



MINISTRY OF ECONOMY
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GRADUATES STATISTICS 2024

5.98

million
graduates in
2024

Who are Graduates?

Graduates refers to individual with the highest certificate obtained from universities, colleges, polytechnics, recognised bodies or equivalent, where duration of study is at least two years.

Graduates' Labour Force by Sex, 2024

Male



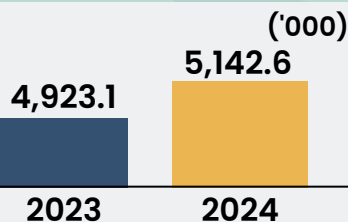
48.1%

Female



51.9%

Number of Graduates' Labour Force



Graduates' Labour Force by Strata, 2024

Urban



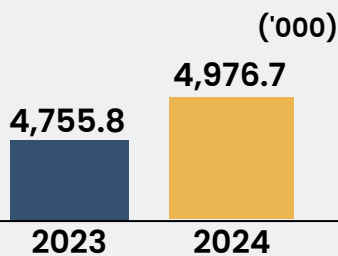
91.0%

Rural

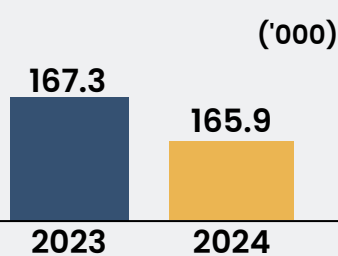


9.0%

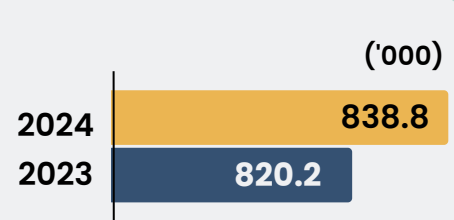
Employed Graduates



Unemployed Graduates



Graduates' Outside Labour Force



Graduates Labour Force Participation Rate (GLFPR)

GLFPR 2024 86.0%
2023 85.7%



89.0%

Male



83.4%

Female



86.8%

Urban



78.8%

Rural

Graduates Unemployment Rate (GUR)

GUR 2024 3.2%
2023 3.4%



3.0%

Male



3.5%

Female



2.8%

Urban



7.1%

Rural

Source: Graduates Statistics 2024, Department of Statistics Malaysia (DOSM)



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Out of 4.98
million employed graduates

Age Group

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< 24

362.8



25 - 34

1,768.5



35 - 44

1,753.0



> 45

1,092.3

Skill level & Sex

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Male

Female



Skilled

3,376.3

75.7%

60.5%



Semi-skilled

1,542.9

22.6%

38.8%



Low-skilled

57.5

1.6%

0.7%

Sector

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Share



Agriculture

83.9

1.7%



Mining & Quarrying

49.2

1.0%



Manufacturing

667.3

13.4%



Construction

313.1

6.3%



Services

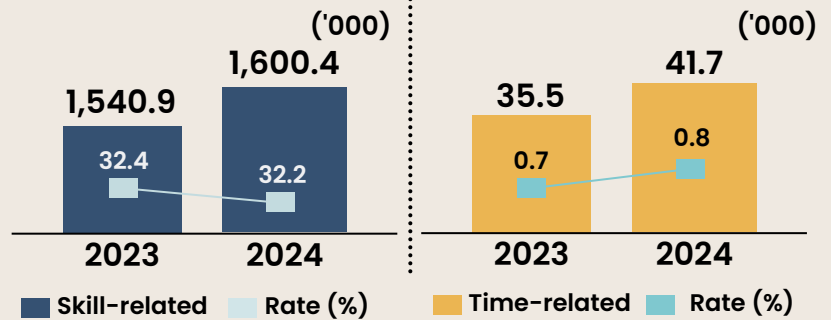
3,863.2

77.6%

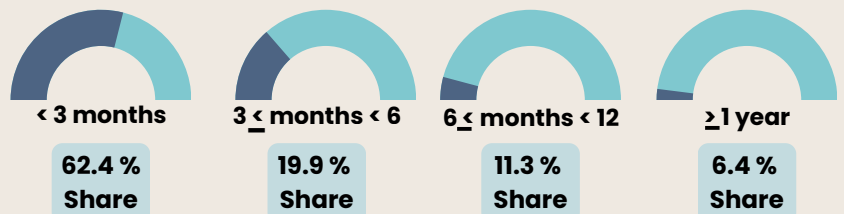
Graduates' Underemployment

Skill-related

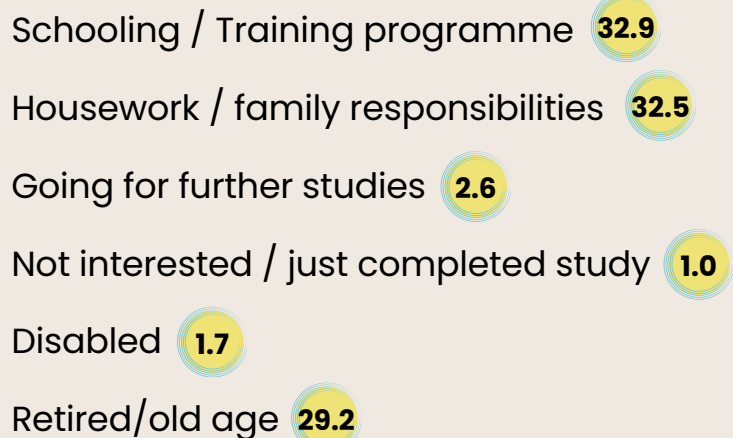
Time-related



Duration of Graduates' Unemployment



Reasons for not Seeking Work



% Share

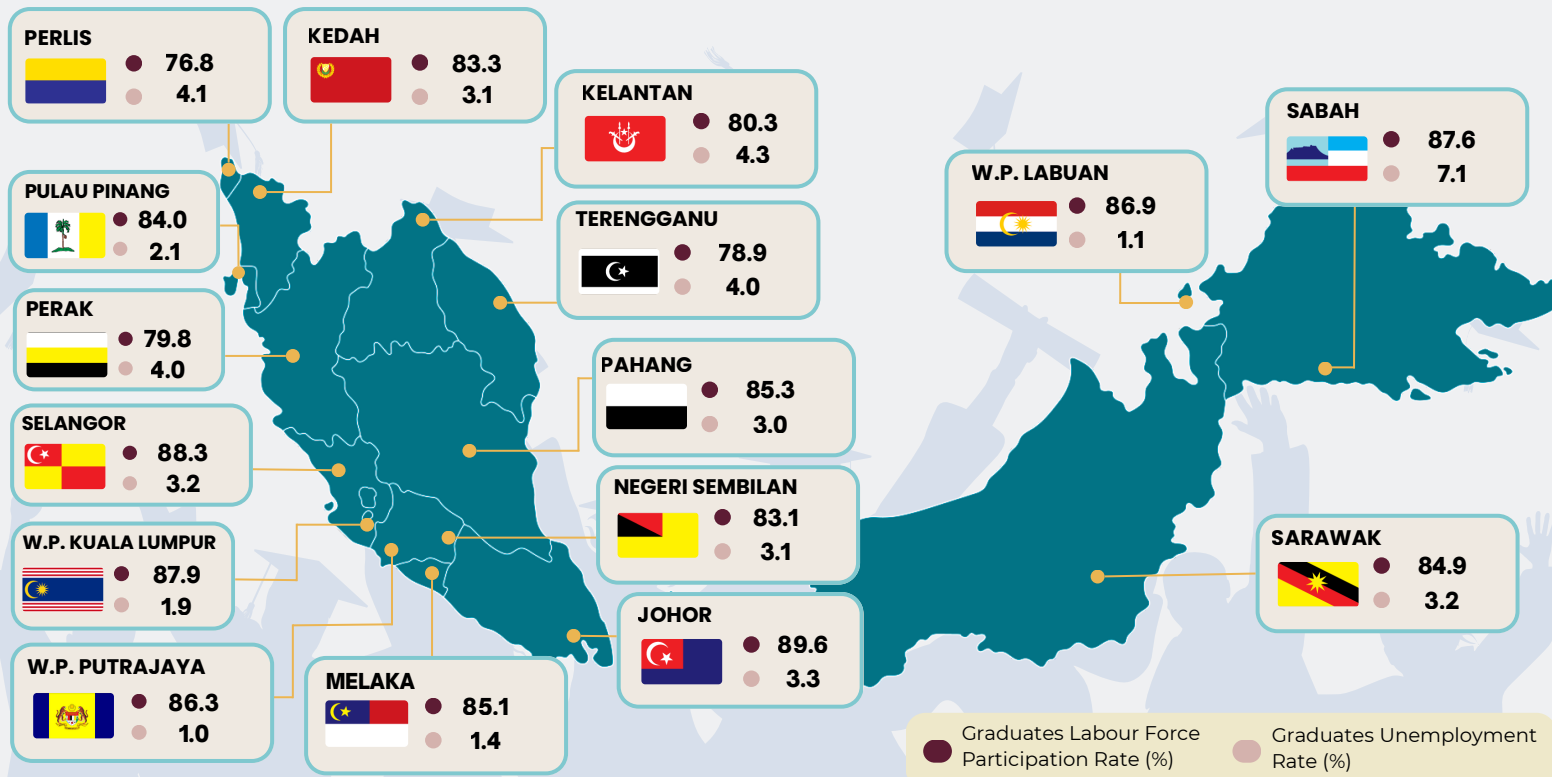
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	MALAYSIA	JOHOR	KEDAH	KELANTAN	MELAKA	NEGERI SEMBILAN	PAHANG	PULAU PINANG	PERAK
Graduates	5,981.4	554.9	303.7	225.6	205.1	241.8	221.9	405.0	361.6
Employed	4,976.7	480.7	245.1	173.4	172.1	194.7	183.7	333.2	277.2
Unemployed	165.9	16.2	7.9	7.9	2.5	6.2	5.6	7.0	11.5
Outside Labour Force	838.8	57.9	50.6	44.4	30.6	40.9	32.6	64.8	72.9

	W.P. PUTRAJAYA	PERLIS	TERENGGANU	SELANGOR	W.P. KUALA LUMPUR	SARAWAK	SABAH	W.P. LABUAN
Graduates	41.3	48.7	172.4	1,825.2	697.4	301.3	361.8	13.7
Employed	35.3	35.9	130.6	1,559.7	601.3	247.7	294.3	11.8
Unemployed	0.3	1.5	5.4	51.2	11.8	8.1	22.7	0.1
Outside Labour Force	5.7	11.3	36.4	214.4	84.3	45.5	44.8	1.8

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Higher mean & median monthly salaries
& wages received by employed graduates
in 2024

	Mean (RM)		Median (RM)		Share (%)	
Male	5,541	5,816	4,800	5,206	48.2	48.2
Female	4,683	4,910	4,350	4,508	51.8	51.8
Total	4,933	5,330	4,409	4,521	100	100

Graduates Salaries & Wages by Skill

The highest gain in salaries & wages of
graduates in skilled occupations

	Mean (RM)		Median (RM)		Share (%)	
Skilled	6,149	6,243	5,663	5,723	67.6	67.8
Semi-skilled	2,851	2,953	2,375	2,550	31.3	31.0
Low-skilled	2,271	2,370	1,915	1,990	1.1	1.2

Graduates Salaries & Wages by Strata

Both mean and median of salaries & wages in
urban and rural area increased

	Mean (RM)		Median (RM)		Share (%)	
Urban	5,209	5,428	4,637	4,706	91.7	91.3
Rural	4,019	4,283	3,426	3,503	8.3	8.7

● Year 2023 ● Year 2024

Graduates Salaries & Wages by Strata

Mean (RM) Median (RM)

Malaysia	5,330	4,521
Johor	5,046	4,367
Kedah	4,498	3,616
Kelantan	4,505	4,132
Melaka	5,215	4,202
Negeri Sembilan	4,931	4,236
Pahang	5,005	4,769
Pulau Pinang	5,334	4,581
Perak	4,858	4,262
Perlis	4,662	4,636
Selangor	5,693	5,207
Terengganu	4,800	3,958
Sabah	4,535	4,319
Sarawak	5,087	4,508
W.P. Kuala Lumpur	6,212	5,888
W.P. Labuan	5,083	4,105
W.P. Putrajaya	6,471	5,723

Note: Graduates monthly salaries & wages statistics are based on full-time equivalent principal occupation of paid employees

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