

EMPLOYMENT SURVEY

MAY - JULY/2024

- Both the general unemployment rate (1.7%) and the unemployment rate of local residents (2.3%) held steady from the previous period (April June 2024). Meanwhile, the underemployment rate dropped by 0.2 percentage points to 1.3%.
- The general labour force participation rate was 67.8% and the labour force participation rate of local residents was 62.4%, down by 0.1 and 0.2 percentage points respectively from the previous period.
- The labour force living in Macao (383,100) and total employment (376,400) held steady from the previous period, while the number of employed residents (286,300) _ fell by 700. Number of the unemployed (6,700) increased by 100.
- According to the preliminary estimates from the movement records, an average of about 103,000 Macao residents and non-resident workers worked in Macao but lived outside the territory during the reference period; when including these individuals, total labour force (486,100) held stable from the previous period.

Principal Indicators (General)

	Current period	Previous period	Difference (p.p.)
Unemployment rate (%)	1.7	1.7	-
Labour force participation rate (%)	67.8	67.9	- 0.1
Male	70.6	71.2	- 0.6
Female	65.5	65.1	0.4
Underemployment rate (%)	1.3	1.5	- 0.2

Labour Force

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Total ('000)	383.1	383.0	0#
Employed population	376.4	376.4	0#
Underemployed population	4.8	5.7	- 15.4
Unemployed population	6.7	6.6	0.3

Employment by Principal Industries

	Current	Previous	Change	
	period	period	(%)	
Gaming ('000)	71.1	70.3	1.1	
Wholesale & Retail Trade	44.3	46.6	- 4.9	
Hotels & Similar Activities	29.8	30.0	- 0.5	
Construction	26.7	26.3	1.5	
Restaurants & Similar Activities	20.9	21.1	- 0.9	

Principal Indicators (Local Residents)

	Current period	Previous period	Change
Unemployment rate (%)	2.3	2.3	-
Labour force participation rate (%)	62.4	62.6	- 0.2 p.p.
Underemployment rate (%)	1.5	1.8	- 0.3 p.p.
Resident labour force ('000)	293.0	293.6	- 0.2 %
Employed residents ('000)	286.3	287.0	- 0.2 %
Underemployed residents ('000)	4.5	5.3	- 14.3 %

Historical Data for May - July

					%
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Unemployment rate	1.8	2.7	2.9	4.1	2.6
Labour force participation rate	70.3	70.5	67.9	68.2	67.6
Underemployment rate	0.5	3.3	3.5	13.4	1.7

- Absolute value equals zero 0[#] Magnitude less than half of the unit employed

'000 Thousand p.p. Percentage point

Note: Due to rounding, some totals may not correspond with the sum of the separate figures.

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Unemployment Rate and Labour Force Participation Rate

