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PERSONS IN PAID EMPLOYMENT, BY ACTIVITIES, MAY 2025

In May 2025, the total number of persons in employment in the Republic of Croatia was 1 731 610, out of which 804 581 were women. Compared to April 2025, the total number of persons in employment increased by **1.7%** and the number of employed women by 1.8%. Compared to the same month of the previous year, the total number of persons in employment increased in May 2025 by 1.0% and the number of employed women by 1.4%. In the period from January to May 2025, as compared to the same period of the previous year, the total number of persons in employment increased by 1.6% and the number of employed women by 1.9%.

In May 2025, the total number of persons in paid employment in legal entities in the Republic of Croatia amounted to 1 489 145, out of which 704 222 were women. Compared to April 2025, the total number of persons in paid employment in legal entities, as well as the number of employed women, increased by **1.4%**. The number of persons in paid employment in legal entities in May 2025, as compared to the same month of the previous year, increased by 0.8% and the number of employed women by 1.3%. In the period from January to May 2025, as compared to the same period of the previous year, the number of persons in paid employment in legal entities increased by 1.4% and the number of employed women by 1.8%.

In May 2025, as compared to the previous month, the number of persons in employment in trade and crafts and free lances increased by 3.7% and the number of employed women by 4.1%. The total number of employed insured persons – private farmers increased by 4.6% and the number of employed female farmers by 4.5%.

The total number of unemployed persons decreased by 10.1% and the number of unemployed women by 10.3% in May 2025, as compared to April 2025. The total registered unemployment rate in May 2025 was **4.1%** and for women it was 4.6%.

Detailed data by activities can be downloaded on the link [Statistics in Line](#).

1 LABOUR FORCE OF REPUBLIC OF CROATIA, ACCORDING TO ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCES AND BY SEX

	IV 2025		V 2025		Indices					
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	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
Active population (labour force)	1 783 463	833 738	1 804 841	843 354	101,2	101,2	100,2	100,1	100,4	100,1
Total persons in employment	1 701 966	790 512	1 731 610	804 581	101,7	101,8	101,0	101,4	101,6	101,9
Persons in paid employment in legal entities ¹⁾	1 468 293	694 159	1 489 145	704 222	101,4	101,4	100,8	101,3	101,4	101,8
Persons in employment in crafts and trades and free lances ²⁾	216 160	90 885	224 149	94 647	103,7	104,1	102,3	102,1	103,4	103,0
Employed insured persons – private farmers ²⁾	17 513	5 468	18 316	5 712	104,6	104,5	101,4	101,0	97,5	97,0
Unemployed persons ³⁾	81 497	43 226	73 231	38 773	89,9	89,7	82,9	79,0	82,5	77,0
Registered unemployment rate ⁴⁾ , %	4,6	5,2	4,1	4,6						

1) The results of processing data from JOPPD forms. The data for April and May 2025 are provisional.

2) The data were taken over from the records of active insured persons kept at the Croatian Pension Insurance Institute.

3) The data were taken over from the Croatian Employment Service.

4) The registered unemployment rate is calculated as the ratio of unemployed persons to the total active population (labour force).

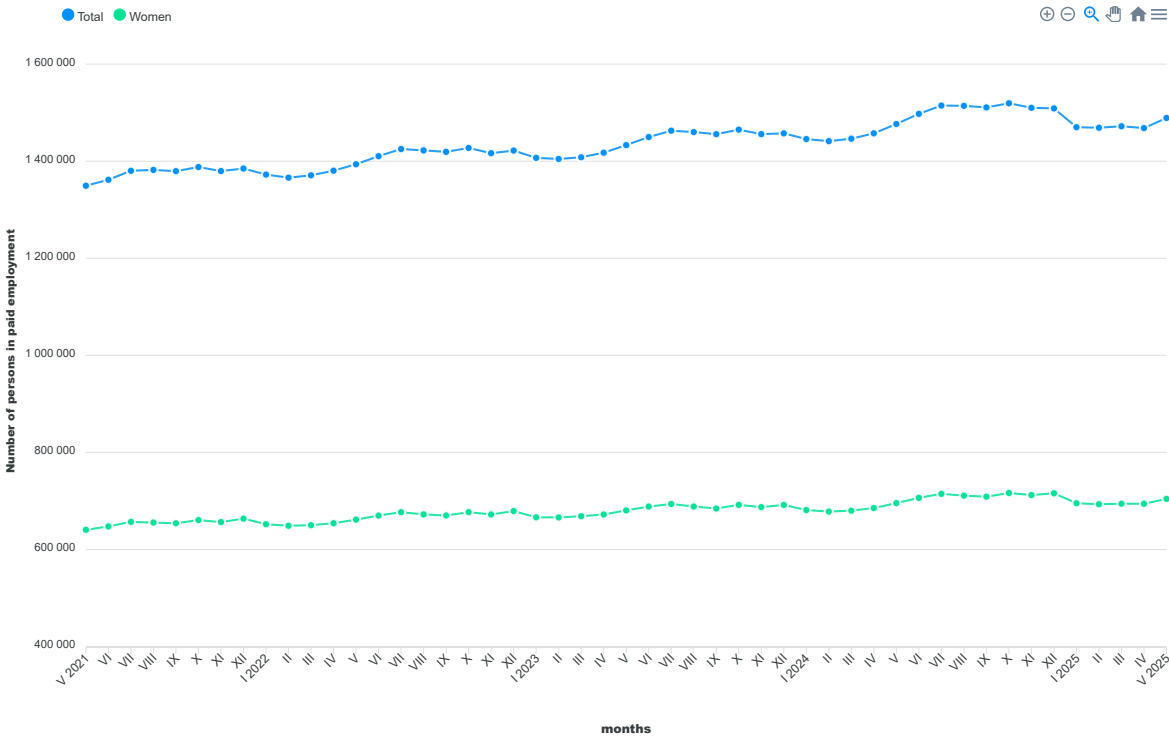
2 INDICES OF CHANGE IN NUMBER OF PERSONS IN PAID EMPLOYMENT IN LEGAL ENTITIES, ACCORDING TO NKD 2007¹⁾ AND BY SEX, MAY 2025

	Number of persons in paid employment, May 2025 ²⁾		Indices					
			V 2025 IV 2025		V 2025 V 2024		I – V 2025 I – V 2024	
	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
Total	1 489 145	704 222	101,4	101,4	100,8	101,3	101,4	101,8
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	25 329	7 042	101,1	101,6	97,0	94,7	97,0	94,1
B Mining and quarrying	3 824	480	100,5	100,6	101,2	98,4	101,6	98,5
C Manufacturing	229 717	77 651	100,1	100,2	97,1	95,6	97,8	96,3
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	14 653	3 408	100,0	100,1	101,4	103,6	101,1	103,3
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	27 523	6 037	100,3	100,3	102,0	101,9	101,9	101,8
F Construction	129 962	13 924	101,8	103,1	101,7	103,3	102,4	103,3
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	226 433	124 663	100,8	100,7	100,4	100,4	100,9	100,7
H Transportation and storage	84 101	19 107	100,4	101,2	102,4	101,4	103,9	101,6
I Accommodation and food service activities	95 574	48 970	113,6	113,4	100,4	99,1	100,5	99,3
J Information and communication	60 175	21 476	99,5	99,7	100,2	99,6	101,3	100,9
K Financial and insurance activities	35 890	24 544	100,0	99,9	99,6	99,1	99,7	99,3
L Real estate activities	10 254	5 094	102,0	103,5	99,7	103,2	97,5	99,2
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	72 965	36 532	99,7	100,2	99,2	99,5	100,2	100,3
N Administrative and support service activities	60 270	26 419	104,2	104,1	99,7	97,4	99,4	97,3
O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	114 791	61 705	100,4	100,3	103,9	107,5	104,7	109,4
P Education	132 023	106 783	100,5	100,4	102,9	103,1	102,5	102,8
Q Human health and social work activities	113 104	88 296	100,1	100,0	104,3	104,5	105,1	105,4
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	30 026	16 696	101,8	101,7	103,4	103,3	103,6	103,2
S Other service activities	22 531	15 395	102,5	102,1	104,7	106,3	108,3	112,0

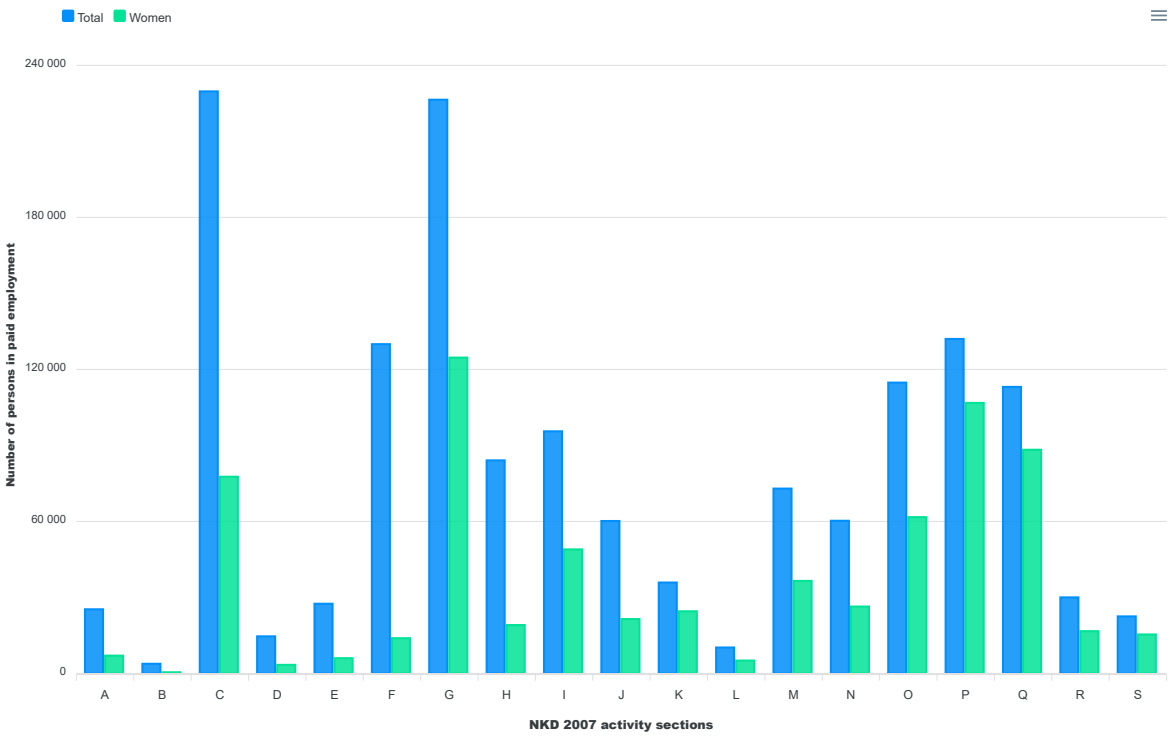
1) Activity sections T (Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use) and U (Activities of extraterritorial organisations and bodies) as well as their divisions are not presented in this First Release since they were not covered by the survey.

2) Provisional data.

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G-2 PERSONS IN PAID EMPLOYMENT, ACCORDING TO NKD 2007, MAY 2025



NKD 2007 activity sections

- A Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- B Mining and quarrying
- C Manufacturing
- D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
- E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities
- F Construction
- G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles
- H Transportation and storage
- I Accommodation and food service activities
- J Information and communication
- K Financial and insurance activities
- L Real estate activities
- M Professional, scientific and technical activities
- N Administrative and support service activities
- O Public administration and defence; compulsory social security
- P Education
- Q Human health and social work activities
- R Arts, entertainment and recreation
- S Other service activities

NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Data sources

Data on persons in employment in legal entities were gathered by processing data from the Report on Income, Income Tax and Surtax as well as Contributions for Mandatory Insurances (JOPPD form), which has been in effect since 1 January 2014.

All persons or entities that are the payers of income for which the income tax regulations prescribe the obligation of accounting and paying deduction tax are under the obligation to submit the JOPPD form.

Data on persons in employment in crafts and trades and free lances are processed according to the records on pension insurance beneficiaries obtained from the Croatian Institute for Pension Insurance.

The Croatian Institute for Pension Insurance provides data on employed insured persons – private farmers.

Data on the number of unemployed persons are obtained from the Croatian Employment Service.

Coverage and comparability

The survey on persons in paid employment in legal entities includes all persons who have signed a work contract, regardless of the type of work contract and whether they work full-time or less than full-time.

The survey on persons in crafts and trades and free lances includes owners and employees registered with the Croatian Institute for Pension Insurance.

Definitions

Persons in paid employment are all persons who have signed a work contract with an employer for a fixed or an unspecified period of time, irrespective of the type of ownership and of whether they work full-time or less than full-time.

Registered unemployment rate is calculated as a ratio of the number of unemployed persons to the total active population (labour force).

Abbreviations

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