A slum is a highly populated urban residential area consisting of closely packed housing units of weak build quality. The infrastructure is often deteriorated or incomplete, and it is primarily inhabited by impoverished people. Although slums are usually located in urban areas, in other countries they can be located in rural areas where housing quality is low and living conditions are difficult.

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the euro area

Labour productivity per employee decreased markedly during the COVID-19 pandemic, while labour productivity per hour increased slightly. In the first half of 2021, there was a sharp decline in labour productivity per employee, with a year-over-year change of -13.1% in the second quarter of 2020. As the sharp dip in GDP was accompanied by a more modest fall in employment.

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coordination and information exchange and covers both economic and social policies and agreements. Social protection "involves access to health care and income security, particularly in cases of old age, unemployment, sickness, invalidity, work injury, maternity or loss of a main income earner."