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CONJONCTURE

Main indicators

■ ILO unemployment rate and labour market indicators: results of the Labour Force Survey in Q3 2012

New unemployment rate increase in Q3 2012

• Unemployment rate

The unemployment rate increased by 0.1 point in Q3 2012 in metropolitan France

In Q3 2012, the average ILO unemployment rate in metropolitan France and overseas departments stood at 10.3% of the active population.

In **metropolitan France** only, with 2.8 million unemployed people, 9.9% of the active population was unemployed. The unemployment rate increased by 0.1 point q-o-q after an increase of 0.2 in Q2 2012.

More generally, in metropolitan France, 3.6 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 2012Q 3 (p)*
	2012 Q2	2012Q 3 (p)*	over quarter	over year	
Total	9,8	9,9	0,1	0,7	2 826
15-24 years	22,8	24,2	1,4	2,8	671
25-49 years	9,0	8,9	-0,1	0,5	1 623
50 years and more	6,8	6,9	0,1	0,4	533
Men	9,6	9,7	0,1	1,0	1 453
15-24 years	23,4	23,8	0,4	3,6	365
25-49 years	8,6	8,6	0,0	0,8	818
50 years and more	6,5	6,8	0,3	0,5	271
Women	10,0	10,0	0,0	0,3	1 373
15-24 years	22,0	24,6	2,6	1,8	306
25-49 years	9,6	9,3	-0,3	0,3	805
50 years and more	7,1	7,0	-0,1	0,2	262

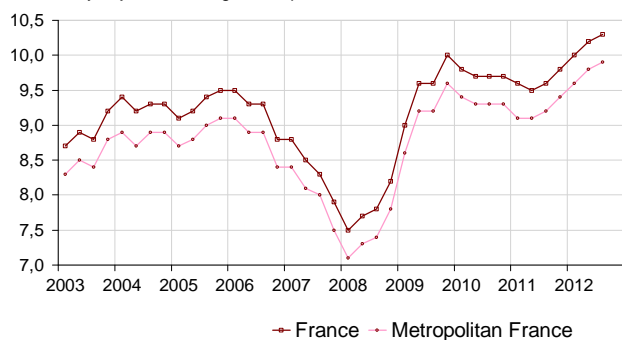
*(p) = provisional results

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 was steady in Q3 2012 and stood at 63.9%.

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 increased by 0.2 point in Q3 2012, at 49.1% of the population aged 15-64. This rise comes from the employment rate rise in the population aged 50-64 years, more often in permanent contracts.

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)
	2012Q2	2012Q3 (p)*	Over quarter	Over year	2012Q3 (p)*
Employed people (15-64 years)	63,9	63,9	0,0	0,1	25 564
Full-time equivalent employment rate	59,4	59,5	0,1	0,1	23 800
Men aged 15-64	67,9	68,0	0,1	-0,2	13 381
Women aged 15-64	59,9	59,9	0,0	0,3	12 182
15-24 years	29,1	28,4	-0,7	-1,4	2 106
25-49 years	80,9	80,9	0,0	-0,6	16 511
50-64 years	56,4	57,0	0,6	2,1	6 947
Included : 55-64 years	43,7	44,9	1,2	3,2	3 598
Core employment rate of 55-64 years	43,7	44,7	1,0	3,1	
Unemployed persons (15-64 years)	7,0	7,1	0,1	0,6	2 822
Men aged 15-64	7,2	7,4	0,2	0,9	1 451
Women aged 15-64	6,7	6,7	0,0	0,2	1 370
15-24 years	8,6	9,1	0,5	1,0	671
25-49 years	8,0	8,0	0,0	0,5	1 623
50-64 years	4,2	4,3	0,1	0,4	528
Included : 55-64 years	3,4	3,5	0,1	0,5	277
Active people (15-64 years)	70,8	71,0	0,2	0,7	28 385
Men aged 15-64	75,2	75,4	0,2	0,7	14 833
Women aged 15-64	66,6	66,6	0,0	0,5	13 553
15-24 years	37,7	37,5	-0,2	-0,4	2 777
25-49 years	88,9	88,8	-0,1	-0,1	18 134
50-64 years	60,7	61,3	0,6	2,5	7 475
Included : 55-64 years	47,1	48,3	1,2	3,6	3 875
Active life expectancy of 55-64 years (years)	4,7	4,8	0,1	0,3	

*(p) = provisional results

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(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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Temporary contracts slightly decreased by 0.1 point and stood at 6.6%.

The **full time equivalent employment rate** was lower by 4 points than the employment rate: it stood at 59.5% on average in Q3 2012.

The **activity rate** of the 15-64 years increased by 0.3 point, at 71.0%.

Slight decrease in underemployment

In Q3 2012, 5.1% of the persons employed were **underemployed**, falling by 0.3 point. Slack work slightly decreased at 0.3%.

The **unwanted part-time** was 4.8% 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
	2012 Q2	2012Q 3 (p)*	Over a quarter	Over a year	2012Q 3 (p)*
Total	5,4	5,1	-0,3	-0,2	1 322
Included : slack work	0,5	0,3	-0,2	-0,1	70
Women	7,9	7,9	0,0	-0,1	962
Men	3,0	2,7	-0,3	-0,2	360

*(p) = provisional results

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Source : INSEE, Labour Force Survey

• Revision

The ILO unemployment rate of Q2 2012 upgraded by 0.1 point with regard to the temporary publication of September 2012.