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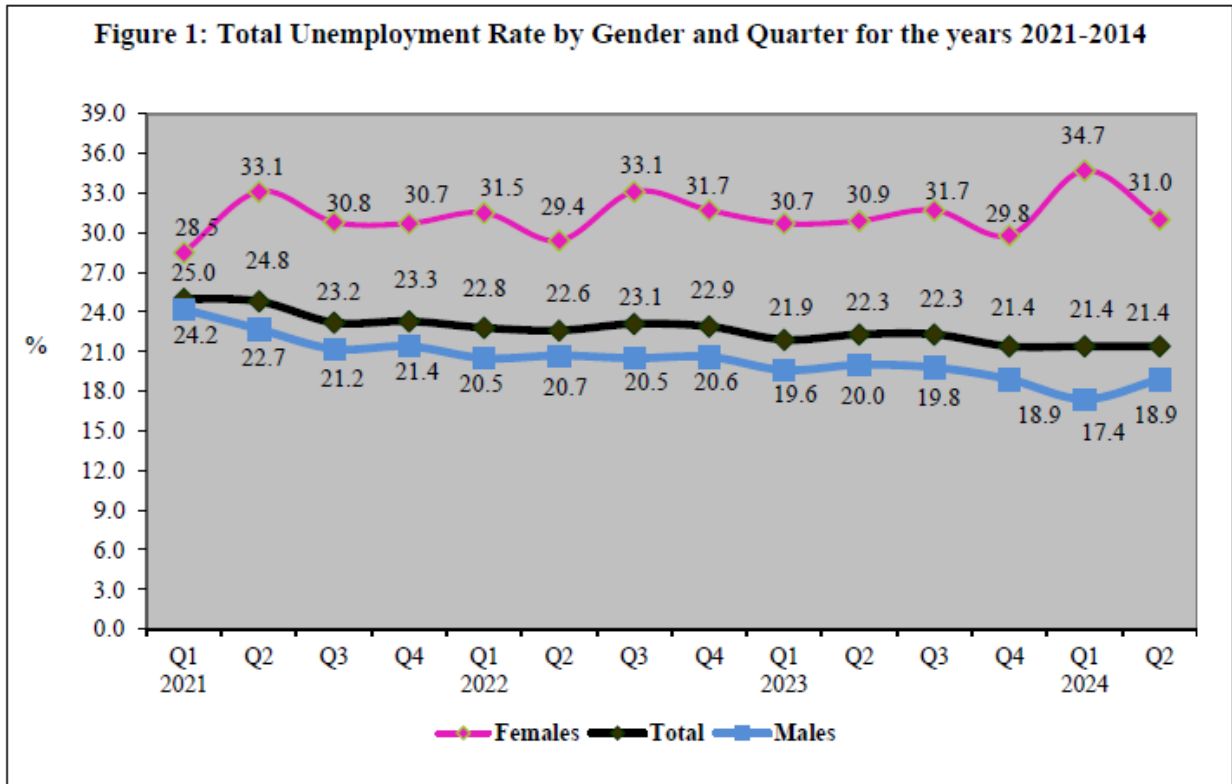
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## **The Department of Statistics: 21.4% is the unemployment rate for the second quarter of 2024**

The Department of Statistics has released its quarterly report on the unemployment rate in Jordan for the second quarter of 2024. Here is a summary of the key findings:

### **Unemployment:**

- ❖ The unemployment rate has reached 21.4% during the second quarter of 2024 with a decrease of 0.9 percentage points compared to the second quarter of 2023, and remained stable compared to the first quarter of 2024.
- ❖ The unemployment rate among males has reached 18.9% during the second quarter of 2024, down by 1.1 percentage points from the second quarter of 2023.
- ❖ The unemployment rate among females has reached 31.0% in the second quarter of 2024, up by 0.1 percentage points from the second quarter of 2023.
- ❖ Comparing the unemployment rate for the second quarter of 2024 with the first quarter of 2024, it is evident that the rate for males increased by 1.5 percentage points, while the rate for females decreased by 3.7 percentage points.



**The Unemployed:**

- ❖ The unemployment rate has reached 25.0% among holders of university degrees (unemployed individuals who hold a bachelor’s degree or higher divided by the labor force with the same educational level), compared to other educational levels.
- ❖ At the governorate level, the highest unemployment rate was recorded in Balqa Governorate, at 24.5%, while the lowest unemployment rate was in Aqaba Governorate, at 17.6%, showing a difference of 6.9 percentage points.

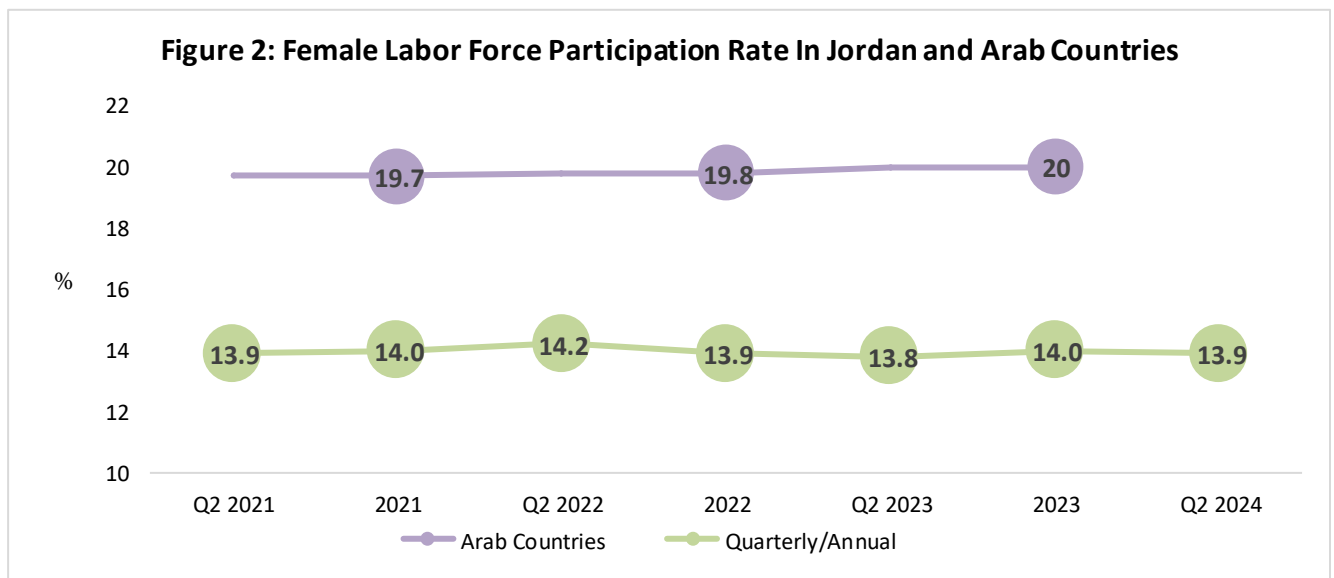
**The Employed:**

- ❖ The employment rate among the total population aged 15 years and older was 26.7%.
- ❖ The employment rate among the total population aged 23 years and older was 32.2%.
- ❖ Among employed males, 59.5% were in the age group of 20-39 years, whereas the percentage for females was 57.6%.

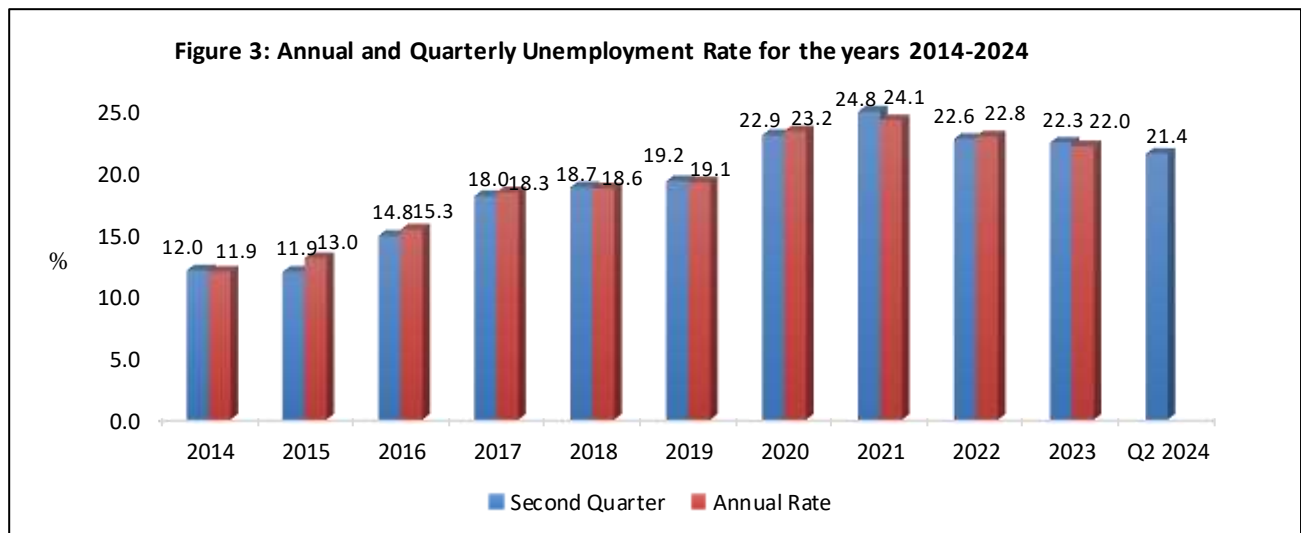
- ❖ 47.5% of the employed individuals, had educational qualifications below secondary level, 9.4% had secondary education, and 42.5% had qualifications above secondary level.
- ❖ The percentage of wage-employed individuals was 84.4%, with 82.0% for males and 95.9% for females.

**The Labor Force: (Employed & Unemployed):**

- ❖ The revised labor force participation rate (labor force as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and older) is 33.9% for the second quarter of 2024, compared to 33.0% for the second quarter of 2023, reflecting an increase of 0.9%.
- ❖ The revised labor force participation rate for males is 53.6% for the second quarter of 2024, compared to 53.0% in the second quarter of 2023, showing an increase of 0.6%.
- ❖ The revised labor force participation rate for females is 13.9% for the second quarter of 2024, compared to 13.8% in the second quarter of 2023, indicating an increase of 0.1 percentage points, noting that the labor force participation rate for females in Arab countries is 20.0%.
- ❖ The proportion of female workers in the public sector relative to the total workforce in this sector is 22.0%.



- The results showed a clear disparity in the distribution of the labor force by educational level and gender. Specifically, 56.2% of the male labor force had education levels below secondary, compared to 9.7% for females.
- The results also indicated that 74.4% of the female labor force had educational levels of a bachelor's degree or higher, compared to 36.9% among males.
- It is worth noting that the Labor Force Survey includes a sample of 16,560 households distributed across all governorates of the Kingdom, representing urban, rural, and governorates. The labor force survey is conducted in the middle of each quarter of the year and provides data that reflects the entire quarter (April, May, June). Individuals are asked if they have searched for a job during the four weeks prior to the interview, in accordance with international recommendations adopted in Jordan.




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