



Living and working in Portugal

Seize the Summer with EURES
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Portugal facts & figures

Area 92,412 km²

Territorial organization 5 regions in the Mainland,
2 autonomous regions (Azores & Madeira)

Capital Lisboa (Lisbon)

Population 10.304.802 (2021)

Official language Portuguese

Currency Euro

Per capita GDP (PPS) 76% UE27 (2020)

Unemployment rate 6,0% (Jan. 2022)



Tourism sector

The driving force of the economy and labour market

- **18,7%** of GDP and **9%** of employment in 2020
- in 2021, **14,5** mio. guests (+39,4% than in 2020) and **37,5** mio. overnight stays (+45,2%)
- total tourism **income** increased by **61,2%** from 2020 to 2021
- **foreign tourists'** overnight stays represented **49,8%** of total
- **short breaks** still dominant, mostly in Lisbon (& Porto)

Our tourism sector

Where do our tourists come from?

In the EU/EEA+CH

- Spain
- Germany
- France
- Netherlands
- Scandinavia (SE, DK, FI, NO)
- Italy
- Belgium
- Switzerland
- Poland
- Ireland
- Romania

Others

- UK
- Brazil
- USA
- Canada
- Russia
- China
- South Korea
- Angola
- Japan

Our tourism sector

(seasonal) demand for workers

Profiles most looked after

Chefs / Chefs de Partie / Commis-Chefs / Sous-Chefs

Cooks / Confectioners / Pastry-cooks

Reservation Agents / Travel Advisors / Customer Service

Waiters / Bartenders

Hotel Receptionists / Night Auditors

Tourist Entertainers

Kitchen Stewards

Room Service / Housekeeping Attendants

Maintenance Workers

SPA Therapists

Pool Vigilants

Recruiting companies in Seize the Summer



Tourism sector: wages in Portugal

Minimum wage (2022): **€705**

Avg. monthly earnings (2019): **€1.188**

in **Hotel & Catering: €811,9**

X 14 MONTHS
(holidays & Christmas)

Indicative Wage Ranges

Hotel receptionist	€ 720 - 900	Massage Therapist	€ 750 - 950
Bartender / Barman	€ 750 - 920	Outdoor Adventure Guide	€ 800 - 1300
Waiter	€ 750 - 900	Travel Agent / Consultant	€ 750 - 950
Cook	€ 850 - 1000	Call Centre Agent – Inbound	€ 750 - 1150
Chef	€ 1000 - 1500	Travel Guide	€ 750 - 900
Kitchen Helper	€ 750 - 850	Travel Organiser	€ 750 - 1200
Room Service	€ 720 - 890	Entertainer	€ 750 - 1050

Working conditions

Short term contracts
in written

Working time & holidays

- 40 hours/week
- 22 holidays (annual leave)
- 13 bank holidays +...

Lisbon the highest
wage level in Portugal

Social security

Worker 11%

Employer 23,75%

Freelancer 21,4%

IRS (personal income tax)

Variable annual rate 14,5% - 48%

www.seg-social.pt

www.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt

Learning Portuguese



nearly **260 million speakers** in the World



www.instituto-camoes.pt



<http://pptonline.acm.gov.pt>

www.portuguesmaisperto.pt/EN

other **e-learning** platforms

- www.practiceportuguese.com
- www.portugueselab.com
- www.portugalist.com

... and more

Living Costs... Housing



Monthly rent: 45m² furnished studio in expensive area €728



Monthly rent: 45m² furnished studio in normal area €588



Utilities 1 month (heating, electricity, gas, ...) 1 person €134



Internet 8 mbps (1 month) €31



40" flat screen TV €355



Laundry detergent (3 l.) €8



Hourly rate for cleaning help €8

Living Costs... Food

	Basic lunchtime menu in the business district	€9
	Combo meal in fast food restaurant	€6
	500 gr of boneless chicken breast	€2,72
	1 lt whole fat milk	€0,93
	12 eggs, large	€2,49
	1 kg tomatoes	€1,54
	500 gr local cheese	€4,23

	1 kg potatoes	€ 1,64
	1 kg apples	€1,01
	0.5 l domestic beer in the supermarket	€1,23
	1 bottle of red wine, good quality	€5,05
	2 lt coca-cola	€ 2,07
	Bread for 2 people 1 day	€ 0,84
	Average consumer basket for 1 person	€200

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Living Costs... Entertainment



Basic dinner out for two in neighborhood pub

€24



2 tickets to the movies

€14



Full course meal for 2 @Italian restaurant in expat area

€41



1 cocktail drink in downtown club

€ 7



Cappuccino in expat area of the city

€2,59



1 beer in neighbourhood pub (500ml)

€1,94



1 min. prepaid mobile tariff (no discounts or plans)

€0,20

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Living: some useful links

Cost of living

<http://bit.ly/PTcostofliving> (EURES Portal)
www.numbeo.com

Accommodation

www.comprarcasa.pt
www.bquarto.pt
www.uniplaces.com/pt
www.era.pt
www.remax.pt
www.imo-portugal.pt
www.lardocelar.pt
www.idealista.pt

Healthcare

www.sns.gov.pt (NHS)
http://bit.ly/HealthAccess_EUcitizens
<https://covid19estamoson.gov.pt/> (COVID measures)
<https://covid19.min-saude.pt/> (COVID19 status)

ePortugal: public service gateway <https://eportugal.gov.pt/>

Finding a job

www.eures.europa.eu

<https://iefponline.iefp.pt>



www.turijobs.pt

www.ambitur.pt

www.hosco.com > Portugal

www.turilink.pt

www.jobsinlisbon.com

www.jobinporto.com

www.expressoemprego.pt

<http://emprego.sapo.pt>

Applying for a job



- **motivation letter + CV** (photo highly recommended)
- CV: **reverse chronological** order or **functional** model; **infographic** more and more popular
- **1-2 pages**, short, concise, structured
- if you don't speak / write Portuguese, write CV **in English...**
- you can (still) use **Europass CV...**
- **phone**: your country's international code number (e.g. +33)
- include a**Skype** / GoogleMeet / Teams account
- and... use your **LinkedIn** profile

Before coming Checklist



- Valid **ID card** or **Passport**
- Knowing the **wage payment method** and frequency
- Making sure in advance there is **accommodation** in the area
- European **Health Insurance Card**
- Enough **money** to remain in Portugal until 1st wage payment
- EURES **Targeted Mobility Schemes**... support

On arrival administrative procedures

- Fiscal number (NIF): www.portaldasfinancas.gov.pt
- Bank account
- Registration at the Healthcare Service (SNS)
- EU Citizen Registration Certificate

How to reach us EURES in Portugal



www.iefp.pt/eures



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www.facebook.com/eures.pt



www.linkedin.com/company/euresportugal



http://bit.ly/Youtube_EURESpt

Chat on Fridays <http://bit.ly/ChatEURESpt>



Online advice <https://bit.ly/AdviceEURESpt>



Tack



Grazie mille

Tak

Köszönöm

Takk

Ευχαριστώ

Ačiū

Thank you

Dziękuję Ci

Vielen dank

Paldies

Kiitos

OBRIGAD@!

Muchas gracias

