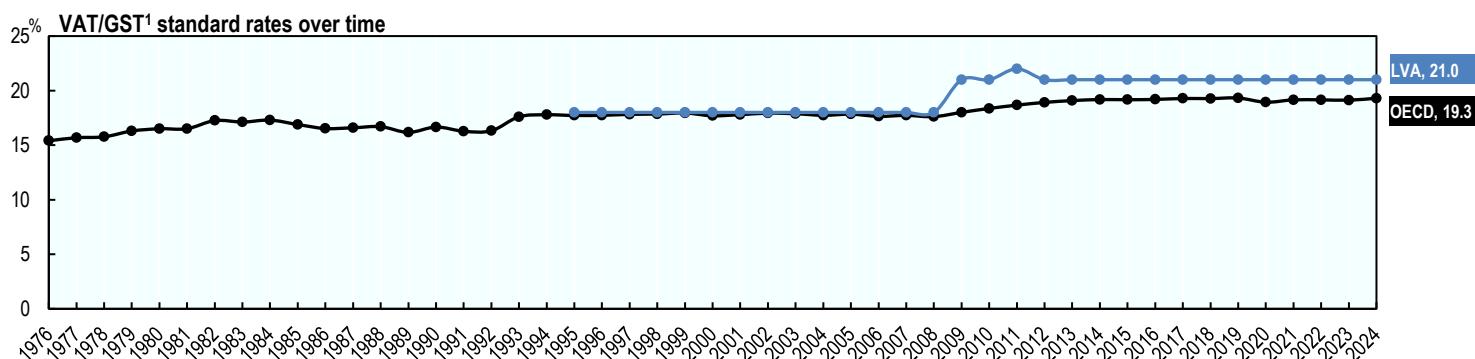
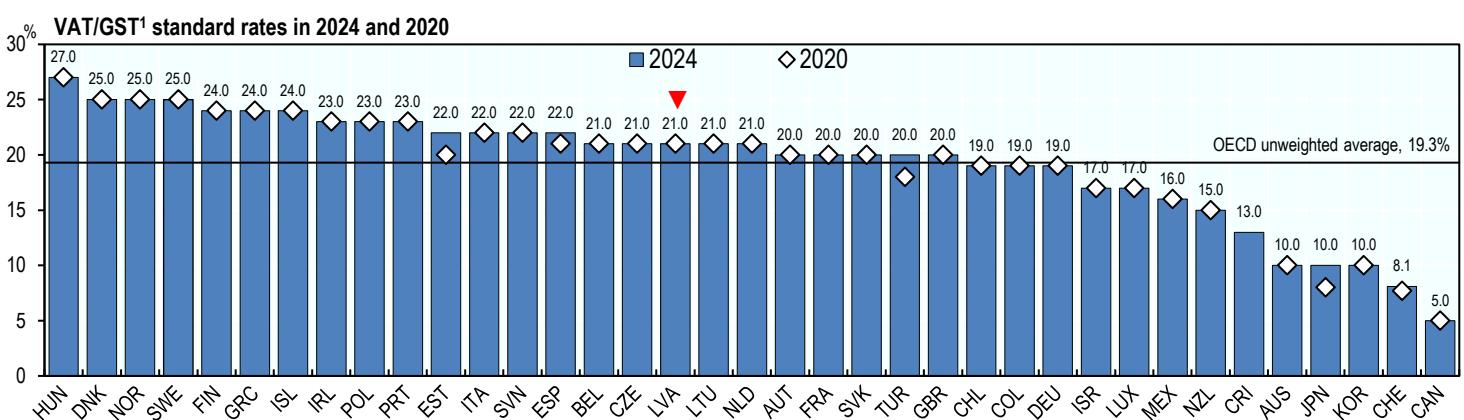


Consumption Tax Trends* - Latvia

VAT rate 2024

The Latvian standard VAT rate is 21.0%, which is above the OECD average. The average VAT/GST¹ standard rate in the OECD was 19.3% as of 31 December 2024. The previous standard VAT rate in Latvia was 22.0% in 2011. It changed to the current level in July 2012. Latvia also applies reduced VAT rates of 5.0% and 12.0% to a number of goods and services. VAT was introduced in Latvia in 1995 at a standard rate of 18.0%. Since then the minimum and maximum standard rates have been at 18.0% and 22.0% respectively.

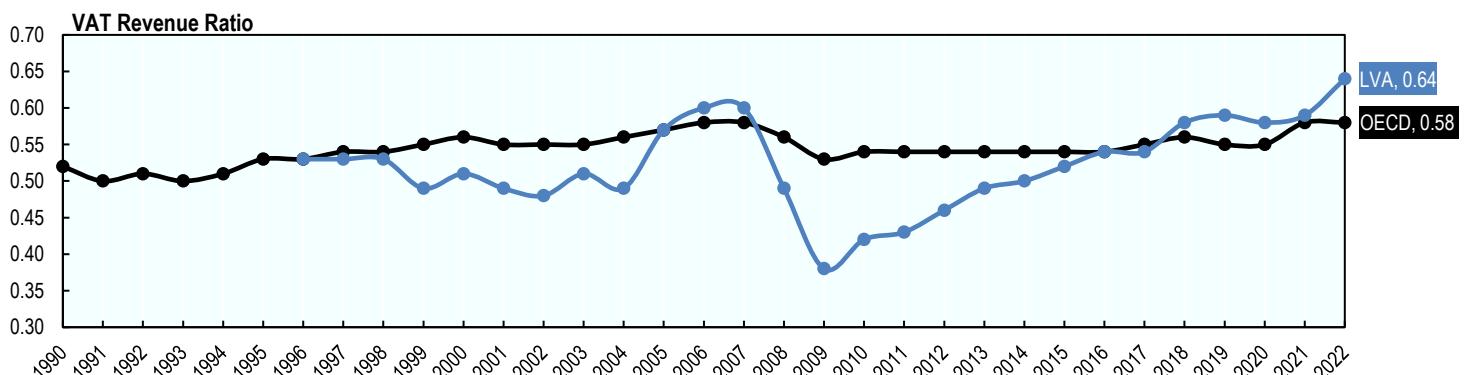


1. VAT/GST refers to value added tax/goods and services tax

Source: Consumption Tax Trends 1st January 2024

VAT Revenue Ratio

The VAT Revenue Ratio (VRR) for Latvia was 0.64 in 2022 above the OECD average of 0.58. The VRR is a measure of the revenue raising performance of a VAT system. A ratio of 1 would reflect a VAT system that applies a single VAT rate to a comprehensive base of all expenditure on goods and services consumed in an economy - with perfect enforcement of the tax. The Latvian VRR increased from 0.59 in 2021 to 0.64 in 2022. The lowest VRR was recorded in the year 2009 at 0.38 and the highest level in 2022 at 0.64.



The figures may not present the difference to the second decimal point accurately due to rounding

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