

III. Economic activity and prices

5. Employment and labour market *

(R) seasonally adjusted

Period	Employment (standardised EU definition) ¹ r)		Employment (subject to social security contributions)		Exclusively marginal employment ²		Unemployment, registered (definition of the Federal Employment Agency) ³				Cyclically induced short-time workers (A) ⁴		Vacancies ⁵	
	Thousands						As a percentage of the civilian labour force				Thousands			
	monthly	quarterly	monthly	quarterly	monthly	quarterly	monthly	quarterly	monthly	quarterly	monthly	quarterly	monthly	quarterly
2019 June	45,285		33,495		4,590		2,277		5.0		48		789	
July	45,317		33,558		4,578		2,280		5.0		55		779	
Aug.	45,313	45,322	33,592	33,574	4,554	4,565	2,279	2,275	5.0	5.0	61	65	767	768
Sep.	45,335		33,649		4,537		2,267		5.0		80		759	
Oct.	45,367		33,679		4,524		2,279		5.0		95		744	
Nov.	45,402	45,396	33,696	33,687	4,522	4,525	2,272	2,279	5.0	5.0	105	101	732	728
Dec.	45,418		33,725		4,520		2,287		5.0		104		708	
2020 Jan.	45,456		33,775		4,519		2,296		5.0		124		708	
Feb.	45,467	45,423	33,796	33,771	4,515	4,496	2,280	2,284	5.0	5.0	128	941	710	707
Mar.	45,346		33,757		4,388		2,276		5.0		2,572		701	
Apr.	44,987		33,507		4,201		2,631		5.8		5,995		633	
May	44,751	44,818	33,382	33,491	4,184	4,228	2,864	2,808	6.2	6.1	5,720	5,391	586	594
June	44,717		33,411		4,209		2,928		6.4		4,458		564	
July	44,740		33,436		4,242		2,912		6.4		3,312		558	
Aug.	44,773	44,781	33,474	33,458	4,250	4,242	2,896	2,896	6.3	6.3	2,551	2,699	563	563
Sep.	44,830		33,514		4,256		2,880		6.3		2,235		569	
Oct.	44,868		33,585		4,239		2,845		6.2		2,011		587	
Nov.	44,833	44,849	33,633	33,604	4,156	4,195	2,808	2,811	6.1	6.1	2,375	2,357	597	595
Dec.	44,845		33,677		4,126		2,781		6.1		2,684		600	
2021 Jan.	44,807		33,671		4,091		2,764		6.0		3,285		599	
Feb.	44,795	44,818	33,679	33,686	4,074	4,088	2,776	2,768	6.1	6.0	3,352	3,149	600	606
Mar.	44,851		33,737		4,069		2,762		6.0		2,810		619	
Apr.	44,878		33,767		4,048		2,757		6.0		2,559		636	
May	44,900	44,930	33,803	33,795	4,047	4,060	2,732	2,722	6.0	5.9	2,327	2,146	657	659
June	45,013		33,891		4,101		2,678		5.8		1,552		685	
July	45,096		33,944		4,135		2,590		5.6		1,071		725	
Aug.	45,158	45,154	33,996	33,970	4,135	4,130	2,522	2,533	5.5	5.5	856	925	750	748
Sep.	45,208		34,047		4,136		2,487		5.4		847		770	
Oct.	45,241		34,095		4,130		2,444		5.3		752		790	
Nov.	45,311	45,308	34,183	34,143	4,123	4,125	2,405	2,413	5.2	5.3	738	757	805	805
Dec.	45,372		34,253		4,106		2,390		5.2		781		820	
2022 Jan.	45,459		34,328		4,097		2,360		5.1		840		835	
Feb.	45,506	45,511	34,393	34,354	4,098	4,099	2,332	2,335	5.1	5.1	796	785	847	845
Mar.	45,569		34,429		4,099		2,314		5.0		719		852	
Apr.	45,608		34,449		4,102		2,297		5.0		437		861	
May	45,651	45,646	34,504	34,478	4,111	4,106	2,295	2,336	5.0	5.1	311	326	868	866
June	45,679		34,533		4,113		2,417		5.3		231		867	
July	45,668		34,543		4,117		2,468		5.4		103		857	
Aug.	45,721	45,718	34,579	34,567	4,131	4,126	2,489	2,487	5.5	5.4	96	102	853	851
Sep.	45,764		34,624		4,147		2,503		5.5		105		843	
Oct.	45,802		34,623		4,166		2,505		5.5		113		828	
Nov.	45,823	45,826	34,632	34,634	4,169	4,166	2,520	2,513	5.5	5.5	135	134	821	818
Dec.	45,854		34,671		4,177		2,514		5.5		156		806	
2023 Jan.	45,894		34,698		4,189		2,517		5.5		138		804	
Feb.	45,941	45,939	34,742	34,720	4,198	4,191	2,526	2,530	5.5	5.5	148	145	800	798
Mar.	45,982		34,771		4,195		2,548		5.6		149		790	
Apr.	46,002		34,766		4,201		2,573		5.6		137		782	
May	46,020	46,017	34,786	34,779	4,207	4,204	2,582	2,589	5.6	5.6	149	148	769	770
June	46,030		34,798		4,213		2,610		5.7		158		760	
July	46,038		34,809		4,219		2,613		5.7		106		752	
Aug.	46,021	46,025	34,815	34,810	4,201	4,208	2,631	2,629	5.7	5.7	130	132	742	743
Sep.	46,015		34,816		4,195		2,643		5.7		161		735	
Oct.	46,031		34,848		4,185		2,672		5.8		166		733	
Nov.	46,065	46,062	34,863	34,853	4,185	4,188	2,693	2,688	5.8	5.8	163	162	731	734
Dec.	46,091		34,880		4,192		2,699		5.8		157		736	
2024 Jan.	46,102		34,901		4,191		2,703		5.9		184		734	
Feb.	46,129	46,126	7 34,916	34,904	7 4,198	4,196	2,718	2,716	5.9	5.9	7 191	193	726	726
Mar.	46,146		7 34,912		7 4,206		2,726		5.9		7 203		718	
Apr.	46,164		7 34,957		7 4,201		2,738		5.9		7 224		709	
May	46,184	46,180	7 34,963	...	7 4,199	...	2,764	2,762	5.9	5.9	7 218	...	704	702
June	9 46,191			2,784		6.0		...		692	
July		2,802		6.0		...		685	

Sources of the unadjusted figures: Federal Statistical Office, Federal Employment Agency. * For employment (EU definition): averages; employment (subject to social security contributions) and exclusively marginal employment: end-of-month levels; unemployment (registered) and vacancies: mid-month levels; short-time workers: flows; quarterly figures: averages ¹ Workplace concept. ² Earned income does not regularly exceed €538 per month (until December 2023: €520). ³ See explanatory notes. ⁴ Definition in accordance with Section 96 of the Social Security Code (SGB III). ⁵ Excluding government-assisted forms of employment and seasonal jobs, including

jobs located abroad. ⁶ Inclusion of refugees in need from Ukraine under the SGB II. ⁷ Unadjusted figures estimated by the Federal Employment Agency. The estimates for Germany in 2022 and 2023 deviated from the final figures by a maximum of 0.1 % for employees subject to social contributions, by a maximum of 0.6 % for persons solely in jobs exempt from social contributions and by a maximum of 61.3 % for cyclically induced short-time work. ⁸ As of May 2024, calculated on the basis of updated labour figures. ⁹ Initial preliminary estimate by the Federal Statistical Office.