

## Employment and unemployment: provisional data

February 2017

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 February 2017, 22.862 million persons were employed, unchanged over January 2017. Unemployed were 2.984 million, -2.7% over the previous month.

**POPULATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND SEX.** February 2017\*, 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
<b>Males</b>					
Employed	13.282	-47	-0,4	144	1,1
Unemployed	1.576	-39	-2,4	-71	-4,3
Inactive (aged 15-64)	4.847	66	1,4	-108	-2,2
<b>Females</b>					
Employed	9.580	55	0,6	150	1,6
Unemployed	1.408	-43	-3,0	53	3,9
Inactive (aged 15-64)	8.638	-14	-0,2	-272	-3,1
<b>Total</b>					
Employed	22.862	8	0,0	294	1,3
Unemployed	2.984	-83	-2,7	-18	-0,6
Inactive (aged 15-64)	13.485	51	0,4	-380	-2,7

\* Provisional estimates.

Employment rate was 57.5%, unchanged over January 2017, unemployment rate was 11.5%, -0.3 percentage points over the previous month, and inactivity rate was 34.8%, +0.1 percentage points in a month.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 35.2%, -1.7 percentage points over January 2017 and youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 8.9%, -0.7 percentage points in a month.

EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND INACTIVITY RATES BY SEX. February 2017\*, seasonally adjusted (percentages)

	Percentage values	Changes on the previous month	Changes on the same month of the previous year
		Percentage points	Percentage points
<b>Males</b>			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	66,7	-0,2	0,8
Unemployment rate	10,6	-0,2	-0,5
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	25,1	0,3	-0,5
<b>Females</b>			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	48,4	0,3	0,9
Unemployment rate	12,8	-0,4	0,3
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	44,4	-0,1	-1,2
<b>Total</b>			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	57,5	0,0	0,8
Unemployment rate	11,5	-0,3	-0,2
Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24)	35,2	-1,7	-3,6
Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24)	8,9	-0,7	-1,3
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	34,8	0,1	-0,8

\* Provisional estimates.

**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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