

Private Equity at Work

Employment – The facts

Private equity is a cornerstone of the European economy present in every region and every major business sector across the continent.

From technology and life sciences start-ups to manufacturing small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and large consumer-focused multinationals, private equity backed companies support millions of high-value jobs driving prosperity and growth in the process.

Private equity supports 10.2 million jobs in Europe, making it a major employer in most industry sectors.

23,009

companies in Europe backed by private equity in 2019 across all industry sectors and all regions

15,278

of which were **SMEs employing 899,445 people**

Note

Employment data is based on an extrapolation of a sample of 12,412 portfolio companies

Employment 2019

10.2 million

4.3%

European employees worked in private equity backed companies

of Europe's total 236 million workforce

Source: Eurostat

Employment by type of private equity firm



Jobs in Buyout stage companies

5,718,203

Jobs in Growth stage companies

2,744,816

Jobs in Venture stage companies

1,578,150

Others*

199,183

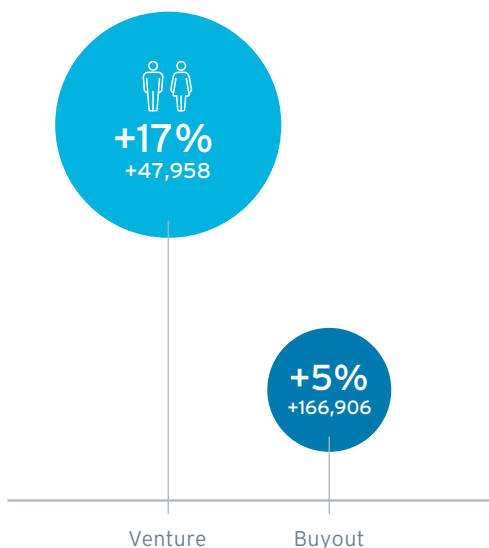
* Others includes Rescue/Turnaround and Replacement capital

Job creation – The facts

Private equity builds successful businesses. Successful businesses invest more in growth. And growth leads to job creation.

Job creation by type of private equity firm

Buyout firms created the most jobs (166,906) +5% growth rate vs. Venture firms which created 47,958 jobs but at the highest growth rate of +17%.



+10%

more new jobs created by SMEs in 2019

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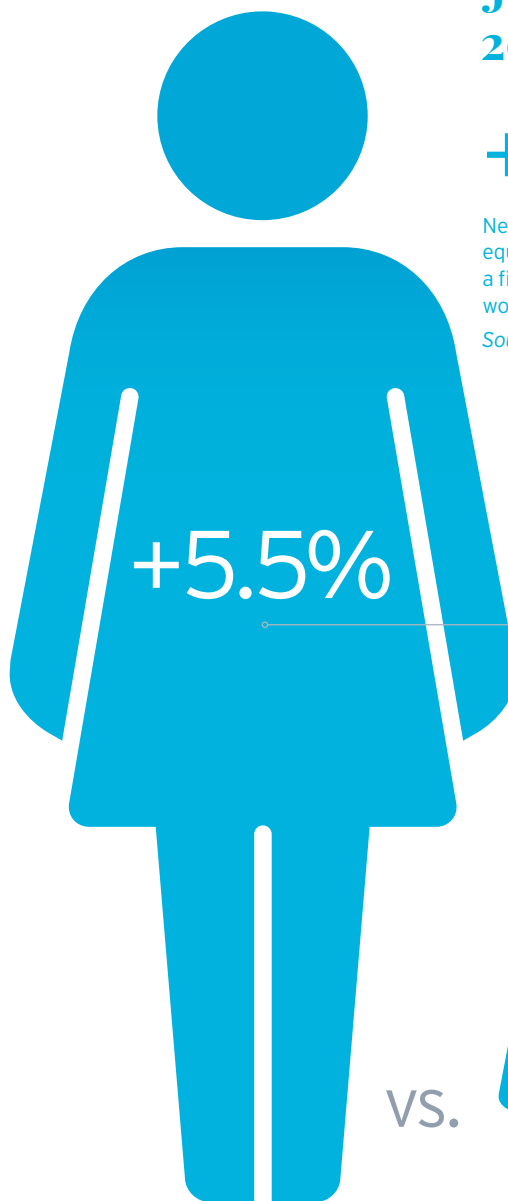
Job creation data is based on portfolio companies in Europe active and backed by Private Equity in 2018 & 2019

Job creation 2018-19

+254,157

Net jobs were created by private equity backed companies in 2019, a figure roughly comparable to the working population of Tallinn

Source: Eurostat



Job creation of +5.5% in private equity backed companies in 2019

This compares to the overall European market's job growth of +0.9%

Sector highlights

Information Communications Technology (ICT)



1,328,213 employees
+50,368 new jobs
+7.2% growth

Biotech & Healthcare



859,499 employees
+29,473 new jobs
+6.3% growth

Energy & Environment



244,808 employees
+6,940 new jobs
+5.9% growth

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