

Qatar: Economically active population aged 15 and above by nationality (Qatari/ non-Qatari), sex and education level (2017)

	Qatari			Non-Qatari			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Illiterate	14	0	14	21,775	1,940	23,715	21,789	1,940	23,729
Read & Write	560	112	672	202,199	23,466	225,665	202,759	23,578	226,337
Literacy	0	0	0	1,398	154	1,552	1,398	154	1,552
Primary	3,318	336	3,654	367,648	49,736	417,384	370,966	50,072	421,038
Preparatory	9,063	2,492	11,555	490,051	43,422	533,473	499,114	45,914	545,028
Vocational Training	0	0	0	30,954	106	31,060	30,954	106	31,060
Secondary	26,150	11,443	37,593	281,753	37,380	319,133	307,903	48,823	356,726
Diploma	2,550	1,190	3,740	84,581	13,883	98,464	87,131	15,073	102,204
University	21,466	19,551	41,017	205,326	64,055	269,381	226,792	83,606	310,398
Higher Diploma	1,008	798	1,806	9,045	1,044	10,089	10,053	1,842	11,895
M.A / M.Sc.	1,736	686	2,422	11,173	2,770	13,943	12,909	3,456	16,365
Ph.D.	1,022	449	1,471	5,667	1,032	6,699	6,689	1,481	8,170
Total	66,887	37,057	103,944	1,711,570	238,988	1,950,558	1,778,457	276,045	2,054,502

Source: Annual Bulletin of Labour Force Sample Survey 2017

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

The data is taken from 2017 Labour Force Survey (yearly synthesis)

Sampling frame of LFS 2017: Population Census 2015.

Sample size: 60,278 persons, in 9,200 households: 1- Qatari households; 2- Non-Qatari regular (non-collective) households;

3- Non-Qatari small collective households or labour gatherings (2 – 6 persons); 4- Non-Qatari large collective households or large labour gatherings (7 persons or more).

Data Collection: The sample was divided into equal parts to collect data monthly. Each month 1/3 of the quarterly data were collected during the first two weeks of the month.

Reference period for the labour force data: the week prior to data collection day.

Population of reference: all Qatari and non-Qatari households present in Qatar on the night of survey, living in normal and collective households. The collective households are a group of persons not related to each other and sharing living conditions in a residential unit, I.e. labour camps, students living boarding schools, nurses in hospitals... etc. The survey covered the small collective households (includes less than 7 persons) and large collective households (includes 7 persons or more).

The survey did not cover short periods accommodation, i.e. hotels.

The present data includes active population, i.e. employed and unemployed. It does not include persons seeking work for the first time

Relation to labour force (for persons aged 15 and above)

In the labour force (= economically active).

1) Employed.

All persons aged 15 years and above, who during the week preceding the survey:

- a) Perform a work for a wage, salary, profits or household gains, whether it was in cash or in kind.
- b) Are temporarily not employed, however, they still have an official relation with their work

2) Unemployed.

All persons aged 15 years and over who were, during the week preceding the survey, without employment, willing to work and looking seriously for a job. There is a distinction between two kinds of unemployed persons:

- a) First time unemployed: They are the persons who never worked previously, and were during the week preceding the survey looking actively for work.
- b) Unemployed who previously worked: They are the persons with a work experience, who during the week preceding the survey were actively looking for a job

2. Institution which provides data

Ministry of Development Planning and Statistics

(<http://www.mdps.gov.qa/en/pages/default.aspx>)

3. Data availability

The Statistics Authority conducted the first labour Force Sample Survey in 2001. After 2006, surveys were conducted on an annual basis.

After 2013, LFS surveys were conducted on a quarterly basis.

Labour Force Surveys (yearly and quarterly data) can be downloaded from MDPS's website, in PDF and Excel format:

<http://www.mdps.gov.qa/en/statistics1/pages/topicslisting.aspx?parent=Social&child=LaborForce>

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