

EMPLOYMENT SURVEY

JUNE - AUGUST/2023

- The general unemployment rate was 2.5% and the unemployment rate of local residents was 3.1%, down by 0.1 and 0.2 percentage points respectively from the previous period (May - July 2023). Besides, the underemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage point to 1.8%.
- The general labour force participation rate (67.9%) and the labour force participation rate of local residents (63.1%) both increased by 0.3 percentage points from the previous period.
- The labour force living in Macao totalled 375,300. Total employment was 366,000 and the number of employed residents totalled 285,100, up by 3,000 and 2,200 respectively from the previous period. Number of the unemployed dropped by 500 to 9,300.
- According to the preliminary estimates from the movement records, an average of about 93,100 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 was 468,400, an increase of 4,400 from the previous period.

Principal Indicators

	Current period	Previous period	Difference (p.p.)
Unemployment rate (%)	2.5	2.6	- 0.1
Labour force participation rate (%)	67.9	67.6	0.3
Male	71.2	71.2	-
Female	65.1	64.6	0.5
Underemployment rate (%)	1.8	1.7	0.1

Labour Force

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Total ('000)	375.3	372.8	0.7
Employed population	366.0	363.0	0.8
Underemployed population	6.7	6.4	5.0
Unemployed population	9.3	9.8	- 5.4

Employment by Principal Industries

	Current period	Previous period	Change (%)
Gaming & Junket Activities ('000)	69.2	67.8	2.1
Wholesale & Retail Trade	47.8	47.5	0.8
Construction	27.8	28.3	- 1.8
Hotels & Similar Activities	25.1	24.2	3.5
Restaurants & Similar Activities	21.1	21.1	- 0.1

Principal Indicators of Local Residents

	Current period	Previous period	Change
Unemployment rate (%)	3.1	3.3	- 0.2 p.p.
Labour force participation rate (%)	63.1	62.8	0.3 p.p.
Underemployment rate (%)	2.3	2.1	0.2 p.p.
Resident labour force ('000)	294.4	292.7	0.6 %
Employed residents ('000)	285.1	282.9	0.8 %
Underemployed residents ('000)	6.7	6.1	9.2 %

Historical Data for June - August

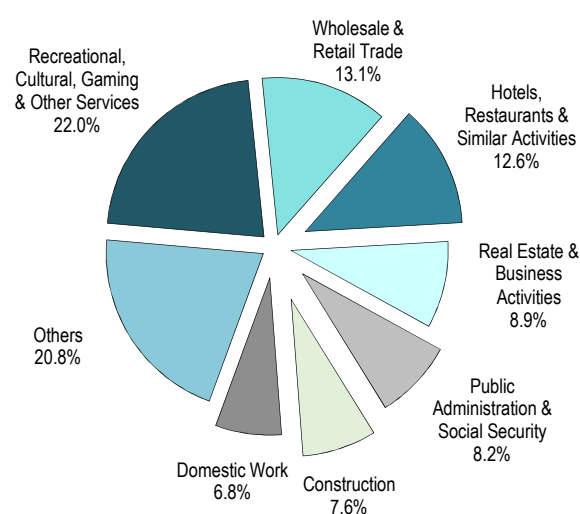
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	%
Unemployment rate	1.8	1.8	2.8	2.8	4.3	
Labour force participation rate	71.0	70.3	70.2	68.5	68.9	
Underemployment rate	0.6	0.4	3.7	3.7	16.5	

- Absolute value equals zero

p.p. Percentage point

'000 Thousand

Total Employment by Industry



Unemployment Rate and Labour Force Participation Rate

