

Qatar: Economically inactive population (15 years and above) by nationality (Qatar/non-Qatari) and sex (2006 – 2017)

	Qataris			Non-Qataris			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2006	21,241	41,176	62,417	13,306	54,979	68,285	34,547	96,155	130,702
2007	22,410	42,604	65,014	16,387	63,704	80,091	38,797	106,308	145,105
2008	25,450	45,108	70,558	20,669	78,005	98,674	46,119	123,113	169,232
2009	27,202	46,814	74,016	19,784	83,417	103,201	46,986	130,231	177,217
2010*	24,559	47,616	72,175	22,364	96,341	118,705	46,923	143,957	190,880
2011	28,675	52,857	81,532	21,332	92,446	113,778	50,007	145,303	195,310
2012	26,427	54,399	80,826	26,568	102,085	128,653	52,995	156,484	209,479
2013	26,302	58,802	85,104	27,282	114,623	141,905	53,584	173,425	227,009
2014	28,234	59,068	87,302	32,577	119,351	151,928	60,811	178,419	239,230
2015	29,451	61,756	91,207	36,518	123,356	159,874	65,969	185,112	251,081
2016	29,889	62,616	92,505	35,785	123,746	159,531	65,674	186,362	252,036
2017	31,247	64,409	95,656	41,253	132,273	173,526	72,500	196,682	269,182

Source: Labour Force Sample Surveys, 2006 to 2009 and 2011 to 2017; *: census 2010

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

Census 2010:

Reference period for census 2010: the night of April 21st, 2010.

Population of reference: all individuals (nationals and non-nationals), present within the country's borders during night of reference.

– Populations away from usual residence in Qatar for reasons of duty, or on a visit abroad for less than two months, as well as individuals with no personal housing within Qatar staying with a household for more than two months, are counted in their usual/ present residence during census night.

– Populations in transit or visiting Qatar as tourists, as well as residents of public housing or visitors staying in a household for less than two months after night of reference were excluded.

Labour force Sample Surveys:

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.

LFS	Sampling frame	Sample size (households) individuals	Reference period
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2006	independent samples	5,492	31,439	March 2006
2007	nd	5,492	31,439	October 2007
2008	nd	6,104	nd	December 2008
2009	nd	6,109	35,839	October 2009
2011	nd	6,920	35,839	March 2011
2012	Census 2010	6,895	37,629	April 2012
2013	Census 2010	c. 7000	n.d.	Quarterly
2014	Census 2010	8,351	53,363	Quarterly
2015	Census 2010	6,953	44,756	Quarterly
2016	Census 2015	9,199	60,016	Quarterly
2017	Census 2015	9,200	60,278	Quarterly

Reference period for the labor force data: the week prior to the reference date for data collection.

Population of reference: all Qatari and non-Qatari households present in Qatar on the night of survey/ periods of reference:

i. Qatari households; ii. Non-Qatari households; iii. Small labor gatherings; iv. Large labor gatherings.

The collective households are a group of persons not related to each other and sharing living conditions in a residential unit, I.e. labor 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.

Inactive population:

Full-time student: The person (15 years or older) enrolled in any educational institution as a full-time persistent student with purpose of attaining an academic degree, irrespective of whether the schooling hours are in the morning or evening.

Any trainee enrolled in vocational training institutes is regarded as a full-time student.

Full-time housewife: The female (15 years or older) who is fully engaged in home management and family care, and does not practice any other work

Retired: The person who does not look for a job during the week preceding the survey and gets a fixed pension for work he/she had joined before

Disabled: The person (15 years or older) who is not capable of work due to illness, handicap or old age.

Others: Those able to work but not willing to, not enrolled in education, as well as any other cases encountered by the enumerator other than the above.

2. Institution which provides data

Ministry of Development Planning and Statistics (MDPS)

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

3. Data availability

Labour Force Surveys and publications related to the labour force are available on MDPS's website, in PDF format and Excel formats (selected years):

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

Last date of access: December 2018.