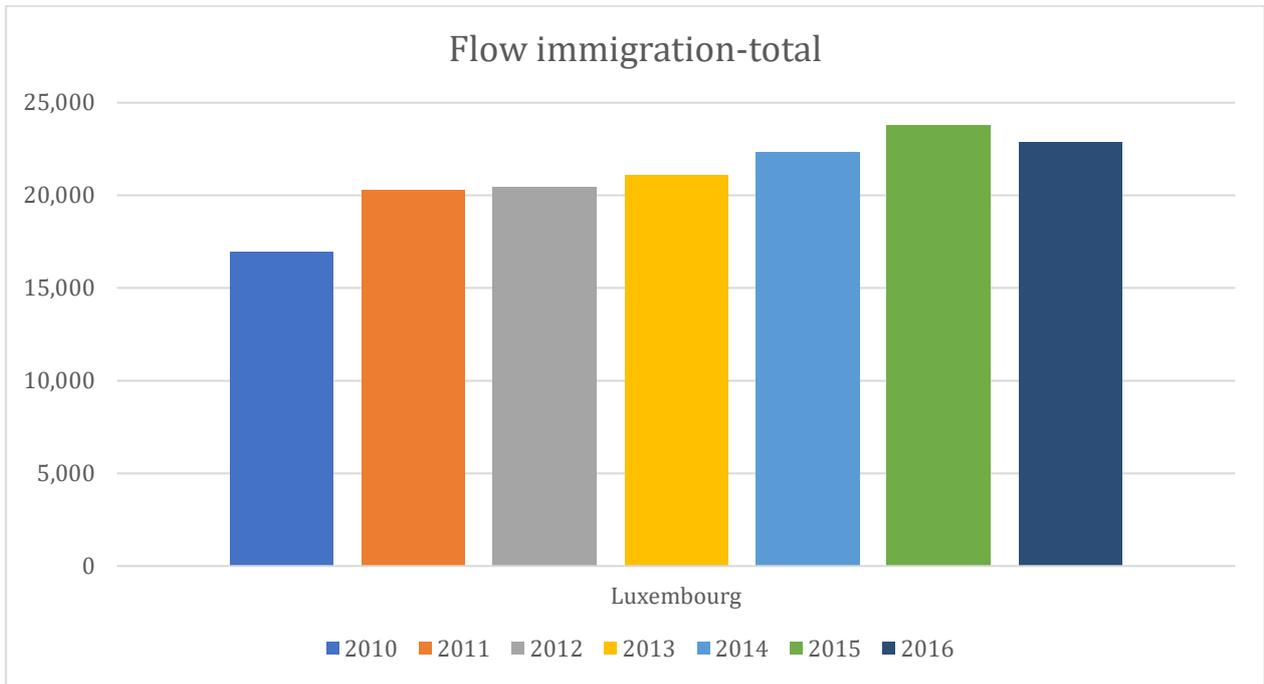


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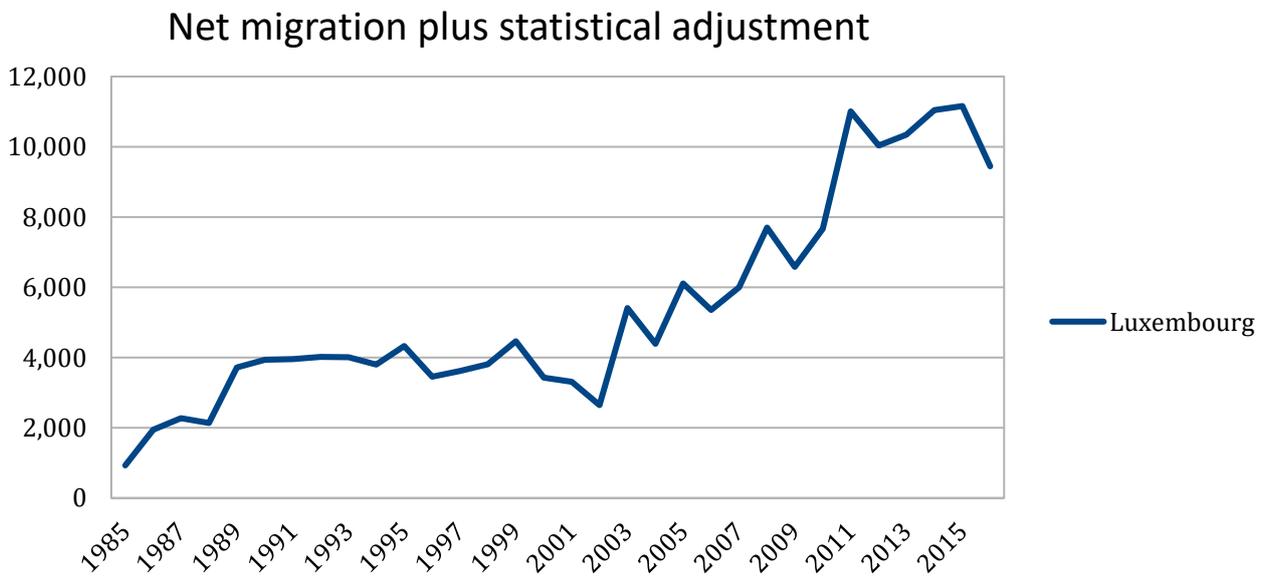
Stock total immigration



Graph 4



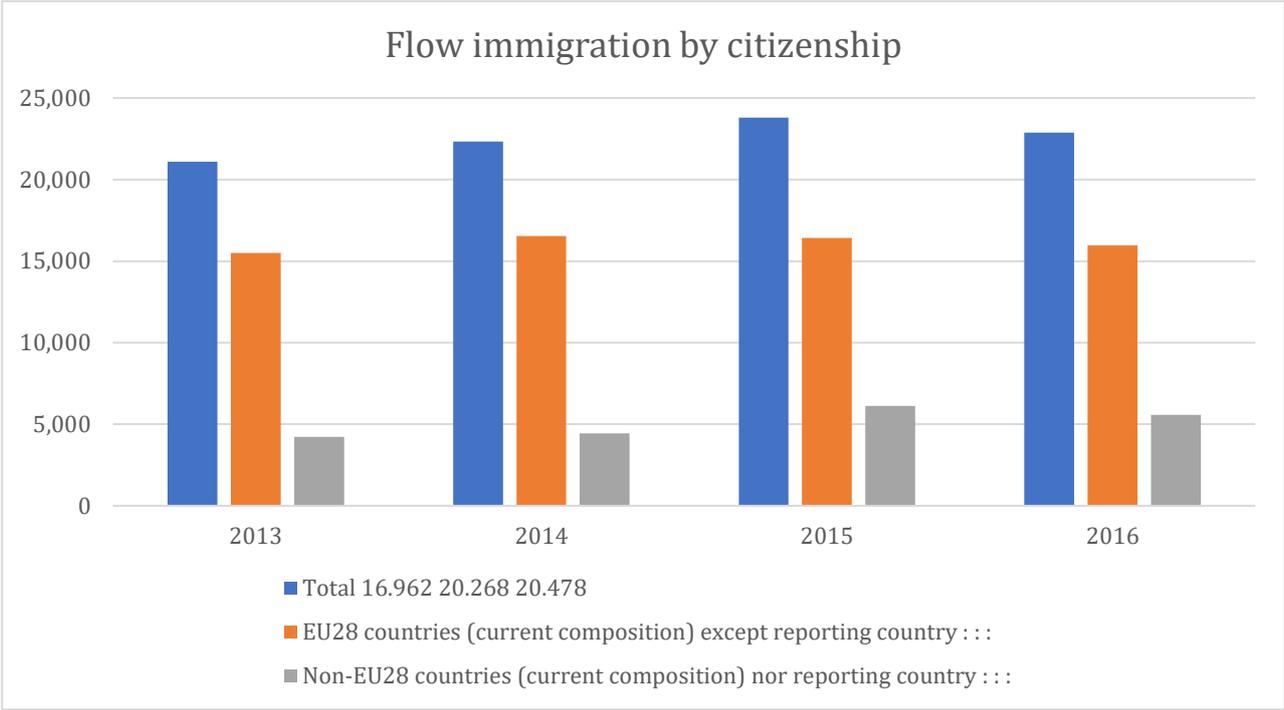
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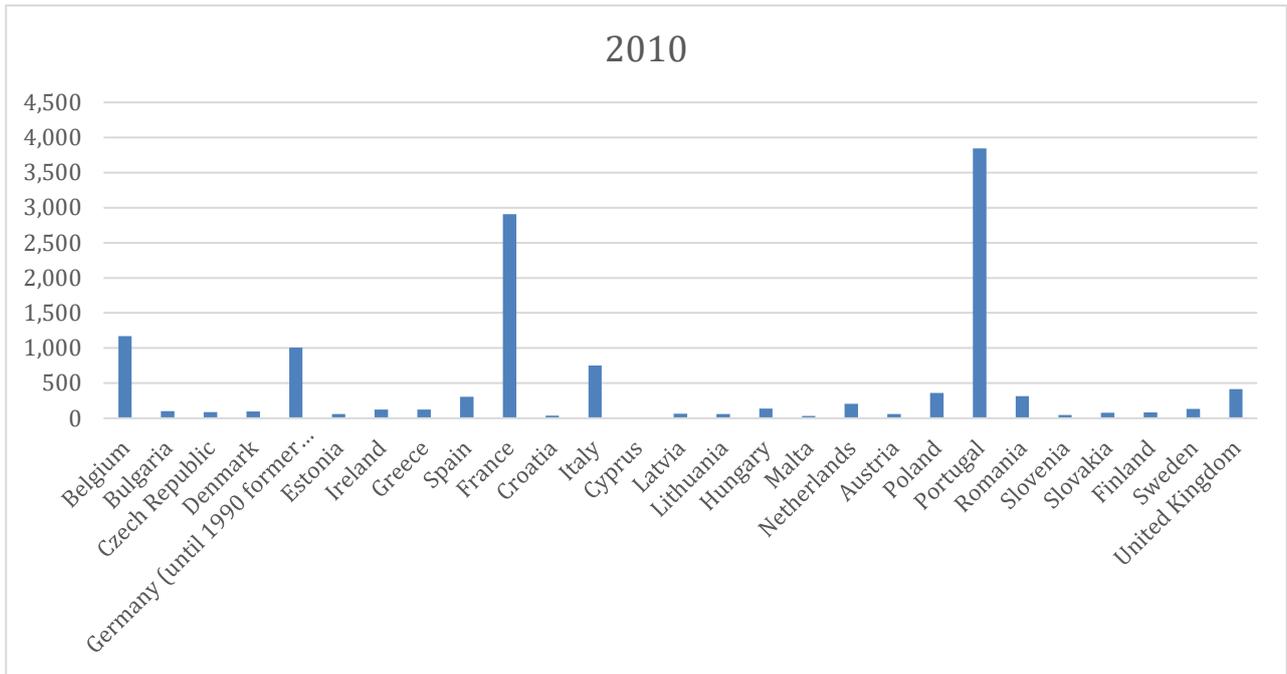
Graph 6

The first graphs show that Luxembourg attracts a great number of migrants compared to its total population. The following analysis will explain the country of origin of the migrants, their age and their skills.

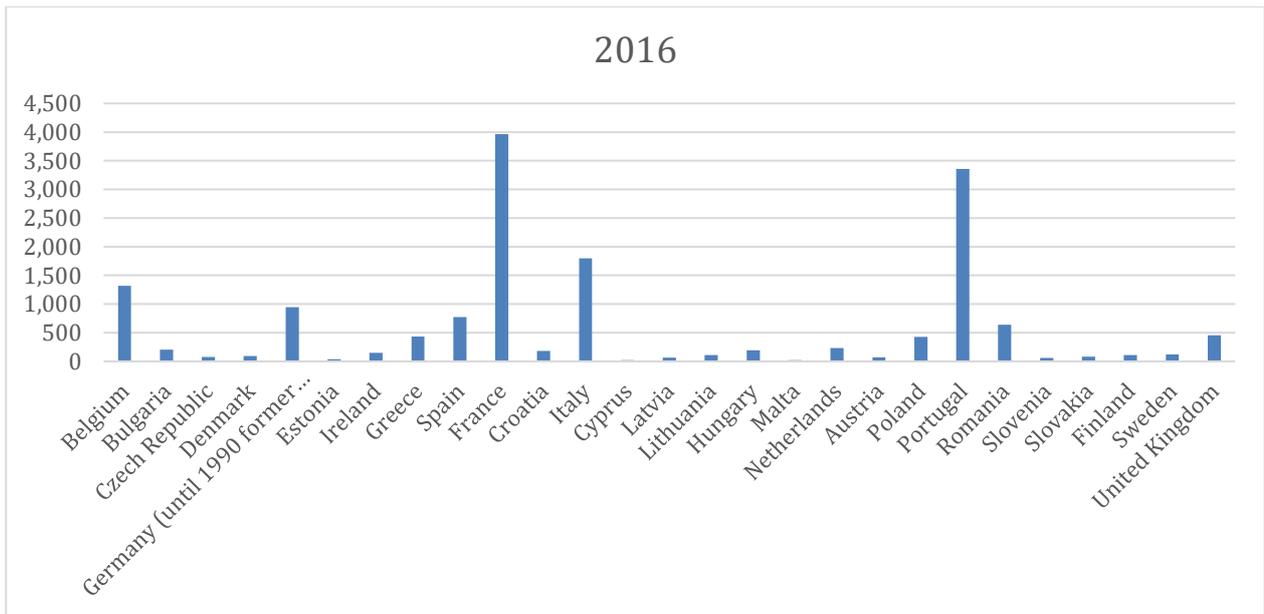
- **FLOW IMMIGRATION BY CITIZENSHIP**



Graph 7



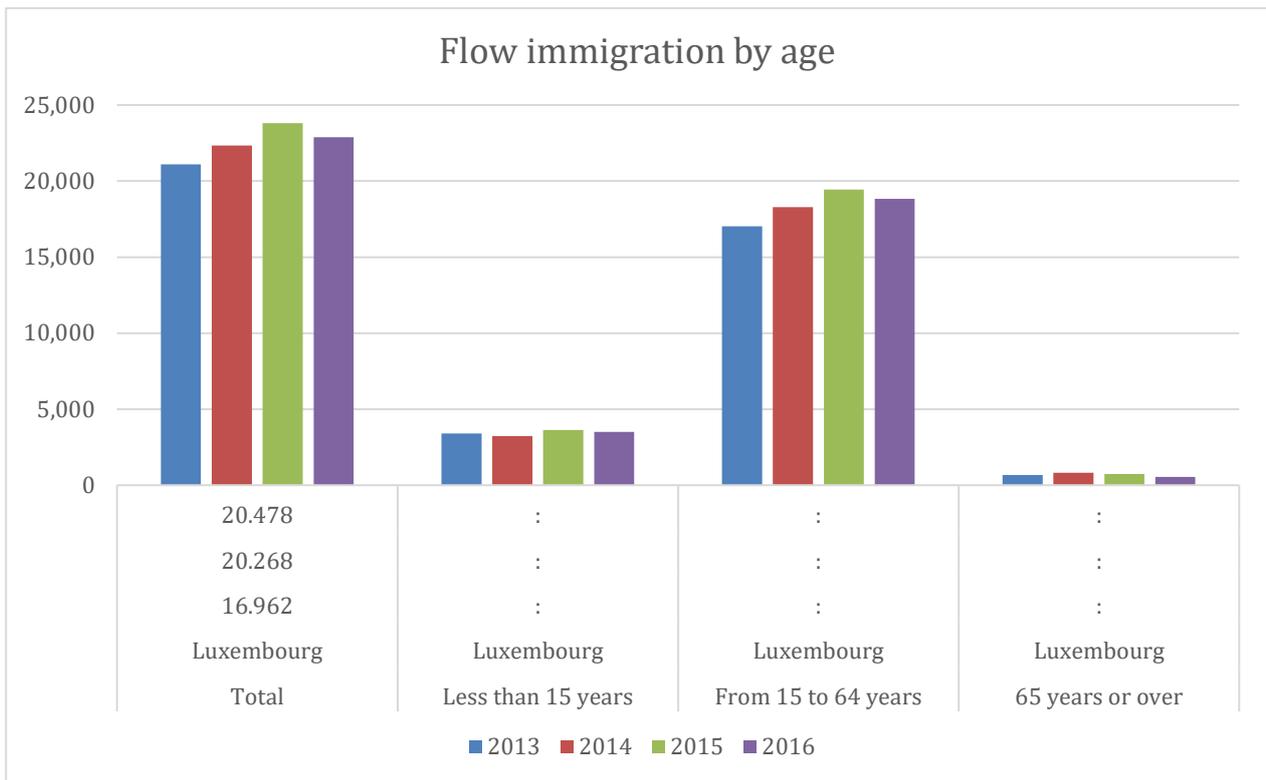
Graph 8



Graph 9

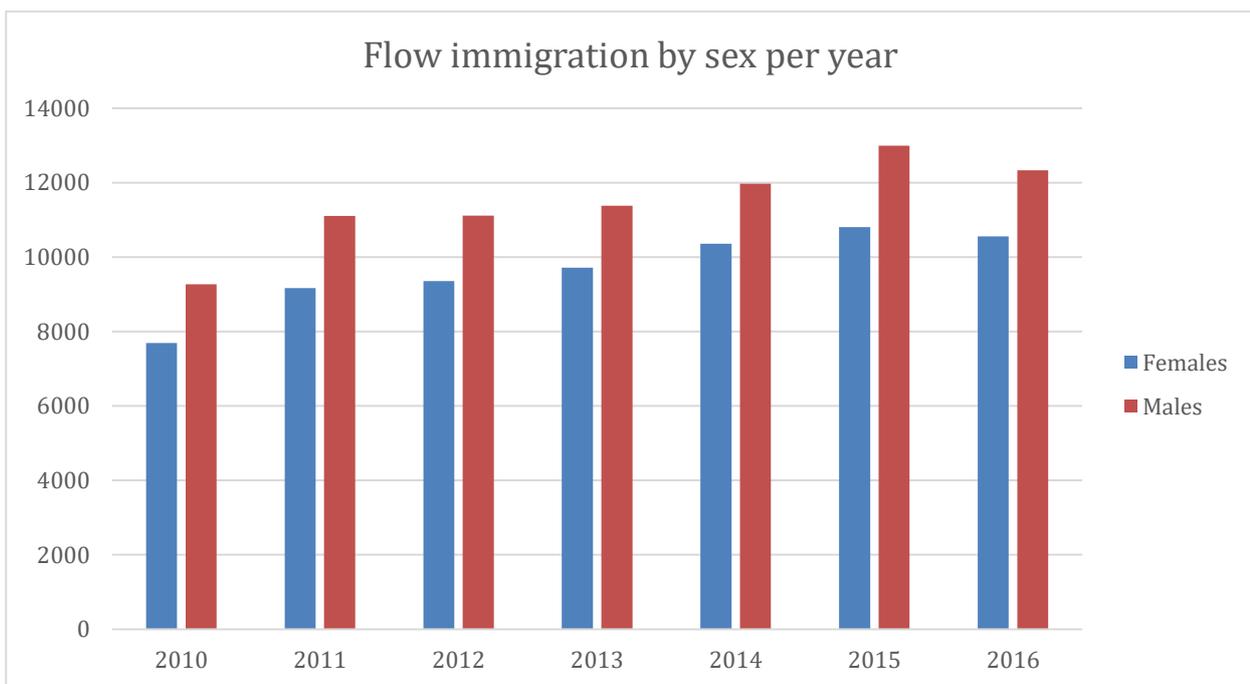
Graph 8 and graph 9 show how immigration of EU citizens has changed in the last years. For a complete set of data see appendix 1, graph 8 and 9.

- FLOW IMMIGRATION BY AGE**



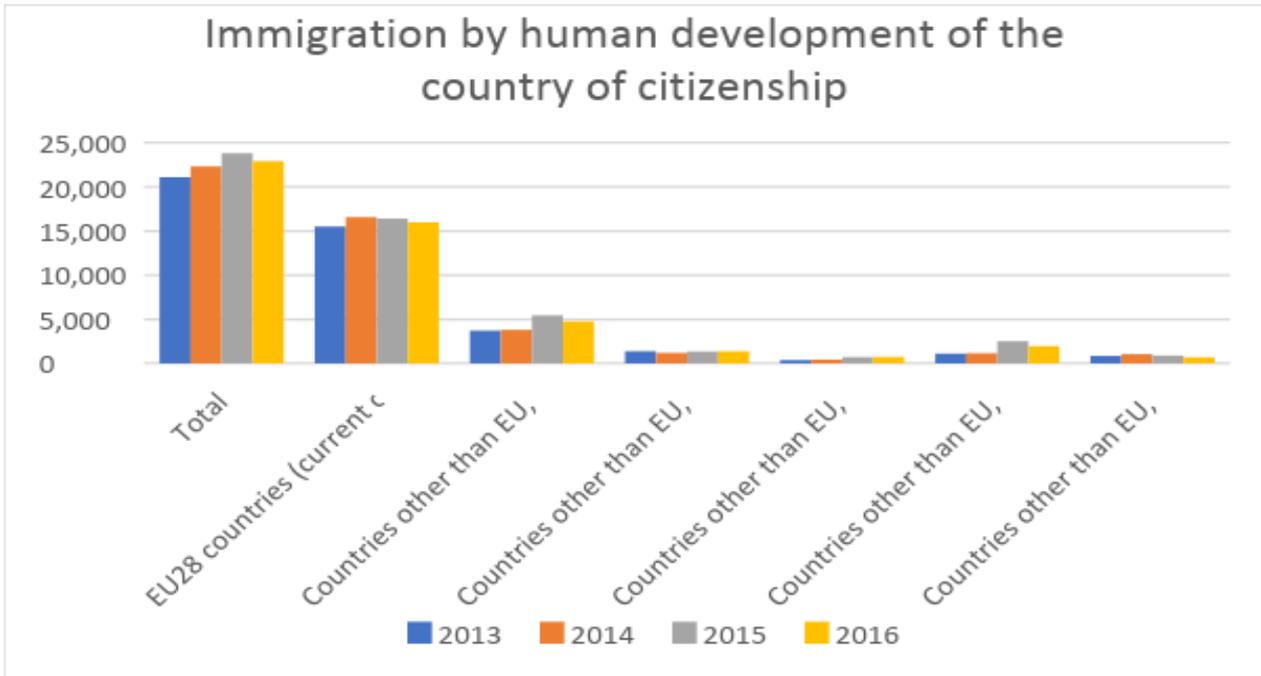
Graph 1

- FLOW IMMIGRATION BY SEX**



Graph 11

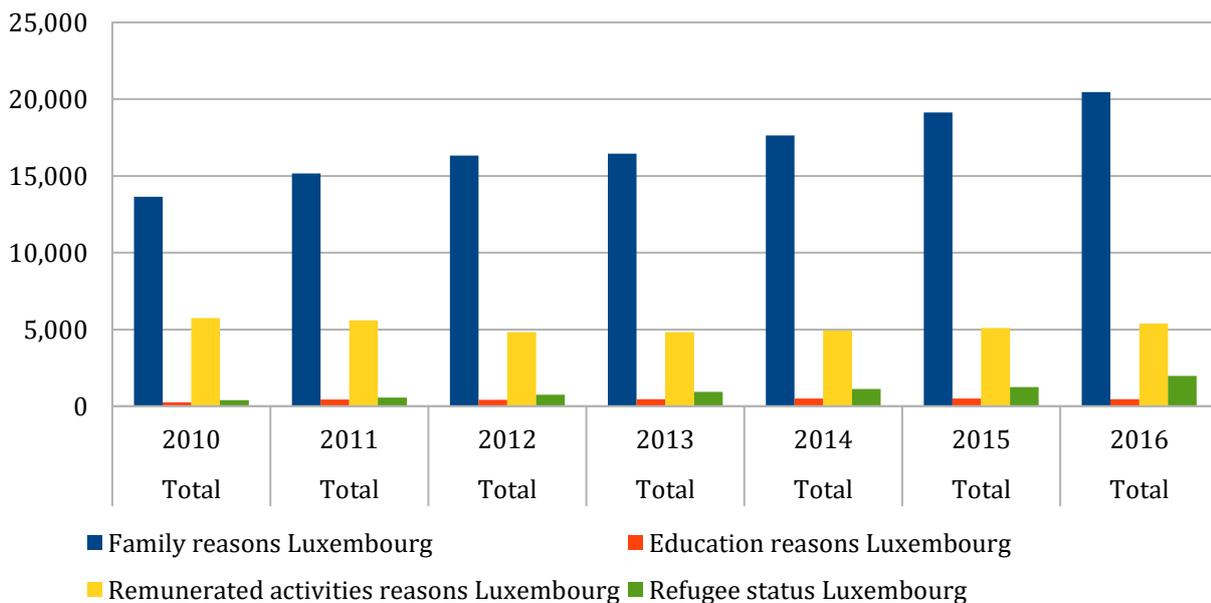
- **FLOW IMMIGRATION BY HUMAN DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP**



Graph 12

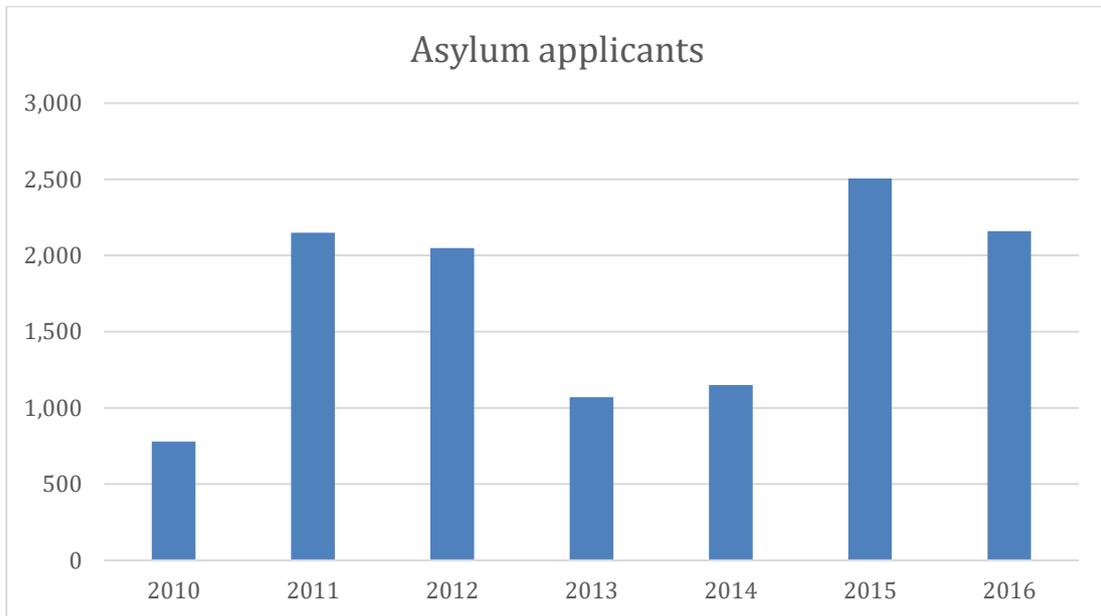
- **FLOW IMMIGRATION BY REASONS**

All valid permits by reason on 31 December of each year

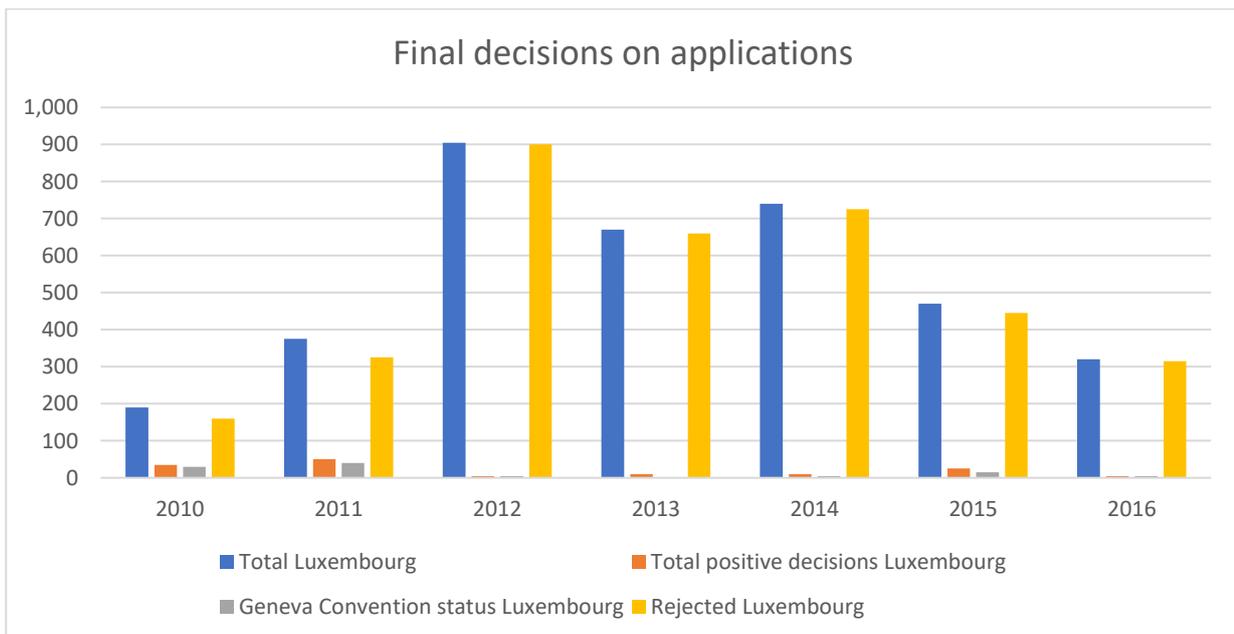


Graph 13

- **ASYLUM APPLICATIONS**



Graph 14



Graph 15

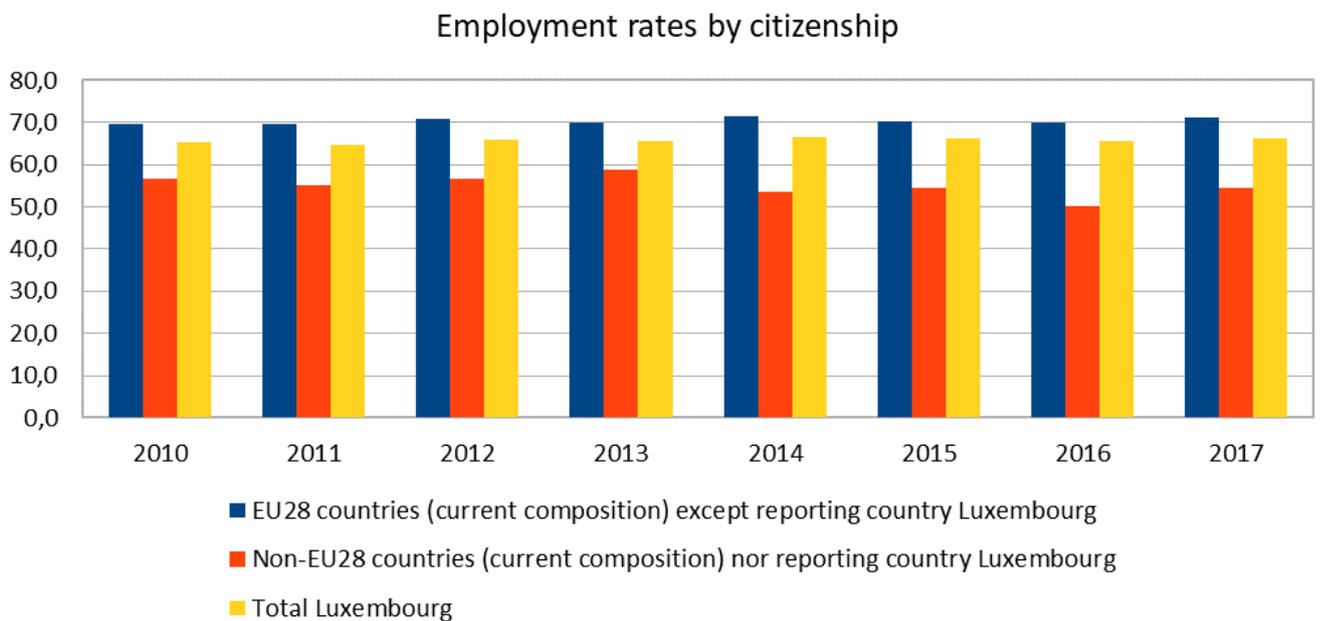
Data shows that the population is constantly growing, it is not exclusively caused by an increase in the number of Luxembourgish nationals. It is in fact the positive migration balance that is largely responsible for the change. According to the data, the majority of these migrants come from other European countries, very little from other type of migration, like asylum seekers.

The first reason of entrance is family reunification, but realistically they come to Luxembourg to join a family member who works in Luxembourg, therefore the first reason of entrance is strictly related to work.

In the following part we will analyse the integration of migrants in the labour market.

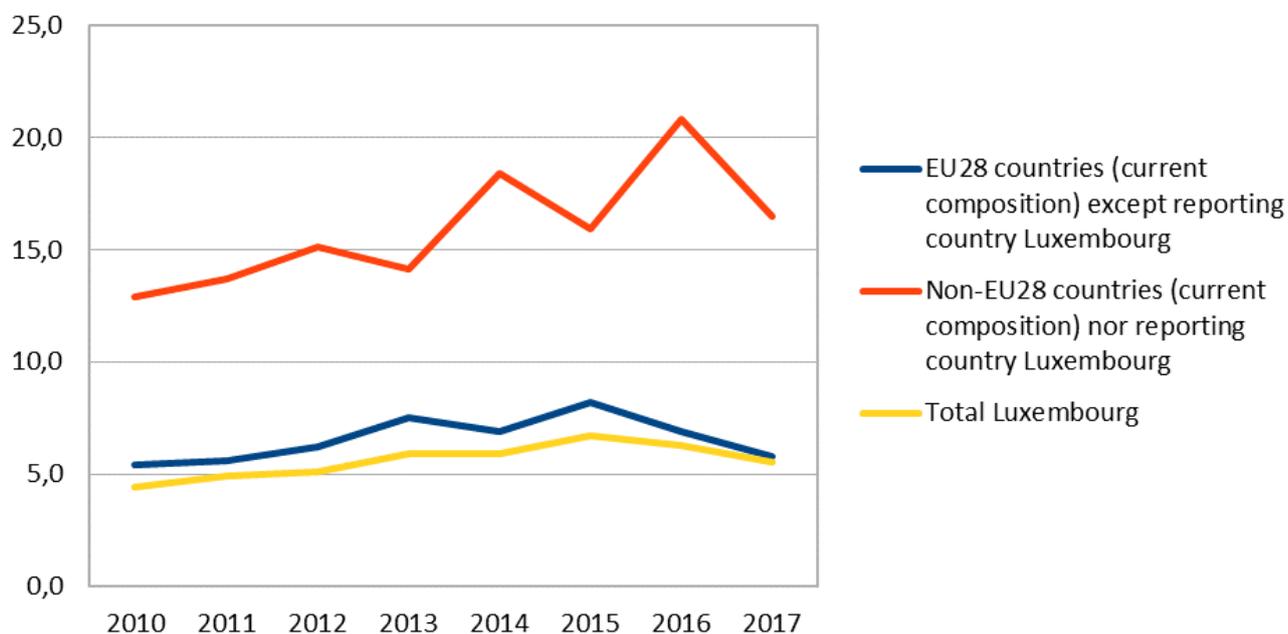
## INTEGRATION OF MIGRANTS

- **EMPLOYMENT & UNEMPLOYMENT**



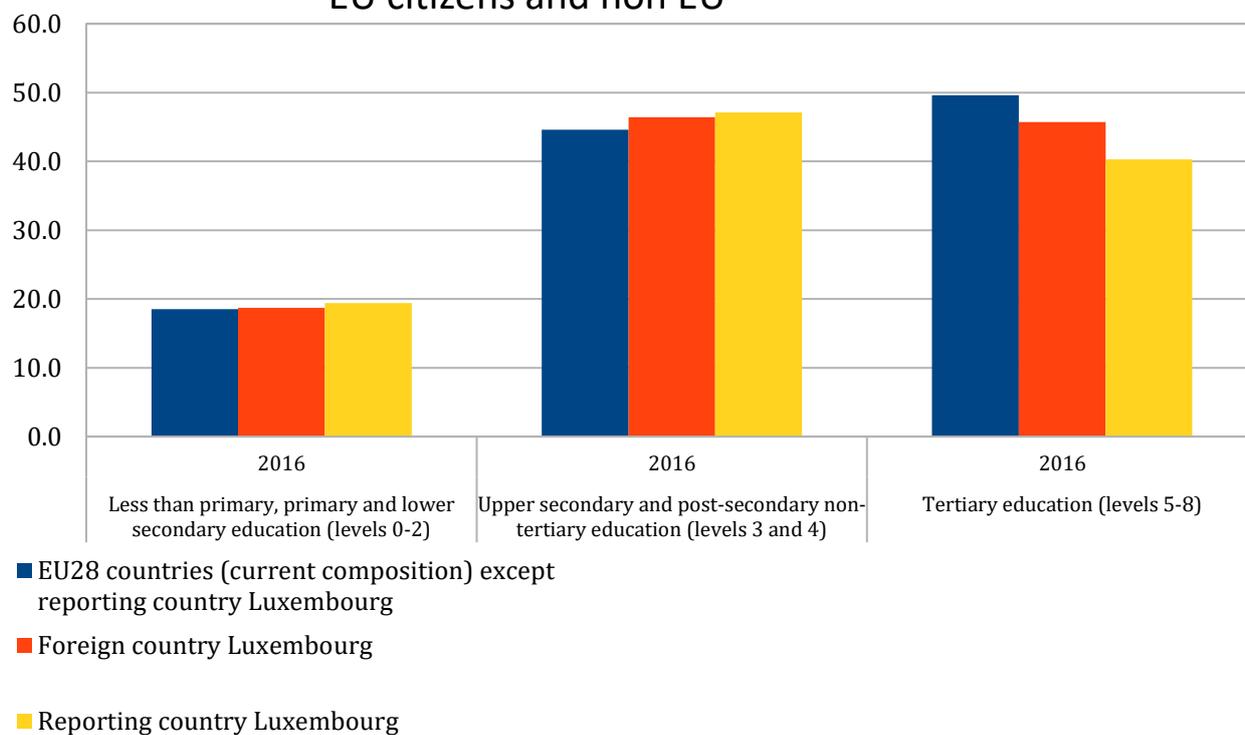
Graph 16

Unemployment rates by citizenship



Graph 17

Activities rates by educational attainment, EU citizens and non EU



Graph 18

## **CONCLUSION**

During the 20th century, the population of Luxembourg has constantly grown. As our graphs show, the population growth is largely due to immigration, which has always gone hand in hand with the country's economic development. If in the past the main attractive sector was the steel one, now the major part of migrants are high skilled workers, coming with their families and integrating fast in the labour market.

Migrants were mainly from other European countries, but in recent years the country has started to welcome refugees and third country nationals, even if less than other member States.

Numbers are still low, but the asylum immigration gate will represent a new challenge for this little and attractive country.

## APPENDIX 1

Graph 2

Population change - Demographic balance and crude rates at national level [demo_gind]	
Last update	09.04.18
Extracted on	23.04.18
Source of data	Eurostat

Graph 3

Population on 1 January by age, sex and broad group of country of birth [migr_pop4ctb]	
Last update	27.02.18
Extracted on	08.05.18
Source of data	Eurostat

Graph 4

Population on 1 January by age group, sex and country of birth [migr_pop3ctb]	
Last update	12.04.18
Extracted on	08.05.18
Source of data	Eurostat

Graph 5

Immigration by age and sex [migr_imm8]	
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Last update	16.03.18
Extracted on	23.04.18
Source of data	Eurostat

#### Graph 6

Population change - Demographic balance and crude rates at national level [demo_gind]	
Last update	24.04.18
Extracted on	08.05.18
Source of data	Eurostat

#### Graph 7

Immigration by age group, sex and citizenship [migr_imm1ctz]	
Last update	09.04.18
Extracted on	23.04.18
Source of data	Eurostat

#### Graph 8

Immigration by age group, sex and level of human development of the country of citizenship [migr_imm9ctz]	
Last update	09.04.18
Extracted on	23.04.18
Source of data	Eurostat

CITIZEN	GEO/TIME	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Belgium	Luxembourg	1.171	1.159	1.304	1.470	1.592	1.502	1.320
Bulgaria	Luxembourg	100	138	127	102	191	194	204
Czech Republic	Luxembourg	88	109	81	63	87	100	80
Denmark	Luxembourg	98	104	122	140	97	92	93
Germany (until 1990 former territory of the FRG)	Luxembourg	1.008	1.110	1.006	1.037	1.023	1.020	945
Estonia	Luxembourg	60	55	59	53	45	43	41
Ireland	Luxembourg	126	164	108	95	133	160	147
Greece	Luxembourg	122	185	276	264	289	356	436
Spain	Luxembourg	308	455	494	563	579	689	771
France	Luxembourg	2.909	3.227	3.523	3.501	3.897	4.119	3.962
Croatia	Luxembourg	37	39	77	83	140	131	182
Italy	Luxembourg	751	958	1.137	1.251	1.649	1.645	1.800
Cyprus	Luxembourg	8	11	11	11	24	15	21
Latvia	Luxembourg	64	85	59	72	84	68	65
Lithuania	Luxembourg	61	81	61	69	98	139	109
Hungary	Luxembourg	138	177	155	228	226	189	193
Malta	Luxembourg	34	21	18	23	26	24	24
Netherlands	Luxembourg	207	229	213	252	262	232	235
Austria	Luxembourg	62	64	65	60	104	70	73
Poland	Luxembourg	361	417	400	362	504	514	427
Portugal	Luxembourg	3.845	4.977	5.193	4.590	3.832	3.525	3.355
Romania	Luxembourg	317	453	409	402	755	726	642
Slovenia	Luxembourg	46	61	41	66	63	60	62
Slovakia	Luxembourg	79	62	75	62	81	86	84
Finland	Luxembourg	82	126	61	75	99	118	111
Sweden	Luxembourg	131	97	126	139	164	150	123
United Kingdom	Luxembourg	415	427	437	466	502	452	457

Graph 9

Immigration by age group, sex and level of human development of the country of citizenship [migr_imm9ctz]	
Last update	09.04.18
Extracted on	23.04.18
Source of data	Eurostat

CITIZEN	GEO/TIME	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total	Luxembourg	21.098	22.332	23.803	22.888
EU28 countries (current composition) except reporting country	Luxembourg	15.499	16.546	16.419	15.962
Countries other than EU, EFTA and Candidate countries with Human	Luxembourg	3.712	3.804	5.442	4.757

Development Index (HDI) ranking					
Countries other than EU, EFTA and Candidate countries with high Human Development Index (HDI)	Luxembourg	1.378	1.188	1.344	1.371
Countries other than EU, EFTA and Candidate countries with low Human Development Index (HDI)	Luxembourg	389	426	709	729
Countries other than EU, EFTA and Candidate countries with medium Human Development Index (HDI)	Luxembourg	1.105	1.145	2.506	1.960
Countries other than EU, EFTA and Candidate countries with very high Human Development Index (HDI)	Luxembourg	840	1.045	883	697

Graph 10

Immigration by age group, sex and citizenship [migr_imm1ctz]	
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Graph 11

Immigration by age and sex [migr_imm8]	
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Immigration by age group, sex and level of human development of the country of citizenship [migr_imm9ctz]	
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Graph 13

All valid permits by reason, length of validity and citizenship on 31 December of each year [migr_resvalid]	
Last update	22.03.18
Extracted on	08.05.18
Source of data	Eurostat

Graph 14

Asylum and first time asylum applicants by citizenship, age and sex Annual aggregated data (rounded) [migr_asyappctza]	
Last update	30.03.18
Extracted on	08.05.18
Source of data	Eurostat
CITIZEN	Extra-EU28 (current composition)
SEX	Total
AGE	Total
ASYL_APP	Asylum applicant
UNIT	Person

Graph 15

Final decisions on applications by citizenship, age and sex Annual data (rounded) [migr_asydcfina]	
Last update	02.05.18
Extracted on	08.05.18
Source of data	Eurostat
CITIZEN	Extra-EU28 (current

	composition)
SEX	Total
AGE	Total
UNIT	Person

Graph 16

Employment rates by sex, age and citizenship (%) [lfsa_ergan]	
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Extracted on	24.04.18
Source of data	Eurostat

Graph 17

Unemployment rates by sex, age and citizenship (%) [lfsa_urgan]		
Last update	20.04.18	
Extracted on	24.04.18	
Source of data	Eurostat	

Graph 18

Activity rates by sex, age, educational attainment level and citizenship [lfsa_argaedn]		
Last update	20.04.18	
Extracted on	26.04.18	
Source of data	Eurostat	