

[UAE: Total labour force in the private sector by economic activity \(2004-2017\)](#)

Economic sector	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Construction	780,439	916,309	1,090,513	1,374,566	1,938,735	1,760,975	1,553,733	1,534,447	1,506,667	1,382,059	1,481,146	1,550,459	1,607,396	1,712,000
Wholesale Trade and Repair Services	484,457	516,061	563,659	654,071	777,214	846,606	868,012	866,662	922,974	964,730	1,045,541	1,122,943	1,131,704	1,122,000
Manufacturing	271,541	288,855	326,196	376,721	454,460	419,383	407,369	432,053	443,209	441,070	471,624	455,097	454,671	474,000
Real Estate, Rental and Business Services	109,295	127,055	154,994	214,324	297,320	324,002	339,137	345,367	389,458	423,253	502,163	543,321	577,037	594,000
Transportation, Storage and Communication	142,959	154,727	170,280	196,311	250,538	270,665	258,114	270,329	284,572	308,705	346,818	358,041	369,629	368,000
Hotels and Restaurants	87,584	89,776	93,591	105,558	126,487	124,068	133,011	152,267	169,339	191,289	214,966	211,535	223,179	236,000
Community, Personal and Other Services	41,917	46,771	54,489	57,361	67,519	93,781	118,148	82,359	87,669	93,920	104,753	179,078	186,349	154,000
Educational Services and Studies	27,054	29,762	33,343	40,391	47,172	58,735	57,142	58,481	64,072	66,315	74,174	81,834	89,488	88,000
Financial Intermediation	19,714	22,932	26,839	31,202	38,641	39,395	39,843	48,185	49,875	52,446	58,145	60,385	63,697	71,000
Others	48,563	50,128	53,445	62,517	81,367	132,696	105,985	116,444	126,529	127,446	145,170	181,931	186,703	220,000
Total	2,013,523	2,242,376	2,567,349	3,113,022	4,079,453	4,072,315	3,880,494	3,906,594	4,044,364	4,051,233	4,444,500	4,744,624	4,889,853	5,039,000

Source: Labour Market Information System, Ministry of Human Resources and Emiratization (MoHRE)

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Characteristics of data

The figures pertain to the number of workers registered in the UAE's private sector, with the MoHRE.

The "labour force" includes all economically active individuals in the community, whether they are already working or looking for work (see: <https://www.mohre.gov.ae/en/media-center/definitions.aspx>)

Employed persons: Individuals who are already engaged in productive work: it includes individual who are employed, even if they do not work because of illness or injury, holiday or for irregular work at the facilities in which they work for temporary or incidental reasons. This category also includes full-time and part-time workers.

Unemployed: Individuals who are able to work and wishing to do so, were still searching jobs during the survey. This category includes the unemployed who never entered the labour market, and who have previously worked and had to leave their jobs for any reason as a result of labour market conditions.

It is unclear whether or not figures include nationals. Domestic workers are not included.

2. Institution which provides data

Ministry of Human Resources and Emiratization (MOHRE):
<http://www.mohre.gov.ae/en/home.aspx>

3. Data availability

The data is taken from the "open data" section of MoHRE website:

<http://www.mohre.gov.ae/en/data-library.aspx>

Data is available in PDF and Excel formats.

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