Bahrain: New 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, repair	Hotels and restaurants	Transport, storage, communication	Financial intermediation	Real estate, renting, business activities	Public administration	Education	Health and social work	Other social, personal services	Extra-territorial organizations, bodies	Not specified	Total
2009	Q3	202	164	160	4,465	19	7,846	7,210	2,693	1,290	882	2,819	142	605	106	833	0	1,308	**30,744**
	Q4	250	165	74	5,355	28	9,099	6,744	2,385	1,116	816	2,917	37	531	71	858	0	1,235	**31,681**
2010	Q1	177	209	92	5,042	39	9,534	7,757	2,552	1,003	802	3,331	76	366	152	829	0	1,060	**33,021**
	Q2	224	197	63	4,451	30	9,241	7,021	2,466	1,241	814	2,900	42	292	170	702	0	1,106	**30,960**
	Q3	199	189	130	4,770	37	9,188	6,847	2,635	1,150	862	2,931	74	517	118	817	0	1,113	**31,577**
	Q4	262	306	172	4,506	39	9,929	6,236	2,744	938	776	3,107	408	389	215	686	0	216	**30,929**
2011	Q1	216	254	210	4,050	25	9,349	6,491	2,626	1,005	654	2,793	373	271	225	623	0	205	**29,370**
	Q2	194	315	172	4,469	42	8,611	6,338	2,073	1,035	671	3,339	344	298	189	640	0	221	**28,951**
	Q3	229	376	260	5,184	31	11,340	7,412	2,776	1,202	747	3,107	550	569	154	852	0	292	**35,081**
	Q4	266	277	266	4,511	88	10,837	7,295	2,994	1,167	783	3,379	589	360	177	871	1	243	**34,104**
2012	Q1	316	262	376	5,020	70	12,832	8,309	3,163	1,286	749	3,265	483	283	197	1,161	1	332	**38,105**
	Q2	327	531	306	5,423	32	12,067	9,057	3,235	1,040	647	3,785	477	326	238	1,109	0	332	**38,932**
	Q3	312	574	317	5,441	22	11,836	8,707	3,487	1,069	738	3,735	591	586	237	1,122	1	263	**39,038**
	Q4	337	442	310	4,826	124	11,099	8,143	3,137	947	533	3,411	378	395	219	952	6	248	**35,507**
2013	Q1	436	472	274	5,947	18	11,577	9,806	3,802	1,113	675	4,709	692	306	177	1,121	1	216	**41,342**
	Q2	455	491	259	5,609	14	10,553	9,702	3,924	1,036	696	4,980	803	274	242	1,324	0	279	**40,641**
	Q3	380	408	221	4,761	26	9,149	8,416	3,765	994	610	3,901	797	564	203	1,308	8	212	**35,723**
	Q4	287	280	142	3,983	118	7,294	7,758	3,328	835	590	3,548	780	510	176	1,031	5	204	**30,869**
2014	Q1	291	268	191	4,147	21	9,790	9,027	3,764	1,079	554	3,499	609	330	205	1,224	2	314	**35,315**
	Q2	340	354	196	4,931	24	11,066	10,309	3,929	1,232	615	3,834	688	388	277	1,574	2	194	**39,953**

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. These new visas combine those given for regular and temporary workers, investors and dependents.
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). The general BLMI data with other non-LMRA sources can be found: (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) and (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/2010/06/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).
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Data for 2012 can be found here: (http://blmi.lmra.bh/2012/03/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf), (http://blmi.lmra.bh/2012/06/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf), (http://blmi.lmra.bh/2012/09/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf) and (http://blmi.lmra.bh/2012/12/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf).
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Data for 2014 can be found here: (http://blmi.lmra.bh/2014/03/data/ems/Table_35a.pdf) and (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).

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