Saudi Arabia: Employed population by nationality (Saudi /non-Saudi) and sex (Q1 2017-Q3 2022)

	Saudis			Non-Saudis			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
2017 Q1	2,021,865	1,017,080	3,038,945	9,859,039	991,153	10,850,192	11,880,904	2,008,233	13,889,137
2017 Q2	2,029,786	1,022,663	3,052,449	9,777,916	1,010,793	10,788,709	11,807,702	2,033,456	13,841,158
2017 Q3	2,035,745	1,027,999	3,063,744	9,674,729	1,019,591	10,694,320	11,710,474	2,047,590	13,758,064
2017 Q4	2,080,601	1,083,245	3,163,846	9,442,163	975,132	10,417,295	11,522,764	2,058,377	13,581,141
2018 Q1	2,067,976	1,082,433	3,150,409	9,231,869	951,235	10,183,104	11,299,845	2,033,668	13,333,513
2018 Q2	2,053,189	1,072,154	3,125,343	8,927,862	964,861	9,892,723	10,981,051	2,037,015	13,018,066
2018 Q3	2,043,585	1,066,402	3,109,987	8,622,890	955,165	9,578,055	10,666,475	2,021,567	12,688,042
2018 Q4	2,040,742	1,070,457	3,111,199	8,356,943	1,072,476	9,429,419	10,397,685	2,142,933	12,540,618
2019 Q1	2,036,142	1,075,887	3,112,029	8,458,199	1,195,013	9,653,212	10,494,341	2,270,900	12,765,241
2019 Q2	2,027,964	1,062,284	3,090,248	8,529,419	1,237,365	9,766,784	10,557,383	2,299,649	12,857,032
2019 Q3	2,023,910	1,076,902	3,100,812	8,572,339	1,254,757	9,827,096	10,596,249	2,331,659	12,927,908
2019 Q4	2,054,858	1,115,414	3,170,272	8,792,516	1,428,187	10,220,703	10,847,374	2,543,601	13,390,975
2020 Q1	2,066,553	1,136,870	3,203,423	9,092,998	1,339,191	10,432,189	11,159,551	2,476,061	13,635,612
2020 Q2	2,055,767	1,115,655	3,171,422	9,101,286	1,357,746	10,459,032	11,157,053	2,473,401	13,630,454
2020 Q3	2,100,702	1,152,574	3,253,276	8,866,940	1,334,922	10,201,862	10,967,642	2,487,496	13,455,138
2020 Q4	2,079,331	1,172,867	3,252,198	8,753,985	1,312,515	10,066,500	10,833,316	2,485,382	13,318,698
2021 Q1	2,081,446	1,225,152	3,306,598	8,773,896	1,403,319	10,177,215	10,855,342	2,628,471	13,483,813
2021 Q2	2,098,831	1,181,183	3,280,014	8,449,536	1,170,338	9,619,874	10,548,367	2,351,521	12,899,888
2021 Q3	2,127,551	1,215,287	3,342,838	8,244,566	1,118,241	9,362,807	10,372,117	2,333,528	12,705,645
2021 Q4	2,180,320	1,269,737	3,450,057	8,481,117	1,114,064	9,595,181	10,661,437	2,383,801	13,045,238
2022 Q1	2,233,351	1,338,525	3,571,876	8,971,450	1,187,323	10,158,773	11,204,801	2,525,848	13,730,649
2022 Q2	2,262,535	1,375,609	3,638,144	9,320,979	1,210,640	10,531,619	11,583,514	2,586,249	14,169,763
2022 Q3	2,274,628	1,417,858	3,692,486	9,593,551	1,304,906	10,898,457	11,868,179	2,722,764	14,590,943

Source: Register-based Labour Market Statistics, General Authority for Statistics (GAStat)

1. Data collection methodology

LFS were first conducted in 2001 and became bi-annual after 2006. Data were collected through
nationally representative household sample surveys, which sampling was based on most recent
censuses.
Since 2016, Labour Force Surveys have been conducted and published on a quarterly basis, based on
a household telephone survey conducted by GAStat. Employment data extracted from administrative

records were also introduced as a complement to the results of Labour Force Surveys in Labour
Market Statistics' publications, starting on Q1 2017.

The present data is taken from administrative records.

<u>**GAStat Labour Market Statistics: administrative records**</u>
Estimates of figures and characteristics of employment in Saudi Arabia are taken from administrative
records from the following institutions:
– **Ministry of Human Resources and Social Development (MHRSD)** (formerly Ministry of Labour and
Social Development):
Supplies data on Government sector's workers.
– **General Organization of Social Insurance (GOSI)**:
Supplies data on:
a. contributors on the job who are subject to social insurance laws and regulations in the private
and government sector;
b. workers who terminated their contribution to social insurance during the quarter.

– **National Information Center (NIC)**:
Supplies data on domestic workers.

Definitions and categories used by GAStat in Labour Markets Statistics (employment; unemployment;
occupation and activity sectors, etc.) are based on international standards:
For LFS methodology and definitions, see:
https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/node/9787.

<u>**2. Institution which provides data**</u>

General Authority for Statistics (GAStat)
<u>**3. Data availability**</u>

Since 2021, GAStat has been publishing separately the employment data taken from administrative
records, and unemployment/inactivity data as well as general indicators, calculated from the results
of the field interviews conducted by GAStat (Labour Force Survey).
The present time-series was taken from the Register-based Labour Market Statistics- Q3, 2022
(English and Arabic versions)
https://www.stats.gov.sa/sites/default/files/LMS_2022_Q3_EN.xlsx
https://www.stats.gov.sa/sites/default/files/LMS_2022_Q3_AR.xlsx

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