

Employed persons in the national economy in Poland in March 2026

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15.1 million

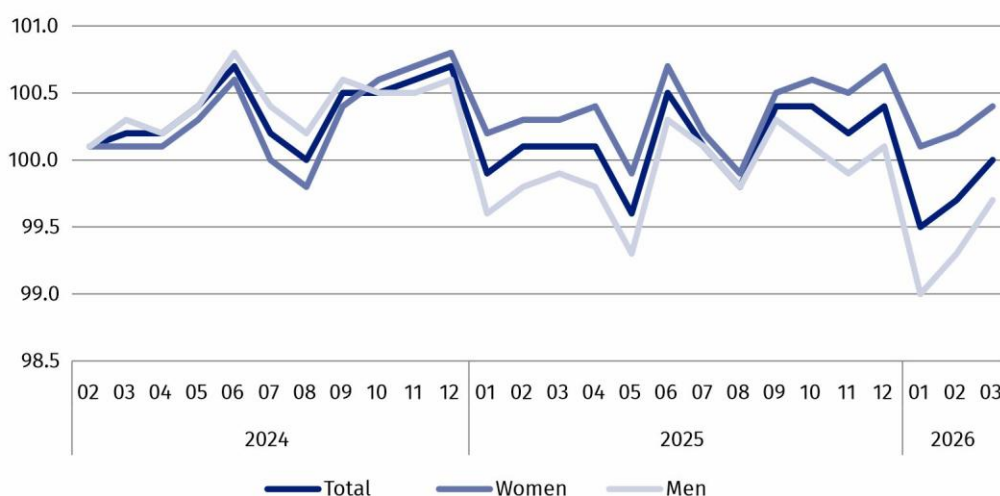
number of employed persons in the national economy as at 31 March 2026

On the last day of March 2026, the population of employed persons in the national economy was 15 070.1 thousand and compared with 31 March 2025 it was at a similar level. Compared with the last day of February 2026, their number increased by 0.3%.

Employed persons in the national economy

Among all employed persons in the national economy, men accounted for a slightly larger proportion. At the end of March 2026, their share was 52.6%. This was the same as a year earlier, but 0.1 percentage points (pp) higher than at the end of February this year.

Chart 1. Indices of the number of employed persons in the national economy
(01.2024 = 100)



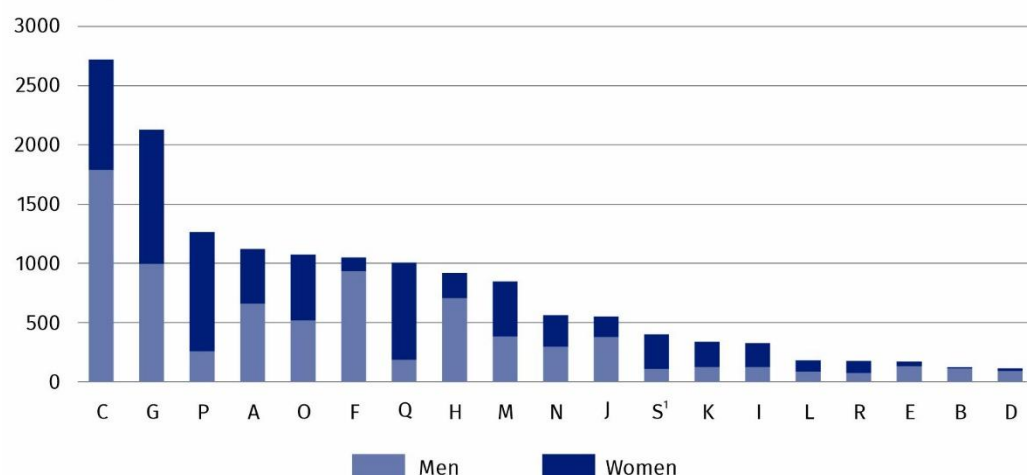
Employed persons by PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 section

The structure of employed persons in the national economy by PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 section does not change significantly from month to month. As at the end of March 2026, the most persons were employed in the Manufacturing section – 2 720.3 thousand, i.e. 18.1% of the total number of employed persons in the national economy. This share was 0.2 pp lower than on the last day of March 2025, whilst it remained unchanged compared with 28 February 2026. The second-largest section in terms of the number of employed persons was Trade; repair of motor vehicles^A, which employed 2 130.5 thousand persons, i.e., 14.1% of the total. This share was 0.3 pp lower than a year earlier and 0.1 pp lower than at the end of February 2026.

Chart 2. Employed persons in the national economy by sex and PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 section in March 2026

As at the end of the month

thousand persons



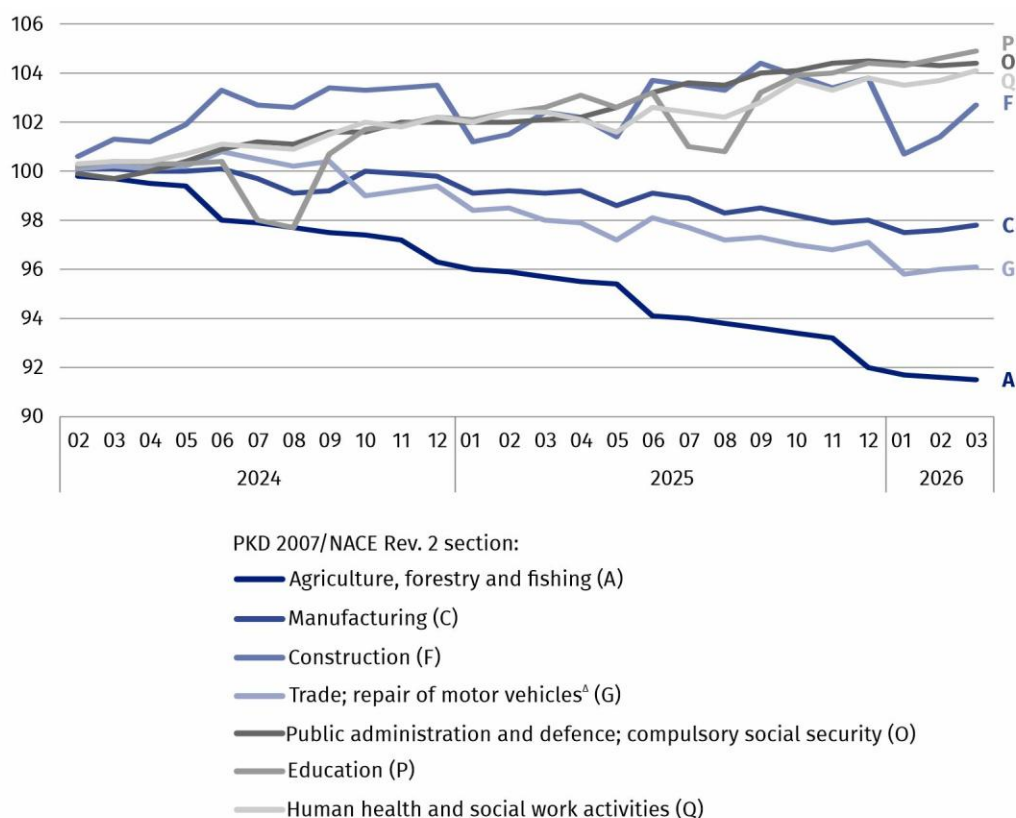
At the end of March 2026, similarly to previous months, the Human health and social work activities section (Q) was the most feminised, while the greatest share of men was in the Mining and quarrying section (B)

Among the PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections² analysed, the largest decrease in the number of employed persons compared with 31 March 2025 was in the Agriculture, forestry and fishing section – by 4.4%. Decreases in the number of employed persons were also recorded in the Trade; repair of motor vehicles^A and Manufacturing sections – by 1.9% and 1.4%, respectively. Among the PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections², the largest increase in the number of employed persons compared with 31 March 2025 occurred in the Public administration and defence; compulsory social security section – by 2.3%. The number of employed persons also increased in the Education section – by 2.2%, in the Human health and social work activities section – by 1.6%, and in the Construction section – by 0.3%.

¹ The data for the Other service activities (S) section also cover employed persons in the Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use (T) and Activities of extraterritorial organisations and bodies (U) sections.

² This refers to PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections in which the number of employed persons, as at 31 March 2026, exceeded one million: Agriculture, forestry and fishing (A), Manufacturing (C), Construction (F), Trade; repair of motor vehicles^A(G), Public administration and defence; compulsory social security (O), Education (P), Human health and social work activities (Q).

Chart 3. Indices of the number of employed persons in the national economy by selected PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections
(01.2024 = 100)



Starting from the data for January 2026, the scope of tables attached to the news release has been reduced. Data on employed persons in the national economy, broken down by territory, i.e., by administrative and statistical units are available in the Local Data Bank. Detailed data on demographic characteristics of employed persons will be published once a year – as at 31 December.

The tables attached to this news release present selected survey results by PKD 2025/NACE Rev. 2.1 section. During the transitional period, which runs until 31 December 2026, relating to the reclassification of national economy entities from PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 to PKD 2025/NACE Rev. 2.1, the data from the Survey on Employment in the National Economy are presented using, amongst other things, correspondence tables between NACE Rev. 2 and NACE Rev. 2.1, available on the Eurostat website:

<https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat/web/nace/correspondence-tables>

The data refer to employed persons in the national economy, living in Poland or abroad. Each employed person is identified once – in the main job.

Data on employed persons in the national economy refer to persons performing work which brings them earnings (in the form of wages and salaries) or income. Employed persons include: employees, i.e., persons employed on the basis of an employment relationship (employment contract, appointment, nomination, election) or a service relationship; self-employed persons, including contributing family workers; outworkers; members of farming co-operatives and clergypersons fulfilling pastoral duties.

In this publication symbols and abbreviated names of PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections were used marking abbreviations with a 'Δ' symbol. The full names can be found in the list of PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections below.

Full names of PKD 2007/NACE Rev. 2 sections:

- A – Agriculture, forestry and fishing;
- B – Mining and quarrying;
- C – Manufacturing;
- D – Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply;
- E – Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities;
- F – Construction;
- G – Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles;
- H – Transportation and storage;
- I – Accommodation and food service activities;
- J – Information and communication;
- K – Financial and insurance activities;
- L – Real estate activities;
- M – Professional, scientific and technical activities;
- N – Administrative and support service activities;
- O – Public administration and defence; compulsory social security;
- P – Education;
- Q – Human health and social work activities;
- R – Arts, entertainment and recreation;
- S – Other service activities.

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