



MALAYSIA, LABOUR FORCE JULY 2025

The number of unemployed in July increased to 521.6 thousand persons with an unemployment rate of **3.0 per cent**

UNEMPLOYMENT

JULY 2025



The number of unemployed persons

521.6 thousand

Unemployment rate

3.0%

July's unemployment rate remained at 3.0 per cent as of June 2025

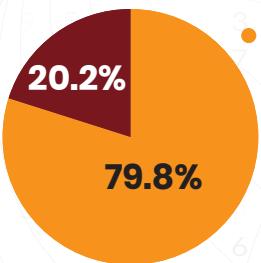
JULY 2024
553.2
thousand

JUNE 2025
518.7
thousand

JULY 2024
3.3%
JUNE 2025
3.0%

Unemployment by category

● Actively unemployed ● Inactively unemployed



● **JULY 2025 : 416.2 thousand**

JUNE 2025 : 414.4 thousand
JULY 2024 : 439.9 thousand

▼-5.4%
▲0.4%

● **JULY 2025 : 105.5 thousand**

JUNE 2025 : 104.3 thousand
JULY 2024 : 113.3 thousand

▼-6.9%
▲1.1%

EMPLOYED PERSONS

JULY 2025



The number of employed persons

16.95 million

Employment-to-population ratio

68.7%

JULY 2024
16.44
million

JUNE 2025
16.92
million

JULY 2024
68.3%
JUNE 2025
68.7%

Employed persons by status in employment

Employees
75.0%

▲3.0%
▲0.1%



Own-account workers
18.9%

▲3.6%
▲0.4%

Employers
3.4%

▲21%
▲0.6%

Unpaid family workers
2.7%

▲3.6%
▼-0.02%

75.0 per cent of the total employed persons were in the **employees' category**

LABOUR FORCE

Labour Force

17.47
million

JULY 2024
17.00
million

JUNE 2025
17.43
million

JULY
2025



Labour Force Participation Rate

70.8%

JULY 2024
70.6%
JUNE 2025
70.8%

JULY
2025



70.8%

The labour force participation rate was unchanged at 70.8 per cent in July 2025, the same as in June

LFPR by sex

Male
83.3%

Female
56.5%

OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE

JUNE 2025
7.18 million

7.09 million

JULY 2024

JULY 2025
7.19 million

▲1.4%
▲0.2%

▲1.4%

▲0.2%

Housework/ family responsibilities was the largest component of the outside labour force

Housework/ family responsibilities
43.7%

Schooling/ training
40.8%

Note :

● Percentage change (year-on-year)

● Percentage change (month-on-month)

● Percentage point

● Unchanged

● Revision based on the current population estimates from the Population and Housing Census of Malaysia 2020

