

Employment and Vacancies Statistics for September 2008 (Friday, 19 December 2008)

Table title - Table 1 : Employment (other than those in the Civil Service) by selected major sector

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing sector in September 2008 was 151200. It represented a decrease of 3.0% or 4800 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the manufacturing sector in September 2007 was 156000.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in September 2008 was 48100. It represented a decrease of 2.1% or 1100 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of manual workers (employment) for the construction sites in September 2007 was 49200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale trade in September 2008 was 65400. It represented a decrease of 1.8% or 1200 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the wholesale trade in September 2007 was 66600.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail trade in September 2008 was 241100. It represented an increase of 3.4% or 8000 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the retail trade in September 2007 was 233100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in September 2008 was 518100. It represented a decrease of 0.3% or 1800 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the import and export trade in September 2007 was 519900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the restaurants in September 2008 was 210500. It represented an increase of 2.2% or 4400 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the restaurants in September 2007 was 206100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the hotels and boarding houses in September 2008 was 32700. It represented an increase of 4.8% or 1500 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the hotels and boarding houses in September 2007 was 31200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transport and storage in September 2008 was 164900. It represented an increase of 3.1% or 4900 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the transport and storage in September 2007 was 160000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the communications in September 2008 was 31300. It represented an increase of 5.0% or 1500 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the communications in September 2007 was 29800.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in September 2008 was 186800. It represented an increase of 5.8% or 10300 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the financing and insurance in September 2007 was 176500.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in September 2008 was 105900. It represented an increase of 3.2% or 3300 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the real estate in September 2007 was 102600.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the business services in September 2008 was 240300. It represented an increase of 4.4% or 10200 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the business services in September 2007 was 230100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the sanitary and similar services in September 2008 was 59200. It represented an increase of 1.9% or 1100 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the sanitary and similar services in September 2007 was 58100.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education services and research institutes in September 2008 was 150700. It represented an increase of 5.7% or 8000 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the education services and research institutes in September 2007 was 142700.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the medical, health and related services in September 2008 was 88800. It represented an increase of 5.1% or 4300 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the medical, health and related services in September 2007 was 84500.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the welfare and community services in September 2008 was 64000. It represented an increase of 1.8% or 1100 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the welfare and community services in September 2007 was 62900.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the recreational and other personal services in September 2008 was 121800. It represented an increase of 3.9% or 4600 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for the recreational and other personal services in September 2007 was 117200.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for other industry sectors in September 2008 was 7900. It represented a decrease of 1.8% or 100 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for other industry sectors in September 2007 was 8000.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industry sectors in September 2008 was 2488900. It represented an increase of 2.2% or 54400 persons when compared with September 2007.

Number of persons engaged (employment) for all above industry sectors in September 2007 was 2434500.

Notes:

1. Figures relate only to those industries covered in the Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies and the Quarterly Employment Survey of Construction Sites.
2. All figures are not seasonally adjusted.
3. Other industry sectors include the mining and quarrying sector and the electricity and gas sector.
4. Individual figures may not add up to total due to rounding.

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Table title - Table 2 : Vacancies (other than those in the Civil Service) by selected major sector

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing sector in September 2008 was 1810. It represented a decrease of 15% or 320 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the manufacturing sector in September 2007 was 2130.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at the construction sites in September 2008 was 40. It represented an increase of 58% or 10 when compared with September 2007. Please refer to "Limitations of the Survey" in Part V of the Quarterly Report of Employment and Vacancies at Construction Sites, September 2008.

The number of vacancies for manual workers at the construction sites in September 2007 was 30.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale trade in September 2008 was 1190. It represented a decrease of 12% or 160 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the wholesale trade in September 2007 was 1350.

The number of vacancies for the retail trade in September 2008 was 5630. It represented an increase of 10% or 500 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the retail trade in September 2007 was 5130.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in September 2008 was 6150. It represented a decrease of 18% or 1310 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the import and export trade in September 2007 was 7460.

The number of vacancies for the restaurants in September 2008 was 4760. It represented a decrease of 18% or 1030 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the restaurants in September 2007 was 5790.

The number of vacancies for the hotels and boarding houses in September 2008 was 570. It represented a decrease of 30% or 250 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the hotels and boarding houses in September 2007 was 820.

The number of vacancies for the transport and storage in September 2008 was 2000. It represented a decrease of 14% or 330 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the transport and storage in September 2007 was 2330.

The number of vacancies for the communications in September 2008 was 730. It represented a decrease of 28% or

280 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the communications in September 2007 was 1010.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in September 2008 was 3840. It represented a decrease of 26% or 1380 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the financing and insurance in September 2007 was 5220.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in September 2008 was 2770. It represented a decrease of 14% or 430 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the real estate in September 2007 was 3200.

The number of vacancies for the business services in September 2008 was 5800. It represented a decrease of 10% or 620 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the business services in September 2007 was 6420.

The number of vacancies for the sanitary and similar services in September 2008 was 860. It represented an increase of 47% or 270 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the sanitary and similar services in September 2007 was 590.

The number of vacancies for the education services and research institutes in September 2008 was 2730. It represented a decrease of 5% or 140 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the education services and research institutes in September 2007 was 2870.

The number of vacancies for the medical, health and related services in September 2008 was 2060. It represented an increase of 55% or 730 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the medical, health and related services in September 2007 was 1330.

The number of vacancies for the welfare and community services in September 2008 was 1960. It represented a decrease of 12% or 270 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the welfare and community services in September 2007 was 2230.

The number of vacancies for the recreational and other personal services in September 2008 was 4860. It represented an increase of 10% or 450 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for the recreational and other personal services in September 2007 was 4410.

The number of vacancies for other industry sectors in September 2008 was 20. It represented an increase of 600% or 20 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for other industry sectors in September 2007 was less than 5.

The number of vacancies for all above industry sectors in September 2008 was 47760. It represented a decrease of 9% or 4550 when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for all above industry sectors in September 2007 was 52310.

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Table title - Table 3 : Vacancies (other than those in the Civil Service) by major occupation category

The number of vacancies for managers and administrators in September 2008 was 890. It represented a decrease of 29% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for managers and administrators in September 2007 was 1240.

The number of vacancies for professionals in September 2008 was 4380. It represented a decrease of 13% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for professionals in September 2007 was 5050.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in September 2008 was 13200. It represented a decrease of 15% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for associate professionals in September 2007 was 15500.

The number of vacancies for clerks in September 2008 was 8600. It represented a decrease of 10% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for clerks in September 2007 was 9540.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in September 2008 was 11610. It represented a decrease of 3% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for service workers and shop sales workers in September 2007 was 12020.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in September 2008 was 1070. It represented an increase of 13% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for craft and related workers in September 2007 was 950.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in September 2008 was 930. It represented an increase of 16% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for plant and machine operators and assemblers in September 2007 was 800.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in September 2008 was 7090. It represented a decrease of 2% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies for elementary occupations in September 2007 was 7210.

The number of vacancies in September 2008 was 47760. It represented a decrease of 9% when compared with September 2007.

The number of vacancies in September 2007 was 52310.

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Table title - Table 4 : Quarterly changes of employment and vacancies (other than those in the Civil Service)

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in September 2008 was +0.3% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.6% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in September 2008 was -7.4% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -11.2% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in June 2008 was +0.6% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.4% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in June 2008 was -8.3% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -1.2% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in March 2008 was +0.5% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.7% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in March 2008 was +17.0% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and -3.7% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in December 2007 was +0.9% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.6% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in December 2007 was -8.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +8.0% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of persons engaged (employment) in September 2007 was +0.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +0.4% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Quarter-to-quarter percentage change of vacancies in September 2007 was +14.1% based on the original series (i.e. not seasonally adjusted), and +9.9% based on the seasonally adjusted series.

Notes:

1. Figures relate only to those industries covered in the Quarterly Survey of Employment and Vacancies and the Quarterly Employment Survey of Construction Sites.
2. The seasonally adjusted data series is subject to routine revision when more up-to-date figures become available.
3. As from March 2008, the X-12 ARIMA method, featured with enhanced modelling and diagnostic capabilities, has been adopted to replace the previous X-11 ARIMA method for seasonal adjustment of the number of persons engaged and vacancies. Seasonally adjusted figures for earlier quarters have also been revised using the X-12 ARIMA method. The X-12 ARIMA method is becoming a standard method used by statistical offices in many countries/territories for performing seasonal adjustment of statistical series.

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