

UAE: Unemployed population by nationality (Emirati/ non-Emirati), sex and Emirate (2005)

Emirate	Unemployment category	Emiratis			Non-Emiratis			Total
		Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	
Abu Dhabi	Worked before	5,668	406	6,074	4,158	1,158	5,316	11,390
	Never worked before	1,972	2,274	4,246	7,796	5,141	12,937	17,183
Dubai	Worked before	2,609	553	3,162	2,048	1,188	3,236	6,398
	Never worked before	1,549	1,582	3,131	4,280	3,513	7,793	10,924
Sharjah	Worked before	1,928	189	2,117	2,154	410	2,564	4,681
	Never worked before	1,218	1,247	2,465	8,009	2,678	10,687	13,152
Ajman	Worked before	505	43	548	686	87	773	1,321
	Never worked before	349	192	541	2,400	545	2,945	3,486
Umm Al Quwain	Worked before	260	39	299	167	26	193	492
	Never worked before	162	171	333	484	190	674	1,007
Ras AL Khaima	Worked before	1,615	107	1,722	541	47	588	2,310
	Never worked before	767	1,112	1,879	2,079	384	2,463	4,342
AL Fujairah	Worked before	748	39	787	222	28	250	1,037
	Never worked before	535	821	1,356	513	196	709	2,065
	Worked before	13,333	1,376	14,709	9,976	2,944	12,920	27,629
	Never worked before	6,552	7,399	13,951	25,561	12,647	38,208	52,159

Source: NBS, Ministry of Economy.

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Characteristics of data, definitions and population counting operations in the UAE

The first population census was conducted in 1968 by the Council of Developing Trucial States.

After Independence in 1971, a population census of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi was conducted that same year.

The first general population and establishments census in the UAE was conducted in 1975. It was the first census in the region following scientific standards and international recommendations. The other federal censuses were conducted in 1980, 1985, 1995 and 2005.

Reference days for UAE censuses: 30/12/1975; 15/12/1980, 16/12/1985, 16/12/1995; 29/10/2001; 06/12/2005.

Implementation method: the census was carried out according to de jure methodology, i.e. counting persons using their usual place of residence

Population of reference: Emirati nationals usually residing in the country+all foreign residents holding a valid residence permit+resident GCC nationals (nationals of other GCC states don't need a permit to stay in the UAE)

Unemployment refers to persons aged 15 years and over who during the reference period: Are without work, available to work and actively seeking work.

Unemployed persons are available to start work in the two weeks following the interview and who had either looked for work in the four weeks prior to the interview or were waiting to start a job they had already found.

The unemployed are divided into two categories: the unemployed who have worked before and the unemployed who have never worked before (the new unemployed).

2010' federal census was eventually cancelled but the Emirates Identity Authority (EIDA), an independent federal authority established in 2004, is currently in charge of recording all UAE residents, national and expatriates in order to set up a Population Register and an ID card program. The process is stil ongoing.

2. Institution which provides data

National Bureau of Statistics (NBS)

3. Data availability

Population statistics are available on NBS's website:

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/EnglishHome/tabid/96/Default.aspx>

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/Home/tabid/38/Default.aspx>

Data are classified by subject and statistical publications are available on PDF or Excel format. Population data disaggregated by nationality (Emirati/non-Emirati) are scarce.

2005' census data is available at:

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/EnglishHome/ReportsByDepartmentEnglish/tabid/104/Default.aspx?MenuId=1&NDId=365>

The present data is taken from:

<http://www.uaestatistics.gov.ae/EnglishHome/ReportDetailsEnglish/tabid/121/Default.aspx?ItemId=1869&PTID=104&MenuId=1>

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