

Unemployment - 4th quarter of 2020 (not seasonally adjusted)

Characteristics	Unit	Current quarter	Change to ... absolutely or in % points	
			Previous quarter	Prior year quarter
Unemployed	1 000	249,7	-13,6*	59,6
Unemployment rate	%	5,5	-0,2*	1,3
Long-term unemployment rate ¹⁾	%	1,5	0,1*	0,4
Youth unemployment rate (15 to 24 years)	%	9,4	-1,6	1,1*
Unemployment rate of the elderly (55 to 64 years)	%	4,3	0,0*	0,9*
Registered unemployed reported by the PES ²⁾	1 000	403,0	35,4	90,5
Unemployment rate (national definition) ³⁾	%	9,8	1,0	2,2
Inactive population 15 years and over	1 000	2.921,7	72,9	44,3
Inactive population 15 to 64 years	1 000	1.343,9	58,6	9,1*
Labour reserve ⁴⁾	1 000	150,5	22,9	67,0

S: STATISTICS AUSTRIA, Labour Force Survey (Microcensus), average of all weeks of a quarter, population in private households without conscripts and people in community service; Insignificant changes are marked with an *. - Public Employment Service Austria (AMS) (end-of-month quarterly averages).
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1) Duration of unemployment 12 months and more; the duration of unemployment is defined as the shorter of the following two periods: a) duration since last employment, b) duration of job search; long-term unemployed as a percentage of the labour force (15 years and over). - 2) Average of the three end-of-month stocks. - 3) The rate refers to registered unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force according to national definition. The latter comprises employees registered with the Main Association of Austrian Insurance Institutions plus unemployed registered with the AMS (Public Employment Service). - 4) Inactive population 15 to 64 years, not looking for work, willing to work and available for work within two weeks.