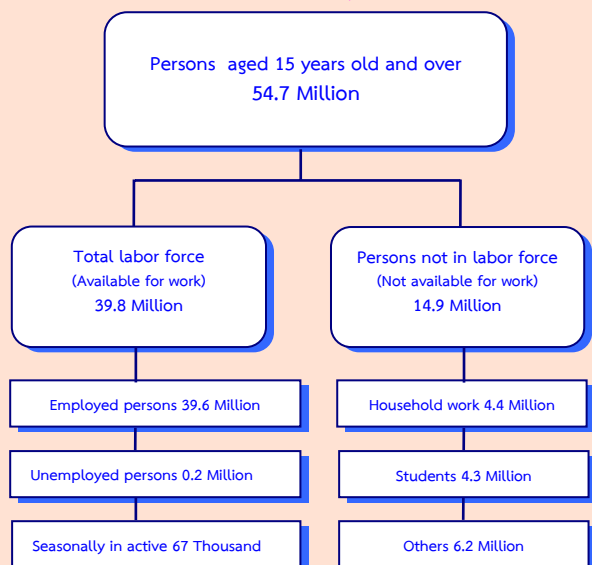


# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

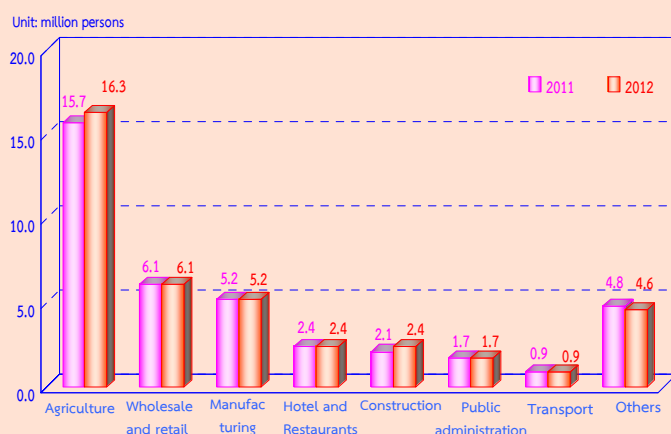
## LABOR FORCE SURVEY IN THE 4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER OF 2012

### NUMBER OF POPULATION BY LABOR FORCE THE LABOR FORCE SURVEY , QUARTER 4 : 2012



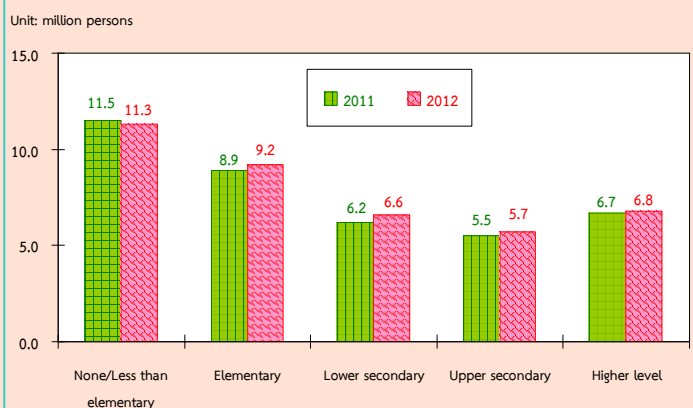
Some major findings from the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of the 2012 Labor Force Survey showed that there were 54.7 million people, aged 15 years and over, of these, 39.8 million were in the labor force (39.6 million were employed, 0.2 million were unemployed and 67 thousand were seasonally inactive labor force) and 14.9 million were not in the labor force (4.4 million were household work, 4.3 million were students and 6.2 million were others).

FIGURE 1 COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS OF QUARTER 4 IN 2011 AND 2012 BY INDUSTRY



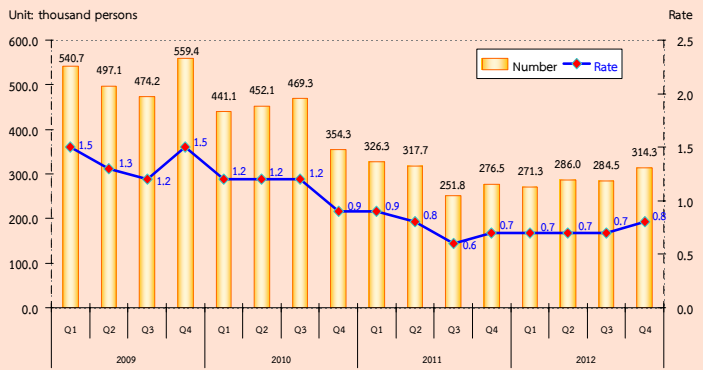
Comparing to the same period of 2011, the number of persons employed increased by 0.7 million (from 38.9 million to 39.6 million) or 1.8%. It was found that the number of employed persons in non – agriculture sector increased by 0.1 million (from 23.2 million to 23.3 million). This increment was found in only construction industry (0.3 million). Those in agriculture sector increased by 0.6 million (from 15.7 million to 16.3 million).

FIGURE 2 COMPARISON OF THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYED PERSONS OF QUARTER 4 IN 2011 AND 2012 BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION



Comparing level of educational attainment of the employed persons to the same period of 2011, it was found that the number of employed persons with lower secondary level increased by 0.4 million, elementary level increased by 0.3 million, upper secondary level increased by 0.2 million, higher level increased by 0.1 million. However employed persons with no education and with less than elementary decreased by 0.2 million.

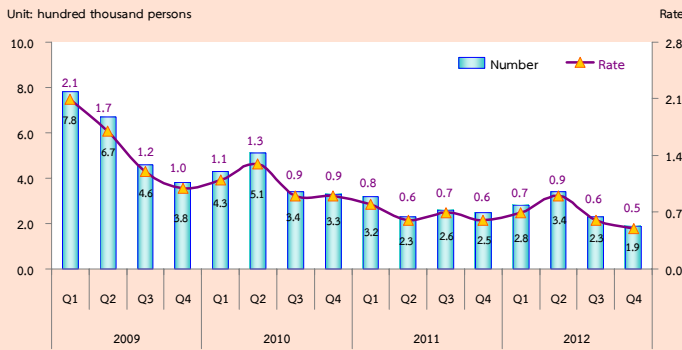
**FIGURE 3 THE NUMBER AND RATE OF UNDEREMPLOYMENT WORKER BY QUARTERLY IN 2009 - 2012**



Remark : Underemployment rate =  $\frac{\text{Employed persons 1-34 hours/week and available for additional work}}{\text{Total employed persons}} \times 100$

If the operation is not fully considered or function below the level of the working hours (defined as working less than 35 hours per week and available for additional work) in the fourth quarter 2012, showed that the number of people who work less than half a million of 3.1 held that those who work in this group, even if it is working, but it is not working at full capacity. Because they also have more time to work on their own. If the rate was lower when compared with the total number of 0.8%.

**FIGURE 4 THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN 2009 - 2012**

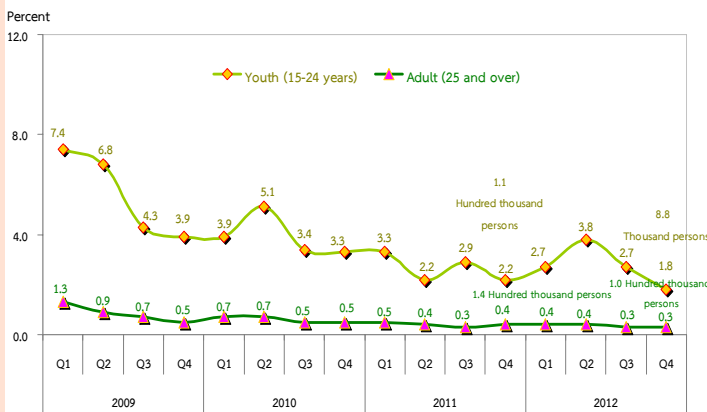


Remark : Unemployment rate =  $\frac{\text{Unemployed persons}}{\text{Total labor force}} \times 100$

However, when compared with the reaction time of the year 2011, the number of underemployment worker increased by 38 thousand (from 0.7% to 0.8%).

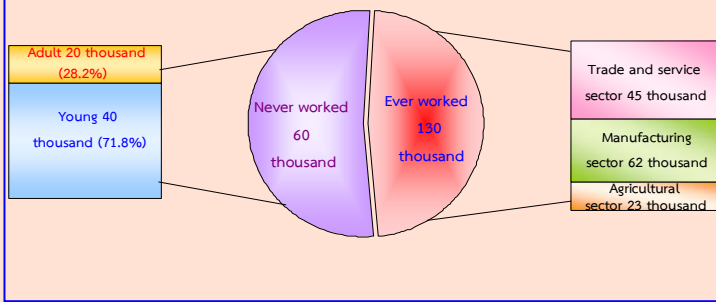
In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2012, there were 0.19 million or 0.5% of unemployed persons. Comparing to the same period of last year, the number of unemployed persons decreased by 60 thousand (from 0.25 million to 0.19 million). Considering by age group, it is noticeable that there were 88 thousand or 1.8% found in a teenager group (15-24 years old) and 0.1 million or 0.3% in adult group (25 years and over). Comparing to the same period of 2011, the number of unemployed persons decreased by 22 thousand (from 0.11 million to 88 thousand), in the teenagers'. The adult group decreased by 40 thousand (from 0.14 million to 0.10 million).

**FIGURE 5 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IN 2009 - 2012 BY AGE GROUP**



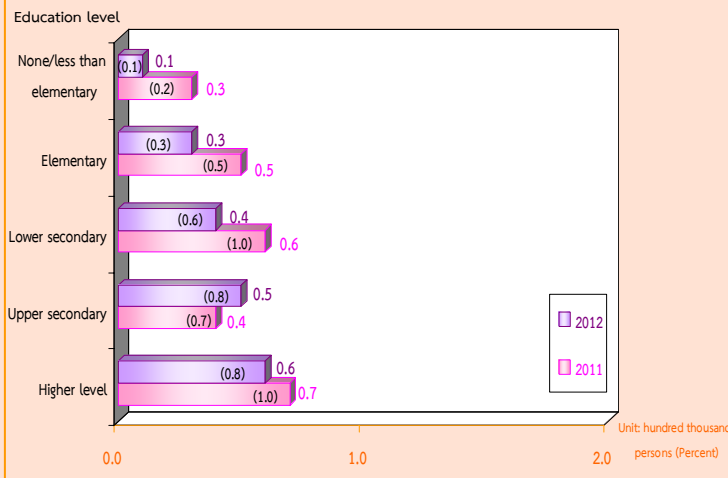
Remark : Unemployment rates by age group =  $\frac{\text{Unemployed persons by age group}}{\text{Total labor force by age group}} \times 100$

FIGURE 6 THE NUMBER OF UNEMPLOYED PERSONS BY EXPERIENCE OF WORK QUARTER 4 : 2012



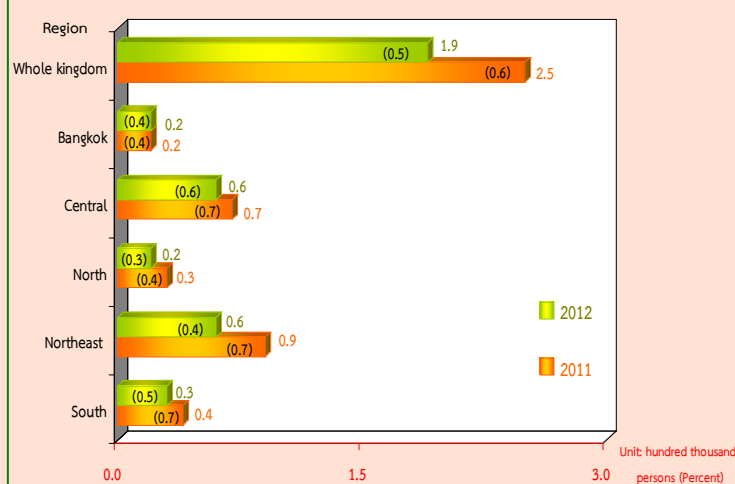
Concerning work experience of unemployed persons, about 60 thousand out of 190 thousand, had no experience in work, with these 40 thousand were from the teenager group, and 20 thousand from the adult group, about 130 thousand of unemployed persons have ever worked. Looking at the distribution of unemployed persons, about 62 thousand, were from manufacturing, 45 thousand were from the trade and service sector, and the least of about 23 thousand were from agriculture sector.

FIGURE 7 COMPARISON NUMBER AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY LEVEL OF EDUCATION, BETWEEN QUARTER 4 OF 2011 AND 2012



Data in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2012, showed that the higher level of education attainment, the higher number of unemployed, it is clearly seen that 60 thousand with the highest level of educational attainment were unemployed, followed by 50 thousand, with upper secondary, 40 thousand, with lower secondary level. Unemployed persons with elementary level were about 30 thousand and around 10 thousand with no education and with less than elementary.

FIGURE 8 COMPARISON NUMBER AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY REGION, BETWEEN QUARTER 4 OF 2011 AND 2012



Comparing the number of unemployment by region with the same period of last year, it showed that the number of unemployed persons of most regions decreased, in the Northeast decreased by 30 thousand, the Central, the North and the South by 10 thousand, while the unemployment persons did not change in Bangkok.

In sum, the results of the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter in the 2012, Labor Force Survey revealed that the over all unemployment rates decreased by 0.1 (from 0.6% to 0.5%). A decrease appeared in most of the regions; the Northeast by 0.3 (from 0.7% to 0.4%), the South by 0.2 (from 0.7% to 0.5%), the Central by 0.1 (from 0.7% to 0.6%), the North by 0.1 (from 0.4% to 0.3%), while the unemployment rate did not change in the Bangkok.