

Occupational Health & Safety NETworking in EASTern Europe



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Macedonia

Area: 25 713 km²
Population: 2.048.000
Capitol: Skopje



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□ Present position



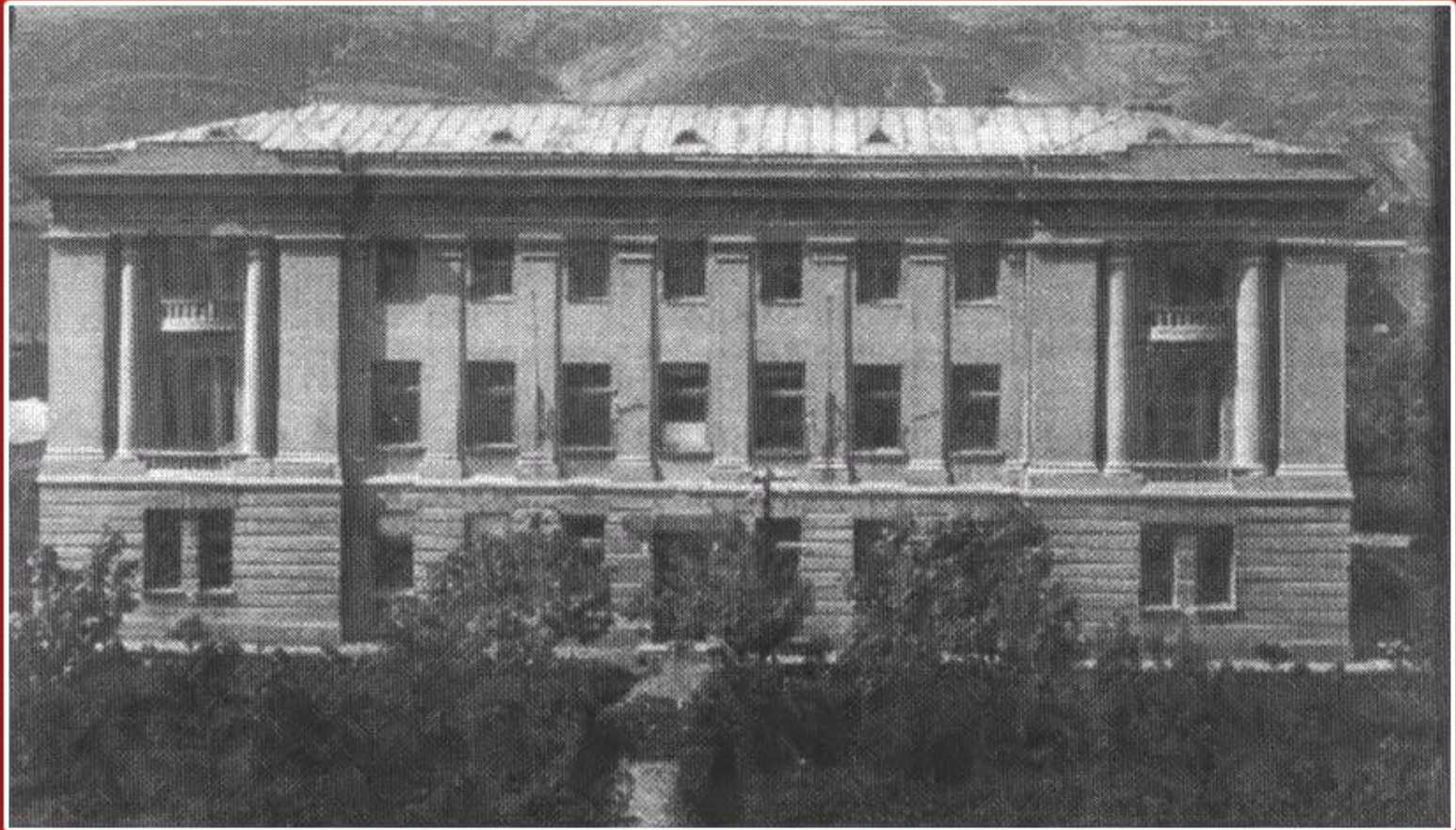
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Institute of Public Health of the Republic of Macedonia

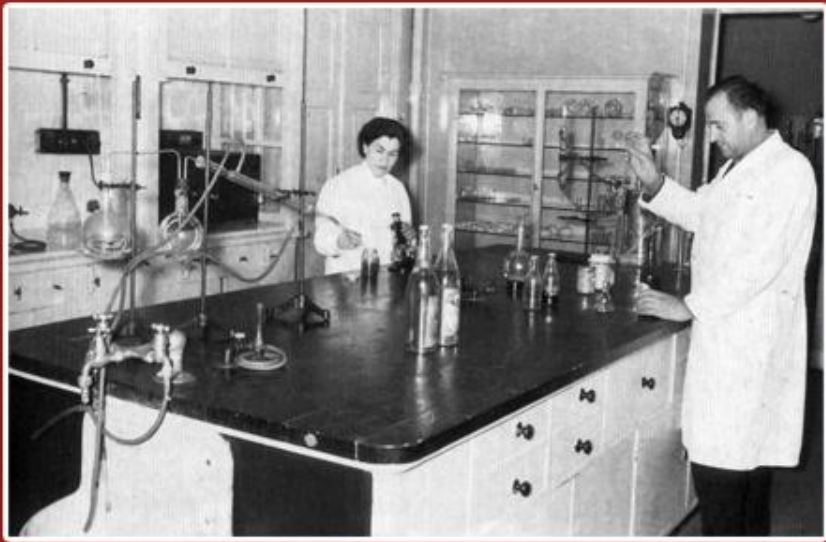


Today

Something about progress and development

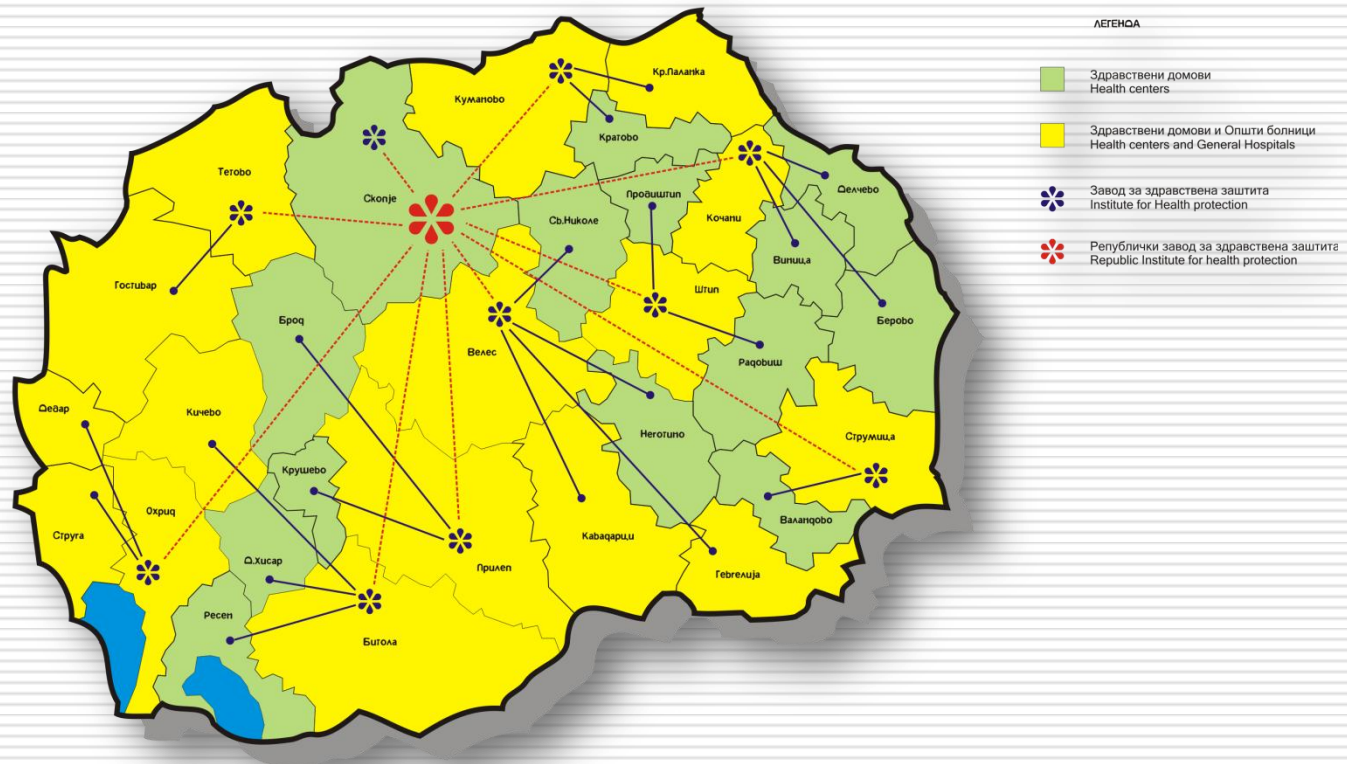


From the Institute for tropical diseases



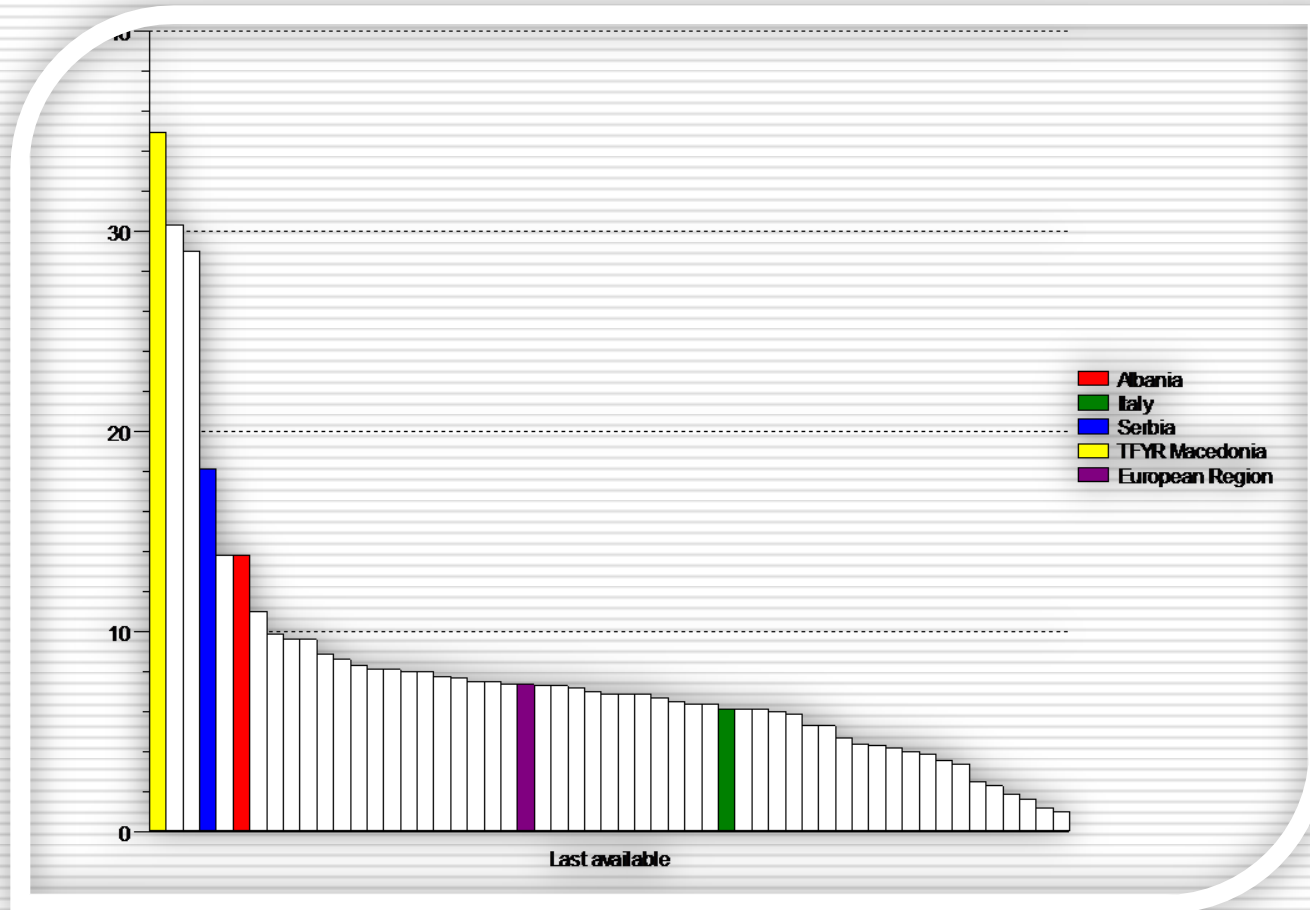


Network of Public Health Institutes in Macedonia

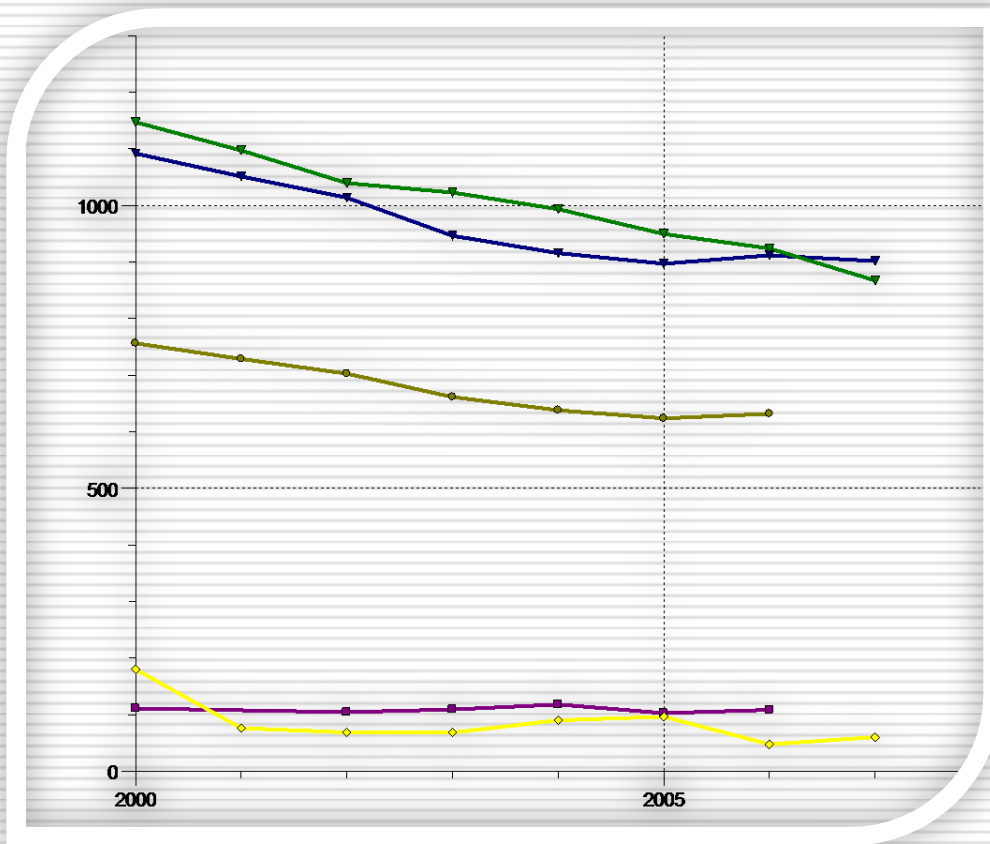


Извор: Републички завод за здравствена заштита

Unemployment rate in % in the RM

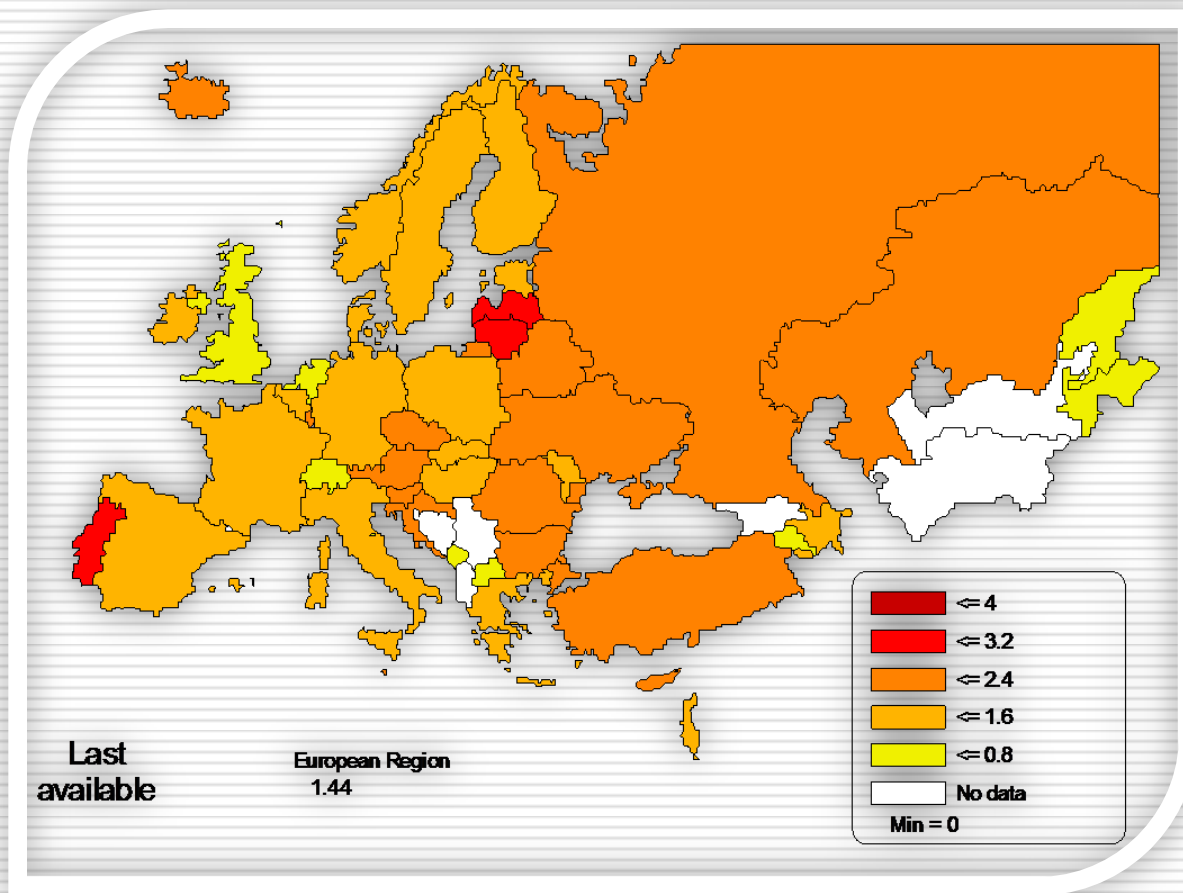


Persons injured due to work related accidents per 100000



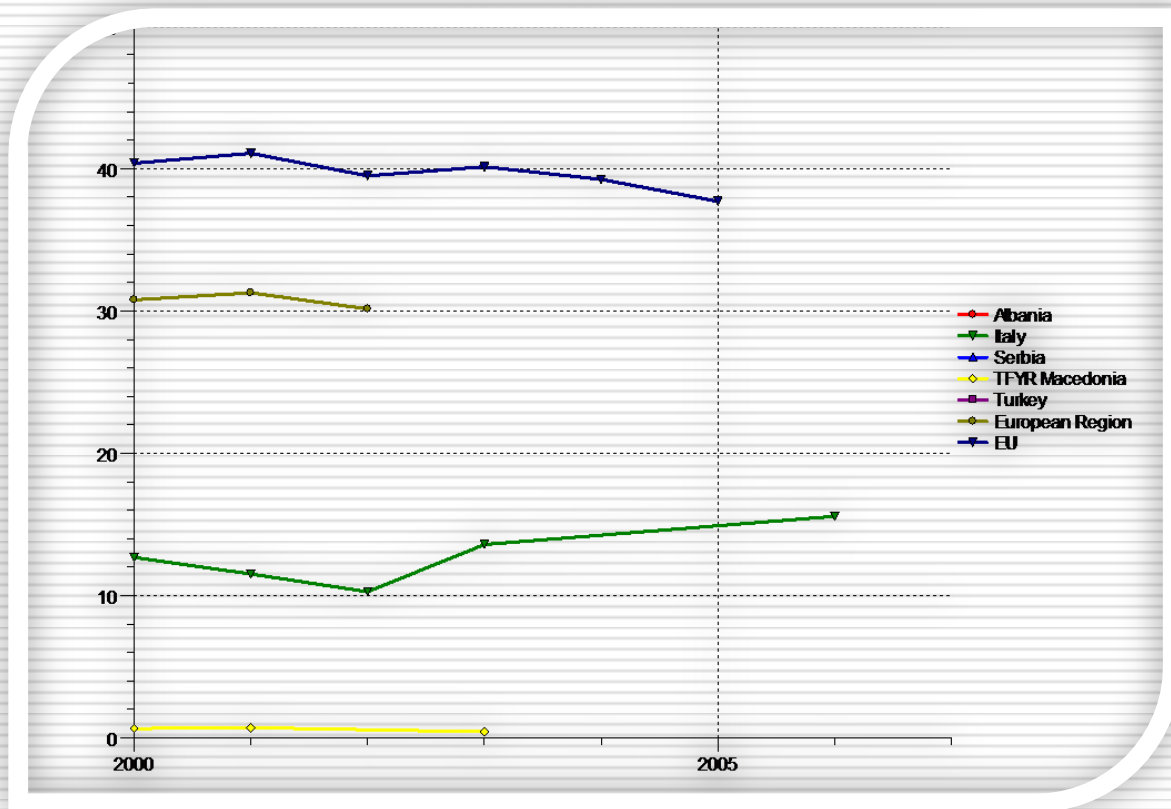
□	EU.....	901.57
□	Italy.....	867.13
□	EU region...	631.78
□	Turkey.....	108.29
□	MKD.....	60.09

Deaths due to work-related accidents per 100000



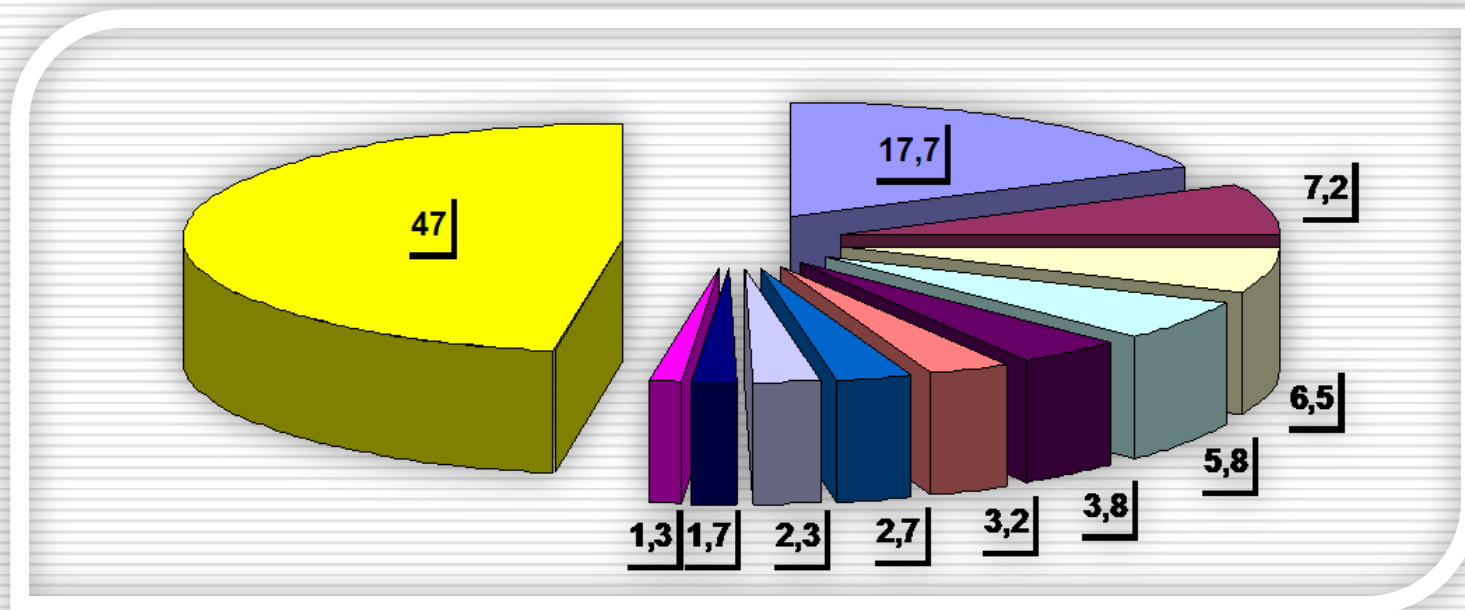
■ Turkey.....	2.19
■ Italy.....	1.35
■ EU.....	1.20
■ MKD.....	0.2

New cases of occupational diseases per 100000



EU.....	37.70
Italy.....	15.58
MKD.....	0.43

Structure of morbidity in occupational health services in the RM



- 110247 outpatient visits
- HTA – 17.7% ; morbidity rate 62,2/10000
- Respiratory diseases – 7,2% ; morbidity rate 25,4/10000

Occupational Health Services in the RM-2006/2007

Primary health care

- ❑ 46/22 health care organization in 22/14 regions;
- ❑ 87/38 occupational health specialist;
- ❑ decrease of capacities in 2007/2006 of about 50%

Secondary and tertiary health care??

- ❑ No any OHS for outpatient or hospital health care of workers
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Occupational Health Services- Today

- ❑ Institute for Occupational Health,
Collaborating Center for Occupational Health
- ❑ National Public Health Institute –
Department for Occupational Health and
Radiological Protection
- ❑ 7 Regional public occupational health
services
- ❑ More than 15 private occupational health
services (occ. medicine specialists -mainly)
- ❑ More than 15 private occupational safety
services (safety engineers – mainly)

Occupational Safety and health Activities - today

- Occupational medicine – medical preventive examination (pre-employment and periodical check-up)
 - Obligation by OSH to check-up every worker every 18 months
 - There is now book of rules for good practice
 - There is NO evidence of occupational diseases (notification and reporting is mandatory)
 - There is NO evidence for injuries at work (mandatory)
 - There is risk assessment
 - Working environment measurement
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Occupational Safety and Health Associations in the RM

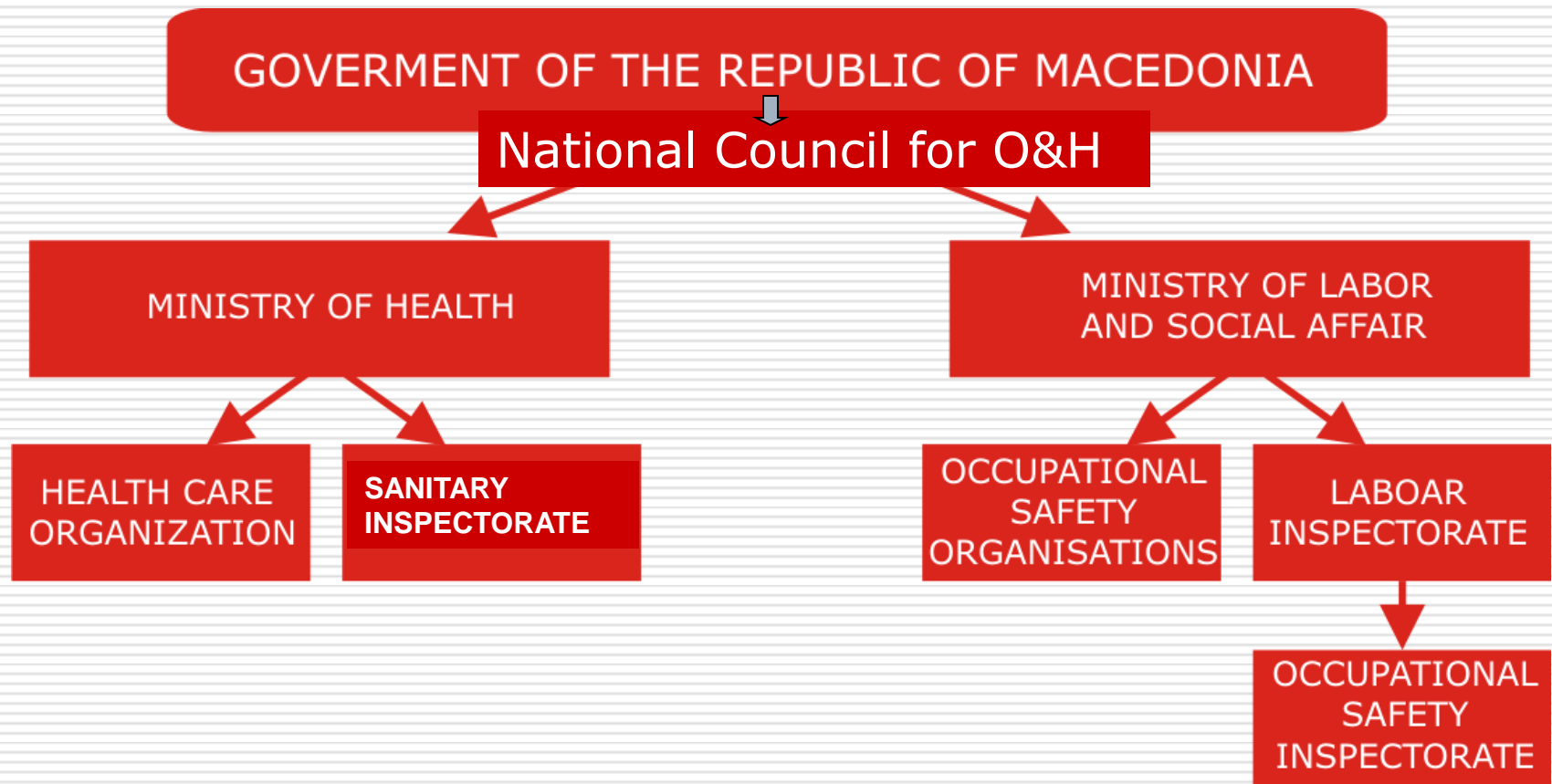
- Macedonian Occupational Health Association
 - Macedonian Occupational Safety and Health Association
 - Confederation of Employers Of the Republic of Macedonia (CERM)
 - Section for Workplace Risk Assessment
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CERM and other CSO's in brief

□ Activities:

- Strengthening social dialogue
 - Corporate Social responsibility
 - Occupational Safety and Health
 - OSH promotion and rising awareness
 - Advocacy on OSH Law – rights, duties and obligations,
 - Cooperation Agreement with Macedonian Association of OSH
 - Development of OSHAS 18000
 - Human Resources and Capacity Building Development
 - Employment Policy – Youth and Vulnerable Groups
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Occupational safety and health – weaknesses and strengths



Occupational safety and health – weaknesses and strengths

- ❑ Occupational Safety and Health Strategy??
 - ❑ Occupational Safety and Health Action Plan??
 - ❑ Basic Occupational Safety and Health Services Approach??
 - ❑ Legislation:
 - Occupational Safety and Health Law, 2007
 - List of Occupational Diseases, 2004 (113 diseases)
 - Book of rules – Risk Assessment
 - OELs/TWA/STEL??, BELs, medical surveillance
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Occupational Health Priorities in the RM

- ❑ Development of national strategies, programs and action plans for OSH
 - ❑ Developing/updating national legislation on OSH; harmonization and ratification of international OS&H standards
 - ❑ Raising awareness of OSH and improving access to information
 - ❑ Better development of social partners capabilities regarding OSH and social partnership
 - ❑ Established and functioning tripartite structures on OSH
 - ❑ Elaboration of training programs on OSH for trainers and social partners
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