

# Bahrain: New employment and dependent visas by sector of economic activity (Q3 2009 – Q2 2014)

	Agriculture, hunting and forestry		Fishing		Mining and quarrying		Manufacturing		Electricity, gas and water supply		Construction		Wholesale and retail trade		Hotels and restaurants		Transport, storage, information and communication		Financial intermediation		Real estate, renting and business activities		Public administration		Education		Health and social work		Other social, personal and domestic services		Extra-territorial organizations, bodies		Not specified		Total		
	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent	Employment	Dependent					
2009 Q3	100	12	553	1	114	45	2,395	569	17	2	6,805	767	5,389	1,656	2,461	286	876	391	161	475	1,800	696	18	104	376	227	72	24	707	43	912	266	24,223	5,964			
Q4	144	6	584	0	43	31	4,672	529	21	2	6,267	563	5,189	1,396	2,111	176	799	397	413	1,564	618	15	27	273	258	12	28	861	73	1,128	613	25,824	5,119				
2010 Q1	167	13	592	7	58	34	4,866	274	13	36	7,759	861	5,774	1,889	2,444	297	725	381	366	2,211	881	28	48	386	227	32	88	768	48	1,068	661	26,488	6,261				
Q2	209	15	595	2	43	26	5,565	676	12	18	6,729	799	5,185	1,798	2,152	280	697	325	361	437	1,790	654	13	29	346	143	132	36	561	48	679	403	24,229	6,421			
2011 Q3	18	14	591	4	91	39	6,823	485	22	11	8,229	769	6,467	1,726	2,244	244	685	255	341	297	1,888	811	11	43	351	185	83	34	758	47	888	501	25,108	6,796			
Q4	247	15	581	5	119	52	7,764	519	18	11	6,833	618	6,825	1,329	2,168	178	679	248	413	337	2,147	816	68	329	336	181	151	63	643	43	322	114	25,266	4,999			
2012 Q1	239	17	587	1	128	59	7,297	528	8	17	6,227	748	6,654	1,449	2,289	225	728	274	327	328	1,927	732	56	223	367	164	109	152	45	78	127	229	6,824	6,135			
Q2	187	26	518	5	112	55	6,474	648	7	18	7,379	881	6,472	1,783	1,788	296	696	313	312	353	2,212	688	48	296	342	154	131	58	352	85	388	113	22,382	6,128			
2013 Q3	251	12	588	6	165	59	6,823	517	22	9	10,340	881	9,459	2,266	2,266	255	864	230	388	348	2,125	685	274	176	460	183	106	43	799	49	254	138	26,618	6,468			
Q4	258	8	277	0	184	88	6,833	543	24	3	6,884	681	5,968	1,287	2,779	244	806	277	355	418	2,486	705	106	483	381	199	128	58	846	38	0	1	157	88	26,268	6,947	
2014 Q1	266	5	264	0	156	258	6,871	762	22	36	11,262	1,089	6,968	1,884	2,819	255	912	328	358	358	2,586	1,024	204	276	382	148	153	104	63	1,078	82	0	3	173	128	26,517	6,854
Q2	315	14	518	2	109	110	6,293	763	9	18	18,296	1,175	6,719	2,111	2,855	373	716	322	325	384	2,595	1,028	183	374	218	188	163	71	1,038	90	0	0	165	167	30,445	7,821	
2015 Q3	292	18	271	3	286	17	6,264	728	7	12	10,340	1,843	6,628	3,885	2,127	362	684	348	348	378	2,442	1,188	489	282	253	222	145	61	1,028	84	1	0	97	129	26,962	6,763	
Q4	318	18	441	1	239	71	6,851	566	15	11	6,582	718	6,526	1,479	2,852	278	664	282	252	288	2,463	738	221	157	218	177	162	57	982	48	0	0	109	148	28,814	4,926	
2016 Q1	489	22	484	3	275	89	6,668	871	6	11	6,784	2,143	5,189	3,425	2,487	387	888	383	322	329	2,276	864	138	542	188	138	128	48	1,029	96	0	0	87	129	28,788	7,264	
Q2	441	14	480	1	140	88	6,387	851	8	5	6,293	1,188	5,175	2,363	2,457	458	718	386	318	353	1,912	1,012	188	382	132	108	62	1,218	102	0	0	112	167	30,341	7,814		
2017 Q3	382	18	487	2	188	85	6,824	643	18	7	6,213	939	6,822	1,963	1,963	699	678	388	388	388	2,912	842	188	248	261	188	142	88	1,291	188	1	0	182	111	28,841	6,248	
Q4	287	28	276	4	47	47	6,252	535	9	13	6,521	716	6,861	1,556	2,981	327	629	218	243	328	2,524	842	371	489	261	248	138	55	951	79	1	4	88	118	24,448	5,482	
2018 Q1	274	18	286	2	63	39	6,229	774	6	10	6,267	837	6,611	2,214	1,288	399	728	248	148	248	2,344	638	78	528	288	122	125	17	1,152	71	0	2	124	188	22,576	6,492	
Q2	317	22	354	8	109	68	6,933	875	12	12	6,963	1,842	7,443	2,711	3,442	488	888	348	288	318	2,441	1,149	54	632	211	177	167	188	1,454	116	1	1	62	132	31,124	6,172	

Source: Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA), Expatriate Management System (EMS)  
ANNEXED NOTE

## 1. Technical Notes and Definitions

This table shows the flow of new permits (or visas) that are given to foreigners by the LMRA for new employment and dependent visas.

The LMRA Expatriate Management System (EMS) stores information and past history of sponsors and workers, and their dependents, within the scope of Law No. 19/2006 on regulating the labour market. The scope of the system covers regular, temporary and investor work visas for foreign workers, their dependents, in the commercial sector, the government sector and the non-commercial, non-government sector. It presently excludes domestic workers, and work visas for artists and certain other categories of workers in non-civilian organizations. It distinguishes four types of visas for operational purposes: regular work visas for workers with 24-month validity; temporary work visas issued for workers with 6-month validity; investor work visas issued for investors investing up to BD 100,000; and dependent visas issued for dependent members of eligible foreign workers. The system tracks visa applications, renewals, mobility of workers between employers and from one occupation to another as well as notification of termination and runaway workers, and in general all operations of LMRA including inspection and offence management. The system is updated continuously and linked with other labour-related databases of the Kingdom, including CIO, GDNPR, GOSI, PFC, CSB, Ministry of Labour (MoL), and Ministry of Industry and Commerce (MOIC). **Work Visa** is a legal certificate to allow a foreign worker to enter the country for working purposes for a period of two years with the possibility of renewal.

Worker is a generic term that refers to an employed person in general, or to an employee, a self-employed, or a particular category of worker, such as full-time or part-time worker, depending on the context in which the term is used. Four major categories of workers in terms of their status in employment are employees, employers, own-account workers, and unpaid family workers.

## 2. Institution which provides data

Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA).

### **3. Data availability**

The LMRA publishes these data under its Bahrain Labour Market Indicators (BLMI) section. The BLMI dashboard can be found in: ([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/mi\\_dashboard.xml](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/mi_dashboard.xml)). The general BLMI data with other non-LMRA sources can be found:

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/mi\\_data.xml](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/mi_data.xml))

Figures and results are often reported in tables in both PDF and Excel formats.

Data for this LMRA table for 2009 can be found here:

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2009/09/data/lmr/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2009/09/data/lmr/Table_35a.pdf)) and

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2009/12/data/lmr/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2009/12/data/lmr/Table_35a.pdf)).

Data for 2010 can be found here:

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/03/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/03/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)),

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/06/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/06/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)),

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/09/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/09/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)) and

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/12/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2010/12/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)).

Data for 2011 can be found here:

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/03/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/03/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)),

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/06/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/06/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)),

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/09/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/09/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)) and

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/12/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2011/12/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)).

Data for 2012 can be found here:

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([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2012/06/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2012/06/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)),

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Data for 2013 can be found here:

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([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2013/06/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2013/06/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)),

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2013/09/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2013/09/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)) and

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2013/12/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2013/12/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)).

Data for 2014 can be found here:

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)) and

([http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/06/data/ems/Table\\_35a.pdf](http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/06/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf)).

The definitions that the LMRA adopts for its data can be found in the Glossary section: ([http://blmi.lmra.bh/mi\\_glossary.xml](http://blmi.lmra.bh/mi_glossary.xml)).

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