

Educational attainment of 16-74 year olds by labour force status according to ISCED 2011, 2003-2023

		Total			Basic education - ISCED 1, 2			Upper secondary education - ISCED 3, 4			Tertiary education - ISCED 5, 6, 7, 8			Education unknown		
		Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
2003	Inactive	38300	15300	23000	21500	7600	13900	12800	6200	6500	3000	1000	2100	1000	500	500
	Unemployed	5600	3200	2400	3400	1900	1500	1300	700	600	800	500	300	0	0	0
	Employed	153400	80800	72700	58500	26600	31800	57400	36200	21200	37100	17700	19400	400	200	200
Labour force		159000	84000	75100	61900	28600	33300	58800	37000	21800	37900	18200	19700	400	200	200
Total		197300	99300	98000	83400	36200	47200	71500	43200	28300	41000	19200	21800	1400	700	700
2004	Inactive	40800	16100	24700	23700	7800	15900	13100	6800	6400	3300	1300	2000	700	300	400
	Unemployed	5400	3100	2400	3100	1800	1400	1700	1000	800	600	300	200	0	0	0
	Employed	153400	81600	71800	57500	26300	31200	57800	36600	21200	37600	18400	19300	500	300	200
Labour force		158800	84600	74200	60600	28100	32500	59500	37500	22000	38200	18700	19500	500	300	200
Total		199600	100700	98900	84300	35800	48400	72700	44300	28400	41500	20000	21500	1200	600	600
2005	Inactive	39300	15500	23800	21900	7400	14500	12900	6100	6800	3700	1500	2200	800	400	400
	Unemployed	4700	2500	2200	2800	1700	1100	1300	600	700	600	200	300	0	0	0
	Employed	158600	84500	74100	58700	27600	31000	59000	37200	21800	40800	19500	21200	200	200	0
Labour force		163300	87000	76300	61500	29300	32200	60300	37800	22500	41300	19700	21600	200	200	0
Total		202600	102500	100100	83400	36700	46600	73300	43900	29300	45000	21200	23800	1000	600	400
2006	Inactive	38600	14700	23900	19800	6700	13200	13700	6500	7200	4200	1100	3200	900	400	400
	Unemployed	5500	2800	2700	3400	1800	1600	1400	800	700	600	300	300	0	0	0
	Employed	165400	89800	75600	61100	31100	30000	60200	37400	22900	44000	21200	22700	100	100	0
Labour force		170900	92600	78300	64500	32900	31700	61600	38100	23500	44600	21500	23100	100	100	0
Total		209500	107300	102200	84400	39600	44800	75300	44600	30700	48800	22600	26200	900	500	400
2007	Inactive	39400	15100	24300	20800	7000	13800	13300	6100	7300	4400	1500	2900	800	500	300
	Unemployed	4400	2300	2000	2800	1700	1200	1100	600	500	400	100	300	0	0	0
	Employed	172500	94300	78100	62200	31400	30800	64700	40300	24400	45500	22600	22900	100	0	100
Labour force		176800	96700	80200	65100	33100	32000	65800	40900	24900	45900	22700	23200	100	0	100
Total		216200	111800	104400	85900	40100	45700	79100	46900	32200	50300	24200	26100	900	500	400
2008	Inactive	42200	16400	25800	21900	7800	14200	14900	6800	8100	4900	1500	3400	500	300	200
	Unemployed	6000	3600	2300	3800	2400	1400	1300	800	400	900	400	400	0	0	0
	Employed	173700	94700	79000	64500	32800	31700	61700	38500	23300	47500	23400	24100	0	0	0
Labour force		179600	98300	81300	68300	35200	33100	63000	39300	23700	48400	23900	24500	0	0	0
Total		221800	114700	107100	90200	42900	47300	77800	46000	31800	53300	25400	27800	500	300	200
2009	Inactive	45900	19000	26900	24800	9300	15500	15600	7500	8100	5300	2000	3300	200	200	0
	Unemployed	14200	9100	5100	7700	5000	2700	4300	2900	1500	2200	1200	1000	0	0	0
	Employed	162800	85800	77000	56700	28200	28400	58600	35300	23300	47500	22200	25300	0	0	0
Labour force		177000	94900	82100	64400	33300	31100	62900	38200	24700	49700	23400	26300	0	0	0
Total		222900	113900	109100	89200	42600	46600	78500	45700	32800	55000	25400	29600	200	200	100
2010	Inactive	45200	18900	26300	25000	9400	15500	15000	7700	7300	5200	1700	3400	0	0	0
	Unemployed	14700	8700	6000	7700	4300	3400	5000	3300	1700	2000	1100	900	0	0	0
	Employed	162300	85000	77200	55700	27900	27800	60000	36600	23400	46500	20500	26000	0	0	0
Labour force		177000	93700	83300	63400	32200	31200	65100	39900	25100	48500	21600	26900	0	0	0
Total		222100	112600	109500	88300	41600	46800	80100	47700	32400	53600	23300	30300	100	0	0
2011	Inactive	46900	19600	27200	26500	9700	16900	15100	8100	6900	5200	1800	3400	100	100	0
	Unemployed	13600	8000	5600	6700	3900	2800	4300	2800	1500	2500	1200	1300	0	0	0
	Employed	163000	85400	77700	54100	27000	27000	60500	37400	23100	48400	21000	27500	100	0	100
Labour force		176600	93400	83300	60800	31000	29800	64800	40200	24600	51000	22200	28800	100	0	100
Total		223500	113000	110500	87300	40600	46700	79900	48300	31500	56200	24000	32200	100	100	100
2012	Inactive	47700	20700	26900	26700	10300	16400	15500	8600	6900	5300	1800	3600	100	100	0
	Unemployed	11700	6400	5300	6700	3600	3100	3300	1900	1400	1700	900	800	0	0	0
	Employed	165300	86200	79100	52900	26400	26500	60100	37300	22800	52200	22500	29700	100	0	100

	Labour force	177000	92600	84400	59600	30000	29600	63400	39200	24200	54000	23400	30500	100	0	100
	Total	224700	113300	111300	86300	40300	46000	78900	47800	31100	59300	25200	34100	200	100	100
2013	Inactive	45900	19700	26200	25500	10100	15400	14900	7900	7000	5300	1500	3800	200	100	0
	Unemployed	10600	5800	4800	5400	3100	2400	3100	1900	1100	2100	800	1300	0	0	0
	Employed	170900	89200	81700	54500	27500	27000	62800	38100	24700	53500	23600	30000	0	0	0
	Labour force	181500	94900	86500	59900	30500	29400	65800	40000	25800	55600	24400	31300	0	0	0
	Total	227400	114700	112700	85400	40700	44800	80800	48000	32800	61000	25900	35100	200	100	100
2014	Inactive	46800	19400	27400	25800	10000	15900	14300	7100	7200	6600	2300	4400	100	100	0
	Unemployed	9900	5300	4600	4500	2900	1700	3100	1800	1400	2300	700	1600	0	0	0
	Employed	173500	91300	82200	54000	28400	25700	64200	38500	25700	55200	24300	30900	100	100	0
	Labour force	183400	96600	86800	58500	31200	27300	67300	40300	27000	57400	25000	32400	100	100	0
	Total	230200	116000	114200	84300	41200	43200	81600	47400	34200	64100	27200	36800	200	100	0
2015	Inactive	44300	18100	26300	23900	8900	14900	14100	7000	7100	6400	2100	4200	0	0	0
	Unemployed	8500	4400	4100	3800	2100	1800	2700	1600	1100	1900	600	1300	0	0	0
	Employed	180300	95100	85200	53900	29300	24600	67300	40700	26600	59100	25100	33900	100	100	0
	Labour force	188800	99500	89300	57700	31400	26400	70000	42300	27700	61000	25800	35200	200	100	0
	Total	233200	117600	115500	81600	40300	41300	84100	49300	34800	67300	27900	39400	200	100	0
2016	Inactive	42800	16700	26200	20700	8000	12800	15600	7100	8500	6500	1700	4900	0	0	0
	Unemployed	6500	3500	3000	2600	1400	1200	2700	1600	1000	1200	400	800	0	0	0
	Employed	187800	100100	87700	51200	28000	23200	72900	44600	28400	63600	27600	36100	0	0	0
	Labour force	194300	103600	90700	53900	29400	24400	75600	46200	29400	64800	27900	36900	0	0	0
	Total	237200	120300	116900	74600	37400	37200	91200	53300	37900	71400	29600	41700	0	0	0
2017	Inactive	46900	19100	27900	24600	9900	14800	14700	7100	7600	7600	2100	5500	100	0	100
	Unemployed	6400	3500	2900	2900	1700	1300	2200	1200	900	1300	600	700	0	0	0
	Employed	189700	101800	87900	52500	28800	23700	70800	44000	26800	66400	29000	37400	0	0	0
	Labour force	196100	105300	90800	55400	30400	25000	73000	45200	27700	67700	29600	38100	0	0	0
	Total	243100	124400	118700	80100	40300	39800	87700	52400	35300	75300	31700	43500	100	0	100
2018	Inactive	51400	21300	30200	25900	10400	15500	16500	7900	8600	9000	2900	6100	0	0	0
	Unemployed	6200	3400	2800	2700	1600	1100	1900	1100	800	1600	700	900	0	0	0
	Employed	193200	104600	88600	52700	30500	22200	70000	43900	26100	70500	30200	40300	0	0	0
	Labour force	199300	108000	91300	55400	32100	23300	71900	45000	26900	72100	30900	41100	0	0	0
	Total	250800	129300	121500	81300	42500	38800	88400	52900	35500	81100	33900	47200	0	0	0
2019	Inactive	53900	22800	31200	27000	11400	15600	17800	8200	9600	9200	3200	6000	0	0	0
	Unemployed	8000	4700	3200	3100	2200	1000	2800	1700	1100	2000	900	1100	0	0	0
	Employed	195000	105400	89600	50200	29000	21200	71900	44000	27900	72900	32400	40500	0	0	0
	Labour force	202900	110100	92800	53300	31100	22200	74700	45700	29100	74900	33300	41600	0	0	0
	Total	256800	132900	123900	80300	42500	37700	92500	53800	38700	84100	36500	47600	0	0	0
2020	Inactive	59100	25600	33500	28300	11600	16700	19700	9900	9800	11100	4100	7000	0	0	0
	Unemployed	13000	7200	5800	4900	3100	1800	4800	2500	2300	3300	1600	1700	0	0	0
	Employed	189200	102500	86700	46900	27500	19400	69600	41900	27700	72700	33000	39600	0	0	0
	Labour force	202200	109700	92500	51800	30600	21200	74400	44500	30000	75900	34600	41300	0	0	0
	Total	261300	135300	126000	80100	42100	37900	94100	54400	39800	87100	38800	48300	0	0	0
2021	Inactive	56100	24200	31900	24700	10800	13900	20500	9600	10900	10900	3800	7100	0	0	0
	Unemployed	12500	6300	6100	4500	2800	1700	4400	1900	2500	3500	1600	1900	0	0	0
	Employed	195900	106000	89900	43600	26400	17300	73300	44600	28700	79000	35000	44000	0	0	0
	Labour force	208400	112300	96100	48200	29200	19000	77700	46500	31200	82600	36700	45900	0	0	0
	Total	264500	136600	127900	72800	40000	32900	98200	56200	42000	93500	40400	53100	0	0	0
2022	Inactive	54100	23600	30500	23100	9900	13300	20300	10100	10300	10700	3600	7000	0	0	0
	Unemployed	8100	4700	3400	3500	2300	1200	2500	1600	900	2100	900	1300	0	0	0
	Employed	209400	112400	97100	49300	30700	18600	75900	46700	29200	84200	34900	49300	0	0	0
	Labour force	217600	117100	100500	52800	33000	19800	78400	48300	30100	86300	35700	50600	0	0	0
	Total	271700	140700	131000	75900	42900	33000	98800	58400	40400	97000	39400	57600	0	0	0

2023	Inactive	54900	23100	31900	21900	9100	12800	19900	9500	10400	12800	4100	8700	400	300	100
	Unemployed	7600	4700	3000	3100	2100	1100	2500	1300	1100	2000	1200	800	0	0	0
	Employed	219300	119200	100100	49300	31000	18300	80500	50800	29800	89400	37400	52000	100	100	0
	Labour force	226900	123900	103000	52400	33100	19300	83000	52100	30900	91400	38600	52800	200	100	0
	Total	281900	146900	134900	74300	42200	32100	102900	61600	41300	104100	42700	61400	500	500	100

Source: Statistics Iceland Labour force survey.

Changes were made in the collection of information about educational attainment in 2021, so that respondents were asked to confirm if the information available on their education was correct or not.

Labour force includes employment and unemployment.

The relative standard error is over 20% for numbers under 1,000.

All numbers are rounded to the next hundred when greater than 50. Due to rounding, figures may not add up to totals and subtotals.

The data are classified according to the international classification of education ISCED 2011.

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