

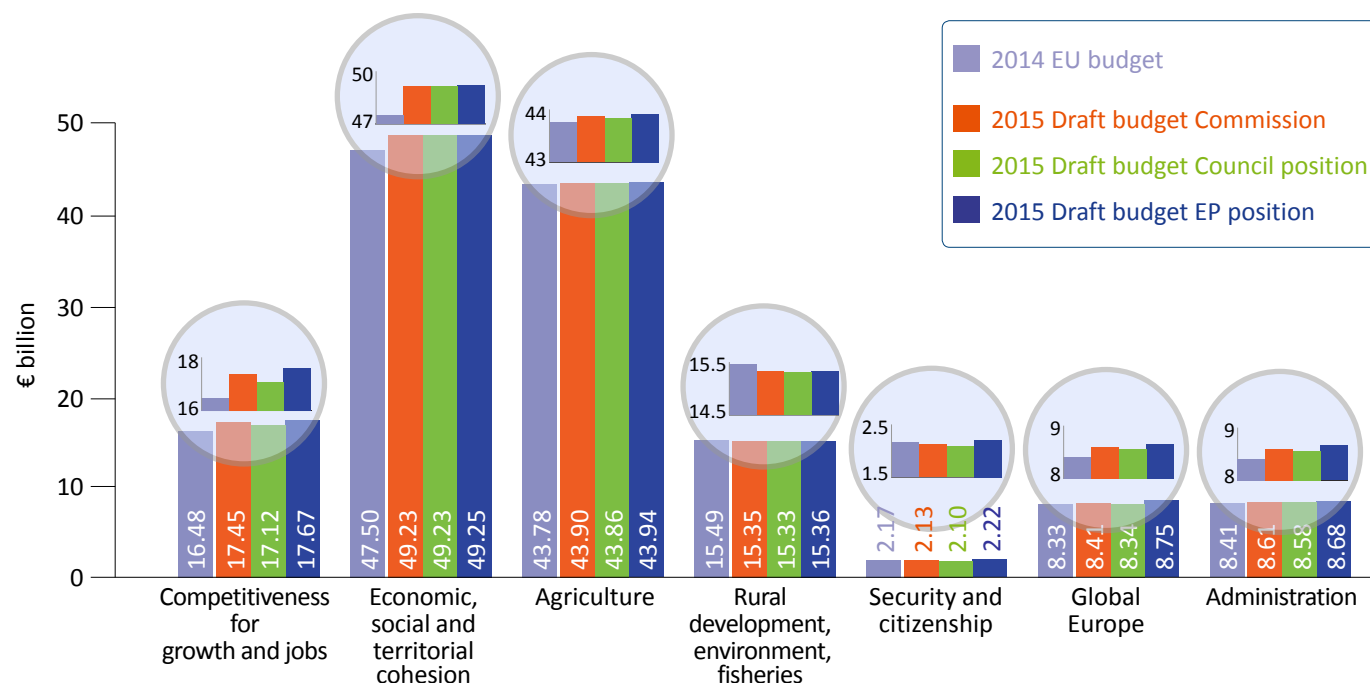
## 2015 EU budget negotiation

The charts below show how the positions adopted so far by the Parliament, Council and the Commission compare to each other and to the 2014 EU budget.

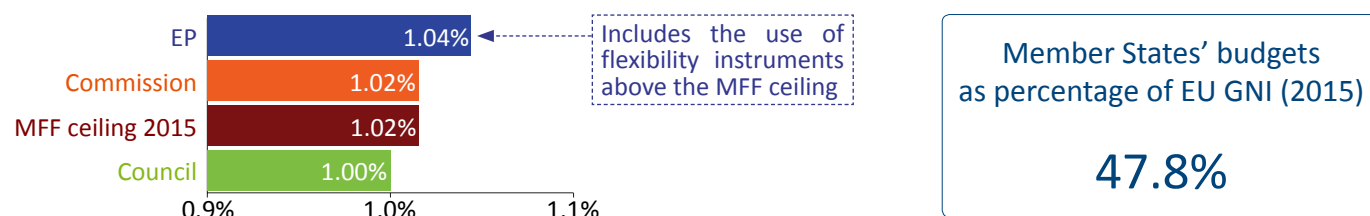
### Total EU budget (commitments, billion euros, current prices)



### EU budget by policy area (commitments, billion euros, current prices)



### 2015 EU budget payments, % of EU GNI



### State of play

Along with negotiations on the 2015 EU budget, Parliament and Council have been discussing modifications to the 2014 budget. Council has also asked Parliament to give an urgent opinion on a regulation related to the Own Resources system. The two arms of the Budgetary Authority failed to reach agreement by the end of conciliation at midnight on 17 November 2014. The main problems concern Council's reluctance to again provide sufficient payments to tackle the ever-growing pile of unpaid bills and to use the flexibility instruments above the Multiannual Financial Framework ceilings. The Commission has been asked to prepare a new draft 2015 EU budget. If agreement is not reached by the end of the year, a system of provisional twelfths will come into force providing emergency funding based on this year's spending patterns.

<p><b>EU budget by policy area (commitments, billion euros, current prices)</b></p>	<p><b>Competitiveness for growth and jobs</b> includes expenditure on Horizon 2020; large infrastructure projects (Galileo, ITER, Copernicus); Connecting Europe Facility (CEF); Education, Training and Sport (Erasmus+); Nuclear Safety and Decommissioning; Euratom Research and Training Programme; Competitiveness of enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises (COSME); Employment and Social Innovation; Customs, Fiscalis and Anti-Fraud; Energy projects to aid economic recovery.</p> <p><b>Economic, social and territorial cohesion</b> includes European Regional Development Fund (ERDF); European Social Fund (ESF); Cohesion Fund; CEF cohesion fund contribution; European territorial cooperation; Youth Employment Initiative (specific top-up allocation); European Aid to the Most Deprived.</p> <p><b>Agriculture</b> includes European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (EAGF) market related expenditure and direct payments.</p> <p><b>Rural development, environment, fisheries.</b></p> <p><b>Security and Citizenship</b> includes Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund; Internal Security Fund; IT systems; Justice; Rights; Equality and Citizenship; Union Civil Protection Mechanism; Europe for Citizens; Food and Feed; Health; Consumer; Creative Europe.</p> <p><b>Global Europe</b> includes Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance; European Neighbourhood Instrument; Development Cooperation Instrument; Partnership instrument for cooperation with third countries; European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights; Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace; Humanitarian Aid; Common Foreign and Security Policy; Instrument for Nuclear Safety Cooperation; Macro-financial Assistance; Guarantee Fund for External Actions; Union Civil Protection Mechanism; EU Aid Volunteers Initiative.</p> <p><b>Administration</b> includes administrative expenditure of the EU institutions.</p> <p>The <b>total budget</b> also includes compensations, Emergency Aid Reserve, European Globalisation Adjustment Fund, European Union Solidarity Fund.</p> <p><b>Data source:</b> European Commission (EC).</p>
<p><b>Member States' budgets as percentage of EU GNI</b></p>	<p>The percentage has been calculated using data from DG ECFIN forecast for 2015. Member States' budgets refers to EU28 General Government total expenditure.</p>
<p><b>State of play</b></p>	<p>The package of negotiations on the 2015 EU budget includes a Council request for Parliament to deliver an urgent opinion on a proposal to amend a regulation related to the Own Resources system; an amending letter (AL) to the 2015 draft EU budget; and draft amending budgets (DABs), an AL and proposals to mobilise flexibility instruments to the 2014 EU budget. A brief description of each item is set out below.</p> <p><b>Commission proposal COM(2014) 704 amending Council Regulation 1150/2000 implementing Own Resources Decision 2007/436:</b> to allow Member States to cope with exceptionally large revisions to own resources contributions.</p> <p><b>AL 1/2015:</b> agricultural forecasts update, redeployment of higher than anticipated EAGF assigned revenue, mobilisation of the agricultural crisis reserve to help deal with the Russian embargo.</p> <p><b>DAB 2/2014:</b> 2013 EU budget surplus.</p> <p><b>DAB 3/2014:</b> Additional payments for the Fisheries Fund, unpaid bills and new commitments financed via redeployment, the 2014 margin and the contingency margin; increased revenue from fines and interest payments and reimbursements and repayments to FEMIP (Facility for Euro-Mediterranean Investment and Partnership).</p> <p><b>Proposal to mobilise the Contingency Margin</b> to react to circumstances unforeseen when the MFF ceilings were established: frontloading for Horizon 2020, Erasmus+ and COSME; increase in the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived; higher than estimated unpaid cohesion policy payment claims; increase in co-financing of rural development and European Fisheries Fund; support for Ukraine.</p> <p><b>DAB 4/2014:</b> Revision of estimates of own resources and other revenue, particularly from fines, and modifications regarding the European Data Protection Supervisor, the ERDF and budget nomenclature.</p> <p><b>AL to DAB 4/2014:</b> upward revision of revenue estimates.</p> <p><b>DAB 5/2014:</b> Floods in Italy, earthquake in Greece, ice storm in Slovenia, ice and floods in Croatia.</p> <p><b>Proposal to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund:</b> Floods in Italy, earthquake in Greece, ice storm in Slovenia, ice and floods in Croatia.</p> <p><b>DAB 6/2014:</b> Revision of traditional own resources, VAT and GNI contributions forecasts.</p> <p><b>DAB 7/2014:</b> Floods in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria.</p> <p><b>Proposal to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund:</b> Floods in Serbia, Croatia and Bulgaria.</p> <p><b>Proposal to mobilise the EU Solidarity Fund:</b> advance payments to regions affected by disasters.</p> <p><b>Proposal to mobilise the flexibility instrument</b> for Structural Fund Programmes for Cyprus.</p>

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