

Lesotho Labour Force Survey 2019 Indicators

INDICATOR	LFS 2019		
	Total	Male	Female
Total population	2,006,176	971,517	1,034,659
AGE COMPOSITION			
Under 15 Years Population	659,406	325,736	333,670
Working Age Population 15+ Years (WAP)	1,346,770	645,781	700,989
Working Age Youth Population 15-24 Years (WAPY)	385,501	193,236	192,265
Working Age Youth Population 15-35 Years (WAPY)	735,678	368,742	366,936
LABOUR FORCE = (E + UE)			
Employed Population (E)	521,445	275,123	246,322
Unemployed Population (UE)	151,266	80,320	70,946
Time-Related Underemployment Population	33,791	15,809	17,983
Outside labour force	674,059	290,338	383,721
Potential labour force	172,859	79,687	93,172
RATIO and RATE			
Labour Force Participation Rate = (E + UE)/WAP	49.9	55.0	45.3
Employed Population to Population Ratio = (E/WAP)	38.7	42.6	35.1
LU1-Unemployment Rate = (UE/LF)	22.5	22.6	22.4
LU2-Combine rate of unemployment and Time-related underemployment (%)	27.5	27.0	28.0
LU3-Combine rate of unemployment and potential labour force (%)	38.3	36.8	40.0
LU4-Composite measure of labour underutilization (%)	42.3	40.4	44.4
Time Related Underemployment Rate = (UNDEREMP/EMP)	6.5	5.7	7.3
YOUTH POPULATION = (15-35 YEARS)			
Labour Force of youth population	353,635	145,318	160,678
Employed youth population = (EY)	250,649	140,020	110,630
Unemployed youth population = (UY)	102,985	52,938	50,048
Share of Youth Not in Employment, Education or Training (NEET)	42,351	15,472	26,879
Underemployed youth population	14,450	7,446	7,004
Youth labour force participation rate = (EY + UEY)/WAPY	0.5	0.3	0.2
Youth employment to population ratio = (EY /WAPY)	0.3	0.2	0.2
Youth unemployment rate = UEY/(EY+UEY)	29.1	27.4	31.1
Youth time related underemployment rate = (UNDEREMP/EMPL)	5.8	5.3	6.3