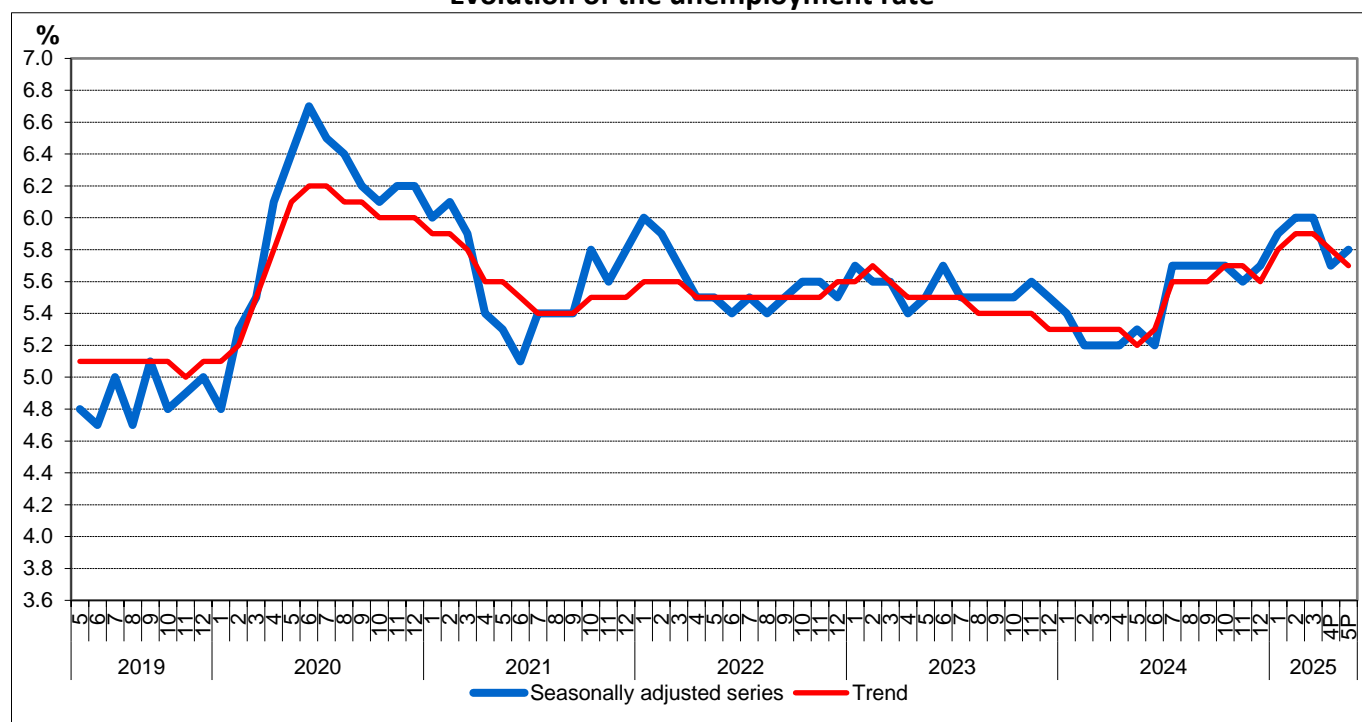


**Area: ILO\* unemployment**

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- In May 2025, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate\*\* was estimated at 5.8%, increasing by 0.1 percentage points as compared to April 2025.
- Men's unemployment rate was higher than that of women with 0.3 percentage points.

**Evolution of the unemployment rate**



<sup>P</sup> Provisional data - according to data revising policy (see point 6 in [Methodological explanations](#)).

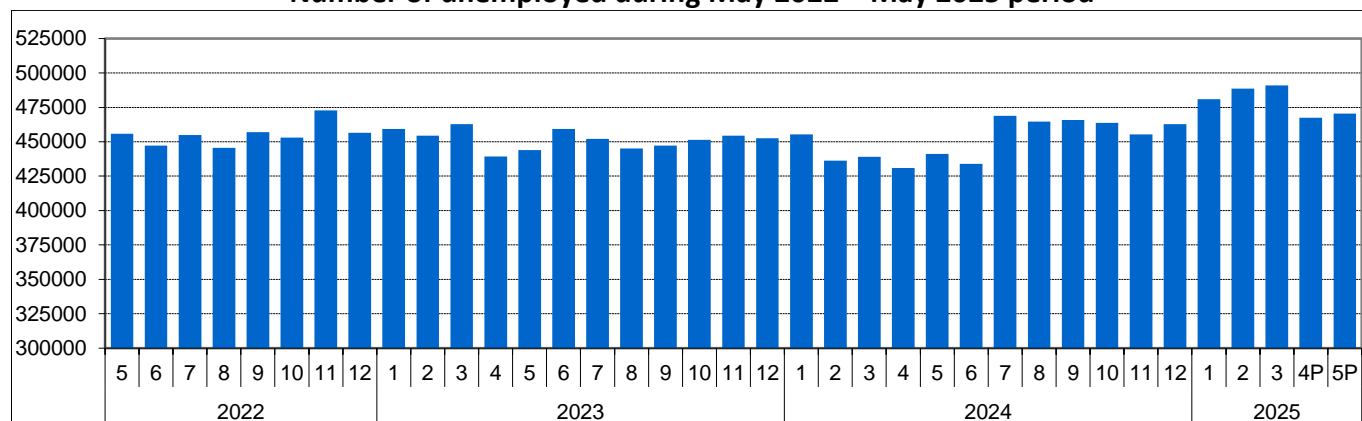
[Chart data \(xls\)](#)

The number of unemployed (aged 15-74 years) estimated for May 2025 was of 470.5 thousand persons:

- increasing as compared to the previous month (467.4 thousand persons);
- increasing as compared to the same period of the previous year (441.1 thousand persons).

\* according to the standards of International Labour Office, the data being obtained by the Household Labour Force Survey - (see points 1 and 3 in [Methodological explanations](#)).

### Number of unemployed during May 2022 – May 2025 period



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[Chart data \(xls\)](#)

According to the breakdown by gender, men's unemployment rate was with 0.3 percentage points higher than that of women (the values concerned are 5.9% for men and 5.6% for women).

The high level of the unemployment rate among young people (15-24 years old) of 24.8%, registered between January and March 2025 still holds attention.

### Unemployment rate by gender (%)

	2024								2025				
	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr. <sup>P</sup>	May <sup>P</sup>
<b>Total</b>													
15-74 years	5.3	5.2	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.6	5.7	5.9	6.0	6.0	5.7	5.8
15-24 years	22.9	22.9	26.7	26.7	26.7	26.3	26.3	26.3	24.8	24.8	24.8	..	..
25-74 years	4.1	4.1	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.2	4.3	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.5	4.6
<b>Male</b>													
15-74 years	5.5	5.5	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.7	5.9	5.9	5.9	5.9	6.0	5.9
15-24 years	21.7	21.7	27.1	27.1	27.1	26.3	26.3	26.3	22.2	22.2	22.2	..	..
25-74 years	4.3	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.4	4.2	4.4	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.7
<b>Female</b>													
15-74 years	5.0	4.7	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.4	5.4	5.3	5.9	6.1	6.2	5.5	5.6
15-24 years	24.9	24.9	26.0	26.0	26.0	26.3	26.3	26.3	28.7	28.7	28.7	..	..
25-74 years	3.8	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.6	4.1	4.0	4.1	4.6	4.7	4.9	4.2	4.3

<sup>P</sup> Provisional data - according to data revising policy (see point 6 in [Methodological explanations](#)).

.. - Unavailable data.

[Table data \(xls\)](#)

The unemployment rate of adult persons (aged 25-74 years) was estimated at 4.6% for May 2025 (4.7% in that of men's and 4.3% in the case of women).

The number of unemployed aged 25-74 years accounted for 74.1% of the total number of unemployed estimated for May 2025.

### Additional information:

\*\* The **unemployment rate** is the share of the unemployed in the active population.

For an accurate interpretation of the indicators, please see the [Methodological explanations](#).

Monthly data on the number of unemployed and the unemployment rate compiled according to international definition (ILO - International Labour Office) can also be obtained from the publication "Monthly Statistical Bulletin No. 5/2025". Data will be available in the TEMPO database starting with the 2<sup>nd</sup> of July 2025.

The next press release which will include the estimates for June 2025 will be issued on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2025.

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