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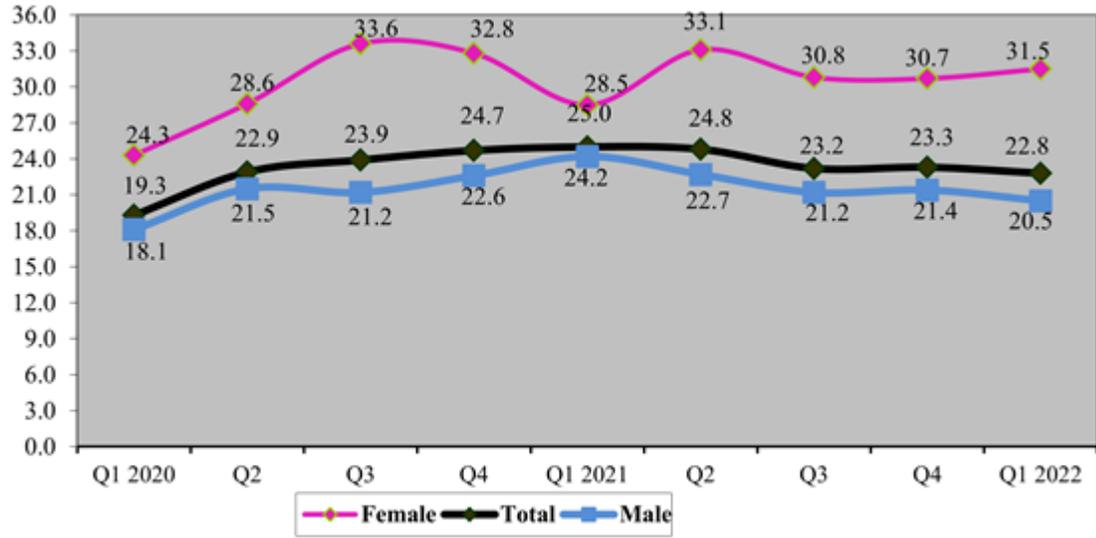
22.8 Unemployment Rate during the first Quarter of 2022

The Department of Statistics issued its quarterly report on the Unemployment Rate during the First quarter of 2022 : The following are the main results of this survey:

Unemployment:

- ❖ The Unemployment Rate during the first quarter of 2022 has reached (22.8%) which means a decrease by 2.2 percentage points compared with the first quarter of 2021 and a decrease by 0.5 percentage points of the fourth quarter of 2021.
- ❖ The Unemployment Rate for males has reached 20.5% during the first quarter of 2022 against (31.5) for females; the Unemployment Rate for males has decreased by 3.7 percentage points while it has increased by 3.0 percentage points for females compared with the first quarter of 2021.
- ❖ Comparing Unemployment rates of the first quarter of 2022 and the fourth quarter of 2021 ,it becomes clear that the Unemployment Rate has decreased for males by 0.9 percentage points and increased for females by 0.8 percentage points.

Fig 1: Total Unemployment Rates by Sex and Quarters for 2020-2022



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 52.3% of the Unemployed are secondary certificate holders and higher, and that 47.1% have less than secondary school qualifications.
- ❖ Male Unemployed percentage of bachelor holders and higher was 24.6% against 78.7% for females which is varied according to educational level and sex.
- ❖ The rate of Unemployment recorded in the age group 15-24 was 47.7% for the total of (44.2% for males against 63.9% for females).
- ❖ On regional level the highest Rate of Unemployment was recorded in Al-Mafraq governorate at 28.7% and the lowest rate was recorded in Al-Zarqa'a governorate at 19.2%.

The Employed:

- ❖ The Employed rate among the age group (15 and above) is 25.7%.
- ❖ The results show that about 59.4% of the employed males and 60.3% of the employed females are concentrated in the age group 20-39 years.
- ❖ About half of the employed have less than secondary qualifications, 8.7% of the secondary level and 40.9% are higher than secondary level.
- ❖ The results also show that about 86.9% of the employed are paid employees (85.0% 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 59.2% of the total male labor force has less than secondary educational qualifications compared to 11.1% for females. The results indicate also that 71.2% of the total labor force among females has bachelor level or higher, compared with 24.7% for males.
- ❖ The Refined Economic Participation Rate (the labor force attributed to the population 15 years and over) is 33.2% (53.2% for males against 13.7% for females) for the first quarter of 2022 compared with 34.5% (54.8% for males and 14.0 % for females) for the first quarter of 2021.

