

Employment and unemployment: provisional data

December 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 December 2017, 23.067 million persons were employed, -0.3% over November 2017. Unemployed were 2.791 million, -1.7% over the previous month.

POPULATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND SEX. December 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
Males					
Employed	13.381	-31	-0,2	71	0,5
Unemployed	1.493	-13	-0,9	-117	-7,3
Inactive (aged 15-64)	4.840	57	1,2	46	1,0
Females					
Employed	9.686	-35	-0,4	102	1,1
Unemployed	1.298	-34	-2,6	-156	-10,7
Inactive (aged 15-64)	8.600	55	0,6	-12	-0,1
Total					
Employed	23.067	-66	-0,3	173	0,8
Unemployed	2.791	-47	-1,7	-273	-8,9
Inactive (aged 15-64)	13.440	112	0,8	34	0,3

* Provisional estimates.

Employment rate was 58.0%, -0.2 percentage points over the previous month, unemployment rate was 10.8% -0.1 percentage points over November 2017 and inactivity rate was 34.8%, +0.3 percentage points in a month.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 32.2%, -0.2 percentage points over the previous month and youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 8.2%, -0.2 percentage points over November 2017.

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

	Percentage values	Changes on the previous month	Changes on the same month of the previous year	
	Ŭ	Percentage points	Percentage points	
Males				
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	67,2	-0,2	0,3	
Unemployment rate	10,0	-0,1	-0,8	
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	25,1	0,3	0,3	
Females				
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	49,0	-0,1	0,6	
Unemployment rate	11,8	-0,2	-1,4	
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	44,3	0,3	0,1	
Total				
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	58,0	-0,2	0,4	
Unemployment rate	10,8	-0,1	-1,0	
Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24)	32,2	-0,2	-6,9	
Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24)	8,2	-0,2	-2,4	
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	34,8	0,3	0,2	

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For more details please refer to the Italian version

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