

Bulletin of Labor Force Survey Results 2016

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Introduction

The statistics of labor force have a great importance in providing basic information about the workforce size and their social, economic and demographic characteristics, which in turn, make the planning to the development of human resources possible and identifying the available workforce size during a specific period of time, and its convenience to the requirements and needs of the labor market, in addition to recognizing the level of training, qualification and skills among the population. The data collected during different times constitute the base to monitoring the current trends and the changes on the labor market and the positions of employment; in addition to these data, the other data about the economic aspects of the national economy constitutes the fundamental base to analyzing and evaluating the microeconomic policies, where the unemployment rate became, for example, one of the most important standards of the current performance of the national economy.

In the framework of the strategic plan of Dubai Statistics Center, which considers that one of the most important priorities of the center is to provide the necessary statistical support to implement Dubai Strategic Plan 2021, in the light of the strategic transformation and the accelerated growth witnessed by Dubai in all sectors and at different levels, this support is represented in providing the statistical data on the various economic, social and demographic types with accuracy and right timing.

In this context, Dubai Statistics Center gives a special importance to providing comprehensive statistical data about the labor force on a regular basis, according to the latest methodologies and international standards which enable the policy-makers and the decision-makers to planning for developing the human resources and control on the macroeconomic performance, and also provides a modern database and made it available to data users like researchers, businessmen and others consistently.

Dubai Statistics Center is pleased to issue this bulletin about the results of labor force survey, which was executed by the center in 2016. It comes within a series of releases and periodic statistical reports covering the results of statistical surveys which was executed by the center periodically within its annual plan.

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Preface

In 2016, Dubai Statistics Center conducted a specialized survey about labor force within a series of economic, social and demographic surveys that are executed periodically within its annual plan, and taking into its account, during design and implementation, the latest methodologies and international standards. The main objectives of this survey have been determined as follows:

- Identifying the various demographic, social, and economic characteristics of the population and labor force, including participation rates in economic activity.
- Identifying the professional occupation and economic activity of the employed individuals as well as their employment status.
- Measuring unemployment rates according to the different characteristics.
- Identifying the key ways and methods followed by the unemployed individual to look for a job.
- Identifying changes in these variables over the years.

The sample of the survey included the Emirati Households, non-Emirati Households, collective household and communities of workers, the sample size was (3,000 Households) distributed as follows: (1,500) Emirati Households and (1,500) non-Emirati Households, it should be noted that the social, economic and demographic characteristics are the same characteristics which resulted from the sample;

Due to the fact that the survey was carried out in a special way, so, the samples must have had differences between the characteristics of the samples after enlarging the results and the characteristics previously estimated for the population such as the census, administrative records or from any other source. These differences are attributed to two main reasons: 1. Random errors 2. Systematic/ Bias errors, so, these types of error repeated in all results of surveys executed in a sample system, and the volume of these errors may differ from one survey to another.

The main results of the Labor Force Survey 2016

First: The characteristics of the population 15 years and over

The international labor organization (ILO) classified the population who aged or exceeded the minimum level of measuring the economically active population "the age of fifteen" into three separate groups as follow: Employed and unemployed they are called **the labor force or economically active population**. The third group is the population who are not part of the labor force, if added to this group "third group", the population who are less than the minimum level of measuring the economically active population - the group of children below fifteen years of age- they will constitute what is called **economically inactive population**. The following presentation will focus on the population permanently residing in Dubai, who are fifteen years and over, taking into account that the size of the labor force does not include the employees who are working in Dubai and residing in other emirates who are estimated to be about 926,000 workers, most of them are non-Emiratis and constitute 34.3% of the total size of the labor force in Dubai, which is around 2.7 million employees.

1. Population 15 years and over who are economically active

The percentage of the economically active population (employed and unemployed) residing in Dubai, according to the survey results, reached **82.2%** of the total population 15 years and over in 2016, this percentage represents what is called the rate of the refined economic activity. On the other hand, the rate of the crude economic activity has reached **70.0%** of the total population permanently residing in Dubai, which is estimated to be around (2,698,600) individual in 2016. The data in table (01-01) shows the percentage distribution of the population 15 years and over who are economically active between Emiratis and non-Emiratis as follows:

- The percentage of the Emirati population aged 15 years and over who are economically active reached **48.2%** of the total population of Emiratis aged 15 years and over, this percentage is the rate of the refined economic activity for Emiratis, this rate was different between males and females where the rate of the refined economic activity for Emirati males has reached **61.3%** for males vs. **35.8%** for females.
- The percentage of the non-Emirati population 15 years and over who are economically active reached **84.8%** of the total non-Emirati population 15 years and over, this percentage represents the refined economic activity rate for the non-Emiratis where the rate of the refined economic activity for Emirati males has reached **96.7%** for males vs. **51.4%** for females.

2. Population 15 years and over who are economically inactive

The percentage of the population aged 15 years and over who are economically inactive has reached **17.8%** of the total population aged 15 years and over. This group is distributed between Emiratis and non-Emiratis population 15 years and over, as follows:

- The percentage of Emirati population 15 years and over who are economically inactive was **51.8%** of the total Emirati population 15 years and over, where the percentage of the economically inactive males reached **38.7%** of the total males, and **64.2%** of the total females.
- The percentage of the non-Emirati population aged 15 years and over who are economically inactive reached **15.2%** of the total non-Emiratis 15 years and over, where the percentage of the economically inactive males has reached **3.3%** of the total males, while the females' percentage was **48.6%** of the total females.

Percentage Distribution of Population 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Economic Activity Status – Emirate of Dubai (2016)

Table (01-01)

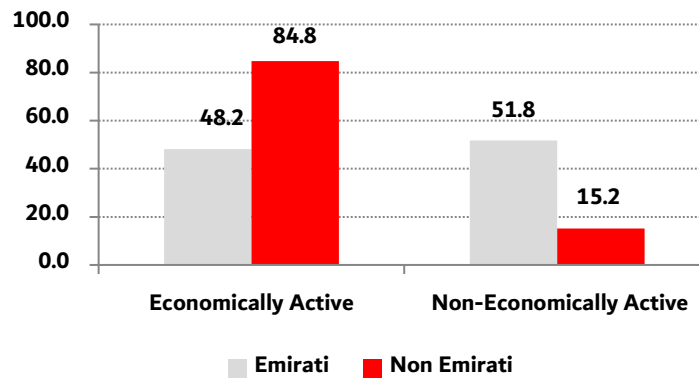
Nationality	Gender	Economic Activity Status									Total Population 15 years and Over
		Economically Active				Non-Economically Active					
		Employed	Unemployed	Total	%	Housewife	Full time student	Other	Total	%	
Emirati	Males	98.0	2.0	100.0	61.3	0.0	46.6	53.4	100.0	38.7	100.0
	Females	95.6	4.4	100.0	35.8	49.3	31.2	19.5	100.0	64.2	100.0
	Total	97.1	2.9	100.0	48.2	31.5	36.8	31.7	100.0	51.8	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	99.8	0.2	100.0	96.7	0.0	74.8	25.2	100.0	3.3	100.0
	Females	99.1	0.9	100.0	51.4	79.8	14.0	6.2	100.0	48.6	100.0
	Total	99.7	0.3	100.0	84.8	66.9	23.9	9.2	100.0	15.2	100.0
Grand Total	Males	99.8	0.2	100.0	95.0	0.0	64.5	35.5	100.0	5.0	100.0
	Females	98.8	1.2	100.0	49.3	74.7	16.9	8.4	100.0	50.7	100.0
	Total	99.6	0.4	100.0	82.2	59.6	26.5	13.9	100.0	17.8	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Percentage Distribution of Population 15 Years and Over by Nationality Economic

Activity Status – Emirate of Dubai

(2016)



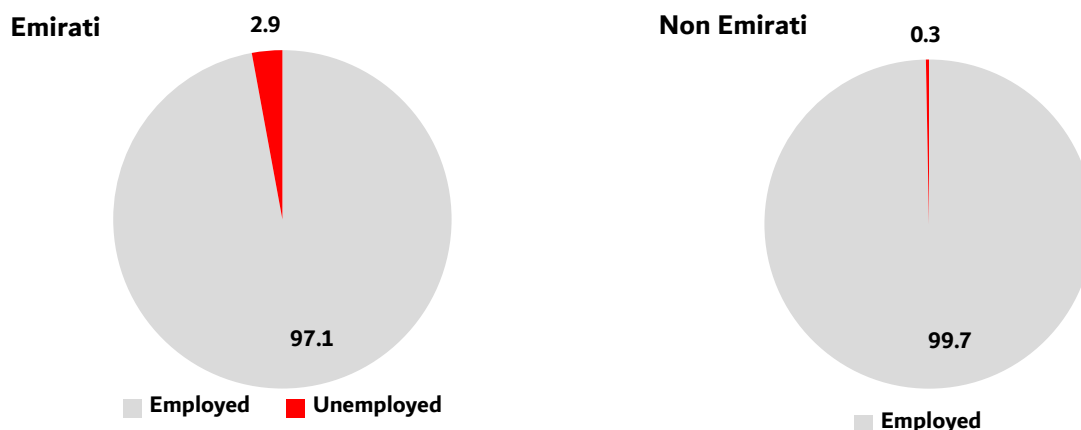
Second: The population aged 15 years and over who are economically active

In this group, the population is classified to employed and unemployed individuals, which is usually called the labor force. The data contained in table (01-01), shows:

- The rate of the employees in Dubai formed **99.6%** of the total economically active population while the percentage of unemployed individuals "unemployment rate" in Dubai reached **0.4%** in 2016.
- The percentage of employed Emirati individuals reached **97.1%** of the total economically active population, while the percentage of unemployed Emiratis reached **2.9%**, and this rate represents the **unemployment rate among Emiratis**. Unemployment rates varied between Emirati males and females where for males it has reached **2.0%** only while for females it has reached **4.4%**.
- The percentage of non-Emirati employed individuals was about **99.7%** of the total economically active non-Emirati population. This high percentage is due to the fact that a large number of non-Emirati population are labors with economic activities. The rate of unemployment among non-Emiratis did not exceed **0.3%**, where for males it reached **0.2%** while for females it reached **0.9%**.

Percentage Distribution of Economically Active Population by Nationality - Emirate of Dubai

(2016)



Employed Individuals

The survey provided a comprehensive database for the different employees' characteristics such as their age, educational level, marital status, position of the labor force and their distribution by occupations, economic activities and other characteristics. The most important characteristics will be identified, as follows:

Employees 15 years and over by age groups

- The employees are concentrated in the youth age groups (20 - 49 years), the percentage of employees in this group reached 90.1% of the total employees. This percentage is higher for females than for males where the rates were 93.0% among females compared with 89.4% among males.
- The percentage of employed Emiratis in this age group reached **88.1%**, where it reached **94.7%** among females and **84.0%** among males.
- The percentage between employed non-Emiratis reached **90.1%**, where it was **92.9%** among females and 89.6% among males.

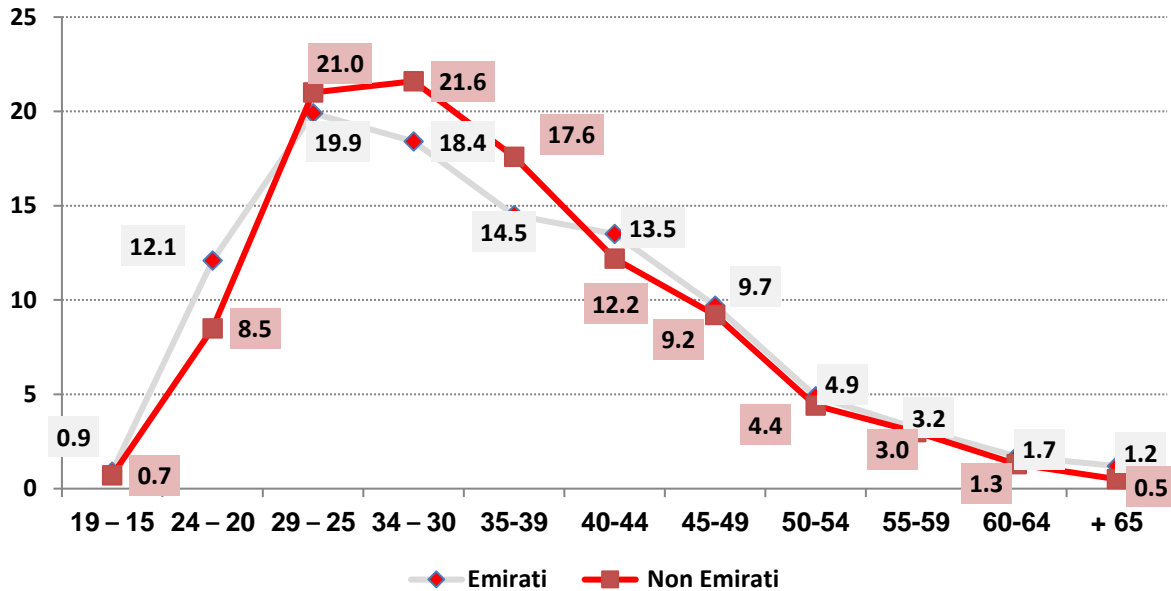
Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Age Groups – Emirate of Dubai (2016)

Table (02-01)

Nationality	Gender	Age Groups											Total
		15 – 19	20 -24	25 – 29	30 – 34	35 – 39	40 – 44	45 – 49	50 – 54	55 – 59	60 – 64	65+	
Emirati	Male	0.9	12.0	18.2	16.7	13.1	13.3	10.7	6.1	4.4	2.6	2.0	100
	Female	1.0	12.4	22.9	21.0	16.7	13.5	8.2	2.9	1.1	0.3	0.0	100
	Total	0.9	12.1	19.9	18.4	14.5	13.5	9.7	4.9	3.2	1.7	1.2	100
Non Emirati	Male	0.7	8.5	21.5	21.1	16.9	12.3	9.3	4.5	3.2	1.4	0.6	100
	Female	0.3	8.3	18.8	24.2	21.2	11.9	8.5	3.9	2.0	0.8	0.1	100
	Total	0.7	8.5	21.0	21.6	17.6	12.2	9.2	4.4	3.0	1.3	0.5	100
Grand Total	Male	0.7	8.6	21.4	20.9	16.8	12.3	9.4	4.6	3.2	1.5	0.6	100
	Female	0.4	8.7	19.1	23.9	20.7	12.1	8.5	3.8	2.0	0.7	0.1	100
	Total	0.7	8.7	21.0	21.4	17.5	12.3	9.2	4.4	3.0	1.3	0.5	100

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Age Groups – Emirate of Dubai (2016)



Employees 15 years and over by educational level

- The percentage of the employees based on educational level varies considerably between Emiratis and non-Emiratis and between males and females. The percentage of employees who has Prep-education and below was **44.2%**; for males it reached **48.5%** while for females **22.3%**. The percentage of employees who has secondary and post-secondary education below university level was **26.3%**; for males it reached **26.1%** compared with **27.6%** for females. The percentage of employees who has college degree or higher was **29.5%**; for females it was **50.1%** and for males **25.4%**.
- The percentage of Emirati employees who has Prep-education and below was **13.7%**; for females it was **4.8%** only while it was higher for males and reached **19.1%**. We can notice that the percentage of the employed females who were illiterate was **0.0%**. The percentage of employees who has secondary and post-secondary education below university level was **42.1%**; with **38.7%** for females and **44.2%** for males. The percentage of employees who has college degree or higher reached **44.2%**, and for females it was higher than males; where for females it reached **56.5%** compared with **36.7%** among males.
- The educational level of non-Emirati employees is different from Emirati employees, where the percentage of non-Emirati employees who has prep-education and below educational levels has reached **45.5%**. For females it was about **24.1%** and for males about **49.5%**. The non-Emirati employees are distributed in other educational levels in a similar way to their general distribution which was presented at the beginning of this paragraph, where for those who have educational levels of secondary and post-secondary education below university level has reached **25.5%**; with a percentage of **25.4%** for males and **26.5%** for females. The percentage of employed individuals with college degree or higher has reached **29.0%**; for males **25.1%** while for females **49.4%**.

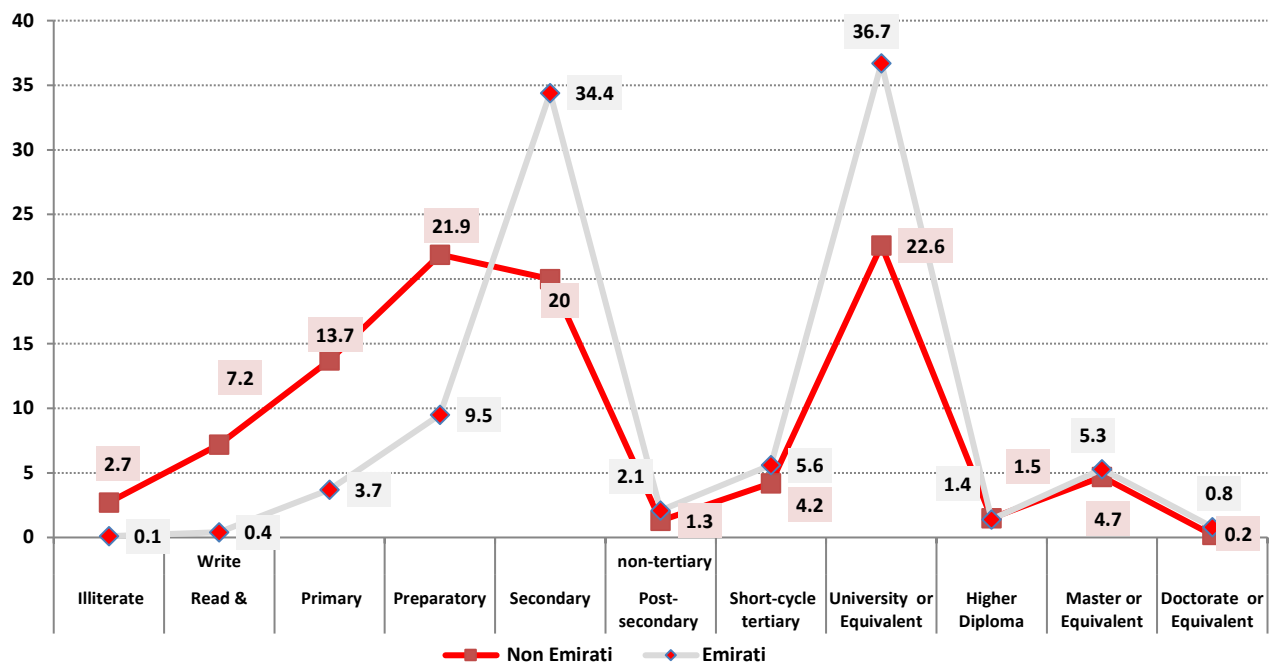
Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Educational Level
Emirate of Dubai
(2016)

Table (02-02)

Nationality	Gender	Educational level											Total
		Illiterate	Read & Write	Primary	Preparatory	Secondary	Post-secondary non-tertiary	Short-cycle tertiary	University or Equivalent	Higher Diploma	Master or Equivalent	Doctorate or Equivalent	
Emirati	Male	0.2	0.5	5.6	12.8	37.2	2.2	4.8	29.1	1.1	5.8	0.7	100.0
	Female	0.0	0.1	0.6	4.1	30.0	1.9	6.8	49.2	1.9	4.6	0.8	100.0
	Total	0.1	0.4	3.7	9.5	34.4	2.1	5.6	36.7	1.4	5.3	0.8	100.0
Non Emirati	Male	2.9	7.6	14.4	24.6	20.4	1.2	3.8	19.4	1.4	4.1	0.2	100.0
	Female	1.3	5.2	10.1	7.5	18.3	2.0	6.2	39.5	1.8	7.9	0.2	100.0
	Total	2.7	7.2	13.7	21.9	20.0	1.3	4.2	22.6	1.5	4.7	0.2	100.0
Total	Male	2.8	7.4	14.1	24.2	20.9	1.3	3.9	19.7	1.4	4.1	0.2	100.0
	Female	1.2	4.7	9.3	7.1	19.4	2.0	6.2	40.4	1.8	7.6	0.3	100.0
	Total	2.6	6.9	13.3	21.4	20.6	1.4	4.3	23.1	1.5	4.7	0.2	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Educational Level Emirate of Dubai
(2016)



Employees 15 years and over by marital status

- The percentage of employees who never married between Emiratis and non-Emiratis varied where it reached **41.3%** among the employed Emiratis with a higher percentage among females of **51.6%** vs. **35.1%** among males, while for non-Emiratis it reached **27.7%**; with **26.3%** for males vs. **35.6%** for females.
- The percentage of employees who are married among Emiratis and non-Emiratis reached **70.1%** and it was higher for males where it reached **72.9%** vs. **56.3%** for females. This percentage reached **70.9%** among non-Emiratis and it was **73.2%** for males vs. **58.1%** for females. The same percentage among Emiratis reached **52.4%** and it was higher for males where it reached **60.4%** vs. **39.1%** for females.
- The percentage of Emiratis' divorced employees reached **4.0%** at the aggregate level, where this percentage is increasing to **6.0%** for females vs. **2.7%** for males, while among divorced non-Emiratis it reached **0.9%**.
- Note: the percentage of widowed employees among Emiratis and non-Emiratis was equal and it reached **0.3%**.

Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Marital Status

Emirate of Dubai

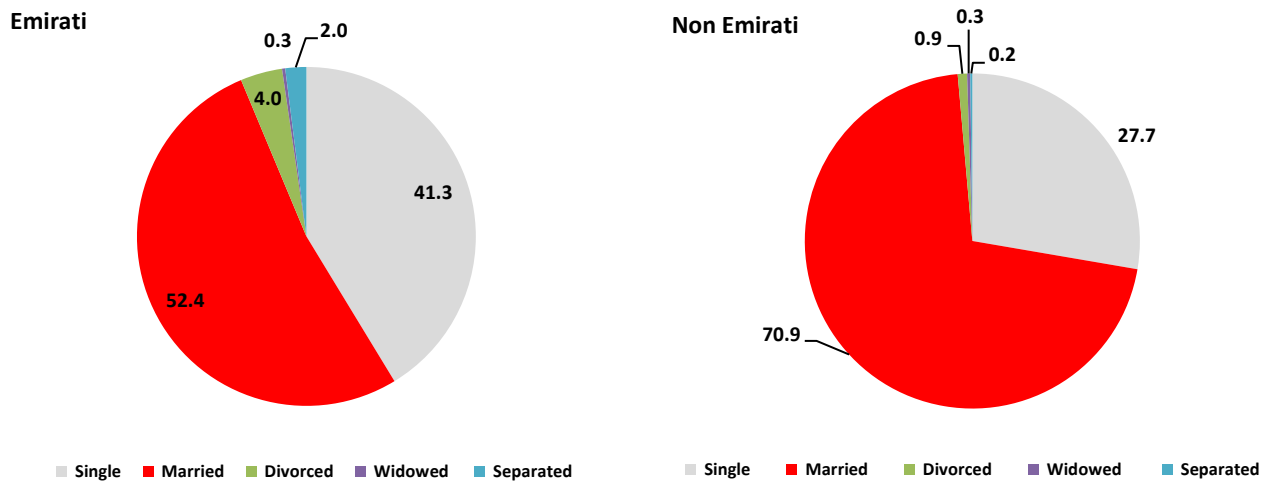
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Table (02-03)

Nationality	Gender	Marital Status					Total
		Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	Separated	
Emirati	Males	35.1	60.4	2.7	0.3	1.5	100.0
	Females	51.6	39.1	6.0	0.4	2.9	100.0
	Total	41.3	52.4	4.0	0.3	2.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	26.3	73.2	0.4	0.0	0.1	100.0
	Females	35.6	58.1	3.8	1.8	0.7	100.0
	Total	27.7	70.9	0.9	0.3	0.2	100.0
Grand Total	Males	26.5	72.9	0.5	0.0	0.1	100.0
	Females	37.1	56.3	4.0	1.7	0.9	100.0
	Total	28.2	70.1	1.1	0.3	0.3	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Marital Status
Emirate of Dubai
(2016)



Employees 15 years and over by occupation

- The occupations of Emirati employees are concentrated in three main professions which are the legislators, managers, businessmen, professionals and the technicians and associate professionals and it formed about 65.8%; with 62.5% for males vs. 71.3% for females. The percentage of employed Emiratis in writing occupations reached 15.7%. It was higher for females where it reached 20.9% vs. 12.5% for males. It was also noted that the percentage of females was 92.2% in the previously mentioned professions vs. 75.0% for males.
- In comparison, the percentage of non-Emiratis in these first three professions reached 29.6%, and it was higher for females and reached 41.3% vs. 27.6% for males. The non-Emirati females were concentrated in the elementary occupations which presented 33.2% vs. 12.6% for males. While the percentages of non-Emirati males were (27.5%, 18.2%, 12.6%) respectively and were concentrated in craft and related trades workers, sales and service occupations and elementary occupations.

**Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Occupation – Emirate of Dubai
(2016)**

Table (02-04)

Nationality	Gender	Occupation									Total
		legislators, higher management employees, and directors	Professionals	Technicians and associate professionals	Clerical support workers	Service and sales workers	Skilled agricultural, forestry and fishery workers	Craft and related trades workers	Plant and machine operators, and assemblers	Elementary occupations	
Emirati	Males	15.5	17.2	29.8	12.5	22.9	0.7	0.4	1.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	13.3	33.7	24.3	20.9	7.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	14.7	23.5	27.6	15.7	17.2	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	8.6	11.0	8.0	3.5	18.2	0.5	27.5	10.1	12.6	100.0
	Females	9.8	21.4	10.1	8.1	16.5	0.0	0.6	0.3	33.2	100.0
	Total	8.7	12.6	8.3	4.2	18.0	0.4	23.4	8.6	15.8	100.0
Grand Total	Males	8.8	11.2	8.6	3.8	18.4	0.5	26.7	9.8	12.2	100.0
	Females	10.1	22.5	11.4	9.3	15.7	0.0	0.5	0.3	30.2	100.0
	Total	9.0	13.1	9.1	4.7	17.9	0.4	22.4	8.2	15.2	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Employees 15 years and over by economic activity

- A large percentage of Emiratis are working in the public administration and defense activities, where the percentage of workers in this activity was **55.8%** mostly from males with 62.9% vs. **44.3%** for females. Females' activities are concentrated in; financial and insurance activities by **14.4%**, education by 9.1%, transportation and storage by 7.8%.
- As for the non-Emiratis, a large proportion of them are working in construction by **27.0%**, this percentage is higher for males with 31.5% vs. 2.8% for females. The rest are working in; wholesale and retail trade by **15.0%**, administrative activities by **11.9%**, manufacturing by **8.7%**, transportation and storage by **7.8%**, hotels and restaurants by 7.0%, private households which appoint individuals by 6.3%.

Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Economic Activity
Emirate of Dubai
(2016)

Table (02-05)

Nationality	Gender	Economic Activity																				Total	
		Agriculture, forestry and fishing	Mining and quarrying	Manufacturing	Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	Construction	Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	Transportation and storage	Accommodation and food service activities	Information and communication	Financial and insurance activities	Real estate activities	Professional, scientific and technical activities	Administrative and support activities	Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	Education	Human health and social work activities	Arts, entertainment and recreation	Other service activities	Activities of households as employers		Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies
Emirati	Males	0.4	0.7	2.4	2.5	0.4	1.1	7.1	7.5	0.9	2.2	3.5	3.1	2.0	1.0	62.9	0.9	0.9	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.1	2.5	5.9	0.0	0.3	3.7	7.8	0.4	2.6	14.4	1.9	1.0	0.8	44.3	9.1	3.6	1.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.3	0.4	2.5	3.8	0.3	0.8	5.8	7.6	0.7	2.4	7.6	2.7	1.6	0.9	55.8	4.0	1.9	0.8	0.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	0.3	9.7	0.4	0.0	31.5	15.1	8.7	7.2	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.4	12.8	1.3	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.5	1.2	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.4	3.4	0.2	0.0	2.8	14.2	3.2	5.8	1.7	5.0	2.4	5.2	6.5	0.7	8.7	3.7	0.4	2.2	33.4	0.1	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.3	8.7	0.4	0.0	27.0	15.0	7.8	7.0	2.0	2.7	2.3	2.8	11.9	1.2	1.9	1.1	0.8	0.8	6.3	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	0.1	0.3	9.5	0.5	0.1	30.6	14.6	8.7	7.0	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.3	12.5	3.2	0.7	0.6	0.9	0.5	1.2	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.4	3.3	0.7	0.0	2.6	13.2	3.6	5.3	1.8	5.8	2.4	4.8	6.0	4.7	8.7	3.7	0.5	2.0	30.4	0.1	100.0
	Total	0.1	0.3	8.4	0.5	0.1	26.1	14.6	7.8	6.7	2.0	2.9	2.3	2.8	11.4	3.4	2.0	1.1	0.8	0.7	6.0	0.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Employees 15 years and over by employment status

The percentage of Emirati employers is 4.6% of the total Emirati employees. Only 0.5% of them are self-employed, and 94.8% are salaried employees. In contrast, the percentage of non-Emirati salaried employees from the total employed non-Emiratis was 96.8%; with 97.7% for females and 96.6% for males.

Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Employment Status
Emirate of Dubai
(2016)

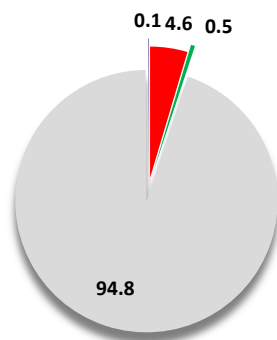
Table (02-06)

Nationality	Gender	Employment Status				Total
		Employer	Self Employed	Salaried	Work for no wage	
Emirati	Males	6.4	0.7	92.9	0.0	100.0
	Females	1.6	0.1	98.0	0.3	100.0
	Total	4.6	0.5	94.8	0.1	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	3.2	0.2	96.6	0.0	100.0
	Females	1.8	0.2	97.7	0.3	100.0
	Total	2.9	0.2	96.8	0.1	100.0
Grand Total	Males	3.3	0.2	96.5	0.0	100.0
	Females	1.8	0.2	97.7	0.3	100.0
	Total	3.0	0.2	96.7	0.1	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

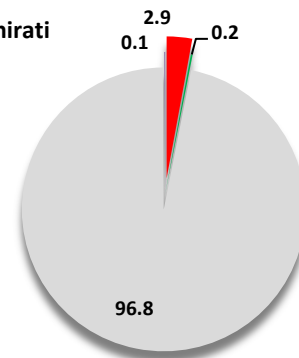
Percentage Distribution of Employed 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Employment Status – Emirate of Dubai
(2016)

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Unemployed Individuals

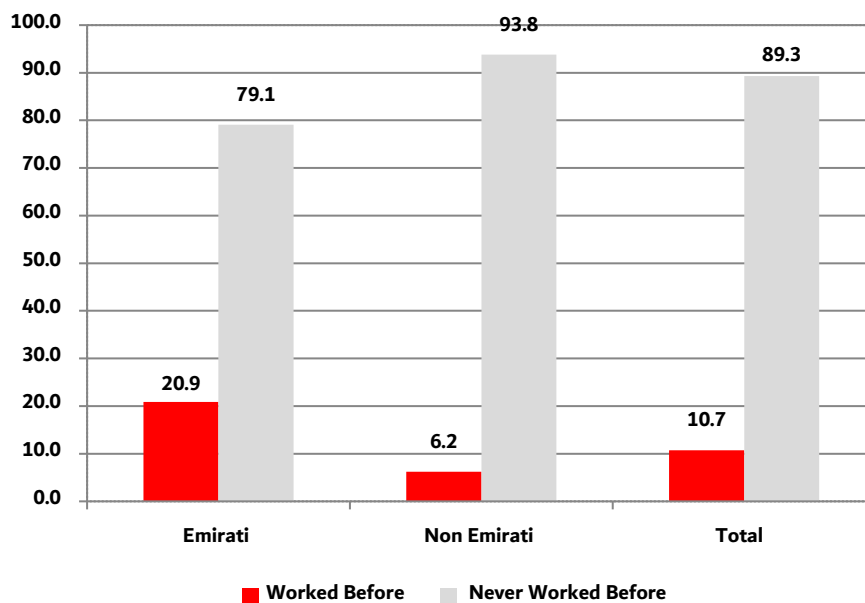
Unemployed 15 years and over by unemployment status

- The number of unemployed Emiratis is estimated to be 2,295 individuals who are job seekers. The unemployment rate among Emiratis was **2.9%** with 2.0% for males and 4.4% for females. The percentage of unemployed individuals obtaining university degrees was 45.5% of the total unemployed individuals. Whereas the percentage of those who have secondary school degrees was 41.7%, and for individuals obtaining post-secondary degrees below university level the percentage was 4.7%.

- The number of non-Emirati unemployed individuals is estimated with 5,280 unemployed individuals who are looking for a job. The unemployment rate among non-Emiratis was **0.3%**; with **0.2%** for males and **0.9%** for females. More than 87% of the unemployed non-Emirati individuals were obtaining university level degrees and the majority of them were new unemployed individuals (who never worked before) and looking for a job for the first time and most of them are sons of expatriates residing in Dubai, and accompanying their families.

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Unemployment Status

Emirate of Dubai (2016)



Unemployed 15 years and over by age groups

- The unemployed individuals among Emiratis are concentrated in the age group of (20-29 years), where they accounted for **74.2%** of the total unemployed Emiratis (estimated about 2,295 persons). This percentage reached **68.8%** for unemployed females (estimated about 1,320 persons), while for males it reached **81.4%** (estimated about 975 persons). Noting that the percentage of unemployed males in the age group of (15-19 years) has reached **4.4%** of the total unemployed males.
- All non-Emirati males and females unemployed individuals are concentrated in the age group (20-29 years).

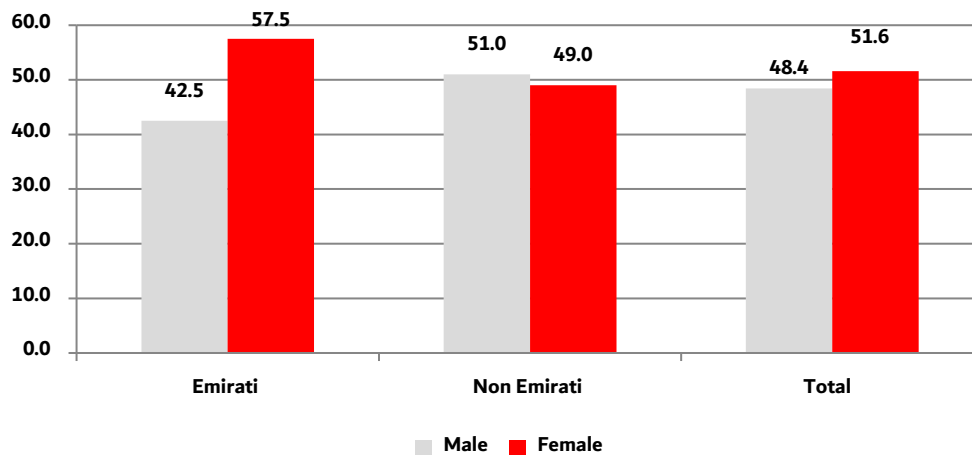
Percentage Distribution of Unemployed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Age Groups
Emirate of Dubai
(2016)

Table (03-01)

Nationality	Gender	Age Groups				Total
		15 – 19	20 – 24	25 – 29	30 - 34	
Emirati	Males	4.4	52.3	29.1	14.2	100.0
	Females	19.7	40.6	28.2	11.5	100.0
	Total	13.2	45.6	28.6	12.6	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	63.7	36.3	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	44.6	55.4	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	54.3	45.7	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	1.2	60.6	34.4	3.8	100.0
	Females	6.6	43.3	46.2	3.9	100.0
	Total	4.0	51.7	40.5	3.8	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed 15 Years and Over by Gender and Nationality– Emirate of Dubai
(2016)



Unemployed 15 years and over by educational level

- The percentage of unemployed Emiratis who are obtaining university or higher levels' degrees was 45.5% of the total unemployed. The unemployed females in this category accounted for 61.3% of the total unemployed females. The percentage of the unemployed individuals obtaining a secondary and below education levels accounted for 49.8%; from which 76.1% were males, and 30.4% were females. Whereas the percentage of the unemployed individuals who have secondary and below university educational levels was 4.7% of the total unemployed individuals.

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Educational Level

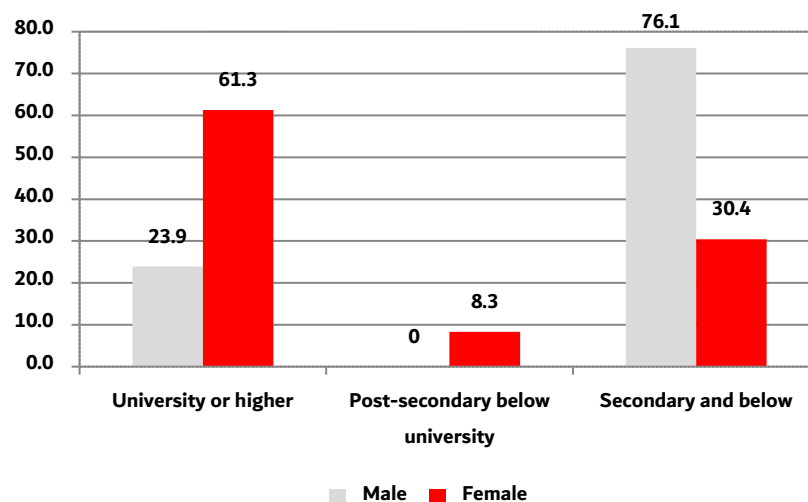
Emirate of Dubai
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Table (03-02)

Nationality	Gender	Educational Level											Total
		illiterate	Read & Write	Primary	Preparatory	Secondary	Post-secondary non-tertiary	Short-cycle tertiary	University or Equivalent	Higher Diploma	Master or Equivalent	Doctorate or Equivalent	
Emirati	Males	0.0	0.0	2.7	16.5	56.9	0.0	0.0	23.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	30.4	2.0	6.3	58.3	1.5	1.5	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.0	1.1	7.0	41.7	1.1	3.6	43.7	0.9	0.9	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.1	0.8	0.0	75.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.3	0.4	0.0	87.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	0.0	0.0	0.6	4.4	32.9	0.6	0.0	61.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	10.3	0.7	2.1	85.9	0.5	0.5	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.0	0.3	2.1	21.2	0.6	1.1	74.1	0.3	0.3	0.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Percentage Distribution of Emiratis Unemployment 15 years and Over by Gender and Educational Level - Emirate of Dubai
(2016)



Unemployed 15 years and over by marital status

- The percentage of unemployed Emirati females (who never married) reached **98.5%** of the total unemployed females, while unemployed females who are married accounted for **0.0%**.
- With regard to the non-Emirati unemployed individuals, the results showed that the majority of them were singles (who never married) of which **100.0%** were males and **99.1%** were females.

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Marital Status

Emirate of Dubai

(2016)

Table (03-03)

Nationality	Gender	Marital Status					Total
		Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	separated	
Emirati	Males	93.5	6.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	98.5	0.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	96.4	2.8	0.8	0.0	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	99.1	0.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	99.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	98.3	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	98.9	0.6	0.5	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	98.6	1.1	0.3	0.0	0.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Third: Population 15 years and over who are economically inactive

- The economically inactive Emirati population 15 years and over account for **51.8%** of the total Emirati population 15 years and over. The percentage of students has reached **36.8%** of the total economically inactive Emirati population 15 years and over; of which **46.6%** were males and **31.2%** were females. The percentage of housewives was **49.3%** and the percentage of individuals aged **65** years and older was **10.1%**, of which **15.4%** were males. Whereas the retired individuals account for **7.8%** of the total economically inactive Emirati population.
- With respect to the non-Emirati economically inactive individuals aged 15 years and over, they account for **15.2%** of the total non-Emirati population aged 15 years and over, from which the percentage of students was **23.9%**, the percentage of housewives was **66.8%**, and the percentage of individuals aged **65** years and over was **3.5%**.

**Percentage Distribution of Population Non – Economically Active 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Gender
Emirate of Dubai
(2016)**

Table (04-01)

Nationality	Gender	Non – Economically Active							Total
		Household duties	Student	Unable to work (Disabled, Illness)	Retired	Aged 65 or older	Independent income	other	
Emirati	Males	0.0	46.6	5.7	17.1	15.4	7.5	7.7	100.0
	Females	49.3	31.2	3.6	2.5	7.1	3.6	2.7	100.0
	Total	31.5	36.8	4.3	7.8	10.1	5.0	4.5	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	74.8	2.8	0.0	7.0	14.1	1.3	100.0
	Females	79.8	14.0	0.5	0.0	2.9	1.3	1.5	100.0
	Total	66.8	23.9	0.9	0.0	3.5	3.4	1.5	100.0
Grand Total	Males	0.0	64.5	3.9	6.3	10.0	11.7	3.6	100.0
	Females	74.7	16.9	1.0	0.4	3.6	1.7	1.7	100.0
	Total	59.6	26.5	1.6	1.6	4.9	3.7	2.1	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

Housewives

- The percentage of Emirati housewives constitutes **10.9%** of the total housewives and they are concentrated in the age of **25** years and over with a percentage of **97.2%**. With respect to the educational level, the percentage of females who are obtaining a secondary level education and higher was **53.6%**.
- The percentage of non-Emirati housewives reached **89.1%** of the total housewives and they are concentrated in the age of 20-59 years and account for about **96.5%**. The percentage of females who are obtaining a secondary level education and higher was **92.5%** from which **64.1%** have a university degree and **20.5%** have a secondary education level.

**Percentage Distribution of housewives 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Age Groups - Emirate of Dubai
(2016)**

Table (04-02)

Nationality	Age Groups											Total
	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65+	
Emirati	0.1	2.7	5.8	10.4	11.0	12.9	14.7	12.9	11.1	11.1	7.3	100.0
Non Emirati	0.2	4.0	12.3	24.9	17.9	16.1	9.2	7.4	4.7	2.4	0.9	100.0
Total	0.2	3.8	11.6	23.4	17.1	15.8	9.8	8.0	5.4	3.3	1.6	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016

**Percentage Distribution of Housewives 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Educational Level Emirate of Dubai
(2016)**

Table (04-03)

Nationality	Educational Level											Total
	Illiterate	Read & Write	Primary	Preparatory	Secondary	Post-secondary non-tertiary	Short-cycle tertiary	University or Equivalent	Higher Diploma	Master or Equivalent	Doctorate or Equivalent	
Emirati	7.3	12.8	10.9	15.4	30.3	0.8	2.7	18.2	0.7	0.8	0.1	100.0
Non Emirati	1.0	0.8	1.3	4.4	20.5	2.9	5.0	50.1	3.2	10.4	0.4	100.0
Total	1.7	2.1	2.4	5.6	21.5	2.6	4.8	46.6	3.0	9.3	0.4	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labor Force Survey 2016