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COLOGNE ECONOMIC REGION 2007

Statistical overview



→ The IHK region in brief...

Gross domestic product	Status 2004: in mill. Euro 69,848	Change on previous year (nominal) 2.1%	Change in NRW 2.6%
Gross domestic product per employed person	Status 2004: in mill. Euro 62,546	Change on previous year 2.1%	Change in NRW 2.1%
Population	Status: 30.06.2005 2,178,175	Change on previous year 0.4%	Change in NRW -0.1%
Registered companies and small traders	Status: 2007 131,434	Change on previous year 3.1%	Change in NRW 2.3%
Employed persons subject to social insurance contributions	Status: 2005 753,216	Change on previous year -1.2%	Change in NRW -8.9%
Unemployment rate	Status: 2006 11.8%	Status: previous year 12.2%	Status: 2005 NRW 11.4%
Trade registrations	Status: 2006 25,723	Change on previous year -2.6%	Change in NRW -1.2%
Insolvencies	Status: 2006 1,196	Change on previous year -21.9%	Change in NRW -31.6%
Purchasing power in mill. Euro	Cologne 110.1	NRW 102.1	FRG 100.0

The IHK Cologne – your supplier of facts and figures

The Cologne Chamber of Industry and Commerce offers you an extensive range of data on the economic region of Cologne, as well as on the cities of Cologne and Leverkusen and for the Oberbergische District, the Rhein-Erft District and the Rheinisch-Bergische District. You can find an initial overview as well more detailed publications – for example, the „Gemeindeprofil“ (Municipality Profile) for all urban districts in the region – on the Internet at:

www.ihk-koeln.de/Navigation/Standortpolitik/ZahlenDatenStatistiken.

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The economic region of Cologne in figures

The cities of Cologne and Leverkusen as well as the three districts of Oberberg, Rhein-Berg and Rhein-Erft form region of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Cologne. This economic region has an effect far beyond its own limits with its high business potential, a highly-trained workforce and the purchasing power of its 2.2 million inhabitants. A dense transport network of highways, railways, water and air routes ensures that Cologne is one of the most important traffic junctions of Europe. At the same time, the economy here is extremely diverse. There is a productive blend of large, medium and small companies and a healthy mix of business sectors. The variety ranges from automotive and mechanical engineering to chemicals and biotechnology, insurance and trade right through to IT companies and media.

The most important data of the economic region of Cologne has been compiled by the IHK Cologne in this booklet. It contains the latest population statistics of the county boroughs and urban districts as well as the breakdown of the total of about 130,000 companies in the region of the IHK Cologne in absolute terms and according to sector. The booklet provides information about the development of the most important sectors of industry as well as their export sales. Information about tourism, commercial rents and public finances, on employment and education rounds off the spectrum.

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→ Area and population in the Chamber's region

Area and population					
Administrative district	Area		Population		
	sq.km.	Share in %	absolute	Share in %	Inhabitants per sq.km.
Cologne	405.15	15.9	986,168	45.3	2,434.1
Leverkusen	78.85	3.1	160,965	7.4	2,041.4
Oberbergisch District	918.57	36.1	289,073	13.3	314.7
Rhein-Erft-District	704.54	27.7	463,110	21.3	657.3
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	437.55	17.2	278,859	12.8	637.3
IHK Cologne region	2,544.66	100.0	2,178,175	100.0	856.0
NRW	34,085.27		18,039,847		529.3

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 30. 06. 2006

Population trend						
Administrative district	Natural Population trend			Migration		
	Births	Deaths	Balance	Immigration	Emigration	Balance
Cologne	9,411	9,291	120	58,769	45,263	13,506
Leverkusen	1,322	1,646	-324	6,475	6,527	-52
Oberbergisch District	2,545	2,919	-374	13,986	14,391	-405
Rhein-Erft-District	3,742	4,319	-577	27,003	26,441	562
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	2,229	2,759	-530	14,653	14,430	223
IHK Cologne region	19,249	20,934	-1,685	120,886	107,052	13,834
NRW	153,372	186,427	-33,055	806,655	791,030	15,625

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 2005

Age structure								
	Age from ... to under ... years							
	under 6	6-16	16-18	18-25	25-45	45-65	65a. over	total
Cologne	52,953	87,288	18,487	80,858	329,058	240,278	174,425	983,347
Leverkusen	8,663	16,102	3,611	12,237	45,232	41,063	34,319	161,227
Oberbergisch District	16,896	35,177	7,677	24,224	79,719	71,521	54,622	289,836
Rhein-Erft-District	25,163	49,647	10,597	35,065	132,833	125,465	84,092	462,862
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	15,618	31,644	6,580	19,463	74,914	74,575	56,298	279,092
IHK Cologne region	119,293	219,858	46,952	171,847	661,756	552,902	403,756	2,176,364
NRW	981,599	1,953,443	423,712	1,437,498	5,156,618	4,624,072	3,481,163	18,058,105

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 2005

→ Employment in the Chamber's region

Employed persons liable to pay social security contributions

	2005	2004	Change in %
Economic sectors			
Agriculture and forestry; fisheries	3,695	3,882	-4.8
Manufacturing industry	199,804	206,606	-3.3
of which: manufacturing industry	153,874	157,883	-2.5
mining and energy and water supplies	11,339	11,786	-3.8
building trade	34,591	36,937	-6.4
Trade	124,602	125,779	-0.9
Hotels and catering	21,594	21,580	0.1
Transport and communications	49,962	50,594	-1.2
Other services	353,484	354,070	-0.2
of which: banking and insurance	46,734	46,822	-0.2
Real estate and housing	116,810	115,444	1.2
Rendering of public services	189,940	191,804	-1.0
Without details of an economic sector	75	71	5.6
Total	753,216	762,582	-1.2
NRW	5,130,566	5,631,485	-8.9

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 30.06.2005/30.06.2004

Employed persons liable to pay social security contributions according to sector

Administrative district	Agriculture, forestry and fisheries	Manufacturing industry and building trade*	Services
Cologne	0.2%	18.0%	80.8%
Leverkusen	0.3%	35.4%	63.4%
Oberbergisch District	0.7%	46.0%	52.2%
Rhein-Erft-District	1.0%	27.9%	66.4%
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	1.1%	30.7%	67.5%
IHK Cologne region	0.5%	25.0%	73.0%
NRW	0.7%	30.1%	67.3%

*excl. mining, energy and water supplies

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 30. 06. 2005

Employment market*

Administrative district	Unemployed	Rate**
Cologne	66,493	13.1
Leverkusen	10,470	13.1
Oberbergisch District	13,866	9.7
Rhein-Erft-District	25,943	11.3
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	13,435	9.6
IHK Cologne region	130,208	11.8
NRW	1,012,654	11.4

* annual average figures ** Unemployment rate related to the entire economically active population

Source: Federal Agency for Employment, Status: 2006

Working commuters

Administrative district	Incoming commuters	Outgoing commuters	Balance
Cologne	206,748	80,760	125,988
Leverkusen	30,304	23,115	7,189
Oberbergisch District	18,535	25,162	-6,627
Rhein-Erft-District	47,098	79,620	-32,522
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	27,335	51,995	-24,660
IHK Cologne region	330,020	260,652	69,368

Balance: incoming commuters - outgoing commuters

Source: Federal Agency for Employment, Status: 2005, provisional figures

→ Economic efficiency in the Chamber's region

Gross value added (GVA) according to economic sectors and gross domestic product

Administrative district	Gross domestic product at market prices (in mill. Euro)			GVA according to economic sector 2002 (in mill. Euro)				GVA per employed person (in Euro)
	in mill. Euro 2004	2003	Changes in %	Manufacturing industry	Services sectors in total	Trade, Hotels and catering and transport	Financing, renting, company service providers	
Cologne	39,243	38,799	1.1	6,902	28,541	7,545	12,573	62,425
Leverkusen	6,882	6,604	4.2	3,490	2,724	790	1,130	83,365
Oberbergisch District	6,784	6,553	3.5	2,604	3,484	679	1,535	53,339
Rhein-Erft-District	11,454	11,108	3.1	3,524	6,765	2,282	2,386	65,798
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	5,484	5,376	2.0	1,195	3,729	792	1,638	52,598
IHK Cologne region	69,848	68,440	2.1	17,715	45,243	12,089	19,262	62,546
NRW	482,009	469,672	2.6	125,091	307,671	80,154	126,558	57,202

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: August 2005

GfK Purchasing power and POS sales

Administrative district	Purchasing power		POS sales	
	mill. Euro	per resident	mill. Euro	per resident
Cologne	19,545	110.1	6,906	136.2
Leverkusen	3,229	110.9	921	110.8
Oberbergisch District	5,201	99.4	1,343	89.9
Rhein-Erft-District	9,160	109.6	1,995	83.6
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	6,195	123.0	1,444	100.4
NRW	333,025	102.1	96,157	103.3
FRG	1,488,400	100.0	425,000	100.0

Source: GfK, Nürnberg 2007

Purchasing power: sum of all net incomes per region

POS sales (Point of Sale - formerly retail sales): sales of the retail trade per region

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www.ihk-koeln.de Rubrik: Standortpolitik/Zahlen, Daten und Statistiken

Business climate indicators

	Situation			Expectations		
	Good	Poor	Situation Indicator	Better	Poorer	Expect. indikator
Autumn 2000	32.6	14.9	17.7	38.6	11.8	26.8
Start of year 2001	35.5	14.5	21.0	34.6	13.7	20.9
Spring 2001	32.0	14.9	17.1	33.8	19.8	14.0
Autumn 2001	23.2	21.1	2.1	32.5	17.2	15.3
Start of year 2002	24.6	24.1	0.5	31.1	27.5	3.6
Spring 2002	18.2	29.2	-11.0	22.4	40.3	-17.9
Autumn 2002	14.0	37.7	-23.7	34.4	20.5	13.9
Start of year 2003	14.0	36.4	-22.4	23.5	35.7	-12.2
Spring 2003	15.6	31.0	-15.4	17.6	42.9	-25.3
Autumn 2003	17.3	31.6	-14.3	33.8	18.9	14.9
Start of year 2004	18.4	27.3	-8.9	32.4	15.6	16.8
Spring 2004	19.5	21.9	-2.4	25.5	18.2	7.3
Autumn 2004	23.3	24.8	-1.5	28.4	17.1	11.3
Start of year 2005	25.4	19.9	5.6	27.3	15.2	12.0
Spring 2005	19.6	27.9	-8.2	22.2	15.4	6.8
Autumn 2005	24.4	22.0	2.4	27.6	16.3	11.4
Start of year 2006	27.5	19.1	8.3	29.9	12.0	18.0
Spring 2006	35.9	14.2	21.7	32.4	10.3	22.1
Autumn 2006	35.6	13.1	22.5	28.5	19.3	9.2
Start of year 2007	45.8	8.6	37.2	27.9	12.2	15.7

The business climate indicators are deduced from the balance of relative shares of the affirmative and negative answers of companies within the context of the business cycle survey conducted by the IHK Cologne. The indicator values can lie between minus 100 and plus 100 percentage points. A positive indicator value means that the share of affirmative answers is greater than the share of negatives. With a value below zero the proportional share of negative answers predominates. We also draw your attention to our detailed business cycle reports on the Internet at: www.ihk-koeln.de Rubrik: Standortpolitik/Konjunkturbericht

→ Companies in the Chamber's region

Companies registered in the Commercial Register

(excl. branch operations)

Economic sector	HS+ZN	HS in total	Einz.	OHG	KG	GmbH &Co.KG	KGaA	GmbH	AG	VVaG	Others
Agriculture and forestry; fisheries	183	181	37	3	13	12	0	116	0	0	2
Industry and building	3,737	3,652	343	91	97	613	0	2,489	53	0	51
Energy and water supplies	75	73	5	2	0	21	0	40	4	0	3
Wholesale trade	3,950	3,807	381	76	64	472	0	2,799	36	0	122
Retail trade	3,910	3,808	1,337	160	114	327	1	1,890	14	0	67
Trade agency	444	436	102	22	12	17	0	280	2	0	9
Banking	110	77	4	2	2	9	1	44	27	0	21
Loan broking	212	209	26	3	10	19	0	138	12	0	4
Insurance	84	66	0	0	0	0	0	7	53	8	16
Insurance broking	439	428	86	39	17	23	0	255	10	0	9
Transport and communications	1,354	1,305	215	23	19	134	0	919	11	0	33
Other services	17,626	17,183	825	159	297	2,111	1	13,340	389	1	503
Hotels and catering	784	772	80	16	20	70	0	575	3	0	20
Other economic sector	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	32,908	31,997	3,441	596	665	3,828	3	22,892	614	9	860

HS = head office, ZN = branch office, VVaG = Insurance assoc. - Status: 31.12.2006.

Small traders (Not registered companies without business premises)

Total	Retail trade	General Services	Wholesale and trade agencies	Hotels and catering	Banking and insurance	Transport and communication	Industry and building	others
95,474	20,650	47,253	5,668	6,269	5,822	4,125	3,715	1,972

Company registrations and insolvencies in the Chamber's region

	2006	2005	Change in %
Company registrations	25,723	26,403	-2.6
- of which new registrations	21,873	22,999	-4.9
Company deregistrations	20,690	20,252	2.2
Company insolvencies	1,196	1,531	-21.9
Consumer insolvencies	2,363	2,109	12.0

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW

→ Manufacturing industry in the Chamber's region

Manufacturing industry*							
Administrative district	Employees			Total sales			Share in %
	2005	2004	Change in %	in mill. Euro		Change in %	
Cologne	54,520	58,342	-6.6	25,829	26,030	-0.8	48.6
Leverkusen	14,849	16,902	-12.1	6,901	7,355	-6.2	13.0
Oberbergisch District	31,046	30,858	0.6	6,642	5,888	12.8	12.5
Rhein-Erft- District	23,135	23,578	-1.9	11,039	10,702	3.1	20.8
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	13,816	13,844	-0.2	2,771	2,529	9.6	5.2
IHK Cologne region	137,366	143,524	-4.3	53,182	52,504	1.3	100.0
NRW	1,312,917	1,335,749	-1.7	338,330	331,185	2.2	

*including construction, companies with 20 and more employees
Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW

Selected industrial sectors in the Chamber's region								
Economic sector	Firms		Employees		Total turnover (in mill. Euro)			Share of sector of total turnover in %
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	Change in %	
Chemicals industry	71	74	23,619	26,500	16,338	17,303	-5.6	30.7
Automotive	29	27	25,597	26,479	12,290	11,543	6.5	23.1
Mechanical engineering	133	137	17,092	17,194	3,981	3,612	10.2	7.5
Electrical engineering ¹⁾	114	120	12,465	12,766	2,549	2,466	3.4	4.8
Metal producing and Processing industry ²⁾	145	148	16,045	16,286	3,068	2,784	10.2	5.8
Rubber and Plastic goods	81	85	8,612	8,970	1,473	1,375	7.2	2.8
Publishing and printing ³⁾	75	80	6,767	7,252	1,463	1,527	-4.2	2.8
Paper industry	18	17	3,124	3,215	924	808	14.3	1.7
Stones and earths ⁴⁾	61	62	3,735	4,095	953	944	1.0	1.8
Coal mining	4	4	2,466	2,419	k. A.	k. A.	-	-
Textile and clothing industry	17	18	835	883	182	176	3.6	0.3
Food industry ⁵⁾	95	96	8,385	8,377	2,633	2,806	-6.1	5.0
Other manufacturing industry	49	48	3,116	3,114	6,429	6,219	3.4	12.1
Construction industry	120	128	5,508	5,974	899	941	-4.4	1.7
Manufacturing and construction industries Total	1,012	1,044	137,366	143,524	53,182	52,504	1.3	100.0

1) including manufacture of office machines, data processing equipment and furnishings, precision engineering and optics, etc.

2) including the manufacture of metal goods;

3) including reproduction of sound and data carriers;

4) including glass industry, ceramics;

5) including tobacco processing

k. A. = no answer

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW, own estimates

Export sales 2006*

Administrative district	Sales (in mill. Euro)	Export quota
Cologne	11,320	44.8
Leverkusen	4,769	69.6
Oberbergisch District	2,576	39.3
Rhein-Erft- District	3,542	32.5
Rheinisch-Bergischer District	1,059	39.2
IHK Cologne region	23,266	44.5
NRW	134.101	40.7

*excluding construction industry, firms with 20 and more employees

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW

→ Trade in the Chamber's region

Retail trade companies

Selected sectors	In Commercial Register without industrial premises			Small traders (not in the commercial register*)		
	2006	2005	Change rung in %	2006	2005	Change rung in %
Foodstuffs, beverages, tobacco products	302	322	-6.2	2,658	2,722	-2.4
Medical, orthopaedic and cosmetic articles	667	660	1.1	2844	844	0.0
Textiles, clothing, shoes, leather goods	366	395	-7.3	2,015	1,975	2.0
Furniture, furnishing articles, housewares	294	298	-1.3	1,021	1,013	0.8
Electrical household appliances, radio and TV sets, musical instruments	220	225	-2.2	916	891	2.8
Metal goods, paints, builders and DIY supplies	225	233	-3.4	996	932	6.9
Books, newsp., magazines, stationery, office supplies	116	116	0.0	540	566	-4.6
Flowers, plants, pet supplies	80	77	3.9	918	893	2.8
Precision-mechanical, photo and optical products, computer, software	346	347	-0.3	1,563	1,608	-2.8
Watches, jewellery	83	82	1.2	478	466	2.6
Toys	34	36	-5.6	324	319	1.6
Bicycles and access., sport and camping equipment	108	108	0.0	478	475	0.6
Mail order business	21	19	10.5	220	207	6.3
Stalls and market suppliers	3	3	0.0	190	191	-0.5
Retail trade from warehouse, door-to-door sales, motor sale	12	12	0.0	20	22	-9.1
Motor vehicles, parts and accessories, service stations	599	606	-1.2	1,680	1,640	2.4
Other retail trade	452	449	0.7	5,887	5,695	3.4
Total retail trade	3,928	3,988	-1.5	20,748	20,459	1.4

Wholesale trade companies

Selected sectors	In Commercial Register without industrial premises			Small traders (not in the Commercial register)		
	2006	2005	Change rung in %	2006	2005	Change rung in %
Cereals, feeds and fertilizers, animals	49	47	4.3	71	73	-2.7
Textile raw materials, semi-finished goods, skins etc.	16	17	-5.9	6	6	0.0
Technical chemicals, raw drugs, rubber	128	120	6.7	37	38	-2.6
Solid fuels, petroleum products	38	38	0.0	16	14	14.3
Ores, steel, non-ferrous metals etc.	112	105	6.7	18	19	-5.3
Wood, construction materials, installation materials	427	438	-2.5	219	226	-3.1
Scrap, residual materials	45	39	15.4	53	42	26.2
Foodstuffs, beverages, tobacco	639	638	0.2	348	352	-1.1
Textiles, clothing, shoes, leather goods	261	245	6.5	182	182	0.0
Metal products, furnishing articles	127	129	-1.6	93	96	-3.1
Precision mechanical and optical products, jewellery etc.	83	83	0.0	50	58	-13.8
Motor vehicles, machines, technical supplies	1,194	1,155	3.4	601	624	-3.7
Pharmaceutical, cosmetic and similar products	236	233	1.3	93	98	-5.1
Paper, printed materials, goods of all kinds	106	106	0.0	45	46	-2.2
Other wholesale trade	504	507	-0.6	465	489	-4.9
Wholesale trade total	3,965	3,900	1.7	2,297	2,363	-2.8

→ Transport

Passenger and freight volumes at Cologne-Bonn Airport

Volume	2006	2005	Change in %
Passengers	9,907,736	9,479,291	4.5
Freight (tons)	698,273	650,947	7.3

Source: Cologne-Bonn Airport

Transshipment of goods in the ports (in 1,000 tons)

Ports	2006	2005	Change in %
Cologne (incl. container)	15,640	14,988	4.4
Wesseling/SDO	2,920	3,218	-9.3
Leverkusen/Chemion	2,119	2,163	-2.0

Quelle: City of Cologne, SDO Wesseling, Bayer Leverkusen

→ Health services in the Chamber's region

Health services			
	Total	In Commercial Register without industrial premises	Small traders (not in the Commercial register)
Manufacturer of pharmaceutical and cosmetic products	74	67	7
Trade agency and wholesale trade	449	212	237
Pharmacies and specialist retail trade	1,522	663	859
Medical research and development	43	39	4
Consultation for health and industrial health	138	56	82
Hospitals and practices	187	102	85
Other independent activities: Med. chiropody and diet consultation	966	52	914
Transport of patients and emergency services, medical labs	60	53	7
Veterinary medicine	42	2	40
Nursing homes, day centres and nurseries	172	97	75
Mobile social services	523	96	427
Hairdressing and cosmetic salons	1,511	74	1,437
Saunas, solaria, fitness centres etc.	627	96	531
Total	6,314	1,609	4,705

→ Tourism in the Chamber's region

Overnight stays				
	Hotel beds offered in each case in Dec. 2006	Overnight stays		Average utilization of the offered beds
		Total	by foreign guests	
Cologne	25,189	4,382,428	1,633,189	45.4
Leverkusen	1,577	216,564	65,522	38.2
Oberbergisch District	6,076	859,322	45,158	29.7
Rhein-Erft-District	5,586	745,237	200,380	32.5
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	3,717	436,551	45,299	31.1
IHK-Cologne region	42,145	6,640,102	1,989,548	

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 2006

Trade fairs and exhibitions				
	Total	Foreign	German	Foreign share in %
Exhibitors/visitors				
Exhibitors	30,466	17,383	13,083	57.1
Additionally represented firms	1,880	985	895	52.4
Visitors	1,903,098	816,680	1,086,418	42.9

Exhibition space 286,000 sq.m.
Source: Kölnmesse GmbH. Status 2006. Figures are provisional

Tourism and leisure business

	Commercially registered companies 2006				Not commercially registered companies 2006				Total
	Cologne	Oberberg-District	Rhein-Erft-District	Rhein.Berg-District/ Leverkusen	Cologne	Oberberg-District	Rhein-Erft-District	Rhein.Berg-District/ Leverkusen	
Hotel and catering trade									
Hotels, guest houses, boarding houses, Bed and breakfast	162	18	23	31	101	46	61	42	484
Restaurants	154	7	34	31	148	73	83	68	598
Cafés, ice salons, snack bars	39	3	8	10	805	106	325	243	1,539
public houses	131	7	19	14	1,687	386	504	560	3,308
Bars, amusement centres, discotheques, dance halls	28	1	2	1	45	7	11	13	108
Kiosks	1	0	0	0	222	3	11	51	288
Canteens and caterers	41	6	5	8	243	38	89	51	481
Travel sector									
Travel agencies	187	11	35	36	234	40	85	82	710
Tour operator	55	3	9	7	104	17	26	20	241
Coach enterprise	10	3	11	7	15	7	12	12	77
Leisure industry									
Operation of cultural and entertainment facilities	71	0	7	1	438	15	79	81	692
Operation of sports facilities	25	8	24	16	15	12	19	17	136
Saunas, solaria, fitness centres	56	8	18	14	242	66	112	111	627
Sport, betting and lottery business	69	25	36	30	167	46	76	65	514
Total	1,029	100	231	206	4,466	862	1,493	1,416	9,803

→ Building and living in the Chamber's region

Building permits

Administrative district	Non-residential buildings	Residential buildings with	
		1 and 2 apartments	3 or more apartments
Cologne	15	813	215
Leverkusen	14	188	16
Oberbergisch District	78	394	17
Rhein-Erft-District	33	685	33
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	49	559	38
IHK-Cologne region	189	2,639	319
NRW	3,808	26,485	1,885

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 2006

Commercial rent prices

	Shop 1a location in Euro/sq.m.	Office in top location in Euro/sq.m.	Warehouse/production space in Euro/sq.m.
Cologne			
District 1 Innenstadt	50.00-200.00	10.00-17.00	2.00-4.50
District 2 Rodenkirchen	12.00-35.00	6.00-12.00	2.00-4.50
District 3 Lindenthal	12.00-35.00	6.00-12.00	2.00-4.50
District 4 Ehrenfeld	10.00-30.00	7.00-11.00	2.00-5.00
District 5 Nippes	10.00-30.00	7.00-11.00	2.00-4.50
District 6 Chorweiler	10.00-20.00	6.00-10.00	2.00-4.50
District 7 Porz	10.00-30.00	6.00-11.00	2.00-4.50
District 8 Kalk	10.00-20.00	6.00-10.00	2.00-4.50
District 9 Mülheim	12.00-25.00	6.00-10.00	2.00-5.00
Leverkusen	10.00-25.00	4.50-11.00	2.00-4.00
Leverkusen Opladen	10.00-25.00	4.50-11.00	2.50-5.50
Oberbergisch District			
Bergneustadt (town)	6.00-10.00	4.00-7.00	1.50-3.75
Engelskirchen (municipality)	6.60-9.00	4.00-6.00	2.00-4.00
Gummersbach (town)	9.00-20.00	4.00-7.50	2.00-4.00
Hückeswagen (town)	8.50-10.50	4.50-7.50	1.50-3.50
Marienheide (municipality)	7.00-8.00	3.50-5.00	1.50-3.50
Morsbach (municipality)	9.00-11.50	4.50-9.00	1.50-3.50
Nümbrecht (municipality)	7.00-9.00	4.00-7.50	2.50-4.00
Radevormwald (municipality)	7.50-10.00	4.00-7.50	2.50-4.00
Lindlar (municipality)	6.50-9.00	4.00-6.50	2.00-5.00
Waldbröl (town)	7.50-10.00	2.75-5.50	1.35-3.00
Wipperfürth (town)	10.00-17.50	5.00-7.50	2.00-4.00
Reichshof (municipality)	5.50-6.50	4.00-7.50	3.50-5.00
Wiehl (town)	8.00-15.00	4.00-6.00	1.50-5.00
Rhein-Erft-District			
Bedburg (town)	7.00-11.00	5.00-9.00	2.50-5.50
Bergheim (town)	10.00-23.00	5.00-11.00	2.50-5.50
Brühl (town)	20.50-36.00	7.50-11.00	2.50-4.00
Elsdorf (municipality)	7.50-11.00	5.00-9.00	1.50-4.00
Erftstadt (town)	12.50-16.00	5.00-11.00	3.00-5.00
Frechen (town)	12.50-18.50	6.00-11.00	3.50-5.50
Hürth (town)	12.50-16.00	5.00-11.00	3.50-5.50
Kerpen (town)	12.50-16.00	4.00-11.00	2.50-5.50
Pulheim (town)	10.00-23.00	5.00-9.00	2.50-5.00
Wesseling (town)	15.00-27.00	6.00-11.00	2.50-5.00
Rheinisch-Bergisch District			
Bergisch Gladbach (town)	15.00-50.00	7.00-12.00	3.00-4.50
Burscheid (town)	8.00-10.00	3.80-5.50	3.00-4.00
Kürten (municipality)	7.00-9.00	3.50-5.50	2.20-3.50
Leichlingen (town)	10.00-17.50	6.50-10.00	2.00-3.00
Overath (municipality)	9.00-14.00	4.00-6.00	3.00-4.00
Rösrath (municipality)	12.00-20.00	4.00-6.00	3.00-4.00
Wermelskirchen (town)	9.00-11.00	4.00-7.50	2.50-3.50
Odenthal (municipality)	9.00-11.00	4.00-8.00	2.00-3.50

→ Public finances in the Chamber's region

Public finances			
Administrative district	Gross income in 1,000 Euro	Gross expenditure in 1,000 Euro	Debts in 1,000 Euro
Cologne	3,321,012	3,509,320	3,136,191
Leverkusen	419,348	437,301	298,078
Oberbergisch District	743,792	838,738	717,013
Rhein-Erft-District	1,254,085	1,285,082	620,317
Rheinisch-Bergisch District	607,774	691,008	492,852
IHK-Cologne region	6,346,011	6,761,449	5,264.451

Source: Regional Office for Data Processing and Statistics NRW. Status: 2005

Tax rates of assessment				
Authority	Trade tax		Land Tax B	
	2007	2006	2007	2006
Cologne	450	450	500	500
Leverkusen	460	460	500	500
Oberbergisch District				
Bergneustadt	430	430	400	400
Engelskirchen	430	430	391	391
Gummersbach	430	430	391	391
Hückeswagen	440	425	395	391
Lindlar	450	450	410	410
Marienheide	430	430	391	391
Morsbach	450	450	400	400
Nümbrecht	450	450	395	395
Radevormwald	430	430	395	395
Reichshof	430	430	391	391
Waldbroël	430	430	390	390
Wiehl	420	420	381	381
Wipperfürth	450	450	410	410
Rhein-Erft-District				
Bedburg	460	460	450	450
Bergheim	450	450	430	430
Brühl	430	430	390	390
Elsdorf	450	450	425	395
Erfstadt	440	440	400	400
Frechen	420	420	391	391
Hürth	420	420	381	381
Kerpen	460	460	450	450
Pulheim	420	420	401	401
Wesseling	403	403	381	381
Rheinisch-Bergisch District				
Bergisch Gladbach	455	455	455	455
Burscheid	430	430	420	420
Kürten	430	430	410	410
Leichlingen	430	430	430	430
Ödenthal	424	424	401	401
Overath	440	440	410	410
Rösrath	440	440	410	410
Wermelskirchen	415	415	381	381

Quelle: Budget proposal or resolutions of the individual municipal authorities. Status: April 2007

→ Vocational training in the Chamber's region

Distribution of newly registered traineeships according to the key occupations				
Occupation	2006	2005	Difference in %	
Industrial clerk	496	485	11	2
Salesman/woman	488	485	3	1
Retail clerk	742	697	45	6
Wholesale and foreign trade clerk	461	424	37	9
Bank clerk	370	352	18	5
Insurance clerk	293	317	-24	-8
Fachmann/frau für Systemgastronomie	62	54	8	15
Hotel clerk	330	301	29	10
Chef/cook	325	312	13	4
other catering vocation	171	166	5	3
Traffic service clerk	96	81	15	19
Freight forwarding clerk	150	130	20	15
Skilled employees for warehouse logistics	201	192	9	5
Real estate clerk	162	142	20	14
Office communication clerk	591	608	-17	-3
Office clerk	326	370	-44	-12
Audio-visual media clerk	40	57	-17	-30
Property agent	98	84	14	17
IT system clerk	84	85	-1	-1
Computer science clerk	40	40	0	0
Event clerk	98	99	-1	-1
Other commercial occupations	674	660	14	2
Total commercial	6,298	6,054	244	4
Industrial mechanic	285	270	15	6
Technical draughtsman/woman	47	45	2	4
Technische/r Zeichner/in	43	38	5	13
Toolmaker	57	63	-6	-10
Mechatronics technician	84	93	-9	-10
Skilled employee for event technology	40	42	-2	-5
Automotive mechatronic technician	30	35	-5	-14
Electronics technician	238	271	-33	-12
IT system electronics technician	72	98	-26	-27
IT specialist	277	271	6	2
Construction draughtsman/woman	25	25	0	0
Construction industry	83	73	10	14
Chemical laboratory assistant	38	62	-24	-39
Chemical worker	132	135	-3	-2
Media designer, digital and print media	134	135	-1	-1
Media designer, image and sound	65	80	-15	-19
Other industrial occupations	546	540	6	1
Total industrial-technical	2,196	2,245	-49	-2
Total commercial and industrial-technical	8,494	8,299	195	2

Training and further education in figures

	2006	2005
Trainee contracts		
In a total of 194 training occupations	23,101	22,742
Commercial	15,857	15,366
Industrial-technical	7,250	7,376
Participants in examinations		
Final examinations in 142 training occupations	10,247	10,866
Commercial candidates	7,121	7,510
Industrial-technical candidates	3,126	3,356
Intermediate examinations	7,761	7,102
Commercial	6,349	5,046
Industrial-technical	1,412	2,056
Commercial further education examinations in 33 special areas	2,877	3,090
Business management IHK	109	115
Technical management	169	185
Foreign language examinations	294	303
Industrial-technical further education examinations in 19 special areas	954	1,083
Industrial and specialist foreman examinations	372	394
Examinations according to the Instructor's Aptitude Ordinance	1,207	1,096
Test of specialist skills in freight and passenger traffic	225	271
Test of specialist knowledge in the security sector (34 a GewO)	621	1,165
Total number of examinations	23,892	24,673
Active training facilities	5,159	5,016
Registered trainers	6,937	6,934
Examination boards		
Training	405	385
Further education	94	106
Members of the examining boards		
Training	4,335	4,270
Further education	1,314	1,357
Arbitrations	103	104
Training advisers	23	23
Company visits	3,066	2,658

	2006	2005
Recognition of foreign educational qualifications		
Equalizations	102	108
Voluntary opinions	135	97
Briefings		
Restaurant briefings according to § 4 Abs. 1 Nr. 4	1,000	1,233
Briefings in the security sector (34 a GewO)	643	894
Further training consultations	8,536	6,415
Person-related	6,834	5,748
Company-related	1,702	667
Courses and seminars		
Number	340	365
Participants	8,777	8,651

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