

**The census data show rise in the economic activity of the country residents which is the result of the government policy aimed at the creation of enabling conditions for population employment.**

**Population aged 15 years and over  
by economic activity status in 1999 and 2009  
(thousand)**

	1999	2009	2009 as % of 1999
Economically active	4 742,9	4 911,3	103,5
employed	4 446,9	4 613,4	103,7
unemployed	296,0	297,9	100,6
Economically inactive	3 337,0	3 086,2	92,5

*The “unemployed” refer to persons who did not have work the last week prior to the census and at the same time were seeking job and were available for work in the next two weeks.*

*The share of the unemployed in total of economically active population (unemployment rate) dropped slightly and was equal to 6.1% against 6.2% in 1999.*

**Employment rate by age group and gender  
(in percent)**

