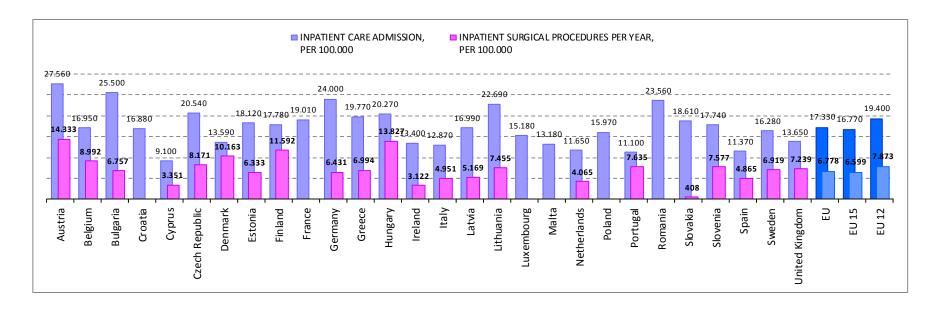
## **HEALTH CARE ACTIVITIES: INPATIENTS SURGICAL PROCEDURES**

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) defines inpatient surgical procedures as all invasive therapies performed as in-patient surgery, where inpatient surgery is a surgical operation or procedure that is performed with an overnight stay in an in-patient institution. In 2010, in the European Union were performed 39 inpatient surgical procedures every 100 admissions per 100.000 inhabitants. The highest value of inpatient surgical procedures per 100.000 was registered in Austria (14.333), where the number of inpatient care admission was 27.560. Adversely, in Slovakia there were 408 inpatient surgical procedures against 18.610 Inpatient care admissions per 100.000 inhabitants. Between 2000 and 2010 the registered number of inpatient surgical procedures per 100.000 inhabitants was stable in average in EU28. In EU15 it slightly decreases (-1,3%), conversely, in EU13 it increases by 11,7%. The only Member States showing a steady decrease were Slovakia (-34,0%), Latvia (-20,0%) and Germany (-18,7%). Transfers from one department to another one at the same hospital, day-cases of day patients, cases where treatment is provided by hospital personnel at the patient's home as well as newborns are excluded from the number of admissions/discharges.



NOTE. The most part of data refer to the years 2009 and 2010. Last data available for Greece, Portugal and Sweden is 2007. Last data available for Austria, Estonia and Germany is 2008. Main Sources of data: WHO/Europe, European HFA Database, January 2014