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Labour Force Survey Data, August 2019

Seasonally Adjusted Data¹

In August 2019 (compared with July 2019): ([For monthly data 8/2019](#))

- Unemployment rate among persons aged 15 and over from the labour force – 3.8% (3.7% in the previous month).
- Participation rate in the labour force among persons aged 15 and over – 63.2% (63.1% in the previous month).
- Employment rate (the percentage of employed persons out of the total population) among persons aged 15 and over – 60.8% (same as in the previous month).
- Unemployment rate among persons aged 25-64 from the labour force - 3.5% (3.3% in the previous month).
- Participation rate in the labour force among persons aged 25-64 - 80.2% (79.7% in the previous month).
- Employment rate among persons aged 25-64 - 77.5% (77.1% in the previous month).
- The share of employed persons usually working full time out of total employed persons - 77.6% (78.3% in the previous month).

[Definitions and Explanations](#)

The Labour Force Survey is the main source of information regarding the labour force in Israel, and is conducted by the Central Bureau of Statistics on an ongoing basis. Starting from the beginning of 2019, an average of 20,100 persons aged 15 and over a month have been

¹ It should be noted that the data in the seasonally adjusted series are partially based on past data from the quarterly labour force survey, so these series may change in the future after they are fully replaced by series based on the monthly labour force survey.

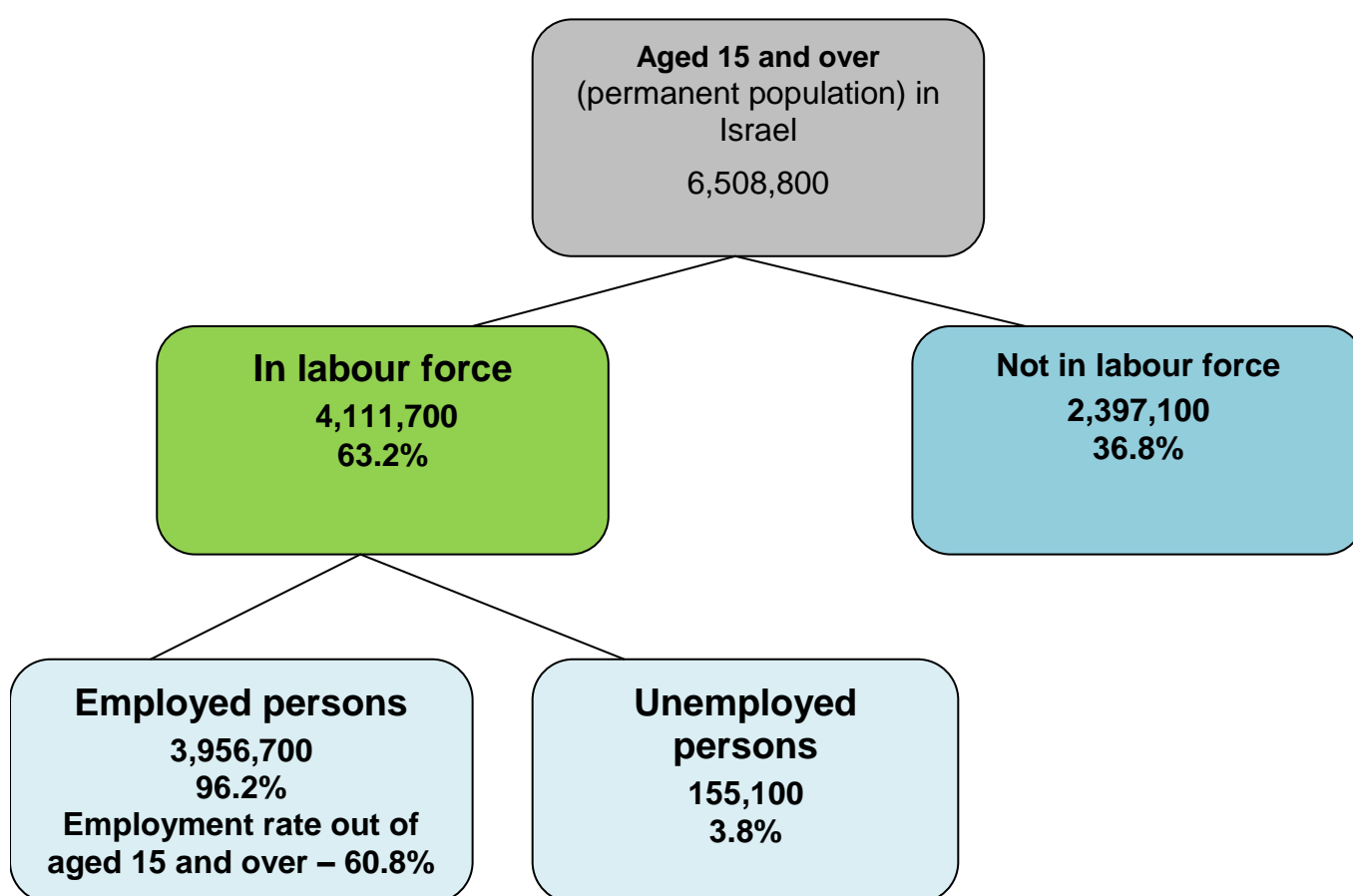
interviewed on an ongoing basis. The survey population includes the permanent population of Israel, as well as tourists and temporary residents living in Israel continuously for more than one year. The survey follows the development of the labour force in Israel, its size and characteristics, the extent of unemployment, etc.

August 2019 (compared with July 2019) - Seasonally Adjusted Data

Persons aged 15 and over

Labour Force Characteristics

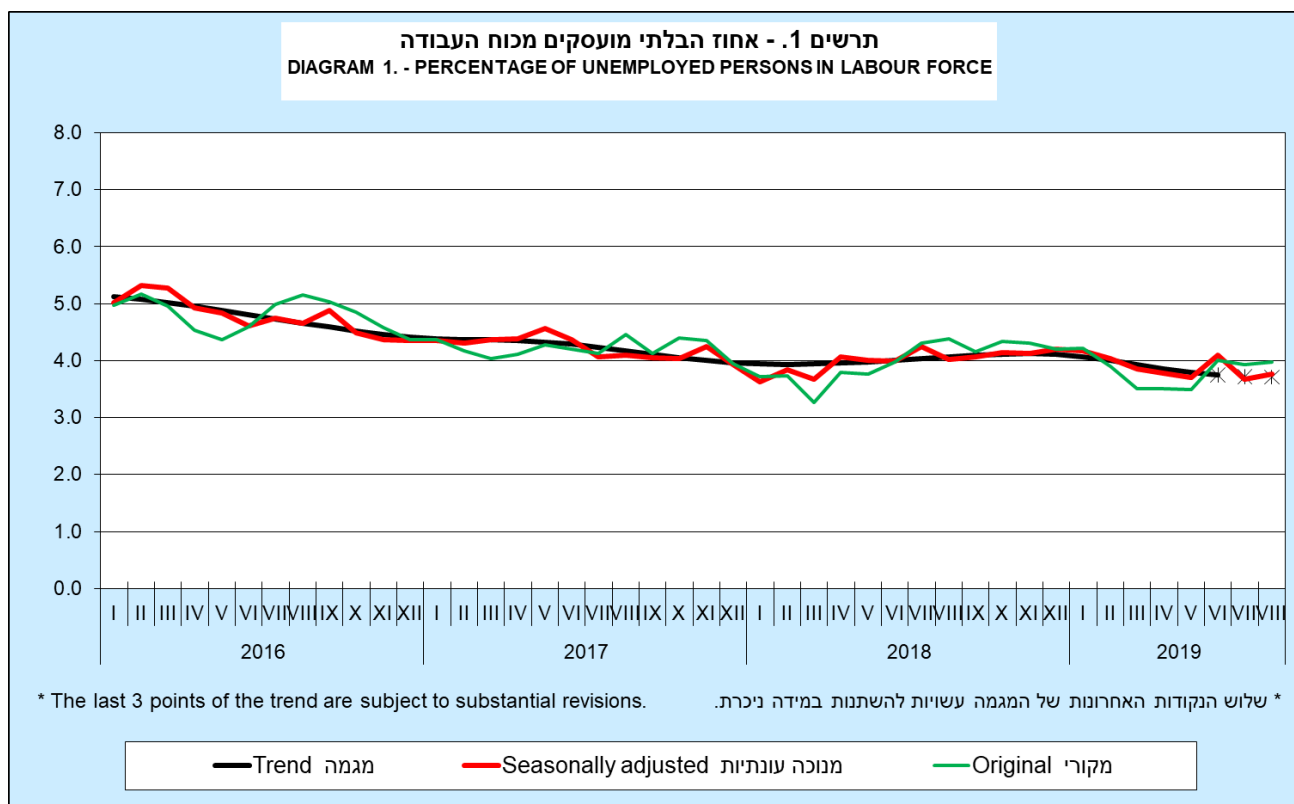
August 2019



In August 2019, **the number of persons in the labour force** aged 15 and over was 4.112 million. Among them, 3.957 million were **employed** and approximately 155,000 were **unemployed**. Among the employed persons, 2.069 million were **men** (2.071 million in the previous month) and 1.887 million were **women** (1.880 million in the previous month).

The participation rate among persons aged 15 and over **in the labour force** rose to 63.2% (63.1% in the previous month). Among **men**, that rate declined to 67.3% (67.4% in the previous month), whereas among **women** it rose to 59.2% (59.0% in the previous month).

The unemployment rate among persons aged 15 and over from the labour force rose to 3.8% (3.7% in the previous month, see diagram 1). The unemployment rate of men declined to 3.4% (3.5% in the previous month), whereas that of women rose to 4.2% (3.9% in the previous month).



The employment rate (calculated as the percentage of employed persons out of the total population) among persons aged 15 and over reached 60.8% in August 2019 (same as in the previous month). The employment rate among men reached 65.0% (same as in the previous month), and among women that rate reached 56.7% (same as in the previous month).

The number of employed persons in August 2019 reached 3.957 million, an increase of 0.2% compared with the previous month. The number of employed persons who usually work full time (35 hours and over per week) decreased by 1.1% compared with the previous month (a decrease of approximately 34,000 employed persons), whereas the number of employed persons who usually work part time (less than 35 hours per week) increased by 2.9% compared with the previous month (an addition of approximately 25,000 employed persons). The percentage of those who usually work full time of all employed persons declined to 77.6% (78.3% in the previous month). Among men it reached to 86.6% (same as in the previous month), whereas among women it declined to 67.7% (69.0% in the previous month).

The number of employed persons who worked full time (35 hours and over) in the determinant week increased by 1.3%, compared with the previous month (an addition of 34,000 employed

persons), whereas the number of employed persons who **worked part time** (less than 35 hours) **in the determinant week** decreased by 3.4% compared with the previous month (a decrease of 35,000 employed persons). The number of employed persons **temporarily absent from work in the determinant week** increased by 0.3% compared with the previous month (an addition of 1,000 employed persons).

Persons aged 25-64

Among persons aged 25-64 **the participation rate in the labour force** rose to 80.2% in August 2019 (79.7% in the previous month). Among **men** that rate reached 83.7% (same as in the previous month), whereas among **women** that rate rose to 76.9% (75.7% in the previous month).

Among persons aged 25-64 **the unemployment rate from the labour force** rose to 3.5% in this month (3.3% in the previous month). Among **men** the unemployment rate reached 3.2% (same as in the previous month), whereas among **women** that rate rose to 3.8% (3.4% in the previous month).

Among persons aged 25-64 **the employment rate** rose to 77.5% (77.1% in the previous month). Among **men** the employment rate rose to 81.1% (81.0% in the previous month), and among **women** that rate rose to 73.9% (73.2% in the previous month).

* Additional figures on this subject published in the "[Labour Force Survey - Quarterly data](https://www.cbs.gov.il/en/Pages/default.aspx)" on the Central Bureau of Statistics Website: <https://www.cbs.gov.il/en/Pages/default.aspx>