

EMPLOYMENT SURVEY

SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER/2025

- Both the general unemployment rate (1.7%) and the unemployment rate of local residents (2.3%) remained the same as in the previous period (August - October). Meanwhile, the general underemployment rate (1.5%) and the underemployment rate of local residents (2.0%) went up by 0.1 and 0.2 percentage points respectively over the previous period.
- The general labour force participation rate (67.2%) and the labour force participation rate of local residents (62.2%) both increased by 0.2 percentage points from the previous period.
- According to the preliminary estimates from the movement records, an average of about 109,300 Macao SAR residents and non-resident workers worked in the Macao SAR but lived outside the territory during the reference period. The total labour force, consisting of these individuals and the labour force living in the Macao SAR (385,600), increased by 2,700 from the previous period to 494,900.

Principal Indicators (General)

	Current period	Previous period	Difference (p.p.)
Unemployment rate (%)	1.7	1.7	-
Labour force participation rate (%)	67.2	67.0	0.2
Male	69.4	69.7	-0.3
Female	65.5	64.9	0.6
Underemployment rate (%)	1.5	1.4	0.1

Labour Force

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Total ('000)	385.6	383.5	0.6
Employed population	378.9	376.8	0.6
Underemployed population	5.9	5.3	11.5
Unemployed population	6.7	6.7	-0.4

Employment by Principal Industry

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Gaming ('000)	69.1	69.2	-0.2
Wholesale & Retail Trade	43.6	44.0	-1.0
Hotels & Similar Activities	29.7	29.7	0.3
Construction	24.9	24.9	0.3
Restaurants & Similar Activities	19.7	19.8	-0.4

Principal Indicators (Local Residents)

	Current period	Previous period	Change
Unemployment rate (%)	2.3	2.3	-
Labour force participation rate (%)	62.2	62.0	0.2 p.p.
Underemployment rate (%)	2.0	1.8	0.2 p.p.
Resident labour force ('000)	294.5	293.1	0.5 %
Employed residents ('000)	287.8	286.4	0.5 %
Underemployed residents ('000)	5.9	5.2	13.9 %

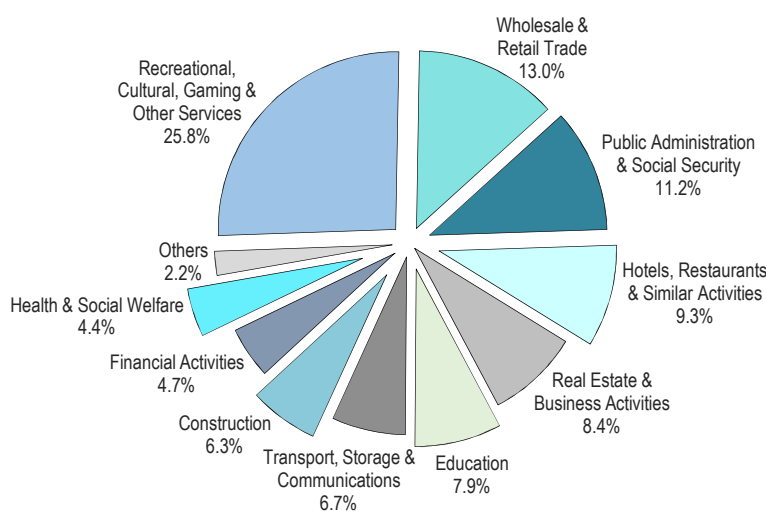
Historical Data for September - November

	2022		2023		2024	
	General	Residents	General	Residents	General	Residents
Unemployment rate	3.7	4.7	2.3	2.9	1.7	2.3
Labour force participation rate	68.9	64.0	68.4	63.3	68.0	62.5
Underemployment rate	4.3	5.0	1.4	1.8	1.5	2.0

- Absolute value equals zero p.p. Percentage point '000 Thousand Macao SAR Macao Special Administrative Region

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

Employed Residents by Industry



Unemployment Rate and Labour Force Participation Rate

