

LABOUR FORCE MALAYSIA, **2025** **APRIL**

April's unemployment rate hits the lowest rate in a decade at **3.0 per cent**, with 525.9 thousand unemployed

UNEMPLOYMENT

APRIL 2025

The number of unemployed persons

Unemployment rate

525.9 thousand

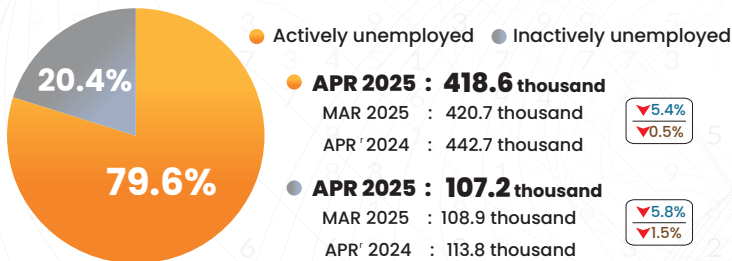
3.0%

April's unemployment rate fell to 3.0 per cent, the lowest rate in ten years

APR' 2024 556.5 thousand
MAR 2025 529.6 thousand

APR' 2024 3.3%
MAR 2025 3.1%

Unemployment by category



EMPLOYED PERSONS

APRIL 2025

The number of employed persons

Employment-to-population ratio

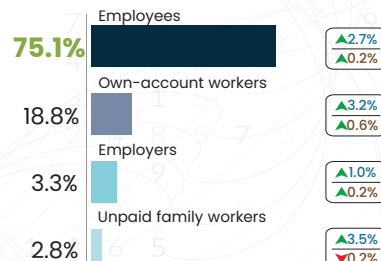
16.82 million

68.6%

APR' 2024 16.36 million
MAR 2025 16.78 million

APR' 2024 68.3%
MAR 2025 68.6%

Employed persons by status in employment



The employees' category constituted **75.1 per cent** of the total employed persons in April 2025

LABOUR FORCE

Labour Force

17.34 million

APRIL 2025

Labour Force Participation Rate

70.8%

APR' 2024 16.92 million
MAR 2025 17.31 million

APR' 2024 70.6%
MAR 2025 70.7%

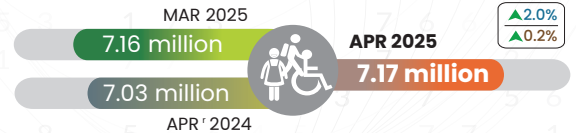
LFPR by sex

Male **83.3%**

Female **56.4%**

A higher labour force participation rate was recorded during the month at 70.8 per cent

OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE



The main reason for being outside the labour force was due to housework/ family responsibilities

Housework/ family responsibilities **43.7%**

Schooling/ training **41.1%**

Note :
% Percentage change (year-on-year)
% Percentage change (month-on-month)
pp Percentage point
↔ Unchanged
r Revision based on the current population estimates from the Population and Housing Census of Malaysia 2020

