

Saudi Arabia: Employed population by nationality (Saudi/non-Saudi) and economic activity (2019)

	Q1		Q2		Q3		Q4	
	Saudis	non-Saudis	Saudis	non-Saudis	Saudis	non-Saudis	Saudis	non-Saudis
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	15,440	78,631	14,657	69,409	14,731	69,738	14,893	70,347
Mining and quarrying	110,856	68,424	111,661	68,312	112,653	68,935	115,250	69,279
Manufacturing	196,027	651,455	194,396	644,590	192,805	637,782	195,893	628,843
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	42,595	47,381	42,529	48,230	42,483	48,795	42,660	48,388
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	4,161	12,756	4,217	12,588	4,237	12,633	4,324	12,629
Construction	302,344	2,172,028	294,131	2,063,034	285,833	2,022,506	286,488	1,965,769
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	439,844	1,609,401	434,467	1,565,901	426,727	1,538,336	430,889	1,506,579
Transportation and storage	56,802	185,349	56,540	184,687	56,731	187,680	57,805	183,592
Accommodation and food service activities	73,920	334,037	74,651	330,000	75,004	326,130	77,060	326,591
Information and communication	33,976	36,579	34,539	35,684	35,567	35,207	36,689	35,393
Financial and insurance activities	60,760	13,641	60,429	13,163	60,809	12,779	61,782	12,509
Real estate activities	9,865	26,287	9,892	25,700	10,226	25,176	10,659	24,952
Professional, scientific and technical activities	34,433	103,921	34,470	101,672	38,247	102,974	38,984	101,269
Administrative and support service activities	113,080	897,613	112,699	937,148	113,772	943,733	116,590	948,404
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	146,996	44,948	149,285	44,417	152,695	45,493	158,175	54,174
Education	84,101	69,943	73,403	64,975	81,335	65,393	86,817	66,737
Human health and social work activities	159,549	176,124	158,306	173,594	162,060	178,805	169,483	182,796
Arts, entertainment and recreation	5,847	16,976	6,022	17,067	6,278	17,581	6,598	17,545
Other service activities	40,044	177,992	39,054	177,029	39,346	176,399	40,113	177,307

Activities of households as employer; Undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	0	0	1	4	0	4	0	4
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	735	217	793	219	854	216	913	346
Other activities	1,737	16,692	1,681	31,245	1,697	37,180	1,705	49,663
Total	1,933,112	6,740,395	1,907,823	6,608,668	1,914,090	6,553,475	1,953,770	6,483,116

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

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 GASat. 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 rules and regulations of the General Organization of Social Insurance (GOSI):

1. contributors on the job who are subject to social insurance laws and regulations in the private and government sector (outside the Civil service);
2. workers who terminated their contribution to social insurance during the quarter.

Definitions and categories used by GASat 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>.

2. Institution which provides data:

General Authority for Statistics (GASat)

3. Data availability:

GASat website, Labour Force section, Labour Market Statistics- Q1 to Q4,

2019 (English and Arabic versions) <https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/814>.

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