

# Informations Rapides



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## Main indicators

■ ILO unemployment rate and labour market indicators: results of the Labour Force Survey in Q3 2011

## Increase in the unemployment rate in Q3 2011

### • The unemployment rate

#### The unemployment rate increased in Q3 2011

In Q3 2011, the average ILO unemployment rate in metropolitan France and overseas departments stood at 9.7% of the active population.

In metropolitan France only, 9.2% of the active population was unemployed, i.e. 2.6 million people. The unemployment rate increased by 0.2 point q-o-q.

More generally, in metropolitan France, 3.4 million people did not work but **would like to work**, whether they are available or not for work within two weeks, or whether they look actively for a job or not (see additional indicators on the internet).

### Ilo-unemployment rate in metropolitan France

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter - Metropolitan France

	ILO-unemployment rate (%)		Variation in point		Thousands 2011Q 3 (p)*
	2011 Q2	2011Q 3 (p)*	over quarter	over year	
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,1</b>	<b>9,3</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>2 631</b>
15-24 years	21,7	21,6	-0,1	-2,1	613
25-49 years	8,3	8,4	0,1	0,1	1 534
50 years and more	6,3	6,6	0,3	0,3	484
<b>Men</b>	<b>8,7</b>	<b>8,8</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>-0,2</b>	<b>1 306</b>
15-24 years	21,1	20,6	-0,5	-2,4	320
25-49 years	7,7	7,9	0,2	0,1	747
50 years and more	6,1	6,3	0,2	0,2	240
<b>Women</b>	<b>9,6</b>	<b>9,8</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>1 325</b>
15-24 years	22,5	22,8	0,3	-1,8	294
25-49 years	8,9	9,1	0,2	0,4	787
50 years and more	6,5	6,8	0,3	0,2	244

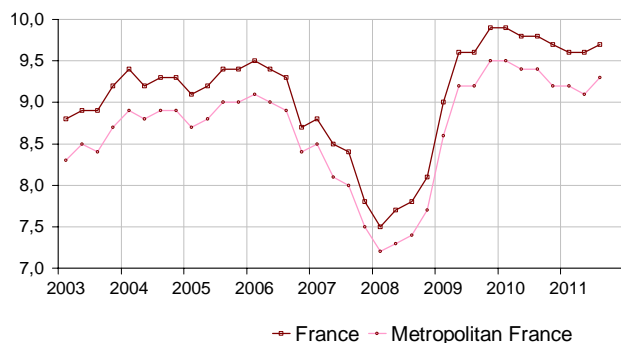
\*(p) = provisional results

Covers the population of people living in households in metropolitan France, people aged 15 years or more

Source: INSEE, Labour Force Survey

### ILO-unemployment rate

seasonally adjusted, average over quarter, %



Estimation close to +/-0.3 point of the unemployment rate Estimation close to +/-0.3 point of the quarterly variation of the unemployment rate France = Metropolitan France + overseas departments Covers the population of people living in households, people aged 15 years or more  
Source: INSEE, Labour Force Survey

### • ILO employment and activity

The employment rate of the population aged 15-64 years slightly decreased by 0.1 point in Q3 2011 as well as in the previous year. It is of 63.8% in Q3 2011.

#### Permanent and temporary contract employment rate (15-64 years)

seasonally adjusted, average over quarter, %



Covers the population of people living in households, people aged 15-64 years

Source: INSEE, Labour Force Survey

Permanent contracts are stable in Q3 2011, at 48.8% of the population aged 15-64. Temporary contracts are also stable, at 6.7%.

### ILO employment, unemployment and activity in the population aged 15-64 years

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter - Metropolitan France

	% of people in the age group		Variation in point		Thousands (1)
	2011 Q2	2011 Q3 (p)*	Over quarter	Over year	
<b>Employed people (15-64 years)</b>	<b>63,9</b>	<b>63,8</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>25 565</b>
<i>Full-time equivalent employment rate</i>	59,5	59,4	-0,1	0,0	23 810
Men aged 15-64	68,2	68,2	0,0	0,0	13 431
Women aged 15-64	59,6	59,6	0,0	-0,1	12 134
15-24 years	30,4	30,0	-0,4	0,2	2 225
25-49 years	81,7	81,5	-0,2	-0,6	16 666
50-64 years	54,2	54,8	0,6	0,8	6 674
<i>Included : 55-64 years</i>	40,9	41,5	0,6	1,6	3 327
Core employment rate of 55-64 years	40,9	41,4	0,5	1,9	
<b>Unemployed persons (15-64 years)</b>	<b>6,5</b>	<b>6,6</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>2 624</b>
Men aged 15-64	6,6	6,6	0,0	-0,2	1 304
Women aged 15-64	6,4	6,5	0,1	0,0	1 320
15-24 years	8,4	8,3	-0,1	-1,0	613
25-49 years	7,4	7,5	0,1	0,1	1 534
50-64 years	3,7	3,9	0,2	0,2	477
<i>Included : 55-64 years</i>	2,8	3,0	0,2	0,1	243
<b>Active people (15-64 years)</b>	<b>70,3</b>	<b>70,4</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>28 189</b>
Men aged 15-64	74,8	74,8	0,0	-0,2	14 736
Women aged 15-64	66,0	66,1	0,1	-0,1	13 454
15-24 years	38,9	38,3	-0,6	-0,7	2 838
25-49 years	89,1	89,0	-0,1	-0,5	18 200
50-64 years	57,9	58,7	0,8	1,0	7 151
<i>Included : 55-64 years</i>	43,8	44,5	0,7	1,7	3 570
Active life expectancy of 55-64 years (years)	4,4	4,5	0,1	0,3	

\*(p) = provisional results

Covers the population of people living in households in metropolitan France, people aged 15 years or more

(1) those data cover the people who are 15-64 years old. They are a little bit different of the data in table 1 (which covers the total population).

Source: INSEE, Labour Force Survey

#### More:

- An **unemployed person for the International Labour Office (ILO)** is a person in age to work (15 years or more) who did not work, even one hour, during the reference week, who is available to work within two weeks and who looked actively for a job in the previous month (or has found an employment which begins in three months). The **part of the unemployed persons within the total population** differs and is lower than the **unemployment rate**, which is the ratio between the number of unemployed people and the number of active people (employment + unemployment).

- The **employment rate** is the ratio between employed people and the total population. The **full-time employment rate (or part-time employment rate)** is the ratio between full-time (or part-time) employed people and the total population. The **full time equivalent employment rate** is the ratio between the number of jobs converted into full-time and the total population. The **core employment rate** is the arithmetic average of employment rates by age detail. It permit to erase the demographic weight of mixed age groups.

- The **activity rate** is the ratio between active people (employed + unemployed) and the total population. The **active life expectancy** represents the average duration of activity in years of a fictitious generation subject to the conditions of activity of the period. It is independent of demographic structure.

- The **underemployment for the ILO** covers the persons who have a part-time job, who wish to work more hours during the reference week, and who are available to do it, whether they are looking for a job or not (**unwanted part-time**). Are also included in the underemployment the persons having involuntarily worked less than usually (slack work).

- Some additional indicators are available on the internet (long time datas, methodology ...): see <http://www.insee.fr/fr/themes/info-rapide.asp?id=14>

- Historical data are available on the BDM : : [G688](#), [G699](#), [G701](#), [G705](#), [G842](#), [G982](#).

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The **full time equivalent employment rate** was lower by 4 points than the employment rate: it stood at 59.4% on average in Q3 2011.

The **activity rate** of the 15-64 years was 70.4%.

### Slack work increased slightly

In Q3 2011, 5.3% of the persons employed were **underemployed**. Slack work increased by 0.2 point, at 0.4%.

The **unwanted part-time** was 4.9% of the employed (see additional indicators on the internet).

### ILO underemployment

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter - Metropolitan France

	ILO underemployment rate (%)		Variation in point		Thousands 2011 Q3 (p)*
	2011 Q2	2011 Q3 (p)*	Over a quarter	Over a year	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,1</b>	<b>5,3</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>1 361</b>
<i>Included : slack work</i>	0,2	0,4	0,2	0,1	111
Women	7,8	8,0	0,2	-0,6	976
Men	2,7	2,8	0,1	-0,2	385

\*(p) = provisional results

Covers the population of people living in households in metropolitan France, people aged 15 years or more

Source : INSEE, Labour Force Survey

#### • Revision

The ILO unemployment rate of Q2 2011 is not revised compared to the temporary publication of September 2011.

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