

Labor Statistics: International

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International Financial Statistics Online – IMF (*off-campus access requires UNM NetID*)

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Data from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for over 200 countries. Most annual data begin in 1948; quarterly and monthly data generally begin in 1957; most balance of payments data begin in 1970. The IFS database contains approximately 32,000 time series on economic topics. Labor statistics include consumer prices, wage rates or earnings, industrial employment index, mining employment, labor force, employment, unemployment statistics, and unemployment rate. Data can be downloaded to an Excel spreadsheet or other format.

LABORSTA – International Labour Organization (*free Internet access and downloading*)

<http://laborsta.ilo.org/>

Data from the UN International Labour Organization (ILO) for over 200 countries. Labor statistics include yearly data (1969-2004) for total and economically active population, employment, unemployment, hours of work, wages, labor cost, consumer price indices, occupational injuries, strikes and lockouts. Periodical monthly and quarterly data (1976-2006) are available for employment, unemployment, hours of work, wages, and consumer price indices. Detailed annual October Inquiry data are available for wages and hours of work for 159 occupations (1983-2004) and for retail food prices (1985-2004). Gender data on employment by sex are available for many occupational groups (1970-2000). Additional data sets and descriptions of methodology are available online. Data can be downloaded to a comma delimited file, which can be opened as an Excel spreadsheet. Downloaded data is somewhat difficult to read and manipulate in a spreadsheet. Data can be viewed online in an easy-to-read format.

OECD Statistics Portal (*some free Internet access to selected OECD data*)

From web page, go to Find – Statistics – Data by Topic – Labour

<http://www.oecd.org/statsportal>

Selected data from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) is available free on the Internet. Publications provide data from the 30 OECD countries, including Canada, Japan, Mexico, and the United States. Some data is available for non-member economies. Many analytical reports and statistical appendices are available full-text online, with photos and charts, in .pdf format. Data available vary by country and publication. Data posted free online are frequently removed and replaced with different publications. This is a good site to check for specialized publications on labor topics.

United Nations Common Database (*off-campus access requires UNM Net ID*)

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<http://elibrary.unm.edu/articles/databasesindexes.php>

Data are collected from many UN agencies. Countries and years available vary by agency and statistical series. Labor statistics include economically active population, by sex and age (1950-2010 projections), youth unemployment rate (1980-2002), consumer price index (1964-2002), wages in manufacturing, by sex (1980/83-2004), and women wage employment, as percentage of total (1986-2003). This database also includes additional data on a wide variety of demographic, social, and economic indicators. Data can be downloaded in HTML, CSV, or Excel format.

World Bank (*some free Internet access*)

From web page, go to *Data & Research – Data – By Topic – Labor & Employment*

<http://www.worldbank.org/>

Selected samples of recent World Bank data are free on the Internet. For more detailed time-series statistics, use the UNM subscription to World Development Indicators Online (see below).

World Development Indicators Online (*off-campus access requires UNM NetID*)

Access via University Libraries Research Databases page:

<http://elibrary.unm.edu/articles/databasesindexes.php>

Data from the World Bank and international agencies on over 550 development indicators and time-series statistics, for over 200 countries and 18 country groups (1960-2004). Labor statistics include detailed time-series on employment, unemployment, and labor force participation, by age, sex, educational level, and economic sector. Data also include social, economic, financial, natural resources, and environmental indicators. Information is available on population and demographics, poverty, health, education, migration, technology, and trade. This is an easy-to-use database and the data can be downloaded to an Excel spreadsheet. Full-text and detailed tables from the print edition of World Development Indicators are available from the online Help screen.

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