

Qatar: Population aged 15 and above by nationality (Qatari/ non-Qatari), sex and relation to labour force (2016)

Nationality		In the labour force			Total in labour force	Outside the labour force					Grand Total	
		Employed	Unemployed	Unpd. with previous employment		Housewife	Student	Disabled	Retired	Other		Total
Qatari	Males	65,023	84	28	65,135	0	17,532	1,008	10,492	857	29,889	95,024
	Females	36,394	252	0	36,646	28,500	24,201	1,933	5,937	2,045	62,616	99,262
	Total	101,417	336	28	101,781	28,500	41,733	2,941	16,429	2,902	92,505	194,286
Non-Qatari	Males	1,716,529	808	130	1,717,467	0	30,664	1,796	0	3,325	35,785	1,753,252
	Females	234,467	1,528	116	236,111	91,445	26,801	1,472	0	4,028	123,746	359,857
	Total	1,950,996	2,336	246	1,953,578	91,445	57,465	3,268	0	7,353	159,531	2,113,109
Total	Males	1,781,552	892	158	1,782,602	0	48,196	2,804	10,492	4,182	65,674	1,848,276
	Females	270,861	1,780	116	272,757	119,945	51,002	3,405	5,937	6,073	186,362	459,119
	Total	2,052,413	2,672	274	2,055,359	119,945	99,198	6,209	16,429	10,255	252,036	2,307,395

Source: Annual Bulletin of Labor Force Sample survey 2016

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

The data is taken from 2016 Labour Force Survey (yearly synthesis)

Sampling frame of LFS 2016: Population Census 2010.

Sample size: 60,016 persons, in 9,199 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.

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, and on a quarterly basis since 2013.

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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