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Table 4. Population, employment (national concept), employment by industry (domestic concept)
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	2019	2020	2021	2022	2019				2020	
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
1 Total population	5 055	5 109	5 161	5 215	5 035	5 048	5 063	5 075	5 088	5 102
2 Economically active population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3 Unemployed persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4 Total employment	2 132	1 900	2 007	2 123	2 125	2 141	2 122	2 141	2 158	1 715
5 Employees	1 596	1 411	1 480	1 584	1 623	1 593	1 570	1 596	1 616	1 312
6 Self-employed	537	489	527	540	502	548	552	544	542	403
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
7 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	249	238	230	212	267	248	230	251	261	225
8 Industry, including energy	249	225	237	270	260	246	237	254	252	228
9 Manufacturing	222	197	209	244	233	222	210	223	223	199
10 Construction	148	126	127	140	138	165	157	134	144	103
11 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	595	513	571	615	603	595	594	587	592	444
12 Information and communication	43	36	43	45	41	46	39	46	36	34
13 Financial and insurance activities	47	42	47	45	52	46	50	41	48	39
14 Real estate activities	20	16	18	16	17	21	21	21	23	11
15 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	189	178	181	199	189	182	201	182	194	161
16 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	322	312	296	299	288	318	341	342	334	302
17 Other service activities	270	213	259	283	271	273	251	284	275	167
18 Total employment	2 132	1 900	2 007	2 123	2 125	2 141	2 122	2 141	2 158	1 715
TOTAL EMPLOYEES, THOUSAND PERSONS										
19 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	179	169	165	157	199	176	164	178	190	165
20 Industry, including energy	196	175	185	218	210	194	178	200	192	188
21 Manufacturing	169	148	158	193	184	171	153	170	164	160
22 Construction	92	76	79	91	81	99	103	84	92	58
23 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	402	334	375	416	423	401	394	391	403	292
24 Information and communication	38	32	38	39	35	42	33	43	31	30
25 Financial and insurance activities	46	42	46	42	48	45	50	39	48	38
26 Real estate activities	15	11	15	13	13	14	16	16	17	8
27 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	126	132	123	136	134	126	125	120	141	125
28 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	302	295	284	282	273	300	318	318	308	290
29 Other service activities	200	144	171	189	208	197	189	207	195	120
30 Total employees	1 596	1 411	1 480	1 584	1 623	1 593	1 570	1 596	1 616	1 312
TOTAL SELF-EMPLOYED, THOUSAND PERSONS										
31 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	70	69	64	55	68	72	66	72	72	60
32 Industry, including energy	54	50	52	52	49	52	59	54	60	41
33 Manufacturing	53	49	51	51	49	52	58	53	59	40
34 Construction	57	50	49	49	57	66	54	50	51	46
35 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	193	179	196	199	180	194	200	196	189	152
36 Information and communication	5	5	5	6	6	5	6	3	5	4
37 Financial and insurance activities	2	1	1	3	3	1	0	2	0	1
38 Real estate activities	6	5	3	4	5	7	5	5	6	3
39 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	62	46	58	63	55	56	76	62	52	37
40 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	20	17	12	17	16	19	24	24	26	13
41 Other service activities	70	69	87	94	63	76	62	78	80	48
42 Total self-employed	537	489	527	540	502	548	552	544	542	403
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
43 Industry, including energy	2 193	1 846	2 119	2 475	555	544	528	566	536	437
44 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	5 192	3 981	4 924	5 604	1 302	1 268	1 295	1 328	1 253	750
45 Financial and insurance activities	425	364	425	414	112	102	113	98	102	80
46 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	1 615	1 458	1 551	1 742	399	380	425	411	429	308
47 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	2 543	2 424	2 393	2 504	506	638	670	728	605	569
48 Total employment	17 648	14 661	16 704	18 308	4 304	4 362	4 387	4 595	4 331	3 077
EMPLOYEES, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
49 Industry, including energy	1 841	1 542	1 781	2 095	469	461	427	484	433	387
50 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	3 638	2 725	3 365	3 934	940	887	897	914	883	535
51 Financial and insurance activities	414	360	417	394	107	100	112	94	102	79
52 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	1 184	1 176	1 172	1 306	304	290	295	294	332	257
53 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	2 420	2 334	2 316	2 413	482	615	629	694	567	553
54 Total employees	13 757	11 555	12 948	14 189	3 385	3 398	3 386	3 588	3 381	2 531
SELF-EMPLOYED, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
55 Industry, including energy	352	303	339	380	86	83	101	83	103	50
56 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	1 554	1 256	1 559	1 670	362	381	398	414	370	215
57 Financial and insurance activities	11	4	8	20	5	2	0	4	0	1
58 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	432	281	379	436	95	90	130	116	98	51
59 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	122	90	76	91	24	23	41	34	39	16
60 Total self-employed	3 891	3 106	3 756	4 119	919	964	1 001	1 007	950	546

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	2020		2021				2022			
	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
1 Total population	5 115	5 128	5 142	5 155	5 167	5 180	5 193	5 221	5 218	5 229
2 Economically active population	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3 Unemployed persons	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4 Total employment	1 805	1 921	1 958	1 934	2 061	2 076	2 070	2 123	2 158	2 142
5 Employees	1 296	1 418	1 437	1 440	1 536	1 507	1 532	1 582	1 623	1 597
6 Self-employed	509	503	522	494	525	568	538	540	536	545
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, THOUSAND PERSONS										
7 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	225	240	258	212	217	231	218	207	207	215
8 Industry, including energy	199	221	227	221	237	260	251	276	282	270
9 Manufacturing	173	193	200	193	211	231	225	250	252	250
10 Construction	123	135	134	134	132	110	127	125	155	152
11 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	483	532	557	570	582	575	595	621	625	620
12 Information and communication	40	35	36	46	47	42	40	44	53	42
13 Financial and insurance activities	41	41	36	61	50	39	41	40	46	52
14 Real estate activities	17	13	12	19	19	23	17	16	17	16
15 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	185	172	172	167	185	200	194	202	201	199
16 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	300	314	284	274	323	303	312	307	292	286
17 Other service activities	192	218	243	229	269	293	274	285	281	291
18 Total employment	1 805	1 921	1 958	1 934	2 061	2 076	2 070	2 123	2 158	2 142
TOTAL EMPLOYEES, THOUSAND PERSONS										
19 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	151	172	192	149	153	168	159	153	154	161
20 Industry, including energy	148	173	177	171	191	200	201	226	231	215
21 Manufacturing	124	145	151	144	166	171	176	199	201	196
22 Construction	69	84	79	87	79	70	83	86	107	89
23 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	296	346	358	388	383	370	390	417	431	427
24 Information and communication	35	31	31	40	43	38	34	38	46	37
25 Financial and insurance activities	40	40	36	61	49	38	38	38	44	50
26 Real estate activities	12	8	10	17	16	19	13	11	15	12
27 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	141	122	119	112	126	136	137	137	140	132
28 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	284	300	275	262	309	289	295	287	273	274
29 Other service activities	120	143	161	155	189	182	183	190	184	200
30 Total employees	1 296	1 418	1 437	1 440	1 536	1 507	1 532	1 582	1 623	1 597
TOTAL SELF-EMPLOYED, THOUSAND PERSONS										
31 Agriculture, forestry and fishing	74	69	67	63	64	64	59	54	53	54
32 Industry, including energy	51	49	50	51	46	60	50	51	51	55
33 Manufacturing	49	48	50	49	46	60	49	50	51	54
34 Construction	54	51	54	47	52	40	44	40	48	63
35 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	187	186	199	182	199	206	205	204	194	193
36 Information and communication	5	4	6	6	5	4	6	6	7	5
37 Financial and insurance activities	1	0	0	0	2	2	3	2	2	2
38 Real estate activities	5	5	2	3	3	4	4	5	2	4
39 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	44	50	53	55	60	64	58	65	61	67
40 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	16	14	9	12	14	14	18	21	19	12
41 Other service activities	72	76	83	75	80	111	92	95	97	91
42 Total self-employed	509	503	522	494	525	568	538	540	536	545
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
43 Industry, including energy	401	472	497	479	544	600	549	638	660	628
44 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	886	1 092	1 186	1 191	1 281	1 266	1 336	1 411	1 426	1 431
45 Financial and insurance activities	89	92	84	131	120	91	93	89	110	122
46 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	356	364	370	354	403	424	419	444	441	438
47 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	598	652	530	527	677	659	624	635	616	630
48 Total employment	3 384	3 869	3 995	3 935	4 368	4 406	4 362	4 571	4 679	4 697
EMPLOYEES, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
49 Industry, including energy	328	395	415	404	466	495	457	541	567	530
50 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	571	736	779	842	882	863	904	984	1 029	1 016
51 Financial and insurance activities	87	92	84	130	117	86	89	84	105	117
52 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	302	286	288	268	300	315	314	336	341	314
53 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	579	634	512	507	658	640	602	614	586	612
54 Total employees	2 624	3 018	3 053	3 083	3 422	3 390	3 346	3 554	3 673	3 617
SELF-EMPLOYED, MILLION HOURS WORKED										
55 Industry, including energy	73	77	82	75	78	105	92	97	94	98
56 Distrib. trade, repairs; transp.; accommod., food serv. activ.	314	357	407	350	399	403	432	427	397	415
57 Financial and insurance activities	2	0	0	0	3	4	5	5	5	5
58 Prof., scientif., techn. activ.; admin., support service activ.	55	78	81	85	103	109	105	108	101	123
59 Public admin.; compulsory s.s.; education; human health	18	18	17	20	19	19	22	21	30	18
60 Total self-employed	760	850	942	851	947	1 016	1 016	1 017	1 007	1 080

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