Sharp Demografic Decline

- Between 2004 and 2013, the biggest reductions in population were recorded in Germany (1.76 mil) and Romania (1.57 mil)
- Romania among the EU countries with the lowest birth rates (PT, ES, GR, IT)
- Romania among the EU countries with the lowest life expectancies at birth (BG, LV, LT)
- 2080: est. 16.3 mil inhabitants
- Average age: 40,8 (higher than EU average: 42,2)

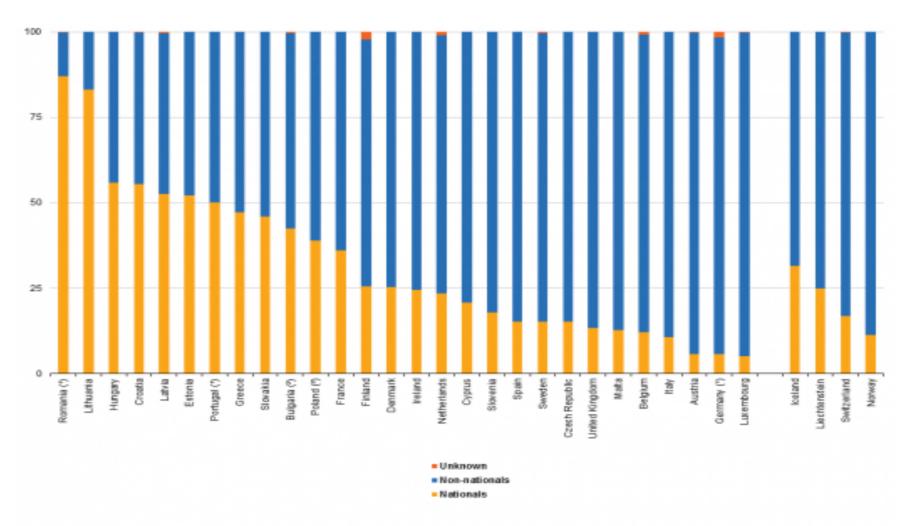
Sharp Demographic Decline (the last census: October 20th, 2011)

- Romania's usual resident population amounted to 20,121,641 persons, out of which 10,333,064 women (51.4%).
- As compared to the situation at the previous census (2002), the usual resident population decreased with 1,559.3 thousand persons (out of which 779.2 thousand women), mainly due to external migration.
- Children (0-14 years): 15.9% in total usual resident population; the youth (15 24 years): 12.3%; adults (25 64 years) represent the majority: 55.7%; persons aged 65+: 16.1%.
- 44.2% low educational level (primary, lower secondary or no graduated school); 41.4% - medium level (post-high school, high school, vocational or foremen education); 14.4% - upper level.

Intra-EU Romanian Migration

- Migration is influenced by a combination of economic, environmental, political and social factors: either in a migrant's country of origin (push factors) or in the country of destination (pull factors). Historically, the relative economic prosperity and political stability of the EU are thought to have exerted a considerable pull effect on immigrants.
- In destination countries, international migration may be used as a tool to solve specific labour market shortages.
- In 2015, the relative share of national immigrants, in other words immigrants with the citizenship of the EU Member State to which they were migrating, within the total number of immigrants was highest in Romania (87 % of all immigrants), Lithuania (83 %), Hungary (56 %), Croatia (55 %), Latvia (52 %), Estonia (52 %) and Portugal (50 %).
- These were the only EU Member States to report that national immigration accounted for more than half of the total number of immigrants.

Intra-EU Romanian Migration



^(*) Estimate.

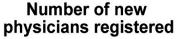
Source: Eurostat (online data code: migr_imm2ctz)

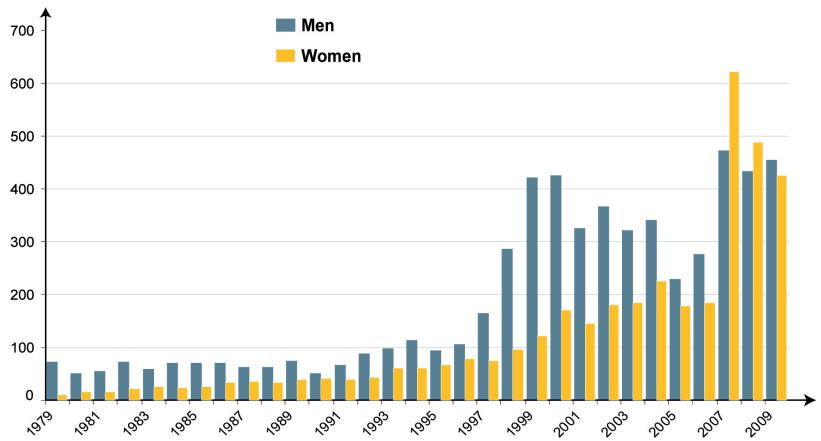
^(*) Provisional.

A Serious Problem With No Immediate Solution

- Almost 2.35 mil Romanians live and work in the EU
- 2007: the peak-year of intra-EU Romanian immigration (544.000); the trend is again positive
- 2014: Most immigrants(60% +) have a stable job (integrated, no return)
- Top destinations: IT, UK, ES, DE, BE, DK, FR, SWE
- By age groups: 15-34 y.o. 52%; 35-54 y.o. 28% (active population)
- Medium educational level: IT, SP (est. 1.8 mil)
- Upper educational level: DE, UK, FR (consistent and growing 'brain drain' phenomenon)
- Push factor: economic, professional (career perspectives)
- Pull factor: social-economic (increasing mobility, higher average wages/month, labour markets liberalization, social+health+retirement favourable schemes), professional, cultural (polyglotism)
- Intra-EU immigration and declining birth rate will soon generate heavy pressures on the domestic labour market offer and on the socialretirement schemes

A Serious Problem With No Immediate Solution





Physicians' migration from Romania to France

R. Séchet, D. Vasilcu, *Physicians' migration from Romania to France: a brain drain into Europe?*, in *Cybergeo. European Journal of Geography*, 2015, 743, p. 20

A Serious Contextual Problem With No Immediate Solution. **Emigration Slows Growth**

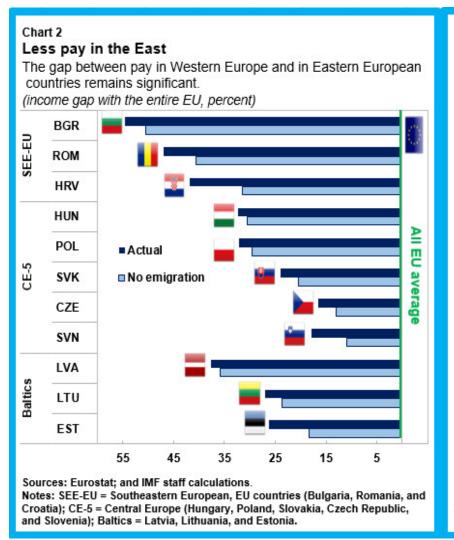
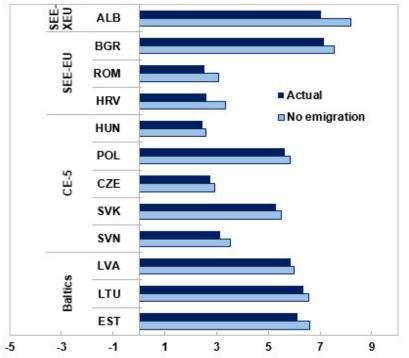


Chart 3 GDP suffered in sending countries

Leaving work force from Eastern European countries has thrown back growth.

(annual GDP growth, percent, 1995-2012)

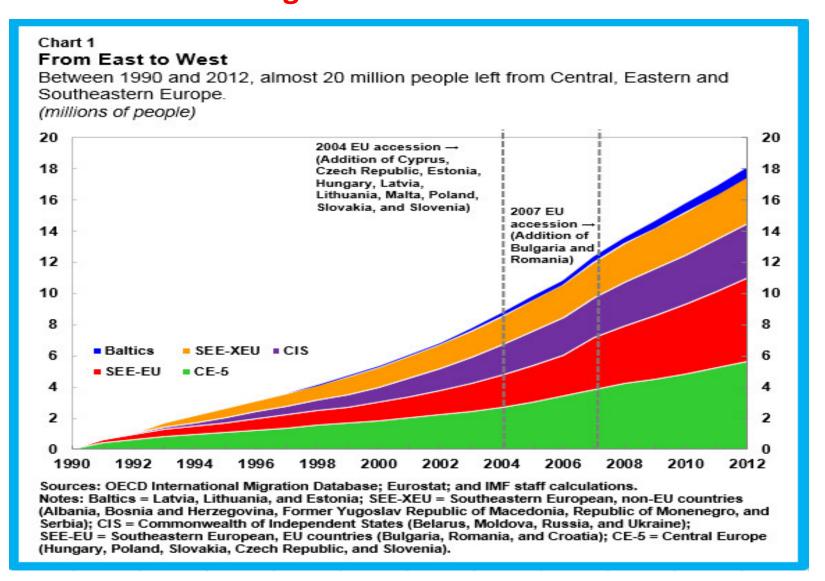


Sources: Eurostat and IMF staff calculations. Notes: SEE-XEU = Southeastern European, non-EU country (Albania); SEE-EU = Southeastern European, EU countries (Bulgaria, Romania, and Croatia);

CE-5 = Central Europe (Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, and Slovenia);

Baltics = Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia).

A Serious Contextual Problem With No Immediate Solution. Emigration Slows Growth



Religious landscape of Central and Eastern Europe

Muslim

Unaffiliated

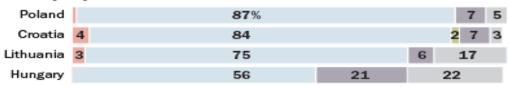
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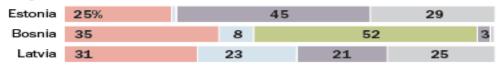
Orthodox Catholic



Catholic majority



Religiously mixed



Majority religiously unaffiliated



Note: 13% of respondents in Hungary identify as Presbyterian. In Estonia and Latvia, 20% and 19%, respectively, identify as Lutherans. And in Lithuania, 14% say they are "just a Christian" and do not specify a particular denomination. They are included in the "other" category. A negligible share of respondents in each country decline to answer the question. They are included in the "other" category. Source: Survey conducted June 2015-July 2016 in 18 countries.

See Methodology for details.

"Religious Belief and National Belonging in Central and Eastern Europe"

Belief in God more widespread in Central and Eastern Europe

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Note: Orange labels are Central and Eastern European countries.

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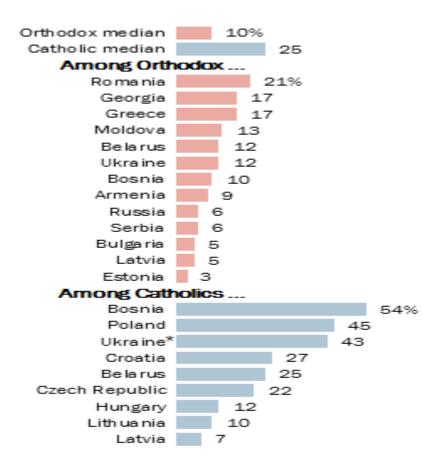
Muslim respondents in Western European countries were not asked this question.

Source: Surveys conducted 2015-2017 in 34 countries. See Methodology for details.

"Eastern and Western Europeans Differ on Importance of Religion, Views of Minorities, and Key Social Issues"

Relatively low shares of Orthodox across Central and Eastern Europe attend church weekly

% who say they attend church weekly



* In Ukraine, most Catholics identify as Byzantine Rite Eastern Catholics, whereas in most other countries, Catholics are Roman Catholics.

Source: Survey conducted June 2015-July 2016 in 18 countries. See Methodology for details.

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Among Catholics, Protestants in Western Europe, more see their religions as similar than different

% who say Catholics and Protestants TODAY are religiously more similar than they are different/more different than they are similar

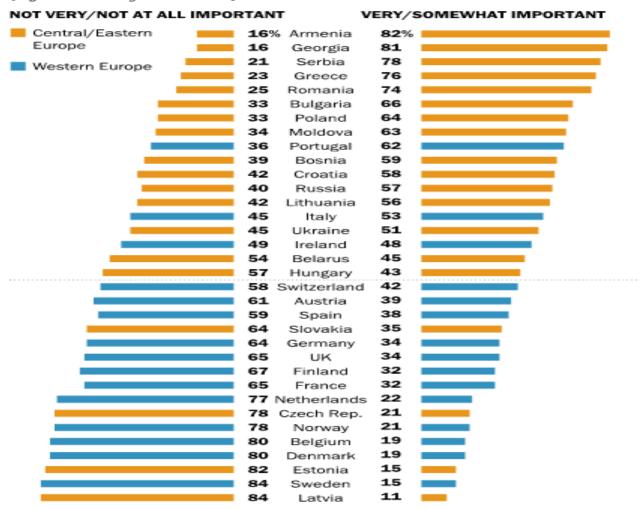
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Note: Those who did not answer the question are not shown.

Source: Survey conducted April-August 2017 in 15 countries. See Methodology for details. "Five Centuries After Reformation, Catholic-Protestant Divide in Western Europe Has Faded"

Fewer people in Western European countries see religion as a key component of national identity

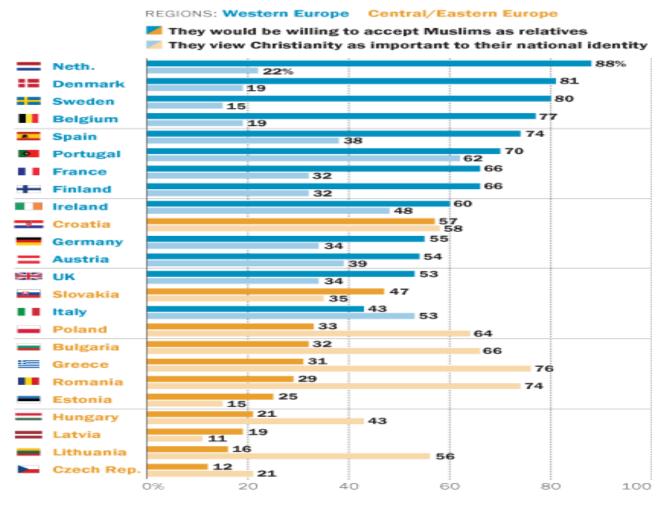
% who say it is _____ to be a Christian to truly share their national identity (e.g. to be "truly Armenian")



Note: In nearly all Central and Eastern European countries, the dominant Christian denomination was included in the question wording (Catholic, Orthodox or Lutheran). For example, in Russia, respondents were asked how important it is to be Orthodox to be "truly Russian." In Bosnia, respondents were asked about their own religious group, whether Muslim or Orthodox. Don't know/refused responses not shown.

Source: Surveys conducted 2015-2017 in 34 countries. See Methodology for details. "Eastern and Western Europeans Differ on Importance of Religion, Views of Minorities, and Key Social Issues"

Within the EU, Central and Eastern Europeans generally less likely than Western Europeans to say they would accept Muslims as relatives



Note: In nearly all Central and Eastern European countries, the dominant Christian denomination was included in the question wording (Catholic, Orthodox or Lutheran). For example, in Poland, respondents were asked how important it is to be Catholic to be "truly Polish." Don't know/refused responses not shown. Source: Surveys conducted 2015-2017 in 34 countries.

"Eastern and Western Europeans Differ on Importance of Religion, Views of Minorities, and Key Social Issues"

Western Europeans more likely than Central and Eastern Europeans to say they would accept Jews, Muslims into their family

% who say they would be willing to accept ____ as members of their family

5 5	MUSLIMS		JEW:	s	, ,
Central/Eastern	7%	Armenia	28%		
Europe	12	Czech Rep.	51		
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	19	Latvia	53		
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	77	Belgium	89		
	80	Sweden	92		
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Note: These questions were not asked of Muslims and Jews, respectively. Source: Surveys conducted 2015-2017 in 34 countries. See Methodology for details. "Eastern and Western Europeans Differ on Importance of Religion, Views of Minorities, and Key Social Issues"

Overall, Central and Eastern Europeans are more religious than Western Europeans

% who say ...

	Religion is very important in their lives	They attend religious services at least monthly	They pray daily
Greece	55%	38%	29%
Bosnia	54	35	32
Armenia	53	34	45
Georgia	50	39	38
Romania	50	50	44
Croatia	42	40	40
Moldova	42	35	48
Portugal	36	36	37
Serbia	34	19	27
Poland	29	61	27
Ireland	23	37	19
Slovakia	23	31	31
Spain	22	23	23
Ukraine	22	35	29
Italy	21	43	21
Belarus	20	30	25
Netherlands	20	18	20
Bulgaria	19	19	15
Norway	19	16	18
Lithuania	16	27	15
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Finland	10	10	18
Latvia	10	16	17
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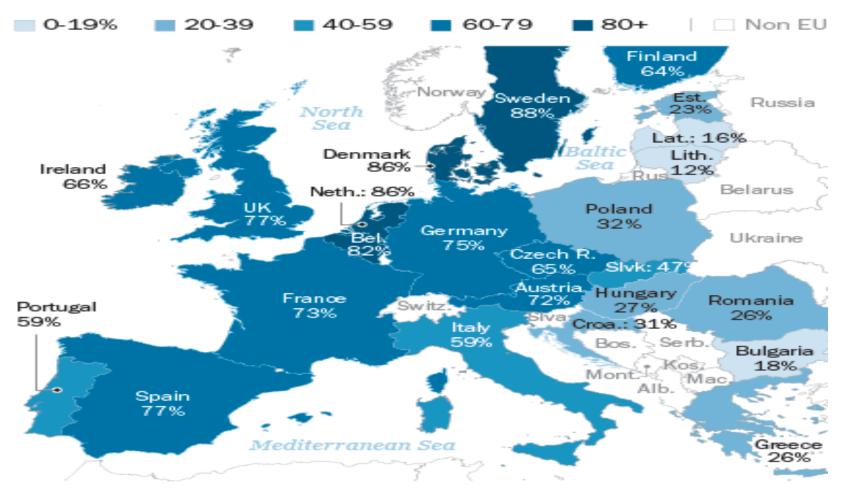
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Within EU, Western Europeans more likely than Central, Eastern Europeans to favor same-sex marriage

% in EU nations who say they favor allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally

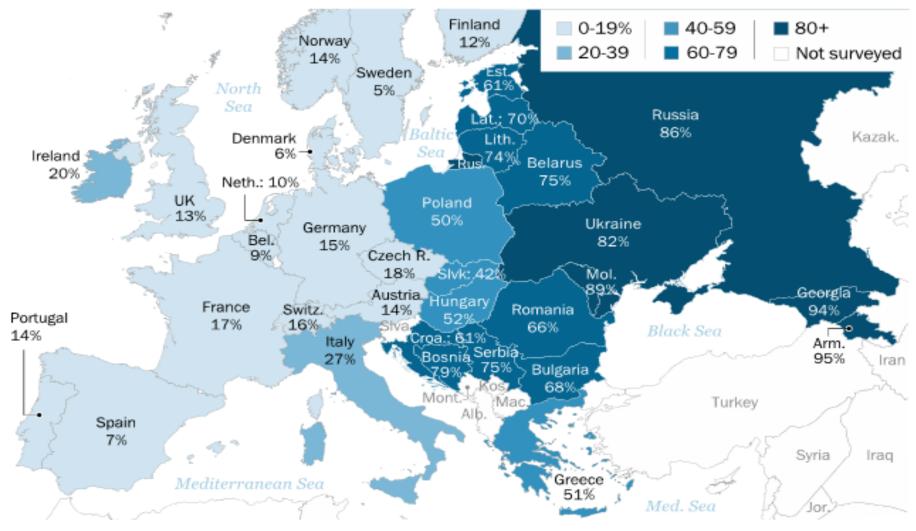


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Young adults in Central and Eastern Europe largely oppose gay marriage

% of those ages 18 to 34 who say they oppose/strongly oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally

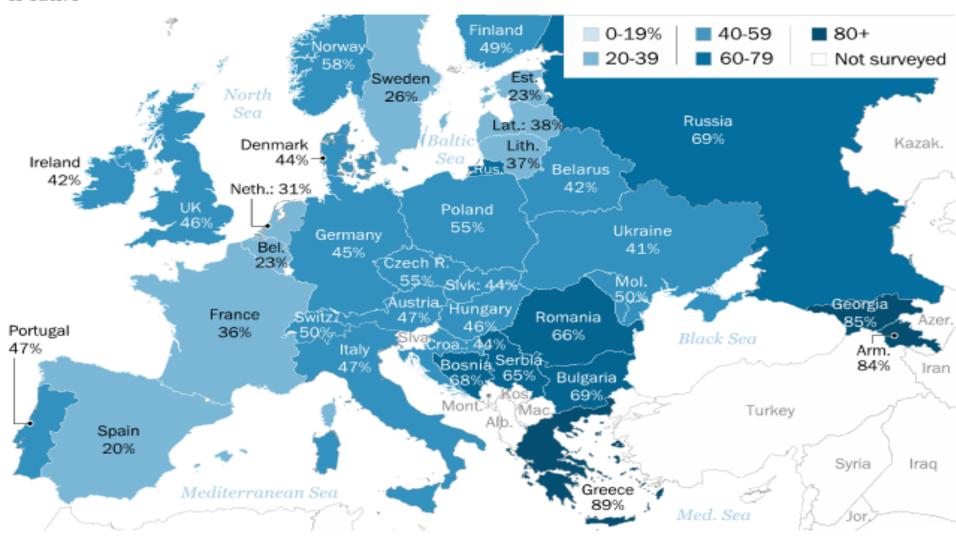


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Eastern Europeans are more likely to regard their culture as superior to others

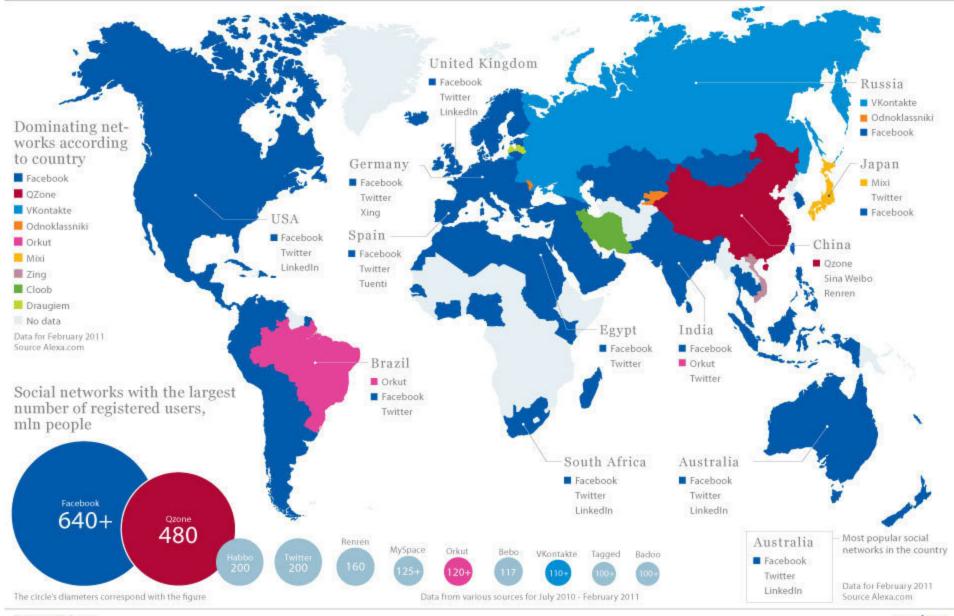
% who say they completely/mostly agree with the statement, "Our people are not perfect, but our culture is superior to others"



Source: Surveys conducted 2015-2017 in 34 countries. See Methodology for details.

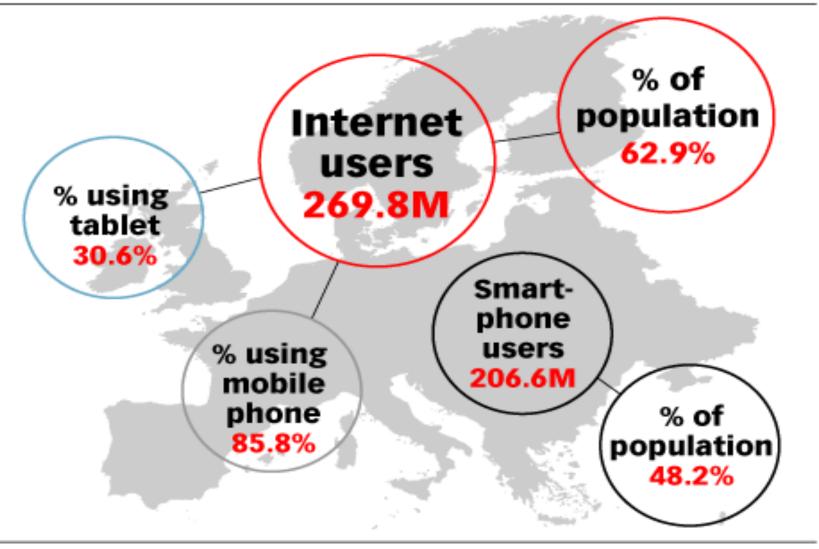
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The world map of social networks



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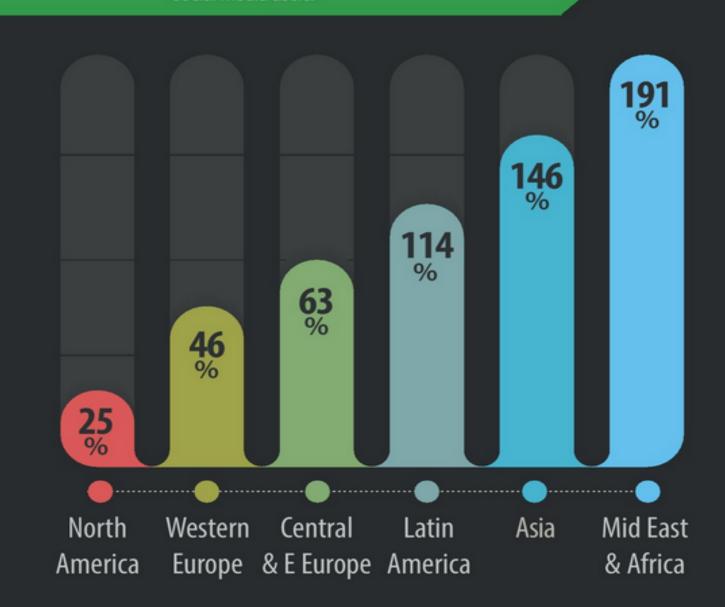
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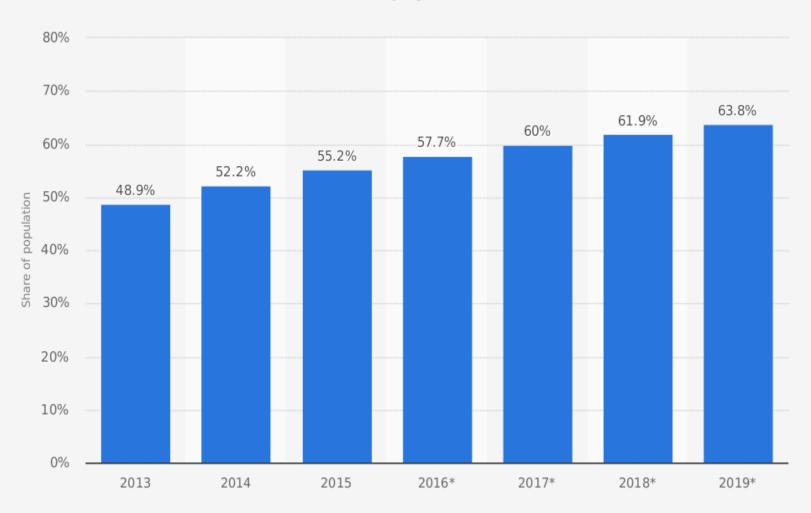
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Social network % increase 2011-2017

Once again the emerging economies are growing much faster in terms of the % increase in social media users.



Internet user penetration in Central and Eastern Europe from 2013 to 2019



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Europe; eMarketer; 2013 to 2015; Monthly active users

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ANNUAL GROWTH

YEAR-ON-YEAR CHANGE IN KEY STATISTICAL INDICATORS

INTERNET USERS



ACTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA USERS



UNIQUE MOBILE USERS



ACTIVE MOBILE SOCIAL USERS



+7%

SINCE JAN 2017

+248 MILLION

+13%

SINCE JAN 2017

+362 MILLION

+4%

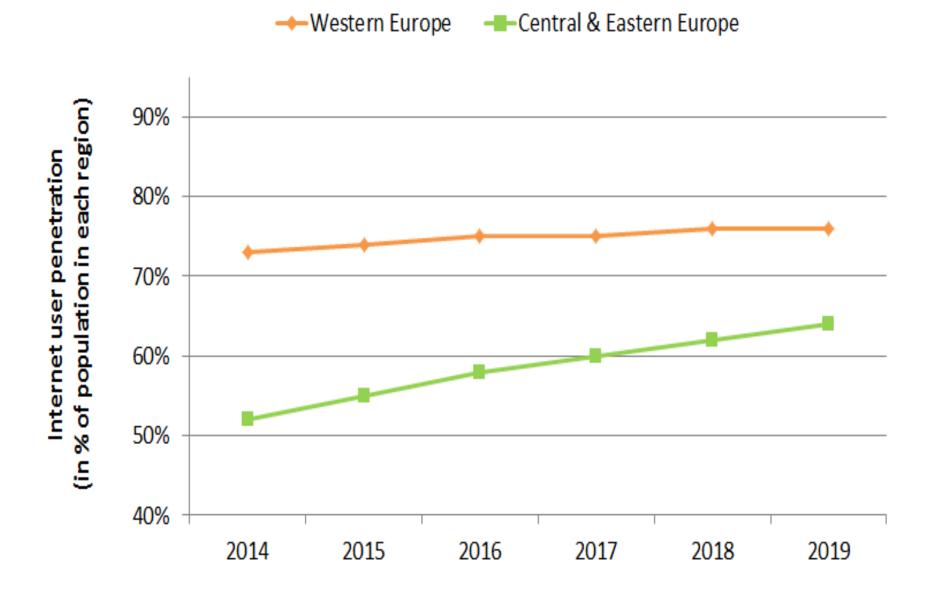
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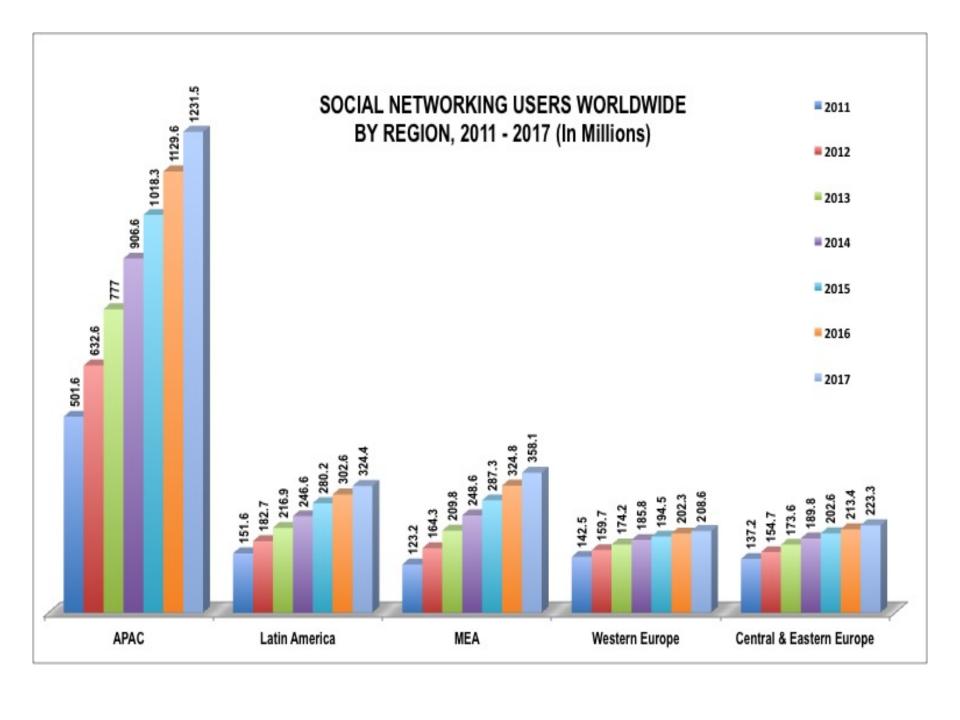
+218 MILLION

+14%

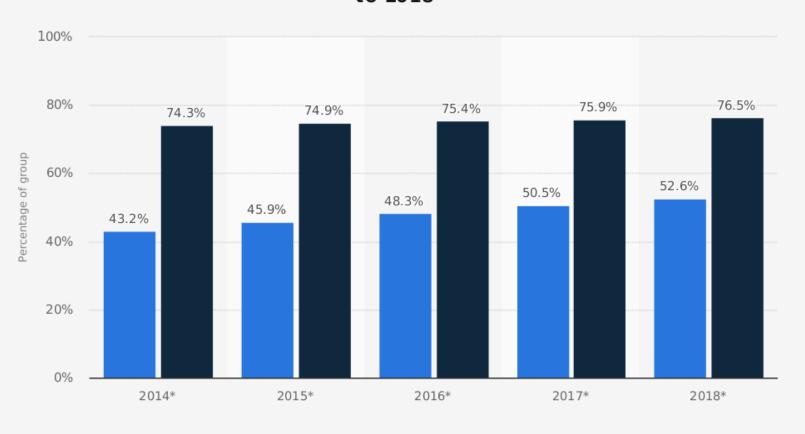
SINCE JAN 2017

+360 MILLION





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Share of populationShare of internet users

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