

Saudi Arabia: Work permits granted for private sector employment, by occupation group (2014)

Occupation group	Work permits
Managers and Business Managers	43,168
Specialists in Scientific, Technical and Humanities Fields	670,622
Technicians in Scientific, Technical and Humanities Fields	679,036
Clerical Workers	53,177
Sales Workers	397,408
Services Workers	2,206,953
Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fishing	89,735
Industrial, Chemical and Food Industries	210,646
Engineering Support	3,169,703
Other occupations	3,878
Total	7,524,326

Source: Ministry of Labour

1. Definitions

Classification used for economic activity is adapted from ISIC 3.1

2. Data collection methodology

The issuance of the residency and work permits begins with filing an application with the Ministry of Labor.

After its approval, the Ministry of Labor forwards the application to the Ministry of Interior for the issuance of the residency permit.

3. Institution which provides data

Ministry of Labour

4. Data availability

The figures are published in the Ministry of Labour's website (open data section) (in Arabic).

<http://portal.mol.gov.sa/ar/Statistics/Pages/opendata.aspx?m=8>

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