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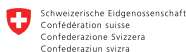
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NALAS DECENTRALISATION OBSERVATORY:

the data and information hub on local
government issues in South-East Europe

The importance

To be able to make informed decisions, develop good public policies and public services and efficiently manage scarce resources, policymakers at all levels of government have to rely on high quality data and information. But, all around South-East Europe such data is either missing or is difficult to access.

To bridge this gap, NALAS and KDZ partnered to develop the NALAS Decentralisation Observatory for South-East Europe www.nalas-observatory.eu. The Observatory facilitates the access to and utilisation of timely, accurate, reliable and comparable data and information on local government finance in South-East Europe (SEE).

The objectives

- Support policy advocacy efforts of NALAS member Local Government Associations, as stewards of local democracy and local governance in SEE
- Support local government budget transparency
- Help policymakers, experts, practitioners and researchers in their quest to improving local government policies and services
- Serve as a model for national platforms to support evidence-based policymaking and local budget transparency



Socio-economic data

2023	Population (in millions)	Area (in thousand Sq. Km)	Population Density (per km ²)	GDP (€ Billion) ¹	GDP in € per capita	Real GDP Growth (y-0-y)
Albania	2.4	28.7	84	22.5	9.367	3.4%
Austria	9.1	83.9	108	473.2	52.055	-1.0%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.5	51.2	69	24.5	6.968	7.4%
FBiH (BiH)	2.2	26.1	84	16.3	7.397	1.8%
RS (BiH)	1.1	24.6	46	8.2	7.233	1.9%
Bulgaria	6.5	110.4	59	93.9	14.410	1.8%
Croatia	3.9	56.6	68	76.5	19.751	3.1%
Kosovo ²	1.8	10.9	164	9.8	5.491	3.9%
North Macedonia	1.8	25.7	71	13.6	7.430	1.0%
Moldova	3.5	33.8	105	15.3	4.312	0.7%
Montenegro	0.6	13.8	45	6.8	10.979	6.6%
Romania	19.4	238.4	81	324.4	16.707	2.1%
Serbia	6.6	88.4	75	75.2	11.314	3.8%
Slovenia	2.1	20.1	105	64.0	30.323	2.1%
Türkiye	85.4	814.6	105	1.030.5	12.071	5.1%
Western Balkans (WB6) ³	16.8	218.7	76.9	152.5	9.072	4.3%
South-East Europe (SEE) ⁴	137.6	1.492.6	92.2	1.757.0	12.765	3.4%
European Union (EU) ⁵	447.9	4.466.0	100.3	17.193.8	38.130	0.4%

Source: NALAS member Local Government Associations, Institutes of Statistics and the Ministries of Finance of SEE economies; Statistik Austria (Austrian municipalities without Vienna) NALAS Observatory on Decentralisation and Local Government (www.nalas-observatory.eu) EUROSTAT; The World Observatory on Subnational Government Finance and Investment of the United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) and the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) (www.sng-wofi.org); Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR), Local Finances and the Green Transition (www.localfinances-cemr.eu).

¹ GDP in current prices converted to EURO using the end of year official exchange rates, as reported by Ministries of Finance, Institutes of Statistics and Eurostat

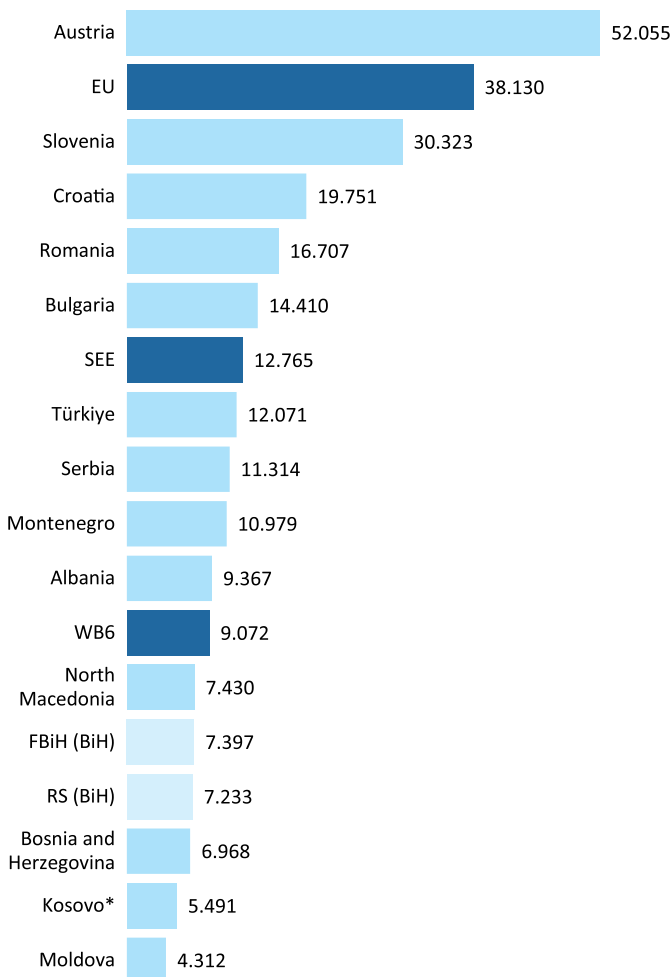
² This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

³ Western Balkans (WB6): Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia

⁴ South-East Europe (SEE) refers to NALAS member LGAs' Economies, as shown in the table

⁵ EU refers to the European Union Member States

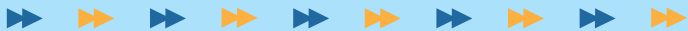
GDP, € per capita, 2023



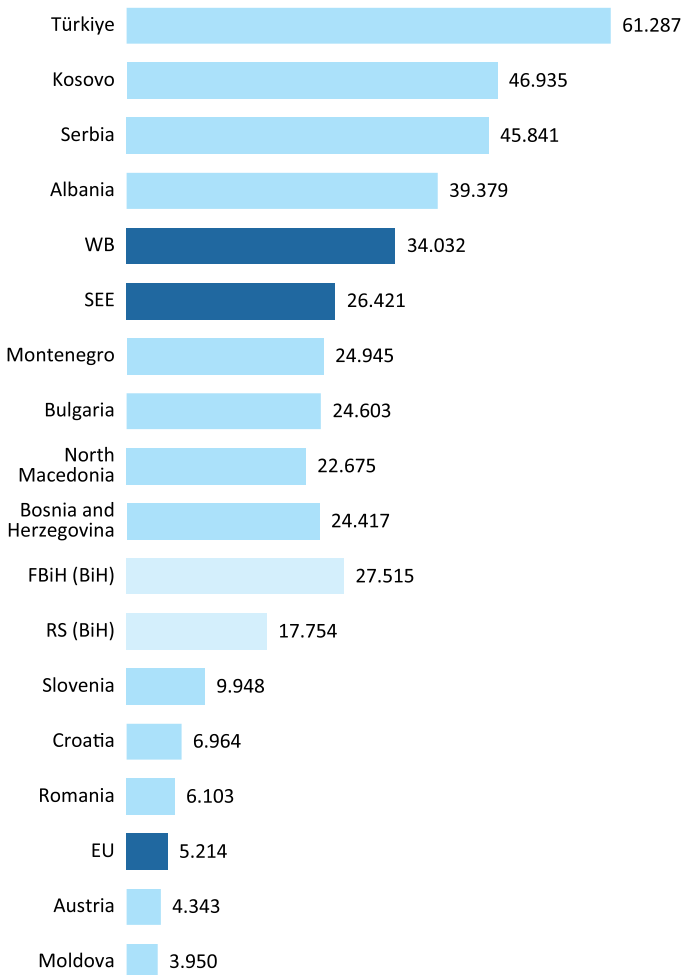
Average Size of Municipal Governments

2023	Number of Municipalities	Average Municipal Size, no. of inhabitants	Average Municipal Size, in Sq. Km.	Percentage of Population Living in Capital Cities
Albania	61	39.379	471	24.4%
Austria	2.093	4.343	40	21.7%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	144	24.417	356	13.9%
FBiH (BiH)	80	27.515	326	13.8%
RS (BiH)	64	17.754	385	16.3%
Bulgaria	265	24.603	419	19.5%
Croatia	556	6.964	102	19.8%
Kosovo	38	46.935	287	11.2%
North Macedonia	81	22.675	317	28.7%
Moldova	898	3.950	38	16.6%
Montenegro	25	24.945	552	28.8%
Romania	3.181	6.103	75	9.4%
Serbia	145	45.841	609	25.3%
Slovenia	212	9.948	98	13.9%
Türkiye	1.393	61.287	585	6.8%
Western Balkans	494	34.032	432	22.0%
South-East Europe	6.999	26.421	326	18.5%
European Union	85.900	5.214	50	16.3%

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Average Population of 1st Tier Local Governments



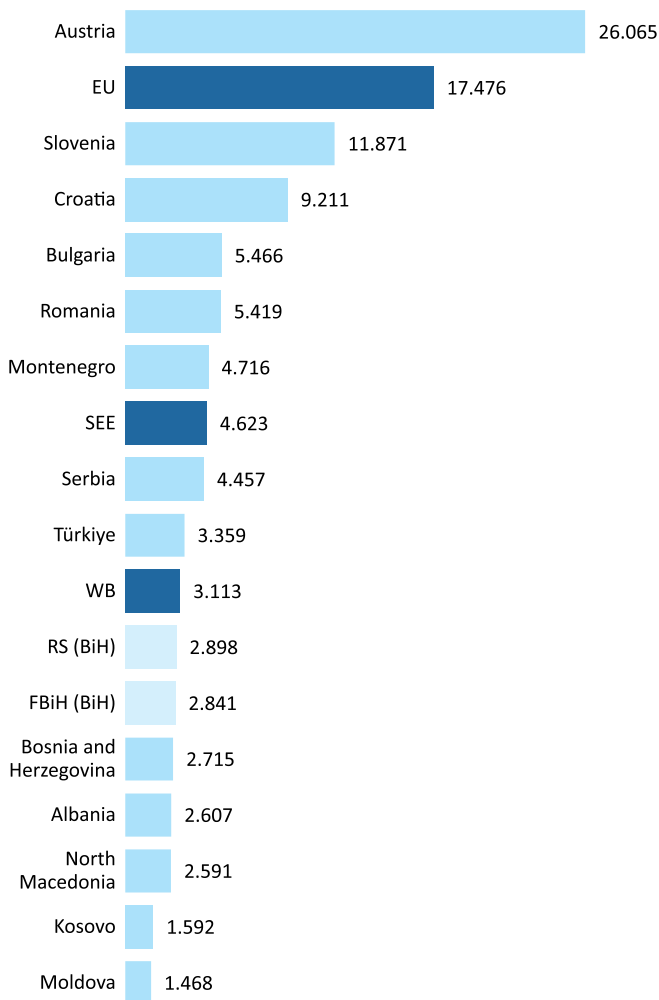
Public Revenue

2023	in € Billion*	in € per capita	in % of GDP
Albania	6.3	2.607	28%
Austria	237.0	26.065	50%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	9.5	2.715	39%
<i>FBiH (BiH)</i>	6.3	2.841	38%
<i>RS (BiH)</i>	3.3	2.898	40%
Bulgaria	35.6	5.466	38%
Croatia	35.7	9.211	47%
Kosovo	2.8	1.592	29%
North Macedonia	4.8	2.591	35%
Moldova	5.2	1.468	34%
Montenegro	2.9	4.716	43%
Romania	105.2	5.419	32%
Serbia	29.6	4.457	39%
Slovenia	25.0	11.871	39%
Türkiye	286.8	3.359	28%
Western Balkans	56.0	3.113	35.5%
South-East Europe	549.5	4.623	35.9%
European Union	7.827	17.476	45.5%

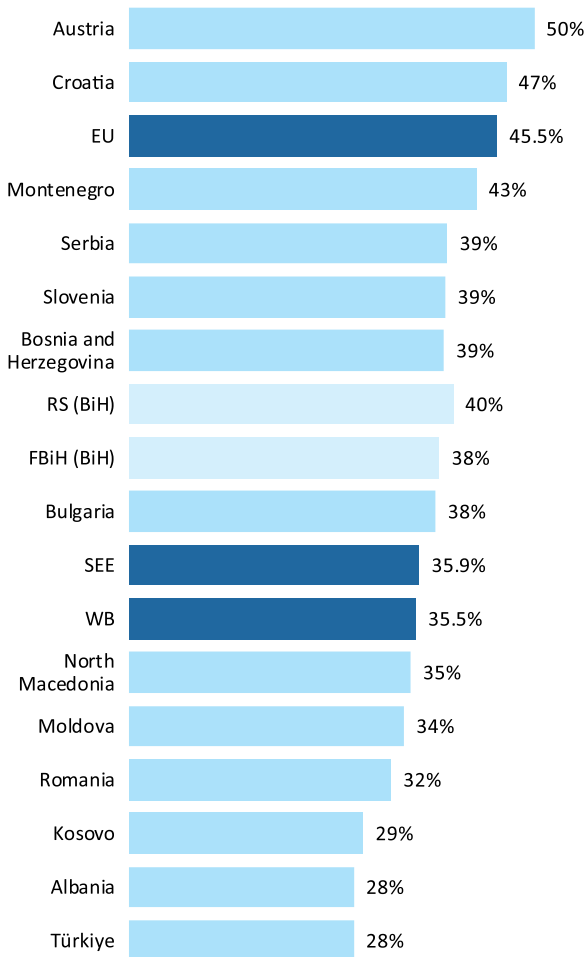
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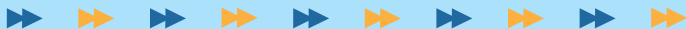
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Public Revenue, in € per capita, 2023



Public Revenue, in % of the GDP, 2023





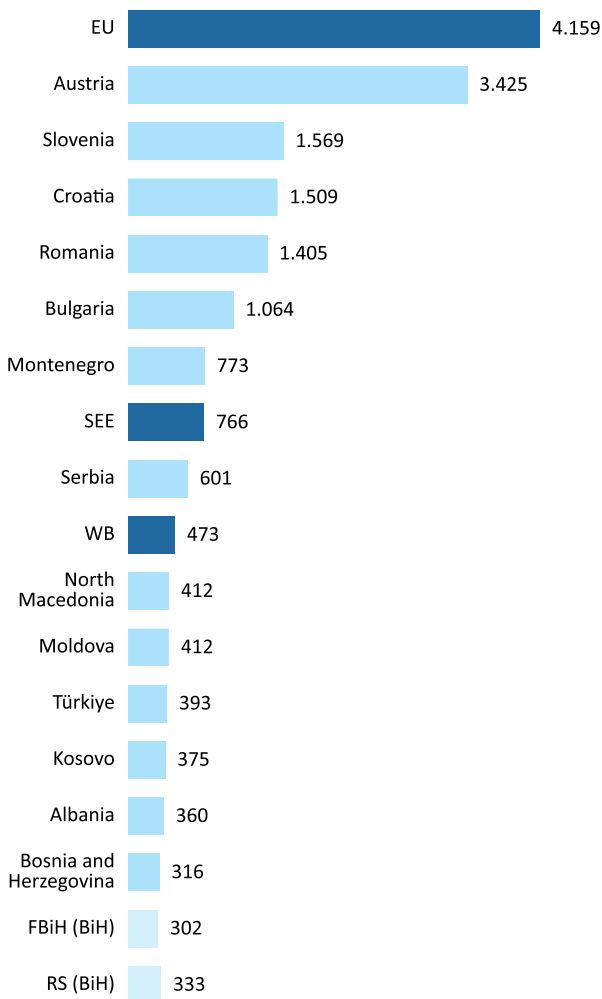
Local Government Revenue

2023	in € million	in € per capita	In % of Public Revenue	in % of GDP
Albania	864	360	13.8%	3.8%
Austria	24.012	3.425	10.1%	5.1%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1.111	316	11.6%	4.5%
<i>FBiH (BiH)</i>	665	302	10.6%	4.1%
<i>RS (BiH)</i>	446	393	13.6%	5.4%
Bulgaria	6.939	1.064	19.5%	7.4%
Croatia	5.841	1.509	16.4%	7.6%
Kosovo	670	375	23.6%	6.8%
North Macedonia	757	412	15.9%	5.6%
Moldova	1.462	412	28.1%	9.6%
Montenegro	482	773	16.4%	7.0%
Romania	27.282	1.405	25.9%	8.4%
Serbia	3.996	601	13.5%	5.3%
Slovenia	3.310	1.569	13.2%	5.2%
Türkiye	33.511	393	11.7%	3.3%
Western Balkans	7.880	473	15.8%	5.5%
South-East Europe	86.226	766	17.5%	6.2%
European Union	1.862.728	4.159	23.8%	10.8%

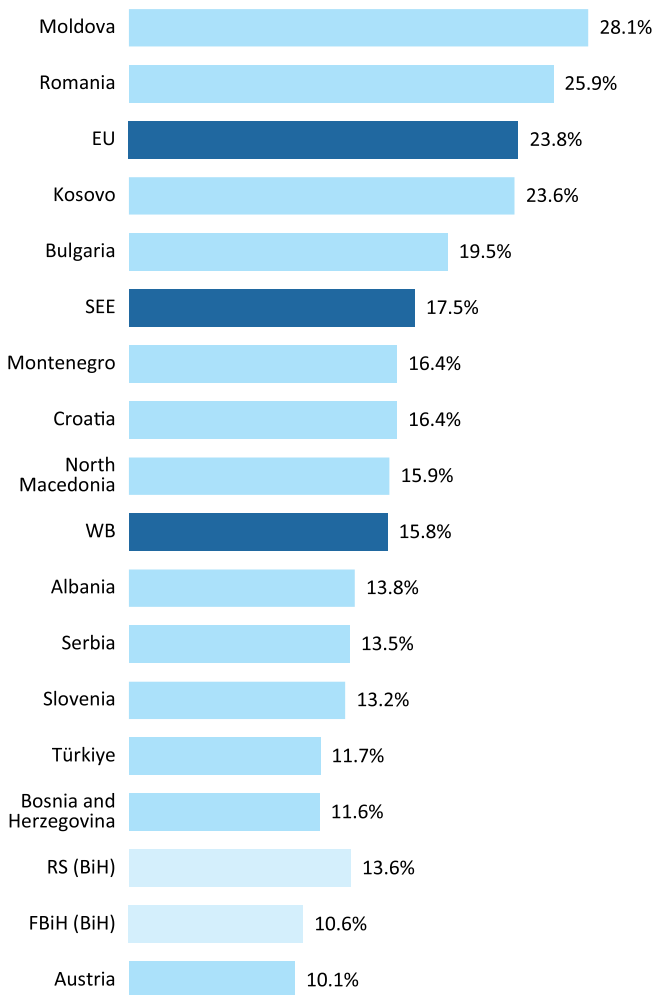
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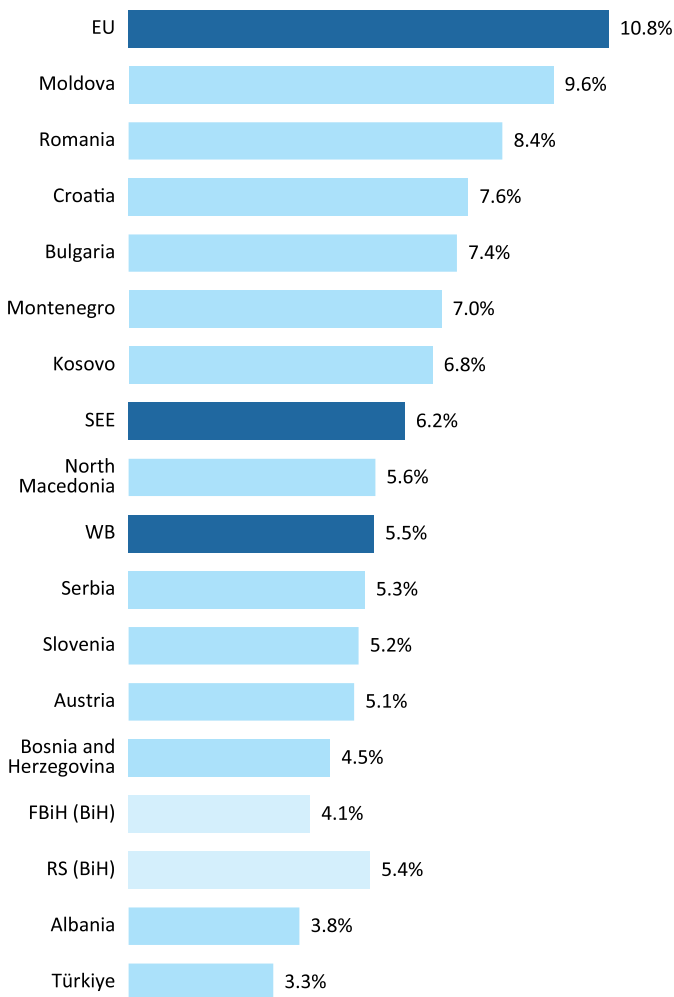
Local Government Revenue, in € per capita



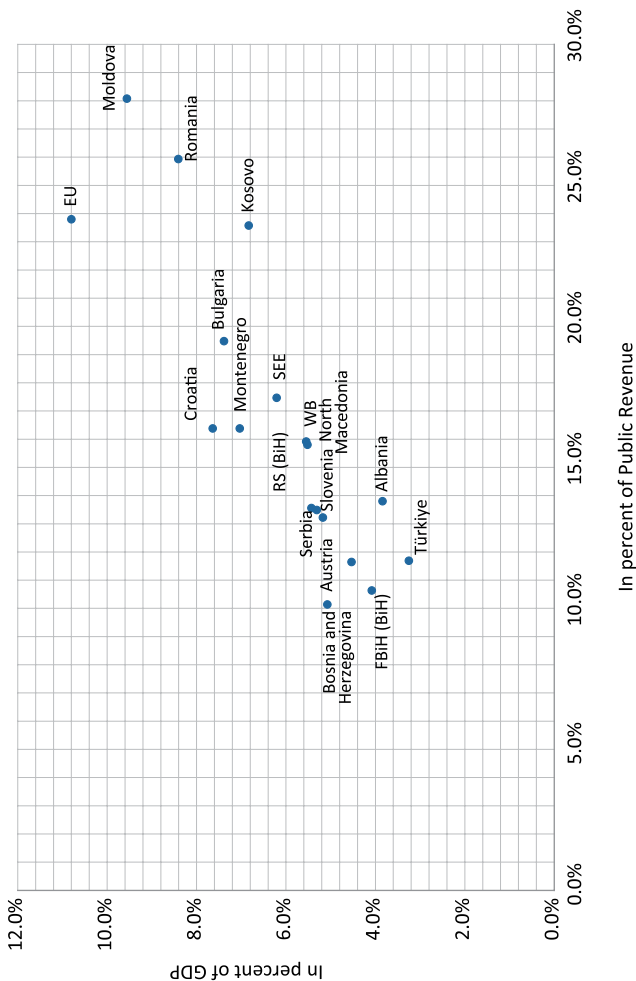
Local Government Revenue as % of Public Revenue

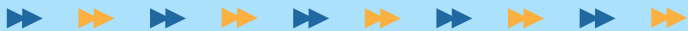


Local Government Revenue as % of GDP



Local Revenues as a share of Total Public Revenues & GDP





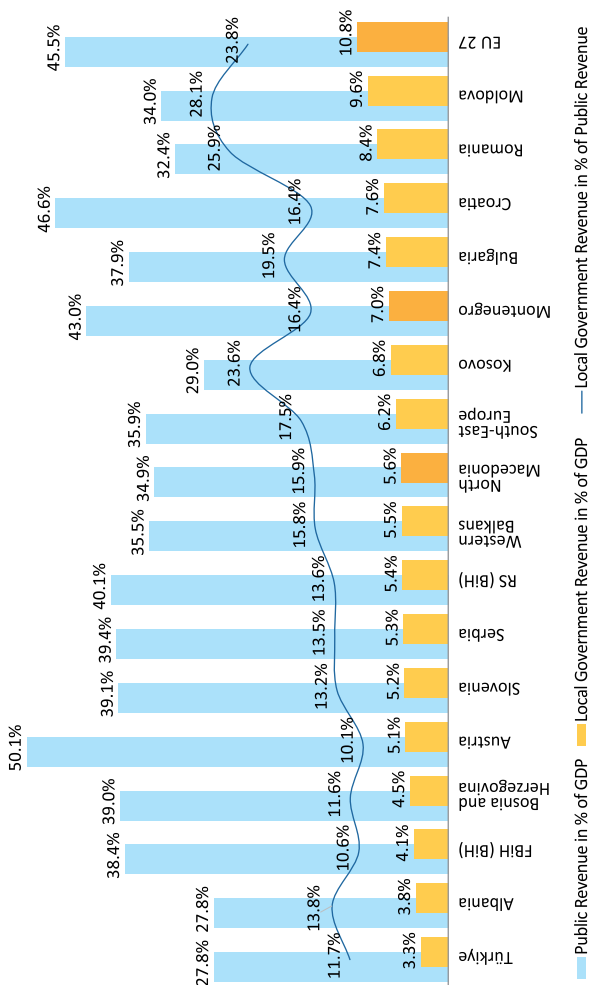
Local Government Revenue

2023	Public Revenue in % of GDP	Local Government Revenue in % of Public Revenue	Local Government Revenue in % of GDP
Albania	27.8%	13.8%	3.8%
Austria	50.1%	10.1%	5.1%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	39.0%	11.6%	4.5%
<i>FBiH (BiH)</i>	38.4%	10.6%	4.1%
<i>RS (BiH)</i>	40.1%	13.6%	5.4%
Bulgaria	37.9%	19.5%	7.4%
Croatia	46.6%	16.4%	7.6%
Kosovo	29.0%	23.6%	6.8%
North Macedonia	34.9%	15.9%	5.6%
Moldova	34.0%	28.1%	9.6%
Montenegro	43.0%	16.4%	7.0%
Romania	32.4%	25.9%	8.4%
Serbia	39.4%	13.5%	5.3%
Slovenia	39.1%	13.2%	5.2%
Türkiye	27.8%	11.7%	3.3%
Western Balkans	35.5%	15.8%	5.5%
South-East Europe	35.9%	17.5%	6.2%
European Union	45.5%	23.8%	10.8%

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Public Revenue and Local Government Revenue in South-East Europe in 2023



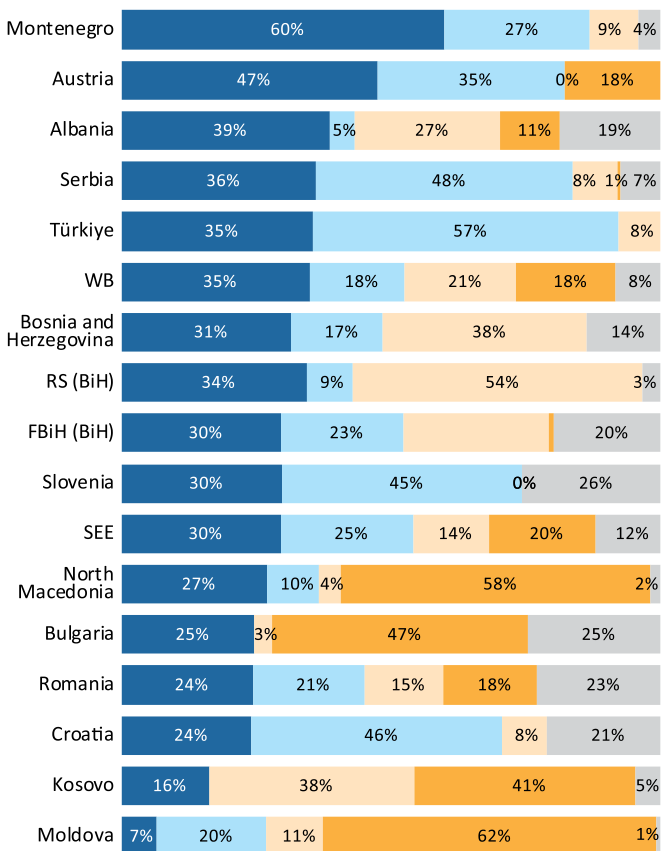
The Structure of Local Government Revenue

2023 in % of Total	Own Source Revenues	Shared Taxes	General Grant	Sectoral Block Grant	Investment Grant
Albania	39%	5%	27%	11%	19%
Austria*	47%	35%	0%	18%	0%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	31%	17%	38%	0%	14%
FBiH (BiH)	30%	23%	27%	1%	20%
RS (BiH)	34%	9%	54%	0%	3%
Bulgaria	25%	0%	3%	47%	25%
Croatia	24%	46%	8%	0%	21%
Kosovo	16%	0%	38%	41%	5%
Moldova	7%	20%	11%	62%	1%
Montenegro	60%	27%	9%	0%	4%
North Macedonia	27%	10%	4%	58%	2%
Romania	24%	21%	15%	18%	23%
Serbia	36%	48%	8%	1%	7%
Slovenia	30%	45%	0%	0%	26%
Türkiye	35%	57%	8%	0%	0%
Western Balkans	35%	18%	21%	18%	8%
South-East Europe	30%	25%	14%	20%	12%

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* In the case of Austria, the data for Own Source Revenues includes also data on Local Government Borrowing.

The Structure of Local Government Revenue



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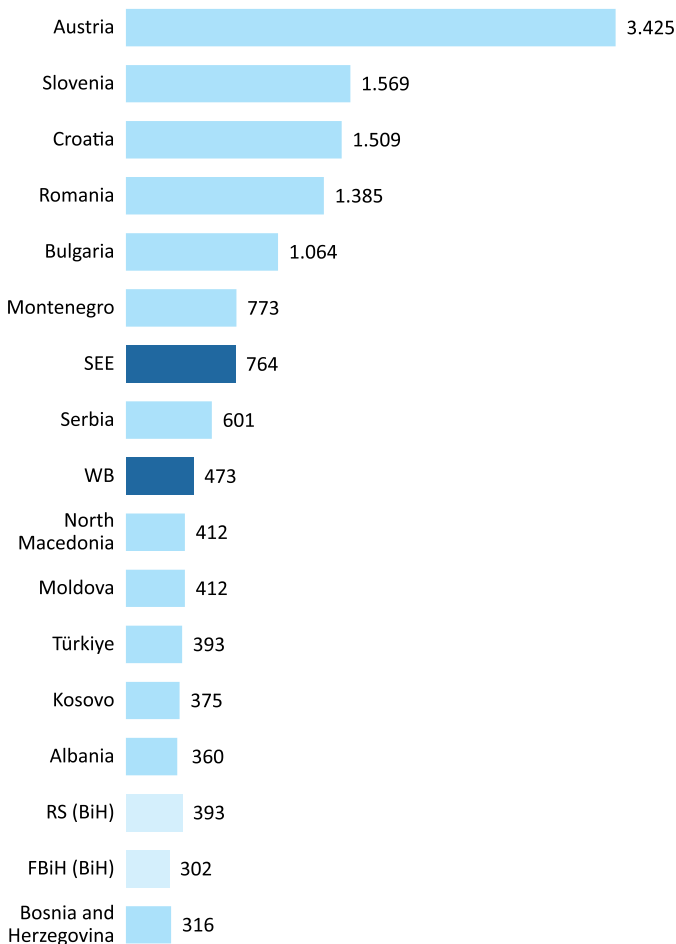
The Structure of Local Government Revenue, € per capita

2023 in Euro per capita	Own Source Revenues	Shared Taxes	General Grant	Sectoral Block Grant	Investment Grant	Total
Albania	139	17	97	40	67	360
Austria	1.624	1.194	0	606	0	3.425
Bosnia and Herzegovina	99	54	119	0	43	316
FBiH (BiH)	89	69	82	3	60	302
RS (BiH)	135	34	211	0	13	393
Bulgaria	263	0	35	504	263	1.064
Croatia	364	701	125	0	319	1.509
Kosovo	61	0	143	154	18	375
Moldova	27	84	44	255	3	412
Montenegro	463	209	70	0	31	773
North Macedonia	111	40	17	237	7	412
Romania	344	292	206	246	297	1.385
Serbia	217	286	50	3	44	601
Slovenia	467	700	0	0	403	1.569
Türkiye	139	223	30	0	0	393
Western Balkans	182	101	83	72	35	473
South-East Europe	224	217	78	120	125	764

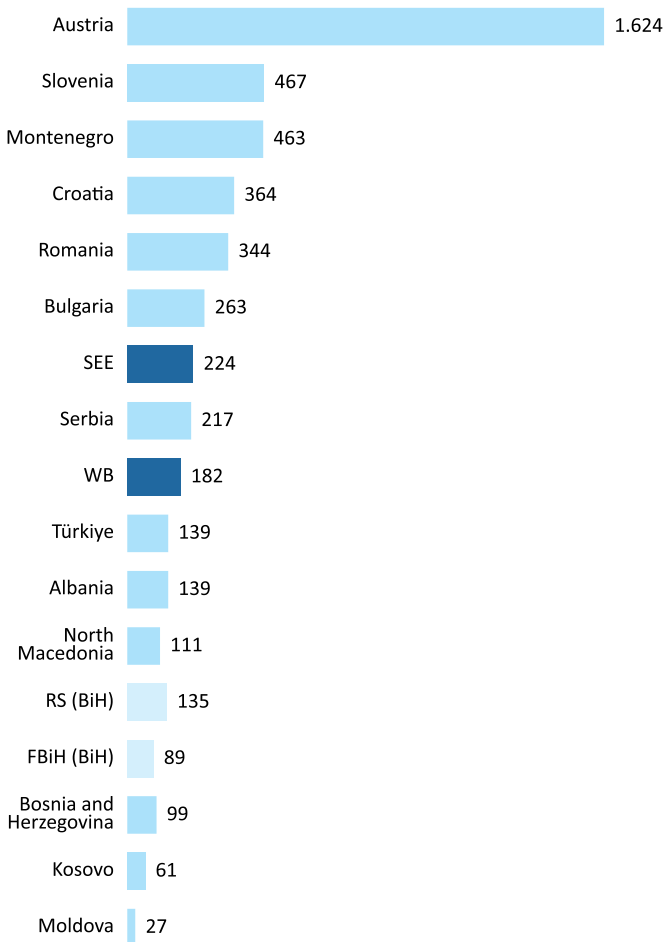
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Local Government Revenue in South-East Europe, in € per Capita



Own Source Revenues, in € per capita, 2023

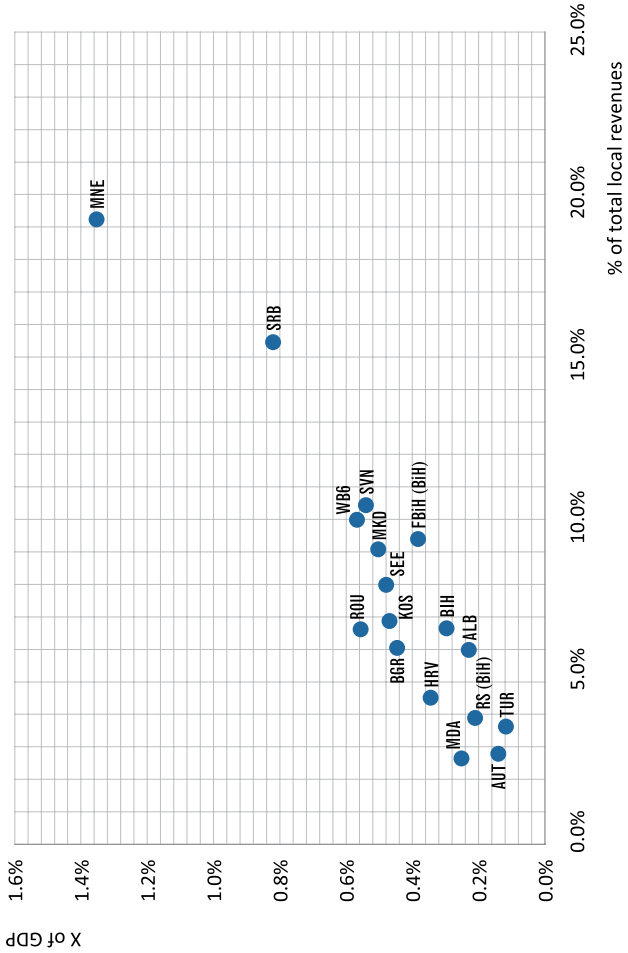


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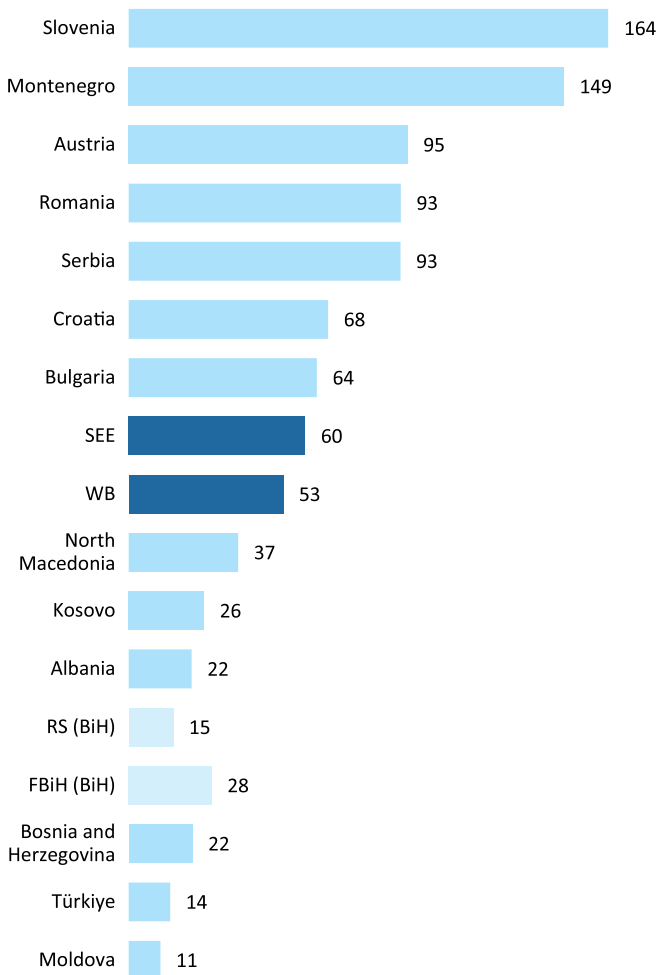
2023	in € per capita	in % of GDP	in % of local revenues
Albania	21.6	0.2%	6.0%
Austria	95.4	0.1%	2.8%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	21.8	0.3%	6.6%
<i>FBiH (BiH)</i>	28.4	0.4%	9.4%
<i>RS (BiH)</i>	15.3	0.2%	3.9%
Bulgaria	64.3	0.4%	6.0%
Croatia	68.2	0.3%	4.5%
Kosovo	25.8	0.5%	6.9%
Moldova	10.9	0.3%	2.6%
Montenegro	148.6	1.4%	19.2%
North Macedonia	37.4	0.5%	9.1%
Romania	93.0	0.6%	6.6%
Serbia	92.9	0.8%	15.5%
Slovenia	163.8	0.5%	10.4%
Türkiye	14.2	0.1%	3.6%
Western Balkans	52.9	0.6%	10.0%
South-East Europe	60.3	0.5%	8.0%

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Property Tax as % of Total Local Revenue and GDP



Property Tax Revenue, in € per capita





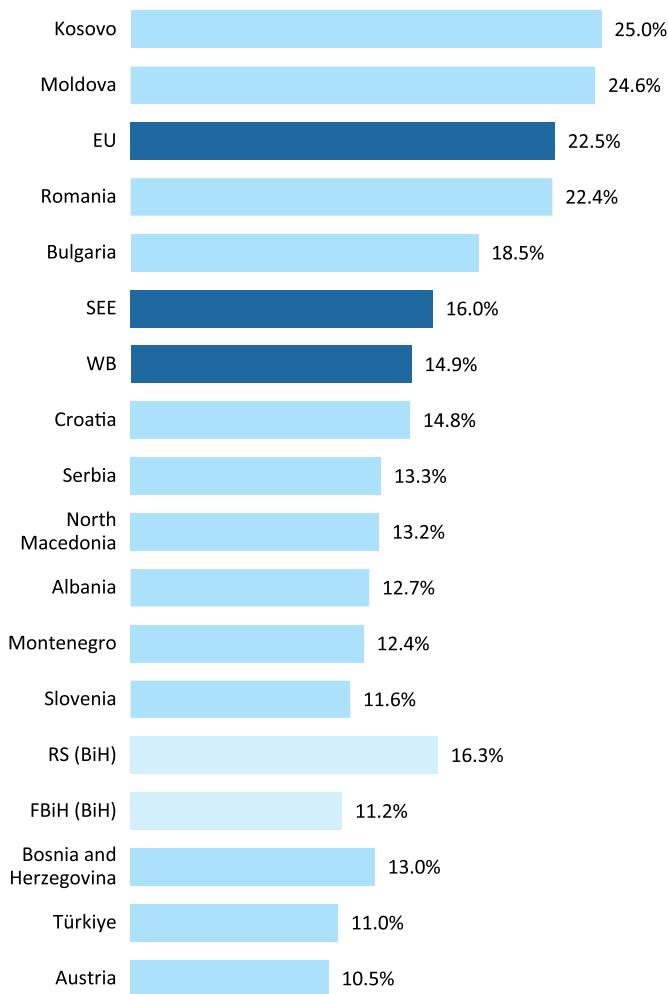
Local Government Expenditure

2023	in € million	in € per capita	In % of Public Expenditure	in % of GDP
Albania	831	346	12.7%	3.7%
Austria	26.195	3.736	10.5%	5.5%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1.178	335	13.0%	4.8%
<i>FBiH (BiH)</i>	<i>670</i>	<i>305</i>	<i>11.2%</i>	<i>4.1%</i>
<i>RS (BiH)</i>	<i>507</i>	<i>447</i>	<i>16.3%</i>	<i>6.2%</i>
Bulgaria	6.902	1.059	18.5%	7.3%
Croatia	5.371	1.387	14.8%	7.0%
Kosovo	705	395	25.0%	7.2%
North Macedonia	711	387	13.2%	5.2%
Moldova	1.479	417	24.6%	9.7%
Montenegro	359	575	12.4%	5.2%
Romania	27.788	1.431	22.4%	8.6%
Serbia	4.139	623	13.3%	5.5%
Slovenia	3.180	1.508	11.6%	5.0%
Türkiye	37.418	438	11.0%	3.6%
Western Balkans	7.923	444	14.9%	5.3%
South-East Europe	90.060	742	16.0%	6.1%
European Union	1.896.281	4.234	22.5%	11.0%

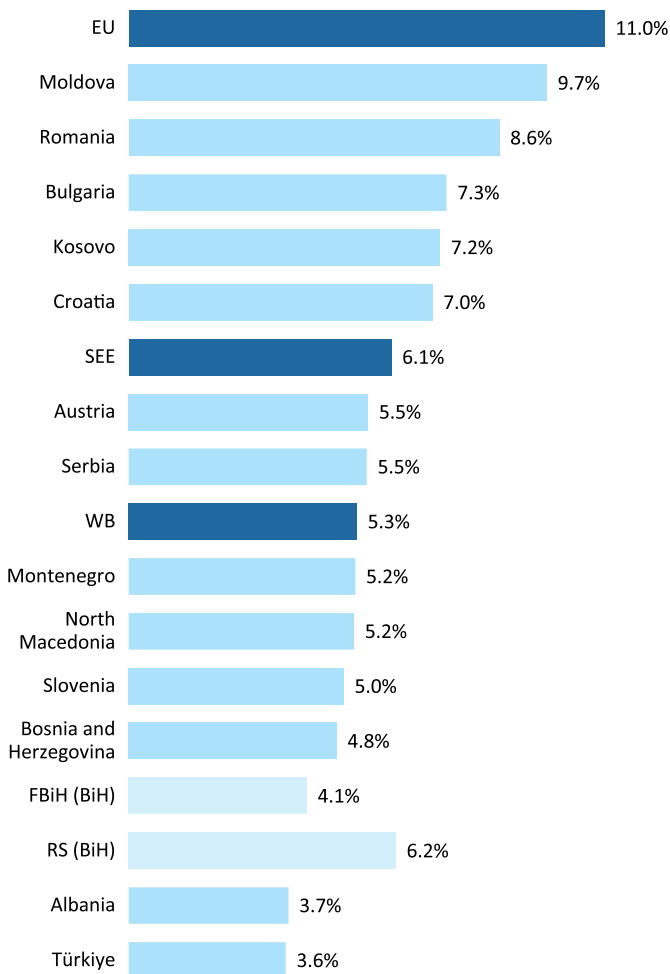
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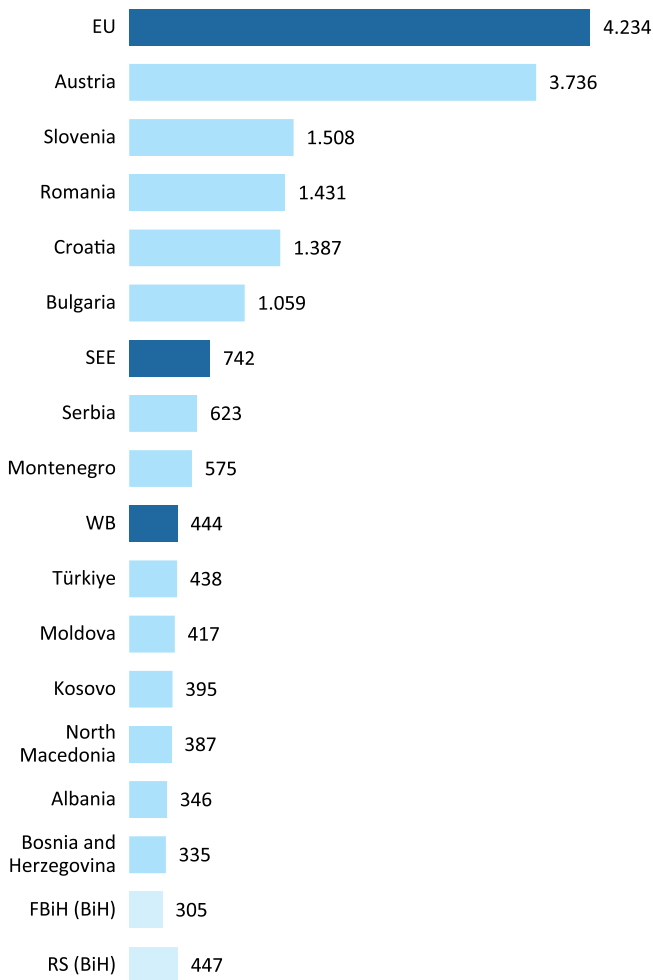
Local Government Expenditure as % of Public Expenditure



Local Government Expenditure as % of GDP



Local Government Expenditure in EUR per capita

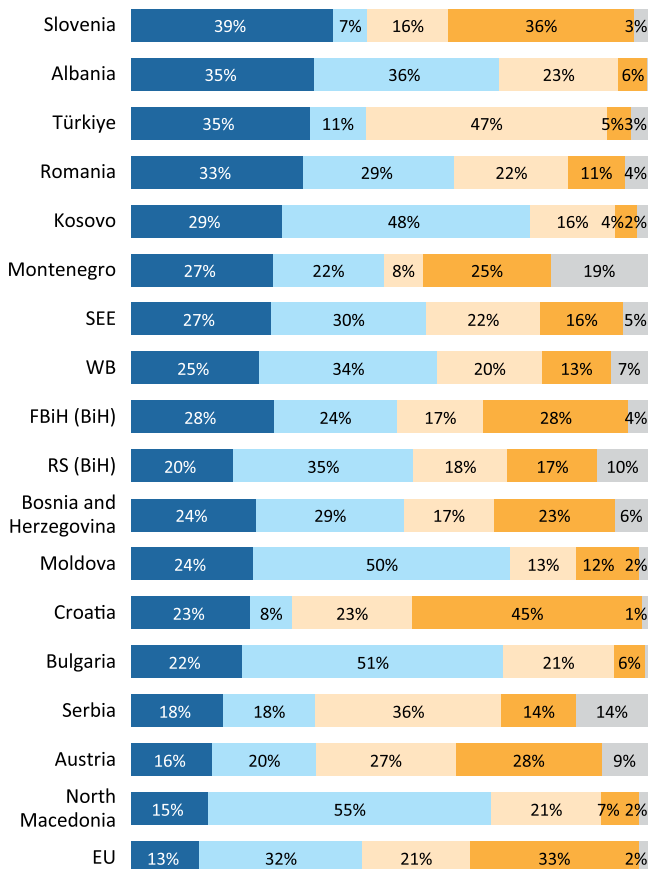


The Structure of Local Government Expenditure

2023 in % of Total	Capital Investments	Salaries	Goods & Services	Grants and Transfers	Other
Albania	35.5%	35.7%	23.2%	5.6%	0.0%
Austria	15.8%	20.0%	27.1%	28.3%	8.9%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	24.2%	28.6%	17.4%	23.5%	6.3%
FBiH (BiH)	27.6%	24.0%	16.6%	28.1%	3.7%
RS (BiH)	19.8%	34.8%	18.3%	17.4%	9.7%
Bulgaria	21.6%	50.7%	21.4%	6.2%	0.4%
Croatia	23.1%	8.0%	23.3%	44.6%	1.0%
Kosovo	29.2%	48.1%	16.3%	4.4%	2.0%
Moldova	23.6%	49.9%	12.6%	12.2%	1.7%
Montenegro	27.4%	21.6%	7.5%	24.7%	18.7%
North Macedonia	15.0%	54.8%	21.4%	7.2%	1.7%
Romania	33.3%	29.3%	22.0%	10.9%	4.5%
Serbia	17.8%	17.9%	36.1%	14.4%	13.8%
Slovenia	39.1%	6.6%	15.7%	36.0%	2.6%
Türkiye	34.6%	10.8%	46.9%	4.5%	3.2%
Western Balkans	24.8%	34.4%	20.3%	13.3%	7.1%
South-East Europe	27.1%	30.2%	22.0%	16.2%	4.7%
EU	13.2%	31.6%	20.8%	32.7%	1.7%

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Composition of Local Government Expenditure in South-East Europe, in % of Total



■ Investments

■ Salaries

■ Goods & Services

■ Grants & Transfers

■ Other



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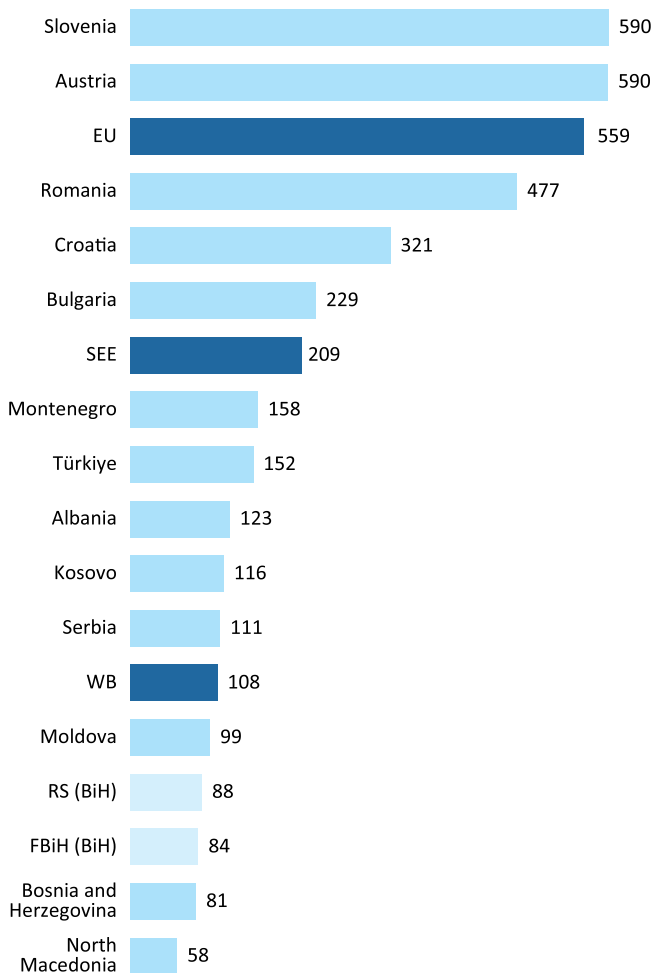
The Structure of Local Government Expenditure

2023 in € per capita	Capital Investments	Salaries	Goods & Services	Grants and Transfers	Other
Albania	123	123	80	19	0
Austria	590	747	1.011	1.056	332
Bosnia and Herzegovina	81	96	58	79	21
FBIH (BiH)	84	73	51	86	11
RS (BiH)	88	155	82	78	43
Bulgaria	229	537	227	66	4
Croatia	321	111	323	618	14
Kosovo	116	190	64	17	8
Moldova	99	208	52	51	7
Montenegro	158	124	43	142	108
North Macedonia	58	212	83	28	7
Romania	477	419	314	156	64
Serbia	111	111	225	90	86
Slovenia	590	99	237	542	39
Türkiye	152	47	205	20	14
Western Balkans (WB6)	108	143	92	63	38
South-East Europe	209	190	159	152	31
EU27	559	1.338	881	1.384	72

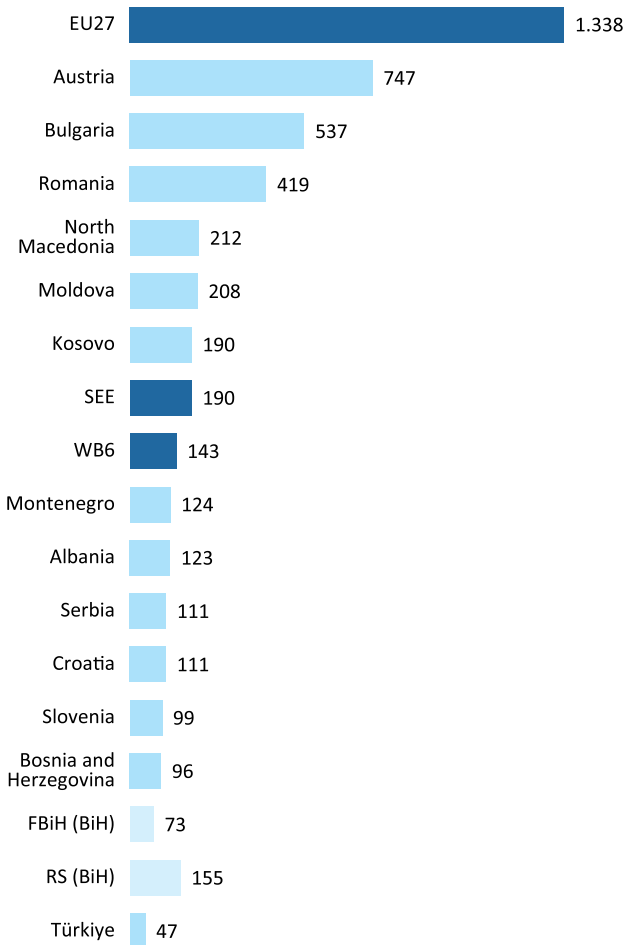
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Local Government Investments, in € per Capita, 2023



Local Government Spending for Salaries, in € per Capita, 2023

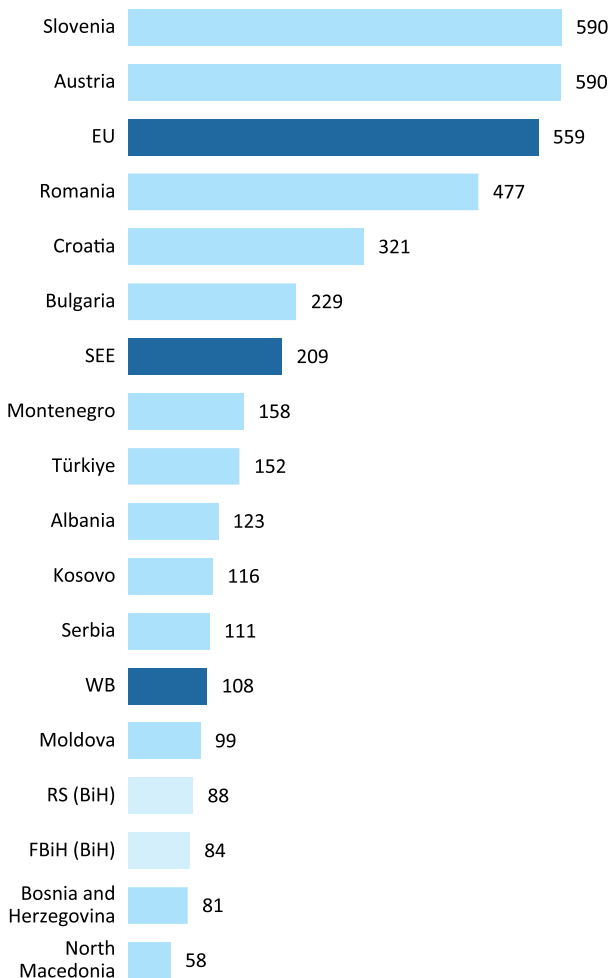


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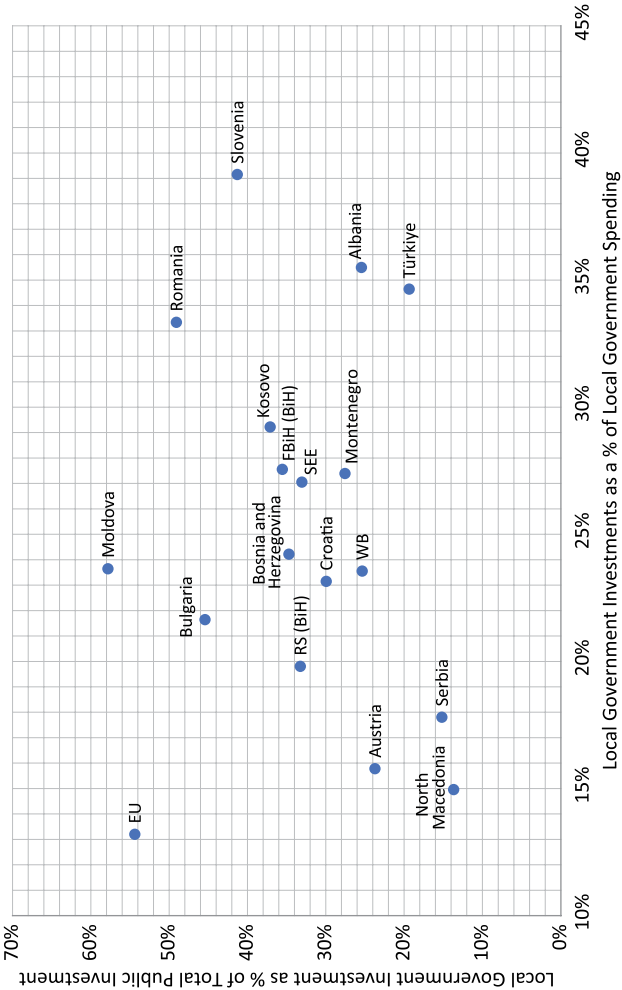
2023	in Million €	in € per capita	in % of GDP	% of Local Government Spending	% of Total Public Investment
Albania	295	123	1.3%	35%	25%
Austria	4.134	590	0.9%	15.8%	23.7%
Bosnia and Herzegovina	285	81	1.2%	24.2%	34.7%
FBiH (BiH)	185	84	1.1%	27.6%	35.6%
RS (BiH)	100	88	1.2%	19.8%	33.3%
Bulgaria	1.494	229	1.6%	21.6%	45.4%
Croatia	1.243	321	1.6%	23.1%	29.9%
Kosovo	206	116	2%	29%	37%
Moldova	350	99	2.3%	23.6%	57.8%
Montenegro	98	158	1.4%	27.4%	27.6%
North Macedonia	106	58	0.8%	15.0%	13.7%
Romania	9.264	477	2.9%	33.3%	49.1%
Serbia	737	111	1.0%	17.8%	15.2%
Slovenia	1.245	590	1.9%	39.1%	41.3%
Türkiye	12.961	152	1.3%	34.6%	19.4%
Western Balkans	1.728	108	1.2%	23.6%	25.4%
South-East Europe	28.284	209	1.6%	27.1%	33.1%
EU	250.309	559	1.8%	13.2%	54.4%

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Local Government Investments, in Eur per capita



Local Government Investment in South East Europe,
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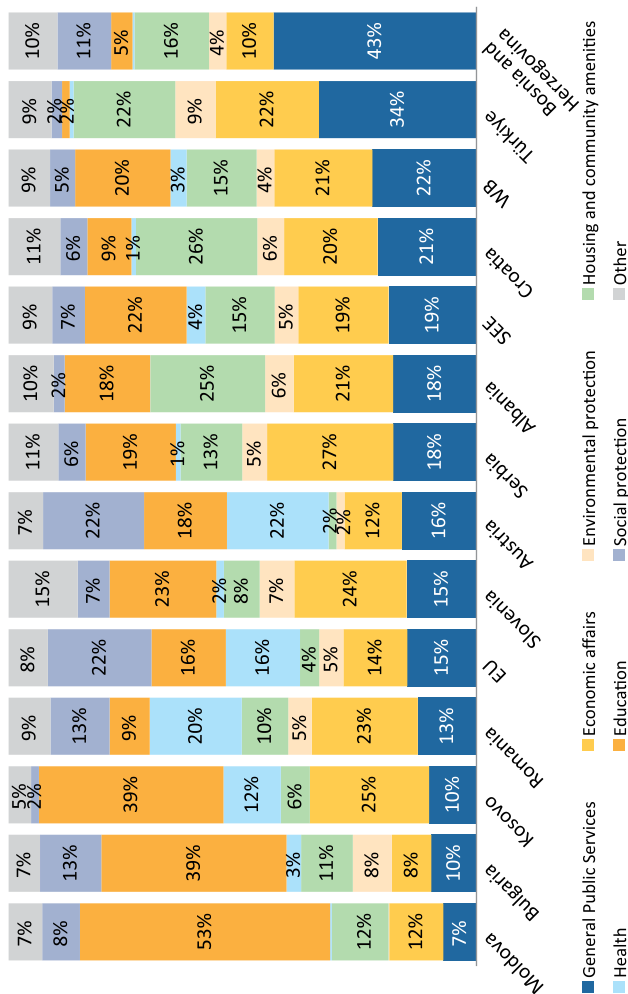
The Structure of Local Government Expenditure

2023 in % of total	General Public Services	Defence	Public order and safety	Economic affairs	Environmental protection	Housing and community amenities	Health	Recreation, culture and religion	Education	Social protection
Albania	18%	0%	6%	21%	6%	25%	0%	4%	18%	2%
Austria	16%	0%	2%	12%	2%	2%	22%	6%	18%	22%
FBIH (BIH)	43%	1%	2%	10%	4%	16%	0%	8%	5%	11%
Bulgaria	10%	0%	1%	8%	8%	11%	3%	5%	39%	13%
Croatia	21%	0%	2%	20%	6%	26%	1%	9%	9%	6%
Kosovo	10%	0%	1%	25%	0%	6%	12%	4%	39%	2%
Moldova	7%	0%	0%	12%	0%	12%	0%	7%	53%	8%
Romania	13%	0%	1%	23%	5%	10%	20%	8%	9%	13%
Serbia	18%	0%	1%	27%	5%	13%	1%	10%	19%	6%
Slovenia	15%	0%	2%	24%	7%	8%	2%	12%	23%	7%
Türkiye	34%	0%	3%	22%	9%	22%	1%	6%	2%	2%
WB	22%	0%	2%	21%	4%	15%	3%	6%	20%	5%
SEE	19%	0%	2%	19%	5%	15%	4%	7%	22%	7%
EU	15%	0%	3%	14%	5%	4%	16%	6%	16%	22%

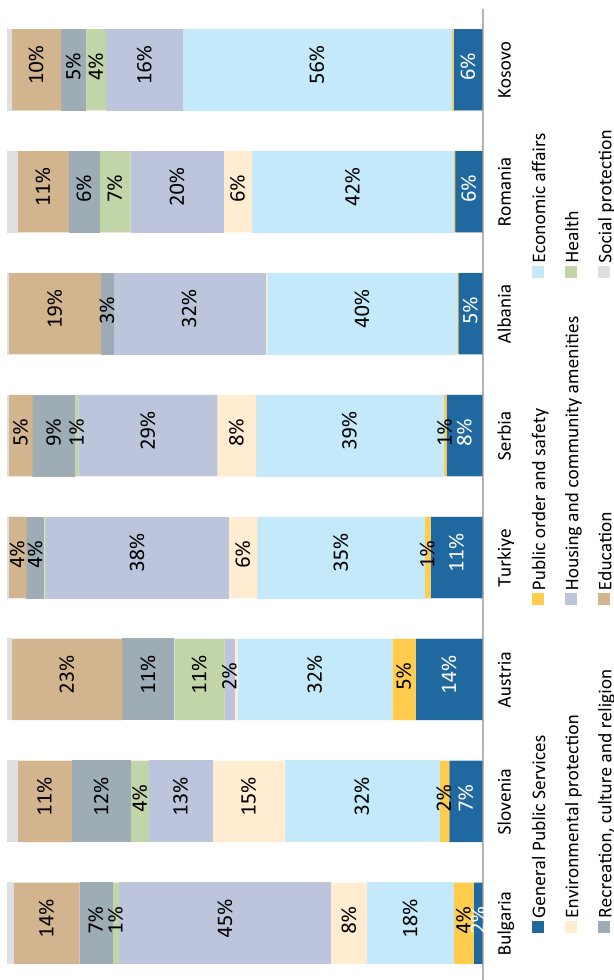
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Composition of Local Expenditure, according to the functions of government, in % of total



Composition of Local Investments, according to the functions of government, in % of total





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