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Main indicators

ILO unemployment rate and labour market indicators: results of the Labour Force Survey in Q3 2014

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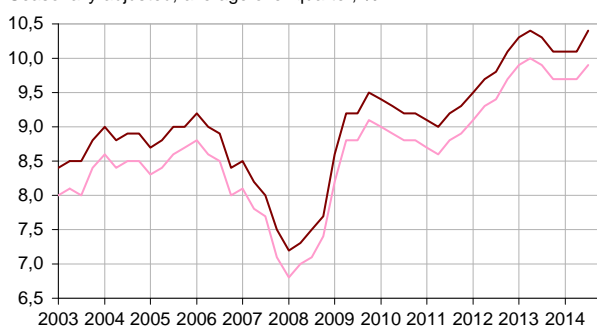
• Unemployment rate

The unemployment rate increased in Q3 2014

In Q3 2014, the average ILO unemployment rate in metropolitan France and overseas departments stood at 10.4%, after 10.1% in Q2 2014. In **metropolitan France** only, with 2.8 million people, 9.9% of the active population was unemployed. The unemployment rate increased by 0.2 percentage points q-o-q in metropolitan France, and returned back to its Q3 2013 level.

ILO-unemployment rate

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter, %



— France — Metropolitan France

Estimation close to +/-0.3 point of the level of unemployment rate and of its quarterly variations
Covers the population of people living in households, people aged 15 years or more
Source: INSEE, Labour Force Survey

Among inactive people, 1.4 million wish to work but they are not considered as unemployed: they are part of the **unemployment's halo**. The number of people in the unemployment's halo rose by 40,000 in Q3 2014, and by 70,000 over the year.

ILO-unemployment rate in metropolitan France

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter

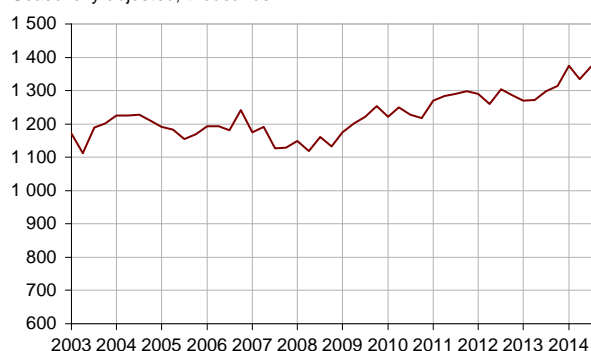
	ILO-unemployment rate (%)		Variation in point		Thousands 2014Q3 (p)*
	2014 Q2	2014Q3 (p)*	over quarter	over year	
Total	9.7	9.9	0.2	0.0	2 841
15-24 years	22.7	23.7	1.0	-0.1	635
25-49 years	9.1	9.3	0.2	0.1	1 674
50 years and more	6.5	6.7	0.2	0.1	532
Men	9.9	10.1	0.2	0.0	1 502
15-24 years	23.8	24.4	0.6	0.9	358
25-49 years	9.1	9.4	0.3	0.1	880
50 years and more	6.7	6.5	-0.2	-0.3	265
Women	9.4	9.7	0.3	0.0	1 339
15-24 years	21.4	22.9	1.5	-1.4	277
25-49 years	9.2	9.2	0.0	0.2	794
50 years and more	6.4	6.8	0.4	0.3	268

*(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

People in unemployment's halo

Seasonally adjusted, thousands



Covers the population of people living in households in metropolitan France, people aged 15 years or more
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• ILO employment and activity

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

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter

	% of people in the age group		Variation in point		Thou- sands (1)
	2014Q 2	2014Q 3 (p)*	Over quar- ter	Over year	2014Q3 (p)*
Employed people	64.2	64.1	-0.1	-0.1	25 487
Full-time equivalent employment rate	59.5	59.5	0.0	-0.1	23 649
Men	67.6	67.5	-0.1	-0.4	13 198
Women	61.0	60.8	-0.2	0.2	12 289
15-24 years	28.3	27.9	-0.4	-0.4	2 039
25-49 years	80.5	80.4	-0.1	-0.6	16 271
50-64 years	58.6	58.8	0.2	1.1	7 177
Included : 55-64 years	46.9	47.2	0.3	1.4	3 748
Core employment rate of 55-64 years	46.5	46.8	0.3	1.2	
Unemployed persons	6.9	7.1	0.2	0.0	2 836
Men	7.5	7.7	0.2	0.0	1 499
Women	6.4	6.6	0.2	0.1	1 337
15-24 years	8.3	8.7	0.4	-0.2	635
25-49 years	8.1	8.3	0.2	0.1	1 674
50-64 years	4.2	4.3	0.1	0.1	527
Included : 55-64 years	3.6	3.7	0.1	0.2	297
Active people	71.2	71.2	0.0	-0.1	28 323
Men	75.1	75.2	0.1	-0.4	14 697
Women	67.3	67.4	0.1	0.3	13 627
15-24 years	36.6	36.6	0.0	-0.6	2 674
25-49 years	88.6	88.6	0.0	-0.5	17 945
50-64 years	62.8	63.1	0.3	1.2	7 704
Included : 55-64 years	50.5	50.9	0.4	1.6	4 045
Active life expectancy of 55-64 years (years)	5.0	5.0	0.0	0.1	

*(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 the previous table (which covers the total population).

Source : INSEE, Labour Force Survey

The **employment rate** of the population aged 15-64 years decreased by 0.1 percentage points in Q3 2014, and stood at 64.1%.

Permanent contracts employment rate decreased by 0.2 percentage points in Q3 2014, at 48.9% of the population aged 15-64. Temporary contracts employment rate hold firm, at 6.9%.

The **activity rate** of people aged 15-64 was also steady in Q3 2014 and stood at 71.2% (-0.1 percentage points y-o-y).

Underemployment concerns 6.5% of employed people

In Q3 2014, 6.5% of the persons employed were **underemployed**, increasing by 0.3 percentage points.

Slack work stood at 0.5% of the persons employed. It rose by 0.2 percentage points over the quarter.

ILO underemployment

Seasonally adjusted, average over quarter

	ILO underem- ployment rate (%)		Variation in point		Thou- sands
	2014 Q2	2014Q 3 (p)*	Over a quarter	Over a year	2014Q 3 (p)*
Total	6.2	6.5	0.3	0.1	1 661
Included : slack work	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	119
Men	3.4	3.7	0.3	0.2	494
Women	9.3	9.4	0.1	-0.3	1 167

*(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 2014 is not revised compared to the temporary publication of September 2014.

For more information:

- An **unemployed person for the International Labour Office** (ILO) is someone of working age (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 a job which begins in three months). The **proportion of unemployed people 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 **permanent contract employment rate (resp. temporary contract)** is the ratio between people employed on permanent contracts (resp. temporary contracts) 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 details. The demographic weight of mixed age groups can therefore be erased.

- The **activity rate** is the ratio between active people (employed + unemployed) and the total population. **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 **unemployment's halo** is composed of inactive people who seek a job but are not available, people who wish to work but don't seek a job, being available or not.

- **Underemployment for the ILO** covers the people who have a part-time job, who wish to work more hours during the reference week, and who are available to do so, whether they are looking for a job or not (**unwanted part-time**). Are also included in underemployment the people who have unintentionally worked less than usual (slack work).

- Some additional indicators are available on the internet (historical data, methodology...): see

<http://www.insee.fr/fr/themes/info-rapide.asp?id=14>

- Historical data are available on the BDM: [G1533](#), [G1534](#), [G1535](#), [G1536](#), [G1537](#), [G1539](#)

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