0.a. Goal

Objective 8: Ensure sustainable, comprehensive and continuous economic growth; full employment, productivity and decent work for all

0.b. Target

Target 8.5: By 2030, create full and productive employment and decent work for all men and women, including youth and persons with disabilities, and equal pay for equal work (Global 8.5 target)

0.c. Indicator

Indicator 8.5.2. Unemployment rate

0.e. Metadata update

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2.a. Definition and concepts

Unemployed people are those aged 15 years or older who, during the reference period, meet all of the following factors: Currently not working; are looking for work; ready to work.

The number of unemployed people also includes those who are currently unemployed and willing to work but cannot find work during the reference period due to:

- Has a job or business to begin after the reference period;

- Have to take a break (not receive salary, wages or not sure to return to the old job) due to the facility downsizing or stopping production;

- On a seasonal break;

- Unexpected family business or temporary illness.

The unemployment rate is an indicator that compares the number of unemployed people with the labor force.

The unemployed include the following cases: Student/student/retired but looking for a job (full time or part time) and available to work during the reference period; a homemaker (or do household chores) for his or her family but is looking for work (full-time or part-time) and is available to work during the reference period.

2.c. Classifications

The list of administrative units in Vietnam issued together with the Prime Minister's Decision No. 124/2004/QD-TTg dated July 8, 2004 and the changes updated by the General Statistics Office to date December 31, 2019)

3.a. Data sources

Labor and employment survey.

3.b. Data collection method

This is a sampling survey specified in the National Statistical Survey Program.

The Labor and Employment Survey is a sampling survey with a sample size that ensures statistical estimates for the region, Hanoi, and Ho Chi Minh City quarterly and for the province by year.

- Sampling survey using two-stage stratified sampling method:

+ Phase 1: The commune determines the number of sample areas; distribution of sample EAs based on the list of master EAs of the 2019 Population and Housing Census in each province in 2 floors for urban and rural areas; select the EAs according to the probability method proportional to the household size of the area.

+ Stage 2: Select sample households in each enumeration area. The sample was selected in phase 1 by systematic random method.

- Information collection method: Direct interview method using electronic questionnaire installed on the enumerator's tablet or smartphone. The enumerator went to each household to ask the information provider and recorded all the answers on the electronic form.

Purpose: Collecting information reflecting the current situation of labor resources and employment in order to serve the requirements of management, effective exploitation and use, and rational development of labor market resources; serving the calculation of labor and employment statistical indicators specified in the national statistical indicator system.

3.d. Data release calendar

year

3.e. Data providers

General Statistics Office

3.f. Data compilers

General Statistics Office

4.a. Rationale

The unemployment rate is a useful metric to assess the state of underutilized labor supply. It is considered an indicator of the efficiency and effectiveness of an economy

Unemployment rate is an indicator reflecting the actual socio-economic situation of the country, serving as a basis for planning economic development policies and ensuring social security.

4.c. Method of computation

Method of computation

Công thức tính:

$$\text{Tỷ lệ thất nghiệp (\%)} = \frac{\text{Số người thất nghiệp}}{\text{Lực lượng lao động}} \times 100$$

5. Data availability and disaggregation

- Annual figures available from 2010-2019 for general and gender figures

- Annually available data from 2014-2019 for data by age group, urban/rural and region

(Published source: Statistical Yearbook of the General Statistics Office)

6. Comparability/deviation from international standards

This indicator corresponds to the global SDG target "8.5.2: Unemployment rate, by sex, age and persons with disabilities". The content of the Vietnamese and global indicators is the same, so the Vietnamese data warrant international comparison.

7. References and Documentation

- National statistical survey program issued under Decision No. 43/2016/QD-TTg dated October 17, 2016 of the Prime Minister

- Circular No. 03/2019/TT-BKHĐT dated January 22, 2019 stipulating the set of statistical indicators for sustainable development of Vietnam;

- https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/