

Employment and unemployment: provisional data

May 2016

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 May 2016, 22.677 million persons were employed, +0.1% compared with April. Unemployed were 2.950 million, -0.8% over the previous month.

POPULATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND SEX. May 2016*, 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 | 13,203 | -3 | 0.0 | 173 | 1.3 |
| Unemployed | 1,577 | -17 | -1.0 | -162 | -9.3 |
| Inactive (aged 15-64) | 4,921 | 0 | 0.0 | -101 | -2.0 |
| Females | | | | | |
| Employed | 9,473 | 24 | 0.3 | 125 | 1.3 |
| Unemployed | 1,372 | -8 | -0.6 | -12 | -0.9 |
| Inactive (aged 15-64) | 8,820 | -28 | -0.3 | -204 | -2.3 |
| Total | | | | | |
| Employed | 22,677 | 21 | 0.1 | 299 | 1.3 |
| Unemployed | 2,950 | -24 | -0.8 | -175 | -5.6 |
| Inactive (aged 15-64) | 13,741 | -27 | -0.2 | -305 | -2.2 |

* Provisional estimates.

Employment rate was 57.1%, +0.1 percentage points compared with April, unemployment rate was 11.5%, -0.1 percentage points over the previous month, and inactivity rate was 35.3%, -0.1 percentage points in a month.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 36.9% and youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 9.7%, both unchanged over the previous month.

EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND INACTIVITY RATES BY SEX. May 2016*, seasonally adjusted (percentages)

| | Percentage values | Changes on the previous month | Changes on the same month of the previous year |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| | | Percentage points | Percentage points |
| Males | | | |
| Employment rate (aged 15-64) | 66,4 | 0,1 | 1,2 |
| Unemployment rate | 10,7 | -0,1 | -1,1 |
| Inactivity rate (aged 15-64) | 25,4 | 0,0 | -0,4 |
| Females | | | |
| Employment rate (aged 15-64) | 47,9 | 0,2 | 0,9 |
| Unemployment rate | 12,7 | -0,1 | -0,2 |
| Inactivity rate (aged 15-64) | 45,1 | -0,1 | -0,8 |
| Total | | | |
| Employment rate (aged 15-64) | 57,1 | 0,1 | 1,1 |
| Unemployment rate | 11,5 | -0,1 | -0,7 |
| Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) | 36,9 | 0,0 | -4,3 |
| Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24) | 9,7 | 0,0 | -0,8 |
| Inactivity rate (aged 15-64) | 35,3 | -0,1 | -0,6 |

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For more details please refer to the Italian version

Time series are available at database I.stat: <http://dati.istat.it/?lang=en>

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