

Qatar: Population aged 15 and above by nationality (Qatari/ non-Qatari), sex and relation to labour force (2015)

	In the labour force				Outside the labour force						Grand Total
	Employed	Seeking work for 1st time	Unpd, with previous employment	Total in labour force	Housewife	Student	Disabled	Retired	Other	Total	
Males	64,101	211	40	64,352	0	17,064	986	10,505	896	29,451	93,803
Females	34,322	530	0	34,852	28,710	23,230	2,009	5,836	1,971	61,756	96,608
Total	98,423	741	40	99,204	28,710	40,294	2,995	16,341	2,867	91,207	190,411
Males	1,628,620	691	98	1,629,409	0	29,914	2,010	0	4,594	36,518	1,665,927
Females	226,395	1,567	52	228,014	91,097	25,964	1,424	0	4,871	123,356	351,370
Total	1,855,015	2,258	150	1,857,423	91,097	55,878	3,434	0	9,465	159,874	2,017,297
Males	1,692,721	902	138	1,693,761	0	46,978	2,996	10,505	5,490	65,969	1,759,730
Females	260,717	2,097	52	262,866	119,807	49,194	3,433	5,836	6,842	185,112	447,978
Total	1,953,438	2,999	190	1,956,627	119,807	96,172	6,429	16,341	12,332	251,081	2,207,708

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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