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HEALTH IN RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE PLANS

RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE FACILITY

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Recovery and Resilience Facility - State of play

- Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) in the context of **MFF 2021-2027** (EUR 1,074 bn) and **NextGenerationEU**
- RRF as centrepiece of the Next Generation EU recovery instrument; total budget: € 723.8 bn
- RRF entry into force: February 2021, operational until end of 2026
- Access to the RRF based on national recovery and resilience plans (RRP) drawn up by Member States

Financial support to public investments and reforms



Adoption of RRP:

To date, **22 plans** have been assessed by the European Commission and approved by the Council

Austria, Belgium, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Romania

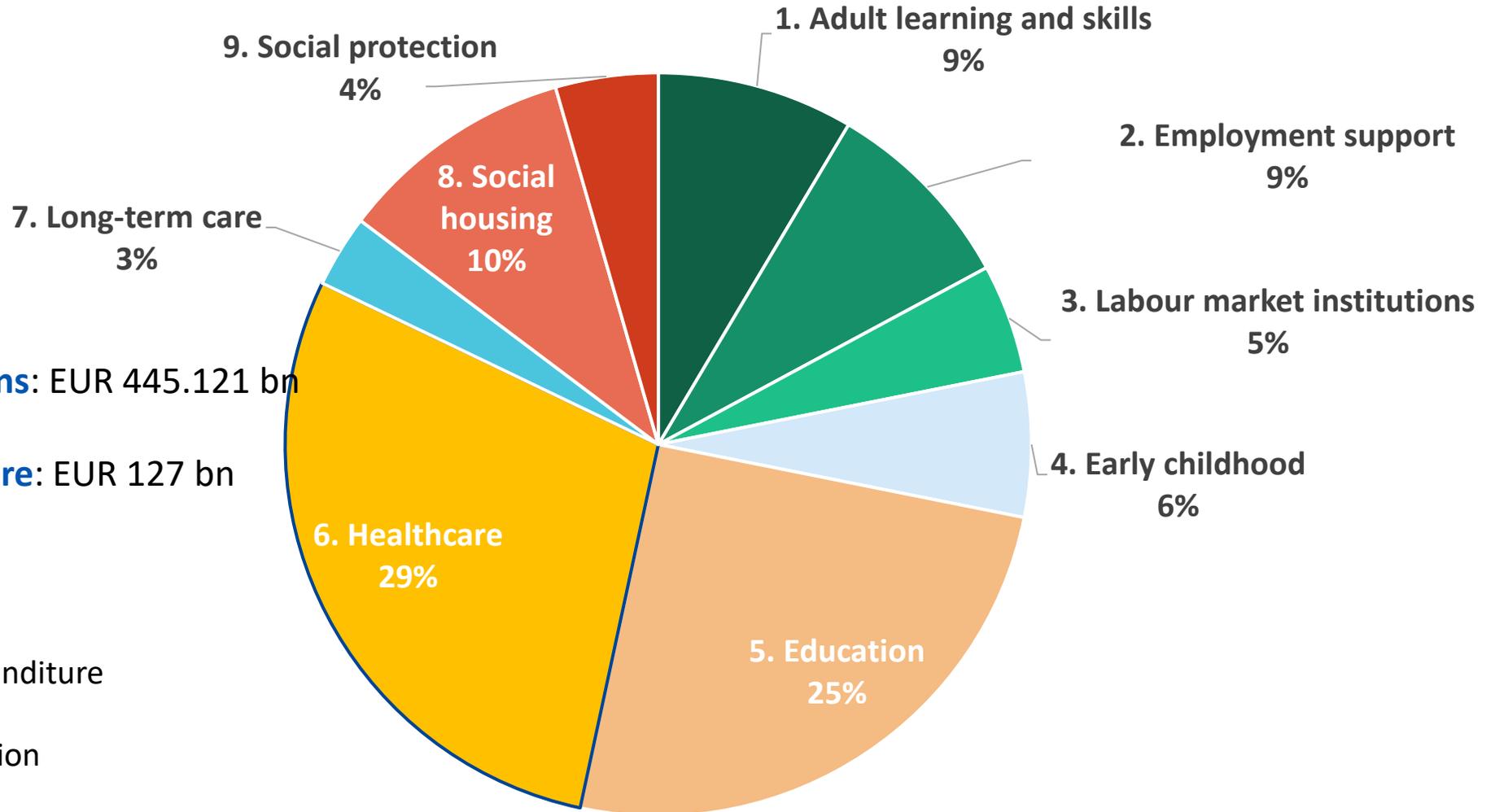
Health in recovery and resilience plans

- Health resilience is among the 6 main pillars of the RRF
- RRFs should allocate at least 20% of their budget to the digital transition: potential linkages to eHealth
- RRFs should address the EU semester’s country-specific recommendations (CSRs). In 2020 all 27 Member States received CSRs on health



Green transition	Digital transformation	Smart, sustainable and inclusive growth	Social and territorial cohesion	Health, and economic, social and institutional resilience	Policies for the next generation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovation and energy efficiency • Sustainable mobility • Renewables and networks • Afforestation measures • Waste and water management • Green skills 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digitalisation of the public administration, including cloud services • Digitalisation of businesses • Digital skills • Broadband roll-out 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote research and innovation • Investment bottlenecks • Simplification • Reforming public procurement rules • Highly qualified, competitive workforce 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pension reforms • Active labour market policies • Reforms to tackle segmentation in the labour market • Vocational education and training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resilient health systems • Improving the justice system • Improving public administration • Fiscal reforms • Fight against corruption and money laundering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reform of the education system • Reform of university governance • High quality accessible lifelong education • Early childhood care

RRF - breakdown of social expenditure (inc. Healthcare)



- 22 endorsed plans: EUR 445.121 bn
- Social expenditure: EUR 127 bn

Healthcare:

- 29 % of social expenditure
- EUR 36 bn
- 8 % of total allocation

* All numbers are preliminary numbers and based on 22 plans adopted

Health in recovery and resilience plans expenditures on healthcare

- All endorsed RRP to date have measures related to health.
- **For the 22 endorsed RRP around EUR 36 billion*** is proposed to be spent on health investments and reforms (EUR 41 billion if long-term care included)
- For all 26 submitted plans, estimates indicate *around EUR 50 billion** to be dedicated to health and long-term care investments and reforms included in the RRP
- The relative size of grants and loans for health proposed differs widely across Member States

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Health in recovery and resilience plans



Member States have shown a strong commitment to improving health systems by including measures dedicated to health.

- **Strengthening resilience of healthcare systems**

- Reorganising healthcare systems, improving hospital infrastructure settings, deploying eHealth
- Addressing shortages of health workforce

- **Improving access to, and cost-efficiency of, healthcare**

- Improving primary health care, shift to outpatient care, hospital network modernisation, scaling up prevention, diagnosis and treatment
- Rebalancing regional distribution of services

Link to Long-term care (LTC):

- Some RRP health measures intrinsically linked to LTC:
 - Deinstitutionalisation strategy for long-term care, community nursing, new technologies for home care

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Wide array of **health investments and reforms** in RRP

Health investments in RRP

- **construction of new, or upgrade of existing, health infrastructures** such as hospitals, centres for prevention, mental health facilities and laboratories
- **modern medical equipment**, such as medical devices for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer patients, e-health
- **primary care and prevention**: opening of new primary care outpatient clinics in deprived areas, introducing mobile pharmacies.

Health reforms in RRP

Member States to adopt and implement an ambitious reform packages to complement investments in the healthcare sector:

- **human resources** in the healthcare sector: measures to address shortages of health professionals, mechanism to attract and retain professionals
- **re-organization of health systems** to strengthen their capacity, increase sustainability of healthcare services, adoption national public health programmes, setting up and rolling out **national preventive screening programmes**
- **digital transformation of health** to improve the accessibility and promote new digital health services; telemedicine and digitalised medical records.
- regulation of medicines and medical devices to improve **access to medicinal products** and to provide **incentives for R&D** investments by pharmaceutical companies

Next steps

- 22 plans adopted by the Commission and the Council
- 4 plans under assessment by the Commission
- 1 Member State still to submit its RRP
- Pre-financing disbursed to 17 Member States
- Implementation of RRP:
 - Operational arrangements signed with 2 Member States and under discussion for the others
 - One payment request received
 - Link with European Semester
 - Involvement of stakeholders in the implementation

Thank you

More information: Commission webpage on the RRF

https://ec.europa.eu/info/business-economy-euro/recovery-coronavirus/recovery-and-resilience-facility_en

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