

Employment and unemployment: provisional data

February 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 February 2016, 22,456 million persons were employed, -0.4% compared with January. Unemployed were 2,980 million, +0.3% over the previous month.

POPULATION BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND SEX. February 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	13,085	-57	-0.4	71	0.5	
Unemployed	1,663	32	1.9	-24	-1.4	
Inactive (aged 15-64)	4,988	9	0.2	-120	-2.3	
Females						
Employed	9,371	-40	-0.4	25	0.3	
Unemployed	1,317	-24	-1.8	-112	-7.8	
Inactive (aged 15-64)	9,014	49	0.5	21	0.2	
Total						
Employed	22,456	-97	-0.4	96	0.4	
Unemployed	2,980	7	0.3	-136	-4.4	
Inactive (aged 15-64)	14,002	58	0.4	-99	-0.7	

* Provisional estimates.

Employment rate was 56.4%, -0.2 percentage points compared with January, unemployment rate was 11.7%, +0.1 percentage points over the previous month, and inactivity rate was 36.0%, +0.2 percentage points in a month.

Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24) was 39.1%, -0.1 percentage points in a month, youth unemployment ratio in the same age group was 10.1%, +0.1 percentage points compared to the previous month.

EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND INACTIVITY RATES BY SEX. February 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)	65.7	-0.2	0.6
Unemployment rate	11.3	0.2	-0.2
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	25.8	0.1	-0.5
Females			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	47.2	-0.2	0.2
Unemployment rate	12.3	-0.2	-0.9
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	46.1	0.3	0.3
Total			
Employment rate (aged 15-64)	56.4	-0.2	0.4
Unemployment rate	11.7	0.1	-0.5
Youth unemployment rate (aged 15-24)	39.1	-0.1	-2.4
Youth unemployment ratio (aged 15-24)	10.1	0.1	-0.8
Inactivity rate (aged 15-64)	36.0	0.2	-0.1

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For more details please refer to the Italian version

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