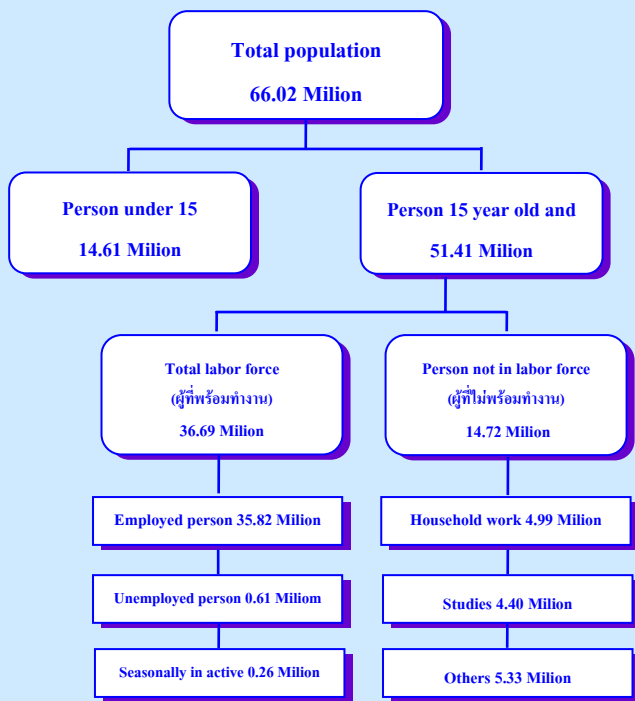


## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

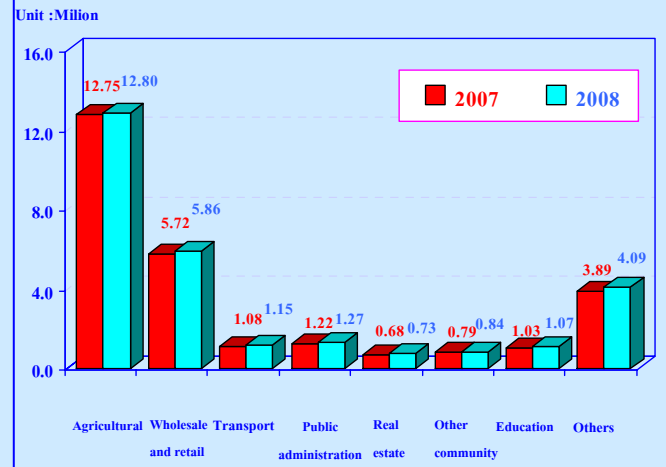
The National Statistical Office has been surveyed the labor force in quarter 1: 2008 found 51.41 million persons 15 years old and over, 36.69 million were in the total labor force (35.82 million were employed, 0.61 million were unemployed and 0.26 million were seasonally inactive labor force) and 14.72 million were not in the labor force.

CHART OF POPULATION BY LABOR FORCE  
THE LABOR FORCE SURVEY , QUARTER 1 : 2008



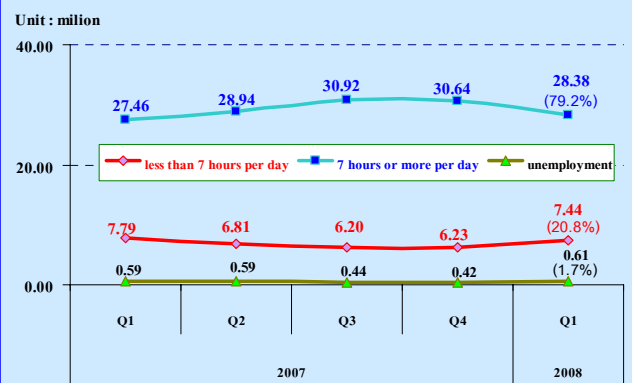
The labor force survey conducted in quarter 1: 2008, 35.82 million were employed. In the same period the labor force were employed increase 570,000 (from 35.25 million to 35.82 million) when considering each important industry found that the number of the employed persons in agriculture sector were increased about 50,000 ( from 12.75 million to 12.80 million). The number of the employed persons in non-agriculture sector were increased about 520,000 (from 22.50 million to 23.02 million) wholesale and retail trade 140,000, transport 70,000, public administration and defense sector, real estate renting and business activities sector and other community social and personal service activity sector increase share nearly 50,000, education sector 40,000 and the rest were in the other sector.

FIGURE 1 COMPARING NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BETWEEN  
QUARTER 1 OF 2007 AND QUARTER 1 OF 2008 BY INDUSTRY



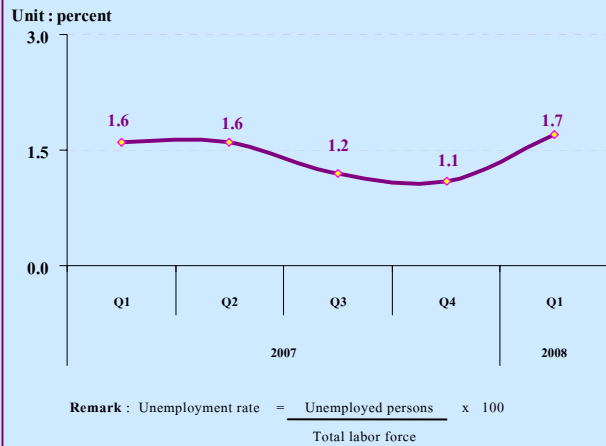
When considering employed persons work hour per day in quarter 1: 2008 found that the highest proportion of employed persons worked 7 hours and more per day assume that they had full time in work 28.38 persons or 79.2 per cent of the total labor force who were employed.

FIGURE 2 COMPARING NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS BETWEEN  
2007 AND 2008 BY HOURS WORKED PER DAY

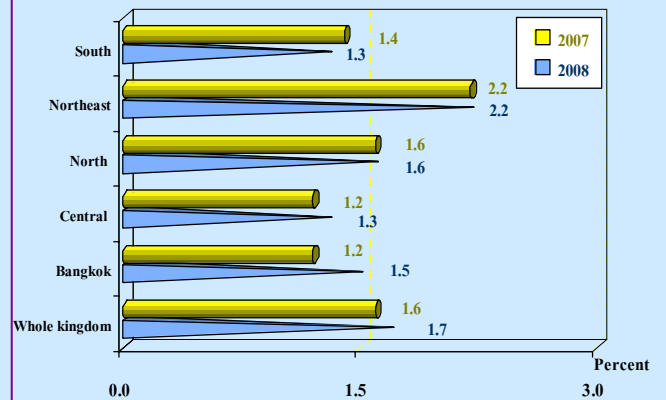


There were the employed persons who work less than 7 hours per day 7.44 million or 20.8 per cent. Compare with the same period last year found that the number of employed persons worked 7 hours and more per day were increased about 920,000 and the employed persons who work less than 7 hour per day were decreased 350,000.

**FIGURE 3 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF 2007 AND 2008**



**FIGURE 5 UNEMPLOYMENT TARE OF QUARTER 1 : 2007 AND 2008**



**FIGURE 4 COMPARING UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF 2007 AND 2008**

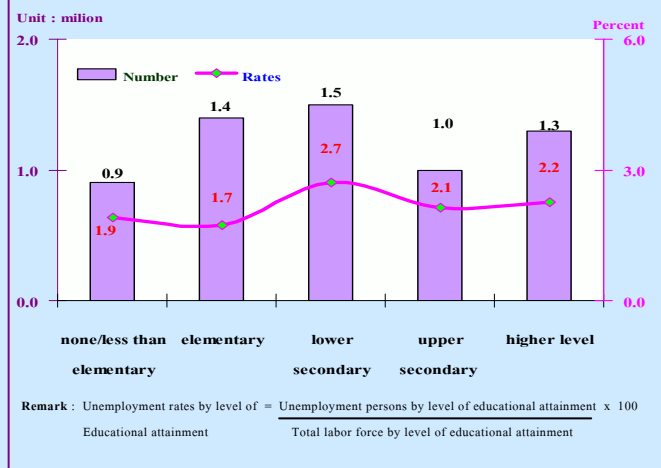


In quarter 1 : 2008 the total number of unemployed persons were 610,000 or 1.7 per cent of the unemployment rate. Considering for unemployed in each age group found that there were 270,000 in youth group (15 – 24 years old) or 5.6 per cent of the unemployment rate and there were 340,000 in worker group (25 years old and over) or 1.1 per cent of the unemployment rate.

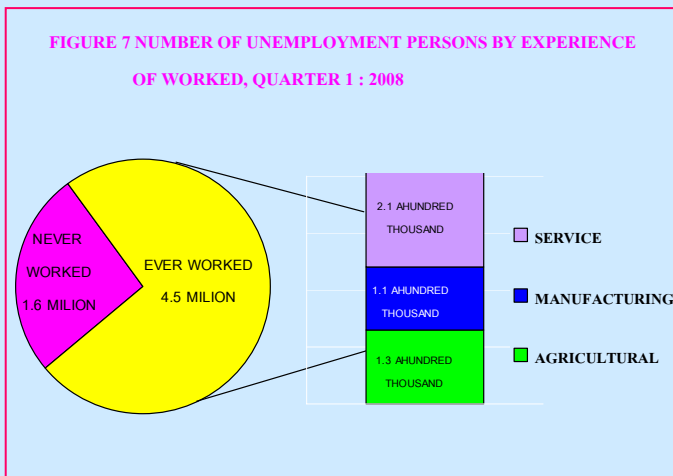
The report represent the unemployed persons in youth group had more than each group because the highest proportion of youth group just graduate the opportunities to get in work were less than other and had less experience to get in work.

To compare in each region, in the Northeast had highest unemployment rate 2.2 per cent followed by the North 1.6 per cent, Bangkok 1.5 per cent, Central and the South share the same 1.3 per cent. For level of educational attainment of the unemployed persons found that the unemployment rate of persons attained lower secondary level highest were 2.7 per cent followed by the higher level 2.2 per cent, upper secondary level 2.1 per cent, less than elementary and none 1.9 per cent and elementary level 1.7 per cent respectively.

**FIGURE 6 NUMBER AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY LEVEL OF EDUCATIONAL, QUARTER 1 : 2008**



As for unemployed person by experience in work in quarter 1 : 2008 found that from the total unemployed 610,000 were ever worked 160,000 and had ever worked 450,000. The unemployed persons who had ever worked were in agriculture sector 130,000 and non – agriculture 320,000, were produce sector 110,000 and service sector 210,000.



Therefore the labor force in quarter 1 : 2008, there were employed persons 35.82 million, 570,000 were increase or 1.6 per cent compare in the same period last year, non-agriculture sector 23.02 million or 64.3 per cent and agriculture sector 12.80 million or 35.7 per cent

When considering work hour there were the number of the persons who work 7 hours and over per day 28.38 million and the persons who work less than 7 hours per day 7.44 million when compare with the same period last year the number of the persons who work 7 hours and over per day were increased 920,000 and the persons who work less than 7 hours per day were decreased 350,000

For unemployment in quarter 1 :2008 the number of unemployed persons were increased 18,000 or 0.1 per cent compare with the same period last year, in the Northeast had the highest unemployment rate 2.2 per cent.

In these information about unemployment the highest proportion were middle level and high level, 250,000 were the secondary level and 130,000 were in higher level.

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