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## Labour Demand

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▶ Employed persons 39.13 million  
Unemployed persons 4.32 million

▶ The insured persons who registered unemployment via DOE were 83,341 persons.

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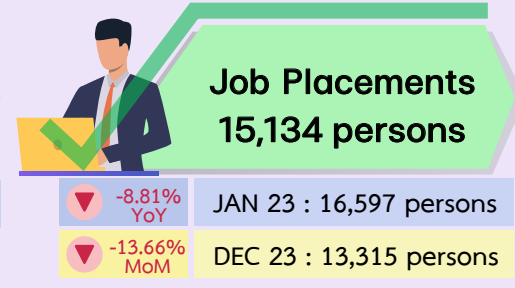
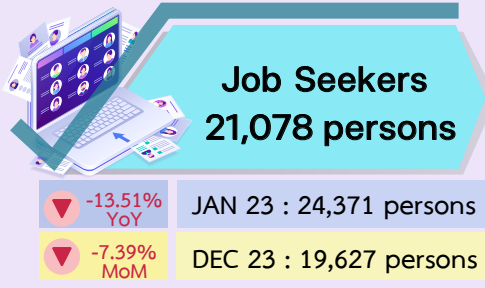
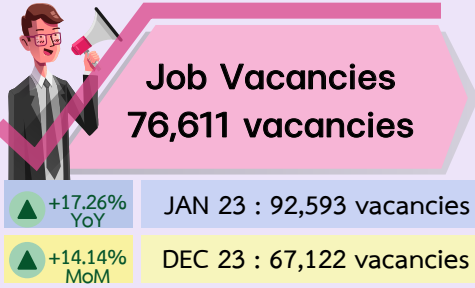
The Thai Labour Market Situation in January 2024, there were 39.13 million employed, 4.32 hundred thousand unemployed persons and 83,341 insured persons who registered unemployment via DOE. The majority cause of unemployment was resignation (80.22%). Furthermore, employers/companies reported their labour requirement via DOE 76,611 job vacancies. Thai workers working overseas has decreased by 5.11% and foreign workers working in Thailand has increased by 3.19%.

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# 1. Labour Demand : Labour Requirement via DOE



In January 2024, employers/companies reported their labour requirement via DOE about 76,611 job vacancies. The highest demand was 28,626 vacancies at the vocational level and diploma (37.37%), followed by 26,983 vacancies at the secondary level (35.22%), 11,105 vacancies at the bachelor's degree and higher (14.50%) and 9,897 vacancies at the primary level (12.92%).



## Labour Requirement via DOE Classified by Economic Sectors

**Agriculture Sector**  
836 vacancies



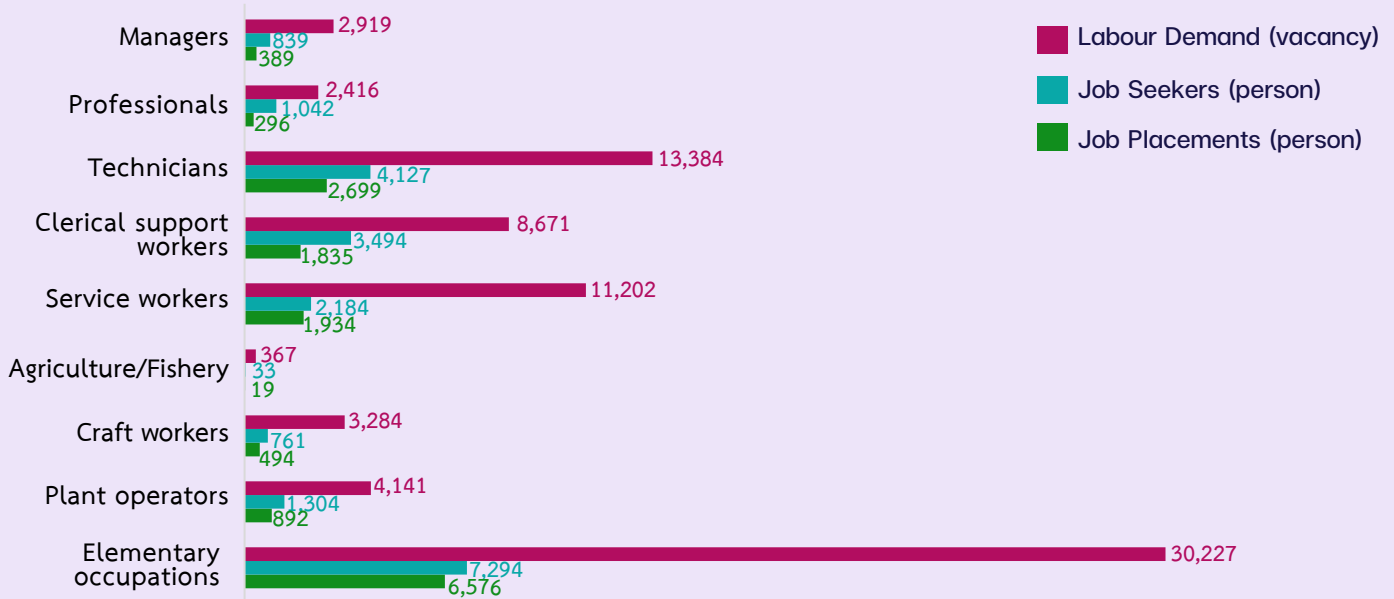
**Manufacturing Sector**  
33,899 vacancies



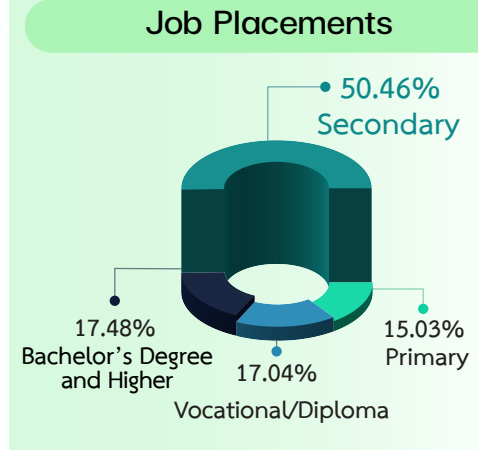
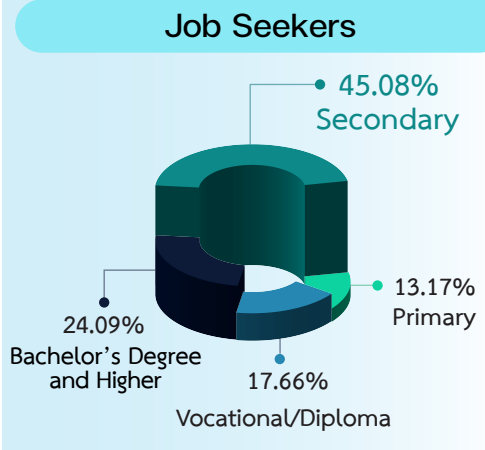
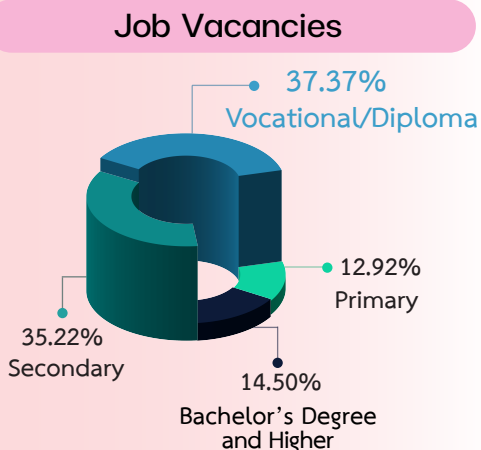
**Service/Trade Sector**  
41,876 vacancies



## Job Vacancies, Job Seekers and Job Placements Classified by Occupation Groups



## Job Vacancies, Job Seekers and Job Placements Classified by Education Levels



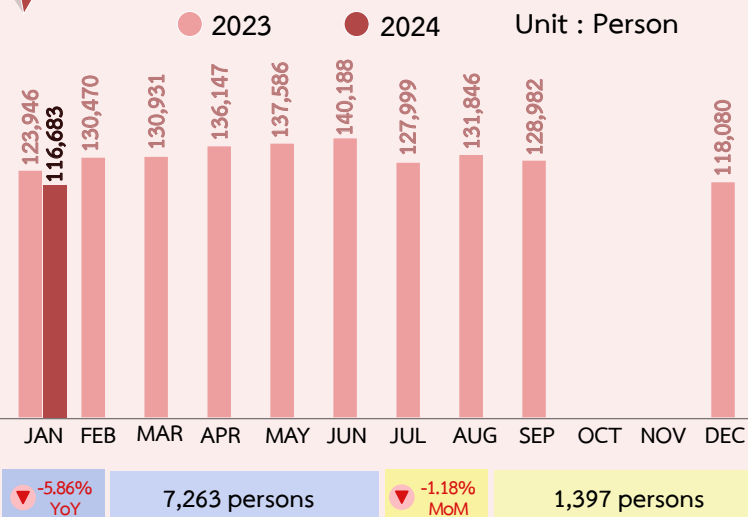
Source : DOE Data Center

# Labour Emigration : Thai workers working overseas

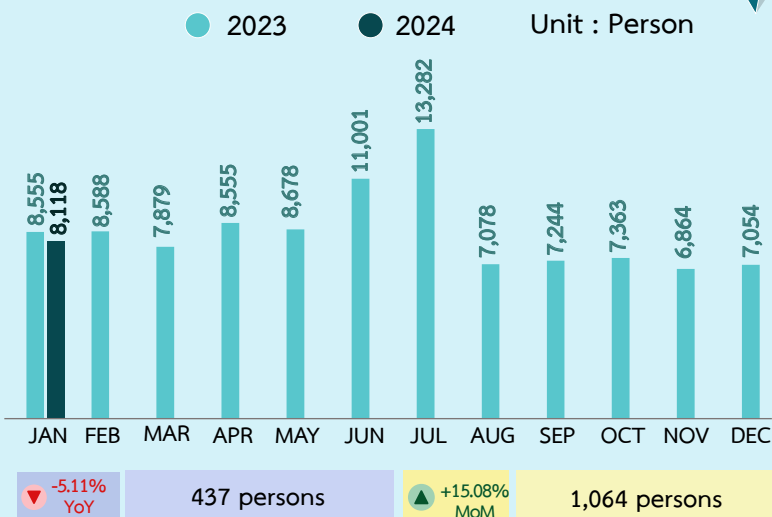
In January 2024, there were 116,683 Thai workers working overseas. The top 3 countries of destination are Taiwan, Republic of Korea and Israel. The most required job is elementary occupation: agricultural labourers, general Industrial labourers and Metal Product Manufacturing Labourer.

There were 8,118 job seekers who are permitted to go overseas for employment. It was classified as 5 channels of overseas employment: 4,207 persons which the arrangement of agencies: 2,353 persons (28.98%) was the most and the RE-ENTRY was 3,911 persons (48.18%). The most job was elementary occupations : 2,564 persons (31.58%).

## Thai workers working overseas



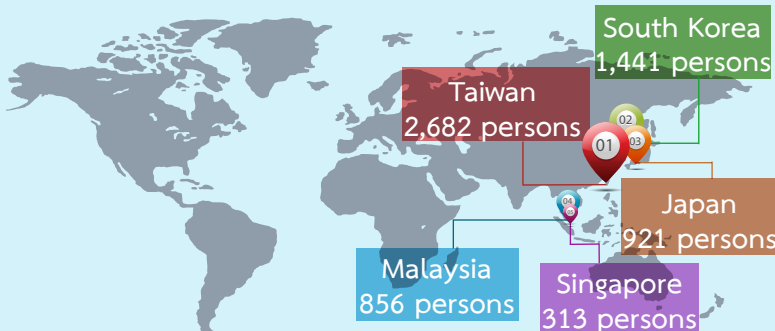
## Permission to work overseas



## Top 5 Countries of Destination

	1. Taiwan	51,819 persons
	2. Republic of Korea	20,231 persons
	3. Israel	13,987 persons
	4. Japan	8,697 persons
	5. Malaysia	4,820 persons

## Top 5 countries where Thai workers are permitted to work



## Classified by Continents

### Asia

1. Taiwan
2. Republic of Korea
3. Japan
4. Malaysia
5. Singapore

### Middle East

1. Israel
2. UAE
3. Kuwait
4. Qatar
5. Saudi Arabia

### Europe

1. Hungary
2. Portugal
3. Ireland
4. Poland
5. Czechia

### North & South America

1. USA
2. Canada
3. Panama
4. Columbia
5. Greenland

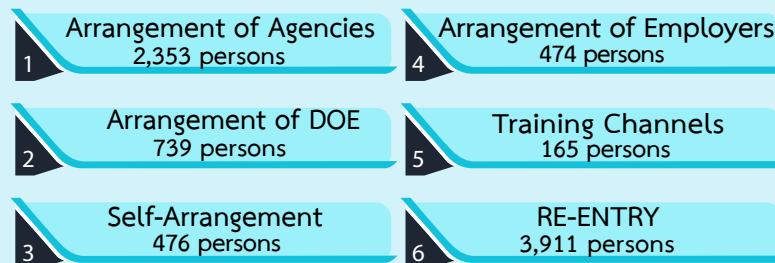
### Africa

1. South Sudan
2. Madagascar
3. Mozambique
4. South Africa
5. Morocco

### Australia & Ocenia

1. New Zealand
2. Australia
3. Papua New Guinea
4. Republic of the Marshall
5. French Polynesia

## Classified by Channels of Oversea Employment



## Classified by Classification of Occupations



Source : Overseas Employment Administration Division

# 3. Labour Immigration : Foreign Workers

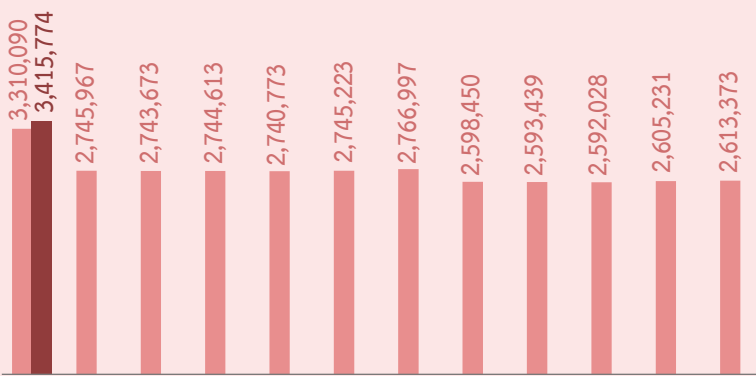


As of January 2024, there were 3,415,774 foreign workers in Thailand. It consisted of 3,150,239 of general workers (Myanmar, Laotian, Cambodian and Vietnamese) (92.23%), 176,464 of skilled foreign workers (5.17%) and 89,071 of minorities/lifetime worker permits (2.61%).

New foreign workers who are permitted to work in January 2024 were 58,782 positions. It can be classified by type of work permits: 42,270 positions of MOU (71.91%), 6,083 positions of General type (10.35%), 6,831 positions of Daily or Seasonal workers (11.62%), 2,034 positions of Minorities group (3.46%) and 1,564 positions of BOI (2.66%).

## All Foreign Workers

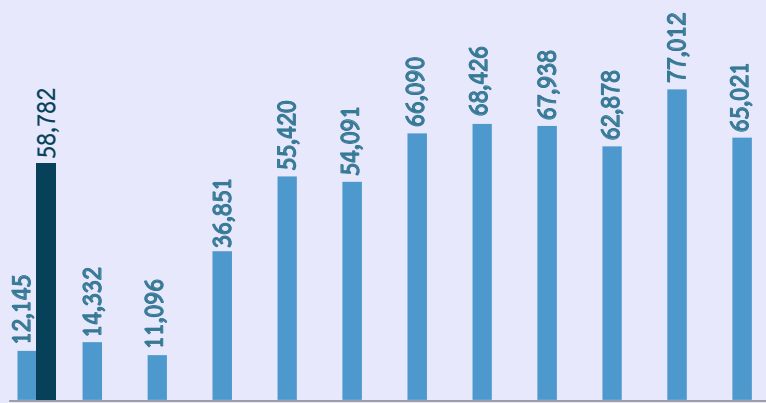
● 2023 ● 2024 Unit : Person



▲ +3.19% YoY 105,684 persons ▲ +30.70% MoM 802,401 persons

## New Foreign Workers

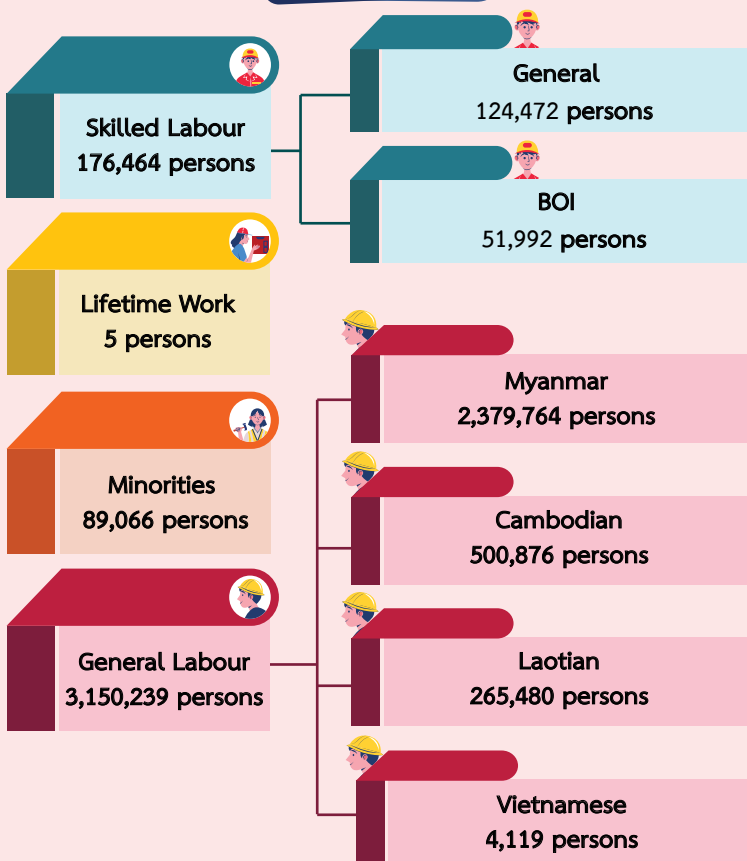
● 2023 ● 2024 Unit : Position



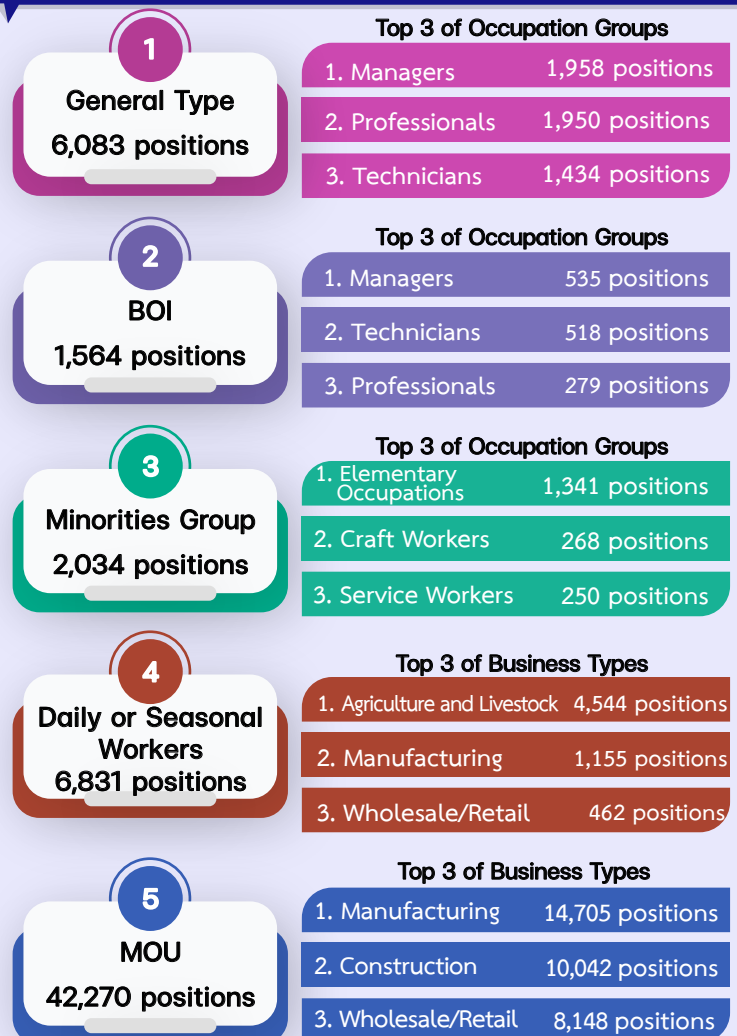
▲ +384.00% YoY 46,637 positions ▼ -9.60% MoM 6,239 positions

## Current Foreign Workers classified by Groups

Foreign Workers  
3,415,774 persons



## New Foreign Workers



Source: Foreign Workers Administration Office

# 4. Labour Force : Thai Labour Force Survey

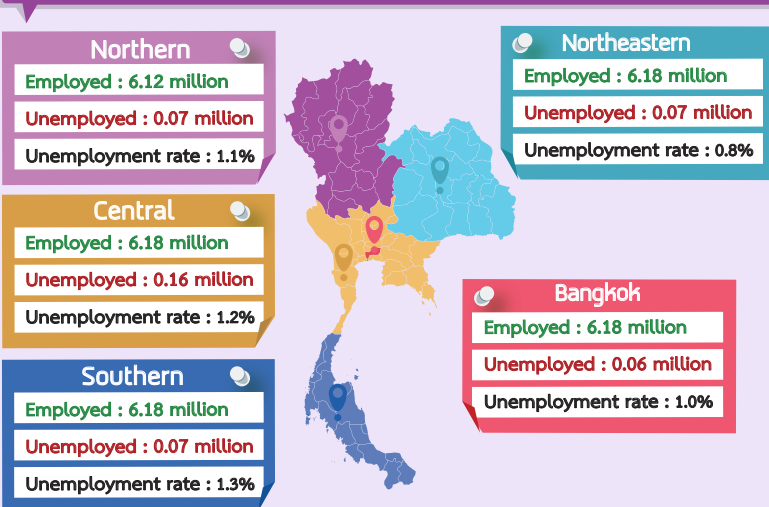


According to the National Statistical Office survey in January 2024, there were 59.07 million persons aged 15 and over. The 39.81 million were in the labour force; 39.13 million persons were employed, 4.32 hundred thousand persons were unemployed (a 1.1 percent unemployment rate) and 2.50 hundred thousand persons were seasonally inactive labour force.

## Number of Population by Labour Force (JAN, 2024)

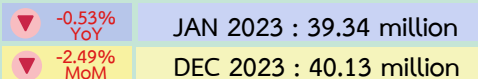


## Employed and Unemployed Persons classified by Regions



## Employed Persons

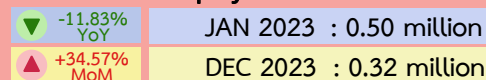
(39.13 million)



## Unemployed Persons

(0.43 million)

Unemployment rate 1.1%



Agriculture  
10.37 million

Non-Agriculture  
28.76 million

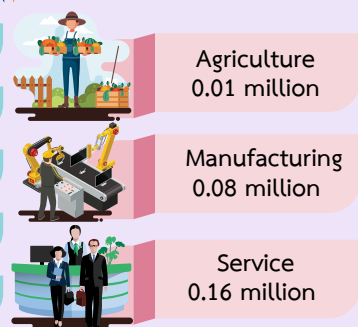
### Top 6 Non-Agriculture (Unit : million persons)



Without Working Experiences  
0.18 million

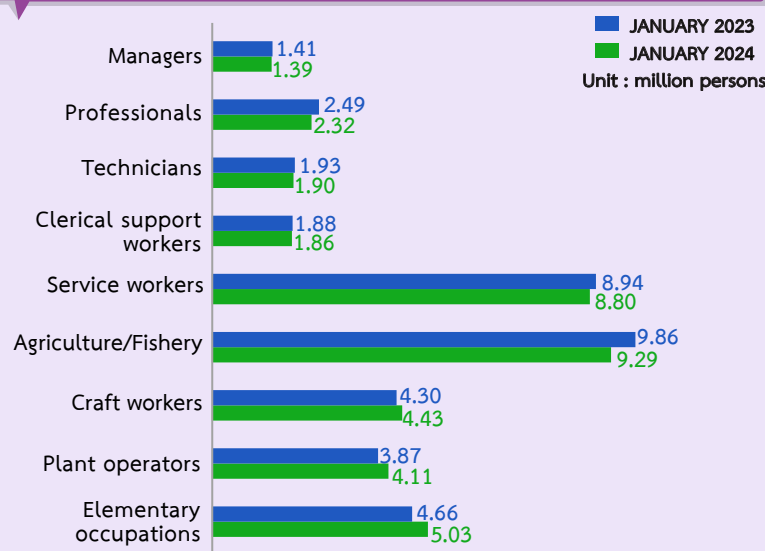
Having Working Experiences  
0.25 million

### Education Level

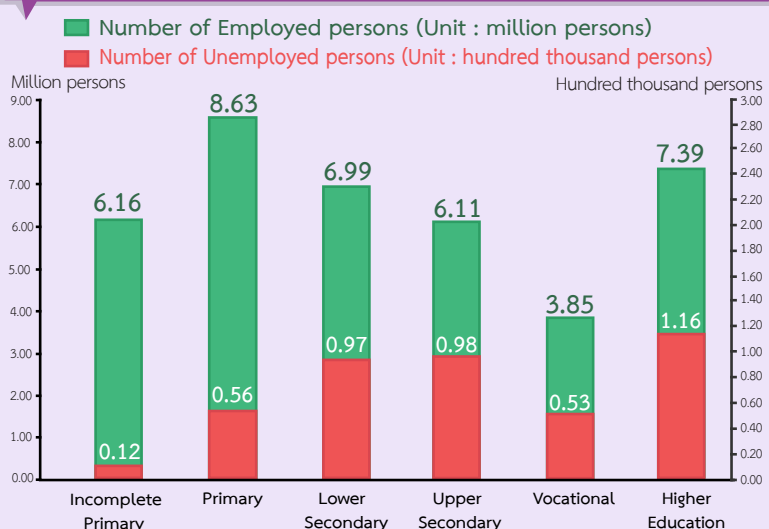


\*Including other education and unknown level of education.

## Employed Persons classified by Occupation Groups



## Education Levels



Source : National Statistical Office

# 5. Registration of Unemployment Insurers



In January 2024, there were 83,341 registered insured persons in the case of unemployment via DOE. It has decreased from the previous year by 2,776 persons (3.22%). It was made up of 36,876 males (44.25%) and 46,465 females (55.75%). The majority came from resignation (80.22%). The causes of resignation were changing jobs, being self-employed, respite, and sickness.

## The Registered Persons in January 2024 ( 83,341 persons )

**Resignation**  
66,857 persons  
(80.22%)

**Female**  
38,258 persons  
(57.22%)

**Male**  
28,599 persons  
(42.78%)

### Causes of resignation

1.	Changing Jobs	35,052 persons
2.	Being Self-employed	19,646 persons
3.	Respite	7,193 persons
4.	Sickness	4,966 persons

**Laid off**  
13,402 persons  
(16.08%)

**Male**  
6,769 persons  
(50.51%)

**Female**  
6,633 persons  
(49.49%)

### Causes of laid off

1.	Staff Reduction	5,732 persons
2.	Termination of Contract	4,207 persons
3.	Going out of Business	3,463 persons

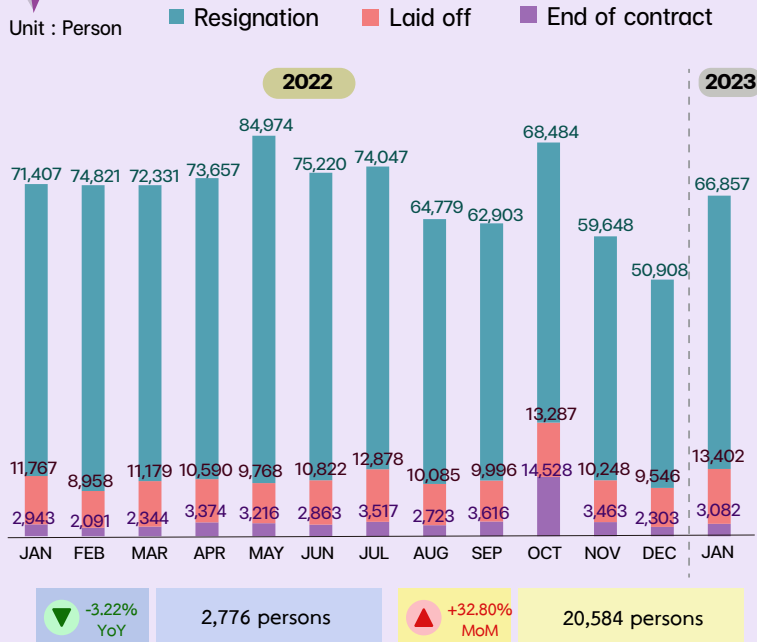
**End of contract**  
3,082 persons  
(3.70%)

**Female**  
1,574 persons  
(51.07%)

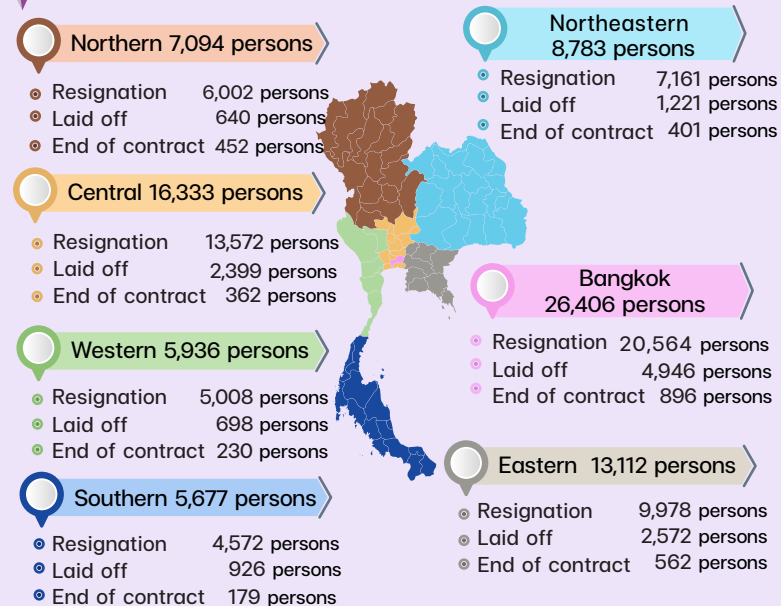
**Male**  
1,508 persons  
(48.93%)



### The Number of Insured Persons in case of Unemployment Monthly, 2023-2024



### The Number of Insured Persons in case of Unemployment classified by Regions



Source : DOE Data Center, Department of Employment, Ministry of Labour

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