



nisr

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF
STATISTICS OF RWANDA



**SUMMARY LABOUR
FORCE INDICATORS**

Annual 2025



Rwanda Labour force survey 2025



SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS



LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION

5,449,044
Persons

63.8%

OUTSIDE THE LABOUR FORCE

3,092,165
Persons



8,541,210

Total Working population

EMPLOYMENT



55.9%

Employment to population ratio

4,772,704 persons
(All who worked for pay or profit)

UNEMPLOYMENT



12.4%

Unemployment rate

676,340 persons
(All not employed but seeking and available to work for pay or profit)

SUBSISTENCE AGRICULTURE



48.7%

1,507,072 persons
(All oriented in foodstuff producing)

OTHER OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE



51.3%

1585093 persons
(Exclusively students and Other outside LF (Elderly, disable, discouraged job seekers...))



EMPLOYMENT & UNEMPLOYMENT STATUS



EMPLOYED



4,772,704
(55.9%)

UNEMPLOYED



676,340
(12.4%)





TREND IN EMPLOYMENT TO POPULATION RATIO BY SEX (%)



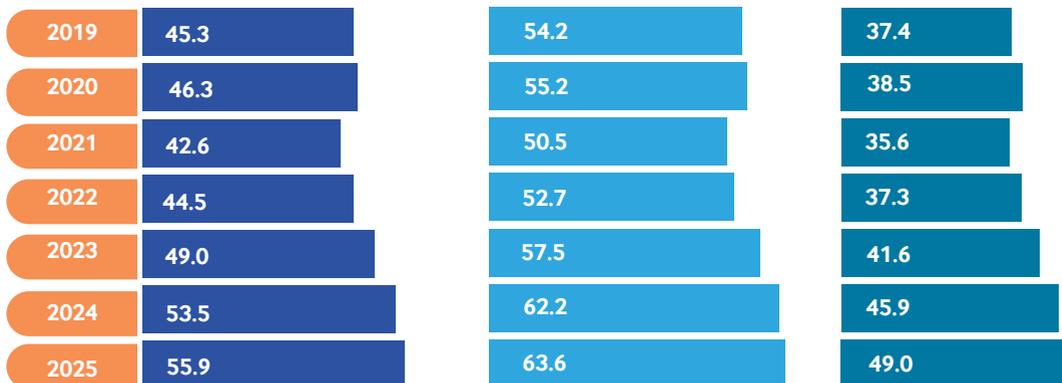
Rwanda



Male



Female



TREND IN EMPLOYMENT BY BOARD SECTOR OF ECONOMIC ACTIVITY (%)



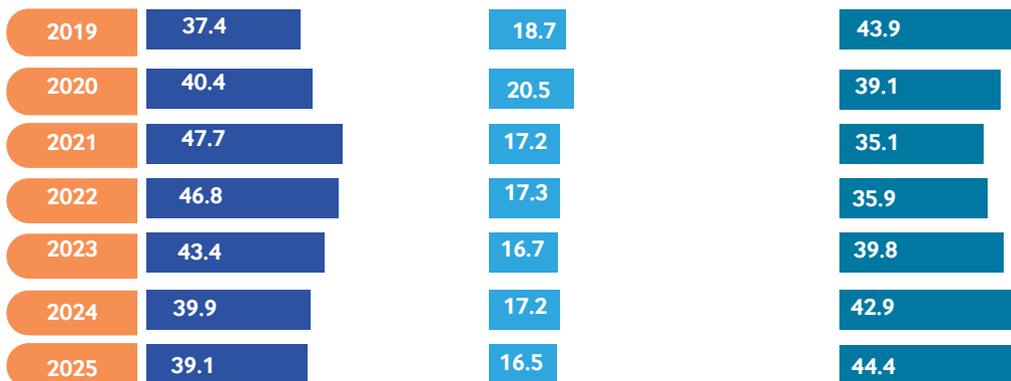
Agriculture



Industry

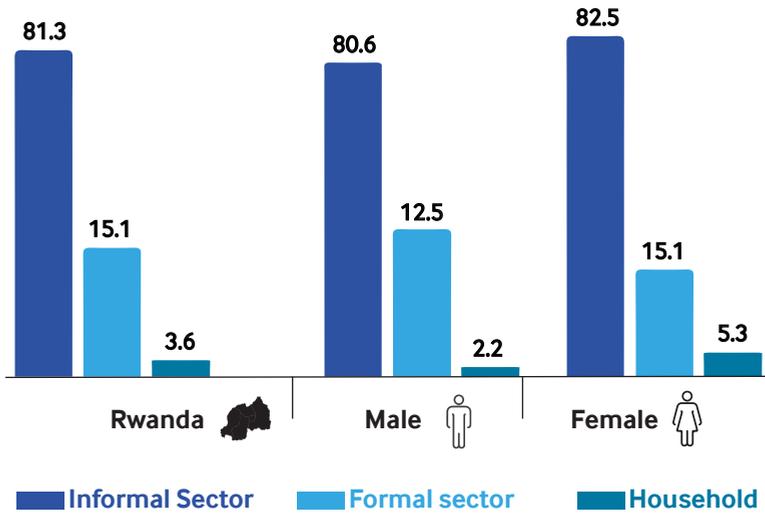


Services

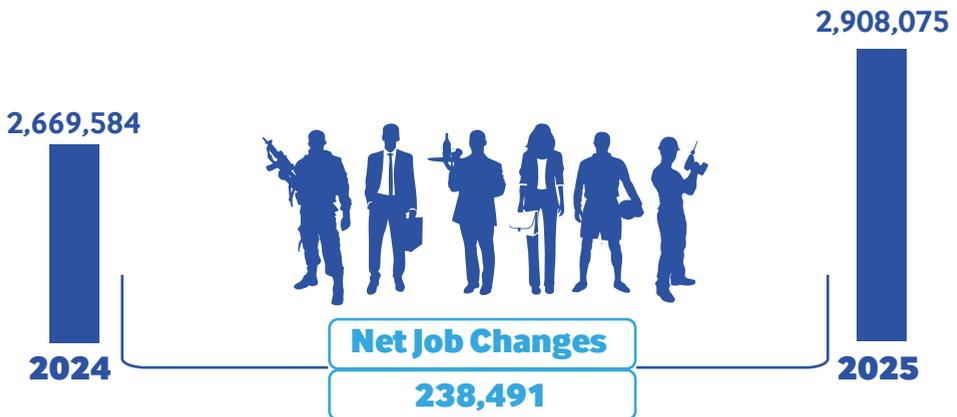




DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS IN UNIT OF PRODUCTION IN 2025 (%)

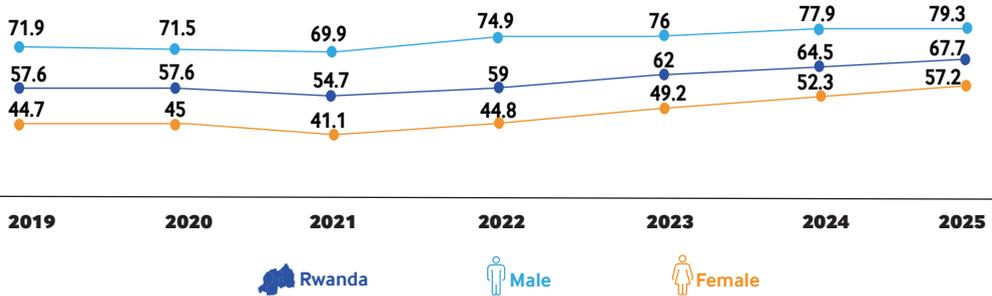


NET CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT AT MAIN JOB FROM 2024 TO 2025

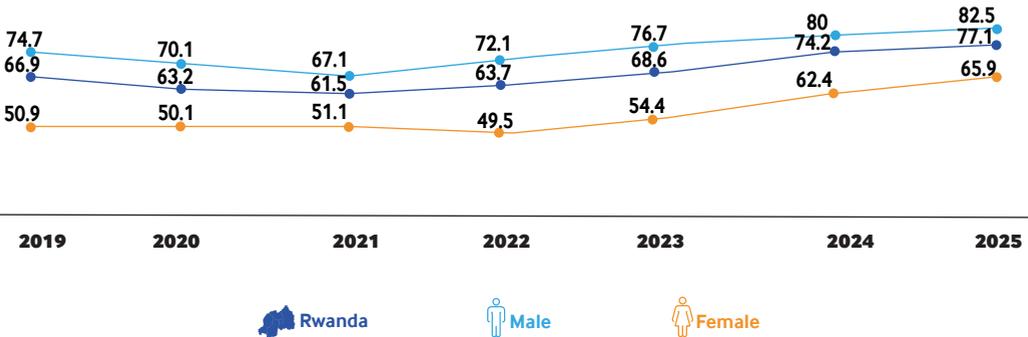




EMPLOYMENT RATE OF PERSONS AGED 25-49 WITH A CHILD UNDER AGE 3 LIVING IN A HOUSEHOLD BY SEX (%)



EMPLOYMENT RATE OF PERSONS AGED 25-49 WITH NO CHILD LIVING IN THE HOUSEHOLD BY SEX (%)





TREND IN UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY SEX (%)



Rwanda

2019	15.2
2020	17.9
2021	21.1
2022	20.5
2023	17.2
2024	14.9
2025	12.4



Male

13.8
15.9
18.5
17.9
14.5
12.6
10.8



Female

17.0
24.1
24.1
23.7
20.3
17.6
14.2



LABOUR FORCE UNDERUTILISATION IN 2025

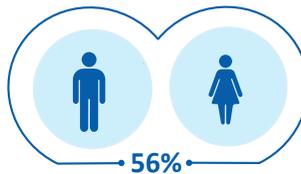
GENERAL UNDERUTILISATION



3,883,348 persons

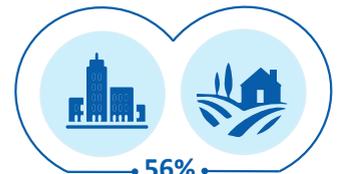
UNEMPLOYED	TIME RELATED UNDEREMPLOYED	POTENTIAL LABOUR FORCE
676,340	1,722,235	1,484,773

UNDERUTILISATION BY SEX



MALE	FEMALE
48.5%	63.1%

UNDERUTILISATION BY RESIDENCE



URBAN	RURAL
43%	61.9%



TREND IN LABOUR UNDERUTILISATION (%)



Rwanda



Male



Female

2019	55.7	47.4	63.7
2020	57.7	50.4	65.0
2021	53.3	52.4	65.4
2022	57.6	51.2	64.0
2023	54.4	47.7	60.9
2024	54.2	47.0	61.2
2025	56.0	48.5	63.1



TREND OF OUTSIDE LABOUR FORCE RATES AND POTENTIAL LABOUR FORCE (%)



Outside labour force rate



Available non-jobseekers



Discouraged jobseekers

2019	46.6	21.2	15.8
2020	43.6	22.5	11.1
2021	46.0	17.2	11.2
2022	44.0	15.5	10.4
2023	40.7	16.4	11.5
2024	37.1	15.8	10.4
2025	36.2	17.1	11.3



YOUTH NOT IN EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR TRAINING (%)



Rwanda



Male



Female

2019	34.3	26.5	41.4
2020	33.6	26.8	40
2021	35.6	29.9	41.4
2022	34.2	29.1	39.1
2023	32.9	25.9	39.2
2024	28.4	21.3	35.2
2025	24.5	18.3	30.5

"If you Don't Count You Don't Coun't"



+250 788 38 3103



www.statistics.gov.rw



info@statistics.gov.rw