



ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΔΗΜΟΚΡΑΤΙΑ

ΥΠΟΥΡΓΕΙΟ ΟΙΚΟΝΟΜΙΑΣ & ΟΙΚΟΝΟΜΙΚΩΝ

**GENERAL SECRETARIAT**

**NATIONAL STATISTICAL SERVICE  
OF GREECE**



Piraeus, 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2008

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### *LABOUR FORCE SURVEY October 2007*

The General Secretariat of National Statistical Service of Greece announces the Labour Force Survey's results for October 2007.

For monthly estimations, a sub sample of the quarterly Labour Force survey's sample was used. In total, 22,593 persons, belonging to 9,384 different households, were interviewed.

Monthly employment's characteristics (number of employed, unemployed etc.) were estimated by an unbiased estimator, which was calculated based on: a) the probability of selection of a household, b) the non response rate in each primary sampling unit and c) and the estimated population distribution by sex and group ages in every NUT II level area, for October.

Contact person: Stelios Zachariou

Tel: +30 210 4852173

Fax: + 30 210 4852948

*E-mail: zacharis@statistics.gr*

## EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OCTOBER 2007

In October 2007, the number of employed people is estimated to 4,544,534 The number of unemployed people is estimated to 387,743, while economically non actives were estimated to 4,282,192. Unemployment rate is 7,9%.

The corresponding figures for October 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 are presented in Table 1.

**Table 1. Employed, unemployed, economically non active and rate of unemployment (October, 2004 - 2007).**

	October 2004	October 2005	October 2006	October 2007
<b>Employed</b>	4,356,349	4,393,928	4,512,818	4,544,534
<b>Unemployed</b>	474,018	463,144	378,574	387,743
<b>Economically non active</b>	4,247,761	4,261,912	4,282,842	4,282,192
<b>Unemployment rate</b>	9.8	9.5	7.7	7.9

In Table 1 data we observe:

The number of employed persons increases from 2004 to 2007. The rate of increase in employment between October 2004 and October 2005 was 0.9%, between October 2005 and October 2006 was 2.7% while between October 2006 and October 2007 the rate of increase was 0.7 %.

Number of unemployed decreased from 2003 to 2006 and increased in 2007. Between October 2004 and October 2005, the number of unemployed persons decreased by 2.3%. Between October 2005 and October 2006, decreased by 18.3% while between October of 2006 and October of 2007 increased by 2.4%.

These changes in the number of employed and unemployed persons led to the reduction of unemployment rate, from 9.8% in October 2004 to 9.5% in October 2005. In October 2006, the unemployment rate was 7.7%, and in October 2007 7.9%.

Tables 2,3, and 4 present in detail the unemployment rate by region, sex and group ages in October 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

**Table 2: Unemployment rate by region: October 2004 - 2007**

	October 2004	October 2005	October 2006	October 2007
ANATOLIKI MAKEDONIA, THRAKI	12,0	11,8	9,6	7,2
KENTRIKI MAKEDONIA	11,5	11,2	8,2	9,0
DYTIKI MAKEDONIA	19,3	12,0	9,7	10,1
IPEIROS	10,7	8,1	8,3	12,8
THESSALIA	9,6	8,5	6,1	7,2
IONIA NISIA	6,6	5,0	7,9	4,9
DYTIKI ELLADA	10,7	9,8	10,7	9,5
STEREA ELLADA	14,1	13,2	9,6	11,5
ATTICI	8,6	9,1	7,5	7,3
PELOPONNISOS	6,8	7,3	6,8	8,1
VOREIO AIGAIO	9,5	8,5	7,2	4,7
NOTIO AIGAIO	8,6	9,1	5,6	5,0
KRITI	6,3	6,3	3,9	4,0
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,8</b>	<b>9,5</b>	<b>7,7</b>	<b>7,9</b>

**Table 3: Unemployment rate by sex: October 2004-2007**

	October 2004	October 2005	October 2006	October 2007
MALES	6,0	5,8	4,5	4,7
FEMALES	15,4	15,0	12,4	12,4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,8</b>	<b>9,5</b>	<b>7,7</b>	<b>7,9</b>

**Table 4: Unemployment rate by age groups: October 2004-2007**

	October 2004	October 2005	October 2006	October 2007
15-24 years old	26,0	25,5	22,6	21,9
25-34 years old	12,9	13,6	10,7	11,7
35-44 years old	6,8	6,5	5,6	6,0
45-54 years old	6,0	5,8	4,3	3,7
55-64 years old	3,5	3,1	3,0	3,4
65-74 years old	1,5	0,0	1,3	2,7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,8</b>	<b>9,5</b>	<b>7,7</b>	<b>7,9</b>