

Employment and unemployment: provisional estimates

May 2014

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 2014 22.360 million persons were employed, +0.2% compared with April 2014. Unemployed were 3.222 million, +0.8% with respect to the previous month.

Population by employment status and sex. May 2014*, 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	13,097	80	0.6	36	0.3
Unemployed	1,735	-29	-1.6	38	2.2
Inactive (aged 15-64)	5,177	-42	-0.8	-93	-1.8
Females					
Employed	9,263	-29	-0.3	-97	-1.0
Unemployed	1,487	54	3.8	89	6.3
Inactive (aged 15-64)	9,139	-25	-0.3	-59	-0.6
Total					
Employed	22,360	52	0.2	-61	-0.3
Unemployed	3,222	26	0.8	127	4.1
Inactive (aged 15-64)	14,317	-67	-0.5	-151	-1.0

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Employment rate was 55.5%, +0.1 percentage points with respect to April 2014, unemployment rate was 12.6%, +0.1 percentage points over the previous month, and inactivity rate was 36.3%, -0.2 percentage points with respect to April.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 43.0%, -0.3 percentage points in a month, youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 11.7%, +0.2 percentage points over the previous month.

Employment, unemployment and inactivity rates by sex. May 2014*, 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)	64.8	0.3	0.2
Unemployment rate	11.7	-0.2	0.2
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	26.4	-0.2	-0.4
Females			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	46.3	-0.2	-0.3
Unemployment rate	13.8	0.5	0.8
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	46.2	-0.1	-0.1
Total			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	55.5	0.1	-0.1
Unemployment rate	12.6	0.1	0.5
Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24)	43.0	-0.3	4.2
Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24)	11.7	0.2	1.1
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	36.3	-0.2	-0.3

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For more detailed information please refer to the Italian version

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