

Employment and unemployment: provisional data

March 2018

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 March 2018, 23.134 million persons were employed, +0.3% over February. Unemployed were 2.865 million, +0.7% over the previous month.

POPULATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND SEX. March 2018*, 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	13,435	81	0.6	127	1.0
Unemployed	1,480	-37	-2.4	-108	-6.8
Inactive (aged 15-64)	4,785	-58	-1.2	-29	-0.6
Females					
Employed	9,699	-19	-0.2	63	0.7
Unemployed	1,385	56	4.2	-9	-0.7
Inactive (aged 15-64)	8,477	-46	-0.5	-120	-1.4
Total					
Employed	23,134	62	0.3	190	0.8
Unemployed	2,865	19	0.7	-118	-4.0
Inactive (aged 15-64)	13,262	-104	-0.8	-150	-1.1

* Provisional estimates.

Employment rate was 58.3%, +0.2 percentage points over the previous month, unemployment rate was 11.0%, steady over February 2018 and inactivity rate was 34.3%, -0.3 percentage points in a month.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 31.7%, -0.9 percentage points over the previous month and youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 8.3%, -0.3 percentage points over February 2018.

EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND INACTIVITY RATES BY SEX. March 2018*, 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)	67.5	0.5	0.6
Unemployment rate	9.9	-0.3	-0.7
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	24.9	-0.3	-0.1
Females			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	49.1	-0.1	0.4
Unemployment rate	12.5	0.5	-0.1
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	43.7	-0.2	-0.4
Total			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	58.3	0.2	0.5
Unemployment rate	11.0	0.0	-0.5
Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24)	31.7	-0.9	-4.4
Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24)	8.3	-0.3	-1.4
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	34.3	-0.3	-0.3

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For more details please refer to the Italian version

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