

PRESS INFORMATION NOTICE

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Labour Force Survey reweighting based on 2021 Census: 2018Q1 – 2023Q3

On 8 March 2024, the NSO will publish the revised Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates for reference period 2018Q1 – 2023Q3. These revisions were necessary to align aggregate employment figures from this survey with the revised intercensal population figures, published on 26 January 2024. This exercise is aimed at producing a consistent time-series of data from the LFS. No revisions were deemed necessary prior to 2018 since the difference in LFS estimates before and after the reweighting exercise were statistically insignificant.

This modification impacts to some extent all estimates derived from the LFS. The upcoming news release will incorporate updated estimates of the key indicators generated from this survey, specifically:

Annual data from 2018 to 2022

- Persons aged 15 and over by sex and labour status.
- Activity rates by sex.
- Employment rates by sex.
- Unemployment rates by sex.
- Distribution of persons aged 15 years and over by labour status and age group.
- Employment characteristics of main occupation by sex.
- Distribution of employed persons by economic activity of the main occupation.
- Main occupation of employed persons.
- Persons aged 15 years and over by sex and highest educational attainment.

Quarterly data from 2018Q01 to 2023Q03

- Persons aged 15 and over by sex and labour status.
- Activity rates by sex and age group.
- Distribution of employed persons with a main job by sex and age group.
- Employment rates by sex and age group.
- Distribution of employed persons by sex and professional status of main occupation.
- Distribution of employed persons by sex and type of employment in main occupation.
- Distribution of employed persons by economic activity of the main occupation and sex.
- Distribution of employed persons by main occupation and sex.
- Distribution of unemployed persons by sex and age group.
- Unemployment rates by sex and age group.
- Distribution of inactive persons by age group and sex.
- Persons aged 15 years and over by highest educational attainment.

Further information can be made available upon written request to: nso@gov.mt.