

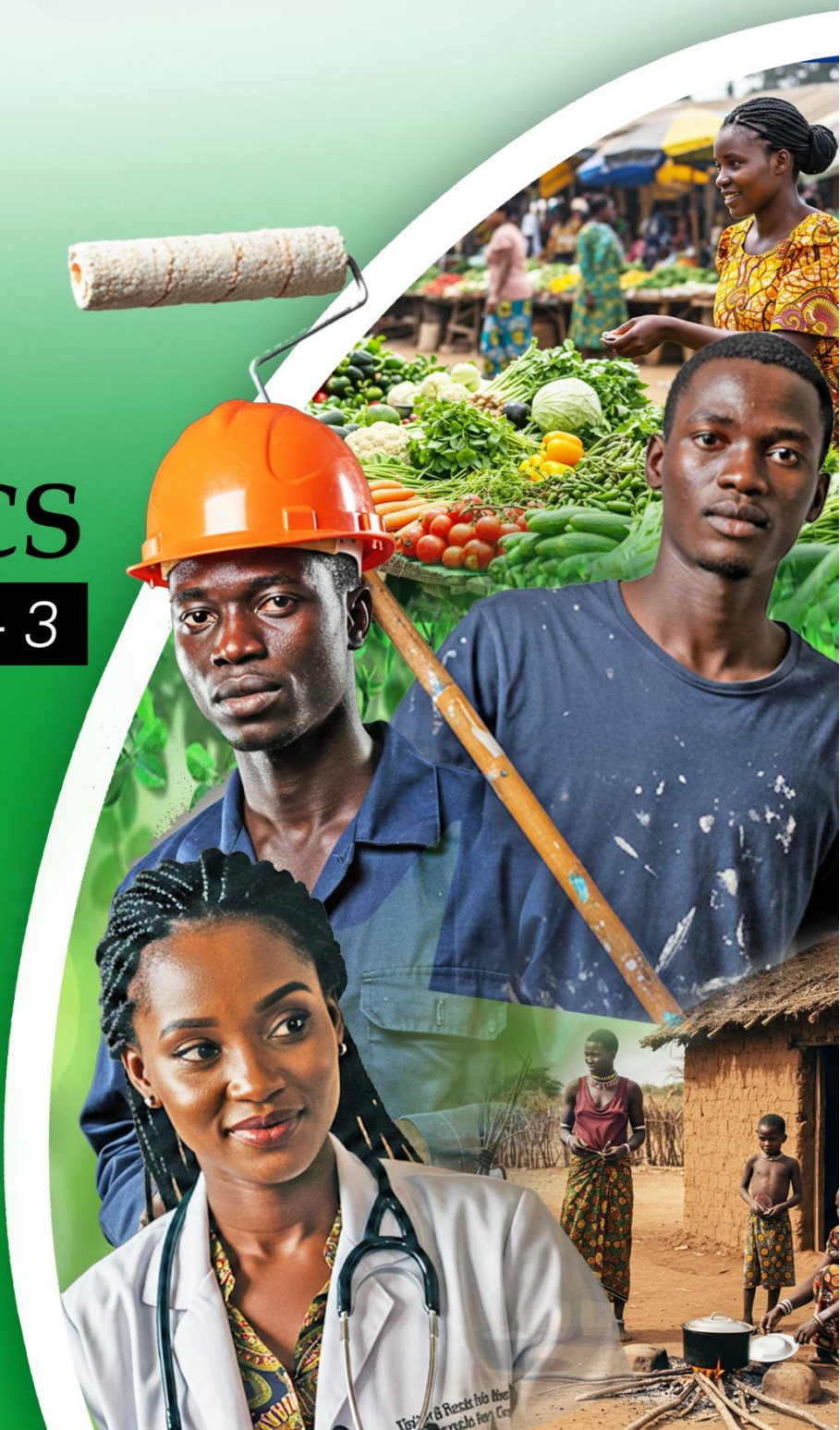


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## FOREWORD

Work is at the centre of everyday life in Ghana. It shapes incomes, livelihoods, dignity, and opportunity. It determines how households cope, how businesses grow, and how the economy transforms. Understanding how Ghanaian's work, and the quality of that work, is therefore essential for sound policy, effective planning, and inclusive development.

The Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) Report for the first three quarters of 2025 provides a timely and nationally representative picture of Ghana's labour market. It draws on data from households across all sixteen regions and offers clear evidence to inform public dialogue, policy decisions, and labour market reforms.

The findings point to a labour market that is resilient in employment creation, but constrained by structural challenges.

In the third quarter of 2025, more than 15 million people participated in the labour force, with about 87 percent employed. Between Quarter 1 and Quarter 3 of 2025, employment increased by over 330,000 persons, and female employment consistently exceeded male employment. Services remained the largest employer, followed by Agriculture and Industry, while urban areas continued to record higher employment levels than rural areas.

However, the quality of employment remains a central concern. More than two-thirds of all employed persons were in vulnerable employment and women, rural workers, and those engaged in Agriculture dominate in this group. Own-account work (self-employed without employees) continued to dominate, highlighting the limited availability of secure wage employment and the persistence of informality.

Unemployment remained relatively stable but elevated, particularly among young people. The national unemployment rate edged down slightly to 12.8% in Q1 2025 from 13.1% in Q4 of 2024, eased further to 12.6% in Q2 2025, and then rose to 13.0% in Q3 2025. The key message here is that jobs are increasing, but unemployment rate is not falling in a sustained way. New job creation is still not fast enough to absorb new entrants, especially young people and urban job seekers

Youth labour outcomes remain challenging. In Q3 of 2025, Youth unemployment consistently exceeded the national average, with the highest rates (32.4%) among persons aged 15 to 24. In addition, about 21.5 percent young people in this age group were not in employment, education, or training (NEET), representing a significant loss of productive potential.



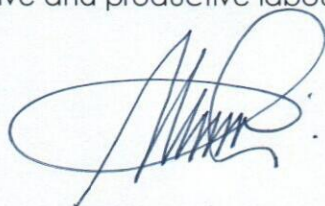
The report also provides new insights into skills utilisation and work arrangements. While over half of workers reported that their skills were fully used, about one in five felt underutilised, especially women and rural workers. Skills and educational mismatches persist. Night work remains rare, yet nearly half of workers not currently in shift-based work expressed interest, signalling opportunities as Ghana implements its 24-Hour Economy Programme.

Regional and gender disparities remain evident. Youth unemployment was highest in Greater Accra and lowest in Bono East. Urban unemployment exceeded rural unemployment, and females continued to face higher unemployment rates than males.

Taken together, these findings send a clear message. Creating jobs is necessary, but not sufficient. Employment must be productive, secure, well-matched to skills, and inclusive.

Policy responses must therefore prioritise youth-focused employment pathways, including apprenticeships and skills development; reduce vulnerable employment through formalisation and enterprise support, particularly in rural areas; strengthen skills-to-job alignment; and support safe and regulated shift-based work. Businesses, households, and training institutions all have a role to play in building a labour market that works for everyone.

This report is more than a statistical update. It is a tool for accountability, planning, and action. I encourage policymakers, employers, labour unions, civil society, researchers, and the public to engage with the evidence and use it to shape a more inclusive and productive labour market for Ghana.



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## ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

AHIES	Annual Household Income and Expenditure Survey
CAP	Computer-Assisted Personal Interview
DQMT	Data Quality Management Teams
EA	Enumeration Areas
GLSS	Ghana Living Standards Survey
GSS	Ghana Statistical Service
NSS	National Statistical System
PHC	Population and Housing Census
PPS	Probability Proportional to Size
QLFS	Quarterly Labour Force Survey
SSU	Secondary Sampling Units

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Work remains central to economic stability, household welfare, and national development in Ghana. The **Quarterly Labour Force Survey for the first three quarters of 2025** provide a timely, nationally representative assessment of how people participate in the labour market, the quality of jobs available, and how employment outcomes differ across sex, age groups, regions, and localities. This report supports evidence-based policymaking, business planning, labour dialogue, and public accountability.

## Methodology

The findings in this report are based on the **Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS)**, a nationally representative household survey conducted by the Ghana Statistical Service. The survey covered **nearly 14,000 households across all 16 regions**, in both urban and rural areas, using a stratified multi-stage sampling design. Data were collected through **computer-assisted personal interviews**, ensuring accuracy, consistency, and timeliness.

The survey captures information on employment, unemployment, labour force participation, job quality, skills utilisation, and work arrangements. All data are collected under strict confidentiality provisions and are used solely for statistical purposes.

## Key Labour Market Outcomes

Across the first three quarters of 2025, **Ghana's labour market showed resilience in employment creation**, alongside persistent structural challenges.

In the third quarter of 2025, more than **15 million people participated in the labour force**, with approximately **87 percent employed**. Employment increased by **over 330,000 persons between Quarter 1 and Quarter 3 of 2025**, reflecting continued absorption of labour. Female employment consistently exceeded male employment throughout the period. Urban areas recorded higher employment levels than rural areas, while Greater Accra and Ashanti regions accounted for the largest shares of employed persons.

Sectorally, **Services remained the largest employer employing 6.0 million people**, followed by **Agriculture (5.0 million) and Industry (2.5 million)**. However, the structure of employment raises concerns about sustainability and productivity.

## Job Quality and Vulnerability

Despite strong employment numbers, **job quality remains a major challenge**. More than **two-thirds of employed persons were in vulnerable employment**, particularly

women, rural workers, and those engaged in Agriculture. Own-account work continued to dominate, indicating limited access to secure wage employment and persistent informality.

These patterns highlight that employment growth alone does not guarantee economic security or resilience for households.

## Unemployment and Youth Outcomes

Unemployment remained relatively stable but elevated, particularly among young people. The national unemployment rate edged down slightly to 12.8% in Q1 2025 from 13.1% in Q4 of 2024, eased further to 12.6% in Q2 2025, and then rose to 13.0% in Q3 2025. The key message here is that jobs are increasing, but unemployment rate is not falling in a sustained way. New job creation is still not fast enough to absorb new entrants, especially young people and urban job seekers.

**Youth unemployment consistently exceeded the national average**, with the highest rates (**32.4%**) recorded among persons aged **15 to 24**.

In addition, about **21.5 percent of young people aged 15–24 were not in employment, education, or training (NEET)**. This represents a significant loss of productive potential and underscores the urgency of targeted youth employment and skills interventions.

Urban unemployment remained higher than rural unemployment, and females continued to experience higher unemployment rates than males.

## Skills Utilisation and Work Arrangements

The report provides new insights into **skills utilisation and mismatch**. While **over half of employed persons reported that their skills and qualifications were fully utilised**, about **one in five felt underutilised**, particularly women and rural workers. Skills mismatch remains evident, with over-skilling more common among men and urban workers, and underqualification more pronounced in rural areas.

Night work remains rare, involving fewer than two percent of workers. However, **nearly half of workers not currently engaged in shift-based work expressed interest**, especially men and rural workers. This finding is particularly relevant as Ghana implements policies related to the **24-Hour Economy Programme**, signalling both opportunity and the need for appropriate safeguards.

## Regional and Gender Disparities

Significant **regional, gender, and locality-based disparities** persist. Greater Accra recorded the highest youth unemployment, while Bono East recorded the lowest. Rural areas experienced higher levels of underemployment and labour



underutilisation, while females continued to face disadvantages in job quality and unemployment outcomes.

These disparities indicate that national averages can mask deep inequalities that require targeted and region-specific responses.

## Policy Implications and Practical Recommendations

The evidence points to four clear priorities.

First, **youth employment must be addressed urgently**, through apprenticeships, school-to-work transitions, digital and technical skills training, and reintegration pathways for NEET populations.

Second, **job quality must improve**, particularly by reducing vulnerable employment through formalisation, enterprise development, access to finance, and labour protections, especially in Agriculture and rural areas.

Third, **skills development must align with labour market demand**, requiring stronger coordination between government, training institutions, and employers, and continuous monitoring of skills utilisation.

Fourth, **shift-based and flexible work arrangements must be supported responsibly**, with clear standards to protect workers' safety, health, and income security as Ghana advances its 24-Hour Economy agenda.

Households and individuals should invest in **skills development and lifelong learning**, while businesses are encouraged to strengthen **training, internships, and workforce development initiatives**.

## Conclusion

The labour market in the first three quarters of 2025 reflects **progress with purpose, but also pressure points**. Employment is growing, yet too many workers remain in insecure jobs, too many young people are excluded, and skills are not always fully utilised.

This report provides the evidence needed to move from job creation to **job transformation**. I encourage all stakeholders to use these statistics to inform action, deepen collaboration, and build a labour market that is inclusive, productive, and resilient for all Ghanaians.

# 1. OVERVIEW OF QUARTERLY LABOUR FORCE SURVEY

## 1.1 Introduction

Ghana is currently undergoing a transformative phase with the implementation of its 24-hour economy policy, which is designed to stimulate continuous economic activity, create more job opportunities, and boost overall productivity. This policy initiative is set to significantly reshape traditional work patterns and redefine the socioeconomic landscape, particularly in urban areas and regions where extended operating hours are most viable. While the potential benefits of a round-the-clock economy are substantial, the rapid shift in work modalities also particularly regarding presents complex challenges, especially in relation to labour market dynamics, multidimensional poverty, and food insecurity.

Traditional labour force surveys, whether annual or quarterly, are increasingly inadequate for capturing the nuanced, and rapidly changing dynamics in employment and socioeconomic conditions resulting from extended economic activity. These conventional surveys often lack the frequency, granularity, or breadth needed to reflect short-term shifts and emerging challenges. Similarly, standard measurements of poverty usually focus narrowly on income, overlooking critical dimensions such as education, health, housing, and access to essential services. Food insecurity, another critical indicator of household wellbeing, also remains inadequately monitored, especially amid changing work-life patterns.

Historically, comprehensive labour market data in Ghana were limited. Employment and unemployment statistics were largely derived from decennial Population and Housing Censuses and the Ghana Living Standards Survey (GLSS), conducted approximately every five years, which restricted the ability to monitor short-term changes in employment conditions. To address these gaps, the Annual Household Income and Expenditure Survey (AHIES) was introduced, providing more frequent labour statistics, and forming the foundation for the enhanced Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS). Together, these surveys strengthen national capacity to track employment trends, vulnerable work, and other key labour indicators in near real-time.

In response, the Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) has implemented the enhanced Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) that goes beyond traditional metrics by integrating assessments of multidimensional poverty and food insecurity. This enhanced approach generates timely, detailed, and comprehensive data, to support evidence-based policymaking, enabling a more accurate evaluation of the 24-hour economy policy. It sets the foundation for a deeper understanding of the changing labour market and its broader socioeconomic implications, ensuring that

the policy's benefits are maximised while effectively mitigating potential adverse effects on vulnerable populations.

## **1.2 Objectives of the survey**

The primary objective of the QLFS is to provide timely, reliable, and comprehensive labour market and socioeconomic indicators for evidence-based policymaking in Ghana.

### **1.2.1 Specific Objectives**

#### **a. Labour Market Dynamics**

Generate up-to-date statistics on employment, unemployment, vulnerable employment, labour force participation, job quality, and work arrangements (including full-time, part-time, and shift-based work) across demographics and regions.

#### **b. Multidimensional Poverty Measurement**

Produce key indicators on living standards, including education, health, housing conditions, asset ownership, and access to basic services, to track disparities and identify vulnerable populations.

#### **c. Food Insecurity Assessment**

Measure the prevalence and severity of household food insecurity and analyze the socioeconomic factors associated with food access and stability.

#### **d. Policy-Relevant Insights**

Provide high-frequency data to supports the analysis of evolving socioeconomic conditions and inform targeted policy interventions to improve livelihoods and well-being.

#### **e. Stakeholder Engagement and Decision Support**

Supply policymakers, development partners, civil society, and the private sector with robust data to facilitate informed dialogue and coordinated dialogue on the impacts and effectiveness of the 24-hour economy policy

## **1.3 Implementing Institution and Critical Stakeholders**

The Statistical Service Act 2019 (Act 1003) mandates the Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) as the institution responsible for producing and coordinating statistics within the National Statistical System (NSS). The Act strengthens the production of quality,



relevant, accurate, and timely statistical information to support national development. Accordingly, GSS leads the implementation of the QLFS. Other key stakeholders include the Ministry of Labour, Jobs and Employment; the 24-hour Secretariat; the Ministry of Youth Development and Empowerment; and the Ministry of Gender, Children, and Social Protection.

## **2. METHODOLOGY**

### **2.1 Scope**

The 2025 QLFS is a nationally representative panel household survey conducted over three quarters. It covered a total of 13,920 households selected from 1,160 Enumeration Areas (EAs), comprising 590 urban (50.9%) and 583 rural (49.1%) areas, ensuring balanced geographic coverage. Data were collected across a wide range of thematic areas, including demographic characteristics, migration, education, health, difficulty in performing activities, nutrition, housing conditions, economic activity, food insecurity, and multidimensional poverty. A single, integrated base questionnaire was used to capture both individual and household-level data across these domains, ensuring consistency and comparability throughout the survey period.

### **2.2 Sampling Design**

The primary objective of the sample design for the QLFS was to produce statistically reliable estimates of key labour market indicators at the national, regional and locality (urban and rural) levels. The sampling frame was based on the 2021 Population and Housing Census (2021PHC). Within each of the 16 administrative regions, urban and rural areas were defined as distinct sampling strata. A two-stage cluster sampling method was used; in the first stage, Primary Sampling Units (PSUs), defined as EAs were selected from each stratum using a probability proportional to size (PPS) approach. In the second stage, Secondary Sampling Units (SSUs), defined as households were systematically selected within each sampled PSU. This design yielded a total sample of 1,160 EAs and 13,920 Households.

The sample was specifically designed to produce regional-level estimates for two primary indicators of interest, with a particular focus on the unemployment rate. To ensure representativeness, the minimum sample size required to estimate each of the two key indicators was calculated. For each region, the larger of the two estimates was used to determine the final sample size, ensuring robust results for both indicators.

### **2.3 Recruitment and Training**

Recruitment of field staff took place at GSS Head Office. Potential candidates were shortlisted from an existing database, with priority given to field officers who had participated in the Annual Household Income and Expenditure Survey (AHIES) 2022-2025. A minimum qualification of tertiary-level education was required for all data collection personnel. To account for potential attrition and underperformance, more candidates were recruited than initially required.

All shortlisted candidates underwent a structured selection and screening process. In addition to educational qualifications, the selection considered, gender balance;

proficiency in local languages; familiarity with assigned geographic areas; and computer literacy, particularly in the use of tablets for electronic data collection. These rigorous criteria ensured that the selected teams were not only technically competent but also well-equipped to engage effectively with respondents across diverse regions and communities.

Participants underwent an assessment, after which the top-performers were selected and organised into field teams for data collection. Each field team consisted of five members: four interviewers and one supervisor. To promote gender balance, each team included at least two female members. A driver was assigned to each team to support their transportation needs.

## **2.4 Fieldwork**

Fieldwork for the survey was organised into quarterly cycles, with data collected continuously throughout the year. A total of 40 field teams were deployed across the country to ensure complete geographic coverage and consistency in data quality. Each quarterly round of data collection was completed within an average of 43 days, following a coordinated schedule that allowed teams to move efficiently between selected enumeration areas. This structured approach ensured timely, high-quality data while maintaining uniform field procedures across all regions.

Data were collected electronically using tablets with the Computer-Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) system. Interviews were synced daily, first via Bluetooth to their supervisors, and then via the internet to the central server at the GSS Head Office. A monitoring dashboard was developed to track and assess the quality data synced daily, ensuring real-time supervision and quality control throughout the data collection process.

## **2.5 Interviewer Workload**

Each team was assigned twenty-nine (29) EAs to cover within the 43-day data collection period, with a daily target of twelve (12) households. In both rural and urban EAs, each interviewer was expected to cover an average of three households per day. To ensure data quality, seven data quality monitors were stationed at the GSS headquarters, supported by two officers who managed the dashboard. In addition, four data quality monitors were assigned to remotely supervise field officers from the office, with occasional field visits to provide on-site support and oversight.

## **2.6 Legal Authority and Right to Enter Premises for QLFS**

The 2025 QLFS was conducted in accordance with the Statistical Service Act, 2019 (Act 1003). This Act empowers the Government Statistician to conduct statistical surveys and any census in Ghana. Under the provisions of the QLFS, interviewers were

legally authorised to access any premises, compound, or dwelling for the purpose of interviewing individuals residing therein. Additionally, any person authorised in writing by the Government Statistician was permitted to enter such premises during reasonable hours (typically, between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.) to carry out interviews.

The Statistical Service Act, 2019 (Act 1003), clearly outlines the legal obligations and limitations of QLFS officers. While it authorises interviewers to access premises and collect information necessary to complete or verify questionnaire entries, it strictly prohibits any form of misconduct. The Act places strong emphasis on the confidentiality of respondent data and outlines penalties for officers who breach this obligation. Furthermore, it stipulates sanctions for individuals who refuse to furnish required information or who knowingly provide false statements. Any person who obstructs or hinders a QLFS officer in the execution of their duties, or who deliberately provides false information, commits an offense punishable by a fine, imprisonment, or both.

## **2.7 Handling of Documents and Logistics**

It is important to highlight that the Statistical Service Act, 2019 (Act 1003) provides for specific penalties related to the handling of documents and materials associated with the QLFS. In particular, the Act prohibits the unauthorized destruction, defacing, or mutilation of any forms, schedules, or documents containing data collected under the law. The relevant section states:

*“Any person who, without lawful authority, destroys, defaces or mutilates any schedule, form or other document containing particulars obtained in pursuance of the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months or to both fine and imprisonment.”*

This provision underscores the need to handle and safeguard all QLFS-related materials carefully throughout the data collection process.

## **2.8 Confidentiality of QLFS information**

The confidentiality of information collected under the QLFS was of paramount importance and is protected by law. The Statistical Service Act, 2019 (Act 1003) stipulates that all information gathered is to be used exclusively for the purpose of compiling official statistics. The Act strictly prohibits the publication of identifiable individual data, allowing only the release of aggregate results in the form of statistical tables, summaries, and general conclusions. In line with this, field officers were not permitted to disclose any information to unauthorised persons or leave any material

in locations where others may gain access. All data collected were securely handled to maintain confidentiality.

The Act further specifies that any unauthorised disclosure of information collected through the QLFS constitutes an offence, punishable by a fine, a term of imprisonment, or both. To ensure data integrity and security, enumerators administer the questionnaire using the Computer-Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) system. At no point were tablets or QLFS forms accessed or used by unauthorised individuals. All data and documentation were kept confidential and only shared with officers of the Ghana Statistical Service who are duly sworn and require access for official purposes.

## **2.9 Taking of Oath of Secrecy**

To reinforce the legal requirement of confidentiality in the implementation of the QLFS, all field officers were mandated to take an oath of secrecy prior to assuming their duties. In accordance with the Statistical Service Act, 2019 (Act 1003), the oath legally binds interviewers and supervisors to carry out their responsibilities faithfully and honestly, and to refrain from disclosing any information obtained in the course of their work. The oath is a statutory requirement and is administered not only to permanent staff of the Ghana Statistical Service but also to all individuals engaged in official statistical activities under the provisions of the Act. Any breach of this oath constitutes an offence, punishable by a fine, a term of imprisonment, or both. Moreover, individuals who fail to take the oath are not permitted to serve as interviewers or supervisors in the QLFS.

## **2.10 Imputation of 2025 Quarter 1 Labour Market Indicators**

Survey-based labour market estimates for the first quarter of 2025 (2025 Q1) were not collected for the employed, unemployed, and outside the labour force categories. To preserve the continuity and analytical integrity of the quarterly labour market series, the Ghana Statistical Service imputed values for the missing quarter using a linear interpolation of growth rates based on data from the adjacent quarters: 2024 Q4 and 2025 Q2.

This method assumes that changes in labour market indicators between two observed quarters occur in a smooth and gradual manner. Rather than interpolating absolute levels directly, the approach interpolates the percentage change (growth rate) between the two known quarters and assigns half of this change to the intervening quarter.

Let:

$Y_{t-1}$  = denote the observed value for 2024 Q4



$Y_{t+1}$  = denote the observed value for 2025 Q2

$Y_t$  = denote the imputed value for 2025 Q1

First, the growth rate between 2024 Q4 and 2025 Q2 is calculated as:

$$g = \frac{(Y_{t+1} - Y_{t-1})}{Y_{t-1}}$$

Since 2025 Q1 lies exactly halfway between the two observed quarters, the imputed value for 2025 Q1 is derived by applying half of the calculated growth rate to the 2024 Q4 value, as follows:

$$Y_t = Y_{t-1} \times \left(1 + \frac{g}{2}\right)$$

Written more explicitly;

$$Y_t = Y_{t-1} \times \left[1 + \frac{(Y_{t+1} - Y_{t-1})}{2Y_{t-1}}\right]$$

This method preserves proportional changes and avoids distortions that may arise from applying linear interpolation directly to absolute values, particularly for indicators that evolve multiplicatively, such as labour force counts and rates.

Following estimation, a series of quality assurance checks were conducted to ensure that:

- the interpolated values followed a logical and consistent trend;
- category totals conformed to established accounting identities (for example, employment, unemployment, and those outside the labour force summing to the working-age population, where applicable); and
- no structural anomalies or discontinuities were introduced into the series.

Overall, this approach provides a transparent, internally consistent, and statistically sound method for imputing a single missing quarter within the labour market time series.

### 3. DEFINITION OF CONCEPTS

#### 3.1 Absorption Rate (Employment-to-Population Ratio)

This is the proportion of the population that is employed expressed as a percentage of the working-age population (15 years and older).

##### Method of computation

The employment-to-population ratio (EPR) is calculated as follows:

$$EPR = \frac{\text{Employed population 15 years and older}}{\text{Population 15 years and older}} \times 100$$

##### Interpretation:

The employment-to-population ratio provides information on the ability of the economy to create employment. A high ratio means that a large proportion of the country's population is employed, while a low ratio means that a large share of the population is not involved directly in market-related activities, because they are either unemployed or out of the labour force.

#### 3.2 Contributing Family Worker

This refers to a person who assists a family member or household member in either:

- a) market-oriented enterprise operated by the family or household member;
- OR
- b) a job in which the assisted family or household member is an employee or dependent contractor.

Irrespective of the type of assistance provided by contributing family workers, they:

- do not receive regular payments, such as a wage or salary, in return for the work performed;
- may benefit in kind or receive irregular payments in cash as a result of the outputs of their work through family or intra-household transfers, derived from the profits of the enterprise or from the income of the other person;
- do not make the most important decisions affecting the enterprise or have responsibility for it.

#### 3.3 Dependent Contractors

Dependent contractors are defined statistically as workers who have: Contractual arrangements of a commercial nature (but not a contract of employment) to provide

goods or services for or through another economic unit, and satisfy the following conditions:

- they are not employees of that economic unit, but are dependent on that unit for organization and execution of the work, income, or for access to the market;
- they are workers employed for profit, who are dependent on another entity that exercises control over their productive activities and directly benefits from the work performed by them;
- the activity of the dependent contractor would potentially be at risk in the event of termination of the contractual relationship with that economic unit.

### **3.4 Labour Force (Economically Active Population)**

This is the economically active population which comprises of all persons 15 years and older who furnish the supply of labour for the production of economic goods and services. This covers persons 15 years and older who were either employed or unemployed seven days preceding the interview date.

### **3.5 Employed Persons**

This refers to all persons 15 years and older, who engaged in any activity to produce goods or provide services for pay or profit (either in cash or in-kind) during the reference period. Within the reference period (7 days preceding the interview), these persons could be “at work” or “not at work” due to temporary absence.

Employed persons include those who during the reference period:

- Worked at least one hour in their paid job or business activity, including self-employment;
- Had a paid job or business but did not work due to temporary absence for reasons such as illness, personal or family responsibilities, vacation, etc., and would go back to this job after the period of absence;
- Was engaged in a family business for payment in cash or in kind.

### **3.6 Employers**

These are persons, who operate their own business on their own or in partnership with others and who employ one or more persons as an employee on a regular basis. Specifically, having at least one employee during the reference period and at least two of the three weeks immediately preceding the reference period, even if one or more employees were engaged only for a short period.

## **Employers in corporations**

These are owner-operators of corporations in which they employ one or more persons (including temporarily absent employees but excluding themselves, their partners, dependent contractors and family helpers) to work as an employee on a regular basis. As owner-operators, these employers hold a job in an incorporated enterprise (such as a limited liability corporation or limited partnership) in which they:

(a) hold controlling ownership of the enterprise alone, or together with other members of their families and/or one or a few partners; and

(b) have the authority to act on behalf of the enterprise with respect to contracts with other organizations and the hiring and dismissal of employees, subject to national legislation regulating such matters and the rules established by the elected or appointed board of the corporation.

## **Employers in household market enterprises**

These are workers who, alone or with one or more partners, operate an unincorporated market enterprise for profit, and who employ one or more persons (including temporarily absent employees but excluding themselves, their partners, dependent contractors and contributing family workers) to work in that enterprise as an employee on a regular basis.

## **3.7 Employees**

These are workers employed for pay, on a formal or informal basis, who do not hold controlling ownership of the economic unit in which they are employed.

### **Permanent employees**

These are employees who are guaranteed a minimum number of hours of work and are employed on an ongoing or indefinite basis. They are full-time or part-time workers employed for pay, in formal or informal jobs, who have employment arrangements whereby:

- There is no specified date or event on which employment in a particular economic unit will be terminated other than any age or time for retirement;
- The employer agrees to provide work and pay for a specified number of hours or to pay for the number of goods or services produced in a set period; and
- The worker agrees to work for at least the specified number of hours, or for the time required to produce a specified number of goods or services.

## **Fixed-term employees**

These are employees who are guaranteed a minimum number of hours of work and are employed on a time-limited basis for a period of three months or more, who have arrangements whereby:

- a) There is a specified date, other than any age or time for retirement, on which the employment will be terminated, or an event such as the end of the harvest or completion of a construction or other project, which will lead to termination of employment;
- b) the total duration of the employment is expected to be at least three months from the first day of employment to the expected final day of employment;
- c) The employer agrees to provide work and pay for a specified number of hours, or to pay for the number of goods or services produced, in a set period; and
- d) The worker agrees to work for at least the specified number of hours, or for the time required to produce a specified number of goods or services.

## **Short-term and causal employees**

These are employees without a guaranteed minimum number of hours of work per pay period or with short-term employment arrangements for a period less than 3 months, irrespective of whether there is a guaranteed minimum number of hours of paid work or not.

## **Paid apprentices, trainees and interns**

These are employees who perform any activity to produce goods or provide services for others, in order to acquire workplace experience or skills in a trade or profession and receive payment in return for work performed. Acquiring "workplace experience or skills" may occur through traditional, formal, or informal arrangements whether or not a specific qualification or certification is issued. They are usually remunerated at a reduced rate compared to fully qualified workers.

They include persons involved in:

- paid formal or informal traineeships, apprenticeships, internships, or other types of programmes, according to national circumstances; and
- paid skills training or retraining schemes within employment promotion programmes, when engaged in the production process of the economic unit for which they work



### 3.8 Independent workers without employees

This refers to persons who operate an economic unit alone or in partnership with others, and do not employ any persons other than themselves, their partners, and contributing family workers to work in the economic unit on a regular basis as an employee.

#### Owner-operators of corporations without employees

These are workers who hold a job in an incorporated enterprise, such as a limited liability corporation or limited partnership, in which they:

(a) hold controlling ownership of the enterprise alone, or together with other members of their families and/or one or a few partners; and

(b) have the authority to act on behalf of the enterprise with respect to contracts with other organizations and the hiring and dismissal of employees, subject to national legislation regulating such matters and the rules established by the elected or appointed board of the corporation.

#### Own-account workers in household market enterprises without employees

These are workers who operate an unincorporated market enterprise for profit, alone or with one or more partners or contributing family workers, and do not employ any persons to work in the enterprise on a regular basis as an employee

### 3.9 Labour force participation rate (LFPR)

LFPR is the proportion of the working age population (15 years and older) that is either employed or unemployed.

#### Method of computation

The employment-to-population ratio (EPR) is calculated as follows:

$$LFPR = \frac{\text{Employed population} + \text{Unemployed (15 years and older)}}{\text{Population 15 years and older}} \times 100$$

### 3.10 Labour Underutilisation

This refers to mismatches between labour supply and demand, which translate into an unmet need for employment among the population. There are several measures of labour underutilization including unemployment, time-related underemployment, the potential labour force, and the LU1-LU4 rates.

## Time-related underemployment

This is defined as all persons in employment who wanted to work additional hours, whose working time in all jobs was less than a specified hours threshold, and who were available to work additional hours given an opportunity for more work.

## Potential labour force

This is a subset of persons outside the labour force, which aims to measure the potential supply of labour, or in other words, it quantifies all persons with an unmet need for income-generating work and provides a measure of their degree of labour market integration. It includes persons who are either looking for a job but not currently available to work, or who are available to work but are not actively looking for a job.

## Extended labour force

This is defined as the sum of the potential labour force and the labour force. It includes persons of working age who, during the short reference period, were neither in employment nor in unemployment and: (a) carried out activities to “seek employment”, were not “currently available” but would become available within a short subsequent period established in the light of national circumstances (i.e. unavailable jobseekers); or (b) did not carry out activities to “seek employment”, but wanted employment and were “currently available” (i.e. available potential jobseekers).

## Combined rate of time-related underemployment and unemployment (LU2)

This represents the share of the labour force that are either in unemployment or time-related underemployment. It is calculated as:

$$LU2 = 100 * \frac{(time\ related\ underemployment + unemployed)}{labour\ force}$$

## Combined rate of unemployment and potential labour force (LU3)

This represents the share of the extended labour force that are in unemployment or the potential labour force. It is calculated as:

$$LU3 = 100 * \frac{(unemployed + potential\ labour\ force)}{extended\ labour\ force}$$

## Composite measure of labour underutilization (LU4)

This represents the share of the extended labour force that is in unemployment, time-related underemployment, or the potential labour force. It is calculated as:

$$LU4 = 100 * \frac{(time\ related\ underemployment + unemployed + potential\ labour\ force)}{extended\ labour\ force}$$

### 3.11 Paid Employment

This refers to work performed during the reference period for which wage or salary was received or expected to be received, either in cash or in kind. It includes persons who were temporarily not at work during the reference period but had work to return to and had received or expected to receive payment.

### 3.12 Persons Outside the Labour Force

This refers to persons aged 15 years and older who are neither employed nor unemployed (i.e., they are neither working nor available) during the reference period. There is a variety of reasons why some individuals do not participate in the labour force: such persons may be occupied with caring for family members; they may be retired, sick or disabled, or attending school; or they may simply not want to work.

### 3.13 Self-Employment

This refers to a situation in which persons operate their own enterprise (e.g., a farmer, a kenkey seller, or a carpenter working in his/her own enterprise). A self-employed person does not work for a specific employer who pays him/her a salary or wage.

### 3.14 Share of Youth Not in Employment, Education or Training

#### (Youth NEET Rate)

The share of youth not in employment, education or training (NEET) conveys the proportion of young persons not in education, employment or training as a percentage of the total youth population. The NEET Rate provides a measure of youth who are outside the educational system, not in training and not in employment, and thus serves as a broader measure of potential youth labour market entrants than youth unemployment, since it also includes young persons outside the labour force not in education or training.

## Method of computation

*NEET Rate*

$$= \frac{\text{Youth popn} - \text{Youth in employment} - \text{Youth not in employment but in education or training}}{\text{Youth population}} \times 100$$

## Interpretation:

Measures youth labour underutilisation:

A high NEET rate suggests engagement in household chores, care activities and signifies strong institutional barriers to access employment or training opportunities. The NEET also informs policymakers on youth not gaining professional experience in employment and not furthering their skills in education.

## 3.15 Unemployed Persons

This refers to all persons 15 years and older, who in the seven days preceding the interview date did not work; and did not have work to go back to; and were available to work.

This report uses the broad unemployment definition which relaxes the requirement that the person must be available and actively looking for work. This is because, in Ghana, as in many developing economies, work opportunities are limited, and potential workers may give up after unsuccessful periods of looking for work.

## 3.16 Unemployment Rate

This is the number of unemployed persons 15 years and older divided by the economically active population 15 years and older multiplied by 100. This is different from the proportion of the population unemployed which is computed using the entire population 15 years and older (within and outside the labour force).

## Method of computation

The unemployment rate (UR) is calculated as follows:

$$UR = \frac{\text{Persons unemployed}}{\text{Persons employed} + \text{Persons unemployed}} \times 100$$

## Interpretation:

It reflects the inability of an economy to generate employment for those persons who want to work but are not doing so, even though they are available. A high ratio means that a large proportion of the country's population is unemployed, while a low ratio

means that a large share of the population is involved directly in market-related activities, because they are employed.

### **3.17 Vulnerable Employment**

This is defined as the sum of the employment status groups of own-account workers (own-account workers in household enterprises without employees and owner-operators of corporations without employees) and contributing family workers. They are less likely to have formal work arrangements, lack decent working conditions, adequate social security and “voice” through effective representation by trade unions and similar organisations. Vulnerable employment is often characterised by inadequate earnings, low productivity and difficult conditions of work that undermine workers' fundamental rights.

Note: Employees are referred to as employed persons with paid employment jobs under employment status category and are usually identified with more job security and better working conditions in general, whereas own-account workers and contributing family workers form two employment status categories regarded as vulnerable employment.

While this is true in general terms, it is important to note that not all employees have basic elements of decent work such as coverage of social security and/or social dialogue just as not all own-account workers and contributing family workers are in a precarious or vulnerable situation. Thus, while the share of own-account workers and contributing family workers is a valuable and reasonable proxy to measure vulnerability, it is nevertheless an imperfect one.

### **3.18 Work**

This refers to any activity performed by a person 15 years and older to produce goods and services for use by others or for their own use. That is, the engagement in work is associated with the production of goods and services regardless of whether the work done was voluntary, non-voluntary, apprenticeship or for one's own final use or not. This could be an activity that the person was remunerated for or otherwise within the reference period (7 days preceding the interview).

### **3.19 Worked but not employed**

This refers to an activity within the reference period, performed by persons 15 years and older to produce goods and services for use by others or for their own use without pay or profit.



## **4. MAIN RESULTS**

### **4.1 Scope**

Premised on the background, context and policy needs related to employment, this section provides highlights of the status, characteristics of the working-age population 15 years and older in Ghana in 2025 Q1-Q3. Among the key issues covered are the labour force status (employment and unemployment), prevalence and characterisation of the youth population (15-35 years) who are not in employment, education, and training (NEET) and labour underutilisation and underemployment.

It should be noted that 2025 Q1 labour market data were unavailable. Accordingly, estimates were derived using a straightforward interpolation method. The change between 2024 Q4 and 2025 Q2 was calculated, and half of this change was attributed to 2025 Q1. The resulting adjustment was applied to the 2024 Q4 value to estimate the 2025 Q1 figure, ensuring continuity and consistency in the quarterly series.

## 4.2 Highlights

The labour force comprises all persons aged 15 years and older who are either employed, meaning they engaged in any activity to produce goods or provided services for pay or profit during the reference period (i.e., 7 days prior to the interview), or unemployed, defined as those who did not work, had no job to return to, and were available to work in the seven days prior to the interview.

Across the first three quarters of 2025, more than 15 million persons constituted the labour force, with about 87.0 percent employed in each quarter.

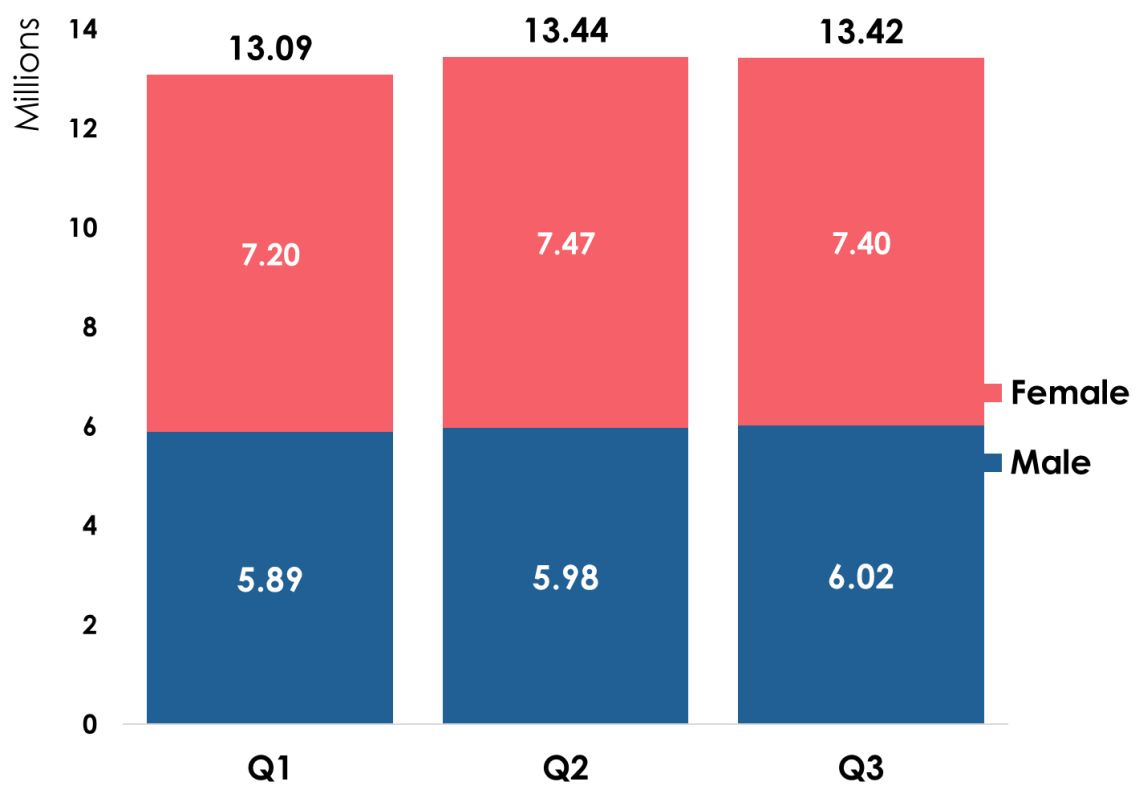
Over 330,000 more persons were employed in Q3 compared with Q1.

FIGURE 4.1: LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER



In all three quarters, female employment remained consistently higher than male employment, with over 7.2 million females employed compared with about 6 million males.

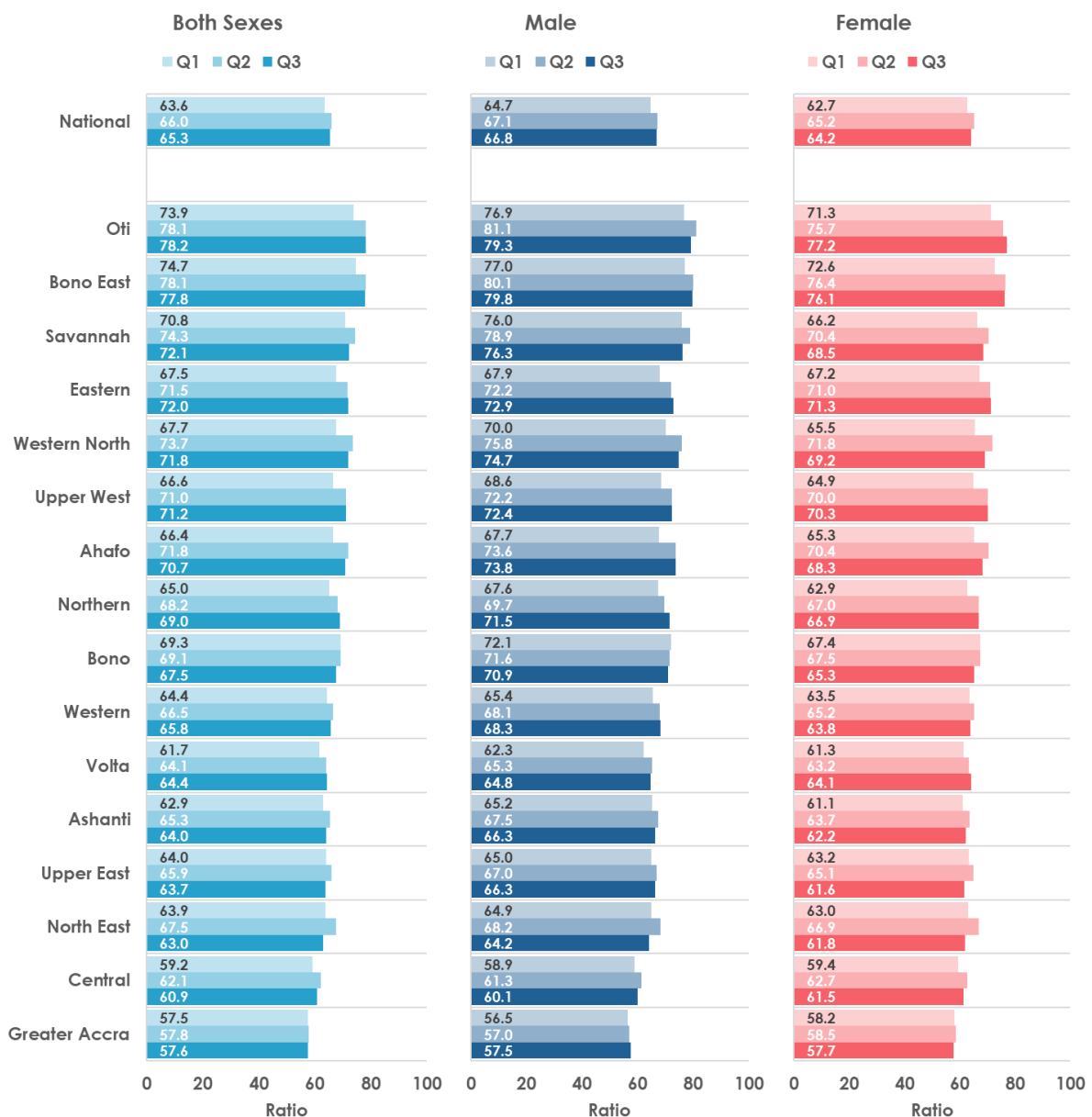
**FIGURE 4.2: EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY SEX**



Across the quarters, about two in every three (63.6%) persons of working age were employed, with males consistently higher than females.

In Q3, a larger share of the working-age population was employed in Oti (78.2%), Bono East (77.8%), and Savannah (72.1%) regions compared with Greater Accra (57.6%) and Central (60.9%) regions.

FIGURE 4.3: EMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO BY REGION AND SEX



Across all the three quarters, urban areas consistently recorded higher levels of employment than rural areas, with the largest gap observed in Q2 when employment in urban areas exceeded that in rural areas by about 1.49 million persons.

**FIGURE 4.4: EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY TYPE OF LOCALITY**

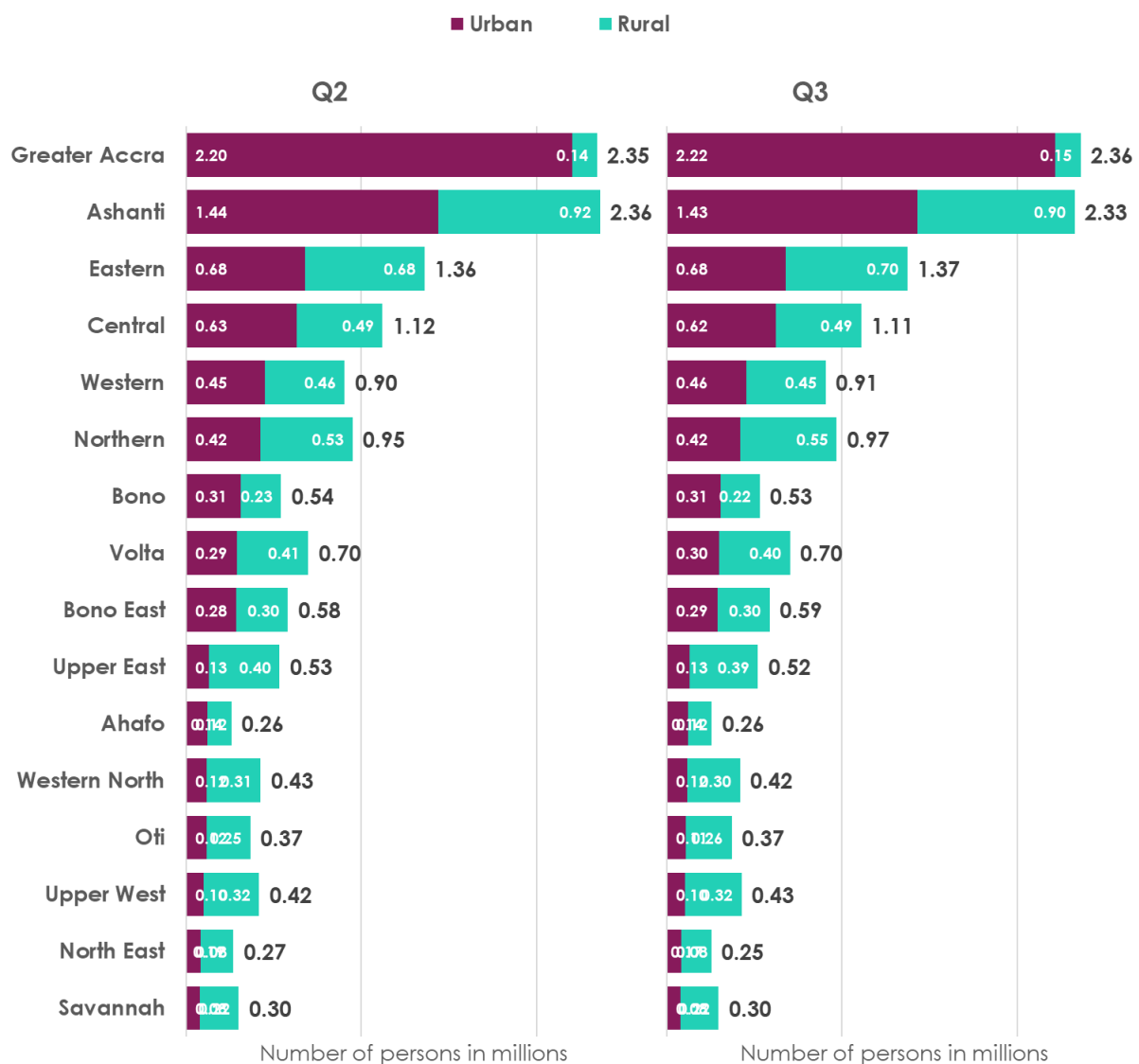




Urban employment dominated in five regions, with Greater Accra recording the highest urban employment (2.22 million) in Q3.

In contrast, rural employment exceeded urban employment in 11 regions, with the Eastern Region recording the highest level of rural employment (700,000).

FIGURE 4.5: EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY REGION AND TYPE OF LOCALITY

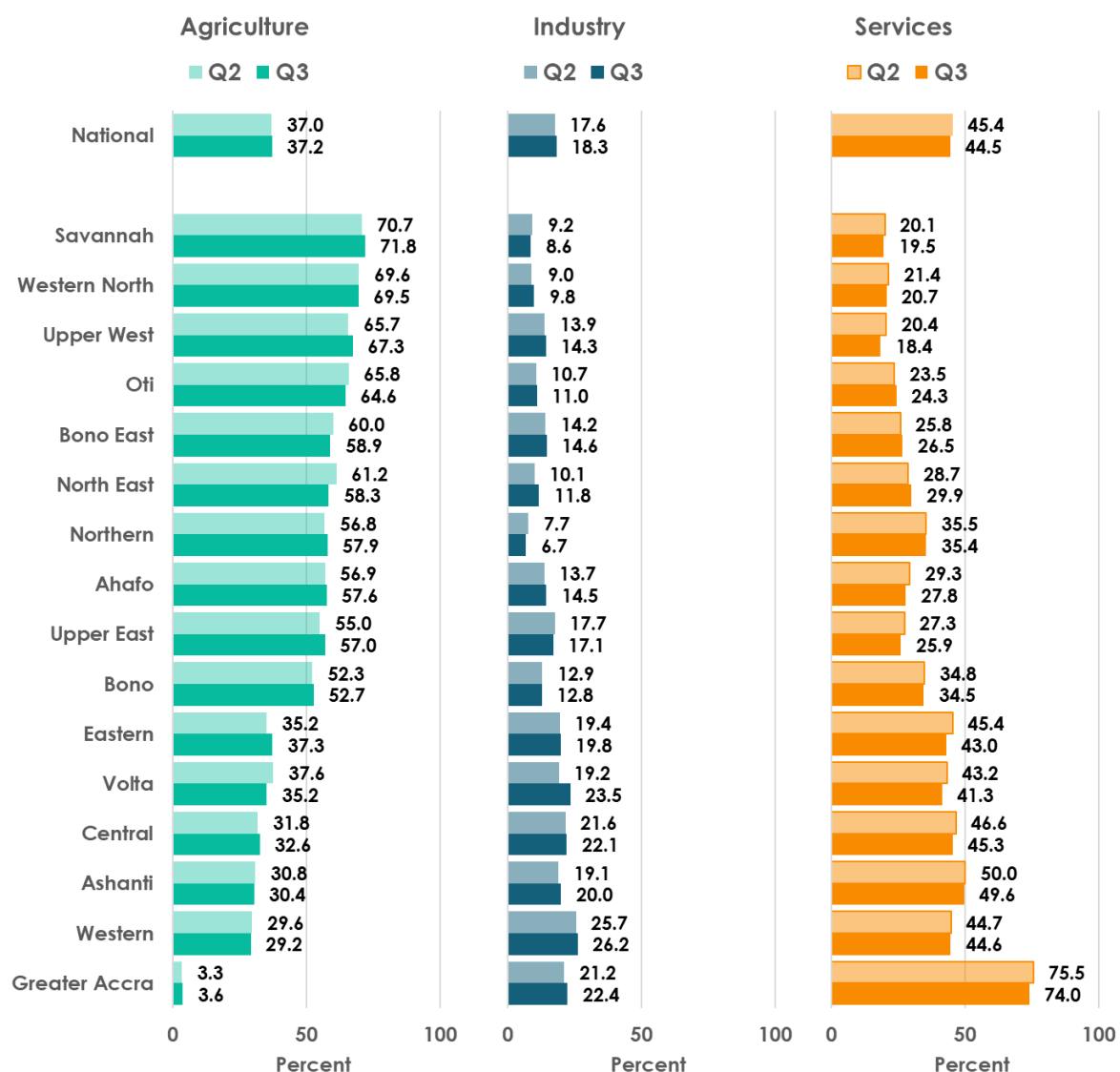


More than two-fifths (44.5%) of persons engaged were in Services, compared with over one-third (37.2%) in Agriculture and less than one-fifth (18.2%) in Industry in Q3.

In Q2 and Q3, ten regions had more than half of persons engaged in Agriculture, with the Savannah Region recording the largest share with an average of 71.1 percent.

In Q3, 74.0 percent of persons engaged in the Greater Accra region were in the Services sector compared with 3.6 percent in Agriculture.

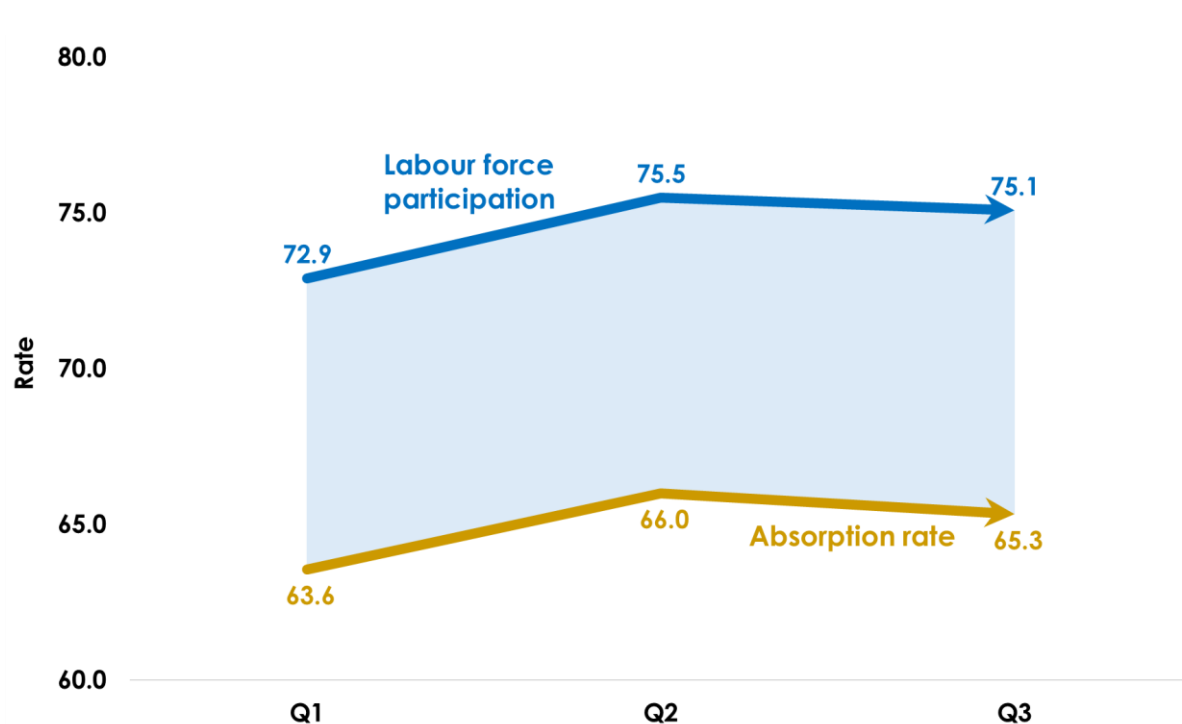
**FIGURE 4.6: EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY SECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT**



Across the three quarters, close to three-fourth (74.5%) of the working age population participated in the labour market.

Across the three quarters, over 63 percent of the working-age population (15 years and older) had been employed.

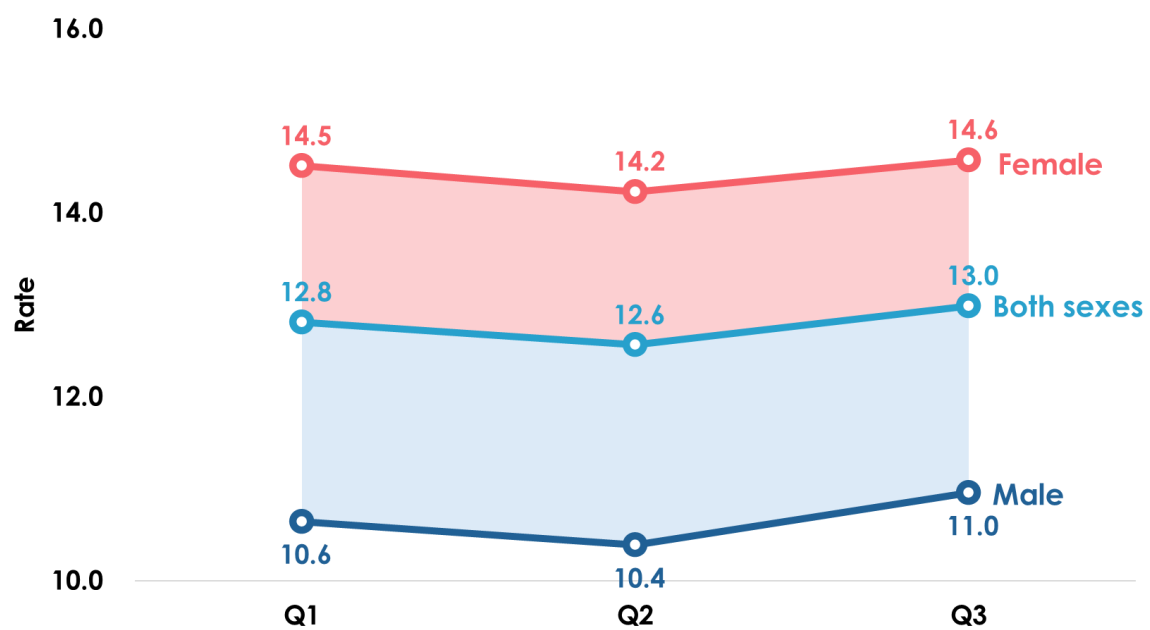
FIGURE 4.7: LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION AND ABSORPTION RATES



Unemployment rate averaged 12.8 percent during the first three quarters of 2025, with a slight increase to 13.0 percent in Q3.

Female unemployment rate has consistently been higher than male unemployment rate, with an average gap of 3.7 percentage points in each quarter.

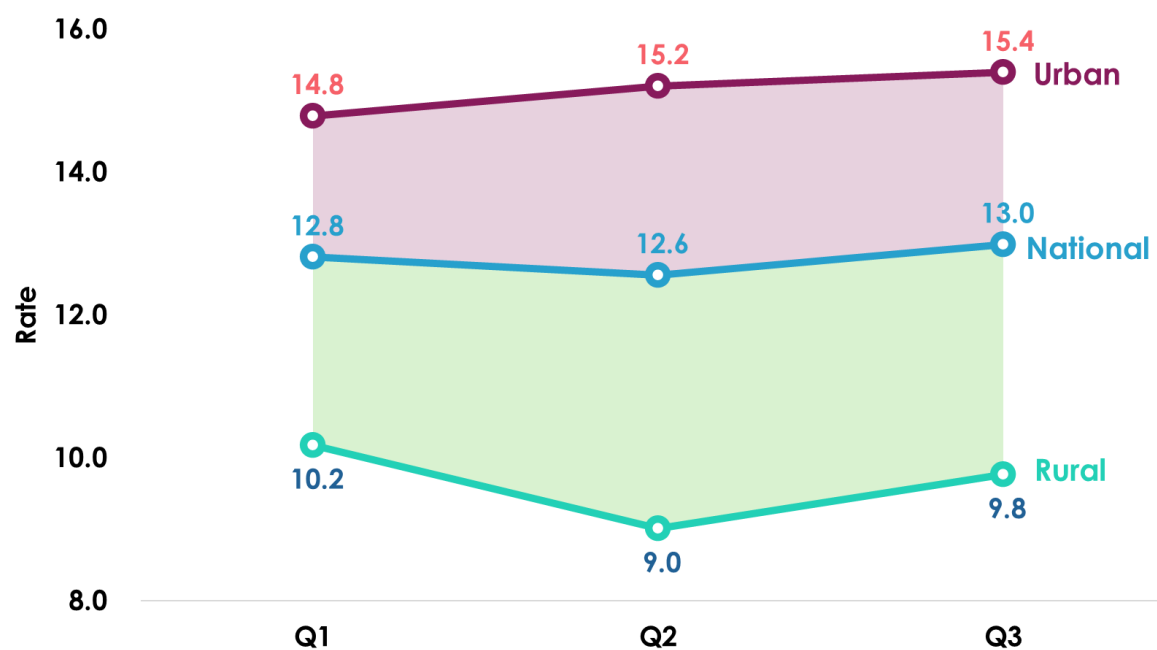
FIGURE 4.8: UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY SEX



Across the three quarters, the unemployment rate averaged 15.1 percent in urban areas, which is 5.5 percentage points higher than the rural average of 9.6 percent.

Unemployment rates remain lower in rural areas compared to urban areas in all three quarters with the highest gap of 6.2 percentage points recorded in Q2.

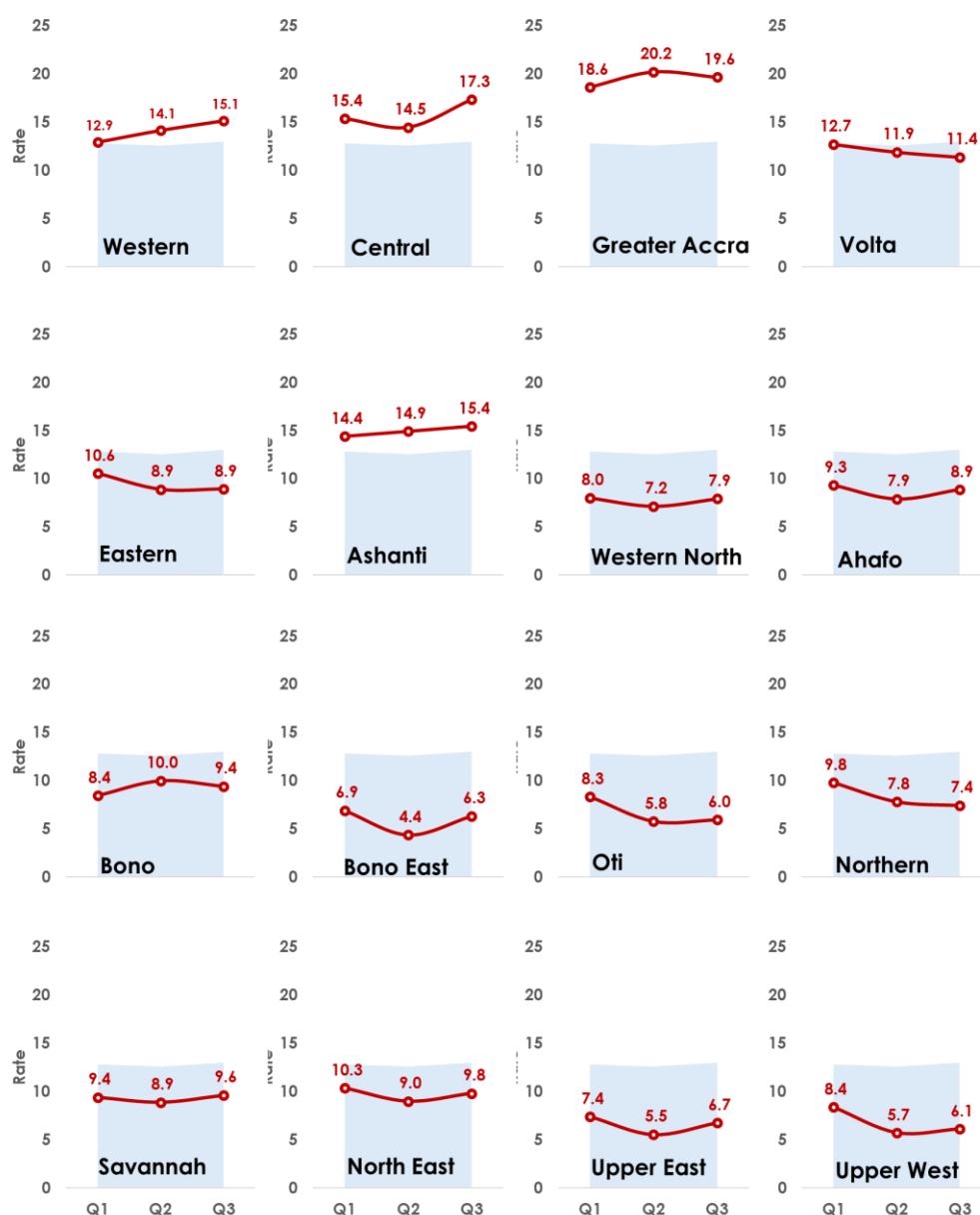
FIGURE 4.9: UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY TYPE OF LOCALITY



Across the three quarters, four regions (Western, Central, Greater Accra and Ashanti) consistently recorded unemployment rates above the national level.

Four regions recorded a decline in unemployment between Q2 and Q3: Greater Accra (20.2% to 19.6%), Volta (11.9% to 11.4%), Bono (10.0% to 9.4%), and Northern (7.8% to 7.4%).

**FIGURE 4.10: UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY REGION**



In Q2 and Q3, labour force participation (98.0%) and absorption (93.0%) rates were on average highest among persons aged 45- 49 years.

Conversely, the highest unemployment rate was recorded among persons aged 15-19 years at 33.2 percent in Q2 and 40.3 percent in Q3.

**FIGURE 4.11: UNEMPLOYMENT, LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION, AND ABSORPTION RATES BY AGE GROUP**



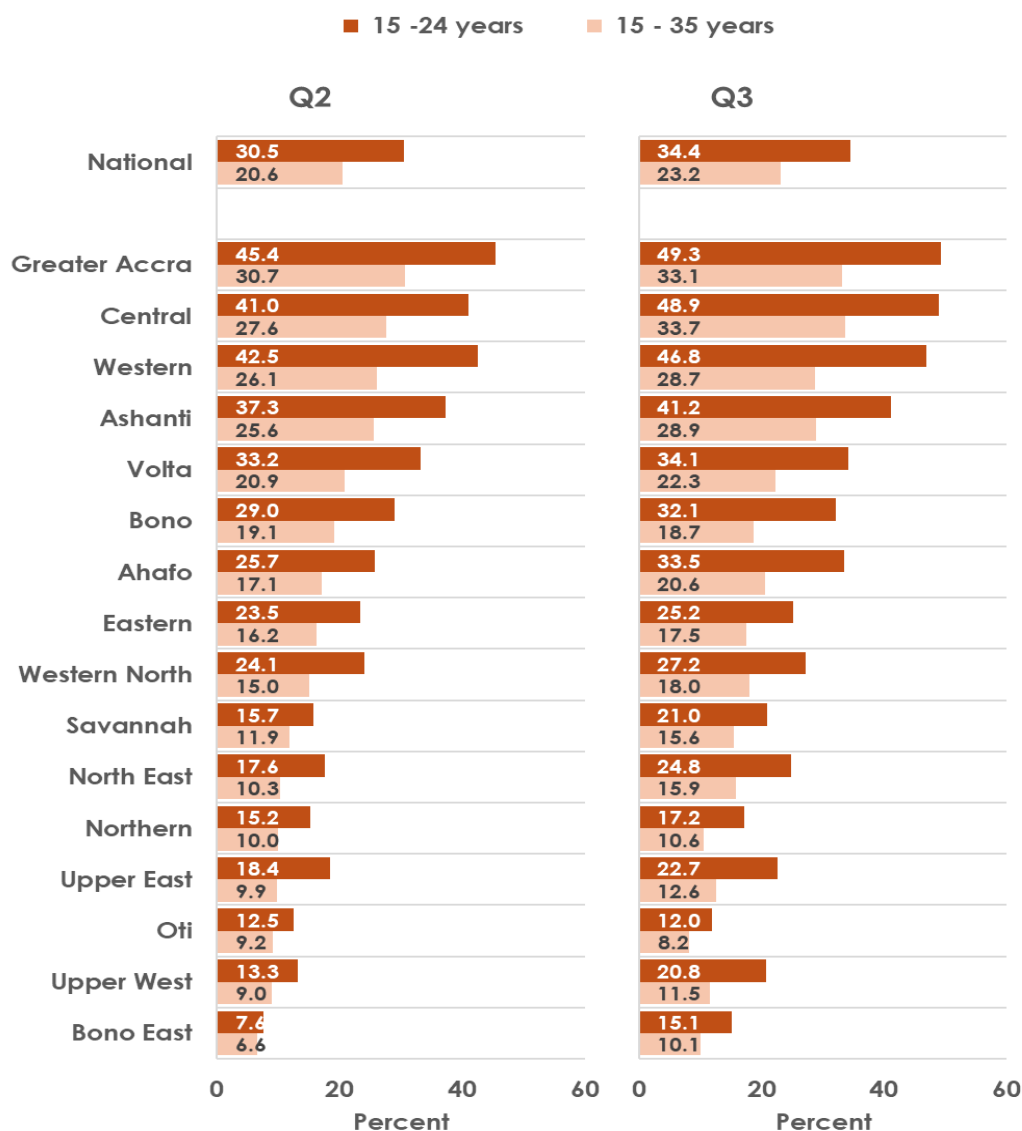


Youth unemployment rate was consistently higher than the overall unemployment rate, with an average of 32.5 percent among persons 15-24 years and 21.9 percent for persons 15-35 years in Q2 and Q3.

Greater Accra Region recorded the highest youth unemployment for both age groups; 15-24 years (Q2: 45.4%, Q3: 49.3%) and 15-35 years (Q2: 30.7% , Q3:33.1%).

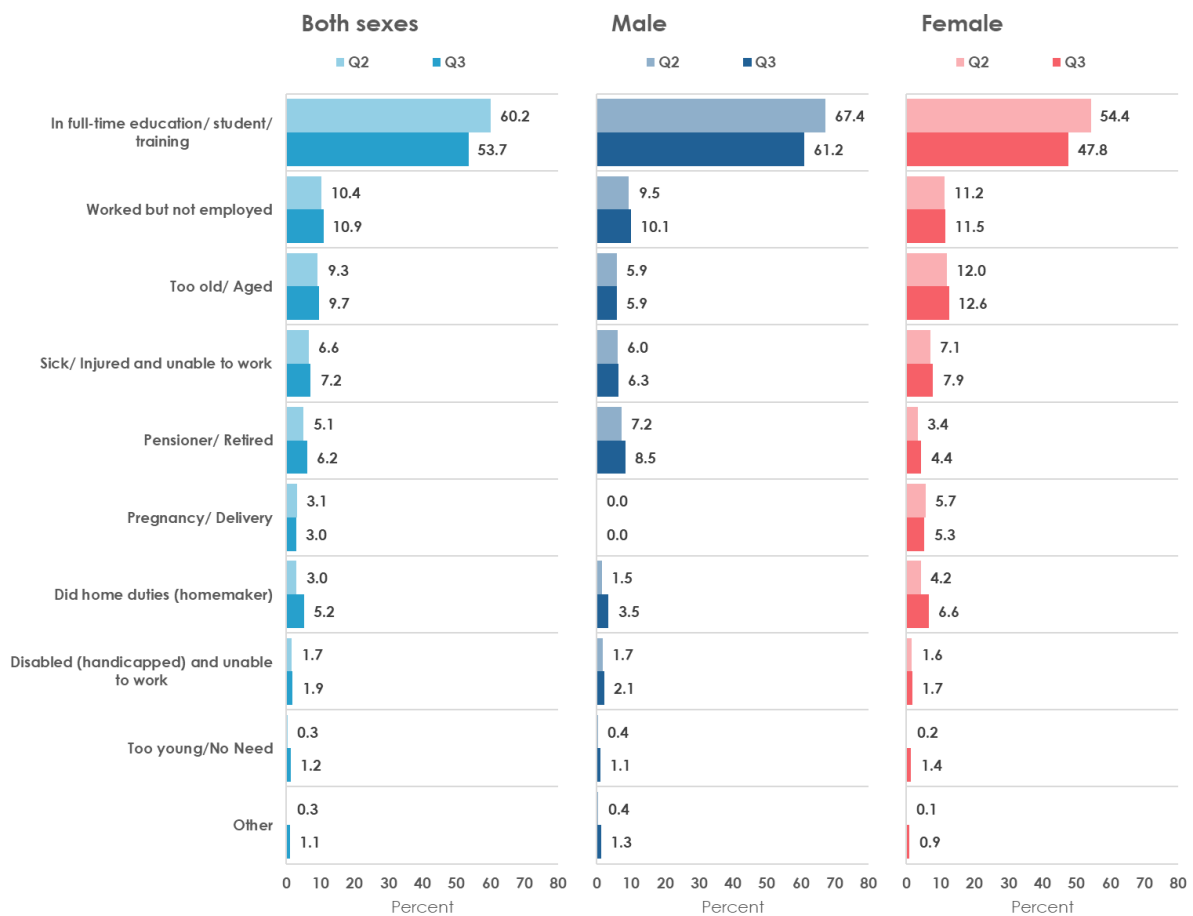
In contrast, Bono East Region recorded the lowest unemployment rates, with 7.6% in Q2 and 15.1 percent in Q3 for persons 15-24 years, and 6.6 percent in Q2 and 10.1 percent in Q3 for persons 15–35 years.

FIGURE 4.12: YOUTH UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY AGE GROUP



Full-time education was the main reason cited by persons outside the labour force, accounting for 60.2 percent in Q2 and 53.7 percent in Q3, with higher proportions among males (Q2: 67.4% , Q3: 61.2%) compared to females (Q2: 54.4%, Q3: 47.8%).

FIGURE 4.13: REASONS FOR BEING OUTSIDE THE LABOUR FORCE

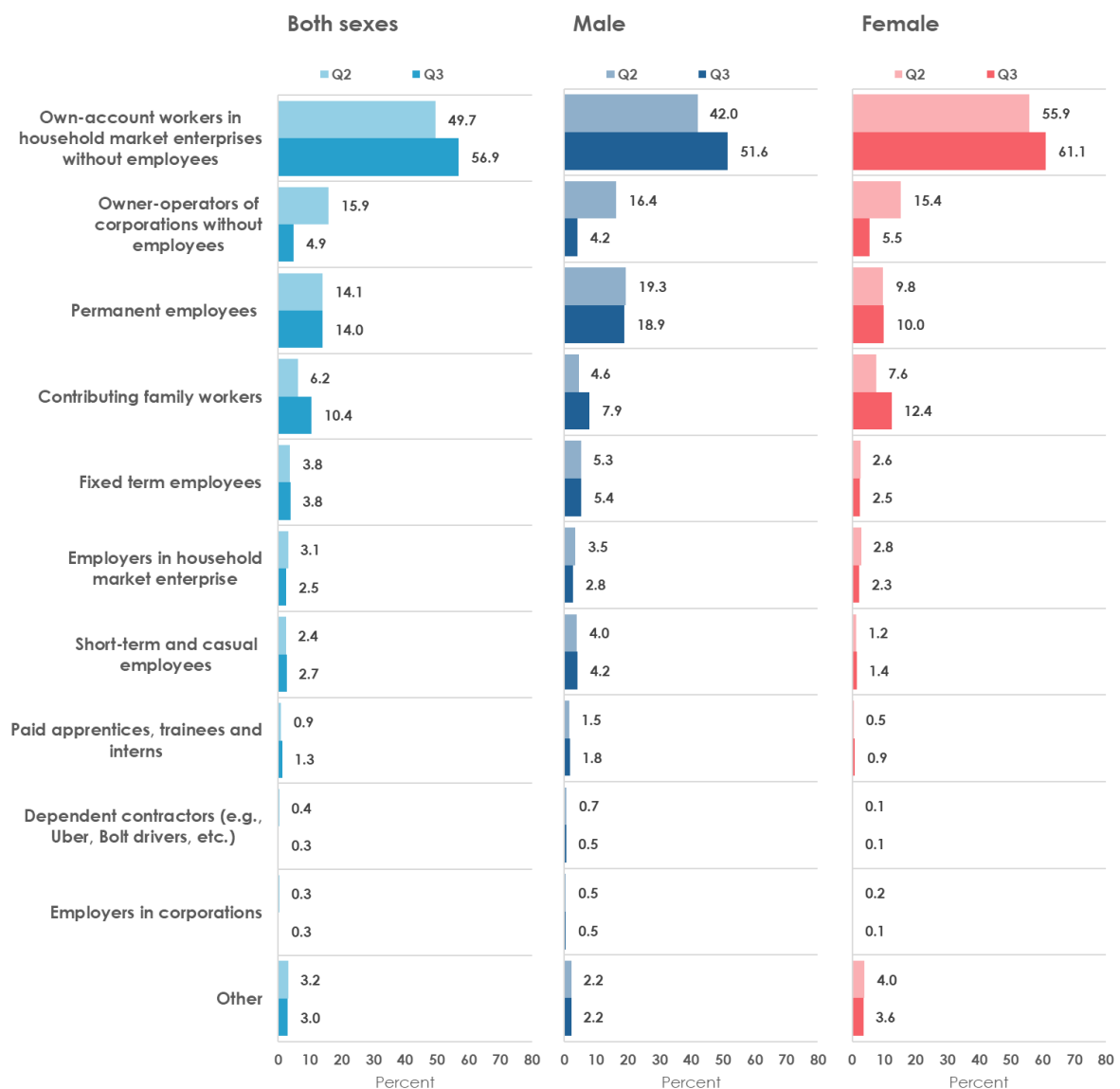


**\*\*Note:** Worked but not employed are persons who did some work but the work performed is not classified as employment work since they did not receive any remuneration for work done

Own-account workers in the household market without employees constituted the largest employment category in both Q2 (49.7%) and Q3 (56.9%), with a notable increase in Q3 for both males (51.6%) and females (61.1%).

In Q3, permanent employees was more common among males (18.9%) than females (10.0%), indicating a significant gender disparity in permanent job status.

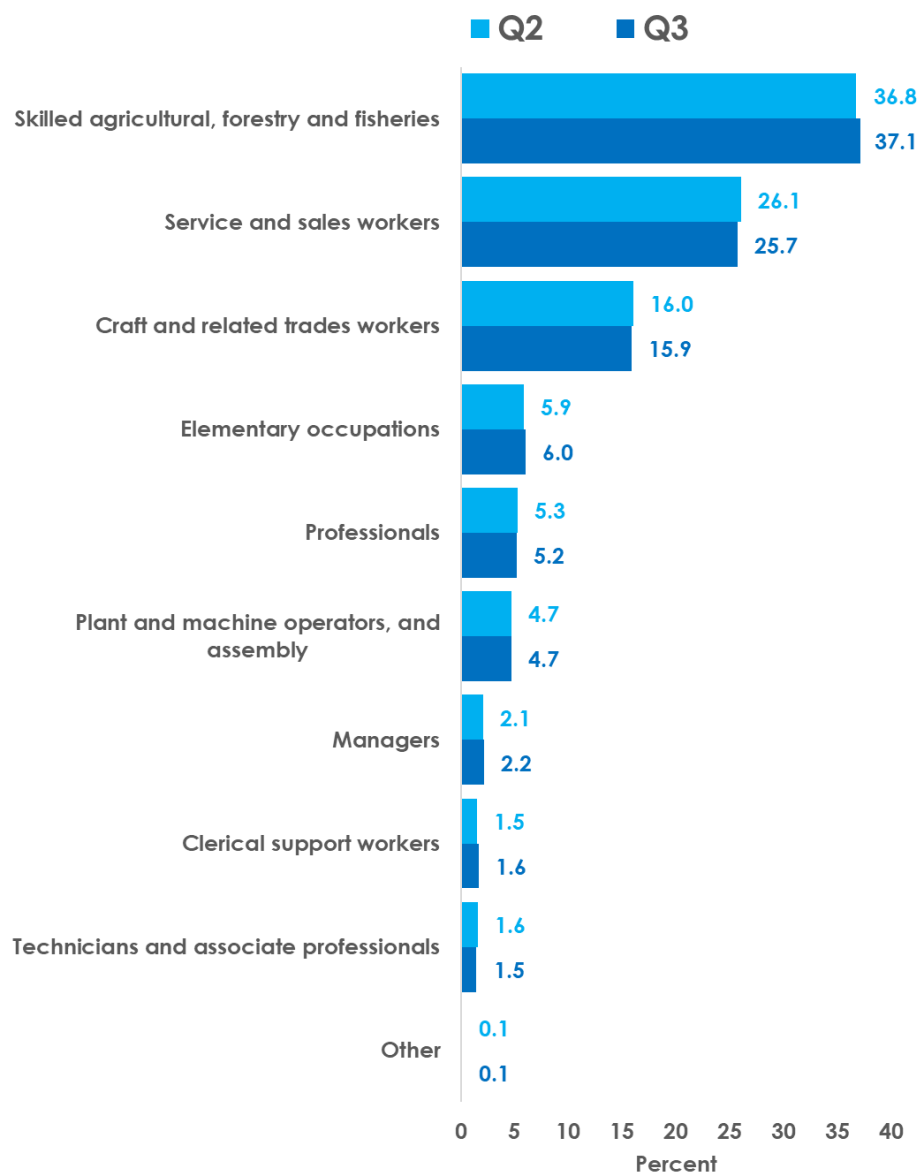
**FIGURE 4.14: STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT BY SEX**



Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries workers were the dominant occupation, representing over one-third of total employment in both Q2 (36.8%) and Q3 (37.1%).

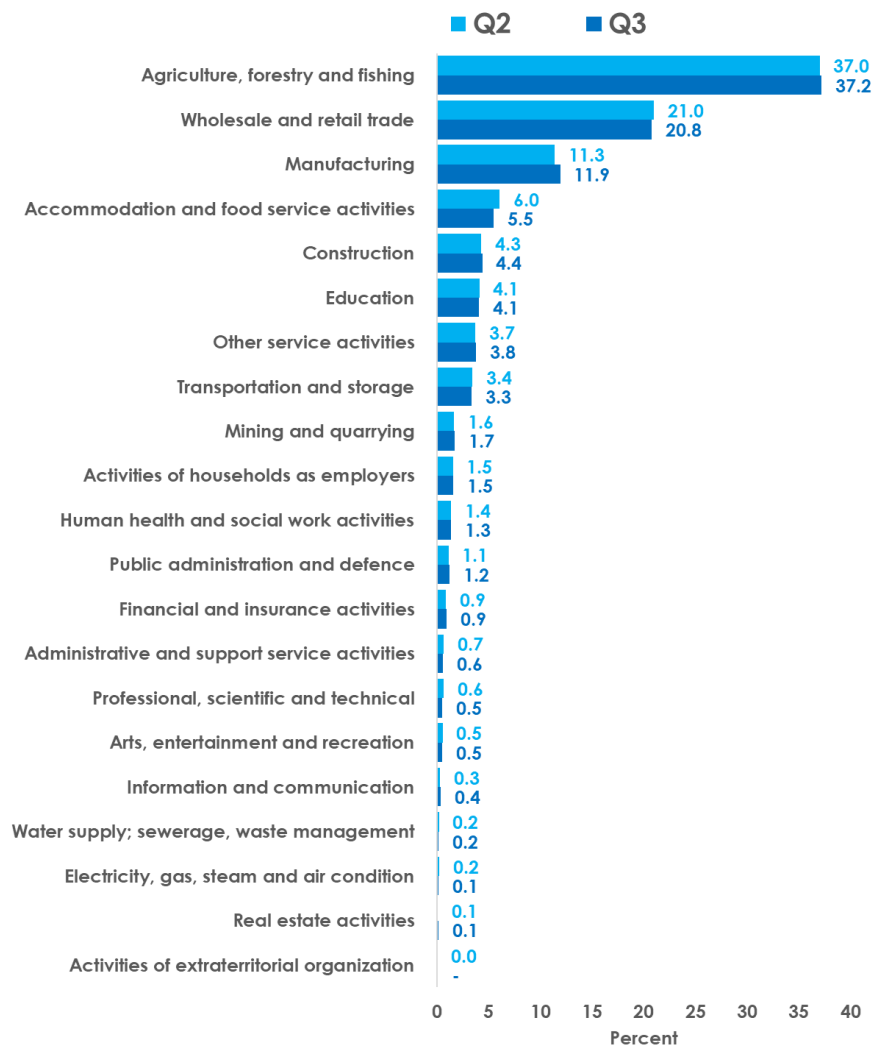
Managers (2.2%), Professionals (5.2%), and Associate Professionals and Technicians (1.5%) accounted for less than 10 percent of employed population 15 years and older in Q3.

**FIGURE 4.15: MAIN OCCUPATION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS**



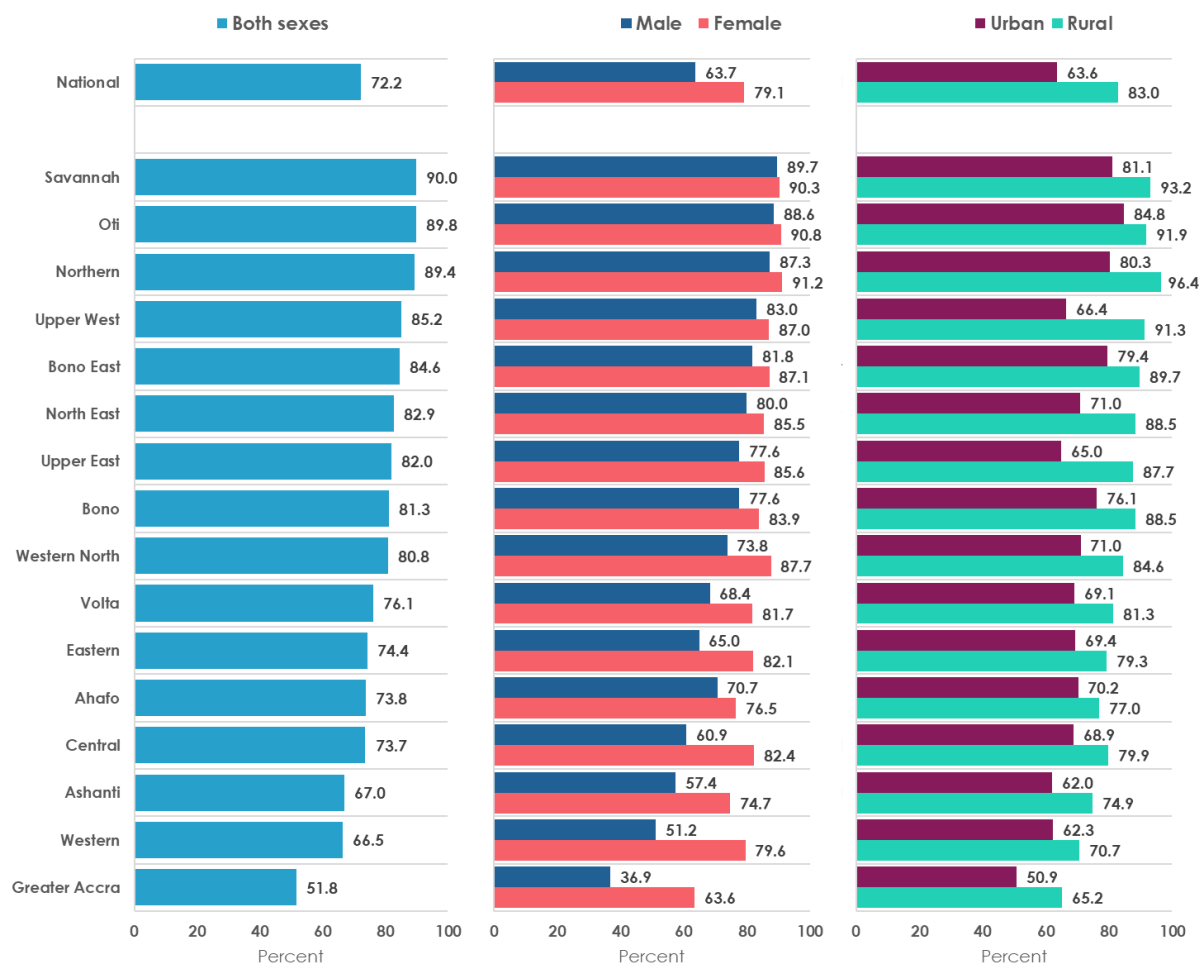
About 70 percent of employed persons were in Agriculture, forestry and fishing; wholesale and retail trade; and Manufacturing.

FIGURE 4.16: EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYMENT



More than two-thirds (72.2%) of the employed population are engaged in vulnerable employment, with higher proportions in rural areas (83.0%) than in urban (63.6%); and among females (79.1%) compared with males (63.7%) in Q3.

**FIGURE 4.17: VULNERABLE EMPLOYMENT BY SEX AND TYPE OF LOCALITY, 2025 Q3**

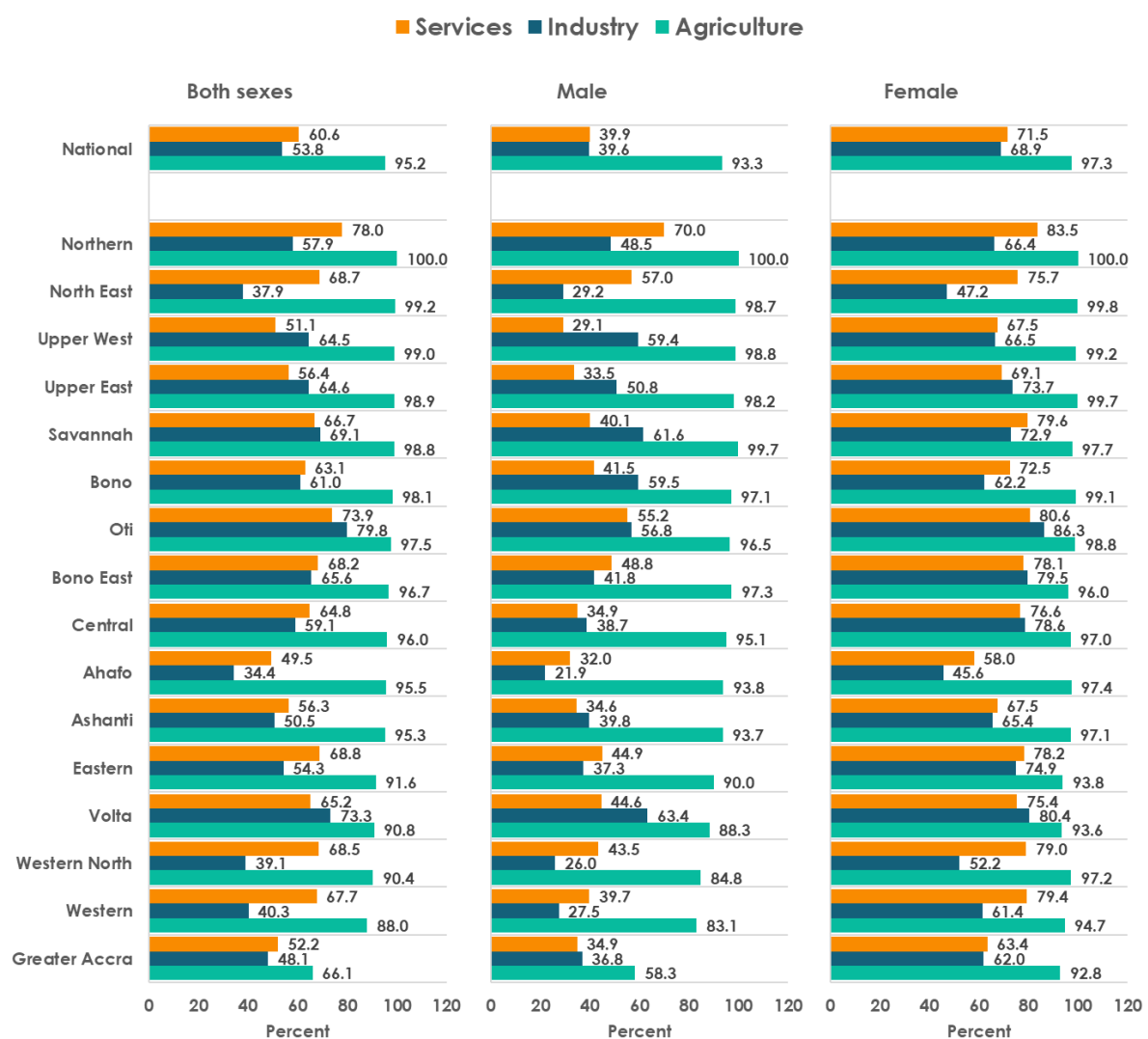


Across the three main economic sectors, more than half of employed persons are in vulnerable employment, with the highest share recorded in the Agriculture sector (95.2%) in Q3, a pattern also observed across regions.

In the Industry sector, more than two-thirds of employed persons were in vulnerable employment in Oti (79.8%) and Volta (73.3%).

Among female employed persons, vulnerable employment remained high in Services (71.5%) and Industry (68.9%) in Q3.

**FIGURE 4.18: VULNERABLE EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT AND SEX, 2025 Q3**

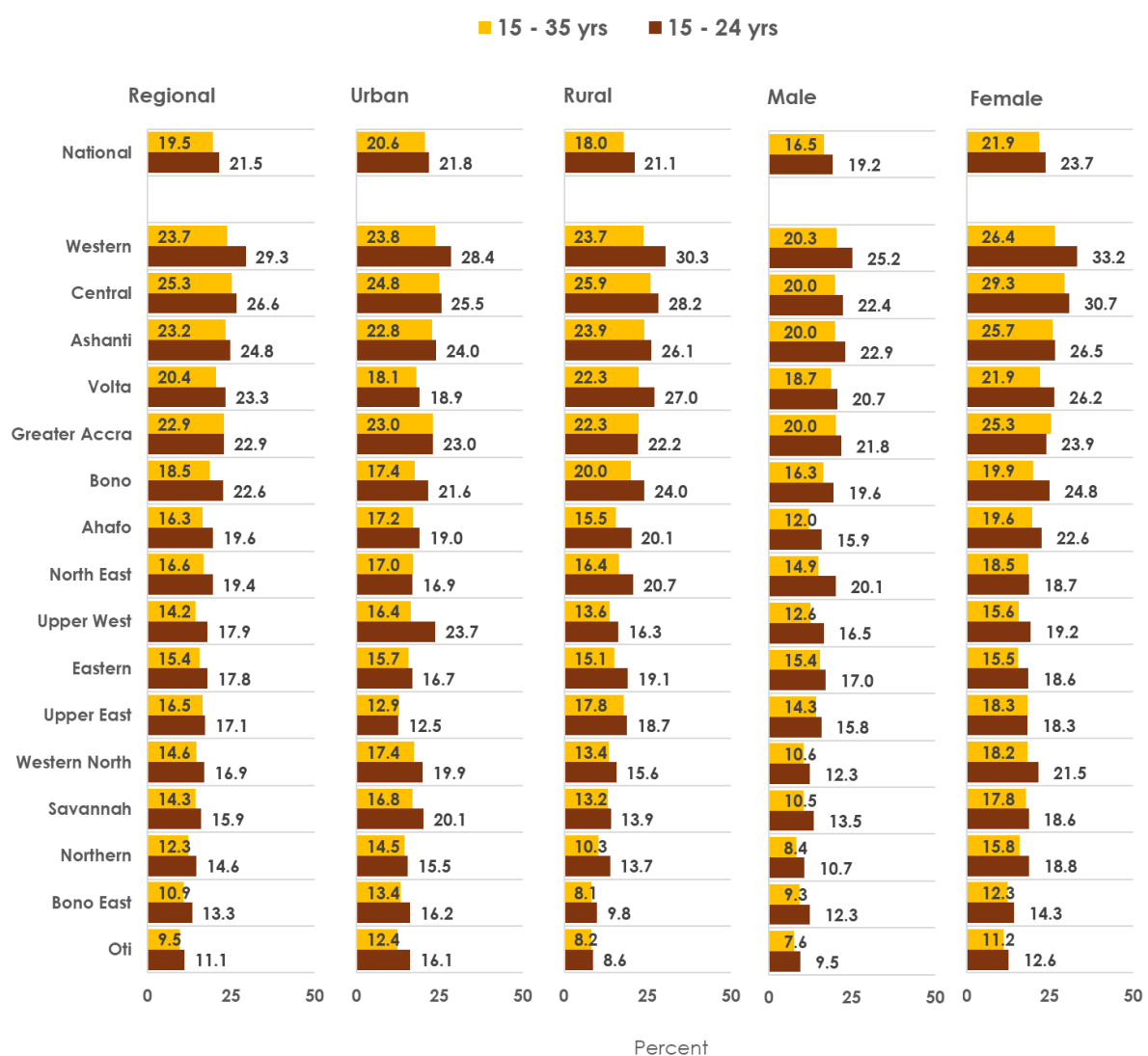




In Q3, approximately 1,343,113 persons aged 15-24 years (21.5%) and 1,953,297 persons aged 15-35 years (19.5%) were not in education, employment, or training (NEET).

For persons aged 15-35 years, NEET levels varied widely across regions, ranging from a highest, Central Region (25.3%) to the lowest, Oti Region (9.5%).

**FIGURE 4.19: YOUTH NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING (NEET), 15-24 YEARS AND 15-35 YEARS, BY SEX AND TYPE OF LOCALITY, 2025 Q3**



About one in five employed persons are underutilised, with the composite labour underutilisation (LU4) rate estimated at 23.0 percent in Q2 and 23.4 percent in Q3. This is consistent across both sexes and localities.

Underemployment rate is higher in rural areas (Q2: 15.3%, Q3: 14.9%) than in urban areas (Q2: 9.5% , Q3: 9.7%).

**FIGURE 4.20: LABOUR UNDERUTILISATION RATE**

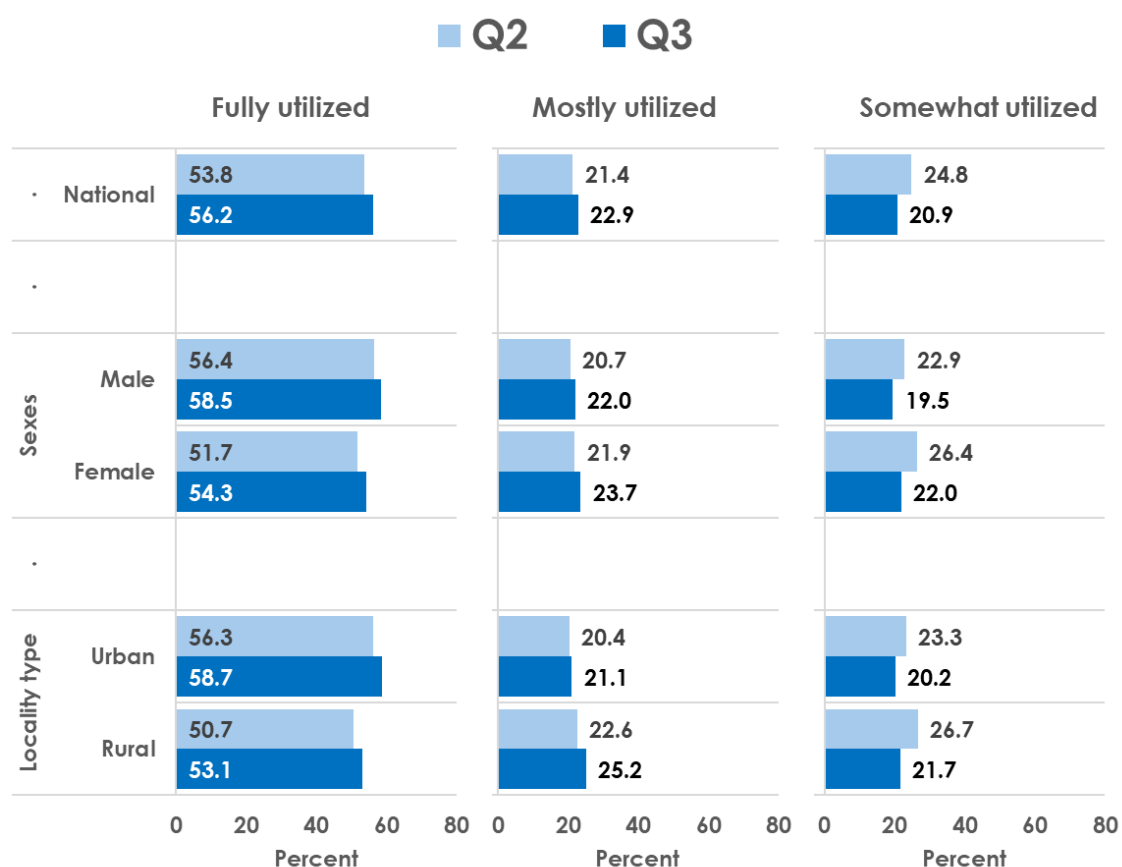


**\*\*Note:** Underutilised Rate (LU4)- This represents the share of the extended labour force that is in unemployment, time-related underemployment, or the potential labour force.

Over half (53.8%) of employed persons reported that both their qualifications and skills were fully used in Q2 and Q3.

In Q3, about one in five workers (20.9%) felt their skills were only somewhat used, with females (22.0%) and rural workers (21.7%) more likely to report partial utilisation.

**FIGURE 4.21: SKILLS AND QUALIFICATION MISMATCH: EXTENT OF UTILIZATION OF SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS IN CURRENT JOB**

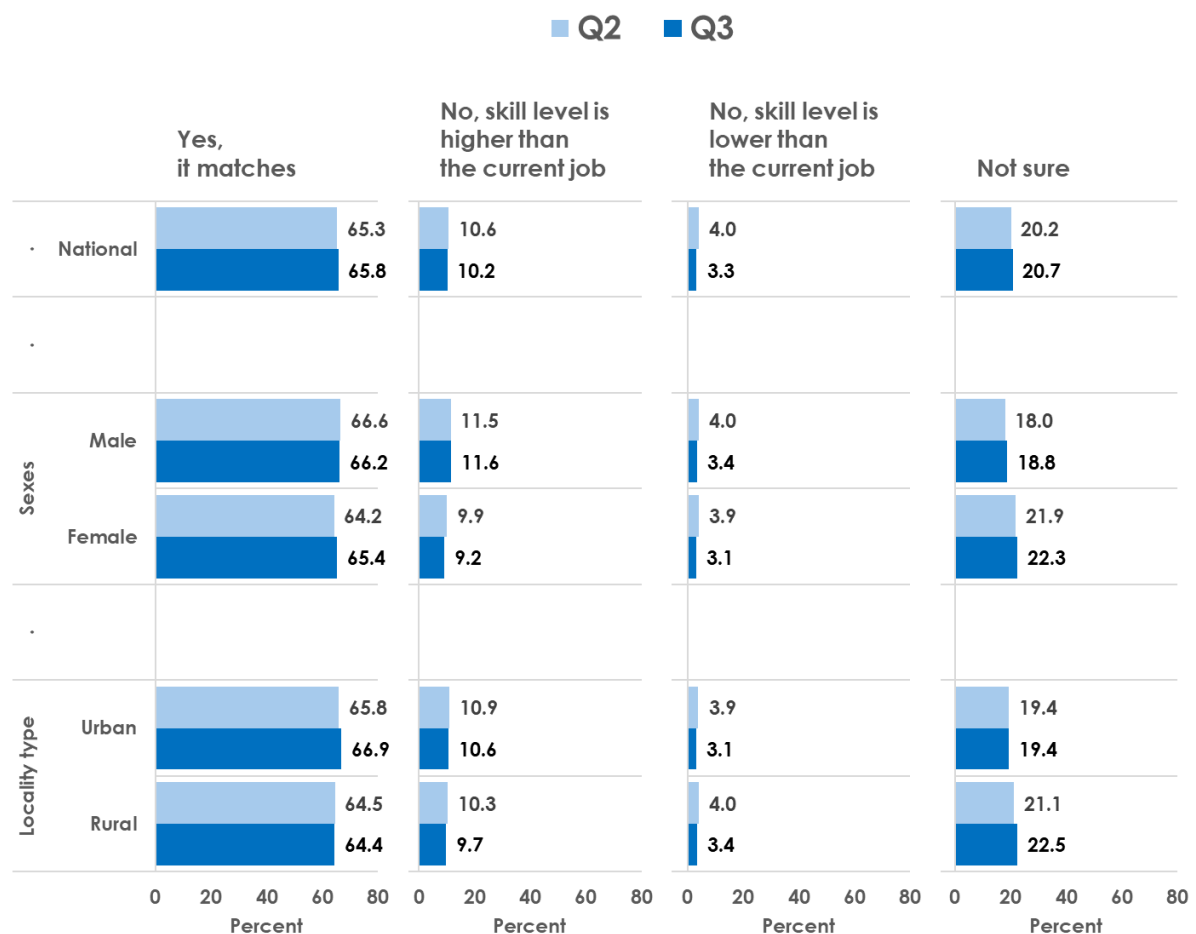


In Q3, about two-thirds (65.8%) of employed persons perceived that their skills matched their jobs, while one in five (20.7%) were unsure.

Over 10 percent of employed persons felt their skills exceeded the requirements of their current jobs, with the highest shares among males (11.6%) and urban workers (10.6%).

In Q3, 3.3 percent of employed persons perceived their skills as below job requirements, with the highest shares among males (3.4%) and rural (3.4%) workers.

**FIGURE 4.22: SKILLS MISMATCH: MISMATCH BETWEEN SKILLS AND CURRENT JOB**

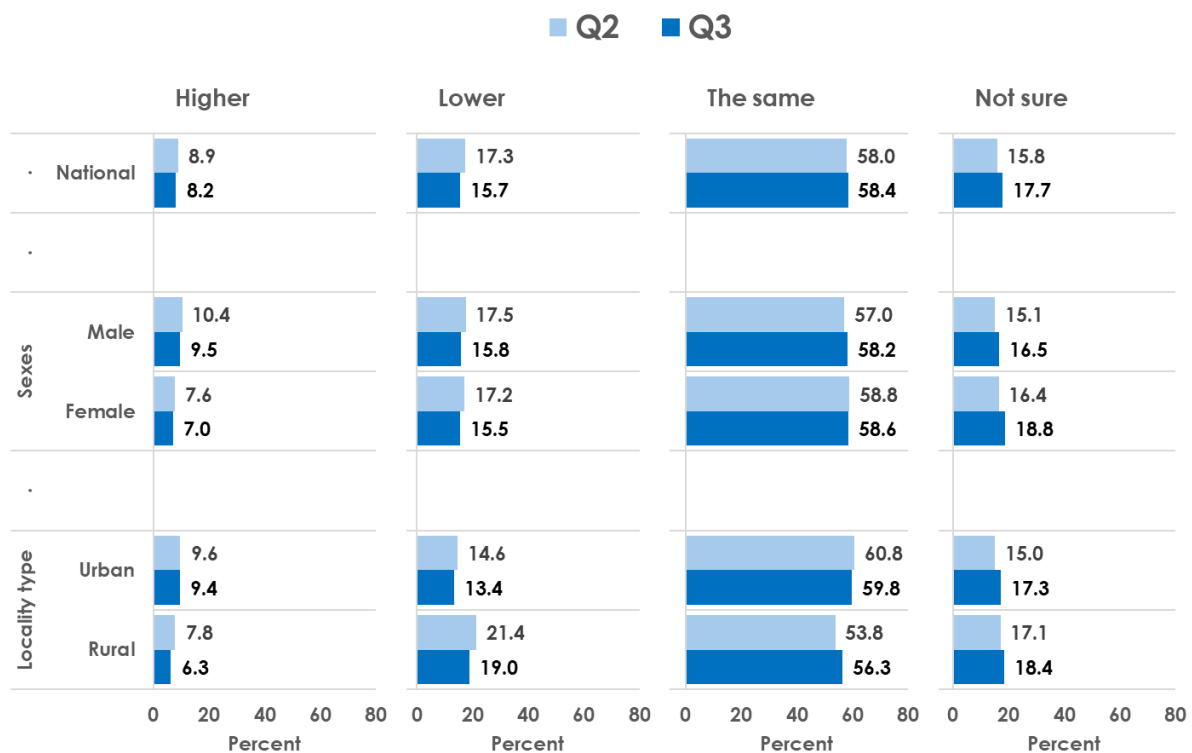


In Q3, nearly three in five (58.4%) employed persons felt their education level matched their job requirements, while 17.7 percent were unsure.

In Q3, only 8.2 percent of workers perceived themselves as overqualified and 15.7 percent as underqualified.

- Overqualification was more pronounced among men (9.5%) and urban workers (9.4%), while underqualification was highest among rural workers (19.0%).

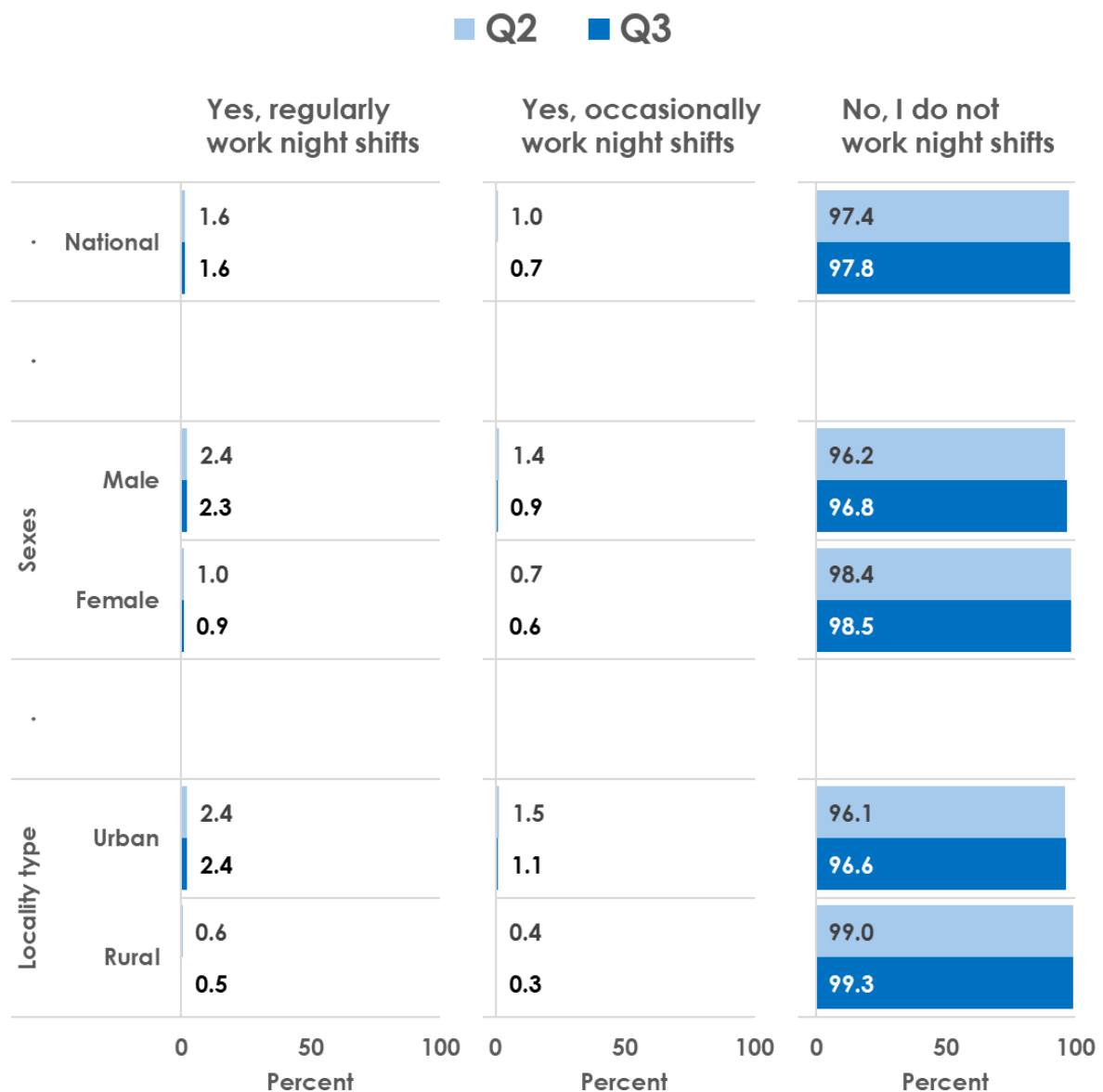
**FIGURE 4.23: QUALIFICATION MISMATCH: EDUCATION REQUIREMENT FOR CURRENT JOB COMPARED TO HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION**



Nearly 98 percent of workers did not work night shifts compared to 1.6 percent of workers who regularly worked night shifts in Q2 and Q3.

Night shift participation is slightly higher among men (3.2% regular or occasional) and urban (3.5%) workers.

FIGURE 4.24: PARTICIPATION IN SHIFT-BASED WORK



Among employed persons who do not currently do shift work, 46.5 percent expressed interest in shift-based work in Q3, while 39.5 percent were not interested.

Interest was highest among men (53.6%) and rural workers (51.7%), whereas women (45.4%) and urban workers (44.1%) were more likely to report that they would not be interested.

In Q3, 14 percent of workers indicated that they might consider shift work depending on conditions.

**FIGURE 4.25: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN SHIFT-BASED WORK**





## 5. CONCLUSION AND POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

### 5.1 Conclusion

The Quarterly Labour Force Survey results for the first three quarters of 2025 present a clear and balanced picture of Ghana's labour market.

On the one hand, the labour market remains resilient. More than 15 million people participated in the labour force in third quarter of 2025, with about 87 percent employed. Employment increased by over 330,000 persons between Quarter 1 and Quarter 3 of 2025, confirming that the economy continues to absorb labour. Female employment remained consistently higher than male employment, and Services continued to be the largest source of jobs, followed by Agriculture and Industry.

The national unemployment rate edged down slightly to 12.8% in Q1 2025 from 13.1% in Q4 of 2024, eased further to 12.6% in Q2 2025, and then rose to 13.0% in Q3 2025. The key message here is that jobs are increasing, but unemployment rate is not falling in a sustained way. New job creation is still not fast enough to absorb new entrants, especially young people and urban job seekers.

The findings also reveal persistent structural constraints that limit the quality and inclusiveness of employment outcomes.

More than two-thirds of employed persons were in vulnerable employment, particularly women, rural workers, and those engaged in Agriculture. Own-account work (self-employed without employees) remained the dominant form of employment, reflecting limited access to secure wage jobs and continued informality. Youth outcomes remain especially challenging. Youth unemployment consistently exceeded the national average, and nearly one in four young people aged 15–24 were not in employment, education, or training (NEET). These patterns point to significant underutilisation of human capital.

The survey also highlights important mismatches between skills and jobs. While over half of workers reported that their skills were fully utilised, about one in five felt underutilised, especially women and rural workers. Educational and skills mismatches persist across regions and localities. At the same time, night and shift-based work remain rare, yet nearly half of workers not currently engaged in shift work expressed interest, signalling potential labour supply for expanded work arrangements.

Regional, gender, and locality disparities continue to shape labour market outcomes. Urban unemployment remains higher than rural unemployment, females face higher joblessness than males, and youth unemployment varies widely across regions.

Taken together, these findings show that employment growth alone is not enough. Ghana's labour market challenge is no longer only about creating jobs, but about improving job quality, reducing vulnerability, aligning skills with demand, and ensuring that growth benefits all groups and regions.

## **5.2 Policy Recommendations**

The evidence from the Q1–Q3 2025 Quarterly Labour Force Survey points to practical, feasible actions for key actors across the labour market.

### **1. Government and Public Institutions**

- Prioritise youth employment pathways by strengthening apprenticeships, school-to-work transition programmes, and targeted skills development for young people not in employment, education, or training.
- Reduce vulnerable employment by supporting formalisation, improving access to finance for small enterprises, and strengthening labour protections, particularly in Agriculture and rural areas.
- Align skills development with labour market demand through closer coordination between education and training institutions, labour market monitoring systems, and employers.
- Strengthen regional and district-level labour market planning, using quarterly labour force data to target interventions where unemployment, underemployment, and skills mismatches are most severe.
- Develop clear standards for shift-based and flexible work arrangements, ensuring worker safety, fair compensation, and income stability as interest in such work expands.

### **2. Households and Individuals**

- Invest in skills development and lifelong learning, particularly skills that are relevant to growing sectors such as services, digital activities, and modern agriculture.
- Support equitable participation in economic activities, including shared household responsibilities that enable greater labour force participation, especially for women.
- Encourage gradual formalisation of self-employment, including record keeping, skills upgrading, and engagement with support programmes.

### **3. Businesses and the Private Sector**

- Expand training, internships, and apprenticeship opportunities, especially for young people transitioning from school into work.
- Improve job quality and skills utilisation by matching workers to roles that reflect their qualifications and experience.
- Engage actively in workforce planning, using labour market statistics to guide hiring, training, and investment decisions.
- Adopt responsible shift-based work practices where applicable, ensuring predictable schedules, worker safety, and fair pay.

The Q1–Q3 2025 Quarterly Labour Force Survey provides more than statistics. It provides evidence for action.

By grounding decisions in data, Ghana can move beyond measuring employment growth to shaping a labour market that is productive, inclusive, and resilient. The Ghana Statistical Service remains committed to delivering timely, high-quality labour market data to support this collective effort.

## 6. MAIN TABLES

TABLE 6.1: POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY ECONOMIC ACTIVITY STATUS, REGION, SEX AND TYPE OF LOCALITY

Region	2025Q1				2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,588,443</b>	<b>13,087,499</b>	<b>1,923,226</b>	<b>5,577,718</b>	<b>20,367,827</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>1,931,873</b>	<b>4,991,081</b>	<b>20,540,543</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>	<b>2,003,540</b>	<b>5,116,827</b>
Western	1,380,649	888,751	131,853	360,047	1,360,484	904,962	148,966	306,556	1,376,627	905,943	161,509	309,175
Central	1,864,436	1,103,698	200,331	560,408	1,804,748	1,121,388	189,461	493,897	1,821,628	1,109,275	232,756	479,598
Greater Accra	4,070,542	2,339,232	535,107	1,196,202	4,055,877	2,346,082	594,816	1,114,978	4,097,961	2,361,508	577,475	1,158,978
Volta	1,110,026	685,312	99,808	324,907	1,087,808	697,252	94,185	296,371	1,094,263	704,798	90,517	298,948
Eastern	1,941,312	1,310,047	154,616	476,649	1,903,239	1,361,535	132,941	408,763	1,908,439	1,374,509	134,880	399,050
Ashanti	3,586,071	2,254,911	379,494	951,665	3,619,758	2,363,583	414,005	842,169	3,637,623	2,328,534	424,602	884,487
Western North	586,243	396,632	34,604	155,009	578,636	426,298	32,845	119,492	583,935	419,337	36,109	128,489
Ahafo	366,151	243,036	24,954	98,162	361,276	259,424	22,250	79,602	363,999	257,436	25,062	81,501
Bono	799,828	554,181	51,090	194,558	784,808	542,223	60,236	182,350	787,849	531,981	55,275	200,594
Bono East	769,317	574,344	42,589	152,383	744,094	581,234	26,587	136,272	754,217	587,008	39,652	127,556
Oti	477,963	353,407	32,198	92,358	469,325	366,686	22,520	80,118	474,677	370,982	23,481	80,214
Northern	1,401,667	911,487	98,746	391,434	1,394,485	951,658	80,774	362,053	1,406,235	970,374	77,874	357,986
Savannah	409,239	289,609	29,995	89,635	404,503	300,424	29,182	74,897	410,293	295,751	31,411	83,132
North East	404,994	258,732	29,819	116,444	400,504	270,406	26,615	103,483	403,615	254,112	27,583	121,921
Upper East	832,096	532,808	42,357	256,931	810,323	534,133	31,267	244,923	818,238	520,849	37,621	259,769
Upper West	587,916	391,317	35,667	160,932	587,963	417,584	25,222	145,157	600,942	427,779	27,732	145,432

Region	2025Q1				2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Male</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,104,118</b>	<b>5,892,245</b>	<b>702,021</b>	<b>2,509,852</b>	<b>8,913,322</b>	<b>5,979,174</b>	<b>693,068</b>	<b>2,241,080</b>	<b>9,006,518</b>	<b>6,016,716</b>	<b>740,266</b>	<b>2,249,537</b>
Western	632,241	413,372	53,170	165,700	606,401	412,949	61,461	131,992	612,859	418,879	64,211	129,769
Central	793,816	467,501	78,162	248,153	742,711	455,254	70,226	217,230	747,749	449,044	83,526	215,180
Greater Accra	1,792,529	1,013,367	204,600	574,561	1,792,989	1,022,376	232,894	537,719	1,817,638	1,045,875	221,547	550,216
Volta	463,484	288,847	34,974	139,663	452,488	295,551	31,326	125,611	459,338	297,605	40,607	121,126
Eastern	846,552	574,663	63,443	208,446	831,962	600,606	55,967	175,389	842,113	613,955	57,513	170,645
Ashanti	1,567,781	1,022,006	134,161	411,614	1,561,541	1,053,297	139,818	368,426	1,571,841	1,042,655	150,663	378,523
Western North	277,287	194,213	12,392	70,682	272,182	206,316	10,529	55,336	276,274	206,472	12,121	57,681
Ahafo	163,962	110,935	9,090	43,937	159,176	117,158	8,128	33,890	160,143	118,177	7,074	34,892
Bono	317,911	229,278	18,282	70,352	309,393	221,405	20,692	67,297	311,718	221,083	19,239	71,397
Bono East	359,270	276,595	14,731	67,943	346,512	277,437	8,092	60,982	349,489	278,945	17,325	53,218
Oti	224,669	172,688	10,940	41,041	212,947	172,647	5,121	35,179	215,321	170,786	7,776	36,759
Northern	644,059	435,123	22,266	186,671	638,768	445,369	16,191	177,208	645,054	461,034	16,964	167,056
Savannah	190,240	144,536	7,624	38,081	185,267	146,106	6,214	32,947	188,726	144,049	9,013	35,664
North East	189,500	122,937	9,421	57,142	186,480	127,256	7,673	51,551	188,798	121,298	10,046	57,455
Upper East	376,588	244,937	17,667	113,985	352,702	236,333	11,111	105,258	353,370	234,324	12,220	106,827
Upper West	264,236	181,250	11,101	71,884	261,805	189,115	7,626	65,064	266,086	192,535	10,421	63,130

Region	2025Q1				2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Female</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,484,325</b>	<b>7,195,255</b>	<b>1,221,205</b>	<b>3,067,866</b>	<b>11,454,505</b>	<b>7,465,700</b>	<b>1,238,805</b>	<b>2,750,001</b>	<b>11,534,025</b>	<b>7,403,460</b>	<b>1,263,274</b>	<b>2,867,290</b>
Western	748,409	475,379	78,683	194,347	754,083	492,013	87,505	174,564	763,768	487,064	97,298	179,406
Central	1,070,621	636,197	122,169	312,255	1,062,037	666,134	119,235	276,667	1,073,879	660,231	149,230	264,418
Greater Accra	2,278,013	1,325,865	330,507	621,641	2,262,888	1,323,706	361,922	577,259	2,280,323	1,315,633	355,928	608,762
Volta	646,542	396,465	64,835	185,244	635,320	401,701	62,859	170,760	634,925	407,193	49,910	177,822
Eastern	1,094,761	735,384	91,173	268,204	1,071,277	760,929	76,974	233,374	1,066,326	760,554	77,367	228,405
Ashanti	2,018,290	1,232,905	245,333	540,051	2,058,217	1,310,286	274,187	473,743	2,065,782	1,285,879	273,939	505,964
Western North	308,957	202,419	22,212	84,327	306,454	219,982	22,316	64,156	307,661	212,865	23,988	70,808
Ahafo	202,189	132,101	15,864	54,225	202,100	142,266	14,122	45,712	203,856	139,259	17,988	46,609
Bono	481,917	324,903	32,808	124,206	475,415	320,818	39,544	115,053	476,131	310,898	36,036	129,197
Bono East	410,048	297,749	27,859	84,440	397,582	303,797	18,495	75,290	404,728	308,063	22,327	74,338
Oti	253,294	180,719	21,258	51,317	256,378	194,039	17,399	44,939	259,356	200,196	15,705	43,455
Northern	757,608	476,365	76,480	204,764	755,717	506,289	64,583	184,845	761,181	509,340	60,910	190,930
Savannah	218,999	145,074	22,371	51,555	219,236	154,318	22,968	41,950	221,567	151,702	22,398	47,468
North East	215,494	135,795	20,398	59,302	214,024	143,150	18,942	51,932	214,817	132,814	17,537	64,466
Upper East	455,508	287,871	24,690	142,946	457,621	297,800	20,156	139,665	464,868	286,525	25,401	152,942
Upper West	323,681	210,067	24,566	89,048	326,158	228,469	17,596	80,093	334,856	235,244	17,311	82,302

Region	2025Q1				2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Urban</b>												
<b>Both Sexes</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,967,680</b>	<b>7,300,277</b>	<b>1,267,062</b>	<b>3,400,342</b>	<b>11,857,331</b>	<b>7,468,051</b>	<b>1,339,530</b>	<b>3,049,750</b>	<b>11,976,609</b>	<b>7,465,223</b>	<b>1,358,529</b>	<b>3,152,857</b>
Western	709,139	433,793	71,321	204,025	692,886	449,739	70,161	172,986	702,016	455,692	80,695	165,631
Central Greater	1,093,760	629,349	132,694	331,717	1,054,922	633,466	120,252	301,204	1,068,134	621,939	146,610	299,585
Accra	3,796,429	2,181,476	496,647	1,118,306	3,833,846	2,202,635	567,891	1,063,320	3,876,310	2,216,462	549,077	1,110,771
Volta	470,348	279,091	45,830	145,429	448,779	288,840	39,125	120,814	456,796	300,720	39,265	116,810
Eastern	994,349	653,314	85,788	255,247	975,678	677,522	72,321	225,834	981,954	678,870	76,505	226,579
Ashanti	2,237,628	1,407,181	234,560	595,888	2,238,198	1,440,511	283,200	514,488	2,249,185	1,428,895	269,131	551,158
Western North	173,756	109,916	13,365	50,476	173,413	117,428	14,826	41,158	175,488	115,588	13,054	46,847
Ahafo	179,209	114,979	13,677	50,554	177,680	122,374	12,421	42,884	178,851	120,356	15,374	43,120
Bono	474,707	313,205	33,885	127,617	464,946	314,049	36,999	113,898	466,454	307,695	33,666	125,094
Bono East	408,915	285,384	25,626	97,905	392,071	284,942	19,504	87,623	399,649	290,531	28,997	80,121
Oti	151,021	111,331	11,400	28,291	151,665	117,081	9,740	24,844	151,128	110,931	11,144	29,053
Northern	672,498	409,784	53,956	208,759	654,580	423,611	45,702	185,267	661,368	421,849	46,479	193,038
Savannah	123,160	72,964	12,953	37,244	122,008	79,315	12,158	30,536	123,559	78,594	10,854	34,109
North East	136,158	75,523	11,826	48,809	137,059	84,853	12,070	40,136	137,489	82,056	13,430	42,004
Upper East	201,911	127,807	15,240	58,864	196,073	130,538	12,443	53,092	198,447	130,340	13,044	55,061
Upper West	144,697	95,185	8,295	41,217	143,526	101,146	10,715	31,667	149,783	104,705	11,205	33,874



Region	2025Q1				2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Male</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,177,583</b>	<b>3,169,850</b>	<b>462,857</b>	<b>1,544,877</b>	<b>5,098,976</b>	<b>3,225,630</b>	<b>485,076</b>	<b>1,388,270</b>	<b>5,168,064</b>	<b>3,257,318</b>	<b>501,590</b>	<b>1,409,156</b>
Western	321,404	194,725	27,388	99,291	306,859	198,335	28,688	79,836	311,563	207,571	33,400	70,593
Central	463,534	262,378	51,774	149,383	436,756	250,463	44,789	141,504	441,740	248,157	52,628	140,955
Greater Accra	1,666,260	936,477	190,394	539,389	1,686,279	953,514	221,995	510,770	1,715,511	974,920	211,570	529,021
Volta	197,138	117,305	16,911	62,923	189,916	124,087	13,977	51,852	194,220	127,692	18,631	47,897
Eastern	420,682	277,602	37,350	105,730	417,134	291,831	32,813	92,490	425,886	297,923	32,021	95,942
Ashanti	959,192	625,225	79,235	254,733	950,832	636,556	89,791	224,486	956,932	630,446	88,580	237,906
Western North	73,005	49,205	3,921	19,879	73,441	53,592	4,316	15,532	73,810	51,820	4,786	17,205
Ahafo	78,092	49,091	4,203	24,798	76,164	52,031	3,635	20,498	76,583	51,847	3,262	21,473
Bono	178,202	119,038	13,009	46,156	171,111	116,087	13,924	41,100	172,363	115,865	13,711	42,787
Bono East	181,250	127,489	10,043	43,718	173,056	128,934	6,768	37,353	175,292	131,142	12,119	32,031
Oti	66,723	51,754	3,201	11,768	63,603	50,744	2,351	10,508	62,733	45,743	3,568	13,422
Northern	300,403	186,546	11,694	102,164	289,199	187,130	8,811	93,258	293,088	191,130	10,980	90,977
Savannah	54,059	35,363	3,180	15,517	51,992	37,133	2,806	12,053	52,995	36,603	2,939	13,452
North East	61,361	34,806	3,224	23,331	62,516	39,822	3,458	19,236	62,722	39,474	4,705	18,544
Upper East	88,786	57,587	4,939	26,261	83,998	56,954	3,184	23,860	84,188	57,585	3,776	22,826
Upper West	67,496	45,262	2,393	19,842	66,120	48,415	3,769	13,937	68,439	49,400	4,915	14,124

Region	2025Q1				2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Female</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,790,097</b>	<b>4,130,427</b>	<b>804,205</b>	<b>1,855,465</b>	<b>6,758,355</b>	<b>4,242,421</b>	<b>854,454</b>	<b>1,661,480</b>	<b>6,808,545</b>	<b>4,207,905</b>	<b>856,939</b>	<b>1,743,701</b>
Western	387,735	239,068	43,933	104,734	386,027	251,404	41,473	93,150	390,453	248,121	47,295	95,038
Central	630,226	366,972	80,921	182,334	618,166	383,003	75,463	159,700	626,394	373,782	93,982	158,630
Greater Accra	2,130,169	1,244,999	306,253	578,918	2,147,567	1,249,121	345,896	552,550	2,160,799	1,241,542	337,507	581,750
Volta	273,210	161,786	28,919	82,506	258,863	164,753	25,148	68,962	262,576	173,028	20,634	68,913
Eastern	573,667	375,712	48,438	149,517	558,544	385,691	39,508	133,344	556,068	380,947	44,484	130,637
Ashanti	1,278,436	781,956	155,325	341,155	1,287,366	803,955	193,409	290,002	1,292,253	798,449	180,551	313,252
Western North	100,752	60,711	9,444	30,597	99,972	63,836	10,510	25,626	101,678	63,768	8,268	29,642
Ahafo	101,118	65,888	9,474	25,756	101,516	70,343	8,786	22,386	102,268	68,509	12,112	21,647
Bono	296,505	194,168	20,876	81,461	293,835	197,962	23,075	72,798	294,091	191,830	19,955	82,307
Bono East	227,665	157,895	15,583	54,187	219,015	156,008	12,736	50,270	224,357	159,389	16,878	48,090
Oti	84,299	59,577	8,199	16,523	88,062	66,337	7,389	14,336	88,395	65,188	7,576	15,631
Northern	372,095	223,238	42,263	106,595	365,381	236,481	36,891	92,009	368,280	230,719	35,499	102,061
Savannah	69,101	37,601	9,774	21,727	70,016	42,182	9,352	18,483	70,564	41,991	7,915	20,657
North East	74,797	40,717	8,602	25,478	74,543	45,031	8,612	20,900	74,767	42,582	8,725	23,460
Upper East	113,125	70,220	10,301	32,604	112,075	73,584	9,259	29,232	114,259	72,755	9,268	32,235
Upper West	77,201	49,924	5,902	21,375	77,406	52,731	6,946	17,730	81,344	55,305	6,290	19,750
<b>Rural</b>												
<b>Both Sexes</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,620,764</b>	<b>5,787,223</b>	<b>656,164</b>	<b>2,177,377</b>	<b>8,510,498</b>	<b>5,976,823</b>	<b>592,343</b>	<b>1,941,331</b>	<b>8,563,934</b>	<b>5,954,953</b>	<b>645,012</b>	<b>1,963,970</b>
Western	671,510	454,957	60,532	156,022	667,597	455,222	78,805	133,570	674,611	450,252	80,814	143,545
Central	770,676	474,349	67,637	228,692	749,824	487,922	69,210	192,693	753,494	487,337	86,145	180,013
Greater Accra	274,113	157,757	38,461	77,896	222,031	143,448	26,926	51,658	221,651	145,045	28,399	48,207
Volta	639,678	406,221	53,979	179,478	639,029	408,412	55,060	175,557	637,468	404,077	51,253	182,138
Eastern	946,964	656,734	68,828	221,403	927,562	684,013	60,620	182,929	926,484	695,640	58,374	172,470
Ashanti	1,348,443	847,731	144,934	355,777	1,381,559	923,073	130,805	327,681	1,388,438	899,639	155,471	333,328
Western North	412,487	286,717	21,239	104,533	405,223	308,871	18,019	78,333	408,447	303,749	23,056	81,641

Region	2025Q1				Outside labour Force	2025Q2				Outside labour Force	2025Q3				Outside labour Force
	Total	Employed	Unemployed			Total	Employed	Unemployed			Total	Employed	Unemployed		
Ahafo	186,941	128,057	11,278	47,608		183,595	137,050	9,829	36,717		185,149	137,082	9,688	38,379	
Bono	325,121	240,975	17,205	66,941		319,862	228,173	23,237	68,452		321,395	224,285	21,610	75,500	
Bono East	360,402	288,960	16,963	54,478		352,023	296,292	7,082	48,648		354,568	296,478	10,655	47,434	
Oti	326,942	242,076	20,798	64,067		317,660	249,604	12,779	55,275		323,549	260,050	12,338	51,161	
Northern	729,169	501,704	44,790	182,676		739,905	528,048	35,072	176,786		744,868	548,525	31,395	164,948	
Savannah	286,079	216,646	17,042	52,392		282,495	221,109	17,024	44,362		286,735	217,156	20,557	49,022	
North East	268,837	183,209	17,993	67,635		263,446	185,553	14,545	63,347		266,126	172,056	14,153	79,917	
Upper East	630,185	405,002	27,117	198,067		614,249	403,595	18,824	191,831		619,793	390,509	24,577	204,708	
Upper West	443,219	296,133	27,372	119,716		444,436	316,440	14,507	113,490		451,159	323,074	16,528	111,558	
<b>Male</b>															
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,926,535</b>	<b>2,722,395</b>	<b>239,165</b>	<b>964,975</b>		<b>3,814,347</b>	<b>2,753,544</b>	<b>207,993</b>	<b>852,810</b>		<b>3,838,454</b>	<b>2,759,398</b>	<b>238,676</b>	<b>840,381</b>	
Western	310,837	218,646	25,782	66,409		299,542	214,613	32,773	52,156		301,296	211,309	30,811	59,176	
Central	330,281	205,124	26,388	98,770		305,954	204,791	25,437	75,726		306,009	200,887	30,897	74,225	
Greater Accra	126,269	76,890	14,207	35,173		106,710	68,862	10,899	26,949		102,127	70,955	9,977	21,195	
Volta	266,346	171,542	18,063	76,741		262,572	171,463	17,349	73,760		265,118	169,913	21,977	73,229	
Eastern	425,870	297,061	26,093	102,716		414,828	308,775	23,154	82,899		416,226	316,032	25,491	74,703	
Ashanti	608,589	396,782	54,926	156,881		610,709	416,742	50,027	143,940		614,909	412,209	62,083	140,617	
Western North	204,282	145,008	8,471	50,804		198,741	152,724	6,213	39,804		202,464	154,652	7,336	40,476	
Ahafo	85,871	61,844	4,887	19,140		83,012	65,127	4,493	13,392		83,561	66,331	3,812	13,418	
Bono	139,709	110,240	5,273	24,196		138,282	105,317	6,768	26,197		139,355	105,217	5,528	28,610	
Bono East	178,020	149,106	4,688	24,226		173,456	148,503	1,324	23,629		174,197	147,804	5,206	21,187	
Oti	157,947	120,934	7,739	29,274		149,344	121,902	2,769	24,672		152,588	125,042	4,208	23,338	
Northern	343,656	248,577	10,572	84,507		349,569	258,239	7,380	83,950		351,967	269,904	5,984	76,079	
Savannah	136,182	109,173	4,445	22,564		133,276	108,973	3,408	20,895		135,732	107,445	6,075	22,212	
North East	128,139	88,131	6,197	33,811		123,964	87,434	4,215	32,315		126,076	81,824	5,341	38,911	
Upper East	287,802	187,351	12,728	87,724		268,703	179,379	7,927	81,398		269,183	176,739	8,444	84,001	
Upper West	196,739	135,989	8,708	52,043		195,684	140,701	3,857	51,127		197,647	143,135	5,507	49,006	
<b>Female</b>															
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,694,229</b>	<b>3,064,828</b>	<b>416,999</b>	<b>1,212,402</b>		<b>4,696,151</b>	<b>3,223,279</b>	<b>384,350</b>	<b>1,088,521</b>		<b>4,725,480</b>	<b>3,195,555</b>	<b>406,336</b>	<b>1,123,589</b>	
Western	360,674	236,311	34,750	89,614		368,055	240,609	46,032	81,414		373,315	238,943	50,003	84,369	

Region	2025Q1				Outside labour Force	2025Q2				Outside labour Force	2025Q3				Outside labour Force
	Total	Employed	Unemployed			Total	Employed	Unemployed			Total	Employed	Unemployed		
Central	440,395	269,225	41,249	129,922		443,870	283,131	43,773	116,967		447,485	286,450	55,248	105,788	
Greater															
Accra	147,844	80,867	24,254	42,724		115,321	74,586	16,027	24,709		119,524	74,090	18,422	27,012	
Volta	373,332	234,679	35,916	102,737		376,457	236,949	37,711	101,797		372,350	234,164	29,276	108,909	
Eastern	521,095	359,673	42,735	118,687		512,734	375,238	37,466	100,030		510,258	379,608	32,883	97,767	
Ashanti	739,854	450,950	90,008	198,896		770,850	506,331	80,778	183,741		773,529	487,430	93,388	192,711	
Western															
North	208,205	141,709	12,768	53,729		206,482	156,147	11,806	38,529		205,983	149,097	15,720	41,165	
Ahafo	101,071	66,213	6,391	28,468		100,583	71,923	5,336	23,325		101,588	70,751	5,876	24,961	
Bono	185,412	130,735	11,932	42,745		181,580	122,856	16,469	42,255		182,040	119,068	16,082	46,890	
Bono East	182,383	139,854	12,275	30,253		178,567	147,789	5,758	25,019		180,371	148,674	5,449	26,247	
Oti	168,995	121,142	13,060	34,794		168,316	127,702	10,010	30,603		170,961	135,008	8,130	27,823	
Northern	385,513	253,127	34,218	98,169		390,336	269,809	27,692	92,836		392,901	278,621	25,411	88,869	
Savannah	149,898	107,473	12,598	29,828		149,219	112,136	13,616	23,467		151,003	109,711	14,482	26,810	
North East	140,698	95,078	11,796	33,824		139,482	98,119	10,330	31,032		140,050	90,232	8,812	41,006	
Upper East	342,383	217,651	14,389	110,343		345,546	224,216	10,897	110,433		350,610	213,770	16,133	120,707	
Upper West	246,480	160,144	18,664	67,673		248,752	175,739	10,650	62,363		253,512	179,939	11,021	62,552	

**TABLE 6.2: EMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO BY REGION AND SEX (PERCENT)**

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Both Sexes</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>65.3</b>
Western	64.4	66.5	65.8
Central	59.2	62.1	60.9
Greater Accra	57.5	57.8	57.6
Volta	61.7	64.1	64.4
Eastern	67.5	71.5	72.0
Ashanti	62.9	65.3	64.0
Western North	67.7	73.7	71.8
Ahafo	66.4	71.8	70.7
Bono	69.3	69.1	67.5
Bono East	74.7	78.1	77.8
Oti	73.9	78.1	78.2
Northern	65.0	68.2	69.0
Savannah	70.8	74.3	72.1
North East	63.9	67.5	63.0
Upper East	64.0	65.9	63.7
Upper West	66.6	71.0	71.2

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>64.7</b>	<b>67.1</b>	<b>66.8</b>
Western	65.4	68.1	68.3
Central	58.9	61.3	60.1
Greater Accra	56.5	57.0	57.5
Volta	62.3	65.3	64.8
Eastern	67.9	72.2	72.9
Ashanti	65.2	67.5	66.3
Western North	70.0	75.8	74.7
Ahafo	67.7	73.6	73.8
Bono	72.1	71.6	70.9
Bono East	77.0	80.1	79.8
Oti	76.9	81.1	79.3
Northern	67.6	69.7	71.5
Savannah	76.0	78.9	76.3
North East	64.9	68.2	64.2
Upper East	65.0	67.0	66.3
Upper West	68.6	72.2	72.4

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>62.7</b>	<b>65.2</b>	<b>64.2</b>
Western	63.5	65.2	63.8
Central	59.4	62.7	61.5
Greater Accra	58.2	58.5	57.7
Volta	61.3	63.2	64.1
Eastern	67.2	71.0	71.3
Ashanti	61.1	63.7	62.2
Western North	65.5	71.8	69.2
Ahafo	65.3	70.4	68.3
Bono	67.4	67.5	65.3
Bono East	72.6	76.4	76.1
Oti	71.3	75.7	77.2
Northern	62.9	67.0	66.9
Savannah	66.2	70.4	68.5
North East	63.0	66.9	61.8
Upper East	63.2	65.1	61.6
Upper West	64.9	70.0	70.3

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Urban</b>			
<b>Both Sexes</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>61.0</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>62.3</b>
Western	61.2	64.9	64.9
Central	57.5	60.0	58.2
Greater Accra	57.5	57.5	57.2
Volta	59.3	64.4	65.8
Eastern	65.7	69.4	69.1
Ashanti	62.9	64.4	63.5
Western North	63.3	67.7	65.9
Ahafo	64.2	68.9	67.3
Bono	66.0	67.5	66.0
Bono East	69.8	72.7	72.7
Oti	73.7	77.2	73.4
Northern	60.9	64.7	63.8
Savannah	59.2	65.0	63.6
North East	55.5	61.9	59.7
Upper East	63.3	66.6	65.7
Upper West	65.8	70.5	69.9



Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>61.2</b>	<b>63.3</b>	<b>63.0</b>
Western	60.6	64.6	66.6
Central	56.6	57.3	56.2
Greater Accra	56.2	56.5	56.8
Volta	59.5	65.3	65.7
Eastern	66.0	70.0	70.0
Ashanti	65.2	66.9	65.9
Western North	67.4	73.0	70.2
Ahafo	62.9	68.3	67.7
Bono	66.8	67.8	67.2
Bono East	70.3	74.5	74.8
Oti	77.6	79.8	72.9
Northern	62.1	64.7	65.2
Savannah	65.4	71.4	69.1
North East	56.7	63.7	62.9
Upper East	64.9	67.8	68.4
Upper West	67.1	73.2	72.2

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>60.8</b>	<b>62.8</b>	<b>61.8</b>
Western	61.7	65.1	63.5
Central	58.2	62.0	59.7
Greater Accra	58.4	58.2	57.5
Volta	59.2	63.6	65.9
Eastern	65.5	69.1	68.5
Ashanti	61.2	62.4	61.8
Western North	60.3	63.9	62.7
Ahafo	65.2	69.3	67.0
Bono	65.5	67.4	65.2
Bono East	69.4	71.2	71.0
Oti	70.7	75.3	73.7
Northern	60.0	64.7	62.6
Savannah	54.4	60.2	59.5
North East	54.4	60.4	57.0
Upper East	62.1	65.7	63.7
Upper West	64.7	68.1	68.0

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Rural</b>			
<b>Both Sexes</b>			
Total	<b>67.1</b>	<b>70.2</b>	<b>69.5</b>
Western	67.8	68.2	66.7
Central	61.5	65.1	64.7
Greater Accra	57.6	64.6	65.4
Volta	63.5	63.9	63.4
Eastern	69.4	73.7	75.1
Ashanti	62.9	66.8	64.8
Western North	69.5	76.2	74.4
Ahafo	68.5	74.6	74.0
Bono	74.1	71.3	69.8
Bono East	80.2	84.2	83.6
Oti	74.0	78.6	80.4
Northern	68.8	71.4	73.6
Savannah	75.7	78.3	75.7
North East	68.1	70.4	64.7
Upper East	64.3	65.7	63.0
Upper West	66.8	71.2	71.6

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>69.3</b>	<b>72.2</b>	<b>71.9</b>
Western	70.3	71.6	70.1
Central	62.1	66.9	65.6
Greater Accra	60.9	64.5	69.5
Volta	64.4	65.3	64.1
Eastern	69.8	74.4	75.9
Ashanti	65.2	68.2	67.0
Western North	71.0	76.8	76.4
Ahafo	72.0	78.5	79.4
Bono	78.9	76.2	75.5
Bono East	83.8	85.6	84.8
Oti	76.6	81.6	81.9
Northern	72.3	73.9	76.7
Savannah	80.2	81.8	79.2
North East	68.8	70.5	64.9
Upper East	65.1	66.8	65.7
Upper West	69.1	71.9	72.4

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.3</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>67.6</b>
Western	65.5	65.4	64.0
Central	61.1	63.8	64.0
Greater Accra	54.7	64.7	62.0
Volta	62.9	62.9	62.9
Eastern	69.0	73.2	74.4
Ashanti	61.0	65.7	63.0
Western North	68.1	75.6	72.4
Ahafo	65.5	71.5	69.6
Bono	70.5	67.7	65.4
Bono East	76.7	82.8	82.4
Oti	71.7	75.9	79.0
Northern	65.7	69.1	70.9
Savannah	71.7	75.1	72.7
North East	67.6	70.3	64.4
Upper East	63.6	64.9	61.0
Upper West	65.0	70.6	71.0

**TABLE 6.3: NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY SECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT**

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Both Sexes</b>								
<b>Total</b>	13,444,874	4,976,042	2,370,073	6,098,758	13,420,176	4,990,448	2,458,577	5,971,151
Western	904,962	268,190	232,486	404,286	905,943	264,786	236,963	404,196
Central	1,121,388	356,926	242,047	522,417	1,109,275	361,512	245,490	502,274
Greater Accra	2,346,082	77,057	498,246	1,770,779	2,361,508	83,997	528,917	1,748,592
Volta	697,252	262,153	133,992	301,106	704,798	247,744	165,791	291,264
Eastern	1,361,535	478,869	264,633	618,034	1,374,509	512,192	271,535	590,783
Ashanti	2,363,583	728,890	451,815	1,182,878	2,328,534	706,842	466,598	1,155,094
Western North	426,298	296,564	38,574	91,161	419,337	291,611	41,013	86,712
Ahafo	259,424	147,736	35,658	76,030	257,436	148,394	37,354	71,689
Bono	542,223	283,446	69,922	188,855	531,981	280,461	67,837	183,683
Bono East	581,234	348,547	82,670	150,016	587,008	345,683	85,483	155,841
Oti	366,686	241,264	39,236	86,186	370,982	239,827	40,964	90,191
Northern	951,658	540,293	73,752	337,612	970,374	562,002	64,942	343,431
Savannah	300,424	212,484	27,578	60,363	295,751	212,488	25,505	57,757
North East	270,406	165,486	27,190	77,731	254,112	148,228	29,937	75,947
Upper East	534,133	293,855	94,290	145,987	520,849	296,738	89,031	135,080
Upper West	417,584	274,283	57,982	85,318	427,779	287,943	61,217	78,619

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Male</b>								
Total	5,979,174	2,662,491	1,253,951	2,062,731	6,016,716	2,690,069	1,267,687	2,058,960
Western	412,949	152,344	137,338	123,267	418,879	152,857	147,184	118,839
Central	455,254	191,147	115,618	148,490	449,044	186,462	120,186	142,396
Greater Accra	1,022,376	63,022	284,267	675,087	1,045,875	64,979	292,298	688,597
Volta	295,551	138,391	62,063	95,096	297,605	132,092	69,206	96,307
Eastern	600,606	278,171	151,499	170,936	613,955	298,227	148,859	166,869
Ashanti	1,053,297	382,768	276,505	394,024	1,042,655	378,477	271,128	393,050
Western North	206,316	157,965	19,315	29,036	206,472	160,247	20,591	25,634
Ahafo	117,158	76,115	18,862	22,181	118,177	76,958	17,719	23,501
Bono	221,405	133,643	32,866	54,896	221,083	133,265	32,047	55,771
Bono East	277,437	195,698	33,029	48,709	278,945	194,543	31,628	52,774
Oti	172,647	136,063	10,932	25,652	170,786	137,867	9,080	23,839
Northern	445,369	272,353	31,743	141,272	461,034	288,232	30,799	142,004
Savannah	146,106	118,731	9,954	17,421	144,049	116,756	8,516	18,777
North East	127,256	84,441	13,147	29,668	121,298	77,239	15,535	28,524
Upper East	236,333	147,704	39,074	49,555	234,324	150,368	35,608	48,348
Upper West	189,115	133,936	17,737	37,441	192,535	141,501	17,303	33,731

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Female</b>								
Total	7,465,700	2,313,551	1,116,122	4,036,027	7,403,460	2,300,379	1,190,890	3,912,191
Western	492,013	115,846	95,148	281,019	487,064	111,929	89,779	285,357
Central	666,134	165,779	126,429	373,927	660,231	175,050	125,304	359,878
Greater Accra	1,323,706	14,035	213,979	1,095,692	1,315,633	19,018	236,619	1,059,995
Volta	401,701	123,762	71,929	206,010	407,193	115,652	96,585	194,957
Eastern	760,929	200,698	113,134	447,098	760,554	213,965	122,676	423,914
Ashanti	1,310,286	346,122	175,310	788,854	1,285,879	328,365	195,470	762,044
Western North	219,982	138,599	19,259	62,125	212,865	131,364	20,422	61,078
Ahafo	142,266	71,621	16,796	53,849	139,259	71,436	19,635	48,188
Bono	320,818	149,803	37,056	133,959	310,898	147,196	35,790	127,912
Bono East	303,797	152,849	49,641	101,307	308,063	151,140	53,855	103,067
Oti	194,039	105,201	28,304	60,534	200,196	101,960	31,884	66,352
Northern	506,289	267,940	42,009	196,340	509,340	273,770	34,143	201,427
Savannah	154,318	93,753	17,624	42,942	151,702	95,732	16,989	38,980
North East	143,150	81,045	14,043	48,063	132,814	70,989	14,402	47,423
Upper East	297,800	146,151	55,216	96,432	286,525	146,370	53,423	86,732
Upper West	228,469	140,347	40,245	47,877	235,244	146,442	43,914	44,888



**TABLE 6.4: PROPORTION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY SECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT**

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Both Sexes</b>								
<b>Total</b>	100.0	37.0	17.6	45.4	100.0	37.2	18.3	44.5
Western	100.0	29.6	25.7	44.7	100.0	29.2	26.2	44.6
Central	100.0	31.8	21.6	46.6	100.0	32.6	22.1	45.3
Greater Accra	100.0	3.3	21.2	75.5	100.0	3.6	22.4	74.0
Volta	100.0	37.6	19.2	43.2	100.0	35.2	23.5	41.3
Eastern	100.0	35.2	19.4	45.4	100.0	37.3	19.8	43.0
Ashanti	100.0	30.8	19.1	50.0	100.0	30.4	20.0	49.6
Western North	100.0	69.6	9.0	21.4	100.0	69.5	9.8	20.7
Ahafo	100.0	56.9	13.7	29.3	100.0	57.6	14.5	27.8
Bono	100.0	52.3	12.9	34.8	100.0	52.7	12.8	34.5
Bono East	100.0	60.0	14.2	25.8	100.0	58.9	14.6	26.5
Oti	100.0	65.8	10.7	23.5	100.0	64.6	11.0	24.3
Northern	100.0	56.8	7.7	35.5	100.0	57.9	6.7	35.4
Savannah	100.0	70.7	9.2	20.1	100.0	71.8	8.6	19.5
North East	100.0	61.2	10.1	28.7	100.0	58.3	11.8	29.9
Upper East	100.0	55.0	17.7	27.3	100.0	57.0	17.1	25.9
Upper West	100.0	65.7	13.9	20.4	100.0	67.3	14.3	18.4

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Male</b>								
Total	100.0	44.5	21.0	34.5	100.0	44.7	21.1	34.2
Western	100.0	36.9	33.3	29.9	100.0	36.5	35.1	28.4
Central	100.0	42.0	25.4	32.6	100.0	41.5	26.8	31.7
Greater Accra	100.0	6.2	27.8	66.0	100.0	6.2	27.9	65.8
Volta	100.0	46.8	21.0	32.2	100.0	44.4	23.3	32.4
Eastern	100.0	46.3	25.2	28.5	100.0	48.6	24.2	27.2
Ashanti	100.0	36.3	26.3	37.4	100.0	36.3	26.0	37.7
Western North	100.0	76.6	9.4	14.1	100.0	77.6	10.0	12.4
Ahafo	100.0	65.0	16.1	18.9	100.0	65.1	15.0	19.9
Bono	100.0	60.4	14.8	24.8	100.0	60.3	14.5	25.2
Bono East	100.0	70.5	11.9	17.6	100.0	69.7	11.3	18.9
Oti	100.0	78.8	6.3	14.9	100.0	80.7	5.3	14.0
Northern	100.0	61.2	7.1	31.7	100.0	62.5	6.7	30.8
Savannah	100.0	81.3	6.8	11.9	100.0	81.1	5.9	13.0
North East	100.0	66.4	10.3	23.3	100.0	63.7	12.8	23.5
Upper East	100.0	62.5	16.5	21.0	100.0	64.2	15.2	20.6
Upper West	100.0	70.8	9.4	19.8	100.0	73.5	9.0	17.5

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Female</b>								
Total	100.0	31.0	14.9	54.1	100.0	31.1	16.1	52.8
Western	100.0	23.5	19.3	57.1	100.0	23.0	18.4	58.6
Central	100.0	24.9	19.0	56.1	100.0	26.5	19.0	54.5
Greater Accra	100.0	1.1	16.2	82.8	100.0	1.4	18.0	80.6
Volta	100.0	30.8	17.9	51.3	100.0	28.4	23.7	47.9
Eastern	100.0	26.4	14.9	58.8	100.0	28.1	16.1	55.7
Ashanti	100.0	26.4	13.4	60.2	100.0	25.5	15.2	59.3
Western North	100.0	63.0	8.8	28.2	100.0	61.7	9.6	28.7
Ahafo	100.0	50.3	11.8	37.9	100.0	51.3	14.1	34.6
Bono	100.0	46.7	11.6	41.8	100.0	47.3	11.5	41.1
Bono East	100.0	50.3	16.3	33.3	100.0	49.1	17.5	33.5
Oti	100.0	54.2	14.6	31.2	100.0	50.9	15.9	33.1
Northern	100.0	52.9	8.3	38.8	100.0	53.7	6.7	39.5
Savannah	100.0	60.8	11.4	27.8	100.0	63.1	11.2	25.7
North East	100.0	56.6	9.8	33.6	100.0	53.4	10.8	35.7
Upper East	100.0	49.1	18.5	32.4	100.0	51.1	18.6	30.3
Upper West	100.0	61.4	17.6	21.0	100.0	62.3	18.7	19.1

TABLE 6.5: UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY REGION AND SEX

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Both Sexes</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>13.0</b>
Western	12.9	14.1	15.1
Central	15.4	14.5	17.3
Greater Accra	18.6	20.2	19.6
Volta	12.7	11.9	11.4
Eastern	10.6	8.9	8.9
Ashanti	14.4	14.9	15.4
Western North	8.0	7.2	7.9
Ahafo	9.3	7.9	8.9
Bono	8.4	10.0	9.4
Bono East	6.9	4.4	6.3
Oti	8.3	5.8	6.0
Northern	9.8	7.8	7.4
Savannah	9.4	8.9	9.6
North East	10.3	9.0	9.8
Upper East	7.4	5.5	6.7
Upper West	8.4	5.7	6.1

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>10.4</b>	<b>11.0</b>
Western	11.4	13.0	13.3
Central	14.3	13.4	15.7
Greater Accra	16.8	18.6	17.5
Volta	10.8	9.6	12.0
Eastern	9.9	8.5	8.6
Ashanti	11.6	11.7	12.6
Western North	6.0	4.9	5.5
Ahafo	7.6	6.5	5.6
Bono	7.4	8.5	8.0
Bono East	5.1	2.8	5.8
Oti	6.0	2.9	4.4
Northern	4.9	3.5	3.5
Savannah	5.0	4.1	5.9
North East	7.1	5.7	7.6
Upper East	6.7	4.5	5.0
Upper West	5.8	3.9	5.1

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.5</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>14.6</b>
Western	14.2	15.1	16.7
Central	16.1	15.2	18.4
Greater Accra	20.0	21.5	21.3
Volta	14.1	13.5	10.9
Eastern	11.0	9.2	9.2
Ashanti	16.6	17.3	17.6
Western North	9.9	9.2	10.1
Ahafo	10.7	9.0	11.4
Bono	9.2	11.0	10.4
Bono East	8.6	5.7	6.8
Oti	10.5	8.2	7.3
Northern	13.8	11.3	10.7
Savannah	13.4	13.0	12.9
North East	13.1	11.7	11.7
Upper East	7.9	6.3	8.1
Upper West	10.5	7.2	6.9

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Urban</b>			
<b>Both Sexes</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>15.4</b>
Western	14.1	13.5	15.0
Central	17.4	16.0	19.1
Greater Accra	18.5	20.5	19.9
Volta	14.1	11.9	11.5
Eastern	11.6	9.6	10.1
Ashanti	14.3	16.4	15.8
Western North	10.8	11.2	10.1
Ahafo	10.6	9.2	11.3
Bono	9.8	10.5	9.9
Bono East	8.2	6.4	9.1
Oti	9.3	7.7	9.1
Northern	11.6	9.7	9.9
Savannah	15.1	13.3	12.1
North East	13.5	12.5	14.1
Upper East	10.7	8.7	9.1
Upper West	8.0	9.6	9.7

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>13.3</b>
Western	12.3	12.6	13.9
Central	16.5	15.2	17.5
Greater Accra	16.9	18.9	17.8
Volta	12.6	10.1	12.7
Eastern	11.9	10.1	9.7
Ashanti	11.2	12.4	12.3
Western North	7.4	7.5	8.5
Ahafo	7.9	6.5	5.9
Bono	9.9	10.7	10.6
Bono East	7.3	5.0	8.5
Oti	5.8	4.4	7.2
Northern	5.9	4.5	5.4
Savannah	8.2	7.0	7.4
North East	8.5	8.0	10.6
Upper East	7.9	5.3	6.2
Upper West	5.0	7.2	9.0



Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>			
<b>Total</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>16.9</b>
Western	15.5	14.2	16.0
Central	18.1	16.5	20.1
Greater Accra	19.7	21.7	21.4
Volta	15.2	13.2	10.7
Eastern	11.4	9.3	10.5
Ashanti	16.6	19.4	18.4
Western North	13.5	14.1	11.5
Ahafo	12.6	11.1	15.0
Bono	9.7	10.4	9.4
Bono East	9.0	7.5	9.6
Oti	12.1	10.0	10.4
Northern	15.9	13.5	13.3
Savannah	20.6	18.1	15.9
North East	17.4	16.1	17.0
Upper East	12.8	11.2	11.3
Upper West	10.6	11.6	10.2

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Rural</b>			
<b>Both Sexes</b>			
Total	<b>10.2</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>9.8</b>
Western	11.7	14.8	15.2
Central	12.5	12.4	15.0
Greater Accra	19.6	15.8	16.4
Volta	11.7	11.9	11.3
Eastern	9.5	8.1	7.7
Ashanti	14.6	12.4	14.7
Western North	6.9	5.5	7.1
Ahafo	8.1	6.7	6.6
Bono	6.7	9.2	8.8
Bono East	5.5	2.3	3.5
Oti	7.9	4.9	4.5
Northern	8.2	6.2	5.4
Savannah	7.3	7.1	8.6
North East	8.9	7.3	7.6
Upper East	6.3	4.5	5.9
Upper West	8.5	4.4	4.9

## Male

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.0</b>
Western	10.5	13.2	12.7
Central	11.4	11.0	13.3
Greater Accra	15.6	13.7	12.3
Volta	9.5	9.2	11.5
Eastern	8.1	7.0	7.5
Ashanti	12.2	10.7	13.1
Western North	5.5	3.9	4.5
Ahafo	7.3	6.5	5.4
Bono	4.6	6.0	5.0
Bono East	3.0	0.9	3.4
Oti	6.0	2.2	3.3
Northern	4.1	2.8	2.2
Savannah	3.9	3.0	5.4
North East	6.6	4.6	6.1
Upper East	6.4	4.2	4.6
Upper West	6.0	2.7	3.7

**Female**

Region	2025Q1	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>11.3</b>
Western	12.8	16.1	17.3
Central	13.3	13.4	16.2
Greater Accra	23.1	17.7	19.9
Volta	13.3	13.7	11.1
Eastern	10.6	9.1	8.0
Ashanti	16.6	13.8	16.1
Western North	8.3	7.0	9.5
Ahafo	8.8	6.9	7.7
Bono	8.4	11.8	11.9
Bono East	8.1	3.7	3.5
Oti	9.7	7.3	5.7
Northern	11.9	9.3	8.4
Savannah	10.5	10.8	11.7
North East	11.0	9.5	8.9
Upper East	6.2	4.6	7.0
Upper West	10.4	5.7	5.8

**TABLE 6.6: UNEMPLOYMENT, LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION, AND ABSORPTION RATES BY AGE GROUP**

Age Group	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour Force
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,367,828</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>1,931,873</b>	<b>4,991,081</b>	<b>20,540,543</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>	<b>2,003,540</b>	<b>5,116,827</b>
15-19	3,712,992	814,551	405,233	2,493,207	3,786,214	845,834	572,141	2,368,238
20-24	2,481,547	1,193,691	474,546	813,310	2,462,160	1,184,890	494,031	783,239
25-29	1,716,016	1,227,923	267,266	220,828	1,751,220	1,235,947	282,566	232,707
30-34	1,641,968	1,435,870	132,200	73,899	1,615,354	1,385,262	141,791	88,301
35-39	1,816,143	1,641,153	106,568	68,423	1,793,517	1,628,055	102,704	62,758
40-44	1,861,764	1,730,608	87,400	43,756	1,859,674	1,714,275	83,068	62,331
45-49	1,586,756	1,485,699	70,125	30,932	1,612,623	1,490,898	78,937	42,788
50-54	1,434,416	1,301,123	85,853	47,439	1,452,778	1,311,422	91,211	50,145
55-59	1,138,881	973,653	98,090	67,138	1,162,676	986,435	110,431	65,809
60-64	942,274	685,715	88,569	167,990	932,694	674,568	29,133	228,993
65+	2,035,070	954,887	116,024	964,159	2,111,633	962,590	17,527	1,131,517

Age Group	Unemployment Rate	Labour Force Participation	Absorption rate
<b>Total</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>75.5</b>	<b>66.0</b>
15-19	33.2	32.9	21.9
20-24	28.4	67.2	48.1
25-29	17.9	87.1	71.6
30-34	8.4	95.5	87.4
35-39	6.1	96.2	90.4
40-44	4.8	97.6	93.0
45-49	4.5	98.1	93.6
50-54	6.2	96.7	90.7
55-59	9.2	94.1	85.5
60-64	11.4	82.2	72.8
65+	10.8	52.6	46.9

Unemployment Rate	Labour Force Participation	Absorption rate
<b>13.0</b>	<b>75.1</b>	<b>65.3</b>
40.3	37.5	22.3
29.4	68.2	48.1
18.6	86.7	70.6
9.3	94.5	85.8
5.9	96.5	90.8
4.6	96.6	92.2
5.0	97.3	92.5
6.5	96.5	90.3
10.1	94.3	84.8
4.1	75.4	72.3
1.8	46.4	45.6

**TABLE 6.7: POPULATION 15 TO 24 YEARS AND OLDER BY ECONOMIC ACTIVITY STATUS, UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, REGION, SEX AND TYPE OF LOCALITY**

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Both Sexes</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,194,539</b>	<b>2,008,243</b>	<b>879,780</b>	<b>3,306,517</b>	<b>6,248,374</b>	<b>2,030,723</b>	<b>1,066,172</b>	<b>3,151,477</b>	<b>30.5</b>	<b>34.4</b>
Western	442,017	119,230	88,012	234,776	446,012	118,392	104,252	223,369	42.5	46.8
Central	557,219	133,364	92,701	331,153	561,721	130,105	124,391	307,226	41.0	48.9
Greater Accra	1,126,097	257,078	213,799	655,221	1,138,672	249,812	242,875	645,984	45.4	49.3
Volta	313,469	94,731	47,079	171,658	317,106	104,653	54,099	158,354	33.2	34.1
Eastern	572,242	235,199	72,123	264,921	575,331	242,412	81,645	251,275	23.5	25.2
Ashanti	1,136,099	325,031	193,382	617,686	1,142,936	328,161	229,901	584,874	37.3	41.2
Western North	186,374	71,402	22,655	92,317	189,617	69,859	26,140	93,617	24.1	27.2
Ahafo	109,551	33,474	11,604	64,473	110,964	30,801	15,499	64,664	25.7	33.5
Bono	232,543	84,622	34,600	113,321	232,264	73,038	34,523	124,705	29.0	32.1
Bono East	246,615	148,118	12,247	86,250	252,237	148,250	26,464	77,523	7.6	15.1
Oti	138,608	76,136	10,828	51,644	139,337	80,223	10,948	48,166	12.5	12.0
Northern	465,680	166,081	29,715	269,883	463,765	187,156	38,943	237,666	15.2	17.2
Savannah	123,619	60,629	11,287	51,702	125,927	57,711	15,303	52,913	15.7	21.0
North East	145,109	54,997	11,765	78,347	143,148	51,702	17,081	74,366	17.6	24.8
Upper East	222,286	73,494	16,575	132,217	225,346	79,810	23,429	122,108	18.4	22.7
Upper West	177,013	74,659	11,407	90,948	183,992	78,641	20,683	84,668	13.3	20.8

**Male**

2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,990,390</b>	<b>979,777</b>	<b>384,442</b>	<b>1,626,172</b>	<b>3,038,370</b>	<b>1,027,394</b>	<b>472,467</b>	<b>1,538,508</b>	<b>28.2</b>	<b>31.5</b>
Western	214,274	63,803	42,857	107,615	215,331	64,364	48,915	102,053	40.2	43.2
Central	275,495	62,360	45,099	168,036	279,163	63,262	53,752	162,149	42.0	45.9
Greater Accra	530,514	87,479	100,384	342,652	543,249	102,244	110,101	330,903	53.4	51.9
Volta	159,060	53,806	17,057	88,197	165,261	60,727	27,231	77,303	24.1	31.0
Eastern	268,446	114,382	33,573	120,492	276,556	122,718	37,956	115,883	22.7	23.6
Ashanti	527,865	149,758	80,155	297,952	534,642	151,645	101,555	281,442	34.9	40.1
Western North	90,824	35,477	8,691	46,656	93,682	38,599	9,627	45,456	19.7	20.0
Ahafo	49,705	16,416	5,081	28,207	50,191	16,198	5,481	28,512	23.6	25.3
Bono	97,359	40,974	15,494	40,891	98,123	36,819	12,740	48,565	27.4	25.7
Bono East	130,953	81,811	5,230	43,912	132,939	80,280	15,324	37,335	6.0	16.0
Oti	71,408	43,353	3,284	24,772	71,405	42,401	4,362	24,642	7.0	9.3
Northern	242,311	91,056	8,134	143,121	240,595	107,042	12,521	121,032	8.2	10.5
Savannah	63,365	35,717	4,593	23,055	65,584	33,381	7,248	24,955	11.4	17.8
North East	76,355	28,541	5,250	42,564	76,696	27,480	8,526	40,690	15.5	23.7
Upper East	105,456	36,020	6,004	63,432	104,862	39,290	8,381	57,191	14.3	17.6
Upper West	87,001	38,826	3,557	44,619	90,092	40,946	8,749	40,397	8.4	17.6

#### Female

<b>Total</b>	<b>3,204,149</b>	<b>1,028,466</b>	<b>495,338</b>	<b>1,680,345</b>	<b>3,210,004</b>	<b>1,003,329</b>	<b>593,705</b>	<b>1,612,969</b>	<b>32.5</b>	<b>37.2</b>
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Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
Western	227,743	55,427	45,155	127,161	230,681	54,028	55,337	121,316	44.9	50.6
Central	281,724	71,004	47,602	163,117	282,558	66,843	70,639	145,077	40.1	51.4
Greater Accra	595,583	169,599	113,415	312,569	595,423	147,568	132,774	315,081	40.1	47.4
Volta	154,409	40,925	30,022	83,461	151,845	43,926	26,868	81,051	42.3	38.0
Eastern	303,796	120,817	38,550	144,429	298,775	119,694	43,689	135,392	24.2	26.7
Ashanti	608,234	175,273	113,227	319,734	608,294	176,516	128,346	303,432	39.2	42.1
Western North	95,550	35,925	13,964	45,661	95,935	31,260	16,513	48,161	28.0	34.6
Ahafo	59,846	17,058	6,523	36,266	60,773	14,603	10,018	36,152	27.7	40.7
Bono	135,184	43,648	19,106	72,430	134,141	36,219	21,783	76,140	30.4	37.6
Bono East	115,662	66,307	7,017	42,338	119,298	67,970	11,140	40,188	9.6	14.1
Oti	67,200	32,783	7,544	26,872	67,932	37,822	6,586	23,524	18.7	14.8
Northern	223,369	75,025	21,581	126,762	223,170	80,114	26,422	116,634	22.3	24.8
Savannah	60,254	24,912	6,694	28,647	60,343	24,330	8,055	27,958	21.2	24.9
North East	68,754	26,456	6,515	35,783	66,452	24,222	8,555	33,676	19.8	26.1
Upper East	116,830	37,474	10,571	68,785	120,484	40,520	15,048	64,917	22.0	27.1
Upper West	90,012	35,833	7,850	46,329	93,900	37,695	11,934	44,271	18.0	24.0

**Urban  
Both Sexes  
Total**

3,573,127	1,001,794	562,160	2,009,172	3,620,838	1,007,290	664,844	1,948,705	35.9	39.8
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2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
Western	218,923	53,555	35,029	130,338	224,348	56,734	49,156	118,457	39.5	46.4
Central	331,201	69,034	52,609	209,557	333,727	63,641	69,069	201,016	43.2	52.0
Greater Accra	1,054,028	232,526	202,641	618,862	1,068,095	223,012	229,384	615,699	46.6	50.7
Volta	140,022	44,314	18,154	77,553	143,964	53,242	20,498	70,224	29.1	27.8
Eastern	302,539	118,511	35,951	148,076	310,823	124,319	42,161	144,343	23.3	25.3
Ashanti	697,232	195,727	125,546	375,959	696,040	195,235	141,316	359,489	39.1	42.0
Western North	58,771	19,056	9,636	30,080	58,897	18,140	8,203	32,555	33.6	31.1
Ahafo	55,550	15,116	5,852	34,583	56,552	13,505	8,511	34,536	27.9	38.7
Bono	139,180	48,840	21,228	69,111	139,342	41,861	20,317	77,164	30.3	32.7
Bono East	130,542	64,281	8,597	57,665	135,910	66,639	19,341	49,930	11.8	22.5
Oti	48,084	26,215	5,165	16,704	45,460	21,279	6,276	17,905	16.5	22.8
Northern	215,196	60,252	19,445	135,499	220,679	72,104	23,368	125,209	24.4	24.5
Savannah	39,491	12,857	5,286	21,348	40,733	12,538	6,194	22,000	29.1	33.1
North East	50,078	13,039	6,069	30,969	49,311	14,783	7,335	27,193	31.8	33.2
Upper East	55,688	17,996	4,869	32,823	57,453	18,554	5,977	32,921	21.3	24.4
Upper West	36,603	10,474	6,085	20,044	39,504	11,703	7,738	20,064	36.7	39.8

#### Male

<b>Total</b>	<b>1,692,950</b>	<b>446,431</b>	<b>246,482</b>	<b>1,000,036</b>	<b>1,729,931</b>	<b>475,127</b>	<b>297,991</b>	<b>956,813</b>	<b>35.6</b>	<b>38.5</b>
Western	107,319	26,209	17,322	63,788	110,497	31,066	25,283	54,147	39.8	44.9
Central	158,064	25,595	24,033	108,436	160,211	25,957	29,353	104,900	48.4	53.1

2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
Greater Accra	495,353	77,205	95,893	322,256	509,443	87,117	105,528	316,798	55.4	54.8
Volta	74,356	26,558	6,589	41,208	76,990	32,356	10,924	33,711	19.9	25.2
Eastern	139,200	55,788	18,823	64,589	148,205	62,266	20,896	65,043	25.2	25.1
Ashanti	326,044	95,445	49,549	181,050	326,328	93,026	58,824	174,478	34.2	38.7
Western North	23,980	7,974	3,192	12,814	23,981	8,197	2,942	12,842	28.6	26.4
Ahafo	28,318	7,864	2,396	18,059	28,720	7,145	2,904	18,671	23.4	28.9
Bono	54,834	21,581	10,122	23,131	54,930	18,498	8,799	27,633	31.9	32.2
Bono East	68,121	35,229	4,156	28,736	69,940	36,623	10,118	23,199	10.6	21.6
Oti	21,502	12,587	1,380	7,535	20,241	9,066	2,069	9,106	9.9	18.6
Northern	108,380	27,997	4,450	75,933	111,161	36,621	7,647	66,894	13.7	17.3
Savannah	18,481	6,822	2,451	9,208	19,210	6,465	2,939	9,805	26.4	31.3
North East	24,475	5,852	2,182	16,440	24,581	6,891	3,656	14,034	27.2	34.7
Upper East	26,408	8,281	1,540	16,587	26,232	8,531	2,305	15,396	15.7	21.3
Upper West	18,115	5,442	2,406	10,267	19,260	5,300	3,805	10,155	30.7	41.8

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,880,177</b>	<b>555,363</b>	<b>315,678</b>	<b>1,009,136</b>	<b>1,890,907</b>	<b>532,163</b>	<b>366,853</b>	<b>991,892</b>	<b>36.2</b>	<b>40.8</b>
Western	111,604	27,346	17,707	66,550	113,851	25,668	23,873	64,310	39.3	48.2
Central	173,137	43,439	28,576	101,121	173,516	37,684	39,716	96,116	39.7	51.3
Greater Accra	558,675	155,321	106,748	296,606	558,652	135,895	123,856	298,901	40.7	47.7
Volta	65,666	17,756	11,565	36,345	66,974	20,886	9,574	36,513	39.4	31.4
Eastern	163,339	62,723	17,128	83,487	162,618	62,053	21,265	79,300	21.4	25.5
Ashanti	371,188	100,282	75,997	194,909	369,712	102,209	82,492	185,011	43.1	44.7
Western North	34,791	11,082	6,444	17,266	34,916	9,943	5,261	19,713	36.8	34.6
Ahafo	27,232	7,252	3,456	16,524	27,832	6,360	5,607	15,865	32.3	46.9
Bono	84,346	27,259	11,106	45,980	84,412	23,363	11,518	49,531	28.9	33.0
Bono East	62,421	29,052	4,441	28,929	65,970	30,016	9,223	26,731	13.3	23.5
Oti	26,582	13,628	3,785	9,169	25,219	12,213	4,207	8,799	21.7	25.6
Northern	106,816	32,255	14,995	59,566	109,518	35,483	15,721	58,315	31.7	30.7
Savannah	21,010	6,035	2,835	12,140	21,523	6,073	3,255	12,195	32.0	34.9
North East	25,603	7,187	3,887	14,529	24,730	7,892	3,679	13,159	35.1	31.8
Upper East	29,280	9,715	3,329	16,236	31,221	10,023	3,672	17,525	25.5	26.8
Upper West	18,488	5,032	3,679	9,777	20,244	6,403	3,933	9,909	42.2	38.1

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Rural</b>										
<b>Both sexes</b>										
Total	2,621,413	1,006,448	317,619	1,297,346	2,627,535	1,023,434	401,328	1,202,774	24.0	28.2
Western	223,096	65,674	52,983	104,438	221,664	61,658	55,096	104,911	44.7	47.2
Central	226,018	64,330	40,091	121,596	227,994	66,463	55,321	106,210	38.4	45.4
Greater Accra	72,069	24,552	11,158	36,358	70,577	26,801	13,490	30,286	31.2	33.5
Volta	173,448	50,416	28,926	94,104	173,141	51,411	33,601	88,130	36.5	39.5
Eastern	269,704	116,686	36,173	116,844	264,509	118,093	39,484	106,932	23.7	25.1
Ashanti	438,867	129,304	67,836	241,727	446,895	132,926	88,585	225,385	34.4	40.0
Western North	127,603	52,347	13,019	62,237	130,719	51,720	17,937	61,062	19.9	25.8
Ahafo	54,000	18,359	5,752	29,890	54,413	17,296	6,990	30,128	23.9	28.8
Bono	93,363	35,782	13,372	44,210	92,923	31,176	14,206	47,541	27.2	31.3
Bono East	116,073	83,836	3,650	28,585	116,327	81,611	7,123	27,593	4.2	8.0
Oti	90,525	49,921	5,663	34,940	93,877	58,944	4,672	30,261	10.2	7.3
Northern	250,484	105,828	10,270	134,385	243,085	115,052	15,575	112,458	8.8	11.9
Savannah	84,128	47,773	6,001	30,354	85,194	45,172	9,109	30,914	11.2	16.8
North East	95,031	41,957	5,696	47,378	93,837	36,917	9,745	47,173	12.0	20.9
Upper East	166,598	55,498	11,705	99,394	167,893	61,256	17,451	89,186	17.4	22.2
Upper West	140,411	64,185	5,322	70,904	144,488	66,938	12,945	64,605	7.7	16.2

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,297,441</b>	<b>533,346</b>	<b>137,959</b>	<b>626,136</b>	<b>1,308,439</b>	<b>552,268</b>	<b>174,476</b>	<b>581,696</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>24.0</b>
Western	106,956	37,593	25,535	43,827	104,834	33,298	23,632	47,905	40.4	41.5
Central	117,431	36,765	21,066	59,600	118,952	37,304	24,399	57,249	36.4	39.5
Greater Accra	35,161	10,274	4,491	20,395	33,806	15,127	4,573	14,106	30.4	23.2
Volta	84,705	27,247	10,468	46,989	88,270	28,371	16,307	43,592	27.8	36.5
Eastern	129,246	58,593	14,750	55,902	128,352	60,452	17,060	50,840	20.1	22.0
Ashanti	201,821	54,313	30,606	116,902	208,313	58,619	42,731	106,964	36.0	42.2
Western North	66,844	27,504	5,499	33,842	69,700	30,402	6,684	32,614	16.7	18.0
Ahafo	21,386	8,553	2,685	10,149	21,472	9,053	2,578	9,841	23.9	22.2
Bono	42,525	19,393	5,372	17,760	43,193	18,320	3,941	20,932	21.7	17.7
Bono East	62,832	46,581	1,074	15,176	62,999	43,657	5,206	14,135	2.3	10.7
Oti	49,907	30,765	1,904	17,237	51,164	33,335	2,293	15,536	5.8	6.4
Northern	133,931	63,058	3,684	67,189	129,433	70,421	4,874	54,138	5.5	6.5
Savannah	44,884	28,895	2,141	13,847	46,374	26,915	4,309	15,150	6.9	13.8
North East	51,880	22,688	3,068	26,123	52,115	20,588	4,870	26,656	11.9	19.1
Upper East	79,048	27,739	4,463	46,845	78,630	30,759	6,076	41,795	13.9	16.5
Upper West	68,887	33,384	1,151	34,352	70,832	35,645	4,944	30,243	3.3	12.2

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,323,972</b>	<b>473,102</b>	<b>179,660</b>	<b>671,210</b>	<b>1,319,096</b>	<b>471,166</b>	<b>226,852</b>	<b>621,078</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>32.5</b>
Western	116,140	28,081	27,448	60,611	116,830	28,360	31,464	57,006	49.4	52.6
Central	108,587	27,565	19,025	61,996	109,042	29,159	30,922	48,961	40.8	51.5
Greater Accra	36,908	14,278	6,667	15,963	36,771	11,674	8,917	16,180	31.8	43.3
Volta	88,743	23,169	18,458	47,115	84,871	23,040	17,294	44,538	44.3	42.9
Eastern	140,458	58,093	21,423	60,942	136,157	57,641	22,424	56,092	26.9	28.0
Ashanti	237,046	74,991	37,230	124,825	238,582	74,307	45,854	118,421	33.2	38.2
Western North	60,759	24,843	7,520	28,395	61,019	21,318	11,253	28,448	23.2	34.5
Ahafo	32,614	9,806	3,067	19,741	32,941	8,243	4,412	20,287	23.8	34.9
Bono	50,838	16,389	8,000	26,450	49,730	12,856	10,265	26,609	32.8	44.4
Bono East	53,241	37,255	2,576	13,409	53,328	37,954	1,917	13,458	6.5	4.8
Oti	40,618	19,156	3,759	17,703	42,713	25,609	2,379	14,725	16.4	8.5
Northern	116,553	42,770	6,586	67,196	113,652	44,631	10,701	58,320	13.3	19.3
Savannah	39,244	18,878	3,860	16,507	38,820	18,257	4,800	15,764	17.0	20.8
North East	43,151	19,269	2,628	21,255	41,722	16,329	4,875	20,517	12.0	23.0
Upper East	87,550	27,759	7,242	52,549	89,263	30,497	11,375	47,391	20.7	27.2
Upper West	71,524	30,801	4,171	36,552	73,656	31,293	8,001	34,362	11.9	20.4

**TABLE 6.8: POPULATION 15 TO35 YEARS AND OLDER BY ECONOMIC ACTIVITY STATUS, UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, REGION, SEX AND TYPE OF LOCALITY**

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Both Sexes</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,980,338</b>	<b>5,050,163</b>	<b>1,308,352</b>	<b>3,621,823</b>	<b>10,033,118</b>	<b>5,027,083</b>	<b>1,515,647</b>	<b>3,490,389</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>23.2</b>
Western	704,593	335,132	118,602	250,859	714,031	338,710	136,343	238,978	26.1	28.7
Central	854,783	352,030	133,948	368,804	863,896	347,981	177,143	338,770	27.6	33.7
Greater Accra	1,873,799	800,247	355,334	718,220	1,879,850	784,726	388,676	706,448	30.7	33.1
Volta	498,949	240,940	63,693	194,316	501,748	247,901	71,108	182,738	20.9	22.3
Eastern	895,641	511,789	99,195	284,658	892,122	511,583	108,785	271,754	16.2	17.5
Ashanti	1,778,779	831,706	285,496	661,577	1,786,388	816,584	331,676	638,128	25.6	28.9
Western North	280,053	153,543	27,181	99,329	284,042	149,541	32,906	101,594	15.0	18.0
Ahafo	177,128	87,994	18,211	70,923	177,782	85,905	22,310	69,566	17.1	20.6
Bono	378,285	203,818	48,198	126,269	380,127	194,389	44,671	141,067	19.1	18.7
Bono East	400,917	284,101	20,210	96,606	406,601	286,200	32,102	88,298	6.6	10.1
Oti	230,740	159,850	16,188	54,701	231,535	163,889	14,560	53,088	9.2	8.2
Northern	762,925	419,866	46,637	296,422	760,687	440,815	52,394	267,476	10.0	10.6
Savannah	206,630	133,296	17,989	55,344	207,900	126,169	23,249	58,483	11.9	15.6
North East	234,101	131,954	15,223	86,924	233,039	124,180	23,459	85,401	10.3	15.9
Upper East	393,873	217,352	23,805	152,717	394,933	215,158	31,055	148,720	9.9	12.6
Upper West	309,142	186,546	18,444	104,153	318,440	193,351	25,208	99,880	9.0	11.5



Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Male</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,477,655</b>	<b>2,238,734</b>	<b>514,852</b>	<b>1,724,069</b>	<b>4,533,858</b>	<b>2,273,432</b>	<b>610,054</b>	<b>1,650,372</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>21.2</b>
Western	313,745	146,113	53,143	114,489	318,191	151,983	57,225	108,983	26.7	27.4
Central	370,512	140,294	55,987	174,231	374,126	139,611	66,919	167,595	28.5	32.4
Greater Accra	831,910	333,833	145,052	353,026	845,482	339,896	158,856	346,731	30.3	31.9
Volta	230,491	112,188	22,959	95,344	235,706	115,017	34,956	85,732	17.0	23.3
Eastern	402,483	227,556	47,339	127,588	408,039	231,569	51,615	124,855	17.2	18.2
Ashanti	774,149	356,559	105,361	312,229	780,574	354,179	130,203	296,192	22.8	26.9
Western North	129,868	71,265	9,377	49,227	132,257	71,348	12,121	48,787	11.6	14.5
Ahafo	77,280	39,093	6,902	31,285	77,321	39,185	6,806	31,330	15.0	14.8
Bono	154,872	87,334	19,867	47,671	156,337	85,056	17,156	54,125	18.5	16.8
Bono East	193,397	138,740	7,085	47,572	195,993	139,831	15,851	40,310	4.9	10.2
Oti	107,011	78,236	3,785	24,990	106,716	75,992	4,781	25,944	4.6	5.9
Northern	360,099	194,755	12,216	153,128	363,885	213,236	14,994	135,654	5.9	6.6
Savannah	95,298	65,447	5,610	24,241	98,192	62,488	8,242	27,462	7.9	11.7
North East	116,899	64,636	5,675	46,588	119,098	64,381	9,873	44,844	8.1	13.3
Upper East	177,329	95,111	9,619	72,599	175,683	99,175	10,828	65,680	9.2	9.8
Upper West	142,312	87,574	4,876	49,862	146,260	90,485	9,626	46,148	5.3	9.6

## Female

2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,502,683</b>	<b>2,811,429</b>	<b>793,500</b>	<b>1,897,754</b>	<b>5,499,260</b>	<b>2,753,651</b>	<b>905,593</b>	<b>1,840,017</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>24.7</b>
Western	390,848	189,019	65,459	136,370	395,840	186,727	79,118	129,995	25.7	29.8
Central	484,271	211,736	77,961	194,573	489,770	208,370	110,224	171,175	26.9	34.6
Greater Accra	1,041,889	466,414	210,282	365,194	1,034,368	444,830	229,820	359,717	31.1	34.1
Volta	268,458	128,752	40,734	98,972	266,042	132,884	36,152	97,006	24.0	21.4
Eastern	493,158	284,233	51,856	157,070	484,083	280,014	57,170	146,899	15.4	17.0
Ashanti	1,004,630	475,147	180,135	349,348	1,005,814	462,405	201,473	341,936	27.5	30.3
Western North	150,185	82,278	17,804	50,102	151,785	78,193	20,785	52,807	17.8	21.0
Ahafo	99,848	48,901	11,309	39,638	100,461	46,720	15,504	38,236	18.8	24.9
Bono	223,413	116,484	28,331	78,598	223,790	109,333	27,515	86,942	19.6	20.1
Bono East	207,520	145,361	13,125	49,034	210,608	146,369	16,251	47,988	8.3	10.0
Oti	123,729	81,614	12,403	29,711	124,819	87,897	9,779	27,144	13.2	10.0
Northern	402,826	225,111	34,421	143,294	396,802	227,579	37,400	131,822	13.3	14.1
Savannah	111,332	67,849	12,379	31,103	109,708	63,681	15,007	31,021	15.4	19.1
North East	117,202	67,318	9,548	40,336	113,941	59,799	13,586	40,557	12.4	18.5
Upper East	216,544	122,241	14,186	80,118	219,250	115,983	20,227	83,040	10.4	14.8
Upper West	166,830	98,972	13,568	54,291	172,180	102,866	15,582	53,732	12.1	13.2

Urban

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Both Sexes</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,766,673</b>	<b>2,697,250</b>	<b>877,848</b>	<b>2,191,574</b>	<b>5,807,864</b>	<b>2,670,979</b>	<b>990,477</b>	<b>2,146,406</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>27.1</b>
Western	345,601	154,168	52,656	138,777	351,155	159,576	67,079	124,499	25.5	29.6
Central	515,367	202,261	84,797	228,310	522,446	196,089	106,418	219,939	29.5	35.2
Greater Accra	1,756,682	740,214	337,291	679,176	1,767,142	725,606	367,078	674,458	31.3	33.6
Volta	216,716	104,389	25,309	87,018	222,037	111,908	29,470	80,660	19.5	20.8
Eastern	468,738	258,849	51,325	158,565	467,426	250,691	59,423	157,311	16.5	19.2
Ashanti	1,098,456	505,000	191,104	402,352	1,101,774	499,348	207,222	395,203	27.5	29.3
Western North	85,834	42,389	10,928	32,516	87,191	41,327	11,643	34,223	20.5	22.0
Ahafo	89,551	42,083	9,605	37,863	90,104	40,311	12,890	36,903	18.6	24.2
Bono	226,630	120,649	29,281	76,699	227,262	114,672	26,395	86,195	19.5	18.7
Bono East	207,704	129,005	15,128	63,570	212,970	132,498	23,863	56,609	10.5	15.3
Oti	75,432	50,474	6,974	17,984	73,019	45,768	7,477	19,774	12.1	14.0
Northern	353,037	172,869	30,141	150,027	353,304	179,102	32,019	142,183	14.8	15.2
Savannah	64,660	33,507	7,896	23,257	65,509	32,426	8,381	24,701	19.1	20.5
North East	83,003	40,528	8,290	34,185	82,362	39,458	11,466	31,439	17.0	22.5
Upper East	105,280	58,694	8,003	38,581	106,415	58,161	9,214	39,040	12.0	13.7
Upper West	73,983	42,170	9,121	22,693	77,748	44,040	10,439	23,268	17.8	19.2

## Male

2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,530,910</b>	<b>1,140,226</b>	<b>340,206</b>	<b>1,050,478</b>	<b>2,570,310</b>	<b>1,151,444</b>	<b>398,307</b>	<b>1,020,558</b>	<b>23.0</b>	<b>25.7</b>
Western	153,811	63,850	22,952	67,009	157,540	71,838	28,933	56,769	26.4	28.7
Central	219,400	72,370	34,429	112,601	223,215	73,354	39,959	109,902	32.2	35.3
Greater Accra	774,247	304,512	138,099	331,635	791,486	308,499	151,103	331,884	31.2	32.9
Volta	103,476	49,436	9,587	44,453	106,220	51,930	15,318	38,973	16.2	22.8
Eastern	207,875	113,955	25,945	67,975	211,782	112,582	28,790	70,409	18.5	20.4
Ashanti	476,607	223,637	64,619	188,351	478,620	218,467	75,969	184,184	22.4	25.8
Western North	33,792	16,762	3,561	13,469	33,719	15,292	4,786	13,642	17.5	23.8
Ahafo	41,657	19,241	2,995	19,421	41,663	18,635	3,262	19,766	13.5	14.9
Bono	87,771	46,281	13,464	28,025	88,191	44,225	12,600	31,366	22.5	22.2
Bono East	97,306	61,420	5,760	30,125	99,321	63,846	10,645	24,830	8.6	14.3
Oti	31,591	22,152	1,687	7,752	29,624	18,014	2,069	9,542	7.1	10.3
Northern	158,941	70,637	6,801	81,503	162,249	78,529	9,452	74,268	8.8	10.7
Savannah	26,642	14,223	2,451	9,968	27,389	13,383	2,939	11,067	14.7	18.0
North East	38,814	18,712	2,607	17,495	39,355	19,404	4,705	15,247	12.2	19.5
Upper East	46,628	24,896	2,222	19,509	46,128	25,128	3,365	17,634	8.2	11.8
Upper West	32,352	18,141	3,026	11,186	33,809	18,319	4,413	11,076	14.3	19.4

## Female

2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,235,763</b>	<b>1,557,024</b>	<b>537,642</b>	<b>1,141,096</b>	<b>3,237,554</b>	<b>1,519,535</b>	<b>592,170</b>	<b>1,125,848</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>28.0</b>
Western	191,790	90,318	29,704	71,768	193,615	87,738	38,146	67,730	24.7	30.3
Central	295,967	129,891	50,368	115,709	299,231	122,735	66,459	110,037	27.9	35.1
Greater Accra	982,435	435,702	199,192	347,541	975,656	417,107	215,975	342,574	31.4	34.1
Volta	113,240	54,953	15,722	42,565	115,817	59,978	14,152	41,687	22.2	19.1
Eastern	260,863	144,894	25,380	90,590	255,644	138,109	30,633	86,902	14.9	18.2
Ashanti	621,849	281,363	126,485	214,001	623,154	280,881	131,253	211,019	31.0	31.8
Western North	52,042	25,627	7,367	19,047	53,472	26,035	6,857	20,581	22.3	20.8
Ahafo	47,894	22,842	6,610	18,442	48,441	21,676	9,628	17,137	22.4	30.8
Bono	138,859	74,368	15,817	48,674	139,071	70,447	13,795	54,829	17.5	16.4
Bono East	110,398	67,585	9,368	33,445	113,649	68,652	13,218	31,779	12.2	16.1
Oti	43,841	28,322	5,287	10,232	43,395	27,754	5,408	10,232	15.7	16.3
Northern	194,096	102,232	23,340	68,524	191,055	100,573	22,567	67,915	18.6	18.3
Savannah	38,018	19,284	5,445	13,289	38,120	19,043	5,442	13,634	22.0	22.2
North East	44,189	21,816	5,683	16,690	43,007	20,054	6,761	16,192	20.7	25.2
Upper East	58,652	33,798	5,781	19,072	60,287	33,033	5,849	21,406	14.6	15.0
Upper West	41,631	24,029	6,095	11,507	43,939	25,721	6,026	12,192	20.2	19.0

## Rural

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Both Sexes</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,213,666</b>	<b>2,352,914</b>	<b>430,505</b>	<b>1,430,248</b>	<b>4,225,254</b>	<b>2,356,104</b>	<b>525,170</b>	<b>1,343,982</b>	<b>15.5</b>	<b>18.2</b>
Western	358,991	180,963	65,947	112,082	362,876	179,134	69,264	114,478	26.7	27.9
Central	339,415	149,770	49,150	140,494	341,449	151,893	70,725	118,832	24.7	31.8
Greater Accra	117,117	60,033	18,042	39,042	112,707	59,121	21,598	31,989	23.1	26.8
Volta	282,234	136,551	38,384	107,298	279,711	135,993	41,638	102,079	21.9	23.4
Eastern	426,903	252,940	47,870	126,093	424,697	260,893	49,362	114,443	15.9	15.9
Ashanti	680,323	326,705	94,392	259,225	684,614	317,235	124,454	242,926	22.4	28.2
Western North	194,219	111,154	16,253	66,813	196,850	108,215	21,264	67,371	12.8	16.4
Ahafo	87,577	45,912	8,606	33,061	87,677	45,595	9,420	32,663	15.8	17.1
Bono	151,655	83,169	18,917	49,570	152,865	79,717	18,276	54,871	18.5	18.7
Bono East	193,214	155,096	5,081	33,036	193,632	153,703	8,239	31,690	3.2	5.1
Oti	155,307	109,376	9,215	36,716	158,516	118,120	7,082	33,314	7.8	5.7
Northern	409,888	246,997	16,495	146,395	407,383	261,713	20,376	125,293	6.3	7.2
Savannah	141,970	99,789	10,093	32,087	142,391	93,743	14,867	33,781	9.2	13.7
North East	151,098	91,426	6,933	52,740	150,677	84,722	11,993	53,961	7.0	12.4
Upper East	288,594	158,656	15,802	114,135	288,517	156,996	21,841	109,680	9.1	12.2
Upper West	235,158	144,375	9,324	81,458	240,692	149,311	14,769	76,612	6.1	9.0

## Male

2025Q2					2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
Region	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,946,745</b>	<b>1,098,509</b>	<b>174,646</b>	<b>673,591</b>	<b>1,963,548</b>	<b>1,121,988</b>	<b>211,747</b>	<b>629,814</b>	<b>13.7</b>	<b>15.9</b>
Western	159,933	82,263	30,191	47,480	160,651	80,145	28,293	52,213	26.8	26.1
Central	151,112	67,924	21,557	61,630	150,911	66,258	26,960	57,694	24.1	28.9
Greater Accra	57,663	29,321	6,952	21,390	53,995	31,397	7,753	14,846	19.2	19.8
Volta	127,015	62,752	13,372	50,891	129,486	63,087	19,639	46,760	17.6	23.7
Eastern	194,608	113,601	21,394	59,613	196,258	118,987	22,825	54,446	15.8	16.1
Ashanti	297,542	132,921	40,742	123,878	301,954	135,711	54,234	112,009	23.5	28.6
Western North	96,076	54,503	5,815	35,758	98,537	56,057	7,336	35,145	9.6	11.6
Ahafo	35,623	19,853	3,907	11,864	35,657	20,550	3,544	11,564	16.4	14.7
Bono	67,101	41,053	6,403	19,646	68,146	40,831	4,556	22,759	13.5	10.0
Bono East	96,092	77,320	1,324	17,447	96,673	75,986	5,206	15,481	1.7	6.4
Oti	75,420	56,084	2,099	17,237	77,092	57,978	2,712	16,402	3.6	4.5
Northern	201,158	124,118	5,414	71,625	201,636	134,707	5,542	61,386	4.2	4.0
Savannah	68,656	51,224	3,159	14,273	70,803	49,105	5,303	16,395	5.8	9.7
North East	78,085	45,924	3,068	29,093	79,743	44,977	5,168	29,597	6.3	10.3
Upper East	130,701	70,214	7,397	53,090	129,555	74,046	7,462	48,046	9.5	9.2
Upper West	109,959	69,433	1,851	38,675	112,451	72,166	5,213	35,072	2.6	6.7

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3				Unemployment Rate	
	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	Total	Employed	Unemployed	Outside labour	2025Q2	2025Q3
<b>Female</b>										
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,266,921</b>	<b>1,254,405</b>	<b>255,859</b>	<b>756,657</b>	<b>2,261,706</b>	<b>1,234,116</b>	<b>313,423</b>	<b>714,168</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>20.3</b>
Western	199,058	98,700	35,756	64,602	202,225	98,989	40,971	62,265	26.6	29.3
Central	188,303	81,846	27,593	78,864	190,538	85,635	43,765	61,138	25.2	33.8
Greater Accra	59,454	30,712	11,090	17,652	58,712	27,724	13,845	17,143	26.5	33.3
Volta	155,219	73,799	25,012	56,407	150,225	72,906	21,999	55,319	25.3	23.2
Eastern	232,295	139,339	26,476	66,480	228,439	141,906	26,537	59,997	16.0	15.8
Ashanti	382,781	193,784	53,650	135,347	382,660	181,524	70,220	130,917	21.7	27.9
Western North	98,143	56,651	10,438	31,055	98,313	52,158	13,928	32,226	15.6	21.1
Ahafo	51,954	26,059	4,699	21,197	52,020	25,045	5,876	21,099	15.3	19.0
Bono	84,554	42,116	12,514	29,924	84,719	38,886	13,720	32,112	22.9	26.1
Bono East	97,122	77,776	3,757	15,589	96,959	77,717	3,033	16,209	4.6	3.8
Oti	79,887	53,292	7,116	19,479	81,424	60,142	4,370	16,912	11.8	6.8
Northern	208,730	122,879	11,081	74,770	205,747	127,006	14,834	63,907	8.3	10.5
Savannah	73,314	48,565	6,934	17,814	71,588	44,638	9,564	17,386	12.5	17.6
North East	73,013	45,502	3,865	23,647	70,934	39,745	6,825	24,364	7.8	14.7
Upper East	157,893	88,442	8,405	61,045	158,962	82,950	14,379	61,634	8.7	14.8
Upper West	125,199	74,942	7,473	42,783	128,241	77,145	9,556	41,540	9.1	11.0



**TABLE 6.9: POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY REASON FOR INACTIVITY AND SEX**

Reason for Inactivity	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,991,081</b>	<b>2,241,080</b>	<b>2,750,001</b>	<b>5,116,827</b>	<b>2,249,537</b>	<b>2,867,290</b>
Worked but not employed	521,292	211,917	309,375	559,100	228,089	331,011
In full-time education/ student/ training	3,006,204	1,510,973	1,495,231	2,747,302	1,376,735	1,370,567
Did home duties (homemaker)	149,795	33,985	115,810	267,656	78,112	189,544
Too old/ Aged	462,545	131,626	330,919	494,342	133,022	361,320
Sick/ Injured and unable to work	329,620	135,153	194,467	367,627	142,320	225,307
Disabled (handicapped) and unable to work	82,420	38,871	43,549	96,047	48,089	47,958
Pensioner/ Retired	255,113	161,176	93,937	315,358	190,133	125,224
Pregnancy/ Delivery	156,552	0	156,552	151,326	0	151,326
Too young/No Need	14,696	7,985	6,711	63,720	24,556	39,164
Other (Specify)	12,844	9,395	3,450	54,349	28,480	25,869
Reason for Inactivity	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Worked but not employed	10.4	9.5	11.2	10.9	10.1	11.5
In full-time education/ student/ training	60.2	67.4	54.4	53.7	61.2	47.8
Did home duties (homemaker)	3.0	1.5	4.2	5.2	3.5	6.6
Too old/ Aged	9.3	5.9	12.0	9.7	5.9	12.6
Sick/ Injured and unable to work	6.6	6.0	7.1	7.2	6.3	7.9
Disabled (handicapped) and unable to work	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.1	1.7
Pensioner/ Retired	5.1	7.2	3.4	6.2	8.5	4.4
Pregnancy/ Delivery	3.1	0.0	5.7	3.0	0.0	5.3
Too young/No Need	0.3	0.4	0.2	1.2	1.1	1.4
Other (Specify)	0.3	0.4	0.1	1.1	1.3	0.9

**TABLE 6.10: NUMBER OF EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT, TYPE OF LOCALITY AND SEX**

Status of Employment	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>All Locality types</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>5,979,174</b>	<b>7,465,700</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>	<b>6,016,716</b>	<b>7,403,460</b>
Permanent employees	1,889,541	1,156,907	732,634	1,879,838	1,138,324	741,514
Fixed term employees	509,125	314,673	194,451	513,468	326,872	186,595
Short-term and casual employees	325,980	238,293	87,688	355,724	252,337	103,387
Paid apprentices, trainees and interns	125,079	90,175	34,904	171,219	106,213	65,008
Employers in corporations	39,082	26,991	12,090	38,656	28,041	10,615
Employers in household market enterprise	420,272	209,109	211,163	335,213	165,838	169,375
Owner-operators of corporations without employees	2,135,057	982,640	1,152,416	660,295	249,925	410,370
Own-account workers in household market without employees	6,687,852	2,513,710	4,174,142	7,630,816	3,104,732	4,526,084
Dependent contractors (e.g., Uber, Bolt	49,843	42,913	6,929	38,736	32,615	6,122
Contributing family workers	836,593	272,569	564,024	1,397,610	477,901	919,708
Other	426,453	131,195	295,257	398,600	133,920	264,681
<b>Urban</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,468,050</b>	<b>3,225,630</b>	<b>4,242,421</b>	<b>7,465,223</b>	<b>3,257,318</b>	<b>4,207,905</b>
Permanent employees	1,508,782	898,006	610,776	1,507,101	887,735	619,366
Fixed term employees	357,802	210,563	147,238	367,673	222,762	144,910
Short-term and casual employees	196,554	138,875	57,680	210,984	150,634	60,350
Paid apprentices, trainees and interns	88,809	59,906	28,903	119,187	72,215	46,973
Employers in corporations	28,319	20,594	7,725	34,002	25,226	8,776
Employers in household market enterprise	278,462	132,584	145,878	231,777	118,919	112,858
Owner-operators of corporations without employees	837,931	337,674	500,257	408,338	141,610	266,728
Own-account workers in household market without employees	3,566,644	1,204,219	2,362,425	3,880,339	1,375,491	2,504,848
Dependent contractors (e.g., Uber, Bolt	35,489	30,271	5,218	30,034	25,180	4,855
Contributing family workers	332,802	115,966	216,836	457,217	160,221	296,996
Other	236,457	76,973	159,484	218,570	77,326	141,245

Status of Employment	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Rural</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,976,824</b>	<b>2,753,544</b>	<b>3,223,279</b>	<b>5,954,953</b>	<b>2,759,398</b>	<b>3,195,555</b>
Permanent employees	380,759	258,901	121,858	372,737	250,589	122,148
Fixed term employees	151,323	104,110	47,213	145,795	104,110	41,685
Short-term and casual employees	129,426	99,418	30,008	144,740	101,703	43,037
Paid apprentices, trainees and interns	36,270	30,269	6,001	52,032	33,998	18,035
Employers in corporations	10,763	6,397	4,365	4,654	2,815	1,839
Employers in household market enterprise	141,810	76,525	65,285	103,436	46,919	56,517
Owner-operators of corporations without employees	1,297,126	644,966	652,159	251,957	108,315	143,642
Own-account workers in household market without employees	3,121,208	1,309,491	1,811,717	3,750,477	1,729,241	2,021,236
Dependent contractors (e.g., Uber, Bolt	14,354	12,642	1,711	8,702	7,435	1,267
Contributing family workers	503,791	156,603	347,188	940,393	317,680	622,712
Other	189,996	54,222	135,773	180,030	56,594	123,436

**TABLE 6.11: PROPORTION OF EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT, TYPE OF LOCALITY AND SEX**

Status of Employment	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>All Locality types</b>						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Permanent employees	14.1	19.3	9.8	14.0	18.9	10.0
Fixed term employees	3.8	5.3	2.6	3.8	5.4	2.5
Short-term and casual employees	2.4	4.0	1.2	2.7	4.2	1.4
Paid apprentices, trainees and interns	0.9	1.5	0.5	1.3	1.8	0.9
Employers in corporations	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.1
Employers in household market enterprise	3.1	3.5	2.8	2.5	2.8	2.3
Owner-operators of corporations without employees	15.9	16.4	15.4	4.9	4.2	5.5
Own-account workers in household market without employees	49.7	42.0	55.9	56.9	51.6	61.1
Dependent contractors (e.g., Uber, Bolt	0.4	0.7	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.1
Contributing family workers	6.2	4.6	7.6	10.4	7.9	12.4
Other	3.2	2.2	4.0	3.0	2.2	3.6
<b>Urban</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Permanent employees	20.2	27.8	14.4	20.2	27.3	14.7
Fixed term employees	4.8	6.5	3.5	4.9	6.8	3.4
Short-term and casual employees	2.6	4.3	1.4	2.8	4.6	1.4
Paid apprentices, trainees and interns	1.2	1.9	0.7	1.6	2.2	1.1
Employers in corporations	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.2
Employers in household market enterprise	3.7	4.1	3.4	3.1	3.7	2.7
Owner-operators of corporations without employees	11.2	10.5	11.8	5.5	4.3	6.3
Own-account workers in household market without employees	47.8	37.3	55.7	52.0	42.2	59.5
Dependent contractors (e.g., Uber, Bolt	0.5	0.9	0.1	0.4	0.8	0.1
Contributing family workers	4.5	3.6	5.1	6.1	4.9	7.1
Other	3.2	2.4	3.8	2.9	2.4	3.4

Status of Employment	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Rural</b>						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Permanent employees	6.4	9.4	3.8	6.3	9.1	3.8
Fixed term employees	2.5	3.8	1.5	2.4	3.8	1.3
Short-term and casual employees	2.2	3.6	0.9	2.4	3.7	1.3
Paid apprentices, trainees and interns	0.6	1.1	0.2	0.9	1.2	0.6
Employers in corporations	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Employers in household market enterprise	2.4	2.8	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.8
Owner-operators of corporations without employees	21.7	23.4	20.2	4.2	3.9	4.5
Own-account workers in household market without employees	52.2	47.6	56.2	63.0	62.7	63.3
Dependent contractors (e.g., Uber, Bolt	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0
Contributing family workers	8.4	5.7	10.8	15.8	11.5	19.5
Other	3.2	2.0	4.2	3.0	2.1	3.9

**TABLE 6.12: NUMBER OF EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY OCCUPATION, TYPE OF LOCALITY AND SEX**

Occupation	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>All Locality types</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>5,979,174</b>	<b>7,465,700</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>	<b>6,016,716</b>	<b>7,403,460</b>
Managers	278,773	148,522	130,251	294,086	159,368	134,718
Professionals	711,722	370,234	341,488	700,127	376,514	323,612
Technicians and associate professionals	216,464	167,154	49,311	197,385	147,254	50,131
Clerical support workers	206,457	104,799	101,658	220,483	105,664	114,818
Service and sales workers	3,506,358	567,453	2,938,905	3,452,490	579,448	2,873,042
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries	4,944,040	2,632,575	2,311,466	4,980,096	2,660,924	2,319,172
Craft and related trades workers	2,154,789	993,023	1,161,766	2,130,516	968,897	1,161,619
Plant and machine operators, and assembly	629,799	600,792	29,006	631,801	601,452	30,348
Elementary occupations	787,809	385,960	401,849	804,581	408,581	396,000
Other	8,663	8,663	0	8,612	8,612	0
<b>Urban</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,468,050</b>	<b>3,225,630</b>	<b>4,242,421</b>	<b>7,465,223</b>	<b>3,257,318</b>	<b>4,207,905</b>
Managers	218,401	126,131	92,270	224,149	132,494	91,655
Professionals	555,422	283,771	271,651	550,819	286,216	264,603
Technicians and associate professionals	175,913	136,198	39,716	161,723	121,549	40,174
Clerical support workers	178,862	90,051	88,811	191,814	91,085	100,729
Service and sales workers	2,618,168	472,442	2,145,726	2,567,408	476,589	2,090,819
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries	1,338,423	755,105	583,319	1,367,759	772,856	594,903
Craft and related trades workers	1,430,558	716,075	714,483	1,441,359	719,764	721,594
Plant and machine operators, and assembly	428,868	405,096	23,772	424,724	404,480	20,244
Elementary occupations	515,576	232,903	282,673	527,658	244,474	283,184
Other	7,858	7,858		7,811	7,811	

Occupation	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Rural</b>						
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,976,824</b>	<b>2,753,544</b>	<b>3,223,279</b>	<b>5,954,953</b>	<b>2,759,398</b>	<b>3,195,555</b>
Managers	60,372	22,391	37,981	69,937	26,874	43,063
Professionals	156,300	86,463	69,837	149,308	90,298	59,009
Technicians and associate professionals	40,551	30,956	9,595	35,662	25,705	9,957
Clerical support workers	27,595	14,748	12,847	28,669	14,579	14,089
Service and sales workers	888,190	95,011	793,179	885,082	102,859	782,223
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries	3,605,617	1,877,470	1,728,147	3,612,337	1,888,068	1,724,269
Craft and related trades workers	724,231	276,948	447,283	689,157	249,133	440,025
Plant and machine operators, and assembly	200,931	195,696	5,234	207,077	196,972	10,104
Elementary occupations	272,233	153,057	119,176	276,923	164,107	112,816
Other	805	805	0	801	801	0

**TABLE 6.13: PROPORTION OF EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY OCCUPATION, TYPE OF LOCALITY AND SEX**

Occupation	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>All Locality types</b>						
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Managers	2.1	2.5	1.7	2.2	2.6	1.8
Professionals	5.3	6.2	4.6	5.2	6.3	4.4
Technicians and associate professionals	1.6	2.8	0.7	1.5	2.4	0.7
Clerical support workers	1.5	1.8	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.6
Service and sales workers	26.1	9.5	39.4	25.7	9.6	38.8
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries	36.8	44.0	31.0	37.1	44.2	31.3
Craft and related trades workers	16.0	16.6	15.6	15.9	16.1	15.7
Plant and machine operators, and assembly	4.7	10.0	0.4	4.7	10.0	0.4
Elementary occupations	5.9	6.5	5.4	6.0	6.8	5.3

Occupation	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Other	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
<b>Urban</b>						
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Managers	2.9	3.9	2.2	3.0	4.1	2.2
Professionals	7.4	8.8	6.4	7.4	8.8	6.3
Technicians and associate professionals	2.4	4.2	0.9	2.2	3.7	1.0
Clerical support workers	2.4	2.8	2.1	2.6	2.8	2.4
Service and sales workers	35.1	14.6	50.6	34.4	14.6	49.7
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries	17.9	23.4	13.7	18.3	23.7	14.1
Craft and related trades workers	19.2	22.2	16.8	19.3	22.1	17.1
Plant and machine operators, and assembly	5.7	12.6	0.6	5.7	12.4	0.5
Elementary occupations	6.9	7.2	6.7	7.1	7.5	6.7
Other	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0
<b>Rural</b>						
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Managers	1.0	0.8	1.2	1.2	1.0	1.3
Professionals	2.6	3.1	2.2	2.5	3.3	1.8
Technicians and associate professionals	0.7	1.1	0.3	0.6	0.9	0.3
Clerical support workers	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4
Service and sales workers	14.9	3.5	24.6	14.9	3.7	24.5
Skilled agricultural, forestry and fisheries	60.3	68.2	53.6	60.7	68.4	54.0
Craft and related trades workers	12.1	10.1	13.9	11.6	9.0	13.8
Plant and machine operators, and assembly	3.4	7.1	0.2	3.5	7.1	0.3
Elementary occupations	4.6	5.6	3.7	4.7	5.9	3.5
Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0



**TABLE 6.14: EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER BY INDUSTRY OF EMPLOYMENT, TYPE OF LOCALITY AND SEX**

Industry of employment	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>All Locality Types</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>5,979,174</b>	<b>7,465,700</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>	<b>6,016,716</b>	<b>7,403,460</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	4,976,042	2,662,492	2,313,551	4,990,448	2,690,069	2,300,379	37.0	44.5	31.0	37.2	44.7	31.1
Mining and quarrying	217,154	188,960	28,194	231,413	201,448	29,965	1.6	3.2	0.4	1.7	3.3	0.4
Manufacturing	1,525,812	462,860	1,062,952	1,597,802	454,377	1,143,425	11.3	7.7	14.2	11.9	7.6	15.4
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioner	28,041	22,208	5,833	20,077	16,716	3,361	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.0
Water supply; sewerage, waste management	23,916	15,484	8,432	23,047	18,562	4,485	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1
Construction	575,150	564,440	10,710	586,238	576,585	9,653	4.3	9.4	0.1	4.4	9.6	0.1
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	2,821,491	619,243	2,202,248	2,784,722	613,688	2,171,034	21.0	10.4	29.5	20.8	10.2	29.3
Transportation and storage	462,003	445,357	16,645	446,718	432,676	14,042	3.4	7.4	0.2	3.3	7.2	0.2
Accommodation and food service activities	813,381	59,504	753,877	736,964	58,198	678,766	6.0	1.0	10.1	5.5	1.0	9.2
Information and communication	38,843	34,575	4,268	48,858	41,087	7,770	0.3	0.6	0.1	0.4	0.7	0.1
Financial and insurance activities	118,331	50,392	67,939	126,159	59,928	66,232	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9
Real estate activities	10,855	6,414	4,441	15,575	10,979	4,596	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
Professional, scientific and technical assistances	85,480	58,164	27,316	67,628	52,977	14,650	0.6	1.0	0.4	0.5	0.9	0.2
Administrative and support service activities	87,477	64,886	22,592	77,071	47,581	29,490	0.7	1.1	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.4

Industry of employment	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Public administration and defence; computers	148,142	93,652	54,490	162,086	111,874	50,212	1.1	1.6	0.7	1.2	1.9	0.7
Education	549,897	268,954	280,943	543,899	263,529	280,371	4.1	4.5	3.8	4.1	4.4	3.8
Human health and social work activities	184,857	63,852	121,005	181,151	61,849	119,302	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.3	1.0	1.6
Arts, entertainment and recreation	72,100	60,934	11,166	64,136	56,519	7,617	0.5	1.0	0.1	0.5	0.9	0.1
Other service activities	500,154	139,227	360,928	509,654	152,605	357,049	3.7	2.3	4.8	3.8	2.5	4.8
Activities of households as employers	205,287	97,116	108,171	206,531	95,469	111,061	1.5	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.5
Activities of extraterritorial organization	463	463	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Urban</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,468,050</b>	<b>3,225,630</b>	<b>4,242,421</b>	<b>7,465,223</b>	<b>3,257,318</b>	<b>4,207,905</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1,370,585	775,649	594,937	1,392,614	789,120	603,494	18.4	24.0	14.0	18.7	24.2	14.3
Mining and quarrying	96,618	81,639	14,979	105,605	90,914	14,691	1.3	2.5	0.4	1.4	2.8	0.3
Manufacturing	1,010,811	348,986	661,825	1,045,754	335,545	710,209	13.5	10.8	15.6	14.0	10.3	16.9
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioner	18,478	14,193	4,285	14,850	11,489	3,361	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.1
Water supply; sewerage, waste management	18,652	12,366	6,286	18,321	15,302	3,019	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.1
Construction	409,263	401,761	7,502	430,650	422,977	7,673	5.5	12.5	0.2	5.8	13.0	0.2
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	2,139,140	502,640	1,636,500	2,110,806	494,861	1,615,945	28.6	15.6	38.6	28.3	15.2	38.4
Transportation and storage	331,843	316,951	14,891	319,355	307,509	11,846	4.4	9.8	0.4	4.3	9.4	0.3

Industry of employment	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Accommodation and food service activities	564,860	53,250	511,610	506,644	50,285	456,359	7.6	1.7	12.1	6.8	1.5	10.8
Information and communication	34,503	30,235	4,268	46,062	38,291	7,770	0.5	0.9	0.1	0.6	1.2	0.2
Financial and insurance activities	100,055	42,108	57,947	107,241	52,128	55,113	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.6	1.3
Real estate activities	10,648	6,207	4,441	14,876	10,280	4,596	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1
Professional, scientific and technical assistances	75,079	54,008	21,071	61,048	49,086	11,962	1.0	1.7	0.5	0.8	1.5	0.3
Administrative and support service activities	77,873	58,265	19,608	66,029	42,078	23,951	1.0	1.8	0.5	0.9	1.3	0.6
Public administration and defence; computers	134,958	83,405	51,553	145,976	99,616	46,360	1.8	2.6	1.2	2.0	3.1	1.1
Education	419,272	197,738	221,534	423,282	194,628	228,655	5.6	6.1	5.2	5.7	6.0	5.4
Human health and social work activities	148,739	47,986	100,753	147,277	47,994	99,283	2.0	1.5	2.4	2.0	1.5	2.4
Arts, entertainment and recreation	58,938	49,759	9,179	49,728	42,769	6,959	0.8	1.5	0.2	0.7	1.3	0.2
Other service activities	357,882	112,458	245,424	376,070	125,727	250,343	4.8	3.5	5.8	5.0	3.9	5.9
Activities of households as employers	89,854	36,027	53,827	83,035	36,719	46,316	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.1	1.1	1.1
Activities of extraterritorial organization	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Industry of employment	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Rural</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,976,824</b>	<b>2,753,544</b>	<b>3,223,279</b>	<b>5,954,953</b>	<b>2,759,398</b>	<b>3,195,555</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	3,605,457	1,886,843	1,718,614	3,597,834	1,900,949	1,696,885	60.3	68.5	53.3	60.4	68.9	53.1
Mining and quarrying	120,536	107,321	13,215	125,808	110,534	15,274	2.0	3.9	0.4	2.1	4.0	0.5
Manufacturing	515,001	113,874	401,127	552,048	118,832	433,216	8.6	4.1	12.4	9.3	4.3	13.6
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioner	9,563	8,015	1,548	5,227	5,227	0	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0
Water supply; sewerage, waste management	5,264	3,118	2,146	4,726	3,260	1,466	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
Construction	165,887	162,679	3,208	155,588	153,608	1,980	2.8	5.9	0.1	2.6	5.6	0.1
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles	682,351	116,603	565,748	673,916	118,827	555,089	11.4	4.2	17.6	11.3	4.3	17.4
Transportation and storage	130,160	128,406	1,754	127,363	125,167	2,196	2.2	4.7	0.1	2.1	4.5	0.1
Accommodation and food service activities	248,521	6,254	242,267	230,320	7,913	222,407	4.2	0.2	7.5	3.9	0.3	7.0
Information and communication	4,340	4,340		2,796	2,796	0	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Financial and insurance activities	18,276	8,284	9,992	18,918	7,800	11,119	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Real estate activities	207	207	0	699	699	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Professional, scientific and technical assistances	10,401	4,156	6,245	6,580	3,891	2,688	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1
Administrative and support service activities	9,604	6,621	2,984	11,042	5,503	5,539	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2
Public administration and defence; computers	13,184	10,247	2,937	16,110	12,258	3,852	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.1

Industry of employment	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Education	130,625	71,216	59,409	120,617	68,901	51,716	2.2	2.6	1.8	2.0	2.5	1.6
Human health and social work activities	36,118	15,866	20,252	33,874	13,855	20,019	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6
Arts, entertainment and recreation	13,162	11,175	1,987	14,408	13,750	658	0.2	0.4	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.0
Other service activities	142,272	26,769	115,504	133,584	26,878	106,706	2.4	1.0	3.6	2.2	1.0	3.3
Activities of households as employers	115,433	61,089	54,344	123,496	58,750	64,745	1.9	2.2	1.7	2.1	2.1	2.0
Activities of extraterritorial organization	463	463	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

**TABLE 6.15: EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER IN VULNERABLE EMPLOYMENT BY REGION, SEX AND TYPE OF LOCALITY**

Region							Proportion					
	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>All Locality types</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,659,502</b>	<b>3,768,920</b>	<b>5,890,583</b>	<b>9,688,721</b>	<b>3,832,557</b>	<b>5,856,163</b>	71.8	63.0	78.9	72.2	63.7	79.1
Western	597,640	211,066	386,573	602,234	214,631	387,603	66.0	51.1	78.6	66.5	51.2	79.6
Central	798,094	263,589	534,505	817,609	273,577	544,032	71.2	57.9	80.2	73.7	60.9	82.4
Greater Accra	1,239,651	397,731	841,921	1,222,586	385,646	836,940	52.8	38.9	63.6	51.8	36.9	63.6
Volta	539,720	207,604	332,116	536,342	203,482	332,860	77.4	70.2	82.7	76.1	68.4	81.7
Eastern	988,626	372,364	616,261	1,023,199	398,876	624,323	72.6	62.0	81.0	74.4	65.0	82.1
Ashanti	1,583,465	582,455	1,001,010	1,559,639	598,603	961,036	67.0	55.3	76.4	67.0	57.4	74.7
Western North	343,413	154,221	189,193	339,032	152,408	186,625	80.6	74.7	86.0	80.8	73.8	87.7
Ahafo	195,719	85,293	110,428	190,079	83,562	106,518	75.4	72.8	77.6	73.8	70.7	76.5
Bono	443,326	171,343	271,983	432,518	171,580	260,939	81.8	77.4	84.8	81.3	77.6	83.9
Bono East	484,514	222,873	261,641	496,640	228,223	268,416	83.4	80.3	86.1	84.6	81.8	87.1
Oti	329,712	151,659	178,053	333,100	151,332	181,768	89.9	87.8	91.8	89.8	88.6	90.8
Northern	835,289	379,982	455,307	867,334	402,634	464,700	87.8	85.3	89.9	89.4	87.3	91.2
Savannah	271,126	129,711	141,415	266,143	129,179	136,964	90.2	88.8	91.6	90.0	89.7	90.3
North East	223,976	101,346	122,630	210,576	97,061	113,515	82.8	79.6	85.7	82.9	80.0	85.5
Upper East	436,415	183,000	253,415	427,114	181,921	245,195	81.7	77.4	85.1	82.0	77.6	85.6
Upper West	348,816	154,684	194,133	364,576	159,844	204,733	83.5	81.8	85.0	85.2	83.0	87.0

Region							Proportion					
	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Urban</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,737,377</b>	<b>1,657,859</b>	<b>3,079,519</b>	<b>4,745,894</b>	<b>1,677,321</b>	<b>3,068,572</b>	<b>63.4</b>	<b>51.4</b>	<b>72.6</b>	<b>63.6</b>	<b>51.5</b>	<b>72.9</b>
Western	273,986	88,604	185,382	283,782	93,460	190,322	60.9	44.7	73.7	62.3	45.0	76.7
Central	428,135	133,288	294,847	428,419	133,284	295,135	67.6	53.2	77.0	68.9	53.7	79.0
Greater Accra	1,149,881	362,004	787,877	1,127,945	348,872	779,073	52.2	38.0	63.1	50.9	35.8	62.8
Volta	199,679	76,237	123,442	207,838	77,838	130,000	69.1	61.4	74.9	69.1	61.0	75.1
Eastern	457,489	156,616	300,873	471,298	167,430	303,868	67.5	53.7	78.0	69.4	56.2	79.8
Ashanti	886,872	302,758	584,114	886,068	314,466	571,602	61.6	47.6	72.7	62.0	49.9	71.6
Western North	84,714	34,759	49,955	82,121	31,321	50,801	72.1	64.9	78.3	71.0	60.4	79.7
Ahafo	87,547	35,120	52,428	84,541	34,128	50,414	71.5	67.5	74.5	70.2	65.8	73.6
Bono	241,046	82,560	158,486	234,097	82,727	151,371	76.8	71.1	80.1	76.1	71.4	78.9
Bono East	222,312	95,118	127,194	230,808	97,103	133,705	78.0	73.8	81.5	79.4	74.0	83.9
Oti	101,613	42,729	58,884	94,061	38,595	55,466	86.8	84.2	88.8	84.8	84.4	85.1
Northern	334,245	135,171	199,074	338,648	141,158	197,490	78.9	72.2	84.2	80.3	73.9	85.6
Savannah	62,337	27,256	35,081	63,757	27,830	35,927	78.6	73.4	83.2	81.1	76.0	85.6
North East	60,124	25,862	34,262	58,267	25,677	32,590	70.9	64.9	76.1	71.0	65.0	76.5
Upper East	83,643	32,525	51,118	84,722	33,726	50,997	64.1	57.1	69.5	65.0	58.6	70.1
Upper West	63,755	27,253	36,503	69,520	29,707	39,814	63.0	56.3	69.2	66.4	60.1	72.0

Region							Proportion					
	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Rural</b>												
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,922,125</b>	<b>2,111,061</b>	<b>2,811,064</b>	<b>4,942,827</b>	<b>2,155,236</b>	<b>2,787,591</b>	<b>82.4</b>	<b>76.7</b>	<b>87.2</b>	<b>83.0</b>	<b>78.1</b>	<b>87.2</b>
Western	323,654	122,462	201,191	318,452	121,171	197,281	71.1	57.1	83.6	70.7	57.3	82.6
Central	369,959	130,301	239,658	389,190	140,293	248,897	75.8	63.6	84.6	79.9	69.8	86.9
Greater Accra	89,770	35,727	54,044	94,641	36,774	57,867	62.6	51.9	72.5	65.2	51.8	78.1
Volta	340,041	131,367	208,674	328,504	125,644	202,860	83.3	76.6	88.1	81.3	73.9	86.6
Eastern	531,137	215,748	315,388	551,901	231,446	320,455	77.7	69.9	84.1	79.3	73.2	84.4
Ashanti	696,593	279,697	416,896	673,571	284,137	389,434	75.5	67.1	82.3	74.9	68.9	79.9
Western North	258,699	119,462	139,238	256,911	121,087	135,824	83.8	78.2	89.2	84.6	78.3	91.1
Ahafo	108,172	50,173	58,000	105,538	49,434	56,104	78.9	77.0	80.6	77.0	74.5	79.3
Bono	202,280	88,783	113,497	198,421	88,853	109,568	88.7	84.3	92.4	88.5	84.4	92.0
Bono East	262,202	127,755	134,447	265,832	131,120	134,711	88.5	86.0	91.0	89.7	88.7	90.6
Oti	228,099	108,930	119,169	239,039	112,737	126,302	91.4	89.4	93.3	91.9	90.2	93.6
Northern	501,044	244,811	256,233	528,686	261,476	267,210	94.9	94.8	95.0	96.4	96.9	95.9
Savannah	208,789	102,455	106,334	202,386	101,349	101,037	94.4	94.0	94.8	93.2	94.3	92.1
North East	163,852	75,484	88,368	152,309	71,384	80,925	88.3	86.3	90.1	88.5	87.2	89.7
Upper East	352,772	150,475	202,297	342,392	148,195	194,198	87.4	83.9	90.2	87.7	83.8	90.8
Upper West	285,061	127,431	157,630	295,056	130,137	164,919	90.1	90.6	89.7	91.3	90.9	91.7



**TABLE 6.16: EMPLOYED POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER IN VULNERABLE EMPLOYMENT BY REGION, SECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT AND SEX**

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Both Sexes</b>								
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,659,502</b>	<b>4,684,003</b>	<b>1,248,147</b>	<b>3,727,352</b>	<b>9,688,721</b>	<b>4,749,223</b>	<b>1,322,175</b>	<b>3,617,321</b>
Western	597,639	235,063	94,122	268,454	602,234	232,974	95,519	273,741
Central	798,094	335,676	131,335	331,084	817,609	347,084	144,963	325,561
Greater Accra	1,239,652	48,606	250,705	940,340	1,222,586	55,526	254,416	912,645
Volta	539,719	242,493	96,318	200,909	536,341	224,868	121,457	190,016
Eastern	988,626	405,647	140,997	441,982	1,023,200	469,031	147,538	406,631
Ashanti	1,583,464	691,566	213,921	677,978	1,559,638	673,491	235,823	650,325
Western North	343,414	269,353	16,005	58,055	339,032	263,621	16,016	59,395
Ahafo	195,720	140,340	11,359	44,020	190,079	141,752	12,834	35,493
Bono	443,325	276,792	41,789	124,746	432,518	275,253	41,354	115,911
Bono East	484,514	330,927	54,668	98,918	496,639	334,332	56,039	106,268
Oti	329,712	235,186	31,194	63,333	333,100	233,775	32,683	66,642
Northern	835,289	536,419	43,183	255,687	867,334	562,002	37,609	267,723
Savannah	271,126	210,357	18,348	42,421	266,143	209,973	17,626	38,544
North East	223,976	162,277	10,028	51,671	210,576	147,093	11,336	52,146
Upper East	436,415	292,516	58,784	85,116	427,114	293,501	57,474	76,139
Upper West	348,817	270,784	35,391	42,642	364,577	284,945	39,491	40,141

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Male</b>								
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,768,919</b>	<b>2,445,568</b>	<b>496,947</b>	<b>826,404</b>	<b>3,832,558</b>	<b>2,509,876</b>	<b>501,790</b>	<b>820,891</b>
Western	211,066	126,367	35,345	49,354	214,631	126,984	40,419	47,229
Central	263,589	175,255	36,689	51,646	273,577	177,326	46,536	49,715
Greater Accra	397,731	36,365	118,696	242,669	385,646	37,868	107,681	240,097
Volta	207,603	122,835	40,421	44,347	203,482	116,660	43,844	42,978
Eastern	372,364	226,942	60,649	84,773	398,877	268,341	55,597	74,939
Ashanti	582,455	353,785	99,582	129,088	598,602	354,792	107,908	135,903
Western North	154,221	135,011	6,891	12,319	152,408	135,898	5,355	11,155
Ahafo	85,292	71,862	4,116	9,314	83,562	72,162	3,877	7,522
Bono	171,343	129,164	19,617	22,563	171,580	129,337	19,081	23,162
Bono East	222,873	186,429	14,762	21,682	228,223	189,231	13,228	25,764
Oti	151,659	131,162	7,108	13,390	151,332	133,010	5,155	13,167
Northern	379,982	270,823	17,030	92,129	402,634	288,232	14,946	99,456
Savannah	129,711	117,115	5,563	7,033	129,179	116,412	5,244	7,523
North East	101,346	82,475	3,808	15,063	97,061	76,270	4,541	16,249
Upper East	183,000	146,844	18,219	17,937	181,920	147,611	18,105	16,204
Upper West	154,684	133,133	8,451	13,100	159,844	139,741	10,274	9,829

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Female</b>								
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,890,583</b>	<b>2,238,435</b>	<b>751,200</b>	<b>2,900,948</b>	<b>5,856,163</b>	<b>2,239,347</b>	<b>820,385</b>	<b>2,796,430</b>
Western	386,573	108,696	58,777	219,100	387,603	105,990	55,100	226,512
Central	534,505	160,421	94,646	279,438	544,032	169,758	98,427	275,846
Greater Accra	841,921	12,241	132,009	697,671	836,940	17,658	146,735	672,548
Volta	332,116	119,658	55,897	156,562	332,859	108,208	77,613	147,038
Eastern	616,262	178,705	80,348	357,209	624,323	200,690	91,941	331,692
Ashanti	1,001,009	337,781	114,339	548,890	961,036	318,699	127,915	514,422
Western North	189,193	134,342	9,114	45,736	186,624	127,723	10,661	48,240
Ahafo	110,428	68,478	7,243	34,706	106,517	69,590	8,957	27,971
Bono	271,982	147,628	22,172	102,183	260,938	145,916	22,273	92,749
Bono East	261,641	144,498	39,906	77,236	268,416	145,101	42,811	80,504
Oti	178,053	104,024	24,086	49,943	181,768	100,765	27,528	53,475
Northern	455,307	265,596	26,153	163,558	464,700	273,770	22,663	168,267
Savannah	141,415	93,242	12,785	35,388	136,964	93,561	12,382	31,021
North East	122,630	79,802	6,220	36,608	113,515	70,823	6,795	35,897
Upper East	253,415	145,672	40,565	67,179	245,194	145,890	39,369	59,935
Upper West	194,133	137,651	26,940	29,542	204,733	145,204	29,217	30,312

Proportions								
Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Both Sexes</b>								
<b>Total</b>	<b>71.8</b>	<b>94.1</b>	<b>52.7</b>	<b>61.1</b>	<b>72.2</b>	<b>95.2</b>	<b>53.8</b>	<b>60.6</b>
Western	66.0	87.6	40.5	66.4	66.5	88.0	40.3	67.7
Central	71.2	94.0	54.3	63.4	73.7	96.0	59.1	64.8
Greater Accra	52.8	63.1	50.3	53.1	51.8	66.1	48.1	52.2
Volta	77.4	92.5	71.9	66.7	76.1	90.8	73.3	65.2
Eastern	72.6	84.7	53.3	71.5	74.4	91.6	54.3	68.8
Ashanti	67.0	94.9	47.3	57.3	67.0	95.3	50.5	56.3
Western North	80.6	90.8	41.5	63.7	80.8	90.4	39.1	68.5

2025Q2					2025Q3			
Region	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
Ahafo	75.4	95.0	31.9	57.9	73.8	95.5	34.4	49.5
Bono	81.8	97.7	59.8	66.1	81.3	98.1	61.0	63.1
Bono East	83.4	94.9	66.1	65.9	84.6	96.7	65.6	68.2
Oti	89.9	97.5	79.5	73.5	89.8	97.5	79.8	73.9
Northern	87.8	99.3	58.6	75.7	89.4	100.0	57.9	78.0
Savannah	90.2	99.0	66.5	70.3	90.0	98.8	69.1	66.7
North East	82.8	98.1	36.9	66.5	82.9	99.2	37.9	68.7
Upper East	81.7	99.5	62.3	58.3	82.0	98.9	64.6	56.4
Upper West	83.5	98.7	61.0	50.0	85.2	99.0	64.5	51.1
<b>Male</b>								
<b>Total</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>91.9</b>	<b>39.6</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>63.7</b>	<b>93.3</b>	<b>39.6</b>	<b>39.9</b>
Western	51.1	82.9	25.7	40.0	51.2	83.1	27.5	39.7
Central	57.9	91.7	31.7	34.8	60.9	95.1	38.7	34.9
Greater Accra	38.9	57.7	41.8	35.9	36.9	58.3	36.8	34.9
Volta	70.2	88.8	65.1	46.6	68.4	88.3	63.4	44.6
Eastern	62.0	81.6	40.0	49.6	65.0	90.0	37.3	44.9
Ashanti	55.3	92.4	36.0	32.8	57.4	93.7	39.8	34.6
Western North	74.7	85.5	35.7	42.4	73.8	84.8	26.0	43.5
Ahafo	72.8	94.4	21.8	42.0	70.7	93.8	21.9	32.0
Bono	77.4	96.6	59.7	41.1	77.6	97.1	59.5	41.5
Bono East	80.3	95.3	44.7	44.5	81.8	97.3	41.8	48.8
Oti	87.8	96.4	65.0	52.2	88.6	96.5	56.8	55.2
Northern	85.3	99.4	53.6	65.2	87.3	100.0	48.5	70.0
Savannah	88.8	98.6	55.9	40.4	89.7	99.7	61.6	40.1
North East	79.6	97.7	29.0	50.8	80.0	98.7	29.2	57.0
Upper East	77.4	99.4	46.6	36.2	77.6	98.2	50.8	33.5
Upper West	81.8	99.4	47.6	35.0	83.0	98.8	59.4	29.1

#### Female

Region	2025Q2				2025Q3			
	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services	Total	Agriculture	Industry	Services
<b>Total</b>	<b>78.9</b>	<b>96.8</b>	<b>67.3</b>	<b>71.9</b>	<b>79.1</b>	<b>97.3</b>	<b>68.9</b>	<b>71.5</b>
Western	78.6	93.8	61.8	78.0	79.6	94.7	61.4	79.4
Central	80.2	96.8	74.9	74.7	82.4	97.0	78.6	76.6
Greater Accra	63.6	87.2	61.7	63.7	63.6	92.8	62.0	63.4
Volta	82.7	96.7	77.7	76.0	81.7	93.6	80.4	75.4
Eastern	81.0	89.0	71.0	79.9	82.1	93.8	74.9	78.2
Ashanti	76.4	97.6	65.2	69.6	74.7	97.1	65.4	67.5
Western North	86.0	96.9	47.3	73.6	87.7	97.2	52.2	79.0
Ahafo	77.6	95.6	43.1	64.5	76.5	97.4	45.6	58.0
Bono	84.8	98.5	59.8	76.3	83.9	99.1	62.2	72.5
Bono East	86.1	94.5	80.4	76.2	87.1	96.0	79.5	78.1
Oti	91.8	98.9	85.1	82.5	90.8	98.8	86.3	80.6
Northern	89.9	99.1	62.3	83.3	91.2	100.0	66.4	83.5
Savannah	91.6	99.5	72.5	82.4	90.3	97.7	72.9	79.6
North East	85.7	98.5	44.3	76.2	85.5	99.8	47.2	75.7
Upper East	85.1	99.7	73.5	69.7	85.6	99.7	73.7	69.1
Upper West	85.0	98.1	66.9	61.7	87.0	99.2	66.5	67.5

**TABLE 6.17: POPULATION 15-TO 24 YEARS NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING BY REGION AND TYPE OF LOCALITY**

Number of persons 15-24 years Not in employment, education or training							Population 15-24 years					
Region	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q3					
	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	1,032,019	619,632	412,387	1,343,113	789,548	553,565	6,194,539	3,573,127	2,621,413	6,248,373	3,620,838	2,627,535
Western	92,347	37,250	55,097	130,863	63,700	67,163	442,018	218,923	223,095	446,012	224,348	221,664
Central	111,789	64,753	47,036	149,313	85,037	64,275	557,219	331,201	226,017	561,721	333,727	227,994
Greater Accra	229,161	217,415	11,746	260,820	245,144	15,676	1,126,097	1,054,028	72,069	1,138,672	1,068,095	70,577
Volta	53,782	18,524	35,258	74,023	27,233	46,790	313,469	140,022	173,447	317,106	143,964	173,141
Eastern	82,668	41,085	41,582	102,486	52,032	50,454	572,242	302,539	269,703	575,332	310,823	264,509
Ashanti	222,102	135,935	86,167	283,536	167,106	116,430	1,136,099	697,232	438,866	1,142,936	696,040	446,895
Western North	24,958	10,787	14,171	32,128	11,698	20,430	186,374	58,771	127,603	189,616	58,897	130,719
Ahafo	14,474	7,123	7,351	21,700	10,759	10,941	109,551	55,550	54,001	110,965	56,552	54,413
Bono	39,447	20,768	18,679	52,405	30,134	22,271	232,543	139,180	93,364	232,264	139,342	92,923
Bono East	18,997	12,771	6,226	33,425	22,050	11,376	246,615	130,542	116,073	252,237	135,910	116,327
Oti	11,822	5,160	6,662	15,401	7,303	8,098	138,608	48,084	90,524	139,337	45,459	93,877
Northern	51,161	23,041	28,120	67,638	34,276	33,362	465,679	215,196	250,484	463,764	220,679	243,085
Savannah	13,165	5,286	7,879	20,068	8,184	11,884	123,619	39,491	84,128	125,927	40,732	85,194
North East	17,709	6,704	11,004	27,782	8,335	19,448	145,108	50,078	95,031	143,149	49,312	93,837
Upper East	29,068	6,231	22,837	38,621	7,193	31,428	222,286	55,688	166,598	225,346	57,453	167,893
Upper West	19,368	6,797	12,571	32,903	9,362	23,541	177,013	36,603	140,410	183,992	39,504	144,488

NEET Rate	
2025Q2	2025Q3

Region	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural
Total	16.7	17.3	15.7	21.5	21.8	21.1
Western	20.9	17.0	24.7	29.3	28.4	30.3
Central	20.1	19.6	20.8	26.6	25.5	28.2
Greater Accra	20.4	20.6	16.3	22.9	23.0	22.2
Volta	17.2	13.2	20.3	23.3	18.9	27.0
Eastern	14.4	13.6	15.4	17.8	16.7	19.1
Ashanti	19.5	19.5	19.6	24.8	24.0	26.1
Western North	13.4	18.4	11.1	16.9	19.9	15.6
Ahafo	13.2	12.8	13.6	19.6	19.0	20.1
Bono	17.0	14.9	20.0	22.6	21.6	24.0
Bono East	7.7	9.8	5.4	13.3	16.2	9.8
Oti	8.5	10.7	7.4	11.1	16.1	8.6
Northern	11.0	10.7	11.2	14.6	15.5	13.7
Savannah	10.6	13.4	9.4	15.9	20.1	13.9
North East	12.2	13.4	11.6	19.4	16.9	20.7
Upper East	13.1	11.2	13.7	17.1	12.5	18.7
Upper West	10.9	18.6	9.0	17.9	23.7	16.3

**TABLE 6.18: POPULATION 15-TO 24 YEARS NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING BY REGION AND SEX**

Population 15-to 24 years Not in employment, education or training	Population 15 to 24 years
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Region	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	1,032,019	440,153	591,866	1,343,113	582,101	761,012	6,194,539	2,990,390	3,204,149	6,248,373	3,038,370	3,210,004
Western	92,347	40,028	52,319	130,863	54,337	76,525	442,018	214,274	227,743	446,012	215,331	230,681
Central	111,789	50,591	61,198	149,313	62,479	86,834	557,219	275,495	281,724	561,721	279,163	282,558
Greater Accra	229,161	107,732	121,429	260,820	118,276	142,544	1,126,097	530,514	595,583	1,138,672	543,249	595,423
Volta	53,782	21,539	32,243	74,023	34,174	39,849	313,469	159,060	154,409	317,106	165,261	151,845
Eastern	82,668	36,669	45,998	102,486	46,998	55,488	572,242	268,446	303,796	575,332	276,556	298,775
Ashanti	222,102	86,769	135,333	283,536	122,577	160,959	1,136,099	527,865	608,234	1,142,936	534,642	608,294
Western North	24,958	9,832	15,127	32,128	11,498	20,630	186,374	90,824	95,550	189,616	93,682	95,935
Ahafo	14,474	5,388	9,085	21,700	7,982	13,718	109,551	49,705	59,846	110,965	50,191	60,773
Bono	39,447	17,104	22,343	52,405	19,191	33,214	232,543	97,359	135,184	232,264	98,123	134,141
Bono East	18,997	7,335	11,662	33,425	16,350	17,075	246,615	130,953	115,662	252,237	132,939	119,298
Oti	11,822	4,288	7,534	15,401	6,815	8,587	138,608	71,408	67,200	139,337	71,405	67,932
Northern	51,161	16,653	34,508	67,638	25,771	41,867	465,679	242,311	223,369	463,764	240,595	223,170
Savannah	13,165	5,693	7,472	20,068	8,851	11,217	123,619	63,365	60,254	125,927	65,584	60,343
North East	17,709	8,878	8,831	27,782	15,384	12,398	145,108	76,355	68,754	143,149	76,696	66,452
Upper East	29,068	14,449	14,619	38,621	16,561	22,060	222,286	105,456	116,830	225,346	104,862	120,484
Upper West	19,368	7,204	12,164	32,903	14,857	18,047	177,013	87,001	90,012	183,992	90,092	93,900

#### NEET Rate

Region	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	16.7	14.7	18.5	21.5	19.2	23.7
Western	20.9	18.7	23.0	29.3	25.2	33.2
Central	20.1	18.4	21.7	26.6	22.4	30.7
Greater Accra	20.4	20.3	20.4	22.9	21.8	23.9
Volta	17.2	13.5	20.9	23.3	20.7	26.2
Eastern	14.4	13.7	15.1	17.8	17.0	18.6



Ashanti	19.5	16.4	22.3	24.8	22.9	26.5
Western North	13.4	10.8	15.8	16.9	12.3	21.5
Ahafo	13.2	10.8	15.2	19.6	15.9	22.6
Bono	17.0	17.6	16.5	22.6	19.6	24.8
Bono East	7.7	5.6	10.1	13.3	12.3	14.3
Oti	8.5	6.0	11.2	11.1	9.5	12.6
Northern	11.0	6.9	15.4	14.6	10.7	18.8
Savannah	10.6	9.0	12.4	15.9	13.5	18.6
North East	12.2	11.6	12.8	19.4	20.1	18.7
Upper East	13.1	13.7	12.5	17.1	15.8	18.3
Upper West	10.9	8.3	13.5	17.9	16.5	19.2

**TABLE 6.19: POPULATION 15-TO 35 YEARS NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING BY REGION AND TYPE OF LOCALITY**

Population 15-to 35 years Not in employment, education or training	Population 15-to 35 years
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Region	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,621,980</b>	<b>1,017,089</b>	<b>604,890</b>	<b>1,953,297</b>	<b>1,194,807</b>	<b>758,491</b>	<b>9,980,339</b>	<b>5,766,673</b>	<b>4,213,666</b>	<b>10,033,118</b>	<b>5,807,864</b>	<b>4,225,255</b>
Western	128,092	57,391	70,701	169,380	83,485	85,895	704,593	345,602	358,991	714,031	351,155	362,876
Central	180,492	107,910	72,582	218,329	129,754	88,575	854,782	515,367	339,415	863,896	522,446	341,450
Greater Accra	398,934	378,158	20,776	430,805	405,686	25,120	1,873,799	1,756,682	117,117	1,879,850	1,767,142	112,707
Volta	80,638	29,873	50,765	102,520	40,097	62,424	498,949	216,715	282,234	501,747	222,037	279,710
Eastern	119,204	61,153	58,051	137,791	73,614	64,176	895,641	468,738	426,903	892,122	467,426	424,697
Ashanti	334,554	211,523	123,031	415,171	251,605	163,566	1,778,779	1,098,456	680,323	1,786,388	1,101,773	684,614
Western North	32,047	12,746	19,301	41,553	15,137	26,415	280,053	85,834	194,219	284,041	87,191	196,850
Ahafo	22,920	12,472	10,448	29,033	15,455	13,578	177,128	89,551	87,578	177,781	90,104	87,677
Bono	60,440	33,365	27,075	70,138	39,603	30,535	378,285	226,629	151,655	380,127	227,262	152,865
Bono East	33,447	23,091	10,356	44,209	28,434	15,775	400,917	207,703	193,214	406,601	212,970	193,632
Oti	18,943	7,289	11,654	22,078	9,088	12,990	230,739	75,432	155,308	231,535	73,019	158,516
Northern	82,744	41,083	41,661	93,197	51,395	41,802	762,925	353,038	409,888	760,686	353,304	407,382
Savannah	21,022	8,233	12,789	29,814	10,974	18,840	206,630	64,660	141,969	207,900	65,509	142,392
North East	24,616	10,025	14,591	38,727	14,016	24,711	234,102	83,003	151,099	233,039	82,362	150,677
Upper East	50,147	12,555	37,592	65,195	13,753	51,442	393,874	105,279	288,594	394,932	106,415	288,517
Upper West	33,739	10,222	23,517	45,357	12,712	32,646	309,142	73,984	235,158	318,440	77,748	240,692

NEET Rate						
Region	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural

Total	16.3	17.6	14.4	19.5	20.6	18.0
Western	18.2	16.6	19.7	23.7	23.8	23.7
Central	21.1	20.9	21.4	25.3	24.8	25.9
Greater Accra	21.3	21.5	17.7	22.9	23.0	22.3
Volta	16.2	13.8	18.0	20.4	18.1	22.3
Eastern	13.3	13.0	13.6	15.4	15.7	15.1
Ashanti	18.8	19.3	18.1	23.2	22.8	23.9
Western North	11.4	14.8	9.9	14.6	17.4	13.4
Ahafo	12.9	13.9	11.9	16.3	17.2	15.5
Bono	16.0	14.7	17.9	18.5	17.4	20.0
Bono East	8.3	11.1	5.4	10.9	13.4	8.1
Oti	8.2	9.7	7.5	9.5	12.4	8.2
Northern	10.8	11.6	10.2	12.3	14.5	10.3
Savannah	10.2	12.7	9.0	14.3	16.8	13.2
North East	10.5	12.1	9.7	16.6	17.0	16.4
Upper East	12.7	11.9	13.0	16.5	12.9	17.8
Upper West	10.9	13.8	10.0	14.2	16.4	13.6

**TABLE 6.20: POPULATION 15-TO 35 YEARS NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING BY REGION AND SEX**

Population 15-to 35 years Not in employment, education or training							Population 15-to 35 years					
Region	2025Q2			2025Q3			2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,621,980</b>	<b>604,758</b>	<b>1,017,222</b>	<b>1,953,297</b>	<b>749,587</b>	<b>1,203,711</b>	<b>9,980,339</b>	<b>4,477,655</b>	<b>5,502,683</b>	<b>10,033,118</b>	<b>4,533,858</b>	<b>5,499,260</b>
Western	128,092	52,119	75,973	169,380	64,683	104,697	704,593	313,745	390,848	714,031	318,191	395,840
Central	180,492	63,687	116,805	218,329	74,836	143,493	854,782	370,512	484,271	863,896	374,126	489,770
Greater Accra	398,934	154,004	244,930	430,805	169,489	261,316	1,873,799	831,910	1,041,889	1,879,850	845,482	1,034,368
Volta	80,638	29,096	51,541	102,520	44,128	58,393	498,949	230,491	268,458	501,747	235,706	266,042
Eastern	119,204	52,055	67,149	137,791	62,784	75,007	895,641	402,483	493,158	892,122	408,039	484,083
Ashanti	334,554	116,945	217,610	415,171	156,370	258,800	1,778,779	774,149	1,004,630	1,786,388	780,574	1,005,814
Western North	32,047	11,198	20,849	41,553	13,976	27,577	280,053	129,868	150,185	284,041	132,257	151,785
Ahafo	22,920	7,471	15,449	29,033	9,307	19,726	177,128	77,280	99,848	177,781	77,321	100,461
Bono	60,440	25,556	34,884	70,138	25,524	44,614	378,285	154,872	223,413	380,127	156,337	223,790
Bono East	33,447	11,200	22,247	44,209	18,223	25,986	400,917	193,397	207,520	406,601	195,993	210,608
Oti	18,943	4,789	14,154	22,078	8,099	13,979	230,739	107,011	123,729	231,535	106,716	124,819
Northern	82,744	23,608	59,136	93,197	30,600	62,597	762,925	360,099	402,826	760,686	363,885	396,802
Savannah	21,022	6,923	14,099	29,814	10,335	19,479	206,630	95,298	111,332	207,900	98,192	109,708
North East	24,616	10,859	13,757	38,727	17,702	21,025	234,102	116,899	117,202	233,039	119,098	113,941
Upper East	50,147	24,283	25,864	65,195	25,110	40,085	393,874	177,329	216,544	394,932	175,683	219,250
Upper West	33,739	10,965	22,774	45,357	18,422	26,935	309,142	142,312	166,830	318,440	146,260	172,180

NEET Rate						
Region	2025Q2			2025Q3		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	16.3	13.5	18.5	19.5	16.5	21.9
Western	18.2	16.6	19.4	23.7	20.3	26.4
Central	21.1	17.2	24.1	25.3	20.0	29.3
Greater Accra	21.3	18.5	23.5	22.9	20.0	25.3
Volta	16.2	12.6	19.2	20.4	18.7	21.9

Eastern	13.3	12.9	13.6	15.4	15.4	15.5
Ashanti	18.8	15.1	21.7	23.2	20.0	25.7
Western						
North	11.4	8.6	13.9	14.6	10.6	18.2
Ahafo	12.9	9.7	15.5	16.3	12.0	19.6
Bono	16.0	16.5	15.6	18.5	16.3	19.9
Bono East	8.3	5.8	10.7	10.9	9.3	12.3
Oti	8.2	4.5	11.4	9.5	7.6	11.2
Northern	10.8	6.6	14.7	12.3	8.4	15.8
Savannah	10.2	7.3	12.7	14.3	10.5	17.8
North East	10.5	9.3	11.7	16.6	14.9	18.5
Upper East	12.7	13.7	11.9	16.5	14.3	18.3
Upper West	10.9	7.7	13.7	14.2	12.6	15.6

**TABLE 6.21: LABOUR UNDERUTILISATION RATE**

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Population						Proportions		
						Underemployment rate	Underutilised Labour	
	Fully-employed	Under-employed	Unemployed (strict)	potential labour force	Total		LU1	LU4
<b>Box sexes</b>	<b>11,880,504</b>	<b>1,626,827</b>	<b>482,821</b>	<b>1,449,051</b>	<b>15,439,204</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>23</b>
Male	5,274,859	735,206	200,004	493,065	6,703,133	12.2	3.2	21.3
Female	6,605,645	891,621	282,818	955,987	8,736,070	11.9	3.6	24.4
						Proportions		
						Underemployment rate	Underutilised Labour	
	Fully-employed	Under-employed	Unemployed (strict)	potential labour force	Total		LU1	LU4
<b>All localities</b>	<b>11,880,504</b>	<b>1,626,827</b>	<b>482,821</b>	<b>1,449,051</b>	<b>15,439,204</b>			
Urban	6,780,206	707,859	350,233	989,297	8,827,595	9.5	4.5	23.2
Rural	5,100,298	918,967	132,588	459,755	6,611,609	15.3	2.2	22.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,880,504</b>	<b>1,626,827</b>	<b>482,821</b>	<b>1,449,051</b>	<b>15,439,204</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>23</b>
Western	855,869	51,293	30,317.10	118,649	1,056,128	5.7	3.2	19
Central	947,590	176,489	40,533.60	148,928	1,313,540	15.7	3.5	27.9
Greater Accra	2,269,888	77,367.40	176,562	418,255	2,942,072	3.3	7	22.8
Volta	587,598	122,411	23,941.20	70,243.60	804,193	17.2	3.3	26.9
Eastern	1,179,913	185,173	37,825.50	95,115.80	1,498,028	13.6	2.7	21.2
Ashanti	2,118,866	253,041	114,456	299,550	2,785,913	10.7	4.6	23.9
Western North	365,109	63,020.30	3,996.81	28,848.60	460,975	14.7	0.9	20.8
Ahafo	213,880	46,068.10	7,298.20	14,951.40	282,198	17.7	2.7	24.2
Bono	478,929	65,521.60	8,571.16	51,664.90	604,687	12	1.5	20.8
Bono East	509,889	74,853.80	5,115.73	21,471.40	611,330	12.8	0.9	16.6
Oti	340,102	27,019.70	3,770.10	18,749.90	389,641	7.4	1	12.7

Northern	758,136	203,303	13,185.80	67,587.60	1,042,212	21.1	1.4	27.3
Savannah	256,360	45,585.40	1,672.16	27,509.20	331,126	15.1	0.6	22.6
North East	224,416	47,702.70	2,575.23	24,039.70	298,733	17.5	0.9	24.9
Upper East	413,209	130,520	8,158.02	23,109.20	574,996	24	1.5	28.1
Upper West	360,753	57,457.30	4,843.06	20,378.80	443,432	13.7	1.1	18.6

### Q3

Population						Proportions		
Sex	Fully-employed	Under-employed	Unemployed (strict)	potential labour force	Total	Underemployment rate	Underutilised Labour	
							LU1	LU4
<b>Box sexes</b>	<b>11,863,225</b>	<b>1,618,983</b>	<b>427,684</b>	<b>1,575,856</b>	<b>15,485,747</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>23.4</b>
Male	5,295,270	743,585	200,539	539,726	6,779,120	12.3	3.2	21.9
Female	6,567,955	875,398	227,145	1,036,130	8,706,627	11.8	3	24.6
<b>All localities</b>	<b>11,863,225</b>	<b>1,618,983</b>	<b>427,684</b>	<b>1,575,856</b>	<b>15,485,747</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>23.4</b>
Urban	6,754,172	727,608	303,485	1,055,044	8,840,309	9.7	3.9	23.6
Rural	5,109,052	891,375	124,199	520,812	6,645,438	14.9	2	23.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,863,225</b>	<b>1,618,983</b>	<b>427,684</b>	<b>1,575,856</b>	<b>15,485,747</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>23.4</b>
Western	861,725	45,393	21,689.70	139,819	1,068,627	5	2.3	19.4
Central	933,014	185,724	39,674.00	193,082	1,351,493	16.6	3.4	31
Greater Accra	2,257,750	103,757.00	159,902	417,573	2,938,982	4.4	6.3	23.2
Volta	599,970	112,536	19,917.00	70,600.80	803,024	15.8	2.7	25.3
Eastern	1,178,577	197,980	44,365.40	90,514.30	1,511,437	14.4	3.1	22
Ashanti	2,081,502	251,788	85,734	338,868	2,757,892	10.8	3.5	24.5
Western North	363,656	58,068.40	4,948.21	31,161.10	457,834	13.8	1.2	20.6
Ahafo	214,783	42,653.90	5,015.83	20,046.40	282,499	16.6	1.9	24
Bono	472,745	62,258.00	6,927.56	48,347.20	590,277	11.6	1.3	19.9
Bono East	517,347	71,492.80	5,329.44	34,323.20	628,493	12.1	0.9	17.7
Oti	322,766	50,447.10	5,066.64	18,415.00	396,694	13.5	1.3	18.6

Northern	824,410	149,776	9,932.11	67,942.30	1,052,060	15.4	1	21.6
Savannah	255,654	41,026.70	2,292.85	29,118.10	328,091	13.8	0.8	22.1
North East	221,042	36,854.10	1,589.46	25,993.30	285,478	14.3	0.6	22.6
Upper East	411,537	127,107	9,553.34	28,067.70	576,266	23.6	1.7	28.6
Upper West	346,747	82,119.90	5,746.22	21,985.80	456,599	19.1	1.3	24.1



**TABLE 6.22: QUALIFICATION MISMATCH: EDUCATION REQUIREMENT FOR CURRENT JOB COMPARED TO HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION (RESTRICTED TO EMPLOYED PERSONS WHO HAVE EVER ATTENDED SCHOOL)**

Population											
Q2						Q3					
Sex	Higher	Lower	The same	Not sure	Total	Sex	Higher	Lower	The same	Not sure	Total
Total	987,576	1,929,697	6,449,935	1,759,529	11,126,737	Total	909,140	1,743,938	6,501,028	1,973,712	11,127,819
Male	541,069	916,190	2,978,170	789,467	5,224,896	Male	497,993	833,934	3,062,553	868,214	5,262,694
Female	446,507	1,013,508	3,471,765	970,063	5,901,842	Female	411,147	910,005	3,438,475	1,105,498	5,865,125
Total	987,576	1,929,697	6,449,935	1,759,529	11,126,737	Total	909,140	1,743,938	6,501,028	1,973,712	11,127,819
Urban	639,831	974,807	4,047,390	997,151	6,659,179	Urban	630,145	897,143	3,990,578	1,154,328	6,672,194
Rural	347,745	954,890	2,402,544	762,378	4,467,558	Rural	278,995	846,796	2,510,450	819,384	4,455,626
Total	987,576	1,929,697	6,449,935	1,759,529	11,126,737	Total	909,140	1,743,938	6,501,028	1,973,712	11,127,819
Western	48,426	202,282	337,826	228,751	817,285	Western	49,934	188,000	361,444	215,278	814,655
Central	77,110	151,366	621,726	153,638	1,003,840	Central	57,913	101,911	645,547	188,724	994,096
Greater Accra	287,778	145,776	1,426,756	375,273	2,235,583	Greater Accra	329,702	120,179	1,312,082	489,129	2,251,091
Volta	98,323	185,824	272,028	64,551	620,726	Volta	57,018	198,927	295,986	79,932	631,862
Eastern	109,770	169,224	806,052	170,550	1,255,596	Eastern	66,796	92,760	900,968	205,907	1,266,430
Ashanti	120,760	307,555	1,486,387	237,580	2,152,282	Ashanti	103,813	319,207	1,435,396	251,831	2,110,247
Western North	44,081	91,640	194,389	8,448	338,557	Western North	53,597	89,509	179,683	11,973	334,763
Ahafo	9,520	54,014	96,107	66,397	226,037	Ahafo	15,019	54,729	81,261	71,145	222,153
Bono	44,404	100,612	240,449	79,337	464,802	Bono	42,393	77,681	242,394	90,607	453,075
Bono East	42,449	132,971	195,349	56,536	427,305	Bono East	45,600	139,495	220,520	26,723	432,338
Oti	21,404	70,578	152,067	41,789	285,837	Oti	8,296	88,358	130,835	59,472	286,962
Northern	20,950	51,091	217,094	130,175	419,310	Northern	28,974	51,013	234,123	135,890	450,000
Savannah	16,284	47,666	71,077	7,085	142,111	Savannah	15,918	44,455	75,470	3,035	138,878

North East	8,701	45,599	67,488	21,836	143,624	North East	5,344	39,427	68,665	24,185	137,621
Upper East	14,339	51,824	190,105	78,306	334,574	Upper East	12,904	47,653	207,853	65,210	333,621
Upper West	23,277	121,676	75,036	39,278	259,267	Upper West	15,918	90,636	108,802	54,673	270,029

### Proportions

Q2						Q3					
Sex	Higher	Lower	The same	Not sure	Total	Sex	Higher	Lower	The same	Not sure	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male	10.4	17.5	57.0	15.1	100.0	Male	9.5	15.8	58.2	16.5	100.0
Female	7.6	17.2	58.8	16.4	100.0	Female	7.0	15.5	58.6	18.8	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Urban	9.6	14.6	60.8	15.0	100.0	Urban	9.4	13.4	59.8	17.3	100.0
Rural	7.8	21.4	53.8	17.1	100.0	Rural	6.3	19.0	56.3	18.4	100.0

Region	Higher	Lower	The same	Not sure	Total	Region	Higher	Lower	The same	Not sure	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>15.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8.2</b>	<b>15.7</b>	<b>58.4</b>	<b>17.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Western	5.9	24.8	41.3	28.0	100.0	Western	6.1	23.1	44.4	26.4	100.0
Central	7.7	15.1	61.9	15.3	100.0	Central	5.8	10.3	64.9	19.0	100.0
Greater Accra	12.9	6.5	63.8	16.8	100.0	Greater Accra	14.6	5.3	58.3	21.7	100.0
Volta	15.8	29.9	43.8	10.4	100.0	Volta	9.0	31.5	46.8	12.7	100.0
Eastern	8.7	13.5	64.2	13.6	100.0	Eastern	5.3	7.3	71.1	16.3	100.0
Ashanti	5.6	14.3	69.1	11.0	100.0	Ashanti	4.9	15.1	68.0	11.9	100.0
Western North	13.0	27.1	57.4	2.5	100.0	Western North	16.0	26.7	53.7	3.6	100.0
Ahafo	4.2	23.9	42.5	29.4	100.0	Ahafo	6.8	24.6	36.6	32.0	100.0
Bono	9.6	21.6	51.7	17.1	100.0	Bono	9.4	17.1	53.5	20.0	100.0
Bono East	9.9	31.1	45.7	13.2	100.0	Bono East	10.5	32.3	51.0	6.2	100.0
Oti	7.5	24.7	53.2	14.6	100.0	Oti	2.9	30.8	45.6	20.7	100.0
Northern	5.0	12.2	51.8	31.0	100.0	Northern	6.4	11.3	52.0	30.2	100.0

Savannah	11.5	33.5	50.0	5.0	100.0	Savannah	11.5	32.0	54.3	2.2	100.0
North East	6.1	31.7	47.0	15.2	100.0	North East	3.9	28.6	49.9	17.6	100.0
Upper East	4.3	15.5	56.8	23.4	100.0	Upper East	3.9	14.3	62.3	19.5	100.0
Upper West	9.0	46.9	28.9	15.1	100.0	Upper West	5.9	33.6	40.3	20.2	100.0

TABLE 6.23: SKILLS MISMATCH: MISMATCH BETWEEN SKILLS AND CURRENT JOB

Population										
Q2						Q3				
Sex	Yes, it matches	No, skill is higher than the current job	No, skill level is lower than the current job	Not sure	Total	Sex	Yes, it matches	No, skill is higher than the current job	No, skill level is lower than the current job	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,774,560</b>	<b>1,428,111</b>	<b>531,432</b>	<b>2,710,771</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8,824,171</b>	<b>1,374,316</b>	<b>438,788</b>	<b>2,782,901</b>
Male	3,979,241	685,625	237,406	1,076,903	5,979,174	Male	3,985,414	696,311	205,970	6,016,716
Female	4,795,319	742,486	294,026	1,633,868	7,465,700	Female	4,838,757	678,005	232,817	7,403,460
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,774,560</b>	<b>1,428,111</b>	<b>531,432</b>	<b>2,710,771</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8,824,171</b>	<b>1,374,316</b>	<b>438,788</b>	<b>2,782,901</b>
Urban	4,917,476	812,465	289,420	1,448,690	7,468,050	Urban	4,991,847	794,684	234,042	7,465,223
Rural	3,857,084	615,646	242,012	1,262,082	5,976,824	Rural	3,832,324	579,633	204,746	5,954,953
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,774,560</b>	<b>1,428,111</b>	<b>531,432</b>	<b>2,710,771</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>8,824,171</b>	<b>1,374,316</b>	<b>438,788</b>	<b>2,782,901</b>
Western	425,802	106,020	38,255	334,886	904,962	Western	438,060	134,182	52,855	905,944
Central	758,141	127,891	29,110	206,246	1,121,389	Central	779,372	90,139	19,465	1,109,275
Greater Accra	1,576,909	177,581	71,276	520,316	2,346,082	Greater Accra	1,554,666	194,698	70,546	2,361,507
Volta	458,899	95,125	36,932	106,296	697,252	Volta	479,889	82,023	22,985	704,798
Eastern	869,957	196,089	59,168	236,321	1,361,535	Eastern	954,681	163,637	37,923	1,374,510
Ashanti	1,654,727	278,780	105,185	324,891	2,363,583	Ashanti	1,712,019	278,676	47,970	2,328,534
Western North	314,973	40,726	53,335	17,265	426,299	Western North	314,708	37,371	58,434	419,337
Ahafo	179,153	13,234	7,127	59,909	259,424	Ahafo	177,264	9,588	9,640	257,437
Bono	291,125	96,910	44,315	109,872	542,223	Bono	277,188	80,147	46,418	531,981
Bono East	429,847	53,282	31,215	66,890	581,234	Bono East	422,694	59,201	24,666	587,008
Oti	277,178	35,263	8,000	46,246	366,686	Oti	234,370	41,991	13,990	370,981
Northern	542,437	49,568	22,920	336,732	951,658	Northern	516,719	53,952	10,967	970,375
Savannah	226,770	20,030	2,570	51,055	300,424	Savannah	217,938	16,591	2,643	295,750

North East	194,369	27,550	7,834	40,653	270,406	North East	150,882	27,960	7,216	68,054	254,112
Upper East	398,432	41,073	8,146	86,482	534,133	Upper East	400,397	47,449	4,438	68,566	520,849
Upper West	175,841	68,989	6,044	166,711	417,585	Upper West	193,324	56,710	8,635	169,109	427,778

#### Proportions

Q2						Q3					
Sex	Yes, it matches	No, skill is higher than the current job	No, skill level is lower than the current job	Not sure	Total	Sex	Yes, it matches	No, skill is higher than the current job	No, skill level is lower than the current job	Not sure	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.3</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male	66.6	11.5	4.0	18.0	100.0	Male	66.2	11.6	3.4	18.8	100.0
Female	64.2	9.9	3.9	21.9	100.0	Female	65.4	9.2	3.1	22.3	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.3</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Urban	65.8	10.9	3.9	19.4	100.0	Urban	66.9	10.6	3.1	19.4	100.0
Rural	64.5	10.3	4.0	21.1	100.0	Rural	64.4	9.7	3.4	22.5	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>65.3</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>20.7</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Western	47.1	11.7	4.2	37.0	100.0	Western	48.4	14.8	5.8	31.0	100.0
Central	67.6	11.4	2.6	18.4	100.0	Central	70.3	8.1	1.8	19.9	100.0
Greater Accra	67.2	7.6	3.0	22.2	100.0	Greater Accra	65.8	8.2	3.0	22.9	100.0
Volta	65.8	13.6	5.3	15.2	100.0	Volta	68.1	11.6	3.3	17.0	100.0
Eastern	63.9	14.4	4.3	17.4	100.0	Eastern	69.5	11.9	2.8	15.9	100.0
Ashanti	70.0	11.8	4.5	13.7	100.0	Ashanti	73.5	12.0	2.1	12.4	100.0
Western North	73.9	9.6	12.5	4.0	100.0	Western North	75.0	8.9	13.9	2.1	100.0
Ahafo	69.1	5.1	2.7	23.1	100.0	Ahafo	68.9	3.7	3.7	23.7	100.0
Bono	53.7	17.9	8.2	20.3	100.0	Bono	52.1	15.1	8.7	24.1	100.0
Bono East	74.0	9.2	5.4	11.5	100.0	Bono East	72.0	10.1	4.2	13.7	100.0
Oti	75.6	9.6	2.2	12.6	100.0	Oti	63.2	11.3	3.8	21.7	100.0
Northern	57.0	5.2	2.4	35.4	100.0	Northern	53.2	5.6	1.1	40.1	100.0
Savannah	75.5	6.7	0.9	17.0	100.0	Savannah	73.7	5.6	0.9	19.8	100.0

North East	71.9	10.2	2.9	15.0	100.0	North East	59.4	11.0	2.8	26.8	100.0
Upper East	74.6	7.7	1.5	16.2	100.0	Upper East	76.9	9.1	0.9	13.2	100.0
Upper West	42.1	16.5	1.4	39.9	100.0	Upper West	45.2	13.3	2.0	39.5	100.0

TABLE 6.24: PARTICIPATION IN SHIFT-BASED WORK

Population									
Quarter 2					Quarter 3				
Sex	Yes, regularly work night shifts	Yes, occasionally work night shifts	No, I do not work night shifts	Total	Sex	Yes, regularly work night shifts	Yes, occasionally work night shifts	No, I do not work night shifts	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>217,179</b>	<b>133,808</b>	<b>13,093,887</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>208,435</b>	<b>93,470</b>	<b>13,118,271</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>
Male	145,394	83,574	5,750,207	5,979,174	Male	139,256	51,507	5,825,953	6,016,716
Female	71,785	50,235	7,343,680	7,465,700	Female	69,180	41,963	7,292,318	7,403,460
<b>Total</b>	<b>217,179</b>	<b>133,808</b>	<b>13,093,887</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>208,435</b>	<b>93,470</b>	<b>13,118,271</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>
Urban	178,928	112,662	7,176,460	7,468,050	Urban	178,918	78,484	7,207,820	7,465,223
Rural	38,251	21,146	5,917,426	5,976,824	Rural	29,517	14,986	5,910,451	5,954,953
<b>Total</b>	<b>217,179</b>	<b>133,808</b>	<b>13,093,887</b>	<b>13,444,874</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>208,435</b>	<b>93,470</b>	<b>13,118,271</b>	<b>13,420,176</b>
Western	24,486	8,021	872,455	904,962	Western	22,525	8,364	875,055	905,944
Central	15,887	5,810	1,099,692	1,121,389	Central	11,545	6,546	1,091,185	1,109,275
Greater Accra	88,039	70,899	2,187,145	2,346,082	Greater Accra	93,867	38,860	2,228,781	2,361,507
Volta	4,024	7,271	685,957	697,252	Volta	2,734	4,150	697,914	704,798
Eastern	16,702	6,683	1,338,150	1,361,535	Eastern	16,175	7,074	1,351,261	1,374,510
Ashanti	35,734	18,088	2,309,761	2,363,583	Ashanti	34,393	16,508	2,277,633	2,328,534
Western North	4,002	1,840	420,457	426,299	Western North	3,759		415,577	419,337
Ahafo	3,741	2,097	253,586	259,424	Ahafo	2,880	2,107	252,450	257,437
Bono	4,542	2,403	535,278	542,223	Bono	3,457	2,113	526,411	531,981
Bono East	4,702	2,307	574,225	581,234	Bono East	1,630	2,376	583,002	587,008
Oti	410	493	365,782	366,686	Oti	629		370,352	370,981
Northern	550	3,039	948,069	951,658	Northern	2,010	1,245	967,119	970,375
Savannah	1,061	163	299,200	300,424	Savannah	812	104	294,834	295,750
North East	1,308	663	268,435	270,406	North East	1,045	661	252,406	254,112
Upper East	7,244	2,659	524,230	534,133	Upper East	6,739	2,166	511,944	520,849

Upper West	4,748	1,373	411,463	417,585	Upper West	4,235	1,196	422,348	427,778
Proportions									
Q2					Q3				
Sex	Yes, regularly work night shifts	Yes, occasionally work night shifts	No, I do not work night shifts	Total	Sex	Yes, regularly work night shifts	Yes, occasionally work night shifts	No, I do not work night shifts	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>97.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male	2.4	1.4	96.2	100.0	Male	2.3	0.9	96.8	100.0
Female	1.0	0.7	98.4	100.0	Female	0.9	0.6	98.5	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>97.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Urban	2.4	1.5	96.1	100.0	Urban	2.4	1.1	96.6	100.0
Rural	0.6	0.4	99.0	100.0	Rural	0.5	0.3	99.3	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>97.4</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>97.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Western	2.7	0.9	96.4	100.0	Western	2.5	0.9	96.6	100.0
Central	1.4	0.5	98.1	100.0	Central	1.0	0.6	98.4	100.0
Greater Accra	3.8	3.0	93.2	100.0	Greater Accra	4.0	1.6	94.4	100.0
Volta	0.6	1.0	98.4	100.0	Volta	0.4	0.6	99.0	100.0
Eastern	1.2	0.5	98.3	100.0	Eastern	1.2	0.5	98.3	100.0
Ashanti	1.5	0.8	97.7	100.0	Ashanti	1.5	0.7	97.8	100.0
Western North	0.9	0.4	98.6	100.0	Western North	0.9	0.0	99.1	100.0
Ahafo	1.4	0.8	97.7	100.0	Ahafo	1.1	0.8	98.1	100.0
Bono	0.8	0.4	98.7	100.0	Bono	0.6	0.4	99.0	100.0
Bono East	0.8	0.4	98.8	100.0	Bono East	0.3	0.4	99.3	100.0
Oti	0.1	0.1	99.8	100.0	Oti	0.2	0.0	99.8	100.0
Northern	0.1	0.3	99.6	100.0	Northern	0.2	0.1	99.7	100.0
Savannah	0.4	0.1	99.6	100.0	Savannah	0.3	0.0	99.7	100.0
North East	0.5	0.2	99.3	100.0	North East	0.4	0.3	99.3	100.0
Upper East	1.4	0.5	98.1	100.0	Upper East	1.3	0.4	98.3	100.0
Upper West	1.1	0.3	98.5	100.0	Upper West	1.0	0.3	98.7	100.0



**TABLE 6.25: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN SHIFT-BASED WORK (RESTRICTED TO PERSONS WHO DO NOT CURRENTLY DO SHIFT-BASED WORK)**

Population									
Q2					Q3				
Sex	Yes, I would be interested	No, I would not be interested	Maybe, depending on the sector or job conditions	Total	Sex	Yes, I would be interested	No, I would not be interested	Maybe, depending on the sector or job conditions	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,583,342</b>	<b>5,057,019</b>	<b>1,453,526</b>	<b>13,093,887</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>6,100,558</b>	<b>5,179,565</b>	<b>1,838,148</b>	<b>13,118,271</b>
Male	3,259,485	1,843,715	647,007	5,750,207	Male	3,124,591	1,866,003	835,360	5,825,953
Female	3,323,857	3,213,304	806,519	7,343,680	Female	2,975,968	3,313,562	1,002,788	7,292,318
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,583,342</b>	<b>5,057,019</b>	<b>1,453,526</b>	<b>13,093,887</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>6,100,558</b>	<b>5,179,565</b>	<b>1,838,148</b>	<b>13,118,271</b>
Urban	3,286,310	3,081,325	808,826	7,176,460	Urban	3,045,385	3,180,037	982,399	7,207,820
Rural	3,297,032	1,975,694	644,700	5,917,426	Rural	3,055,174	1,999,528	855,749	5,910,451
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,583,342</b>	<b>5,057,019</b>	<b>1,453,526</b>	<b>13,093,887</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>6,100,558</b>	<b>5,179,565</b>	<b>1,838,148</b>	<b>13,118,271</b>
Western	430,052	315,395	127,008	872,455	Western	391,395	309,359	174,301	875,055
Central	603,181	324,743	171,768	1,099,692	Central	524,740	334,366	232,079	1,091,185
Greater Accra	737,022	1,183,050	267,073	2,187,145	Greater Accra	600,598	1,286,383	341,799	2,228,781
Volta	422,606	192,657	70,695	685,957	Volta	373,995	221,541	102,378	697,914
Eastern	644,240	645,602	48,309	1,338,150	Eastern	636,278	663,011	51,972	1,351,261
Ashanti	1,132,071	1,003,475	174,215	2,309,761	Ashanti	1,115,904	986,175	175,554	2,277,633
Western North	247,479	123,517	49,461	420,457	Western North	213,955	122,571	79,051	415,577
Ahafo	157,399	59,890	36,297	253,586	Ahafo	119,378	66,939	66,132	252,450
Bono	275,930	212,237	47,110	535,278	Bono	278,835	215,745	31,831	526,411
Bono East	347,007	125,241	101,977	574,225	Bono East	331,869	116,274	134,859	583,002
Oti	178,999	119,566	67,217	365,782	Oti	151,702	171,330	47,321	370,352
Northern	502,015	330,326	115,729	948,069	Northern	529,935	320,110	117,075	967,119
Savannah	190,432	64,949	43,819	299,200	Savannah	206,145	40,133	48,556	294,834
North East	173,701	60,596	34,138	268,435	North East	136,128	60,227	56,051	252,406

Upper East	294,534	173,242	56,454	524,230	Upper East	222,712	174,966	114,266	511,944
Upper West	246,673	122,533	42,257	411,463	Upper West	266,991	90,435	64,922	422,348

### Proportions

Q2					Q3				
Sex	Yes, I would be interested	No, I would not be interested	Maybe, depending on the sector or job conditions	Total	Sex	Yes, I would be interested	No, I would not be interested	Maybe, depending on the sector or job conditions	Total
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>46.5</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male	56.7	32.1	11.3	100.0	Male	53.6	32.0	14.3	100.0
Female	45.3	43.8	11.0	100.0	Female	40.8	45.4	13.8	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>46.5</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Urban	45.8	42.9	11.3	100.0	Urban	42.3	44.1	13.6	100.0
Rural	55.7	33.4	10.9	100.0	Rural	51.7	33.8	14.5	100.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>46.5</b>	<b>39.5</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Western	49.3	36.2	14.6	100.0	Western	44.7	35.4	19.9	100.0
Central	54.8	29.5	15.6	100.0	Central	48.1	30.6	21.3	100.0
Greater Accra	33.7	54.1	12.2	100.0	Greater Accra	26.9	57.7	15.3	100.0
Volta	61.6	28.1	10.3	100.0	Volta	53.6	31.7	14.7	100.0
Eastern	48.1	48.2	3.6	100.0	Eastern	47.1	49.1	3.8	100.0
Ashanti	49.0	43.4	7.5	100.0	Ashanti	49.0	43.3	7.7	100.0
Western North	58.9	29.4	11.8	100.0	Western North	51.5	29.5	19.0	100.0
Ahafo	62.1	23.6	14.3	100.0	Ahafo	47.3	26.5	26.2	100.0
Bono	51.5	39.6	8.8	100.0	Bono	53.0	41.0	6.0	100.0
Bono East	60.4	21.8	17.8	100.0	Bono East	56.9	19.9	23.1	100.0
Oti	48.9	32.7	18.4	100.0	Oti	41.0	46.3	12.8	100.0
Northern	53.0	34.8	12.2	100.0	Northern	54.8	33.1	12.1	100.0
Savannah	63.6	21.7	14.6	100.0	Savannah	69.9	13.6	16.5	100.0
North East	64.7	22.6	12.7	100.0	North East	53.9	23.9	22.2	100.0
Upper East	56.2	33.0	10.8	100.0	Upper East	43.5	34.2	22.3	100.0
Upper West	60.0	29.8	10.3	100.0	Upper West	63.2	21.4	15.4	100.0

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