

MALAYSIA LABOUR FORCE

SECOND QUARTER
2025

Second quarter's unemployment rate dropped to **3.0 per cent**,
with the number of unemployed declining to **520.9 thousand persons**



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Q2 2025 17.37 million

Q1 2025: 17.23 million 0.8%

LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE

Q2 2025 70.8%

Q1 2025: 70.7% 0.1pp

LABOUR FORCE AND LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE, MALAYSIA, Q1 2024 - Q2 2025

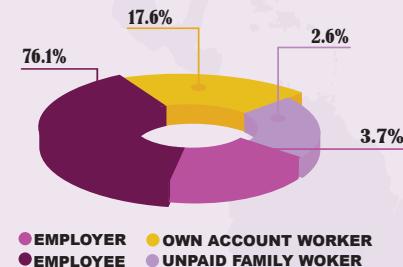


The total number of employed persons edged up by **0.9 per cent** to register **16.85 million persons** in the second quarter of 2025.

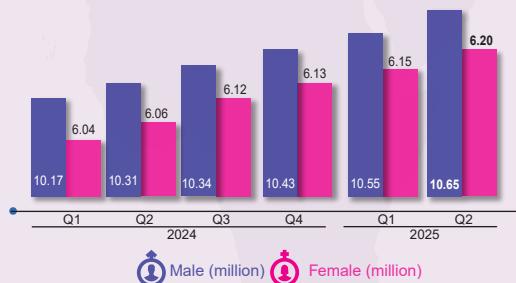
EMPLOYED PERSONS



EMPLOYED PERSONS BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS, MALAYSIA, Q2 2025



EMPLOYED PERSONS BY SEX, MALAYSIA, Q1 2024 - Q1 2025



Q2 2025 16.85 million

Q1 2025: 16.70 million 0.9%



UNEMPLOYMENT



The number of unemployed persons reduced further by **1.0 per cent** to **520.9 thousand persons**, while the unemployed rate improved to **3.0 per cent**

UNEMPLOYED

Q2 2025 520.9 thousand

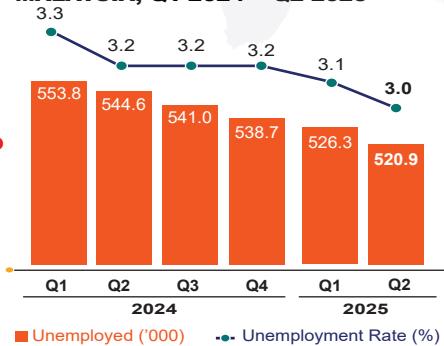
Q1 2025: 526.3 thousand -1.0%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Q2 2025 3.0%

Q1 2025: 3.1% -0.1pp

UNEMPLOYED AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, MALAYSIA, Q1 2024 - Q2 2025



OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE



The number of outside labour force increased by **0.4 per cent** to record **7.15 million persons** in the second quarter of 2025.

OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE

Q2 2025 7.15 million

Q1 2025: 7.13 million 0.4%



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UNEMPLOYMENT

UNEMPLOYMENT BY SEX, MALAYSIA, Q2 2025



UNEMPLOYMENT CATEGORY, MALAYSIA, Q1 2025 & Q2 2025



UNEMPLOYMENT BY AGE GROUP, MALAYSIA, Q1 2025 & Q2 2025



■ Q2 2025 ■ Q1 2025

LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (LFPR) AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (UR) BY STATE, Q1 2025 & Q2 2025

