

Philanthropy in Europe

Mapping Research and Data on Donations by Households, Bequests, Foundations, Corporations and Charity Lotteries

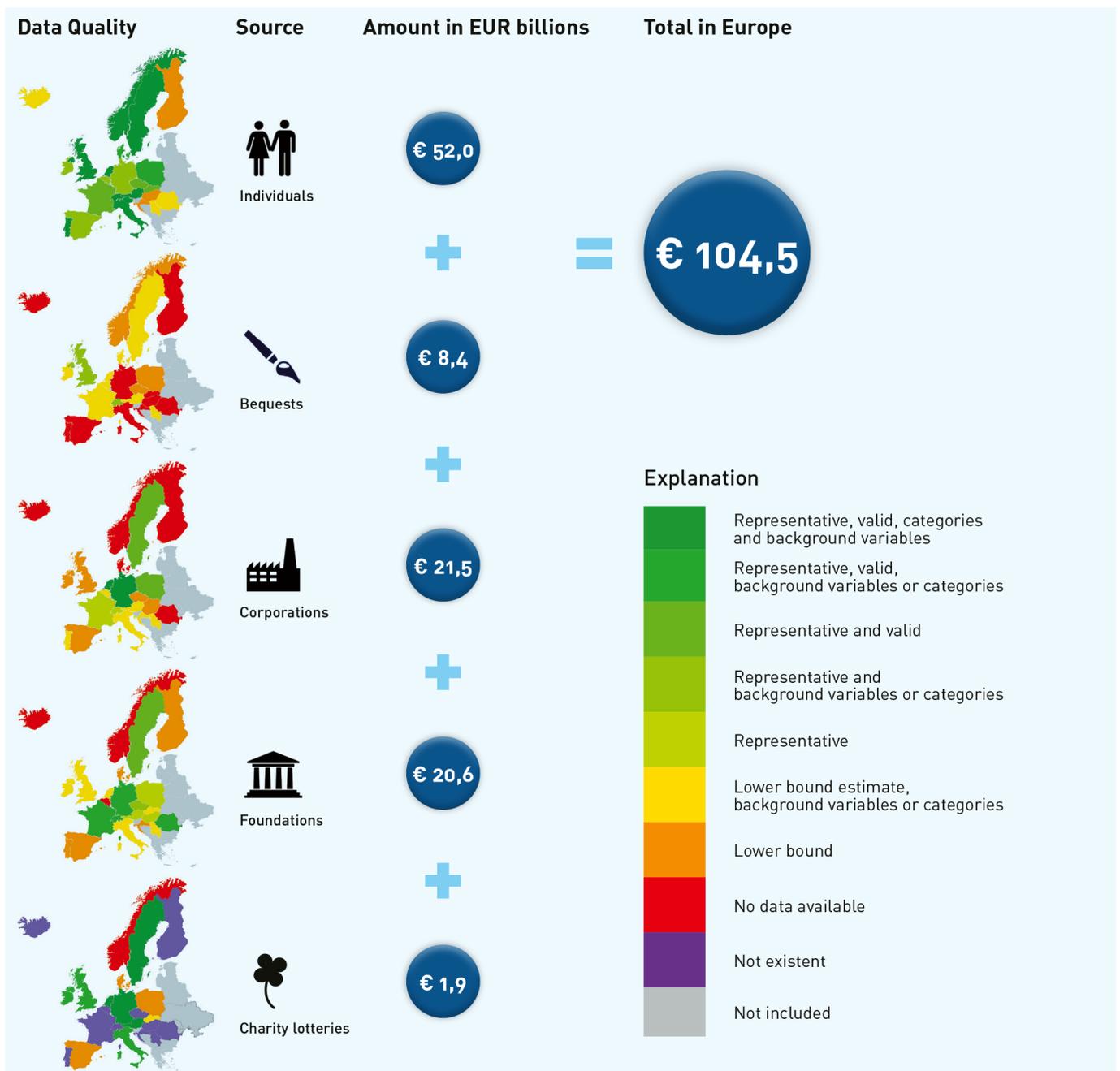
About Philanthropy in Europe

This publication¹ presents a comparative overview of philanthropic giving in Europe and is the result of a collaborative initiative of the European Research Network on Philanthropy (ERNOP). It brings together the best available evidence on donations by individuals, bequests, corporations, foundations, and charity lotteries across European countries, reflecting the current state of research and data availability in the field.

Using a standardised reporting template, ERNOP researchers have identified and documented the most relevant national data sources. For each country and type of giving, the publication provides the best available estimates of philanthropic giving, which

in many cases represent lower-bound calculations. Differences in data coverage, representativeness, and update status are made explicit through a transparent data-quality classification.

Together, the country-level estimates, European totals, and data-quality indicators offer both an empirical snapshot of philanthropy in Europe and a clear framework for interpreting cross-national variation and limitations in the available data. As such, the publication serves as a reference point for researchers, policymakers, and philanthropy professionals seeking reliable, comparable information on the scale and structure of philanthropic giving in Europe.



¹ Disclaimer: This publication presents lower-bound estimates of philanthropic giving in Europe based on the best available data for 2022. It does not provide a complete picture, as data availability and quality vary across countries and giving types. Data philanthropy by all sources for Norway, Denmark and Finland derived from Giving in Europe 2017. Data on specific sources of philanthropy for other countries can be derived from Giving in Europe 2017. See also table on next page. While care has been taken to ensure accuracy, no guarantees are made regarding completeness or suitability for specific uses. Readers are encouraged to interpret the findings in light of the documented data limitations. ERNOP warmly invites researchers, policymakers, and practitioners interested in the underlying data, methodology, or future collaboration to get in touch. Further information is available at www.ernop.eu.

Philanthropy in Europe 2022 (EUR millions)

Country	Individuals	Bequests	Corporations	Foundations	Lotteries	Total
 Austria	760	120 ²	88 ²	90	6	1064
 Belgium	766	200 ²	210 ²	Not available	Not existing	1176
 Croatia	20 ²	Not available	14 ²	3 ²	Not existing	37
 Czechia	188	3 ^{1,2}	222 ²	73	Not existing	486
 Denmark	795 ¹	67 ^{1,2}	Not available ¹	1200 ^{1,2}	10 ^{1,2}	2072
 Finland	152 ^{1,2}	Not available ¹	Not available ¹	306 ^{1,2}	Not existing ¹	458
 France	4088	1271 ²	3857	1640 ¹	Not existing	10856
 Germany	13800	Not available	9350	6448	411	30009
 Hungary	91 ^{1,2}	Not available ¹	179 ^{1,2}	179 ¹	Not existing	449
 Iceland	39 ²	Not available	Not available	Not available	22	61
 Ireland	378 ¹	77 ²	14 ²	15 ²	0	484
 Italy	7457	Not available	567 ²	962 ²	0	8986
 Netherlands	2188	368 ²	1751	397 ²	576	5280
 Norway	503 ¹	36 ^{1,2}	Not available ¹	373 ¹	Not available ¹	912
 Poland	710	3 ²	595	251	2 ²	1561
 Portugal	639	Not available	238 ²	149 ^{1,2}	Not existing	1026
 Romania	448 ²	Not available	Not available	24	Not existing	472
 Serbia	22 ²	Not available	3 ²	0 ²	Not existing	25
 Slovakia	96 ¹	Not available	63 ^{1,2}	46 ²	0	205
 Spain	2360	Not available	1200 ²	1090 ²	312 ²	4962
 Sweden	499	175 ²	151	922	82	1829
 Switzerland	1165	1132 ¹	875 ¹	3087	Not existing	6259
 United Kingdom	14893	4991	2169 ²	3300 ^{1,2}	495	25848
 Total	52057	8443	21546	20555	1916	104517

1) Data from Giving in Europe 2017 2) Lower bound estimate

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