

Bulletin of Labour Force Survey Results 2017

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Introduction

The statistics of labour force have a great importance in providing basic information about the workforce size and their social, economic and demographic characteristics, which in turn, make the planning to the development of human resources possible and identifying the available workforce size during a specific period of time, and its convenience to the requirements and needs of the labour market, in addition to recognizing the level of training, qualification and skills among the population. The data collected during different times constitute the base to monitoring the current trends and the changes on the labour market and the positions of employment; in addition to these data, the other data about the economic aspects of the national economy constitutes the fundamental base to analyzing and evaluating the microeconomic policies, where the unemployment rate became, for example, one of the most important standards of the current performance of the national economy.

In the framework of the strategic plan of Dubai Statistics Center, which considers that one of the most important priorities of the center is to provide the necessary statistical support to implement Dubai Strategic Plan 2021, in the light of the strategic transformation and the accelerated growth witnessed by Dubai in all sectors and at different levels, this support is represented in providing the statistical data on the various economic, social and demographic types with accuracy and right timing.

In this context, Dubai Statistics Center gives a special importance to providing comprehensive statistical data about the labour force on a regular basis, according to the latest methodologies and international standards which enable the policy-makers and the decision-makers to planning for developing the human resources and control on the macroeconomic performance, and also provides a modern database and made it available to data users like researchers, businessmen and others consistently.

Dubai Statistics Center is pleased to issue this bulletin about the results of labour force survey, which was executed by the center in 2017. It comes within a series of releases and periodic statistical reports covering the results of statistical surveys which was executed by the center periodically within its annual plan.

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Preface

In 2017, Dubai Statistics Center conducted the annual survey about labour force within a series of economic, social and demographic surveys that are executed periodically within its annual plan, and taking into its account, during design and implementation, the latest methodologies and international standards. The main objectives of this survey have been determined as follows:

- Identifying the various demographic, social, and economic characteristics of the population and labour force, including participation rates in economic activity.
- Identifying the professional occupation and economic activity of the employed persons as well as their employment status.
- Measuring unemployment rates according to the different characteristics.
- Providing data about the employed and unemployed persons by their specializations and qualifications.
- Identifying the key ways and methods followed by the unemployed individual to look for a job.
- Identifying changes in these indicators and main variables over the years.

The survey sample included the Emirati Households, non-Emirati Households, collective households and labour camps. The sample size was a total of (3,000 Households) distributed as follows: (1,500) Emirati Households and (1,500) non-Emirati Households, and a sample of (1,000) from labour camps. It should be noted that the social, economic and demographic characteristics of the population are the same characteristics, which resulted from the sample.

Due to the fact that the survey was carried out in a special way, so, the samples must have had differences between the characteristics of the samples after enlarging the results and the characteristics previously estimated for the population such as the census, administrative records or from any other source. These differences are attributed to two main reasons: 1. Random errors 2. Systematic/ Bias errors, so, these types of error repeated in all results of surveys executed in a sample system, and the volume of these errors may differ from one survey to another.

The main results of the Labour Force Survey 2017

First: The characteristics of the population 15 years and over

The international labour organization (ILO) classified the population who aged or exceeded the minimum level of measuring the economically active population "the age of fifteen" into three separate groups as follow: Employed and unemployed persons they are called **the labour force or economically active population**. The third group is the population who are not part of the labour force, and it includes (old and retired individuals, students, housewives, individuals who are unable to work, or unwilling to work), and they constitute what is called **outside the labour force or economically inactive population**. It does not include the population who are less than the minimum level of measuring the economically active population - the group of children below fifteen years of age. The following presentation will focus on the population permanently residing in Dubai, who are fifteen years and over, taking into account that the size of the labour force does not include the employed persons who are working in Dubai and residing in other emirates who are estimated to be about 700,000 workers, and most of them are non-Emiratis and constitute 25.0% of the total size of the employed individuals in Dubai, which is around 2.8 million employees.

1. Population 15 years and over who are in the labour force (economically active)

The percentage of the labour force (economically active) population (employed and unemployed) persons residing in Dubai, according to the survey results, reached **83.1%** of the total population 15 years and over in 2017, this percentage represents what is called the rate of **the refined economic activity**. On the other hand, the rate of **the crude economic activity** has reached **70.1%** of the total population permanently residing in Dubai, which is estimated to be around (2,976,455) individual in 2017. The data in table (01-01) shows the percentage distribution of the population 15 years and over who are in the labour force (economically active) between Emiratis and non-Emiratis as follows:

- The percentage of the Emirati population aged 15 years and over who are in the labour force (economically active) reached **51.1%** of the total population of Emiratis aged 15 years and over, this percentage is the rate of **the refined economic activity for Emiratis**, this rate was different between males and females where the **rate of the refined economic activity for Emirati males** has reached **65.4%** for males vs. **37.4%** for females.
- The percentage of the non-Emirati population 15 years and over who are in the labour force (economically active) reached **85.3%** of the total non-Emirati population 15 years and over, this percentage represents the **refined economic activity rate for non-Emiratis** where the **refined economic activity rate for non-Emirati males** has reached **95.9%** for males vs. **55.7%** for females.

2. Population 15 years and over who are outside the labour force (economically inactive)

The percentage of the population aged 15 years and over who are outside the labour force (economically inactive) has reached **16.9%** of the total population aged 15 years and over. This group is distributed between Emiratis and non-Emiratis population 15 years and over, as follows:

- The percentage of Emirati population 15 years and over who are outside the labour force (economically inactive) was **48.9%** of the total Emirati population 15 years and over, where the percentage of the economically inactive males reached **34.6%** of the total males, and **62.6%** of the total females.
- The percentage of the non-Emirati population aged 15 years and over who are outside the labour force (economically inactive) reached **14.7%** of the total non-Emiratis 15 years and over, where the percentage of the economically inactive males has reached **4.1%** of the total males, while the females' percentage was **44.3%** of the total females.

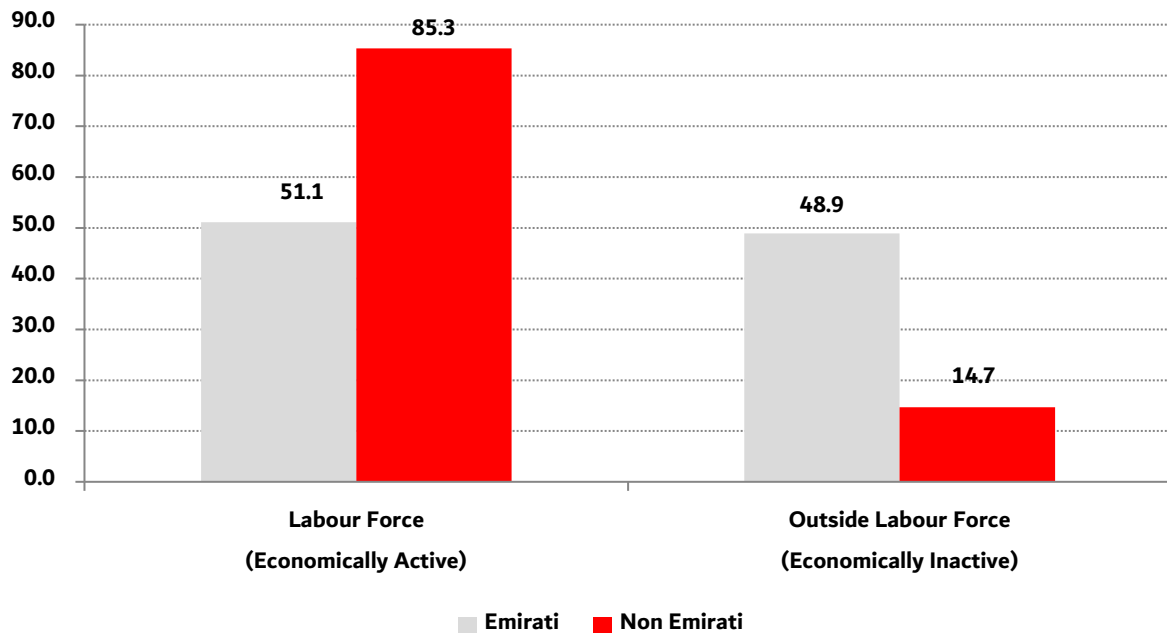
Percentage Distribution of Population 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Economic Activity Status – Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (01-01)

Nationality	Gender	Economic Activity Status									Total Population 15 years and Over
		Labour Force (Economically Active)				Outside the Labour Force (Non-Economically Active)					
		Employed	Unemployed	Total	%	Housewife	Full time student	Other	Total	%	
Emirati	Males	97.4	2.6	100.0	65.4	0.0	47.6	52.4	100.0	34.6	100.0
	Females	95.1	4.9	100.0	37.4	44.5	29.3	26.2	100.0	62.6	100.0
	Total	96.6	3.4	100.0	51.1	29.1	35.6	35.3	100.0	48.9	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	99.8	0.2	100.0	95.9	0.0	65.2	34.8	100.0	4.1	100.0
	Females	98.9	1.2	100.0	55.7	76.3	13.0	10.7	100.0	44.3	100.0
	Total	99.6	0.4	100.0	85.3	60.6	23.7	15.7	100.0	14.7	100.0
Grand Total	Males	99.7	0.3	100.0	94.6	0.0	60.3	39.7	100.0	5.4	100.0
	Females	98.5	1.5	100.0	53.6	71.2	15.6	13.2	100.0	46.4	100.0
	Total	99.5	0.5	100.0	83.1	54.7	26.0	19.3	100.0	16.9	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Population 15 Years and Over by Nationality Economic Activity Status – Emirate of Dubai (2017)

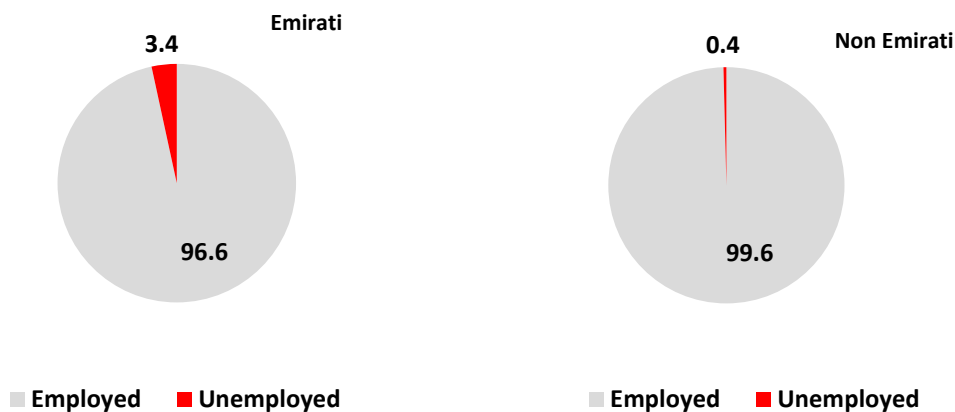


Second: The population aged 15 years and over who are in the labour force (economically active)

In this group, the population is classified to employed and unemployed persons, which is usually called the labour force. The data contained in table (01-01), shows:

- The rate of the employed persons in Dubai formed **99.5%** of the total labour force (economically active) population while the percentage of unemployed persons "**unemployment rate**" in Dubai reached **0.5%** in 2017.
- The percentage of employed Emirati persons reached **96.6%** of the total labour force (economically active) population, while the percentage of unemployed Emiratis reached **3.4%**, and this rate represents the **unemployment rate among Emiratis**. Unemployment rates varied between Emirati males and females where for males it has reached **2.6%** only while for females it has reached **4.9%**.
- The percentage of non-Emirati employed persons was about **99.6%** of the total labour force (economically active) non-Emirati population. This high percentage is due to the fact that a large number of non-Emirati population are labours with economic activities. The rate of unemployment among non-Emiratis did not exceed **0.4%**, where for males it reached **0.2%** while for females it reached **1.2%**.

**Percentage Distribution of Labour Force (Economically Active) Population by Nationality - Emirate of Dubai
(2017)**



Employed Persons

The survey provided a comprehensive database for the different employed persons' characteristics such as their age, educational level, marital status, position of the labour force and their distribution by occupations, economic activities and other characteristics. The most important characteristics will be identified, as follows:

Employed Persons 15 years and over by age groups

- The employed persons are concentrated in the youth age groups (20 - 49 years), the percentage of employed persons in this group reached **89.6%** of the total employed persons. This percentage is higher for females than for males where the rates were **92.4%** among females compared with **89.0%** among males.
- The percentage of employed Emiratis in this age group reached **88.9%**, where it reached **94.3%** among females and **85.7%** among males.
- The percentage between employed non-Emiratis reached **89.7%**, where it was **92.3%** among females and **89.1%** among males.

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Age Groups

Emirate of Dubai

(2017)

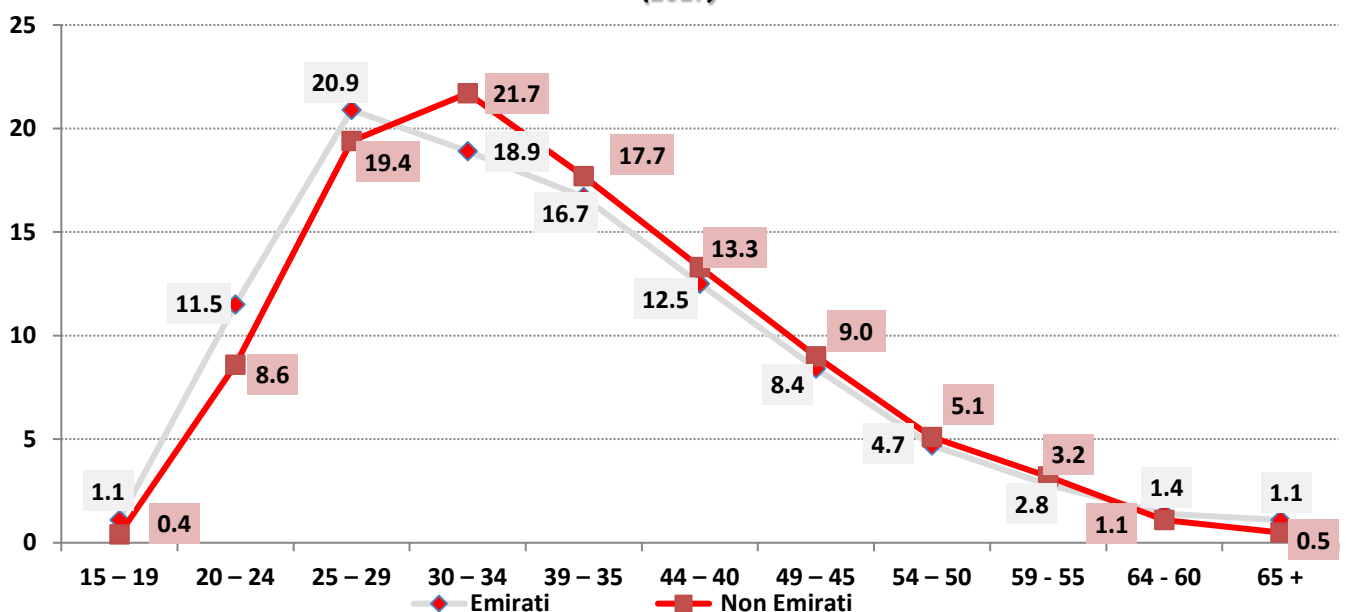
Table (02-01)

Nationality	Gender	Age Groups											Total
		15 – 19	20 -24	25 – 29	30 – 34	35 – 39	40 – 44	45 – 49	50 – 54	55 – 59	60 – 64	65+	
Emirati	Males	1.1	12.1	17.3	17.0	17.5	12.7	9.1	6.2	3.4	1.9	1.7	100.0
	Females	1.2	10.5	27.0	22.0	15.5	12.1	7.2	2.1	1.7	0.6	0.1	100.0
	Total	1.1	11.5	20.9	18.9	16.7	12.5	8.4	4.7	2.8	1.4	1.1	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.5	8.6	19.5	21.6	17.1	13.1	9.2	5.6	3.2	1.1	0.5	100.0
	Females	0.4	8.5	18.9	22.3	20.5	14.1	8.0	3.0	3.1	0.7	0.5	100.0
	Total	0.4	8.6	19.4	21.7	17.7	13.3	9.0	5.1	3.2	1.1	0.5	100.0
Grand Total	Males	0.5	8.7	19.4	21.5	17.1	13.1	9.2	5.6	3.2	1.2	0.5	100.0
	Females	0.5	8.7	19.6	22.1	20.1	14.0	7.9	2.9	3.0	0.7	0.5	100.0
	Total	0.5	8.7	19.4	21.6	17.7	13.2	9.0	5.1	3.2	1.1	0.5	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Age Groups – Emirate of Dubai

(2017)



Employed Persons 15 years and over by educational level

- The percentage of the employed persons based on educational level varies considerably between Emiratis and non-Emiratis and between males and females. The percentage of employed persons who has Prep-education and below was **36.7%**; for males it reached **40.3%** while for females **19.7%**. The percentage of employed persons who has secondary and post-secondary education below university level was **29.2%**; for males it reached **30.8%** compared with **22.5%** for females. The percentage of employed persons who have college degree or higher was **34.1%**; for females it was **57.8%** and for males **28.9%**.
- The percentage of employed Emiratis who has Prep-education and below was **12.5%**; for females it was **4.4%** only while it was higher for males and reached **17.2%**. The percentage of employed persons who has secondary and post-secondary education below university level was **45.3%**; with **42.8%** for females and **47.0%** for males. The percentage of employed persons who has college degree or higher reached **42.2%**, and for females it was higher than males; where for females it reached **52.8%** compared with **35.8%** among males.
- The educational level of employed non-Emiratis is different from employed Emiratis, where the percentage of employed non-Emiratis who have prep-education and below educational levels has reached **37.6%**. For females it was about **21.0%** and for males about **41.0%**. The employed non-Emiratis are distributed in other educational levels in a similar way to their general distribution which was presented at the beginning of this paragraph, where for those who have educational levels of secondary and post-secondary education below university level has reached **28.6%**; with a percentage of **30.2%** for males and **20.8%** for females. The percentage of employed persons with college degree or higher has reached **33.8%**; for males **28.8%** while for females **58.2%**.

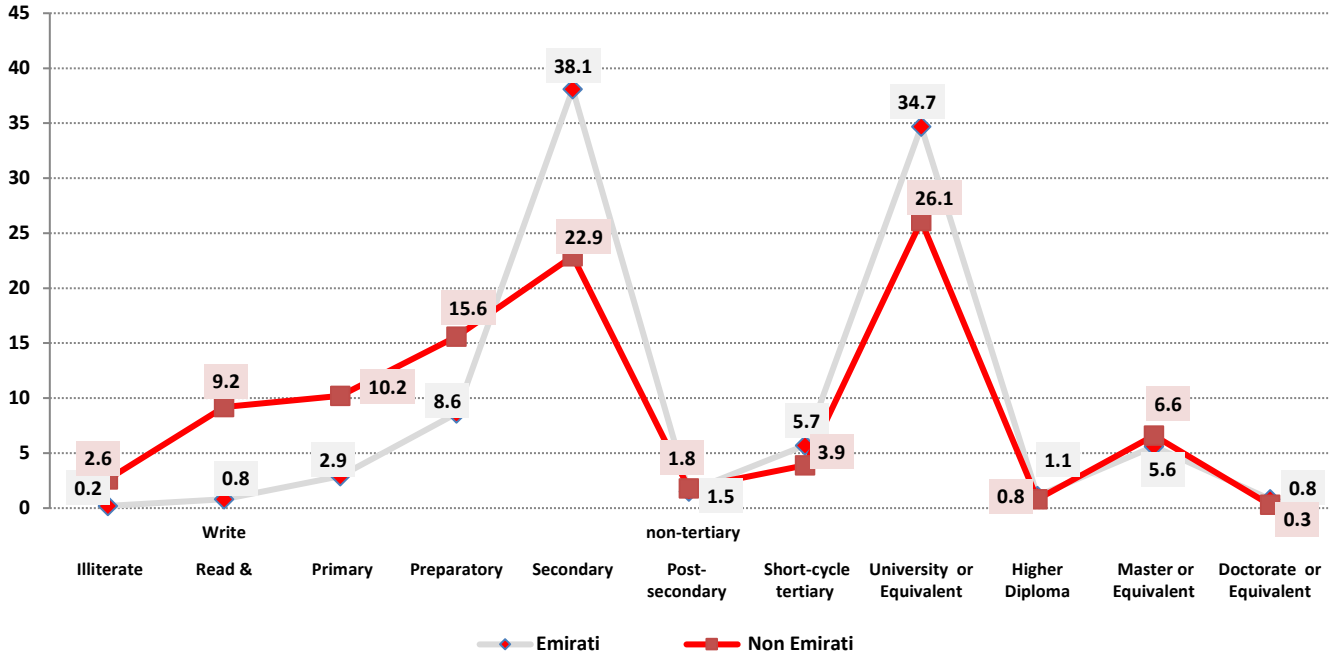
Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Educational Level- Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (02-02)

Nationality	Gender	Educational level											Total
		Illiterate	Read & Write	Primary	Preparatory	Secondary	Post-secondary non-tertiary	Short-cycle tertiary	University or Equivalent	Higher Diploma	Master or Equivalent	or Doctorate Equivalent	
Emirati	Males	0.2	1.2	4.2	11.6	39.7	1.5	5.8	29.1	0.7	5.3	0.7	100.0
	Females	0.1	0.1	0.8	3.4	35.5	1.6	5.7	44.0	1.8	6.0	1.0	100.0
	Total	0.2	0.8	2.9	8.6	38.1	1.5	5.7	34.7	1.1	5.6	0.8	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	2.9	9.8	11.0	17.3	24.5	1.9	3.8	22.2	0.7	5.7	0.2	100.0
	Females	1.1	6.2	6.5	7.2	15.3	1.0	4.5	46.1	0.8	10.8	0.5	100.0
	Total	2.6	9.2	10.2	15.6	22.9	1.8	3.9	26.1	0.8	6.6	0.3	100.0
Total	Males	2.8	9.6	10.8	17.1	25.0	1.9	3.9	22.3	0.7	5.7	0.2	100.0
	Females	1.1	5.7	6.0	6.9	16.9	1.0	4.6	45.9	0.9	10.4	0.6	100.0
	Total	2.5	8.9	10.0	15.3	23.5	1.7	4.0	26.5	0.8	6.5	0.3	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Educational Level - Emirate of Dubai (2017)



Employed Persons 15 years and over by marital status

- The percentage of employed persons who never married between Emiratis and non-Emiratis varied where it reached **34.8%** among the employed Emiratis with a higher percentage among females of **41.8%** vs. **30.8%** among males, while for non-Emiratis it reached **27.0%**; with **25.7%** for males vs. **33.2%** for females.
- The percentage of employed persons who are married among Emiratis and non-Emiratis reached **71.4%** and it was higher for males where it reached **73.7%** vs. **61.0%** for females. This percentage reached **71.8%** among non-Emiratis and it was **74.0%** for males vs. **61.8%** for females. The same percentage among Emiratis reached **60.4%** and it was higher for males where it reached **66.4%** vs. **49.9%** for females.
- The percentage of divorced employed Emiratis reached **4.2%** at the aggregate level, where this percentage is increasing to **7.0%** for females vs. **2.6%** for males, while among divorced non-Emiratis it reached **0.9%**.
- The percentage of widowed employed persons reached **0.6%** for Emiratis and **0.3%** non-Emiratis.

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Marital Status

Emirate of Dubai

(2017)

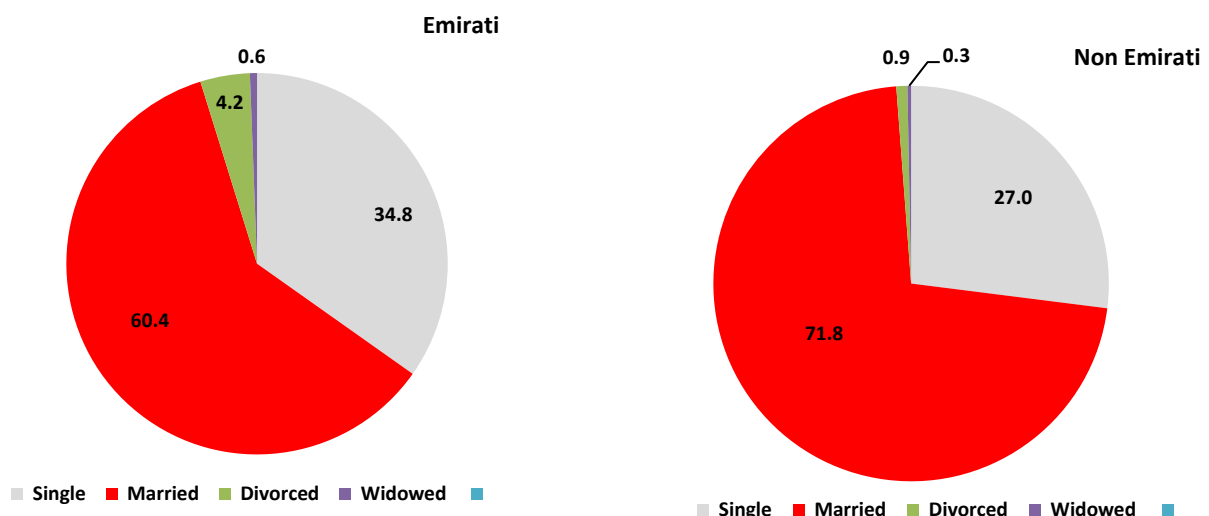
Table (02-03)

Nationality	Gender	Marital Status				Total
		Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	
Emirati	Males	30.8	66.4	2.6	0.2	100.0
	Females	41.8	49.9	7.0	1.3	100.0
	Total	34.8	60.4	4.2	0.6	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	25.7	74.0	0.3	0.0	100.0
	Females	33.2	61.8	3.5	1.5	100.0
	Total	27.0	71.8	0.9	0.3	100.0
Grand Total	Males	25.9	73.7	0.4	0.0	100.0
	Females	33.8	61.0	3.8	1.4	100.0
	Total	27.3	71.4	1.0	0.3	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Marital Status- Emirate of Dubai

(2017)



Employed Persons 15 years and over by occupation

- The occupations of employed Emiratis are concentrated in three main professions which are the legislators, managers, businessmen, professionals and the technicians and associate professionals and it formed about **63.0%**; with **60.9%** for males vs. **66.5%** for females. The percentage of employed Emiratis in writing occupations reached **17.8%**. It was higher for females where it reached **27.4%** vs. **12.2%** for males. It was also noted that the percentage of females was **93.9%** in the previously mentioned professions vs. **73.1%** for males.
- In comparison, the percentage of non-Emiratis in these first three professions reached **32.6%**, and it was higher for females and reached **49.7%** vs. **29.2%** for males. The non-Emirati females were concentrated in the elementary occupations which presented **25.1%** vs. **11.8%** for males. While the percentages of non-Emirati males were concentrated in craft and related trades workers, sales and service occupations and elementary occupations and were (**29.0%, 15.0%, 11.8%**) respectively.

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Occupation – Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (02-04)

Nationality	Gender	Occupation									Total
		legislators, higher management employees, and directors	Professionals	Technicians and associate professionals	Clerical support workers	Service and sales workers	Skilled agricultural, forestry and fishery workers	Craft and related trades workers	Plant and machine operators, and assemblers	Elementary occupations	
Emirati	Males	15.2	17.0	28.7	12.2	24.7	0.2	0.2	1.8	0.0	100.0
	Females	12.9	33.3	20.3	27.4	6.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	14.3	23.0	25.7	17.8	17.8	0.1	0.1	1.2	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	8.9	10.3	10.0	4.0	15.0	0.1	29.0	10.9	11.8	100.0
	Females	9.6	25.9	14.2	11.3	13.3	0.0	0.4	0.2	25.1	100.0
	Total	9.0	12.9	10.7	5.2	14.8	0.1	24.1	9.1	14.1	100.0
Grand Total	Males	9.1	10.5	10.5	4.2	15.4	0.1	28.1	10.7	11.4	100.0
	Females	9.8	26.5	14.7	12.6	12.7	0.0	0.4	0.2	23.1	100.0
	Total	9.3	13.3	11.3	5.7	14.9	0.1	23.1	8.8	13.5	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Employed persons 15 years and over by economic activity

- A large percentage of Emiratis are working in the public administration and defense activities, where the percentage of workers in this activity was **54.7%** mostly from males with **61.5%** vs. **42.6%** for females. Females' activities are concentrated in; financial by **13.8%**, education by **7.9%**.
- As for the non-Emiratis, a large proportion of them are working in construction by **28.7%**, this percentage is higher for males with **34.1%** vs. **1.9%** for females. The rest are working in; wholesale and retail trade by **18.3%**, manufacturing by **8.3%**, administrative activities by **8.1%**, transportation and storage by **7.0%**, hotels and restaurants by **5.2%**, private households which appoint persons by **5.1%**.

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Economic Activity- Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (02-05)

Economic Activity	Nationality								
	Emirati			Non Emirati			Total		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mining and quarrying	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1
Manufacturing	2.1	1.4	1.8	9.4	2.8	8.3	9.2	2.7	8.0
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	3.5	4.7	3.9	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.4
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Construction	0.7	0.5	0.6	34.1	1.9	28.7	33.2	1.8	27.6
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	8.2	5.9	7.4	18.9	14.7	18.3	18.7	14.1	17.9
Transportation and storage	9.0	5.7	7.8	7.6	4.4	7.0	7.6	4.5	7.1
Accommodation and food service activities	0.9	0.9	0.9	5.1	5.8	5.2	4.9	5.4	5.0
Information and communication	1.7	1.2	1.5	2.3	1.8	2.2	2.3	1.7	2.2
Financial and insurance activities	3.7	13.8	7.4	2.0	5.1	2.5	2.0	5.8	2.7
Real estate activities	2.7	1.8	2.3	2.5	3.2	2.6	2.5	3.1	2.6
Professional, scientific and technical activities	1.7	1.4	1.6	3.8	5.1	4.0	3.7	4.8	3.9
Administrative and support service activities	1.8	4.8	2.9	8.3	7.0	8.1	8.1	6.8	7.9
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	61.5	42.6	54.7	1.9	1.6	1.8	3.6	4.9	3.8
Education	0.4	7.9	3.1	0.7	9.8	2.3	0.7	9.7	2.3
Human health and social work activities	0.8	4.9	2.3	1.0	6.7	2.0	1.0	6.5	2.0
Arts, entertainment and recreation	0.7	2.0	1.2	0.4	1.2	0.5	0.4	1.2	0.5
Other service activities	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	2.2	1.0	0.8	2.0	1.0
Activities of households as employers	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	26.0	5.1	0.8	23.9	4.9
Activities of extraterritorial organizations and bodies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Employed Persons 15 years and over by employment status

The percentage of Emirati employers is **3.8%** of the total employed Emiratis. Only **0.9%** of them are self-employed, and **95.3%** are salaried employed persons. In contrast, the percentage of non-Emirati salaried employed persons from the total employed non-Emiratis was **95.9%**; with equal percentage of **95.9%** for males and females.

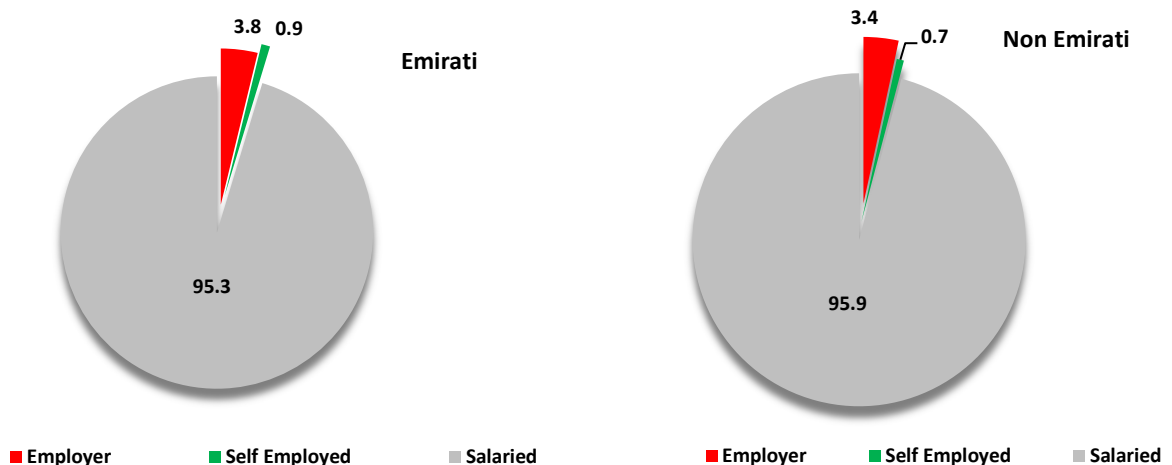
Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Employment Status- Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (02-06)

Nationality	Gender	Employment Status				Total
		Employer	Self Employed	Salaried	Work for family with pay	
Emirati	Males	5.3	1.3	93.4	0.0	100.0
	Females	1.4	0.3	98.3	0.0	100.0
	Total	3.8	0.9	95.3	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	3.5	0.6	95.9	0.0	100.0
	Females	2.8	1.3	95.9	0.0	100.0
	Total	3.4	0.7	95.9	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	3.6	0.6	95.8	0.0	100.0
	Females	2.7	1.2	96.1	0.0	100.0
	Total	3.4	0.7	95.9	0.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Unemployment Status- Emirate of Dubai (2017)



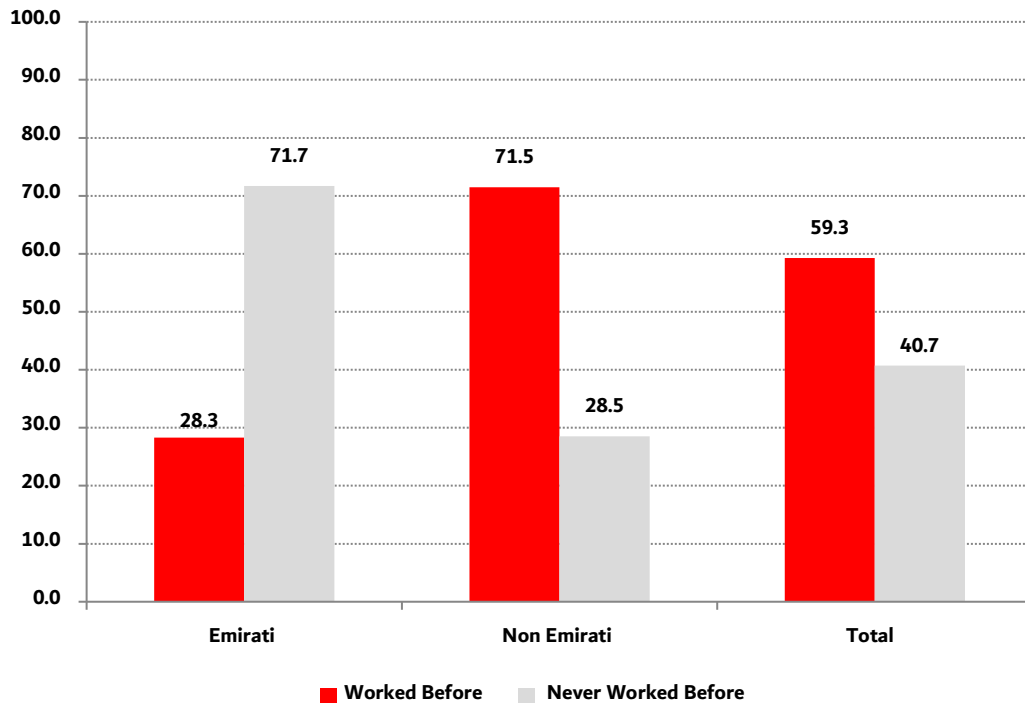
Unemployed Persons

Unemployed Persons 15 years and over by unemployment status

- The number of unemployed Emiratis is estimated to be 2,851 persons who are job seekers. The unemployment rate among Emiratis was **3.4%** with **2.6%** for males and **4.9%** for females. The percentage of unemployed persons obtaining university degrees was **58.3%** of the total unemployed persons. Whereas the percentage of those who have secondary school degrees was **37.6%**, and for persons obtaining post-secondary degrees below university level the percentage was **4.1%**.
- The number of non-Emirati unemployed persons is estimated with 7,196 unemployed persons who are looking for a job. The unemployment rate among non-Emiratis was **0.4%**; with **0.2%** for males and **1.2%** for females. More than **83.6%** of the unemployed non-Emirati persons were obtaining university level degrees and the majority of them worked before.

Percentage Distribution of Employed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Employment Status

Emirate of Dubai (2017)



Unemployed Persons 15 years and over by age groups

- The unemployed persons among Emiratis are concentrated in the age group of (20-29 years), where they accounted for **78.8%** of the total unemployed Emiratis (estimated about 2,851 persons). This percentage reached **79.2%** for unemployed females (estimated about 1,519 persons), while for males it reached **78.4%** (estimated about 1,332 persons). Noting that the percentage of unemployed males in the age group of (15-19 years) has reached **4.8%** of the total unemployed males.
- All non-Emirati males and females unemployed persons were concentrated in the age group (20-34 years).

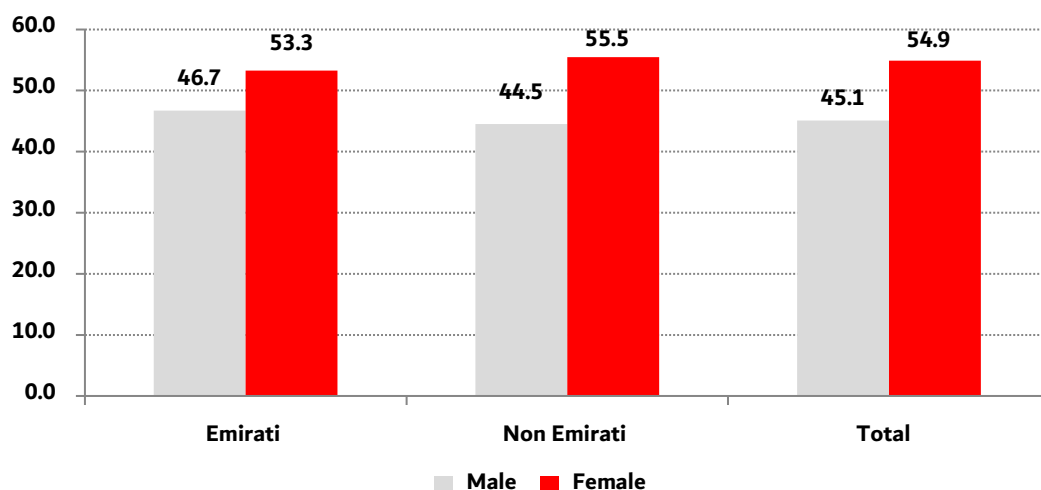
Percentage Distribution of Unemployed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Age Groups- Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (03-01)

Nationality	Gender	Age Groups					Total
		19 – 15	24 – 20	29 – 25	34 – 30	39 – 35	
Emirati	Males	4.8	41.0	37.4	16.8	0.0	100.0
	Females	4.0	45.7	33.5	14.9	1.9	100.0
	Total	4.4	43.5	35.3	15.8	1.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	52.8	19.5	27.7	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	21.8	37.8	40.4	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	35.6	29.6	34.8	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	1.4	49.4	24.7	24.5	0.0	100.0
	Females	1.1	28.4	36.6	33.4	0.5	100.0
	Total	1.2	37.8	31.3	29.4	0.3	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed Persons 15 Years and Over by Gender and Nationality– Emirate of Dubai (2017)



Unemployed Persons 15 years and over by educational level

- The percentage of unemployed Emiratis who are obtaining university or higher levels' degrees was **58.3%** of the total unemployed. The unemployed females in this category accounted for **90.1%** of the total unemployed females. The percentage of the unemployed persons obtaining a secondary and below education levels accounted for **37.6%**; from which **71.1%** were males, and **8.0%** were females. Whereas the percentage of the unemployed persons who have secondary and below university educational levels was **4.1%** of the total unemployed persons.

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Educational Level

Emirate of Dubai

(2017)

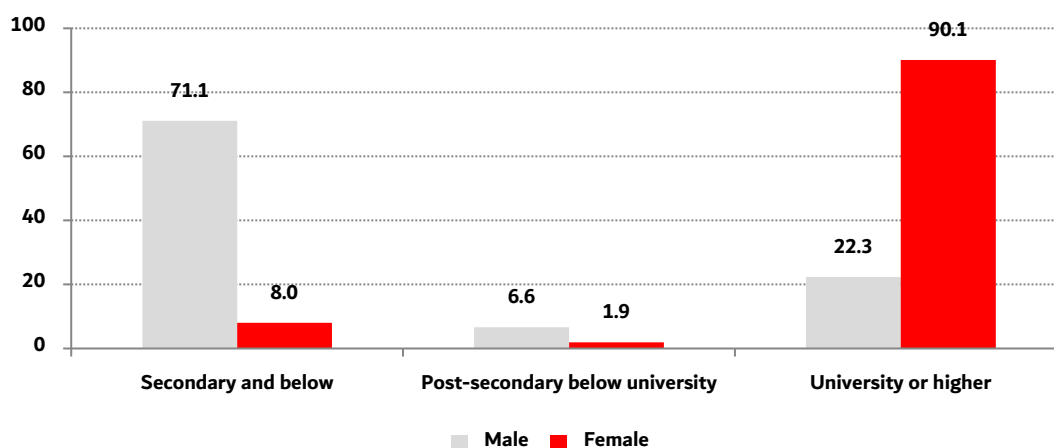
Table (03-02)

Nationality	Gender	Educational Level											Total
		Illiterate	Read & Write	Primary	Preparatory	Secondary	Post-secondary non-tertiary	Short-cycle tertiary	University or Equivalent	Higher Diploma	Master or Equivalent	Doctorate or Equivalent	
Emirati	Males	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.3	61.8	0.0	6.6	22.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8.0	0.0	1.9	84.9	0.0	5.2	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.4	33.2	0.0	4.1	55.5	0.0	2.8	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	0.0	0.0	15.0	1.9	0.0	19.9	51.7	0.0	11.5	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	88.4	0.0	11.6	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.7	0.9	0.0	8.8	72.0	0.0	11.6	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	19.5	0.0	16.0	43.1	0.0	8.1	0.0	100.0
	Females	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2	0.0	0.5	87.4	0.0	9.9	0.0	100.0
	Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	10.0	0.0	7.5	67.4	0.0	9.1	0.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed Emiratis 15 years and Over by Gender and Educational Level- Emirate of Dubai

(2017)



Unemployed Persons 15 years and over by marital status

- The percentage of unemployed Emirati females (who never married) reached **78.7%** of the total unemployed females, while unemployed females who are married accounted for **19.4%**.
- With regard to the non-Emirati unemployed persons, the results showed that more than half of them were single (who never married) of which **53.6%** were males and **57.9%** were females.

Percentage Distribution of Unemployed Persons 15 Years and Over by Nationality, Gender and Marital Status- Emirate of Dubai (2017)

Table (03-03)

Nationality	Gender	Marital Status				Total
		Single	Married	Divorced	Widowed	
Emirati	Males	84.0	13.8	2.2	0.0	100.0
	Females	78.7	19.4	1.9	0.0	100.0
	Total	81.2	16.8	2.0	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	53.6	46.4	0.0	0.0	100.0
	Females	57.9	41.5	0.6	0.0	100.0
	Total	56.0	43.7	0.3	0.0	100.0
Grand Total	Males	62.6	36.8	0.6	0.0	100.0
	Females	63.5	35.5	1.0	0.0	100.0
	Total	63.1	36.1	0.8	0.0	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Third: Population 15 years and over who are outside the labour force (economically inactive)

- Emirati population 15 years and over who are outside the labour force (economically inactive) account for **48.9%** of the total Emirati population 15 years and over. The percentage of students has reached **35.7%** of the total economically inactive Emirati population 15 years and over; of which **47.6%** were males and **29.3%** were females. The percentage of housewives was **44.6%** and the percentage of persons aged 65 years and older was **6.9%**, of which **8.1%** were males and **6.3%** were females. Whereas the retired persons account for **10.8%** of the total economically inactive Emirati population. With respect to the non-Emirati's who are outside the labour force (economically inactive persons) aged 15 years and over, they account for **14.7%** of the total non-Emirati population aged 15 years and over, from which the percentage of students was **23.7%**, the percentage of housewives was **60.6%**, and the percentage of persons aged 65 years and over was **3.1%**.

**Percentage Distribution of Population Outside the Labour Force (Non – Economically Active) 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Gender-
Emirate of Dubai
(2017)**

Nationality	Gender	Outside the Labour Force (Non – Economically Active)										Total
		Household duties	Student	Unable to work (Disabled, Illness)	Retired	Aged 65 or older	Independent income	Social conditions	Not willing To work	Did not find a job	other	
Emirati	Males	0.0	47.6	6.0	24.2	8.1	2.9	1.7	1.0	2.8	5.7	100.0
	Females	44.6	29.3	4.6	3.7	6.3	1.8	2.7	3.4	2.4	1.2	100.0
	Total	29.1	35.7	5.1	10.8	6.9	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.8	100.0
Non Emirati	Males	0.0	65.1	4.3	0.0	6.6	13.2	1.7	0.8	5.2	3.1	100.0
	Females	76.1	13.0	1.1	0.0	2.2	1.6	1.8	1.3	2.6	0.3	100.0
	Total	60.6	23.7	1.7	0.0	3.1	4.0	1.7	1.2	3.1	0.9	100.0
Grand Total	Males	0.0	60.4	4.7	6.8	7.0	10.3	1.7	0.8	4.5	3.8	100.0
	Females	71.3	15.6	1.6	0.6	2.8	1.6	1.9	1.6	2.5	0.5	100.0
	Total	54.8	26.0	2.3	2.0	3.8	3.6	1.9	1.4	3.0	1.2	100.0

Table (04-01)

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

Housewives

- The percentage of Emirati housewives constitutes **9.9%** of the total housewives and they are concentrated in the age of 25 years and over with a percentage of **96.9%**. With respect to the educational level, the percentage of females who are obtaining a secondary level education and higher was **56.4%**.
- The percentage of non-Emirati housewives reached **90.1%** of the total housewives and they are concentrated in the age of 20-59 years and account for about **95.4%**. The percentage of females who are obtaining a secondary level education and higher was **86.5%** from which **63.9%** have a university degree and **19.0%** have a secondary education level.

**Percentage Distribution of housewives 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Age Groups - Emirate of Dubai
(2017)**

Table (04-02)

Nationality	Age Groups											Total
	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65+	
Emirati	0.2	2.9	8.9	10.2	11.9	13.0	13.7	12.4	11.1	8.9	6.8	100.0
Non Emirati	0.5	3.4	14.1	24.0	18.9	11.3	9.1	8.5	6.1	2.9	1.2	100.0
Total	0.4	3.4	13.5	22.7	18.2	11.5	9.6	8.9	6.6	3.5	1.7	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017

**Percentage Distribution of Housewives 15 Years and Over by Nationality and Educational Level Emirate of Dubai
(2017)**

Table (04-03)

Nationality	Educational Level											Total
	Illiterate	Read & Write	Primary	Preparatory	Secondary	Post-secondary non-tertiary	Short-cycle tertiary	University or Equivalent	Higher Diploma	Master or Equivalent	Doctorate or Equivalent	
Emirati	11.5	7.4	10.0	14.5	35.5	0.9	2.8	17.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	100.0
Non Emirati	1.4	1.3	4.1	6.7	19.0	1.0	2.6	48.8	0.7	14.2	0.2	100.0
Total	2.4	1.9	4.6	7.5	20.6	1.0	2.6	45.7	0.7	12.8	0.2	100.0

Source: Dubai Statistics Center – Labour Force Survey 2017