

Qatar: Employed population (15 years and above) by nationality (Qatari/non-Qatari) and sector of economic activity (2024)

	Qataris	Non-Qataris	Total
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	65	40,049	40,114
Mining and quarrying	7,234	28,446	35,680
Manufacturing	1,928	110,754	112,682
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	2,560	14,990	17,550
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	833	6,099	6,932
Construction	1,582	701,356	702,938
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	2,106	254,494	256,600
Transportation and storage	3,694	150,372	154,066
Accommodation and food service activities	1,099	95,779	96,878
Information and communication	3,664	22,333	25,997
Financial and insurance activities	5,899	24,827	30,726
Real estate activities	717	21,338	22,055
Professional, scientific and technical activities	475	31,646	32,121
Administrative and support service activities	697	197,323	198,020
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	66,701	47,085	113,786
Education	15,293	63,253	78,546
Human health and social work activities	9,748	98,185	107,933

Arts, entertainment and recreation	2,617	11,448	14,065
Other service activities	146	17,304	17,450
Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	0	169,205	169,205
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	419	6,743	7,162
Total	127,477	2,113,029	2,240,506

Source: Annual Bulletin of Labour Force Sample Survey 2024

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

The data is taken from Labour Force Survey 2024 (yearly synthesis)

Sampling frame : Population Census 2020.

Sample size: 65,253 persons, in 10,560 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).

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).

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.

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

Labour force: People in working age including employed and unemployed.

Employed population:

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

Unemployed population:

All persons aged 15 years and over who were, during the week preceding the

survey, without work and were willing to work and looking seriously for work. These are:

First time unemployed: They are the persons who never worked previously, and were during the week preceding the survey looking actively for work.

Unemployed who previously worked: They are the persons with previous experience work and during the week preceding the survey were actively looking for work.

Data does not include those seeking employment for the first time.

Classification of activities used: ISIC-Rev.4.

2. Institution which provides data

National Planning Council (NPC), formerly the Planning and Statistics Authority (PSA)

<https://www.npc.qa/en/pages/default.aspx>

<https://www.npc.qa/ar/pages/default.aspx>

3. Data availability

Annual and quarterly bulletins of Labour Force Surveys reports can be downloaded from NPC's website, in PDF and/or Excel formats:

<https://www.npc.qa/en/statistics/pages/subjectdetails.aspx>

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