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The seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate for May 2023 stood at 2.8 per cent, decreasing by 0.1 percentage points from the previous month.



### Components leading to the seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate

The unemployment rate for May 2023 stood at 2.8 per cent, declining by 0.1 percentage points from the previous month and by 0.3 percentage points from the same month last year (Table 1).

During May 2023, the number of unemployed persons was 8,322. Males and the 25 to 74 age group being the major contributors to the overall level of unemployment. The seasonally adjusted number of unemployed youths amounted to 2,150, whereas the number of unemployed individuals aged between 25 and 74 years stood at 6,173 (Table 2).

**Chart 1. Seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate**



For May 2023, the unemployment rate for males stood at 3.0 per cent, decreasing by 0.1 percentage points when compared with the previous month. Meanwhile, the rate for females stood at 2.5 per cent, dropping by 0.1 percentage points from April 2023 (Table 1).

The unemployment rate for persons aged 15 to 24 years (youth unemployment rate) decreased to 8.3 per cent, while the rate for those aged between 25 and 74 years stood at 2.2 per cent, dropping by 0.1 percentage points from April 2023 (Table 1, Chart 2).

**Chart 2. Seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate by age group**



**Table 1. Seasonally adjusted unemployment rate by age group, sex and month**

Month	Age group		Sex		Total
	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	
	%				
<b>2022</b>					
May	9.6	2.3	3.1	3.0	<b>3.1</b>
June	8.8	2.4	3.2	2.8	<b>3.0</b>
July	8.2	2.4	3.2	2.6	<b>2.9</b>
August	8.2	2.3	3.2	2.5	<b>2.9</b>
September	8.2	2.3	3.2	2.4	<b>2.9</b>
October	8.4	2.2	3.0	2.5	<b>2.8</b>
November	8.7	2.1	2.9	2.5	<b>2.7</b>
December	9.3	2.2	3.0	2.6	<b>2.8</b>
<b>2023</b>					
January	9.9	2.3	3.2	2.6	<b>2.9</b>
February	10.0	2.2	3.2	2.6	<b>2.9</b>
March	9.5	2.2	3.2	2.4	<b>2.9</b>
April	8.7	2.3	3.1	2.6	<b>2.9</b>
May	8.3	2.2	3.0	2.5	<b>2.8</b>

**Table 2. Seasonally adjusted unemployment levels by age group, sex and month**

Month	Age group		Sex		Total
	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	
	<b>2022</b>				
May	2,740	6,080	5,272	3,549	<b>8,821</b>
June	2,469	6,217	5,362	3,325	<b>8,686</b>
July	2,256	6,260	5,410	3,106	<b>8,516</b>
August	2,256	6,209	5,379	3,085	<b>8,464</b>
September	2,256	6,143	5,375	3,024	<b>8,399</b>
October	2,327	5,920	5,078	3,170	<b>8,247</b>
November	2,436	5,781	5,030	3,187	<b>8,217</b>
December	2,584	5,964	5,157	3,391	<b>8,548</b>
	<b>2023</b>				
January	2,698	6,175	5,538	3,335	<b>8,873</b>
February	2,649	6,142	5,516	3,275	<b>8,791</b>
March	2,464	6,130	5,503	3,091	<b>8,593</b>
April	2,240	6,422	5,328	3,335	<b>8,663</b>
May	2,150	6,173	5,176	3,146	<b>8,322</b>

**Table 3. Non-Seasonally adjusted**

		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2010	January	3,625	8,656	7,888	4,394	12,281	24,322	137,170	105,344	56,148	161,492	13.0	5.9	7.0	7.3	7.1
	February	3,569	8,738	8,170	4,137	12,307	24,510	137,192	105,843	55,859	161,702	12.7	6.0	7.2	6.9	7.1
	March	3,991	8,013	7,793	4,211	12,003	24,608	137,127	106,849	54,886	161,735	14.0	5.5	6.8	7.1	6.9
	April	4,982	7,345	7,496	4,832	12,327	25,195	138,149	109,125	54,219	163,344	16.5	5.0	6.4	8.2	7.0
	May	4,726	6,762	6,874	4,614	11,488	25,332	138,071	109,713	53,691	163,404	15.7	4.7	5.9	7.9	6.6
	June	3,762	7,226	6,654	4,334	10,988	25,601	138,082	109,359	54,324	163,683	12.8	5.0	5.7	7.4	6.3
	July	3,195	8,364	7,142	4,418	11,559	25,915	139,234	108,429	56,721	165,149	11.0	5.7	6.2	7.2	6.5
	August	2,692	8,796	7,345	4,143	11,488	25,900	138,835	107,128	57,607	164,735	9.4	6.0	6.4	6.7	6.5
	September	2,999	9,012	7,939	4,072	12,011	25,462	137,929	105,822	57,569	163,391	10.5	6.1	7.0	6.6	6.8
	October	3,857	8,714	8,486	4,084	12,571	23,999	137,168	104,343	56,824	161,167	13.8	6.0	7.5	6.7	7.2
	November	4,083	8,392	8,381	4,094	12,475	23,576	136,884	103,951	56,509	160,460	14.8	5.8	7.5	6.8	7.2
	December	4,006	7,951	7,777	4,179	11,956	23,567	137,737	104,474	56,830	161,304	14.5	5.5	6.9	6.8	6.9
2011	January	3,953	7,611	7,005	4,558	11,564	23,942	140,074	106,045	57,972	164,017	14.2	5.2	6.2	7.3	6.6
	February	4,138	7,551	6,792	4,897	11,689	24,120	141,401	107,163	58,358	165,521	14.6	5.1	6.0	7.7	6.6
	March	4,077	7,365	6,726	4,717	11,442	24,018	141,846	107,975	57,889	165,864	14.5	4.9	5.9	7.5	6.5
	April	4,291	7,806	7,410	4,687	12,097	23,745	141,781	108,284	57,243	165,527	15.3	5.2	6.4	7.6	6.8
	May	4,104	7,728	7,388	4,443	11,831	24,035	141,904	108,863	57,076	165,938	14.6	5.2	6.4	7.2	6.7
	June	3,908	7,351	6,873	4,385	11,259	24,997	142,660	109,934	57,723	167,657	13.5	4.9	5.9	7.1	6.3
	July	3,842	7,059	6,507	4,394	10,901	26,116	143,417	110,410	59,123	169,533	12.8	4.7	5.6	6.9	6.0
	August	3,556	6,844	6,203	4,197	10,399	26,764	142,856	110,050	59,570	169,620	11.7	4.6	5.3	6.6	5.8
	September	3,495	7,154	6,412	4,237	10,649	26,665	141,797	109,111	59,351	168,462	11.6	4.8	5.6	6.7	5.9
	October	3,543	7,723	6,975	4,291	11,266	24,934	140,635	107,252	58,318	165,570	12.4	5.2	6.1	6.9	6.4
	November	3,537	8,089	7,188	4,438	11,626	24,574	140,686	106,616	58,644	165,260	12.6	5.4	6.3	7.0	6.6
	December	3,495	7,964	6,919	4,540	11,459	24,498	141,487	106,340	59,645	165,985	12.5	5.3	6.1	7.1	6.5
2012	January	3,736	7,495	6,490	4,741	11,231	24,538	144,009	106,730	61,816	168,547	13.2	4.9	5.7	7.1	6.2
	February	3,808	7,330	6,563	4,575	11,138	24,355	145,844	107,148	63,051	170,199	13.5	4.8	5.8	6.8	6.1
	March	4,015	7,297	6,726	4,586	11,312	23,716	147,721	108,006	63,431	171,437	14.5	4.7	5.9	6.7	6.2
	April	4,037	7,268	7,031	4,273	11,305	22,557	148,856	108,694	62,719	171,413	15.2	4.7	6.1	6.4	6.2
	May	4,214	7,206	7,094	4,326	11,420	22,520	149,524	109,473	62,572	172,045	15.8	4.6	6.1	6.5	6.2
	June	4,154	7,302	6,820	4,637	11,457	23,704	149,873	110,546	63,031	173,577	14.9	4.6	5.8	6.9	6.2
	July	4,422	7,180	6,175	5,427	11,602	25,875	149,692	111,492	64,076	175,568	14.6	4.6	5.2	7.8	6.2
	August	4,539	7,467	5,911	6,094	12,006	26,892	149,120	111,380	64,632	176,012	14.4	4.8	5.0	8.6	6.4
	September	4,288	7,607	5,902	5,993	11,895	26,661	148,920	110,272	65,308	175,581	13.9	4.9	5.1	8.4	6.3
	October	3,976	7,928	6,208	5,696	11,904	24,721	148,980	108,008	65,693	173,701	13.9	5.1	5.4	8.0	6.4
	November	3,382	8,183	6,383	5,182	11,565	23,973	149,498	107,160	66,312	173,471	12.4	5.2	5.6	7.2	6.3
	December	2,617	7,874	6,219	4,273	10,491	24,004	150,958	107,998	66,964	174,963	9.8	5.0	5.4	6.0	5.7
2013	January	2,586	8,103	6,691	3,998	10,689	24,692	151,881	109,349	67,224	176,573	9.5	5.1	5.8	5.6	5.7
	February	2,833	7,870	6,952	3,752	10,703	24,743	152,521	110,133	67,130	177,263	10.3	4.9	5.9	5.3	5.7
	March	3,434	7,825	7,225	4,034	11,259	24,507	153,101	110,461	67,147	177,608	12.3	4.9	6.1	5.7	6.0
	April	4,308	7,609	7,360	4,558	11,918	24,358	154,796	111,232	67,922	179,154	15.0	4.7	6.2	6.3	6.2
	May	4,630	7,767	7,530	4,867	12,397	24,465	155,741	111,735	68,471	180,206	15.9	4.8	6.3	6.6	6.4
	June	4,505	7,816	7,475	4,846	12,321	25,502	156,353	112,388	69,467	181,855	15.0	4.8	6.2	6.5	6.3

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		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2010	July	4,331	7,837	7,332	4,836	12,168	27,556	156,605	113,365	70,795	184,160	13.6	4.8	6.1	6.4	6.2
	August	4,186	8,038	7,436	4,788	12,223	27,499	156,580	113,088	70,991	184,079	13.2	4.9	6.2	6.3	6.2
	September	3,991	8,425	7,445	4,971	12,416	26,608	156,982	112,835	70,755	183,590	13.0	5.1	6.2	6.6	6.3
	October	3,572	8,704	7,336	4,940	12,276	26,239	157,692	113,046	70,885	183,931	12.0	5.2	6.1	6.5	6.3
	November	3,368	8,732	7,389	4,710	12,100	25,668	158,202	113,067	70,803	183,871	11.6	5.2	6.1	6.2	6.2
	December	2,999	8,271	7,099	4,171	11,271	24,830	158,999	112,950	70,880	183,830	10.8	4.9	5.9	5.6	5.8
2014	January	3,252	8,110	7,489	3,872	11,361	24,539	160,852	113,597	71,794	185,391	11.7	4.8	6.2	5.1	5.8
	February	3,386	7,840	7,532	3,694	11,226	24,226	162,168	113,983	72,410	186,393	12.3	4.6	6.2	4.9	5.7
	March	3,628	7,811	7,640	3,798	11,439	24,210	163,091	114,299	73,002	187,301	13.0	4.6	6.3	4.9	5.8
	April	3,699	7,860	7,551	4,009	11,559	24,691	163,724	114,745	73,670	188,415	13.0	4.6	6.2	5.2	5.8
	May	3,877	8,016	7,639	4,254	11,893	24,875	164,456	114,989	74,342	189,331	13.5	4.6	6.2	5.4	5.9
	June	3,776	7,851	7,404	4,223	11,627	25,900	165,785	115,854	75,830	191,684	12.7	4.5	6.0	5.3	5.7
	July	4,336	8,062	7,751	4,647	12,398	26,574	166,721	116,429	76,866	193,296	14.0	4.6	6.2	5.7	6.0
	August	4,009	8,198	7,710	4,497	12,207	26,210	166,768	116,437	76,541	192,978	13.3	4.7	6.2	5.5	5.9
	September	3,487	8,409	7,705	4,191	11,896	26,220	166,932	117,221	75,931	193,152	11.7	4.8	6.2	5.2	5.8
	October	2,695	8,809	7,692	3,812	11,504	26,499	165,769	117,965	74,304	192,269	9.2	5.0	6.1	4.9	5.6
	November	2,382	8,788	7,654	3,516	11,170	26,695	165,159	118,495	73,359	191,854	8.2	5.1	6.1	4.6	5.5
	December	2,087	8,620	7,250	3,457	10,707	26,243	165,326	118,552	73,017	191,568	7.4	5.0	5.8	4.5	5.3
2015	January	2,494	8,630	7,177	3,947	11,124	25,996	166,673	118,893	73,776	192,669	8.8	4.9	5.7	5.1	5.5
	February	2,653	8,466	7,030	4,089	11,119	25,506	168,556	119,045	75,017	194,062	9.4	4.8	5.6	5.2	5.4
	March	2,944	8,236	7,090	4,089	11,180	24,737	170,403	118,744	76,396	195,141	10.6	4.6	5.6	5.1	5.4
	April	3,386	7,997	7,290	4,093	11,383	23,648	172,385	118,102	77,931	196,033	12.5	4.4	5.8	5.0	5.5
	May	3,833	7,686	7,382	4,138	11,520	22,984	173,648	117,892	78,740	196,633	14.3	4.2	5.9	5.0	5.5
	June	3,719	7,578	7,181	4,117	11,298	23,766	174,781	119,157	79,390	198,548	13.5	4.2	5.7	4.9	5.4
	July	3,837	7,282	6,718	4,401	11,119	25,374	175,573	121,400	79,547	200,947	13.1	4.0	5.2	5.2	5.2
	August	3,694	7,257	6,382	4,569	10,950	25,857	175,775	122,724	78,909	201,633	12.5	4.0	4.9	5.5	5.2
	September	3,758	7,596	6,527	4,827	11,354	25,577	175,638	123,415	77,801	201,215	12.8	4.1	5.0	5.8	5.3
	October	3,660	8,107	6,798	4,969	11,767	25,241	174,653	123,637	76,257	199,893	12.7	4.4	5.2	6.1	5.6
	November	3,005	8,428	6,622	4,811	11,433	25,229	174,343	123,815	75,757	199,572	10.6	4.6	5.1	6.0	5.4
	December	2,369	8,647	6,393	4,623	11,015	24,822	173,721	122,806	75,737	198,543	8.7	4.7	4.9	5.8	5.3
2016	January	2,254	9,158	6,656	4,757	11,413	25,106	175,230	122,590	77,746	200,336	8.2	5.0	5.1	5.8	5.4
	February	2,243	9,095	6,600	4,738	11,338	24,991	176,757	122,744	79,004	201,748	8.2	4.9	5.1	5.7	5.3
	March	2,436	8,453	6,182	4,707	10,889	24,525	178,461	123,273	79,713	202,986	9.0	4.5	4.8	5.6	5.1
	April	3,031	7,920	6,225	4,726	10,951	23,843	180,586	124,248	80,181	204,428	11.3	4.2	4.8	5.6	5.1
	May	3,131	7,405	6,029	4,507	10,537	23,745	182,737	125,275	81,207	206,483	11.7	3.9	4.6	5.3	4.9
	June	3,194	7,145	5,922	4,417	10,339	24,577	184,354	126,293	82,638	208,931	11.5	3.7	4.5	5.1	4.7
	July	3,315	6,722	5,744	4,293	10,036	26,282	184,801	127,080	84,003	211,083	11.2	3.5	4.3	4.9	4.5
	August	3,111	6,486	5,361	4,235	9,597	26,391	185,742	127,484	84,649	212,134	10.5	3.4	4.0	4.8	4.3
	September	2,940	6,410	5,254	4,096	9,350	25,774	186,593	127,696	84,671	212,366	10.2	3.3	4.0	4.6	4.2
	October	3,505	6,265	5,343	4,427	9,770	25,002	186,075	127,395	83,683	211,078	12.3	3.3	4.0	5.0	4.4
	November	3,416	6,027	5,085	4,358	9,444	24,811	186,664	127,930	83,544	211,475	12.1	3.1	3.8	5.0	4.3
	December	3,245	5,897	4,812	4,331	9,142	23,933	186,557	127,643	82,847	210,490	11.9	3.1	3.6	5.0	4.2

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		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2017	January	3,188	5,983	4,716	4,456	9,172	23,605	187,733	127,961	83,377	211,338	11.9	3.1	3.6	5.1	4.2
	February	3,304	5,826	4,825	4,305	9,129	23,684	188,411	128,232	83,862	212,094	12.2	3.0	3.6	4.9	4.1
	March	3,210	5,795	4,968	4,037	9,005	24,034	189,389	128,647	84,775	213,422	11.8	3.0	3.7	4.5	4.0
	April	3,046	5,946	5,238	3,753	8,992	24,797	190,170	129,080	85,886	214,966	10.9	3.0	3.9	4.2	4.0
	May	2,940	6,015	5,272	3,683	8,955	25,480	192,393	130,507	87,366	217,873	10.3	3.0	3.9	4.0	3.9
	June	2,672	6,042	5,249	3,466	8,714	25,971	194,308	131,670	88,609	220,279	9.3	3.0	3.8	3.8	3.8
	July	2,651	6,360	5,221	3,791	9,011	26,259	196,681	133,414	89,526	222,940	9.2	3.1	3.8	4.1	3.9
	August	2,864	6,433	5,351	3,946	9,297	25,927	198,296	134,257	89,966	224,222	9.9	3.1	3.8	4.2	4.0
	September	3,190	6,536	5,631	4,096	9,727	25,172	199,270	134,476	89,965	224,441	11.2	3.2	4.0	4.4	4.2
	October	3,214	6,318	5,729	3,804	9,533	25,788	200,077	135,317	90,549	225,865	11.1	3.1	4.1	4.0	4.0
	November	2,926	6,485	5,652	3,759	9,412	26,306	200,345	135,889	90,762	226,652	10.0	3.1	4.0	4.0	4.0
	December	2,706	6,660	5,554	3,813	9,367	26,544	201,381	136,920	91,005	227,925	9.3	3.2	3.9	4.0	3.9
2018	January	2,425	6,448	5,283	3,591	8,873	26,654	201,807	137,523	90,939	228,461	8.3	3.1	3.7	3.8	3.7
	February	2,136	6,943	5,398	3,682	9,080	26,873	202,545	137,999	91,419	229,418	7.4	3.3	3.8	3.9	3.8
	March	2,321	6,975	5,583	3,714	9,296	26,642	203,373	137,837	92,178	230,015	8.0	3.3	3.9	3.9	3.9
	April	2,312	6,838	5,495	3,655	9,149	26,558	205,603	138,253	93,908	232,161	8.0	3.2	3.8	3.7	3.8
	May	2,411	6,600	5,593	3,417	9,010	26,596	208,008	139,035	95,569	234,604	8.3	3.1	3.9	3.5	3.7
	June	2,682	6,273	5,685	3,269	8,954	27,066	210,398	140,137	97,326	237,464	9.0	2.9	3.9	3.2	3.6
	July	3,263	5,998	5,669	3,593	9,262	28,559	214,110	142,486	100,184	242,670	10.3	2.7	3.8	3.5	3.7
	August	3,209	5,695	5,509	3,395	8,904	28,582	216,269	143,673	101,178	244,851	10.1	2.6	3.7	3.2	3.5
	September	3,362	5,757	5,664	3,455	9,119	27,492	216,670	143,798	100,363	244,162	10.9	2.6	3.8	3.3	3.6
	October	3,053	5,929	5,666	3,316	8,982	27,716	216,411	144,732	99,395	244,127	9.9	2.7	3.8	3.2	3.5
	November	2,837	6,259	5,594	3,502	9,096	27,728	216,855	145,684	98,898	244,582	9.3	2.8	3.7	3.4	3.6
	December	2,612	6,334	5,438	3,508	8,946	26,937	217,371	145,991	98,317	244,308	8.8	2.8	3.6	3.4	3.5
2019	January	2,717	6,591	5,461	3,847	9,308	26,242	219,508	146,732	99,018	245,750	9.4	2.9	3.6	3.7	3.6
	February	2,947	6,845	5,472	4,321	9,792	25,841	221,825	147,578	100,088	247,666	10.2	3.0	3.6	4.1	3.8
	March	2,820	6,805	5,213	4,411	9,624	25,194	223,305	147,546	100,953	248,499	10.1	3.0	3.4	4.2	3.7
	April	2,515	6,927	5,102	4,340	9,442	24,715	225,649	147,880	102,483	250,364	9.2	3.0	3.3	4.1	3.6
	May	2,618	6,658	5,032	4,244	9,276	25,035	226,797	148,693	103,139	251,831	9.5	2.9	3.3	4.0	3.6
	June	2,504	6,578	4,893	4,190	9,083	26,168	226,383	149,674	102,877	252,551	8.7	2.8	3.2	3.9	3.5
	July	3,027	6,699	5,284	4,442	9,726	29,007	225,382	152,157	102,232	254,389	9.4	2.9	3.4	4.2	3.7
	August	2,983	6,774	5,138	4,620	9,758	29,857	225,289	153,555	101,590	255,145	9.1	2.9	3.2	4.3	3.7
	September	3,161	6,857	5,415	4,604	10,018	29,565	227,426	154,830	102,160	256,990	9.7	2.9	3.4	4.3	3.8
	October	2,982	6,807	5,439	4,350	9,789	29,321	230,775	156,490	103,605	260,096	9.2	2.9	3.4	4.0	3.6
	November	2,876	6,779	5,396	4,259	9,655	28,705	233,262	157,311	104,656	261,967	9.1	2.8	3.3	3.9	3.6
	December	2,473	6,733	5,407	3,799	9,206	27,099	234,661	156,599	105,161	261,760	8.4	2.8	3.3	3.5	3.4
2020	January	2,810	6,718	5,762	3,766	9,528	25,910	240,469	157,780	108,599	266,379	9.8	2.7	3.5	3.4	3.5
	February	2,777	6,269	5,747	3,298	9,046	25,048	240,287	156,683	108,651	265,334	10.0	2.5	3.5	2.9	3.3
	March	2,883	7,308	6,239	3,951	10,191	24,418	238,116	155,163	107,371	262,534	10.6	3.0	3.9	3.5	3.7
	April	2,814	9,045	6,668	5,192	11,860	24,634	234,170	153,387	105,417	258,804	10.3	3.7	4.2	4.7	4.4
	May	3,445	9,042	6,986	5,501	12,487	24,938	231,796	152,085	104,649	256,734	12.1	3.8	4.4	5.0	4.6
	June	3,146	9,771	6,971	5,945	12,916	25,500	231,336	151,596	105,240	256,835	11.0	4.1	4.4	5.3	4.8

**Table 3. Non-Seasonally adjusted**

		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2020	July	3,494	10,042	7,463	6,073	13,536	26,597	232,280	151,891	106,986	258,877	11.6	4.1	4.7	5.4	5.0
	August	3,526	10,018	7,573	5,971	13,543	26,613	232,681	152,044	107,250	259,294	11.7	4.1	4.7	5.3	5.0
	September	3,256	9,877	7,591	5,542	13,133	26,053	233,562	152,821	106,794	259,615	11.1	4.1	4.7	4.9	4.8
	October	3,212	9,404	7,417	5,199	12,616	24,770	234,815	154,426	105,159	259,585	11.5	3.9	4.6	4.7	4.6
	November	3,000	9,026	7,000	5,026	12,026	24,549	236,582	155,965	105,166	261,131	10.9	3.7	4.3	4.6	4.4
	December	2,725	8,792	6,693	4,824	11,517	23,641	236,876	155,638	104,879	260,517	10.3	3.6	4.1	4.4	4.2
2021	January	2,366	8,640	6,256	4,750	11,006	23,417	238,179	155,148	106,448	261,596	9.2	3.5	3.9	4.3	4.0
	February	2,337	8,360	6,191	4,506	10,697	23,452	239,448	155,130	107,770	262,900	9.1	3.4	3.8	4.0	3.9
	March	2,493	7,544	6,156	3,881	10,037	23,295	241,284	155,631	108,948	264,579	9.7	3.0	3.8	3.4	3.7
	April	2,802	6,544	6,188	3,158	9,346	23,051	242,535	155,763	109,823	265,587	10.8	2.6	3.8	2.8	3.4
	May	2,721	6,654	6,390	2,986	9,376	23,379	243,340	156,440	110,278	266,719	10.4	2.7	3.9	2.6	3.4
	June	2,787	6,695	6,535	2,946	9,481	24,583	243,461	157,599	110,444	268,044	10.2	2.7	4.0	2.6	3.4
	July	2,183	7,125	6,109	3,199	9,308	26,684	242,187	158,998	109,874	268,871	7.6	2.9	3.7	2.8	3.3
	August	2,210	7,165	5,988	3,387	9,375	27,036	242,985	159,951	110,071	270,022	7.6	2.9	3.6	3.0	3.4
	September	2,470	6,771	5,607	3,634	9,241	26,364	245,490	160,440	111,415	271,854	8.6	2.7	3.4	3.2	3.3
	October	2,961	5,816	5,290	3,487	8,777	24,849	248,595	160,103	113,342	273,445	10.6	2.3	3.2	3.0	3.1
	November	2,836	5,565	4,928	3,472	8,400	24,614	251,346	160,576	115,384	275,959	10.3	2.2	3.0	2.9	3.0
	December	2,576	5,936	5,190	3,322	8,512	24,052	251,151	159,417	115,786	275,203	9.7	2.3	3.2	2.8	3.0
2022	January	1,693	6,548	5,397	2,844	8,241	24,503	250,541	158,799	116,245	275,044	6.5	2.5	3.3	2.4	2.9
	February	1,746	6,826	5,773	2,799	8,572	25,116	251,176	159,493	116,799	276,292	6.5	2.6	3.5	2.3	3.0
	March	2,120	6,099	5,455	2,764	8,219	25,387	251,800	160,376	116,810	277,186	7.7	2.4	3.3	2.3	2.9
	April	2,633	5,707	5,084	3,256	8,340	25,502	252,635	161,584	116,552	278,137	9.4	2.2	3.1	2.7	2.9
	May	2,819	5,713	5,156	3,376	8,532	25,510	254,109	162,698	116,920	279,618	10.0	2.2	3.1	2.8	3.0
	June	2,477	5,989	5,258	3,207	8,465	26,130	255,728	163,964	117,893	281,858	8.7	2.3	3.1	2.6	2.9
	July	2,285	6,217	5,227	3,274	8,502	26,842	256,373	164,122	119,093	283,215	7.8	2.4	3.1	2.7	2.9
	August	2,216	6,311	5,173	3,355	8,527	26,554	257,752	164,096	120,210	284,305	7.7	2.4	3.1	2.7	2.9
	September	2,258	6,411	5,302	3,367	8,669	25,909	259,680	164,379	121,211	285,590	8.0	2.4	3.1	2.7	2.9
	October	2,387	6,280	5,126	3,541	8,667	25,248	262,789	165,251	122,787	288,037	8.6	2.3	3.0	2.8	2.9
	November	2,530	6,195	5,197	3,528	8,725	25,277	265,911	167,100	124,088	291,188	9.1	2.3	3.0	2.8	2.9
	December	2,494	6,311	5,304	3,500	8,805	24,273	266,250	166,724	123,799	290,523	9.3	2.3	3.1	2.7	2.9
2023	January	2,558	6,336	5,678	3,216	8,894	23,653	267,969	167,533	124,089	291,622	9.8	2.3	3.3	2.5	3.0
	February	2,465	6,083	5,571	2,977	8,548	23,111	267,533	167,174	123,470	290,644	9.6	2.2	3.2	2.4	2.9
	March	2,465	5,848	5,581	2,732	8,313	22,839	267,316	166,994	123,160	290,155	9.7	2.1	3.2	2.2	2.8
	April	2,368	5,962	5,318	3,012	8,330	23,001	268,018	167,489	123,531	291,019	9.3	2.2	3.1	2.4	2.8
	May	2,251	5,719	5,033	2,937	7,970	23,328	268,730	168,046	124,012	292,058	8.8	2.1	2.9	2.3	2.7

**Table 4. Seasonally adjusted**

		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2010	January	3,901	8,310	7,868	4,343	12,211	24,946	137,490	105,940	56,495	162,435	13.5	5.7	6.9	7.1	7.0
	February	3,768	8,686	8,123	4,331	12,454	25,014	137,045	105,991	56,068	162,059	13.1	6.0	7.1	7.2	7.1
	March	4,021	8,268	7,749	4,540	12,289	24,948	136,625	106,463	55,110	161,572	13.9	5.7	6.8	7.6	7.1
	April	4,653	7,799	7,326	5,126	12,452	25,094	137,097	108,093	54,098	162,191	15.6	5.4	6.3	8.7	7.1
	May	4,468	7,219	6,830	4,858	11,688	25,002	136,944	108,389	53,558	161,947	15.2	5.0	5.9	8.3	6.7
	June	3,850	7,485	6,869	4,466	11,335	24,921	137,061	108,021	53,961	161,983	13.4	5.2	6.0	7.6	6.5
	July	3,252	8,282	7,419	4,115	11,534	25,088	138,322	107,551	55,858	163,409	11.5	5.6	6.5	6.9	6.6
	August	2,820	8,475	7,639	3,655	11,295	25,075	138,626	106,850	56,851	163,701	10.1	5.8	6.7	6.0	6.5
	September	3,010	8,682	8,018	3,674	11,692	24,936	138,442	106,167	57,211	163,378	10.8	5.9	7.0	6.0	6.7
	October	3,577	8,580	8,208	3,948	12,157	24,558	138,440	105,756	57,242	162,998	12.7	5.8	7.2	6.5	6.9
	November	3,800	8,381	8,012	4,169	12,181	24,328	138,474	105,568	57,233	162,801	13.5	5.7	7.1	6.8	7.0
	December	4,029	8,046	7,545	4,531	12,075	24,285	139,221	105,870	57,637	163,507	14.2	5.5	6.7	7.3	6.9
2011	January	4,278	7,630	7,036	4,872	11,908	24,414	140,535	106,676	58,273	164,949	14.9	5.1	6.2	7.7	6.7
	February	4,480	7,600	6,889	5,191	12,080	24,482	141,339	107,315	58,506	165,821	15.5	5.1	6.0	8.1	6.8
	March	4,331	7,546	6,906	4,972	11,878	24,497	141,369	107,798	58,068	165,866	15.0	5.1	6.0	7.9	6.7
	April	4,220	8,119	7,497	4,842	12,339	24,317	140,722	107,878	57,161	165,040	14.8	5.5	6.5	7.8	7.0
	May	3,941	8,089	7,437	4,593	12,030	24,449	140,716	108,174	56,992	165,166	13.9	5.4	6.4	7.5	6.8
	June	3,874	7,607	6,965	4,516	11,481	24,640	141,496	108,756	57,381	166,136	13.6	5.1	6.0	7.3	6.5
	July	3,614	7,139	6,501	4,252	10,753	24,800	142,376	108,926	58,249	167,176	12.7	4.8	5.6	6.8	6.0
	August	3,371	6,770	6,186	3,955	10,141	25,069	142,546	108,809	58,805	167,615	11.9	4.5	5.4	6.3	5.7
	September	3,314	6,956	6,300	3,970	10,270	25,278	142,227	108,522	58,983	167,505	11.6	4.7	5.5	6.3	5.8
	October	3,369	7,487	6,803	4,053	10,856	25,003	141,852	108,152	58,703	166,854	11.9	5.0	5.9	6.5	6.1
	November	3,513	7,804	7,077	4,240	11,317	25,082	142,262	108,008	59,335	167,343	12.3	5.2	6.1	6.7	6.3
	December	3,813	7,786	6,981	4,618	11,599	25,106	143,009	107,664	60,451	168,115	13.2	5.2	6.1	7.1	6.5
2012	January	4,089	7,349	6,549	4,889	11,438	24,879	144,570	107,342	62,107	169,449	14.1	4.8	5.7	7.3	6.3
	February	4,028	7,332	6,538	4,822	11,360	24,726	145,887	107,440	63,173	170,613	14.0	4.8	5.7	7.1	6.2
	March	3,968	7,492	6,604	4,856	11,459	24,417	147,327	108,173	63,571	171,744	14.0	4.8	5.8	7.1	6.3
	April	3,634	7,628	6,783	4,479	11,262	23,659	147,815	108,872	62,602	171,474	13.3	4.9	5.9	6.7	6.2
	May	3,747	7,626	6,837	4,535	11,372	23,548	148,315	109,419	62,443	171,862	13.7	4.9	5.9	6.8	6.2
	June	3,901	7,612	6,692	4,821	11,513	23,765	148,666	109,792	62,639	172,431	14.1	4.9	5.7	7.1	6.3
	July	4,241	7,239	6,217	5,262	11,480	24,312	148,642	109,808	63,147	172,955	14.9	4.6	5.4	7.7	6.2
	August	4,531	7,287	6,074	5,744	11,819	24,799	148,791	109,749	63,841	173,590	15.4	4.7	5.2	8.3	6.4
	September	4,486	7,279	6,172	5,593	11,765	25,112	149,289	109,442	64,959	174,401	15.2	4.6	5.3	7.9	6.3
	October	4,296	7,606	6,533	5,369	11,902	24,823	150,140	108,849	66,114	174,963	14.8	4.8	5.7	7.5	6.4
	November	3,816	7,902	6,731	4,987	11,718	24,745	151,041	108,707	67,079	175,786	13.4	5.0	5.8	6.9	6.2
	December	3,287	7,776	6,633	4,430	11,063	24,923	152,473	109,514	67,882	177,397	11.7	4.9	5.7	6.1	5.9
2013	January	3,082	8,017	6,893	4,206	11,099	25,145	152,422	110,007	67,560	177,567	10.9	5.0	5.9	5.9	5.9
	February	3,042	7,849	6,915	3,976	10,891	25,126	152,568	110,398	67,297	177,695	10.8	4.9	5.9	5.6	5.8
	March	3,192	7,832	6,907	4,117	11,024	25,190	152,787	110,649	67,329	177,978	11.2	4.9	5.9	5.8	5.8
	April	3,574	7,622	6,778	4,418	11,197	25,428	153,876	111,429	67,875	179,304	12.3	4.7	5.7	6.1	5.9
	May	3,811	7,789	6,920	4,680	11,600	25,515	154,656	111,781	68,391	180,171	13.0	4.8	5.8	6.4	6.0
	June	3,898	7,869	6,992	4,774	11,767	25,551	155,255	111,786	69,020	180,806	13.2	4.8	5.9	6.5	6.1



**Table 4. Seasonally adjusted**

		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2013	July	3,839	7,911	7,064	4,687	11,751	25,904	155,649	111,830	69,723	181,553	12.9	4.8	5.9	6.3	6.1
	August	3,902	8,070	7,323	4,648	11,971	25,602	156,281	111,737	70,146	181,883	13.2	4.9	6.2	6.2	6.2
	September	3,940	8,259	7,467	4,732	12,199	25,112	157,267	111,923	70,456	182,379	13.6	5.0	6.3	6.3	6.3
	October	3,726	8,363	7,496	4,593	12,089	25,326	158,689	112,680	71,335	184,015	12.8	5.0	6.2	6.0	6.2
	November	3,622	8,360	7,558	4,425	11,982	25,226	159,563	113,180	71,609	184,789	12.6	5.0	6.3	5.8	6.1
	December	3,574	8,168	7,420	4,322	11,742	25,179	160,417	113,703	71,893	185,596	12.4	4.8	6.1	5.7	6.0
2014	January	3,662	8,218	7,606	4,274	11,880	25,424	161,356	114,575	72,205	186,780	12.6	4.8	6.2	5.6	6.0
	February	3,741	8,162	7,641	4,262	11,903	25,526	162,207	115,107	72,625	187,732	12.8	4.8	6.2	5.5	6.0
	March	3,716	8,244	7,652	4,308	11,960	25,665	162,847	115,303	73,209	188,513	12.6	4.8	6.2	5.6	6.0
	April	3,592	8,313	7,594	4,312	11,906	25,921	162,971	115,269	73,622	188,892	12.2	4.9	6.2	5.5	5.9
	May	3,592	8,429	7,562	4,459	12,021	25,814	163,553	115,157	74,210	189,367	12.2	4.9	6.2	5.7	6.0
	June	3,646	8,146	7,398	4,394	11,792	25,891	164,809	115,429	75,271	190,700	12.3	4.7	6.0	5.5	5.8
	July	3,892	8,214	7,529	4,577	12,106	25,444	165,806	115,541	75,709	191,250	13.3	4.7	6.1	5.7	6.0
	August	3,669	8,207	7,542	4,333	11,876	25,177	166,403	115,899	75,681	191,580	12.7	4.7	6.1	5.4	5.8
	September	3,207	8,256	7,499	3,964	11,463	25,519	167,031	116,922	75,629	192,551	11.2	4.7	6.0	5.0	5.6
	October	2,673	8,594	7,675	3,592	11,267	26,018	166,509	117,804	74,723	192,527	9.3	4.9	6.1	4.6	5.5
	November	2,518	8,549	7,704	3,363	11,067	26,150	166,238	118,269	74,119	192,388	8.8	4.9	6.1	4.3	5.4
	December	2,650	8,437	7,561	3,527	11,087	25,936	166,619	118,492	74,063	192,556	9.3	4.8	6.0	4.5	5.4
2015	January	2,980	8,377	7,371	3,986	11,357	25,511	167,215	118,471	74,255	192,726	10.5	4.8	5.9	5.1	5.6
	February	3,150	8,316	7,282	4,184	11,466	25,190	168,717	118,638	75,269	193,907	11.1	4.7	5.8	5.3	5.6
	March	3,189	8,313	7,259	4,244	11,503	25,046	170,339	118,809	76,576	195,385	11.3	4.7	5.8	5.3	5.6
	April	3,311	8,332	7,363	4,280	11,643	24,798	171,843	118,846	77,795	196,640	11.8	4.6	5.8	5.2	5.6
	May	3,531	8,168	7,285	4,414	11,699	24,584	172,908	119,009	78,482	197,492	12.6	4.5	5.8	5.3	5.6
	June	3,471	8,062	7,055	4,479	11,534	24,640	173,920	119,810	78,751	198,561	12.3	4.4	5.6	5.4	5.5
	July	3,349	7,624	6,451	4,522	10,973	24,775	174,684	121,094	78,365	199,459	11.9	4.2	5.1	5.5	5.2
	August	3,288	7,408	6,148	4,548	10,695	24,893	175,300	122,177	78,016	200,193	11.7	4.1	4.8	5.5	5.1
	September	3,394	7,474	6,237	4,631	10,868	24,859	175,539	122,888	77,510	200,398	12.0	4.1	4.8	5.6	5.1
	October	3,331	7,760	6,477	4,615	11,091	24,904	175,163	123,364	76,702	200,066	11.8	4.2	5.0	5.7	5.3
	November	2,926	7,846	6,460	4,313	10,773	24,957	175,182	123,585	76,553	200,138	10.5	4.3	5.0	5.3	5.1
	December	2,709	7,955	6,483	4,181	10,664	25,040	174,904	123,101	76,843	199,944	9.8	4.4	5.0	5.2	5.1
2016	January	2,632	8,264	6,743	4,153	10,896	25,397	175,767	122,902	78,262	201,163	9.4	4.5	5.2	5.0	5.1
	February	2,680	8,332	6,793	4,219	11,012	25,393	176,982	123,111	79,265	202,375	9.5	4.5	5.2	5.1	5.2
	March	2,791	8,076	6,459	4,407	10,867	25,132	178,533	123,761	79,904	203,664	10.0	4.3	5.0	5.2	5.1
	April	3,183	8,002	6,522	4,662	11,184	24,601	180,243	124,798	80,047	204,844	11.5	4.3	5.0	5.5	5.2
	May	3,209	7,775	6,310	4,674	10,984	24,442	182,141	125,671	80,913	206,583	11.6	4.1	4.8	5.5	5.0
	June	3,343	7,600	6,190	4,752	10,943	24,627	183,612	126,272	81,967	208,239	12.0	4.0	4.7	5.5	5.0
	July	3,260	7,098	5,909	4,449	10,358	25,141	183,994	126,340	82,795	209,135	11.5	3.7	4.5	5.1	4.7
	August	3,089	6,758	5,511	4,337	9,847	25,161	185,271	126,694	83,737	210,431	10.9	3.5	4.2	4.9	4.5
	September	2,882	6,546	5,271	4,157	9,428	24,981	186,464	127,034	84,411	211,445	10.3	3.4	4.0	4.7	4.3
	October	3,356	6,354	5,203	4,507	9,710	24,458	186,531	126,807	84,183	210,990	12.1	3.3	3.9	5.1	4.4
	November	3,402	6,019	4,990	4,432	9,421	24,308	187,405	127,310	84,403	211,713	12.3	3.1	3.8	5.0	4.3
	December	3,430	5,804	4,750	4,485	9,234	24,090	187,644	127,696	84,038	211,734	12.5	3.0	3.6	5.1	4.2

**Table 4. Seasonally adjusted**

		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2017	January	3,361	5,701	4,600	4,461	9,062	24,193	188,151	128,391	83,952	212,343	12.2	2.9	3.5	5.0	4.1
	February	3,358	5,566	4,636	4,287	8,924	24,508	188,554	128,905	84,158	213,063	12.1	2.9	3.5	4.8	4.0
	March	3,150	5,729	4,830	4,049	8,880	25,013	189,498	129,520	84,991	214,511	11.2	2.9	3.6	4.5	4.0
	April	2,882	6,115	5,217	3,780	8,997	25,680	189,995	129,876	85,800	215,675	10.1	3.1	3.9	4.2	4.0
	May	2,862	6,314	5,394	3,782	9,176	26,128	191,997	131,013	87,112	218,124	9.9	3.2	4.0	4.2	4.0
	June	2,714	6,333	5,408	3,640	9,048	26,057	193,794	131,908	87,943	219,851	9.4	3.2	3.9	4.0	4.0
	July	2,639	6,564	5,426	3,777	9,203	25,426	196,033	133,144	88,315	221,459	9.4	3.2	3.9	4.1	4.0
	August	2,862	6,584	5,519	3,926	9,445	25,153	197,915	133,979	89,089	223,068	10.2	3.2	4.0	4.2	4.1
	September	3,163	6,648	5,679	4,132	9,811	24,901	199,164	134,324	89,740	224,064	11.3	3.2	4.1	4.4	4.2
	October	3,115	6,444	5,639	3,920	9,559	25,315	200,404	134,707	91,012	225,719	11.0	3.1	4.0	4.1	4.1
	November	2,998	6,519	5,644	3,872	9,516	25,648	200,859	134,964	91,543	226,507	10.5	3.1	4.0	4.1	4.0
	December	3,029	6,585	5,633	3,982	9,615	26,355	202,241	136,408	92,188	228,596	10.3	3.2	4.0	4.1	4.0
2018	January	2,868	6,209	5,440	3,637	9,077	27,008	202,007	137,484	91,532	229,015	9.6	3.0	3.8	3.8	3.8
	February	2,564	6,618	5,585	3,598	9,182	27,484	202,524	138,244	91,763	230,008	8.5	3.2	3.9	3.8	3.8
	March	2,570	6,720	5,754	3,536	9,290	27,537	203,446	138,492	92,491	230,983	8.5	3.2	4.0	3.7	3.9
	April	2,416	6,741	5,739	3,418	9,157	27,375	205,505	138,985	93,896	232,881	8.1	3.2	4.0	3.5	3.8
	May	2,311	6,662	5,691	3,282	8,973	27,200	207,780	139,621	95,358	234,980	7.8	3.1	3.9	3.3	3.7
	June	2,546	6,436	5,664	3,318	8,982	27,110	210,140	140,553	96,697	237,251	8.6	3.0	3.9	3.3	3.6
	July	2,799	6,222	5,420	3,601	9,021	27,420	213,743	142,259	98,903	241,162	9.3	2.8	3.7	3.5	3.6
	August	2,769	6,000	5,239	3,531	8,770	27,484	216,143	143,436	100,190	243,626	9.2	2.7	3.5	3.4	3.5
	September	2,934	6,090	5,313	3,711	9,024	27,053	216,704	143,696	100,062	243,757	9.8	2.7	3.6	3.6	3.6
	October	2,836	6,294	5,459	3,670	9,129	27,235	216,603	144,077	99,760	243,838	9.4	2.8	3.7	3.5	3.6
	November	2,888	6,554	5,568	3,874	9,442	27,158	217,037	144,640	99,554	244,195	9.6	2.9	3.7	3.7	3.7
	December	2,978	6,536	5,562	3,953	9,514	26,985	217,961	145,482	99,465	244,947	9.9	2.9	3.7	3.8	3.7
2019	January	3,140	6,608	5,600	4,148	9,748	26,804	219,491	146,689	99,606	246,295	10.5	2.9	3.7	4.0	3.8
	February	3,359	6,717	5,643	4,433	10,076	26,750	221,603	147,942	100,411	248,354	11.2	2.9	3.7	4.2	3.9
	March	3,129	6,659	5,445	4,343	9,788	26,573	223,244	148,596	101,221	249,817	10.5	2.9	3.5	4.1	3.8
	April	2,720	6,852	5,445	4,126	9,572	26,285	225,506	149,408	102,383	251,791	9.4	2.9	3.5	3.9	3.7
	May	2,600	6,635	5,210	4,025	9,235	26,272	226,665	150,084	102,853	252,937	9.0	2.8	3.4	3.8	3.5
	June	2,610	6,496	5,112	3,994	9,106	26,300	226,379	150,411	102,268	252,679	9.0	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.5
	July	2,693	6,476	5,165	4,004	9,169	26,943	225,486	151,305	101,124	252,429	9.1	2.8	3.3	3.8	3.5
	August	2,757	6,488	5,080	4,165	9,245	27,318	225,648	152,190	100,775	252,966	9.2	2.8	3.2	4.0	3.5
	September	2,866	6,602	5,196	4,272	9,468	27,817	227,701	153,646	101,872	255,518	9.3	2.8	3.3	4.0	3.6
	October	2,912	6,805	5,380	4,337	9,717	28,523	230,780	155,427	103,876	259,303	9.3	2.9	3.3	4.0	3.6
	November	3,006	7,025	5,451	4,580	10,031	28,427	232,960	156,231	105,156	261,387	9.6	2.9	3.4	4.2	3.7
	December	2,922	7,231	5,615	4,538	10,153	27,755	234,862	156,374	106,244	262,617	9.5	3.0	3.5	4.1	3.7
	January	3,188	7,221	5,858	4,552	10,410	26,814	240,183	157,851	109,146	266,997	10.6	2.9	3.6	4.0	3.8
	February	3,062	6,543	5,793	3,812	9,605	26,000	239,869	156,956	108,913	265,869	10.5	2.7	3.6	3.4	3.5
	March	2,863	7,367	6,143	4,087	10,230	25,514	237,901	155,840	107,574	263,414	10.1	3.0	3.8	3.7	3.7
	April	2,607	8,783	6,598	4,792	11,390	25,723	233,997	154,414	105,307	259,721	9.2	3.6	4.1	4.4	4.2
	May	2,912	8,540	6,648	4,804	11,452	25,685	231,749	153,043	104,391	257,434	10.2	3.6	4.2	4.4	4.3

**Table 4. Seasonally adjusted**

		Unemployment levels					Employment levels					Unemployment rates				
		Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total	Age group		Sex		Total
		15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total	15-24	25-74	Males	Females	Total
2020	June	2,962	9,100	6,899	5,163	12,062	25,387	231,455	152,178	104,664	256,842	10.4	3.8	4.3	4.7	4.5
	July	3,270	9,433	7,452	5,250	12,702	24,956	232,658	151,647	105,967	257,614	11.6	3.9	4.7	4.7	4.7
	August	3,426	9,543	7,642	5,327	12,970	24,800	233,357	151,603	106,553	258,157	12.1	3.9	4.8	4.8	4.8
	September	3,175	9,438	7,586	5,027	12,613	24,814	234,087	152,290	106,611	258,901	11.3	3.9	4.7	4.5	4.6
	October	3,049	9,022	7,266	4,805	12,071	24,413	234,880	153,737	105,556	259,294	11.1	3.7	4.5	4.4	4.4
	November	3,015	8,553	6,941	4,627	11,568	24,387	236,142	154,794	105,735	260,529	11.0	3.5	4.3	4.2	4.3
	December	3,006	8,260	6,736	4,530	11,266	24,177	236,992	155,232	105,937	261,169	11.1	3.4	4.2	4.1	4.1
2021	January	2,869	8,044	6,477	4,436	10,912	24,078	237,922	155,064	106,936	262,001	10.6	3.3	4.0	4.0	4.0
	February	2,710	7,957	6,324	4,343	10,667	24,218	239,130	155,353	107,994	263,347	10.1	3.2	3.9	3.9	3.9
	March	2,668	7,637	6,253	4,052	10,305	24,445	241,093	156,402	109,136	265,538	9.8	3.1	3.8	3.6	3.7
	April	2,497	7,013	6,021	3,489	9,510	24,603	242,283	157,176	109,711	266,886	9.2	2.8	3.7	3.1	3.4
	May	2,370	7,244	6,233	3,382	9,614	24,862	243,145	157,981	110,026	268,008	8.7	2.9	3.8	3.0	3.5
	June	2,396	7,126	6,256	3,267	9,522	25,064	243,412	158,607	109,869	268,476	8.7	2.8	3.8	2.9	3.4
	July	2,096	7,299	6,233	3,162	9,395	25,279	242,572	158,984	108,867	267,851	7.7	2.9	3.8	2.8	3.4
	August	2,152	7,185	6,098	3,239	9,337	25,105	243,705	159,403	109,406	268,810	7.9	2.9	3.7	2.9	3.4
	September	2,523	6,742	5,735	3,530	9,265	24,805	246,045	159,567	111,283	270,850	9.2	2.7	3.5	3.1	3.3
	October	2,819	5,883	5,159	3,543	8,702	24,240	248,691	159,122	113,809	272,930	10.4	2.3	3.1	3.0	3.1
	November	2,905	5,649	4,924	3,630	8,554	24,230	250,881	159,097	116,013	275,110	10.7	2.2	3.0	3.0	3.0
	December	2,798	6,011	5,174	3,635	8,809	24,532	251,363	159,006	116,889	275,895	10.2	2.3	3.2	3.0	3.1
2022	January	2,222	6,587	5,645	3,164	8,809	25,291	250,348	158,936	116,704	275,640	8.1	2.6	3.4	2.6	3.1
	February	2,200	6,923	5,988	3,135	9,122	25,930	250,960	159,887	117,003	276,890	7.8	2.7	3.6	2.6	3.2
	March	2,390	6,357	5,649	3,099	8,748	26,193	251,716	160,902	117,007	277,909	8.4	2.5	3.4	2.6	3.1
	April	2,642	6,091	5,230	3,503	8,733	26,080	252,419	162,049	116,450	278,499	9.2	2.4	3.1	2.9	3.0
	May	2,740	6,080	5,272	3,549	8,821	25,779	253,891	163,002	116,668	279,670	9.6	2.3	3.1	3.0	3.1
	June	2,469	6,217	5,362	3,325	8,686	25,584	255,601	163,872	117,313	281,185	8.8	2.4	3.2	2.8	3.0
	July	2,256	6,260	5,410	3,106	8,516	25,229	256,766	163,862	118,132	281,995	8.2	2.4	3.2	2.6	2.9
	August	2,256	6,209	5,379	3,085	8,464	25,100	258,542	164,040	119,602	283,642	8.2	2.3	3.2	2.5	2.9
	September	2,256	6,143	5,375	3,024	8,399	25,145	260,325	164,373	121,097	285,470	8.2	2.3	3.2	2.4	2.9
	October	2,327	5,920	5,078	3,170	8,247	25,398	262,888	165,104	123,183	288,286	8.4	2.2	3.0	2.5	2.8
	November	2,436	5,781	5,030	3,187	8,217	25,493	265,303	166,211	124,585	290,796	8.7	2.1	2.9	2.5	2.7
	December	2,584	5,964	5,157	3,391	8,548	25,097	266,365	166,593	124,869	291,462	9.3	2.2	3.0	2.6	2.8
2023	January	2,698	6,175	5,538	3,335	8,873	24,442	267,626	167,531	124,537	292,068	9.9	2.3	3.2	2.6	2.9
	February	2,649	6,142	5,516	3,275	8,791	23,864	267,259	167,459	123,664	291,123	10.0	2.2	3.2	2.6	2.9
	March	2,464	6,130	5,503	3,091	8,593	23,600	267,254	167,537	123,317	290,853	9.5	2.2	3.2	2.4	2.9
	April	2,240	6,422	5,328	3,335	8,663	23,630	267,803	168,073	123,359	291,433	8.7	2.3	3.1	2.6	2.9
	May	2,150	6,173	5,176	3,146	8,322	23,683	268,522	168,504	123,701	292,205	8.3	2.2	3.0	2.5	2.8

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## Methodological Notes

1. The purpose of this release is to provide a detailed series of monthly unemployment estimates using harmonised definitions applied in the Labour Force Survey (LFS). The release contains both monthly unemployment rates and monthly unemployment levels.

2. The monthly unemployment rates are based on the definition recommended by the International Labour Organisation (ILO). The measurement is based on a harmonised source, the LFS, which is designed to satisfy the concepts and definitions as outlined by Eurostat, the EU's Statistical Agency.

3. At a national level the NSO publishes labour market data generated from two different sources, namely the Labour Force Survey and administrative data from Jobsplus. Both sets of data are considered as official statistics; however one has to bear in mind that there may be differences between the sources owing to different definitions. While the count of employed and unemployed is based on persons registering for work, the LFS definition is based on the ILO criteria as explained in the methodological notes.

The LFS is a household survey which provides an insight into the labour market dynamics among private households. The survey is designed to satisfy the concepts and definitions as outlined by Eurostat and allows the comparability of results with other EU Member States and countries following ILO definitions of employment and unemployment.

When comparing unemployment levels between the two sources of data, one notes a variable gap between the two levels. This is mainly the result of different definitions. Unemployment in LFS includes all persons who do not have a job, are looking for a job and are ready to start working within two weeks of the reference period. This makes the LFS definition wider in scope when compared to that of Jobsplus.

Over the past years, there has been an increase in the number of unemployed who do not register with Jobsplus but who result to be unemployed when using the LFS criteria. In this regard, LFS unemployment levels encompass individuals who may not necessarily resort to Jobsplus to find a job.

Due to these reasons, one can observe that Jobsplus unemployment levels are highly determined by eligibility criteria and national policies addressing work. LFS levels are on the other hand, determined by the dynamics of the labour market. Consequently, there may be instances when trends may not be completely aligned.

The monthly unemployment rates are computed on the basis of a benchmarking model which combines monthly Jobsplus administrative data on employment and unemployment with quarterly LFS data. This computation produces the non-seasonally adjusted (NSA) estimates, which are then seasonally adjusted (SA). The results in this release are all seasonally adjusted; however, non-seasonally adjusted data is showing in Table 3. The monthly figures produced differ from the quarterly LFS published data due to differences in the method of calculation.

4. Definitions:

- **Employed persons:** all persons aged 15 to 74 years who, during the reference week, were in one of the following categories:
  - **worked for at least 1 hour for pay or profit**, including contributing family workers and paid casual work.
  - **persons with a job or business who were temporarily not at work** during the reference week but had an attachment to their job, including:
    - (a) persons not at work due to holidays, working time arrangements, sick leave, maternity or paternity leave;
    - (b) persons in job-related training or formal education;
    - (c) persons on parental leave, either receiving and/or being entitled to job-related income or benefits, or whose parental leave is expected to be 3 months or less;
    - (d) seasonal workers during the off-season, where they continue to regularly perform tasks and duties for the job or business, excluding fulfilment of legal or administrative obligations;
    - (e) persons temporarily not at work for other reasons where the expected duration of the absence is 3 months or less.
- **Labour force:** the sum of persons aged 15 to 74 years who are either employed or unemployed.
- **Unemployed persons:** the sum of persons aged 15 to 74 years who, during the LFS reference week, satisfied the following criteria:
  - **without work**
  - **actively seeking work during the previous 4 weeks:** i.e. had either carried out activities in the four-week period ending with the reference week to seek paid employment or self-employment or found a job to start within a period of at most 3 months from the end of the reference week. Examples of active job search include contacting Jobsplus, studying job advertisements or placing or updating CVs online.
  - **currently available for work:** i.e. available for paid employment or self-employment before the end of the 2 weeks following the reference week.
- **Unemployment rate:** Unemployed persons (15 to 74 years) as a percentage of the labour force (15 to 74 years).

5. Methodology:

- **Calculation of monthly estimates to produce non-seasonally adjusted estimates:** The LFS provides benchmark estimates of employment and unemployment for each quarter since 2005. These quarterly benchmark estimates are used to compile monthly data using the Proportional Denton method. For months where the quarterly LFS data is not yet available, data is forecasted in order to compile the monthly estimates. This methodology provides the non-seasonally adjusted estimates.
- **Seasonal adjustment:** To correct for typical seasonal patterns, the data series included have been concurrently seasonally adjusted. This seasonal adjustment is completed by applying the ARIMA time series models, integrated in the JDemetra+ application. This seasonal adjustment is conducted using the indirect approach, where each individual series is adjusted. The individual series taken into consideration for both employment and unemployment are:
  - Males aged 15 to 24 years
  - Males aged 25 to 74 years
  - Females aged 15 to 24 years
  - Females aged 25 to 74 years

6. For further information on the methodology to produce the monthly estimates kindly access the following [link](#).

7. The full series starting from January 2010 for both NSA and SA are published in Tables 3 and 4 respectively.

8. Revisions:

Due to the method adopted, the data in this news release is subject to revisions, which are caused by the following:

- **Inclusion of the most recent LFS data in the NSA calculation process**

The monthly estimates are released at approximately 30 days from the reference month. Later, when the quarterly LFS estimates are produced (at approximately 90 days from the end of the quarter), the non-seasonally adjusted estimates of the three months are recalculated using a mathematical model based on the latest available data. The availability of new LFS results provides basis upon which projected monthly estimates can be updated with more robust results. The non-seasonally adjusted monthly estimates are then revised when data is published for the first month following the LFS reference quarter.

- **Updates to the seasonally adjusted series whenever new monthly data are added**

The monthly seasonally adjusted series are calculated every month using time series models with updates in ARIMA model parameters. Every month, the full time series data is seasonally adjusted using the new data point in the series. This explains why variations are noted in the seasonally adjusted data every month.

- **Revisions in LFS data**

Periodically, the monthly estimates will be subject to revision due to revisions in LFS data. Changes in LFS estimates are carried out intermittently to align the estimates with updated population figures.

9. Compared with the rates published in News Release No. 072/2023 on 27th April 2023, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for March 2023 remained unchanged at 2.9 per cent

10. Figures may not add up due to rounding.

11. As from January 2021, Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 establishing a common framework for European statistics relating to persons and households, based on data at individual level collected from samples and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2020/257 of 16th December 2019 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1700 of the European Parliament and of the Council by specifying the number and the title of the variables for the labour force domain, came into force. This regulation shall be referred to as the IESS regulation (Integrated European Social Statistics).

This legislation has mainly led to changes in the LFS questionnaire and mode of data collection. An analysis of the impact of this change on LFS estimates was conducted in order to assess the divergence of LFS results from pre-IESS to post-IESS levels. The analysis also covered the production of monthly unemployment rates. Technical notes on these divergences are found in the related [Sources and Methods](#).

12. References to this News Release are to be cited appropriately.

13. Statistics in this News Release should be interpreted in the context of the COVID-19 situation.

14. A detailed news release calendar is available [online](#).