

# Saudi Arabia: Employed population (aged 15 and above) by nationality (Saudi/ non-Saudi), sex and main group of economic activities (Q2, 2024)

	Saudis			Non Saudis			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	16,584	7,710	<b>24,294</b>	176,024	3,157	<b>179,181</b>	192,608	10,867	<b>203,475</b>
Mining and quarrying	108,022	10,158	<b>118,180</b>	67,683	963	<b>68,646</b>	175,705	11,121	<b>186,826</b>
Manufacturing	236,326	133,780	<b>370,106</b>	957,036	14,778	<b>971,814</b>	1,193,362	148,558	<b>1,341,920</b>
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	31,405	2,243	<b>33,648</b>	11,838	665	<b>12,503</b>	43,243	2,908	<b>46,151</b>
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	25,904	8,934	<b>34,838</b>	130,020	3,361	<b>133,381</b>	155,924	12,295	<b>168,219</b>
Construction	243,729	156,591	<b>400,320</b>	2,466,623	27,621	<b>2,494,244</b>	2,710,352	184,212	<b>2,894,564</b>
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	200,610	195,909	<b>396,519</b>	1,232,543	19,908	<b>1,252,451</b>	1,433,153	215,817	<b>1,648,970</b>
Transportation and storage	90,741	46,650	<b>137,391</b>	425,948	3,642	<b>429,590</b>	516,689	50,292	<b>566,981</b>
Accommodation and food service activities	70,254	70,840	<b>141,094</b>	531,402	7,044	<b>538,446</b>	601,656	77,884	<b>679,540</b>
Information and communication	35,126	28,094	<b>63,220</b>	45,930	2,585	<b>48,515</b>	81,056	30,679	<b>111,735</b>
Financial and insurance activities	57,699	22,372	<b>80,071</b>	15,939	906	<b>16,845</b>	73,638	23,278	<b>96,916</b>
Real estate activities	13,448	7,976	<b>21,424</b>	31,693	864	<b>32,557</b>	45,141	8,840	<b>53,981</b>
Professional, scientific and technical activities	80,513	45,304	<b>125,817</b>	123,492	5,712	<b>129,204</b>	204,005	51,016	<b>255,021</b>
Administrative and support service activities	117,721	67,162	<b>184,883</b>	828,750	156,669	<b>985,419</b>	946,471	223,831	<b>1,170,302</b>
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	164,135	60,546	<b>224,681</b>	47,255	10,192	<b>57,447</b>	211,390	70,738	<b>282,128</b>
Education	38,616	60,581	<b>99,197</b>	74,134	15,158	<b>89,292</b>	112,750	75,739	<b>188,489</b>
Human health and social work activities	105,928	118,325	<b>224,253</b>	117,489	107,170	<b>224,659</b>	223,417	225,495	<b>448,912</b>
Arts, entertainment and recreation	6,975	6,810	<b>13,785</b>	16,352	2,534	<b>18,886</b>	23,327	9,344	<b>32,671</b>
Other service activities	20,158	22,360	<b>42,518</b>	183,028	25,340	<b>208,368</b>	203,186	47,700	<b>250,886</b>

Activities of households as employer									
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies;	3	15	18	56	3	59	59	18	77
undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use									
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	223	61	284	212	1	213	435	62	497
Other activities	16,888	18,991	35,879	1,030,091	12,532	1,042,623	1,046,979	31,523	1,078,502
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,681,008</b>	<b>1,091,412</b>	<b>2,772,420</b>	<b>8,513,538</b>	<b>420,805</b>	<b>8,934,343</b>	<b>10,194,546</b>	<b>1,512,217</b>	<b>11,706,763</b>

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

### **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 GStat. 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.**

#### **Population of reference: workers subject to the rule of the General Organization of Social Insurance (GOSI):**

- a. contributors on the job who are subject to social insurance laws and regulations in the private and government sector;
- b. new contributors, and contributors who terminated their contribution to social insurance during the quarter.

**Figures of workers in Labor Market statistics which were derived from administrative records do not include the following category:**

#### **1-Workers in the military and security sectors**

#### **2- Workers who are not registered in the civil service, social insurance (GOSI) and domestic workers' records, which include:**

- Saudis working for their own businesses and are not subjected to the labor regulations, also, not registered in social insurance, such as those who work in delivery through electronic apps
- Saudi employers who work in establishments and not registered in the social insurance
- Non-Saudi staff working in foreign international, political or military missions

#### **3- Non-Saudi employees who come to the Kingdom for work that normally takes**

**less than three months to be completed.**

Definitions and categories used by GStat 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>

[https://database.stats.gov.sa/Methodologies/En\\_Documents/03\\_Labor%20Market%20Bulletin%20Methodology,%20Fourth%20Quarter%202020%20\\_%20General%20Authority%20for%20Statistics.pdf](https://database.stats.gov.sa/Methodologies/En_Documents/03_Labor%20Market%20Bulletin%20Methodology,%20Fourth%20Quarter%202020%20_%20General%20Authority%20for%20Statistics.pdf)

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/node/9787>

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**Classification of activities: The Saudi Classification of Economic Activities, based on the International Standard Industrial Classification of all economic activities (ISIC4)**

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/isic4>

## **2. Institution which provides data**

General Authority for Statistics (GStat)

## **3. Data availability**

Since 2021, GStat 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 GStat (Labour Force Survey).

The present time-series was taken from Register-based Labour Market Statistics publications, given quarters and years.

(English and Arabic versions)

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/814>

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/ar/814>

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