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Table 4. Population, employment (national concept), employment by industry (domestic concept)
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	2018	2019	2020	2021	2018				2019	
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
1 Total population	5 001	5 055	5 109	5 161	4 981	4 994	5 007	5 022	5 035	5 048
2 Economically active population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3 Unemployed persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4 Total employment	2 080	2 132	1 900	2 007	1 970	2 126	2 095	2 130	2 125	2 141
5 Employees	1 585	1 596	1 411	1 480	1 519	1 601	1 605	1 616	1 623	1 593
6 Self-employed	495	537	489	527	451	525	491	514	502	548
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
7 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	250	249	238	230	250	243	251	256	267	248
8 Industry, including energy	256	249	225	237	243	262	256	262	260	246
9 Manufacturing	226	222	197	209	212	233	226	235	233	222
10 Construction	146	148	126	127	128	173	142	139	138	165
11 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	611	595	513	571	593	630	616	606	603	595
12 Information and communication	36	43	36	43	36	34	35	37	41	46
13 Financial and insurance activities	50	47	42	47	46	59	48	46	52	46
14 Real estate activities	15	20	16	18	12	11	17	19	17	21
15 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	180	189	178	181	171	181	167	203	189	182
16 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	281	322	312	296	278	274	285	289	288	318
17 Other service activities	256	270	213	259	213	260	280	272	271	273
18 Total employment	2 080	2 132	1 900	2 007	1 970	2 126	2 095	2 130	2 125	2 141
TOTAL EMPLOYEES, THOUSAND PERSONS										
19 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	182	179	169	165	184	177	178	187	199	176
20 Industry, including energy	201	196	175	185	192	203	201	209	210	194
21 Manufacturing	174	169	148	158	163	177	173	182	184	171
22 Construction	94	92	76	79	89	103	93	92	81	99
23 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	429	402	334	375	430	437	439	412	423	401
24 Information and communication	32	38	32	38	35	30	32	30	35	42
25 Financial and insurance activities	49	46	42	46	46	57	46	45	48	45
26 Real estate activities	13	15	11	15	11	10	16	15	13	14
27 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	131	126	132	123	123	129	120	152	134	126
28 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	265	302	295	284	260	256	267	275	273	300
29 Other service activities	190	200	144	171	150	198	213	200	208	197
30 Total employees	1 585	1 596	1 411	1 480	1 519	1 601	1 605	1 616	1 623	1 593
TOTAL SELF-EMPLOYED, THOUSAND PERSONS										
31 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	68	70	69	64	66	66	72	69	68	72
32 Industry, including energy	55	54	50	52	51	59	55	53	49	52
33 Manufacturing	53	53	49	51	49	56	53	53	49	52
34 Construction	51	57	50	49	40	70	49	47	57	66
35 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	182	193	179	196	164	193	176	194	180	194
36 Information and communication	4	5	5	5	2	3	3	8	6	5
37 Financial and insurance activities	1	2	1	1	0	1	1	1	3	1
38 Real estate activities	2	6	5	3	2	1	1	4	5	7
39 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	50	62	46	58	48	52	47	52	55	56
40 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	17	20	17	12	18	18	18	14	16	19
41 Other service activities	66	70	69	87	62	62	67	72	63	76
42 Total self-employed	495	537	489	527	451	525	491	514	502	548
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
43 Industry, including energy	2 319	2 193	1 846	2 119	564	569	586	599	555	544
44 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	5 485	5 192	3 981	4 924	1 372	1 378	1 367	1 367	1 302	1 268
45 Financial and insurance activities	445	425	364	425	105	127	107	105	112	102
46 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	1 562	1 615	1 458	1 551	377	378	357	450	399	380
47 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	2 183	2 543	2 424	2 393	517	550	561	555	506	638
48 Total employment	17 707	17 648	14 661	16 704	4 288	4 442	4 431	4 546	4 304	4 362
EMPLOYEES, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
49 Industry, including energy	1 927	1 841	1 542	1 781	468	471	487	501	469	461
50 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	3 994	3 638	2 725	3 365	1 030	989	1 006	968	940	887
51 Financial and insurance activities	436	414	360	417	105	125	104	102	107	100
52 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	1 211	1 184	1 176	1 172	295	290	271	355	304	290
53 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	2 080	2 420	2 334	2 316	489	525	533	534	482	615
54 Total employees	13 993	13 757	11 555	12 948	3 419	3 482	3 515	3 578	3 385	3 398
SELF-EMPLOYED, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
55 Industry, including energy	392	352	303	339	96	98	100	98	86	83
56 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	1 491	1 554	1 256	1 559	342	389	362	399	362	381
57 Financial and insurance activities	8	11	4	8	0	2	3	3	5	2
58 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	350	432	281	379	82	88	85	95	95	90
59 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	103	122	90	76	29	25	28	22	24	23
60 Total self-employed	3 714	3 891	3 106	3 756	869	960	917	969	919	964

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	2019		2020				2021			
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
1 Total population	5 063	5 075	5 088	5 102	5 115	5 128	5 142	5 155	5 167	5 180
2 Economically active population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3 Unemployed persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4 Total employment	2 122	2 141	2 158	1 715	1 805	1 921	1 958	1 934	2 061	2 076
5 Employees	1 570	1 596	1 616	1 312	1 296	1 418	1 437	1 440	1 536	1 507
6 Self-employed	552	544	542	403	509	503	522	494	525	568
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
7 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	230	251	261	225	225	240	258	212	217	231
8 Industry, including energy	237	254	252	228	199	221	227	221	237	260
9 Manufacturing	210	223	223	199	173	193	200	193	211	231
10 Construction	157	134	144	103	123	135	134	134	132	110
11 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	594	587	592	444	483	532	557	570	582	575
12 Information and communication	39	46	36	34	40	35	36	46	47	42
13 Financial and insurance activities	50	41	48	39	41	41	36	61	50	39
14 Real estate activities	21	21	23	11	17	13	12	19	19	23
15 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	201	182	194	161	185	172	172	167	185	200
16 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	341	342	334	302	300	314	284	274	323	303
17 Other service activities	251	284	275	167	192	218	243	229	269	293
18 Total employment	2 122	2 141	2 158	1 715	1 805	1 921	1 958	1 934	2 061	2 076
TOTAL EMPLOYEES, THOUSAND PERSONS										
19 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	164	178	190	165	151	172	192	149	153	168
20 Industry, including energy	178	200	192	188	148	173	177	171	191	200
21 Manufacturing	153	170	164	160	124	145	151	144	166	171
22 Construction	103	84	92	58	69	84	79	87	79	70
23 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	394	391	403	292	296	346	358	388	383	370
24 Information and communication	33	43	31	30	35	31	31	40	43	38
25 Financial and insurance activities	50	39	48	38	40	40	36	61	49	38
26 Real estate activities	16	16	17	8	12	8	10	17	16	19
27 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	125	120	141	125	141	122	119	112	126	136
28 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	318	318	308	290	284	300	275	262	309	289
29 Other service activities	189	207	195	120	120	143	161	155	189	182
30 Total employees	1 570	1 596	1 616	1 312	1 296	1 418	1 437	1 440	1 536	1 507
TOTAL SELF-EMPLOYED, THOUSAND PERSONS										
31 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	66	72	72	60	74	69	67	63	64	64
32 Industry, including energy	59	54	60	41	51	49	50	51	46	60
33 Manufacturing	58	53	59	40	49	48	50	49	46	60
34 Construction	54	50	51	46	54	51	54	47	52	40
35 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	200	196	189	152	187	186	199	182	199	206
36 Information and communication	6	3	5	4	5	4	6	6	5	4
37 Financial and insurance activities	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	2
38 Real estate activities	5	5	6	3	5	5	2	3	3	4
39 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	76	62	52	37	44	50	53	55	60	64
40 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	24	24	26	13	16	14	9	12	14	14
41 Other service activities	62	78	80	48	72	76	83	75	80	111
42 Total self-employed	552	544	542	403	509	503	522	494	525	568
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
43 Industry, including energy	528	566	536	437	401	472	497	479	544	600
44 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	1 295	1 328	1 253	750	886	1 092	1 186	1 191	1 281	1 266
45 Financial and insurance activities	113	98	102	80	89	92	84	131	120	91
46 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	425	411	429	308	356	364	370	354	403	424
47 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	670	728	605	569	598	652	530	527	677	659
48 Total employment	4 387	4 595	4 331	3 077	3 384	3 869	3 995	3 935	4 368	4 406
EMPLOYEES, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
49 Industry, including energy	427	484	433	387	328	395	415	404	466	495
50 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	897	914	883	535	571	736	779	842	882	863
51 Financial and insurance activities	112	94	102	79	87	92	84	130	117	86
52 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	295	294	332	257	302	286	288	268	300	315
53 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	629	694	567	553	579	634	512	507	658	640
54 Total employees	3 386	3 588	3 381	2 531	2 624	3 018	3 053	3 083	3 422	3 390
SELF-EMPLOYED, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
55 Industry, including energy	101	83	103	50	73	77	82	75	78	105
56 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	398	414	370	215	314	357	407	350	399	403
57 Financial and insurance activities	0	4	0	1	2	0	0	0	3	4
58 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	130	116	98	51	55	78	81	85	103	109
59 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	41	34	39	16	18	18	17	20	19	19
60 Total self-employed	1 001	1 007	950	546	760	850	942	851	947	1 016

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