

Qatar: Inactive population aged 15 and above by nationality (Qatari/ non-Qatari), sex and inactivity status (2015)

	Qataris			Non-Qataris			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Housewife	0	28,710	28,710	0	91,097	91,097	0	119,807	119,807
Student	17,064	23,230	40,294	29,914	25,964	55,878	46,978	49,194	96,172
Disabled	986	2,009	2,995	2,010	1,424	3,434	2,996	3,433	6,429
Retired	10,505	5,836	16,341	0	0	0	10,505	5,836	16,341
Other	896	1,971	2,867	4,594	4,871	9,465	5,490	6,842	12,332
Total	29,451	61,756	91,207	36,518	123,356	159,874	65,969	185,112	251,081

Source: Annual Bulletin of Labor Force Sample survey 2015

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

The data is taken from 2015 Labour Force Survey (yearly synthesis)

Sampling frame of LFS 2015: Population Census 2010.

Sample size: 44,756 persons, in 6,953 households: 1- Qatari households; 2- Non-Qatari regular (non-collective) households;

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.

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

Outside the labour force (=economically inactive):

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 mentioned.

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. Starting from 2006, the execution of these surveys came to be on annual basis. Quarterly publications of Labour Force Surveys' data are also available since 2012.

2015' and earlier Labour Force Surveys 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>

See also Qatar Information Exchange for earlier Labour Force Surveys. QIX has also an interactive data base compiling data on the labour force taken from available surveys:

http://www.qix.gov.qa/portal/page/portal/qix/subject_area/Statistics?subject_area=183

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