

Unemployed population by nationality (Saudi / non-Saudi) (1999-2013)

years	Saudis			Non-Saudis			TOTAL		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1999	163,286	65,339	228,625	20,494	4,935	25,429	183,780	70,274	254,054
2000	164,606	75,245	239,851	29,721	4,071	33,792	194,327	79,316	273,643
2001	176,616	76,083	252,699	25,950	2,503	28,453	202,566	78,586	281,152
2002	203,155	100,972	304,127	21,828	2,690	24,518	224,983	103,662	328,645
2006	292,906	176,112	469,018	26,154	6,729	32,883	319,060	182,841	501,901
2007 R1	280,411	164,787	445,198	15,062	3,053	18,115	295,473	167,840	463,313
2007 R2	271,007	182,987	453,994	20,264	5,820	26,084	291,271	188,807	480,078
2008 R1	236,230	163,789	400,019	14,172	3,871	18,043	250,402	167,660	418,062
2008 R2	239,176	177,174	416,350	17,055	4,243	21,298	256,231	181,417	437,648
2009	248,162	200,385	448,547	10,380	4,082	14,462	258,542	204,467	463,009
2011	282,930	302,797	585,727	15,997	6,831	22,828	298,927	309,628	608,555
2012 R1	269,675	318,756	588,431	20,645	6,173	26,818	290,320	324,929	615,249
2012 R2	243,983	358,870	602,853	4,233	446	4,679	248,216	359,316	607,532
2013 R1	265,425	363,619	629,044	12,185	10,782	22,967	277,610	374,401	652,011

R= Round

source: Labour Force Surveys (1999 to 2002; 2006 to 2009; 2011 to 2013 R1)

ANNEXED NOTE

1. Technical Notes and Definitions

	sampling frame	sample size (households)	reference period
1999		15,000	April 16th-May 16th, 1999
2000		15,000	April 2000
2001	Population Census1992	15,000	March 2001
2002		15,000	April 2002
2006		23,000	May 2006
2007 R1		23,000	February 19th-March 20th, 2007
2007 R2		23,000	August 15th-September 13th, 2007
2008 R1	Population Census2004	23,000	February 2008
2008 R2		23,000	August 2008
2009		23,000	July 24th-August 22nd, 2009
2011		29,000	October 2011
2012 R1	Population Census2010	29,000	January 25th-February 17th, 2012
2012 R2			
2013 R1		33,500	January 13th-February 5th, 2013

Population of reference: all individuals (nationals and non-nationals) residing in the Kingdom during the period of reference.

The ultimate sampling unit is the household.

(a) Household and household members: A person or group of persons, related or not related, who share housing and food.

Servants, drivers and similar categories are considered to be part of the household if they live in the same housing unit.

(b) Unemployed person: A person aged 15 years and over who did not work during the reference week, was able and ready to work and had been actively looking for work during the last four weeks, but did not find any.

Unemployment refers to people who during the reference period: Are without work, available to work and actively seeking work

Reference period for seeking work: The latest full calendar month preceding the period of data collection

Reference period for availability for work: The seven days preceding the period of data collection

2. Institution which provides data

Central Department of Statistics and Information (CDSI), Ministry and Economy and Planning

3. Data availability

Surveys conducted since 1999 are available on the website of the CDSI (<http://www.cdsi.gov.sa/>), in published form in PDF format. A selection of tables is also available in PDF or Excel format for 2012.

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

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

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Since 2007, Statistical Yearbooks have introduced a section on "Labour Statistics", which presents a selection of tables from Manpower Surveys.

<https://www.stats.gov.sa/en/46>

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