

Hard numbers

Employment change by sector (in thousands)

INDUSTRY	2011			2012				2013				2014				2015		EMPLOYMENT LEVEL IN JUNE 2015*
	2Q	3Q	4Q	1Q	2Q*													
Total	24.8	31.9	37.6	27.2	31.7	26.2	44.0	28.9	33.7	33.1	40.6	28.3	27.7	33.4	40.7	-6.1	15.7	3,633.5
Manufacturing	0.5	3.9	-1.4	2.0	4.7	3.7	0.9	-1.2	2.3	3.3	0.9	-1.4	-2.1	0.5	-1.4	-6.9	-3.5	525.5
Construction	4.6	6.7	8.4	8.7	9.7	9.7	11.1	8.4	8.5	10.7	7.6	4.7	4.4	3.7	1.5	-3.6	7.8	495.6
Services	19.3	21.2	30.2	15.8	17.3	12.7	31.2	21.1	22.7	18.5	31.8	24.9	25.2	29.4	40.1	4.3	11.4	2,585.3

*Preliminary

Notes: 1) Data for the three major sectors do not add up to the total as the latter includes Agriculture, Fishing, Quarrying, Utilities and Sewerage & Waste Management

2) Data are primarily from administrative records, with the self-employed component estimated from the Labour Force Survey