

## Second quarter of 2018 – Annual growth in labour costs at 2.2% in euro area – At 2.6% in EU28

Hourly labour costs rose by 2.2% in the **euro area** (EA19) and by 2.6% in the **EU28** in the second quarter of 2018, compared with the same quarter of the previous year. In the first quarter of 2018, hourly labour costs increased by 2.1% and 2.8% respectively. These figures are published by **Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union**.

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