

Labour Force Survey: Quarter 4, 2013

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Key figures

	Q4 2012	Q3 2013	Q4 2013
Labour force (000s)	52 788	53 856	53 699
Employment (000s)	51 931	52 738	52 793
Labour force participation rate (%)	76.7	77.9	77.5
Underemployment rate (%)	2.71	2.64	2.63
Unemployment rate (%)	1.81	2.32	1.90
Youth unemployment rate, aged 15-24 (%)	5.29	6.94	5.95
Share of wage workers in total employment (%)	35.3	34.3	35.6

Note: Quarter-to-Quarter comparisons may be limited due to seasonal variations. Aged 15+, except youth (aged 15-24).

Key trends (year-on-year)

- Compared to the same quarter of the previous year, the labour force increased by 910.7 thousand (or 1.73%) and the labour force participation rate decreased slightly to 77.5%.
- Employment expanded by 862.3 thousand (or 1.66%), with the majority of job growth concentrated in the industry and construction, services sector.
- The underemployment rate decreased from 2.71% to 2.63%.
- The unemployment rate increased from 1.81% to 1.9%, and unemployment among young people aged 15-24 increased from 5.29% to 5.95%.
- The share of wage workers in total employment increased at 35.6%.

Next release

The next scheduled release of the Labour Force Survey of Quarter 1 of 2014 is 20 April 2014.

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Selected indicators of the labour force

	Q4 2012	Q3 2013	Q4 2013
Population, aged 15+ (000s)	68 822	69 156	69 256
Male	33 450	33 618	33 589
Female	35 372	35 538	35 667
Labour force (000s)	52 788	53 856	53 699
Male	27 169	27 730	27 639
Female	25 619	26 125	26 060
Labour force participation rate (%)	76.7	77.9	77.5
Male	81.2	82.5	82.3
Female	72.4	73.5	73.1
Employment (000s)	51 931	52 738	52 793
Male	26 774	27 150	27 165
Female	25 157	25 588	25 628
Economic sector			
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	24 275	24 673	24 156
Industry and construction	11 210	11 184	11 540
Services	16 432	16 871	17 087
Not stated	14	9	10
Employment status			
Employer	1 465	1 278	1 174
Own-account worker	23 308	24 093	24 250
Unpaid family worker	8 781	9 258	8 548
Wage worker	18 333	18 092	18 804
Member of cooperative	17	10	4
Not stated	27	6	14
Underemployment rate (%)	2.55	2.50	2.52
Male	2.75	2.72	2.61
Female	2.34	2.28	2.42
Urban	1.41	1.27	1.23
Rural	3.05	3.03	3.07
Underemployment rate, in the statutory working age (%)	2.71	2.64	2.63
Urban	1.44	1.30	1.28
Rural	3.29	3.24	3.23
Unemployment rate (%)	1.62	2.08	1.69
Male	1.46	2.09	1.71
Female	1.80	2.06	1.66
Urban	2.67	3.32	2.93
Rural	1.16	1.54	1.14
Unemployment rate, in the statutory working age (%)	1.81	2.32	1.90
Urban	2.88	3.59	3.19
Rural	1.32	1.74	1.30
Youth unemployment rate, aged 15-24 (%)	5.29	6.94	5.95
Urban	8.73	11.48	11.17
Rural	4.12	5.49	4.26
Average monthly earnings of wage workers (000s VND)	3 805	4 072	4 119
Male	3 952	4 238	4 291
Female	3 586	3 832	3 872
Urban	4 469	4 765	4 876
Rural	3 257	3 489	3 528

Note: Quarter-to-quarter comparisons may be limited due to seasonal variations. Aged 15+, except the statutory working age (15-59 for men and 15-54 for women) and youth (aged 15-24).