

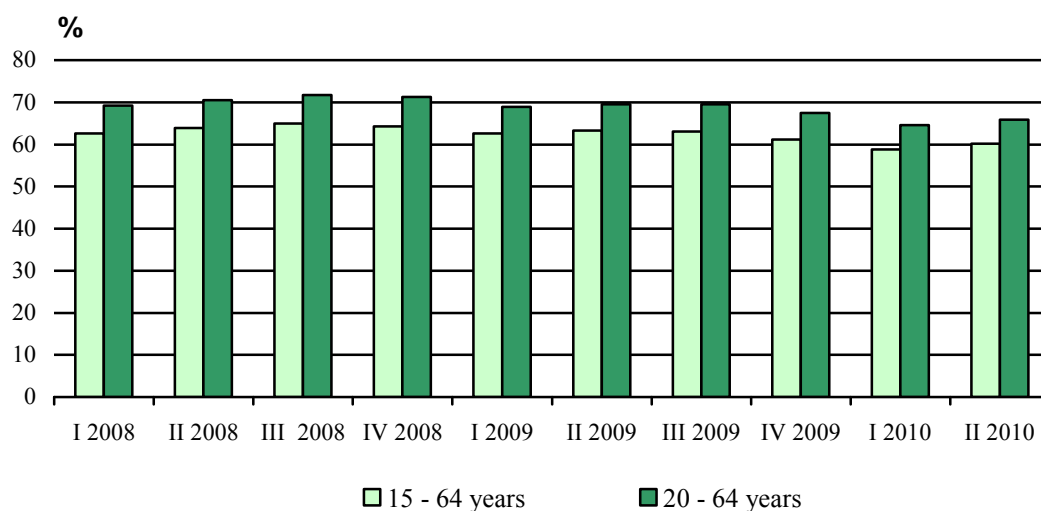
MAIN LABOUR FORCE SURVEY RESULTS SECOND QUARTER 2010

1. Main labour market indicators for the population aged 15 - 64

According to the results from the Labour Force Survey, carried out by the National Statistical Institute in the second quarter of 2010 **the activity rate for population aged 15 - 64** was 66.9%, 71.4% for men and 62.6% for women respectively. Compared to the second quarter of 2009 the activity rate decreased by 0.7 percentage points (by 0.9 percentage points for men and 0.4 percentage points for women respectively).

In the second quarter of 2010 the employment rate for population aged 15 - 64 was 60.2%, 3.1 percentage points lower than in the same quarter one year ago. The employment rate fell by 3.9 percentage points for men and by 2.4 percentage points for women to reach 63.8 и 56.6% respectively.

Figure 1. Employment rate by age group and by quarter



The employment rate for the age group 20 - 64 years (an indicator laid down in the Commission strategy Europe 2020) was 65.9%, by 3.6 percentage points down than in the second quarter of 2009. The male and female employment rate for the same age group was 70.0 and 61.9% respectively.

Between the second quarters of 2009 and 2010 **the employment rate for older people** (aged 55 - 64 years) dropped (by 2.3 percentage points), although less than the total employment rate. At the end of the period concerned it was 44.2%, 51.8% for men and 37.9% for women respectively.

In the second quarter of 2010 **the economically not active population** aged 15 - 64 was 1 664.8 thousand, of which 714.9 thousand men and 950.0 thousand women. The inactivity rate was 33.1% (28.6% for men and 37.4% for women).



Discouraged persons aged 15 - 64 were 217.4 thousand, which was by 46.4 thousand up compared to the second quarter of 2009.

2. Main characteristics of the employed persons aged 15 and over

In the second quarter of 2010 the total number of **employed persons aged 15 and over** was 3 072.1 thousand and had a relative share of 47.0% of population of the same age. In comparison with the second quarter of 2009 their number decreased by 6.9% as the decrease was higher for men - by 7.6%, than for women - by 6.2%. For the same period the total employment rate went down by 3.1 percentage points, 3.8 percentage points for men and 2.5 percentage points for women respectively.

Of the total number of employed 3.8% were employers, 8.1% - self-employed without employees, 86.9% - employees, and 1.2% - unpaid family workers.

Of all employees 1 939.3 thousand (72.6%) were working in the private sector, and 730.7 thousand (27.4%) - in the public sector. Among employees in the private sector the share of men was predominant - 54.9%, while in the public sector 57.5% of employees were females.

In the second quarter of 2010 more than a half of the total number of employed persons - 1 816.2 thousand (59.1%), were engaged in the Service sector, in the Industry - 1 031.8 thousand (33.6%), and in the Agriculture and forestry sector - 224.0 thousand (7.3%).

3. Unemployment

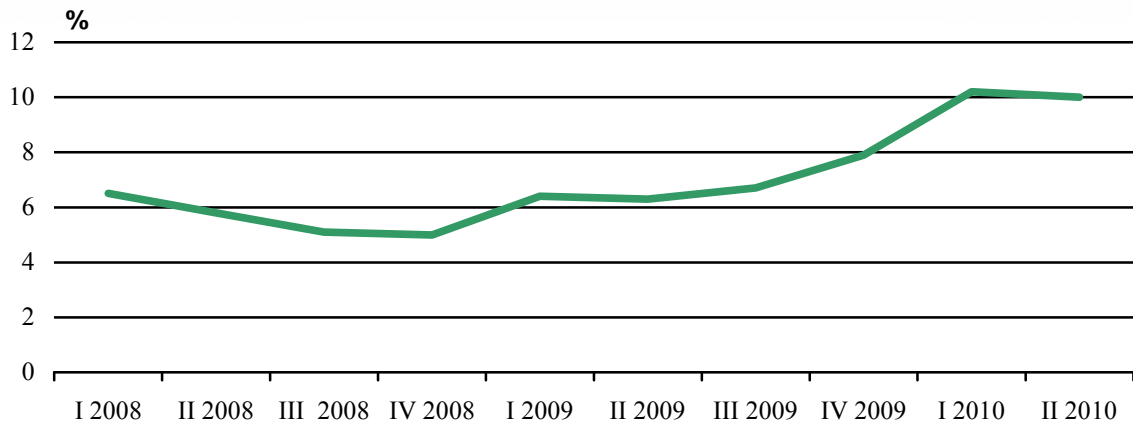
In the second quarter of 2010 the number of **unemployed persons** was 342.2 thousand and the **unemployment rate** - 10.0%. Compared to the same quarter of 2009 the number of unemployed went up by 119.6 thousand and the unemployment rate increased by 3.7 percentage points.

The unemployment growth was larger for men than for women (the unemployment rate rose by 4.2 and 3.0 percentage points respectively), and in the second quarter of 2010 the male unemployment rate (10.5%) surpassed the female unemployment rate (9.4%) by more than one percentage point.

The young unemployed (15 - 24 years of age) were 58.0 thousand, and the youth unemployment rate reached 21.2%, 22.0% for men and 20.1% for women respectively.

Between the second quarters of 2009 and 2010 an increase of the number of people unemployed for less than a year was observed. This number went up by 57.7% to 193.9 thousand, representing 56.7% of total unemployed. For the period concerned the number of long-term unemployed also rose (by 48.8%) to 148.3 thousand, accounting for 43.3% of all unemployed. The long-term unemployment rate went up by 1.4 percentage points and achieved 4.3%.

Figure 2. Unemployment rate by quarter



METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

The Labour Force Survey (LFS) is a continuous sample survey providing quarterly and annual data on the economic activity of the population aged 15 and over. The survey covers non-institutional households.

Reference period - the characteristics of each interviewee refer to his/her status during a defined calendar week.

Economically active population (labour force) comprises of all employed and unemployed persons.

Employed are persons aged 15 and over who during the reference period:

- performed some work for at least one hour for pay in cash or in kind or other income;
- did not work but had a job or an enterprise, a business from which they were temporarily absent due to illness, annual leave, full-paid maternity leave, parental leave, strike or another labour dispute, etc.

Unemployed are persons aged 15 to 74 who:

- did not work at all during the reference period;
- were actively seeking work within the preceding four weeks, including the reference one or have found a new job or business that is expected to start within 3 months following the reference period;
- were available to start working within two weeks following the reference period.

Long-term unemployed are persons who have been unemployed for one or more years.

Economically inactive population (persons not in the labour force) includes persons aged 15 and over who were neither employed, nor unemployed during the reference period.



Discouraged persons are persons not in the labour force who want to work but they do not actively look for a job, because they do not believe they will find one.

Activity rate - ratio between the economically active population and the total population of the same age group.

Employment rate - ratio between the employed population and the total population of the same age group.

Unemployment rate - ratio between the unemployed persons and the economically active population.

Long-term unemployment rate - ratio between the long-term unemployed persons and the economically active population.

Inactivity rate - ratio between the economically inactive population and the total population of the same age group.

The distribution of the employed persons by economic sector is done in accordance with the Classification of Economic Activities - 2008.

For the assessment of the results the current demographic data as of 31 December 2009 for the total population are used.

As in all sample surveys data from the labour force survey are subject of errors due to the sample (stochastic errors). The calculated relative standard errors for the main LFS indicators for the second quarter of 2010 are as follows:

- total number of employed - 1.3%;
- total number of unemployed - 3.8%;
- unemployment rate - 3.5%.

Because of the rounding of the figures some of the totals (rows and columns) are not equal to the sum of the components.



APPENDIX

Table 1

MAIN LABOUR MARKET INDICATORS,
SECOND QUARTER OF 2009 AND 2010

	Second quarter 2009	Second quarter 2010	Change (second quarter 2010 minus second quarter 2009)
Total			
Activity rate (15 - 64) - %	67.6	66.9	-0.7
Employed persons aged 15 and over - thousands	3300.1	3072.1	-228.0
Employed persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	3249.2	3032.2	-217.0
Employed persons aged 15 - 24 - thousands	247.3	215.3	-32.0
Employed persons aged 20 - 64 - thousands	3220.7	3011.6	-209.1
Employed persons aged 55 - 64 - thousands	459.9	425.9	-34.0
Employment rate (15 and over) - %	50.1	47.0	-3.1
Employment rate (15 - 64) - %	63.3	60.2	-3.1
Employment rate (15 - 24) - %	25.5	23.1	-2.4
Employment rate (20 - 64) - %	69.5	65.9	-3.6
Employment rate (55 - 64) - %	46.5	44.2	-2.3
Unemployed persons - total - thousands	222.6	342.2	119.6
Unemployed persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	221.2	339.8	118.6
Unemployed persons aged 15 - 24 - thousands	42.3	58.0	15.7
Unemployment rate - %	6.3	10.0	3.7
Unemployment rate (15 - 64) - %	6.4	10.1	3.7
Unemployment rate (15 - 24) - %	14.6	21.2	6.6
Long-term unemployment rate - %	2.9	4.3	1.4
Discouraged persons - total - thousands	173.0	219.4	46.4
Discouraged persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	171.0	217.4	46.4



Table 1

**MAIN LABOUR MARKET INDICATORS,
SECOND QUARTER OF 2009 AND 2010**

(Continued)

	Second quarter 2009	Second quarter 2010	Change (second quarter 2010 minus second quarter 2009)
Male			
Activity rate (15 - 64) - %	72.3	71.4	-0.9
Employed persons aged 15 and over - thousands	1754.5	1621.7	-132.8
Employed persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	1721.1	1595.0	-126.1
Employed persons aged 15 - 24 - thousands	140.4	126.8	-13.6
Employed persons aged 20 - 64 - thousands	1704.3	1582.4	-121.9
Employed persons aged 55 - 64 - thousands	244.1	227.9	-16.2
Employment rate (15 and over) - %	55.6	51.8	-3.8
Employment rate (15 - 64) - %	67.7	63.8	-3.9
Employment rate (15 - 24) - %	28.2	26.5	-1.7
Employment rate (20 - 64) - %	74.7	70.0	-4.7
Employment rate (55 - 64) - %	54.4	51.8	-2.6
Unemployed persons - total - thousands	117.3	191.1	73.8
Unemployed persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	116.2	189.9	73.7
Unemployed persons aged 15 - 24 - thousands	27.7	35.7	8.0
Unemployment rate - %	6.3	10.5	4.2
Unemployment rate (15 - 64) - %	6.3	10.6	4.3
Unemployment rate (15 - 24) - %	16.5	22.0	5.5
Long-term unemployment rate - %	2.5	4.6	2.1
Discouraged persons - total - thousands	88.8	114.7	25.9
Discouraged persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	87.7	113.5	25.8



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**MAIN LABOUR MARKET INDICATORS,
SECOND QUARTER OF 2009 AND 2010**

(Continued and end)

	Second quarter 2009	Second quarter 2010	Change (second quarter 2010 minus second quarter 2009)
Female			
Activity rate (15 - 64) - %	63.0	62.6	-0.4
Employed persons aged 15 and over - thousands	1545.6	1450.3	-95.3
Employed persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	1528.0	1437.2	-90.8
Employed persons aged 15 - 24 - thousands	107.0	88.5	-18.5
Employed persons aged 20 - 64 - thousands	1516.4	1429.2	-87.2
Employed persons aged 55 - 64 - thousands	215.8	198.0	-17.8
Employment rate (15 and over) - %	45.1	42.6	-2.5
Employment rate (15 - 64) - %	59.0	56.6	-2.4
Employment rate (15 - 24) - %	22.7	19.5	-3.2
Employment rate (20 - 64) - %	64.5	61.9	-2.6
Employment rate (55 - 64) - %	40.0	37.9	-2.1
Unemployed persons - total - thousands	105.2	151.1	45.9
Unemployed persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	105.1	150.0	44.9
Unemployed persons aged 15 - 24 - thousands	14.6	22.3	7.7
Unemployment rate - %	6.4	9.4	3.0
Unemployment rate (15 - 64) - %	6.4	9.4	3.0
Unemployment rate (15 - 24) - %	12.0	20.1	8.1
Long-term unemployment rate - %	3.3	4.1	0.8
Discouraged persons - total - thousands	84.2	104.7	20.5
Discouraged persons aged 15 - 64 - thousands	83.4	103.9	20.5