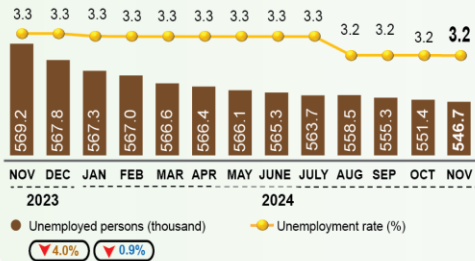MINISTRY OF ECONOMY
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LABOUR FORCE MALAYSIA, NOVEMBER 2024

The unemployment rate remained at 3.2 per cent, recording 546.7 thousand unemployed

UNEMPLOYMENT

THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, MALAYSIA, NOV 2023 - NOV 2024

Unemployment rate (%):
3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2

Unemployed persons (thousand):
569.2 | 567.8 | 567.3 | 567.0 | 566.6 | 566.4 | 566.1 | 565.3 | 563.7 | 558.5 | 555.3 | 551.4 | 546.7

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| 2023 | | 2024 |

- Unemployed persons (thousand)
- Unemployment rate (%)

▼4.0% ▼0.9%

3.2%
November's unemployment rate remained at 3.2 per cent

▼0.1pp ↔0.0pp

Unemployment by category

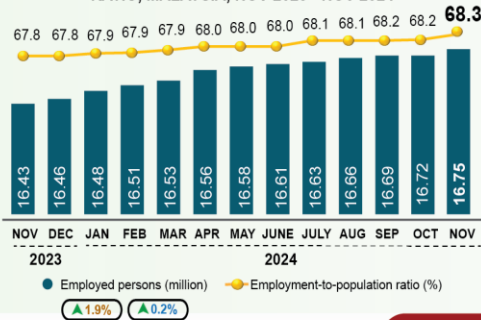**Actively unemployed** **Inactively unemployed**

79.8% | 20.2%

NOV 2024

▼4.0% ▼0.9% → 436.2 thousand | 110.6 thousand ← ▼3.6% ▼0.7%

OCT 2024

440.0 thousand | 111.4 thousand

EMPLOYED PERSONS

THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS AND EMPLOYMENT-TO-POPULATION RATIO, MALAYSIA, NOV 2023 - NOV 2024
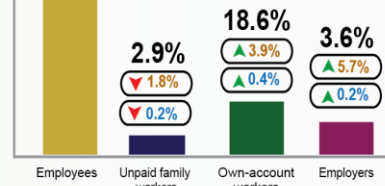
Employment-to-population ratio (%):
67.8 | 67.8 | 67.9 | 67.9 | 67.9 | 68.0 | 68.0 | 68.0 | 68.1 | 68.1 | 68.2 | 68.2 | 68.3

Employed persons (million):
16.43 | 16.46 | 16.48 | 16.51 | 16.53 | 16.56 | 16.58 | 16.61 | 16.63 | 16.66 | 16.69 | 16.72 | 16.75

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- Employed persons (million)
- Employment-to-population ratio (%)
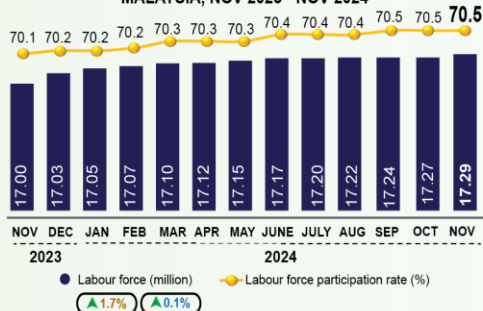
▲1.9% ▲0.2%

Employed persons by status in employment

The total number of employed persons in November 2024 was primarily comprised of the employees' category, accounting for 74.9 per cent

74.9% ▲1.4% ▲0.1% — Employees
2.9% ▼1.8% ▼0.2% — Unpaid family workers
18.6% ▲3.9% ▲0.4% — Own-account workers
3.6% ▲5.7% ▲0.2% — Employers

LABOUR FORCE

LABOUR FORCE AND LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (LFPR), MALAYSIA, NOV 2023 - NOV 2024

Labour force participation rate (%):
70.1 | 70.2 | 70.2 | 70.2 | 70.3 | 70.3 | 70.3 | 70.4 | 70.4 | 70.4 | 70.5 | 70.5 | 70.5

Labour force (million):
17.00 | 17.03 | 17.05 | 17.07 | 17.10 | 17.12 | 17.15 | 17.17 | 17.20 | 17.22 | 17.24 | 17.27 | 17.29

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- Labour force (million)
- Labour force participation rate (%)

▲1.7% ▲0.1%

70.5% ▲0.4pp ↔0.0pp
The labour force participation rate stood at 70.5 per cent as in the preceding month

LFPR by sex

83.3%
56.8%

OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE

The major composition of the outside labour force was the housework/ family responsibilities

OCT 2024 — 7.23 million
NOV 2024 — 7.23 million
▼0.1% ▼0.02%

Housework/ family responsibilities 43.1%

Schooling/ training 42.3%

% Percentage change (year-on-year)
pp Percentage point
% Percentage change (month-on-month)
↔ Unchanged

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