

AM01025 Labour force and employed 16-66 years by sex and age (2005-2023)

		In number						In pct. of population					
		Labour force			Employed			Labour force			Employed		
		Total (sex)	Males	Females	Total (sex)	Males	Females	Total (sex)	Males	Females	Total (sex)	Males	Females
2005	Total (16-66 years)	27684	15145	12539	26771	14725	12046	90,9	93,1	88,5	87,9	90,5	85,0
	16-24 years	4877	2687	2190	4407	2433	1974	86,7	88,7	84,3	78,3	80,3	76,0
	25-34 years	5263	2981	2282	5074	2901	2173	91,6	94,5	88,1	88,3	92,0	83,9
	25-29 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	30-34 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	35-44 years	6756	3638	3118	6607	3607	3000	98,0	99,3	96,5	95,8	98,4	92,9
	45-54 years	5662	2926	2736	5617	2904	2712	92,5	91,9	93,3	91,8	91,2	92,4
	55-66 years	5125	2913	2212	5065	2878	2187	84,7	89,9	78,6	83,7	88,8	77,7
2006	Total (16-66 years)	28120	15632	12488	27593	15344	12249	91,5	94,9	87,7	89,8	93,1	86,0
	16-24 years	5124	2799	2325	4792	2542	2249	88,3	88,2	88,5	82,6	80,1	85,6
	25-34 years	5346	3124	2222	5346	3124	2222	94,2	100,0	87,0	94,2	100,0	87,0
	25-29 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	30-34 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	35-44 years	6678	3612	3067	6618	3612	3006	97,6	99,4	95,4	96,7	99,4	93,6
	45-54 years	5886	3119	2767	5787	3087	2700	96,0	97,6	94,4	94,4	96,6	92,1
	55-66 years	5087	2979	2108	5050	2979	2072	81,2	88,9	72,2	80,6	88,9	71,0
2007	Total (16-66 years)	27359	14969	12390	26880	14767	12113	88,8	90,8	86,5	87,3	89,6	84,6
	16-24 years	4962	2558	2404	4807	2489	2318	84,4	80,1	89,6	81,8	77,9	86,3
	25-34 years	5004	2811	2192	4976	2811	2164	90,1	92,2	87,6	89,6	92,2	86,5
	25-29 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	30-34 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	35-44 years	6518	3627	2891	6433	3627	2806	95,8	100,0	91,0	94,5	100,0	88,3
	45-54 years	5557	3028	2530	5496	2994	2502	89,7	94,2	84,9	88,7	93,2	83,9
	55-66 years	5319	2945	2373	5169	2845	2324	83,4	86,7	79,7	81,1	83,8	78,0
2008	Total (16-66 years)	28239	15442	12797	27717	15054	12663	90,9	93,1	88,4	89,2	90,8	87,5
	16-24 years	5026	2652	2374	4752	2486	2266	84,0	82,0	86,3	79,4	76,9	82,4
	25-34 years	5095	2939	2156	4967	2811	2156	92,7	97,8	86,7	90,4	93,5	86,7
	25-29 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	30-34 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	35-44 years	6563	3551	3012	6563	3551	3012	97,3	98,9	95,4	97,3	98,9	95,4
	45-54 years	5921	3139	2782	5921	3139	2782	94,1	95,9	92,1	94,1	95,9	92,1
	55-66 years	5634	3161	2473	5514	3067	2448	86,1	90,7	80,8	84,3	88,0	80,0
2009	Total (16-66 years)	27175	14617	12558	26089	13999	12090	88,3	89,1	87,3	84,7	85,3	84,1
	16-24 years	4518	2377	2141	3964	1993	1971	75,8	73,5	78,5	66,5	61,6	72,2
	25-34 years	4515	2483	2032	4322	2407	1915	87,3	88,6	85,7	83,6	85,9	80,8
	25-29 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	30-34 years	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	35-44 years	6459	3512	2947	6428	3512	2915	96,3	98,4	94,0	95,8	98,4	93,0
	45-54 years	6044	3193	2852	5953	3170	2783	94,5	95,6	93,3	93,1	94,9	91,1
	55-66 years	5638	3052	2586	5423	2917	2505	86,1	88,2	83,7	82,8	84,3	81,1
2010	Total (16-66 years)	26930	14809	12121	25172	14018	11154	87,3	90,2	84,1	81,6	85,4	77,4
	16-24 years	4487	2275	2213	3706	1816	1890	75,2	70,7	80,5	62,1	56,4	68,8
	25-34 years	4725	2596	2130	4286	2596	1691	91,4	93,2	89,4	82,9	93,2	70,9

	25-29 years	2611	1413	1198	2591	1400	1191	87,1	86,1	88,3	86,4	85,3	87,8
	30-34 years	3494	1848	1646	3438	1824	1614	94,6	95,3	93,8	93,1	94,1	92,0
	35-44 years	6377	3437	2940	6260	3346	2914	96,1	97,1	95,0	94,4	94,6	94,2
	45-54 years	6354	3444	2910	6328	3428	2900	94,8	96,0	93,5	94,4	95,5	93,2
	55-66 years	6822	3617	3205	6736	3545	3191	88,3	90,4	86,0	87,2	88,6	85,6
2023	Total (16-66 years)	30390	16252	14138	30036	16002	14034	89,5	90,2	88,8	88,5	88,8	88,2
	16-24 years	4926	2631	2295	4795	2529	2266	81,3	81,3	81,3	79,1	78,2	80,2
	25-34 years	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
	25-29 years	2488	1370	1118	2445	1344	1101	86,6	86,1	87,2	85,1	84,5	85,9
	30-34 years	3391	1781	1610	3363	1765	1598	91,4	91,4	91,5	90,7	90,6	90,8
	35-44 years	6437	3447	2990	6395	3426	2969	94,7	95,0	94,2	94,0	94,5	93,6
	45-54 years	6246	3346	2900	6216	3323	2893	93,7	94,0	93,3	93,2	93,3	93,1
	55-66 years	6902	3677	3225	6822	3615	3207	88,1	90,6	85,5	87,1	89,0	85,0

Symbols:

.. : Not available or too uncertain

* : Omitted to prevent doublecount

The unemployment figures are made in accordance with standards of the International Labour Organisation under UN. This ensures that the figures are comparable with similar figures from other

The labour force is given by adding employed and unemployed. Persons neither employed nor unemployed are counted as economically inactive.

The data is compiled from public registers where employed, selv-employed and unemployed are identified. The about 5,000 persons not found in the registers are estimated by surveying 1,000 on them. The labour force survey is conducted in November each year estimating labour force status in the week containing 15 November.

In the survey all that worked for more than 1 hour in the reference week are counted as employed even if remunerated in kind. Those not working are counted as unemployed if they actively seek employment and are available for work within 2 weeks.

Before 2015 the data were not registerbased, but relied solely on surveying the full population 15-74 years.

The unemployment percentages in this survey are not comparable with other unemployment percentages from Statistics Faroe Islands which are based on records from the Unemployment insurance system (ALS) and the Social Affairs office.

year: The figures for 2015-2019 were corrected in 2020

year: 2014: The 2014 figures are estimated

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