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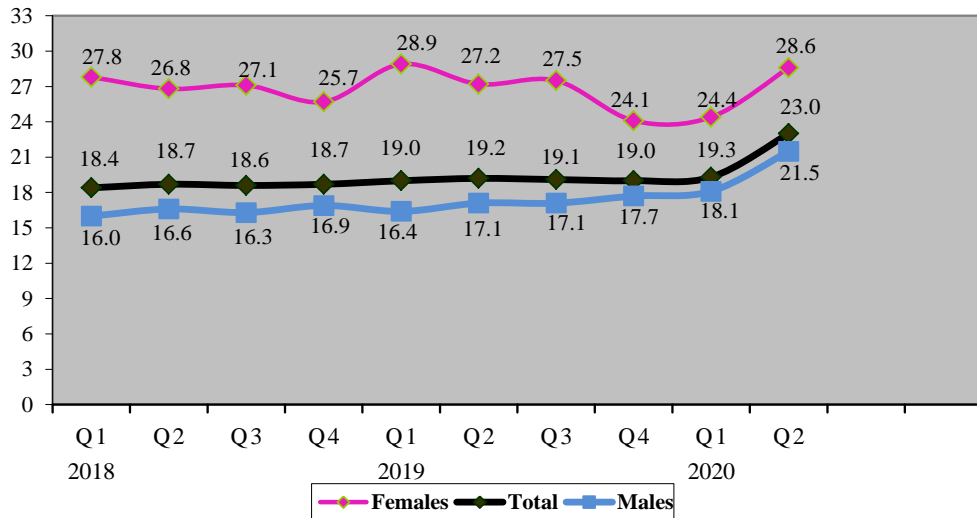
23.0% Unemployment Rate during the second Quarter of 2020

The Department of Statistics issued its quarterly report on the Unemployment Rate for the second quarter of 2020, the following are the main results of this survey:

Unemployment:

- ❖ The results show that the Unemployment Rate has reached (23.0%) during the second quarter of 2020 ; representing an increase by 3.8 percentage points of the second quarter 2019.
- ❖ the Unemployment Rate for males has reached (21.5%) during the second quarter of 2020 against (28.6%) for females. It becomes clear that the Unemployment Rate has increased for males by 4.4 percentage points and for females by 1.4 percentage points compared with second quarter 2019.

Fig 1: Total Unemployment Rates by Sex and Quarters for 2018-2020



The Unemployed:

- ❖ The Survey results show that the Unemployment Rate is high among the university degree holders (Bachelor degree and higher divided by labor force for the same educational level) by 26.6% compared with the other educational levels.
- ❖ The results also show that 51.6% of the Unemployed are secondary certificate holders and higher, and that 48.4% have less than secondary school qualifications.
- ❖ Male Unemployed percentage of bachelor holders and higher was 26.0% against 78.2% for females which is varied according to educational level and sex.
- ❖ The highest rate of Unemployment was recorded in the age group 15-19 and 20-24 years by 57.7% and 42.2% respectively.

- ❖ The highest Rate of Unemployment was recorded in Amman at 25.8% and the lowest rate was recorded in Karak at 14.7%.

The Employed:

- ❖ The Employed rate among the age group (15 and above) is 26.3%.
- ❖ The results show that about 58.6% of the employed males and 60.1% of the employed females are concentrated in the age group 20-39 years.
- ❖ About half of the employed have less than secondary qualifications, 9.1% of the secondary level and 40.7% are higher than secondary level.
- ❖ The results also show that about 84.6% of the employed are paid employees (82.1% for males against 95.2% for females).

The Labor Force: (Employed & Unemployed):

- ❖ The results show a clear variation in the labor force distribution with regard to educational level and sex. It was found that about 59.3% of the total male labor force has less than secondary educational qualifications compared to 12.7% for females. The results indicate also that 68.7% of the total labor force among females has bachelor level or higher, compared with 24.9% for males.
- ❖ The Crude Economic Activity Rate (i.e. labor force attributed to the total population) reached 23.8%.
- ❖ The Refined Economic Participation Rate (the labor force attributed to the population 15 years and over) is 34.1% (53.8% for males against 14.1% for females) for the second quarter of 2020 compared with 34.6% (53.9% for males and 14.5 % for females) for the second quarter of 2019.

Fig 2: Annual Un-Employment Rate for the second quarters of (2008-2020)

