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12.9 % Unemployment rate in 4th quarter of 2014

CAPMAS announced today 16/ 02 / 2015 labor force survey results for the 4th quarter (Oct.-Dec.) 2014. Unemployment rate recorded 12.9% of the total labor force compared to 13.1 % in the previous quarter, while it was 13.4% during the same quarter of 2013. The slightly decrease in the unemployment rate is due to improvement in economic activities.

First: Labor Force

Labor Force size is 27.7 million

Labor Force size reached 27.7 million persons, with an increase of 31 thousand persons by 0.1% for the previous quarter, and an increase of 1.3 % for the same quarter of 2013.

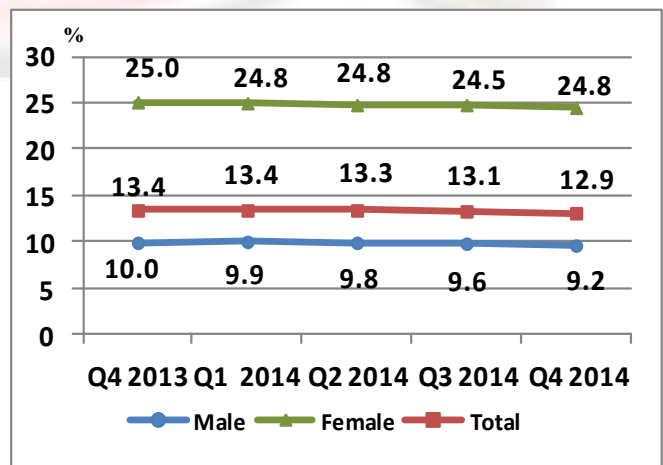
Second: Unemployed persons:

3.6 Million Unemployed persons

Number of unemployed persons reached 3.6 million with 12.9% of total labor force, with a decrease of 65 thousand unemployed by 1.8% for the previous quarter and a decrease of 100 thousands unemployed by 2.7% for the same quarter of 2013.

9.2% Unemployment rate among males, and 24.8% among females

- Unemployment rate among males reached 9.2% of total labor force among males, while it was 9.6% for the previous quarter, 10.0% for the same quarter of 2013.
- Unemployment rate among females reached 24.8% of total labor force among females, while it was 24.5% for the previous quarter, 25.0% for the same quarter of 2013.



15.5 % Unemployment rate in urban areas compare to 10.8% in rural areas

Unemployment rate in urban areas reached 15.5% of total labor force, while it was 16% for the previous quarter and 17.6% for the same quarter of 2013. In rural areas, it reached 10.8%, while it was 10.9% for the previous quarter, and 10.1 % for the same quarter of 2013.

16.5% unemployment rate in urban governorates

The highest unemployment rate was recorded in the urban governorates by 16.5% of total labor force in urban governorates, while the lowest rate is among labor force in rural upper Egypt by 10.7%.

63% of total unemployed are youth

The percentage of unemployed young persons (15-29 years) reached 63.0% of total unemployed persons where:

- 11.4% of them are in the age group (15-19 years).
- 31.3% of them are in the age group (20-24 years).
- 20.3% of them are in the age group (25-29 years).

67.6% of total unemployed persons are educated

Percentage of unemployed educated persons (who have intermediate, above intermediate, university and post graduates) reached 67.6% of total unemployed persons where:

- 43.3 % of them have intermediate and above intermediate certificates.
- 24.3 % of them have university degrees and post graduates.

Third: Employed persons

24.1 Million Employed persons

- The number of employed persons reached 24.1 million persons with an increase of 96 thousand employed, by 0.4% for the previous quarter and an increase of 452 thousand employed, and 1.9% for the same quarter of 2013.
- The number of males employed reached 19.2 million persons with an increase of 111 thousand employed by 0.6% for previous quarter and with an increase 264 thousand employed by 1.4% for the same quarter of 2013.
- The number of females employed reached 4.9 million persons with a decrease 15 thousand employed by 0.3% for the previous quarter, and with an increase of 188 thousand employed by 4.0% for the same quarter of 2013.
- The number of employed in urban areas reached 10.2 million persons with an increase of 194 thousand employed by 1.9% for the previous quarter and an increase of 311 thousand employed by 3.2% for the same quarter of 2013.
- Number of employed in rural areas reached 13.9 million persons, with a decrease of 98 thousand employed by 0.7% for previous quarter and an increase of 141 thousand employed by 1.0% for the same quarter of 2013.

61.7% of employed persons are paid

- Number of paid workers reached 14.9 million by 61.7% of total employed persons.
- Number of employers reached 3.4 million by 14.0% of total employed persons.
- Number of self-employed reached 3.1 million by 13.0% of total employed persons.

- Number of unpaid family workers reached 2.7 million by 11.3% of total employed persons.

**26.8 % of employed persons are working in
agriculture & fishing activities**

- Number of workers in Agriculture & fishing activities reached 6.5 million with 26.8 % of total employed as usual.
- Number of workers in Constructions activity reached 2.7 million with 11.3% of total employed.
- Number of workers in Wholesale & Retail trade activity reached 2.7 million with 11.2% of total employed .
- Number of workers in manufacturing activity reached 2.6 million with 11.0% of total employed.
- Real estates & Rental activities represent the lowest number of workers in which reached 24 thousand with 0.1% of total employed.

**47.0% Labor Force participation rate in economic
activity**

- Labor Force participation rate in economic activity reached 47.0% of total population (15 years & above) for the current quarter, while it was 47.5% in the previous quarter, and 47.7% for the same quarter of 2013.
- Labor Force participation rate among males reached 71.2% for the current quarter, while it was 72.1% for the previous quarter, and 72.6% for the same quarter of 2013.
- Labor Force participation rate among females reached 22.3% for the current quarter, while it was 22.4% for previous quarter, and 21.1% for the same quarter of 2013.
- Labor Force participation rate in urban areas reached 45.5% for the current quarter, while it was 45.4% for the previous quarter, and 46.5% for the same quarter of 2013.
- Labor Force participation rate in rural areas reached 48.3% for the current quarter, while it was 49.1% for previous quarter and 48.6% for the same quarter of 2013.

Forth: Weekly working hour's average for paid workers

Weekly working hour's average is 47.0 hours

- Weekly working hour's average for paid workers reached 47.0 hours.
- Weekly working hour's average among males reached 47.8 hours compared to 43.2 hours among females.
- The highest weekly working hours average was among employed persons in accommodation and food activities (53.2 hours), followed by employed persons in management activities and wholesale & retail trade (52.4 hours), while the lowest weekly working hours average was among employed persons in agriculture and forestry activities (44.3 hours)
- Investment sector are the highest weekly working hours average (50 hours), followed by private sector (48.6 hours per week), then public sector (47.5 hours).

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