

Employment and unemployment: provisional estimates

December 2013

In order to improve the timeliness of statistical information on the Italian labour market and in accordance with the agreements made within the European Union, Istat publishes monthly estimates of the main labour market indicators resulting from the "Labour force survey".

In December 2013 22.270 million persons were employed, -0.1% compared with November 2013. Unemployed were 3.229 million, -1.0% with respect to the previous month.

Population by employment status and sex. December 2013*, seasonally adjusted (absolute values in thousands and changes in thousands and percentages)

	Absolute values	Changes on the previous month		Changes on the same month of the previous year	
		Absolute	Percentage	Absolute	Percentage
			Males		
Employed	12,957	-9	-0.1	-339	-2.5
Unemployed	1,769	-22	-1.2	177	11.1
Inactive (aged 15-64)	5,269	33	0.6	124	2.4
			Females		
Employed	9,314	-15	-0.2	-85	-0.9
Unemployed	1,460	-10	-0.7	116	8.6
Inactive (aged 15-64)	9,139	18	0.2	-78	-0.8
	Total				
Employed	22,270	-25	-0.1	-424	-1.9
Unemployed	3,229	-32	-1.0	293	10.0
Inactive (aged 15-64)	14,408	51	0.4	46	0.3

^{*} provisional estimates

Employment rate was 55.3%, -0.1 percentage points with respect to November 2013, unemployment rate was 12.7%, -0.1 percentage points compared with the previous month, and inactivity rate was 36.5%, +0.1 percentage points in a month.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 41.6%, -0.1 percentage points compared with the previous month, youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 11.2%, +0.1 percentage points in a month.

Employment, unemployment and inactivity rates by sex. December 2013*, seasonally adjusted (percentages)

	Percentage	Changes on the previous month	Changes on the same month of the previous year Percentage points		
	values -	Percentage points			
	Males				
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	64.3	-0.1	-1.6		
Unemployment rate	12.0	-0.1	1.3		
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	26.8	0.2	0.7		
		Females			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	46.5	-0.1	-0.3		
Unemployment rate	13.6	-0.1	1.0		
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	46.1	0.1	-0.3		
		Total			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	55.3	-0.1	-1.0		
Unemployment rate	12.7	-0.1	1.2		
Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24)	41.6	-0.1	4.2		
Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24)	11.2	0.1	0.8		
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	36.5	0.1	0.2		

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For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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