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Registered Unemployed: February 2008

At 6,342 persons, registered unemployment in February 2008 decreased by 845 persons when compared to the same month last year.

This News Release provides an overview of registered unemployed persons for the month of February 2008. The source of all data contained within this release is the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC).

In February 2008, the number of registered unemployed stood at 6,342. Compared to the corresponding month a year ago, the overall number of unemployed fell by 845 persons.

In Malta, the registered unemployed amounted to 5,600 persons, whereas in Gozo the registered unemployed amounted to 742 as illustrated in Table 3. In the twelve months to February 2008, Malta experienced a decline in unemployment, whereas Gozo has seen a rise on this count (-863 in Malta and +18 in Gozo).

In the twelve months to February 2008, all the age groups featured in Table 3 showed a decline in the number of registered unemployed, with the biggest drop being reported in persons under 20 years of age and persons aged 20-24.

In the twelve months to February 2008, the duration of unemployment diminished across all the periods featured in Table 6.

This release also provides information on the occupations being sought by the unemployed. Among men, occupations related to elementary duties and plant and machine operations were the most common, whereas women tended to seek jobs which were clerical or service-oriented (see Table 10).

The unemployment rates for February 2008 are not available since the data on the labour supply for this month are not yet available ■

Registered Unemployment Rate: October 2007

In October 2007, the registered unemployment rate stood at 4.5 per cent of the labour supply. On a gender basis, the unemployment rate for men stood at 4.8, whilst the unemployment rate for women stood at 3.6 per cent.

The long-term unemployment rate, referring to people who have been registering for work for more than twelve months, stood at 1.6 per cent.

The unemployment rate among older workers (45 years of age and over) was 3.9 per cent while the unemployment rate among young people (under 25 years of age) stood at 5.7 per cent.

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Table 1. Age distribution of persons registering for employment under Part 1 of the unemployment register ...

Registered unemployed	Average 2000			Average 2001			Average 2002			Average 2003			Average 2004			Average 2005		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	6,453	437	6,890	5,967	410	6,377	6,412	467	6,879	6,583	551	7,134	6,942	599	7,541	6,103	616	6,719
Men	5,555	366	5,921	5,040	359	5,399	5,278	390	5,668	5,323	412	5,735	5,625	427	6,052	4,903	417	5,320
Women	898	71	969	927	51	978	1,134	77	1,211	1,260	139	1,399	1,317	172	1,489	1,200	199	1,399
by age distribution																		
Under 20 years																		
Total	913	45	958	884	47	931	912	76	988	858	98	956	819	83	902	669	85	754
Men	630	28	658	577	33	610	540	49	589	508	56	564	502	49	551	386	45	431
Women	283	17	300	307	14	321	372	27	399	350	42	392	317	34	351	283	40	323
20 to 24 years																		
Total	810	81	891	806	74	880	884	91	975	998	120	1,118	1,056	138	1,194	901	132	1,033
Men	674	64	738	652	65	717	679	75	754	733	82	815	765	84	849	651	82	733
Women	136	17	153	154	9	163	205	16	221	265	38	303	291	54	345	250	50	300
25 to 29 years																		
Total	727	62	789	646	61	707	744	68	812	802	78	880	829	96	925	755	104	859
Men	642	52	694	562	53	615	644	58	702	689	61	750	697	70	767	620	72	692
Women	85	10	95	84	8	92	100	10	110	113	17	130	132	26	158	135	32	167
30 to 44 years																		
Total	2,265	159	2,424	2,001	148	2,149	2,153	153	2,306	2,156	163	2,319	2,198	172	2,370	1,950	181	2,131
Men	2,068	143	2,211	1,816	135	1,951	1,916	137	2,053	1,875	132	2,007	1,902	132	2,034	1,686	126	1,812
Women	197	16	213	185	13	198	237	16	253	281	31	312	296	40	336	264	55	319
45 years and over																		
Total	1,738	90	1,828	1,630	80	1,710	1,719	79	1,798	1,769	92	1,861	2,040	110	2,150	1,828	114	1,942
Men	1,541	79	1,620	1,433	73	1,506	1,499	71	1,570	1,518	81	1,599	1,759	92	1,851	1,560	92	1,652
Women	197	11	208	197	7	204	220	8	228	251	11	262	281	18	299	268	22	290

... Table 1. Age distribution of persons registering for employment under Part 1 of the unemployment register

Registered unemployed	Average 2006			Average 2007			January 2007			January 2008			February 2007			February 2008		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	6,036	662	6,698	5,322	651	5,973	5,774	703	6,477	4,959	710	5,669	5,717	689	6,406	4,889	716	5,605
Men	4,739	428	5,167	4,183	419	4,602	4,565	443	5,008	3,831	470	4,301	4,508	432	4,940	3,795	477	4,272
Women	1,297	234	1,531	1,139	232	1,371	1,209	260	1,469	1,128	240	1,368	1,209	257	1,466	1,094	239	1,333
by age distribution																		
Under 20 years																		
Total	741	73	814	506	60	566	626	77	703	412	65	477	597	71	668	414	63	477
Men	450	41	491	296	32	328	361	45	406	238	42	280	339	37	376	241	40	281
Women	291	32	323	210	28	238	265	32	297	174	23	197	258	34	292	173	23	196
20 to 24 years																		
Total	935	158	1,093	697	142	839	822	160	982	558	148	706	813	153	966	546	144	690
Men	658	94	752	487	91	578	596	92	688	389	103	492	584	92	676	388	102	490
Women	277	64	341	210	51	261	226	68	294	169	45	214	229	61	290	158	42	200
25 to 29 years																		
Total	725	106	831	611	100	711	662	111	773	600	109	709	647	106	753	590	107	697
Men	581	67	648	476	63	539	533	70	603	441	74	515	523	68	591	439	74	513
Women	144	39	183	135	37	172	129	41	170	159	35	194	124	38	162	151	33	184
30 to 44 years																		
Total	1,843	197	2,040	1,699	196	1,895	1,785	208	1,993	1,631	215	1,846	1,787	204	1,991	1,593	221	1,814
Men	1,553	126	1,679	1,410	121	1,531	1,489	129	1,618	1,325	125	1,450	1,490	125	1,615	1,307	130	1,437
Women	290	71	361	289	75	364	296	79	375	306	90	396	297	79	376	286	91	377
45 years and over																		
Total	1,792	128	1,920	1,809	153	1,962	1,879	147	2,026	1,758	173	1,931	1,873	155	2,028	1,746	181	1,927
Men	1,497	100	1,597	1,514	112	1,626	1,586	107	1,693	1,438	126	1,564	1,572	110	1,682	1,420	131	1,551
Women	295	28	323	295	41	336	293	40	333	320	47	367	301	45	346	326	50	376

Table 2. Age distribution of persons registering for employment under Part 2 of the unemployment register

Registered unemployed	Average 2001	Average 2002			Average 2003			Average 2004			Average 2005			Average 2006			Average 2007			January 2007			January 2008			February 2007			February 2008		
		Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	726	665	31	696	659	26	685	678	35	713	684	46	730	599	29	628	684	29	713	816	15	831	765	29	794	746	35	781	711	26	737
Men	560	500	25	525	495	20	515	521	24	545	499	30	529	448	19	467	501	19	520	625	8	633	560	20	580	573	21	594	513	20	533
Women	166	165	6	171	164	6	170	157	11	168	185	16	201	151	10	161	183	10	193	191	7	198	205	9	214	173	14	187	198	6	204
by age distribution																															
Under 20 years																															
Total	186	178	5	183	154	6	160	148	7	155	172	11	183	121	6	127	130	7	137	150	3	153	146	5	151	141	10	151	151	3	154
Men	123	106	2	108	98	4	102	93	5	98	110	7	117	73	4	77	76	4	80	86	2	88	88	3	91	83	7	90	86	3	89
Women	63	72	3	75	56	2	58	55	2	57	62	4	66	48	2	50	54	3	57	64	1	65	58	2	60	58	3	61	65	-	65
20 to 24 years																															
Total	163	170	7	177	174	6	180	170	7	177	182	12	194	137	7	144	134	9	143	159	3	162	139	7	146	153	13	166	133	6	139
Men	121	128	6	134	124	5	129	121	5	126	127	9	136	98	5	103	94	6	100	119	2	121	88	4	92	110	9	119	87	4	91
Women	42	42	1	43	50	1	51	49	2	51	55	3	58	39	2	41	40	3	43	40	1	41	51	3	54	43	4	47	46	2	48
25 to 29 years																															
Total	112	85	5	90	94	4	98	95	9	104	89	6	95	89	3	92	99	5	104	115	3	118	104	3	107	108	5	113	86	3	89
Men	86	68	4	72	76	3	79	75	5	80	71	4	75	67	2	69	75	3	78	93	2	95	71	1	72	86	3	89	52	2	54
Women	26	17	1	18	18	1	19	20	4	24	18	2	20	22	1	23	24	2	26	22	1	23	33	2	35	22	2	24	34	1	35
30 to 44 years																															
Total	155	138	9	147	140	8	148	158	9	167	143	11	154	134	9	143	164	4	168	193	4	197	190	9	199	162	4	166	167	9	176
Men	131	116	8	124	116	6	122	140	6	146	114	7	121	111	5	116	131	3	134	154	1	155	150	7	157	135	1	136	135	6	141
Women	24	22	1	23	24	2	26	18	3	21	29	4	33	23	4	27	33	1	34	39	3	42	40	2	42	27	3	30	32	3	35
45 years and over																															
Total	110	94	5	99	97	2	99	107	3	110	98	6	104	118	4	122	157	4	161	199	2	201	186	5	191	182	3	185	174	5	179
Men	99	82	5	87	81	2	83	92	3	95	77	3	80	99	3	102	125	3	128	173	1	174	163	5	168	159	1	160	153	5	158
Women	11	12	-	12	16	-	16	15	-	15	21	3	24	19	1	20	32	1	33	26	1	27	23	-	23	23	2	25	21	-	21

Table 3. Age distribution of persons registering for employment (Part 1 & Part 2)

Registered unemployed	Average 2002			Average 2003			Average 2004			Average 2005			Average 2006			Average 2007			January 2007			January 2008			February 2007			February 2008		
	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total	Malta	Gozo	Total
Total	7,077	498	7,575	7,242	577	7,819	7,620	634	8,254	6,787	662	7,449	6,635	691	7,326	6,006	680	6,686	6,590	718	7,308	5,724	739	6,463	6,463	724	7,187	5,600	742	6,342
Men	5,778	415	6,193	5,818	432	6,250	6,146	451	6,597	5,402	447	5,849	5,187	447	5,634	4,684	438	5,122	5,190	451	5,641	4,391	490	4,881	5,081	453	5,534	4,308	497	4,805
Women	1,299	83	1,382	1,424	145	1,569	1,474	183	1,657	1,385	215	1,600	1,448	244	1,692	1,322	242	1,564	1,400	267	1,667	1,333	249	1,582	1,382	271	1,653	1,292	245	1,537
by age distribution																														
Under 20 years																														
Total	1,090	81	1,171	1,012	104	1,116	967	90	1,057	841	96	937	862	79	941	636	67	703	776	80	856	558	70	628	738	81	819	565	66	631
Men	646	51	697	606	60	666	595	54	649	496	52	548	523	45	568	372	36	408	447	47	494	326	45	371	422	44	466	327	43	370
Women	444	30	474	406	44	450	372	36	408	345	44	389	339	34	373	264	31	295	329	33	362	232	25	257	316	37	353	238	23	261
20 to 24 years																														
Total	1,054	98	1,152	1,172	126	1,298	1,226	145	1,371	1,083	144	1,227	1,072	165	1,237	831	151	982	981	163	1,144	697	155	852	966	166	1,132	679	150	829
Men	807	81	888	857	87	944	886	89	975	778	91	869	756	99	855	581	97	678	715	94	809	477	107	584	694	101	795	475	106	581
Women	247	17	264	315	39	354	340	56	396	305	53	358	316	66	382	250	54	304	266	69	335	220	48	268	272	65	337	204	44	248
25 to 29 years																														
Total	829	73	902	896	82	978	924	105	1,029	844	110	954	814	109	923	710	105	815	777	114	891	704	112	816	755	111	866	676	110	786
Men	712	62	774	765	64	829	772	75	847	691	76	767	648	69	717	551	66	617	626	72	698	512	75	587	609	71	680	491	76	567
Women	117	11	128	131	18	149	152	30	182	153	34	187	166	40	206	159	39	198	151	42	193	192	37	229	146	40	186	185	34	219
30 to 44 years																														
Total	2,291	162	2,453	2,296	171	2,467	2,356	181	2,537	2,093	192	2,285	1,977	206	2,183	1,863	200	2,063	1,978	212	2,190	1,821	224	2,045	1,949	208	2,157	1,760	230	1,990
Men	2,032	145	2,177	1,991	138	2,129	2,042	138	2,180	1,800	133	1,933	1,664	131	1,795	1,541	124	1,665	1,643	130	1,773	1,475	132	1,607	1,625	126	1,751	1,442	136	1,578
Women	259	17	276	305	33	338	314	43	357	293	59	352	313	75	388	322	76	398	335	82	417	346	92	438	324	82	406	318	94	412
45 years and over																														
Total	1,813	84	1,897	1,866	94	1,960	2,147	113	2,260	1,926	120	2,046	1,910	132	2,042	1,966	157	2,123	2,078	149	2,227	1,944	178	2,122	2,055	158	2,213	1,920	186	2,106
Men	1,581	76	1,657	1,599	83	1,682	1,851	95	1,946	1,637	95	1,732	1,596	103	1,699	1,639	115	1,754	1,759	108	1,867	1,601	131	1,732	1,731	111	1,842	1,573	136	1,709
Women	232	8	240	267	11	278	296	18	314	289	25	314	314	29	343	327	42	369	319	41	360	343	47	390	324	47	371	347	50	397

Table 4. Number of registered unemployed persons under Part 1 by duration of registration

Registered Unemployed	Average								January		February	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2007	2008	2007	2008
Total	6,890	6,377	6,879	7,134	7,541	6,719	6,698	5,973	6,477	5,669	6,406	5,605
Men	5,921	5,399	5,668	5,735	6,052	5,320	5,167	4,602	5,008	4,301	4,940	4,272
Women	969	978	1,211	1,399	1,489	1,399	1,531	1,371	1,469	1,368	1,466	1,333
by duration of registration												
Under 20 weeks												
Total	1,877	2,066	2,421	2,753	2,903	2,466	2,582	2,253	2,552	2,356	2,446	2,191
Men	1,412	1,547	1,747	1,945	2,091	1,723	1,779	1,530	1,781	1,617	1,689	1,541
Women	465	519	674	808	812	743	803	723	771	739	757	650
21 to 52 weeks												
Total	1,345	1,240	1,471	1,465	1,813	1,438	1,518	1,211	1,304	1,088	1,328	1,199
Men	1,131	1,022	1,183	1,150	1,451	1,122	1,149	950	1,017	808	1,023	867
Women	214	218	288	315	362	316	369	261	287	280	305	332
53 weeks and over												
Total	3,668	3,071	2,987	2,916	2,825	2,815	2,598	2,509	2,621	2,225	2,632	2,215
Men	3,378	2,830	2,738	2,640	2,510	2,475	2,239	2,122	2,210	1,876	2,228	1,864
Women	290	241	249	276	315	340	359	387	411	349	404	351

Table 5. Number of registered unemployed persons under Part 2 by duration of registration

Registered Unemployed	Average							January		February	
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2007	2008	2007	2008
Total	726	696	685	713	730	628	713	831	794	781	737
Men	560	525	515	545	529	467	520	633	580	594	533
Women	166	171	170	168	201	161	193	198	214	187	204
by duration of registration											
Under 20 weeks											
Total	662	649	586	655	669	582	657	783	752	698	679
Men	505	486	439	497	484	433	477	595	547	528	486
Women	157	163	147	158	185	149	180	188	205	170	193
21 weeks and over											
Total	64	47	99	58	61	46	56	48	42	83	58
Men	55	39	76	48	45	34	43	38	33	66	47
Women	9	8	23	10	16	12	13	10	9	17	11

Table 6. Number of registered unemployed persons by duration of registration (Part 1 & Part 2)

Registered Unemployed	Average							January		February	
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2007	2008	2007	2008
Total	7,103	7,575	7,819	8,254	7,449	7,326	6,686	7,308	6,463	7,187	6,342
Men	5,959	6,193	6,250	6,597	5,849	5,634	5,122	5,641	4,881	5,534	4,805
Women	1,144	1,382	1,569	1,657	1,600	1,692	1,564	1,667	1,582	1,653	1,537
by duration of registration											
Under 20 weeks											
Total	2,728	3,070	3,339	3,558	3,135	3,164	2,910	3,335	3,108	3,144	2,870
Men	2,052	2,233	2,384	2,588	2,207	2,212	2,007	2,376	2,164	2,217	2,027
Women	676	837	955	970	928	952	903	959	944	927	843
21 to 52 weeks											
Total	1,304	1,518	1,564	1,871	1,499	1,564	1,267	1,352	1,130	1,411	1,257
Men	1,077	1,222	1,226	1,499	1,167	1,183	993	1,055	841	1,089	914
Women	227	296	338	372	332	381	274	297	289	322	343
53 weeks and over											
Total	3,071	2,987	2,916	2,825	2,815	2,598	2,509	2,621	2,225	2,632	2,215
Men	2,830	2,738	2,640	2,510	2,475	2,239	2,122	2,210	1,876	2,228	1,864
Women	241	249	276	315	340	359	387	411	349	404	351

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Table 7. Number of persons with disability registering under Part 1 of the unemployment register

Registered unemployed	Average														January				February					
	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		2007		2007		2008		2007		2008	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Men	261	85.6	262	84.5	269	82.3	251	82.3	242	79.9	251	76.5	269	77.3	253	79.3	282	78.1	226	77.7	277	78.5	238	78.8
Women	44	14.4	48	15.5	58	17.7	54	17.7	61	20.1	77	23.5	79	22.7	66	20.7	79	21.9	65	22.3	76	21.5	64	21.2
Total	305	100.0	310	100.0	327	100.0	305	100.0	303	100.0	328	100.0	348	100.0	319	100.0	361	100.0	291	100.0	353	100.0	302	100.0

Table 8. Occupation being sought by persons registering under Part 1 of the unemployment register

Occupation	Average 2002				Average 2003				Average 2004				Average 2005				Average 2006			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers (and supervisors)	80	1.4	8	0.7	77	1.4	14	1.0	91	1.5	14	1.0	111	2.1	32	2.3	131	2.5	39	2.5
Professionals	33	0.6	7	0.5	43	0.7	17	1.2	68	1.1	18	1.3	155	2.9	25	1.8	310	6.0	36	2.4
Technicians and associate professionals	189	3.4	52	4.3	189	3.3	75	5.3	217	3.6	77	5.2	310	5.8	106	7.6	445	8.6	182	11.9
Clerks	368	6.5	377	31.2	393	6.9	390	27.9	408	6.7	387	25.9	388	7.3	461	32.9	470	9.1	558	36.4
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	437	7.7	323	26.7	437	7.6	345	24.7	457	7.6	383	25.7	648	12.2	334	23.9	840	16.3	338	22.1
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	92	1.6	-	-	96	1.7	1	0.1	99	1.6	1	0.1	141	2.7	1	0.1	208	4.0	1	0.1
Craft and related trade workers	756	13.3	28	2.3	798	13.9	37	2.6	890	14.7	55	3.7	973	18.3	102	7.3	991	19.2	77	5.0
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	1,084	19.1	101	8.3	1,108	19.3	156	11.2	1,101	18.2	158	10.6	922	17.3	104	7.4	861	16.7	147	9.6
Elementary occupations	2,629	46.4	315	26.0	2,594	45.2	364	26.0	2,721	45.0	396	26.5	1,672	31.4	234	16.7	911	17.6	153	10.0
Total	5,668	100.0	1,211	100.0	5,735	100.0	1,399	100.0	6,052	100.0	1,489	100.0	5,320	100.0	1,399	100.0	5,167	100.0	1,531	100.0

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Occupation	Average 2007				January 2007				January 2008				February 2007				February 2008			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers (and supervisors)	117	2.5	33	2.4	139	2.8	39	2.7	132	3.1	23	1.7	140	2.8	37	2.5	123	2.9	25	1.9
Professionals	344	7.5	34	2.5	361	7.2	38	2.6	263	6.1	27	2.0	363	7.4	37	2.5	250	5.8	22	1.6
Technicians and associate professionals	404	8.8	150	10.9	438	8.7	146	9.9	385	8.9	150	11.0	433	8.8	149	10.2	374	8.8	147	11.0
Clerks	411	8.9	504	36.7	479	9.6	572	38.9	360	8.4	490	35.8	464	9.4	555	37.9	369	8.6	485	36.4
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	783	17.0	360	26.3	864	17.3	345	23.5	729	16.9	389	28.4	861	17.4	351	23.9	720	16.9	382	28.7
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	194	4.2	2	0.1	212	4.2	3	0.2	183	4.3	1	0.1	205	4.1	3	0.2	173	4.0	1	0.1
Craft and related trade workers	743	16.2	8	0.6	822	16.4	9	0.6	709	16.5	6	0.4	803	16.3	9	0.6	712	16.7	5	0.4
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	747	16.2	127	9.3	800	16.0	139	9.5	713	16.6	131	9.6	797	16.1	141	9.6	715	16.7	119	8.9
Elementary occupations	859	18.7	153	11.2	893	17.8	178	12.1	827	19.2	151	11.0	874	17.7	184	12.6	836	19.6	147	11.0
Total	4,602	100.0	1,371	100.0	5,008	100.0	1,469	100.0	4,301	100.0	1,368	100.0	4,940	100.0	1,466	100.0	4,272	100.0	1,333	100.0

Table 9. Occupation being sought by persons registering under Part 2 of the unemployment register

Occupation	Average 2002				Average 2003				Average 2004				Average 2005				Average 2006			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers (and supervisors)	11	2.1	2	1.2	12	2.3	2	1.2	11	2.0	3	1.8	13	2.4	5	2.5	17	3.6	5	3.1
Professionals	5	1.0	2	1.2	6	1.2	2	1.2	9	1.7	1	0.6	11	2.1	4	2.0	14	3.0	5	3.1
Technicians and associate professionals	21	4.0	9	5.3	21	4.1	10	5.9	25	4.6	9	5.3	35	6.6	17	8.4	45	9.6	16	9.9
Clerks	44	8.4	44	25.7	60	11.6	52	30.6	46	8.4	44	26.2	50	9.5	59	29.4	54	11.6	58	36.0
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	48	9.1	46	26.9	41	8.0	43	25.3	47	8.6	47	28.0	80	15.1	51	25.4	89	19.1	35	21.7
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	5	1.0	-	-	6	1.2	-	-	9	1.7	-	-	9	1.7	-	-	10	2.1	-	-
Craft and related trade workers	82	15.6	4	2.3	87	16.9	5	2.9	93	17.1	4	2.4	112	21.2	16	8.0	100	21.4	8	5.0
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	113	21.5	24	14.0	96	18.6	21	12.3	112	20.5	26	15.5	76	14.4	19	9.4	68	14.6	17	10.6
Elementary occupations	196	37.3	40	23.4	186	36.1	35	20.6	193	35.4	34	20.2	143	27.0	30	14.9	70	15.0	17	10.6
Total	525	100.0	171	100.0	515	100.0	170	100.0	545	100.0	168	100.0	529	100.0	201	100.0	467	100.0	161	100.0

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Occupation	Average 2007				January 2007				January 2008				February 2007				February 2008			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers (and supervisors)	19	3.7	6	3.1	24	3.8	6	3.0	25	4.3	7	3.3	22	3.7	4	2.1	18	3.4	4	2.0
Professionals	21	4.0	4	2.1	23	3.6	2	1.0	27	4.7	5	2.3	26	4.4	-	-	24	4.5	2	1.0
Technicians and associate professionals	54	10.4	19	9.8	64	10.1	24	12.1	64	11.0	14	6.6	62	10.4	27	14.4	59	11.0	10	4.9
Clerks	58	11.1	66	34.2	73	11.5	64	32.4	59	10.2	69	32.2	69	11.6	63	33.7	57	10.7	69	33.8
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	95	18.3	50	25.9	108	17.1	53	26.8	77	13.3	55	25.7	99	16.7	52	27.8	81	15.2	59	28.9
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	16	3.1	-	-	20	3.2	-	-	20	3.4	-	-	18	3.0	-	-	17	3.2	-	-
Craft and related trade workers	88	16.9	-	-	111	17.5	-	-	85	14.7	-	-	97	16.3	-	-	67	12.6	-	-
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	84	16.2	25	13.0	107	16.9	25	12.6	108	18.6	37	17.3	98	16.5	19	10.2	99	18.6	38	18.6
Elementary occupations	85	16.3	23	11.9	103	16.3	24	12.1	115	19.8	27	12.6	103	17.4	22	11.8	111	20.8	22	10.8
Total	520	100.0	193	100.0	633	100.0	198	100.0	580	100.0	214	100.0	594	100.0	187	100.0	533	100.0	204	100.0

* Average figures for 2002 are based on the average of 8 months, i.e. May-December 2002

Table 10. Occupation being sought by persons registering on the unemployment register (Part 1 & Part 2)

Occupation	Average 2002				Average 2003				Average 2004				Average 2005				Average 2006			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers (and supervisors)	91	1.5	10	0.7	89	1.4	16	1.0	102	1.5	17	1.0	124	2.1	37	2.3	148	2.6	44	2.6
Professionals	38	0.6	9	0.7	49	0.8	19	1.2	77	1.2	19	1.1	166	2.8	29	1.8	324	5.8	41	2.4
Technicians and associate professionals	210	3.4	61	4.4	210	3.4	85	5.4	242	3.7	86	5.2	345	5.9	123	7.7	490	8.7	198	11.7
Clerks	412	6.7	421	30.5	453	7.2	442	28.2	454	6.9	431	26.0	438	7.5	520	32.5	524	9.3	616	36.4
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	485	7.8	369	26.7	478	7.6	388	24.7	504	7.6	430	25.9	728	12.4	385	24.0	929	16.5	373	22.0
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	97	1.6	-	-	102	1.6	1	0.1	108	1.6	1	0.1	150	2.6	1	0.1	218	3.9	1	0.1
Craft and related trade workers	838	13.5	32	2.3	885	14.2	42	2.7	983	14.9	59	3.6	1,085	18.6	118	7.4	1,091	19.4	85	5.0
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	1,197	19.3	125	9.0	1,204	19.3	177	11.3	1,213	18.4	184	11.1	998	17.1	123	7.7	929	16.5	164	9.7
Elementary occupations	2,825	45.6	355	25.7	2,780	44.5	399	25.4	2,914	44.2	430	26.0	1,815	31.0	264	16.5	981	17.4	170	10.0
Total	6,193	100.0	1,382	100.0	6,250	100.0	1,569	100.0	6,597	100.0	1,657	100.0	5,849	100.0	1,600	100.0	5,634	100.0	1,692	100.0

Occupation	Average 2007				January 2007				January 2008				February 2007				February 2008			
	Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women		Men		Women	
	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%	No	%
Legislators, senior officials, and managers (and supervisors)	136	2.7	39	2.6	163	2.9	45	2.7	157	3.2	30	1.9	162	2.9	41	2.5	141	2.9	29	1.9
Professionals	365	7.1	38	2.4	384	6.8	40	2.4	290	5.9	32	2.0	389	7.0	37	2.2	274	5.7	24	1.6
Technicians and associate professionals	458	9.0	169	10.8	502	8.9	170	10.2	449	9.2	164	10.4	495	9.0	176	10.6	433	9.0	157	10.2
Clerks	469	9.2	570	36.4	552	9.8	636	38.2	419	8.6	559	35.3	533	9.6	618	37.4	426	8.9	554	36.0
Service workers and shop and market sales workers	878	17.1	410	26.2	972	17.2	398	23.9	806	16.5	444	28.1	960	17.3	403	24.4	801	16.7	441	28.7
Skilled agricultural and fishery workers	210	4.1	2	0.1	232	4.1	3	0.2	203	4.2	1	0.1	223	4.0	3	0.2	190	4.0	1	0.1
Craft and related trade workers	831	16.2	8	0.5	933	16.5	9	0.5	794	16.3	6	0.4	900	16.3	9	0.5	779	16.2	5	0.3
Plant and machine operators and assemblers	831	16.2	152	9.7	907	16.1	164	9.8	821	16.8	168	10.6	895	16.2	160	9.7	814	16.9	157	10.2
Elementary occupations	944	18.4	176	11.3	996	17.7	202	12.1	942	19.3	178	11.2	977	17.7	206	12.5	947	19.7	169	11.0
Total	5,122	100.0	1,564	100.0	5,641	100.0	1,667	100.0	4,881	100.0	1,582	100.0	5,534	100.0	1,653	100.0	4,805	100.0	1,537	100.0

Table 11. Unemployment rate (considering both those registering under Part 1 & 2)

per cent

Sex	Average							September		October	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006 (Revised)	2006	2007	2006 (Revised)	2007
Men	6.1	5.7	5.9	6.0	6.4	5.7	5.5	5.3	4.8	5.4	4.8
Women	2.8	2.8	3.4	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.6
Total	5.2	4.9	5.2	5.4	5.7	5.1	5.0	4.9	4.4	4.9	4.5

Table 12. Long-term unemployment rate (considering only those registering under Part 1)

per cent

Sex	Average							September		October	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006 (Revised)	2006	2007	2006 (Revised)	2007
Men	3.2	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.1	2.0	2.1	2.0
Women	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Total	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6

Table 13. Unemployment rate of older workers 45+ (considering only those registering under Part 1)

per cent

Sex	Average							September		October	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006 (Revised)	2006	2007	2006 (Revised)	2007
Men	4.5	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.8	4.2	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.1
Women	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.8	3.1	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.2	2.9	3.3
Total	4.1	3.7	3.9	3.9	4.4	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.9

Table 14. Unemployment rate of people aged less than 25 (considering only those registering under Part 1)

per cent

Sex	Average							September		October	
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006 (Revised)	2006	2007	2006 (Revised)	2007
Men	8.4	8.3	8.6	9.2	9.8	8.4	9.3	8.9	6.4	8.7	6.4
Women	3.2	3.8	5.1	6	6.4	6.0	6.5	6.9	5.1	6.3	4.7
Total	6.1	6.3	7	7.8	8.3	7.4	8.1	8.0	5.8	7.7	5.7

Methodological Notes

1. The source of these statistics is the **Employment and Training Corporation (ETC)**.
2. The data in this release are final and not normally subject to revision.
3. Definitions:
 - **Unemployment rates:** in computing the unemployment rates for the purpose of this release, the full-time employed population only is taken into consideration.
 - **Long-term unemployment rate:** refers to those people who have been registering for work for more than twelve months.
 - **Unemployment rate of older workers:** refers to the unemployment rate of persons over 45 years of age.
 - **Unemployment rate of young people:** refers to the unemployment rate of persons aged less than 25.
 - **Part 1 of the unemployment register:** those registering under Part 1 are either new job seekers who have left school, re-entrants into the labour market, and job losers who have been made redundant by their former employers.
 - **Part 2 of the unemployment register:** those registering under Part 2 are either workers who have been dismissed from work due to disciplinary action, left work of their own free will, refused work or training opportunities or were struck off the register after an inspection by the Law Enforcement personnel.
 - **The Labour Supply:** includes both the registered unemployed and the gainfully occupied population.
4. Average annual data are being presented from the year 2000 onwards.
5. These statistics are published and disseminated by NSO and can also be found on the NSO website <http://www.nso.gov.mt>