

Work permits issued by sex of holder, duration of validity and category of issuance (first issuance, renewal, change of sponsor, etc), 2011

Duration of validity	One-year			Two-years			TOTAL WORK PERMITS		
	males	females	total	males	females	total	TOT. MALES	TOT. FEMALES	GRAND TOTAL
First issuance	2.291.073	47.255	2.338.328	296.360	7.025	303.385	2.587.433	54.280	2.641.713
Renewal	995.499	15.235	1.010.734	354.654	5.278	359.932	1.350.153	20.513	1.370.666
Change of profession	4.133	23	4.156	1.895	21	1.916	6.028	44	6.072
Exchange after loss or deterioration	36.386	503	36.889	29.575	315	29.890	65.961	818	66.779
Change of sponsor	1.728	24	1.752	1.091	20	1.111	2.819	44	2.863
Total	3.328.819	63.040	3.391.859	683.575	12.659	696.234	4.012.394	75.699	4.088.093

Source: Ministry of Labour

1. Data collection methodology

Ahead of any application for first granting or renewal of residency permits from the Passports Directorate, a labour permit has first to be issued by the Labour Ministry.

2. Institution which provides data

Ministry of Labour

3. Data availability

Published in Ministry of Labour's Statistical Yearbooks

MoL Yearbooks are available online at

<http://portal.mol.gov.sa/ar/Statistics/Pages/default.aspx> (all issues since 2004)

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