How's Life in Hungary?

Hungary’s current well-being, 2018 or latest available year

Note: This chart shows Hungary’s relative strengths and weaknesses in well-being compared to other OECD countries. Longer bars always indicate better outcomes (i.e. higher wellbeing), whereas shorter bars always indicate worse outcomes (lower well-being) – including for negative indicators, marked with an *, which have been reverse-scored. Inequalities (gaps between top and bottom, differences between groups, people falling under a deprivation threshold) are shaded with stripes, and missing data in white.

Hungary’s resources for future well-being, 2018 or latest available year

Note: This table shows Hungary’s natural and economic capital, human capital, and social capital. Arrows indicate the direction of influence, with thicker arrows indicating a stronger influence. Top-performing OECD tier is marked with 1, middle-performing with 2, and bottom-performing with 3. Arrows with ‘↓’ indicate consistent improvement; ‘↔’ indicates no clear or consistent trend; ‘↑’ indicates consistent deterioration, and ‘…’ indicates insufficient time series to determine trends since 2010. For methodological details, see the Reader’s Guide of How’s Life? 2020.

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Deprivations in Hungary

Deprivations in selected indicators of current well-being, 2018 or latest available year

- **8%** of the population live in relative income poverty
- **22%** of poor households spend more than 40% of their income on housing costs
- **9%** say they have no friends or family to turn to in times of need
- **33%** would be at risk of falling into poverty if they had to forgo 3 months of their income
- **14%** of the population report low life satisfaction
- **18%** are not satisfied with how they spend their time

**Source:** OECD (2020), How’s Life? 2020: Measuring Well-Being

Note: Relative income poverty refers to the share of people with household disposable income below 50% of the national median; financial insecurity refers to the share of individuals who are not income poor, but whose liquid financial assets are insufficient to support them at the level of the national relative income poverty line for at least three months; housing cost overburden refers to the share of households in the bottom 40% of the income distribution spending more than 40% of their disposable income on housing costs; and low satisfaction with life and with time use refer to the share of the population rating their satisfaction as 4 or lower (on a 0-10 scale).
Inequalities between men and women in Hungary

Gender ratios (distance from parity) for selected indicators of current well-being, 2018 or latest available year

Note: Grey bubbles denote no clear difference between men and women, defined as gender ratios within 0.03 points distance to parity.
Inequalities between age groups in Hungary

Age ratios (distance from parity) for selected indicators of current well-being, 2018 or latest available year

A. Younger and middle-aged people

B. Younger and older people

Note: Age ranges differ according to each indicator and are only broadly comparable. They generally refer to 15-24/29 years for young people, 25/30 to 45/50 years for the middle-aged and 50 years and over for older people. See How’s Life? 2020 for further details. Grey bubbles denote no clear difference between age groups, defined as age ratios within 0.03 points distance to parity.
Inequalities between people with different educational attainment in Hungary

Education ratios (distance from parity) for selected indicators of current well-being, 2018 or latest available year

Note: Grey bubbles denote no clear difference between groups with different educational attainment, defined as education ratios within 0.03 points distance to parity.
Inequalities between top and bottom performers in Hungary
Vertical inequalities for selected indicators of current well-being, 2018 or latest available year

Note: For all figures, countries are ranked from left (most unequal) to right (least unequal).
## Trends in current well-being since 2010 in Hungary - I

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Note: The snapshot depicts data for 2018, or the latest available year, for each indicator. The colour of the circle indicates the direction of change, relative to 2010, or the closest available year: • = consistent improvement, • = consistent deterioration, • = no clear trend, and white for insufficient time series to determine trends. The OECD average is marked in black. For methodological details, see the Reader’s Guide of How’s Life? 2020. * = Purchasing Power Parity.
### Trends in current well-being since 2010 in Hungary - II

#### Knowledge and Skills
- **Student skills in science** (PISA mean scores) - Average
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 481
  - **OECD**: 489

#### Environmental Quality
- **Exposure to outdoor air pollution** (share of population > WHO threshold) - Inequality
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 100
  - **OECD**: 62.8

#### Subjective Well-being
- **Life satisfaction** (mean value on a 0-10 scale) - Average
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 6.5
  - **OECD**: 7.4

- **Negative affect balance** (share of population reporting more negative than positive feelings and states yesterday) - Inequality
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 17
  - **OECD**: 13

#### Safety
- **Homicides** (per 100,000 population) - Average
  - **OECD**: 2.4
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 0.8

- **Gender gap in feeling safe** (percentage difference that women feel less safe than men when walking alone at night) - Inequality
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: -19.3
  - **OECD**: -16

#### Work-life Balance
- **Time off** (time allocated to leisure and personal care, hours per day) - Average
  - **OECD**: 15
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 15.1

#### Social Connections
- **Social interactions** (hours per week) - Average
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 4
  - **OECD**: 6

- **Lack of social support** (share of people who report having no friends or relatives whom they can count on in times of trouble) - Inequality
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 9.4
  - **OECD**: 8.6

#### Civic Engagement
- **Voter turnout** (share of registered voters who cast votes) - Average
  - **OECD**: 69
  - **Hungary (HUN)**: 70

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**Note:** See note on page 7.