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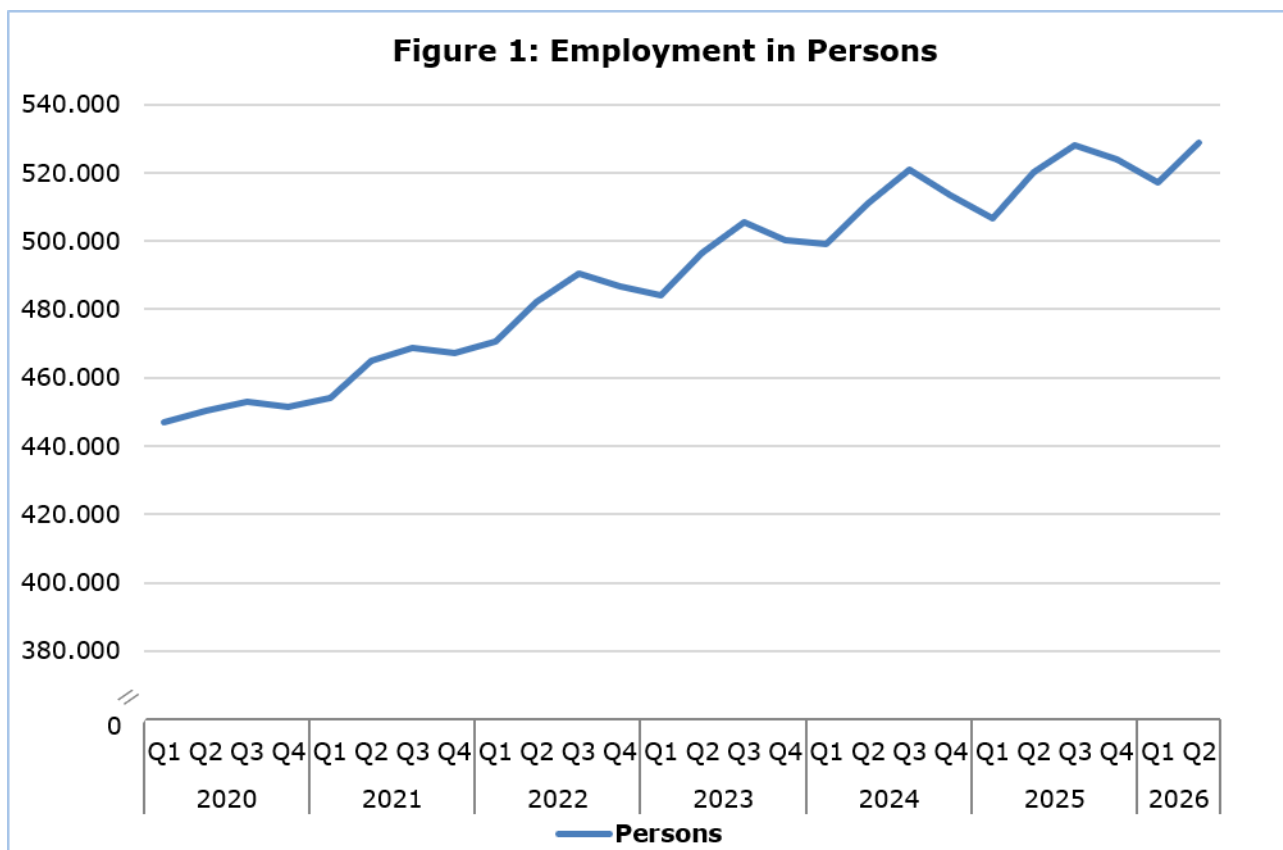
EMPLOYMENT - NATIONAL ACCOUNTS: 2nd QUARTER 2026 (Updated data)

Annual Change +1,6% in Persons and +2,1% in Hours Worked

Persons

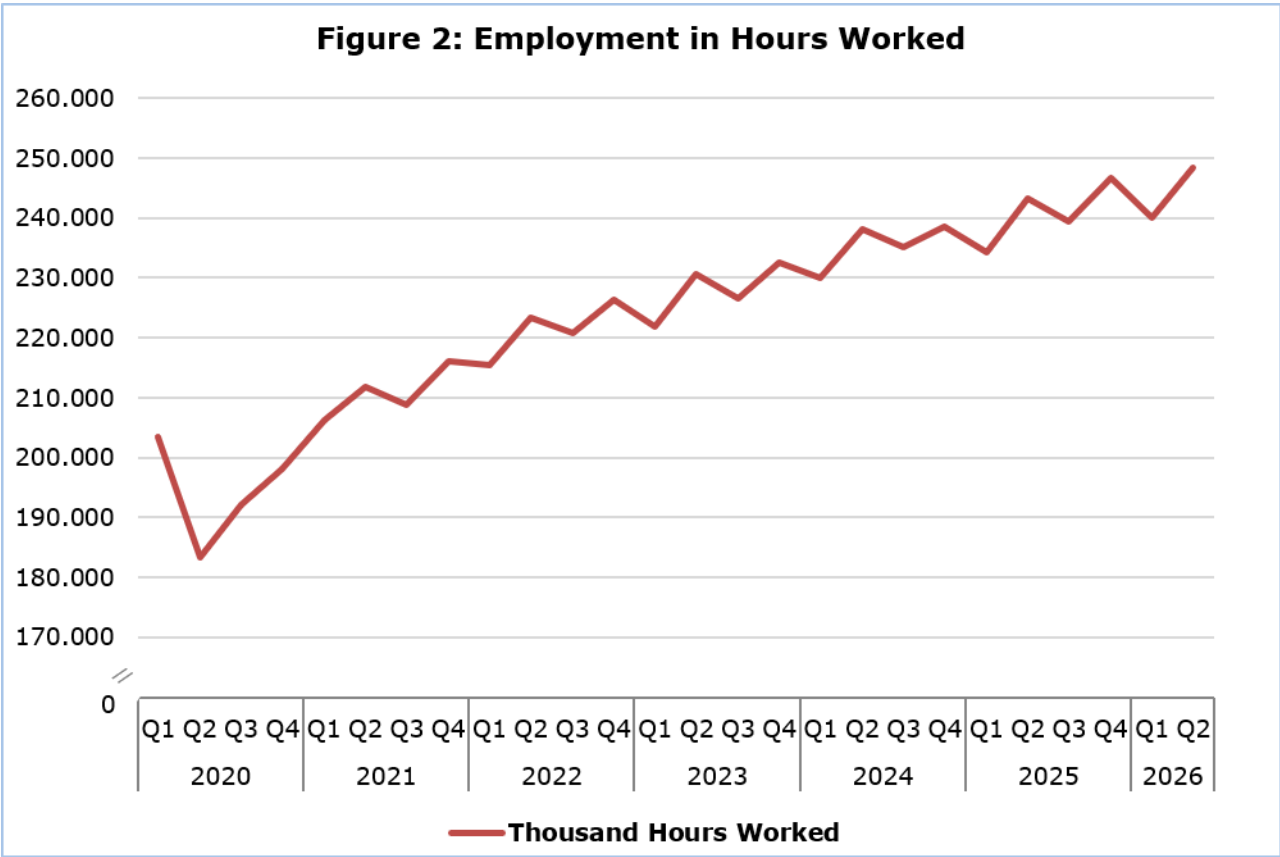
Total Employment for the 2nd quarter of 2026 is estimated at 528.699 persons, of which 475.785 are employees and 52.914 are self-employed.

Compared to the corresponding quarter of 2025, total employment increased by 1,6% for the 2nd quarter of 2026. The most significant percentage increases were observed in the economic activities of Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (NACE G), Construction (NACE F) and Arts, entertainment and recreation (NACE R).



Hours Worked

Actual hours worked for the 2nd quarter of 2026 are estimated at 248.439 thousand; an increase of 2,1% compared to the corresponding quarter of 2025. The most significant percentage increases were observed in the economic activities Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles (NACE G), Construction (NACE F) and Arts, entertainment and recreation (NACE R).



METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Data Coverage and Methodology

Information is provided for the number of persons employed and hours worked by economic activity and professional status (self-employed and employees).

The statistical data for the number of persons employed and hours worked are given by economic activity and professional status (self-employed and employees), based on NACE Rev.2 Classification System and according to the methodology for the estimation of national accounts employment based on the European System of Accounts 2010 (ESA 2010).

Source of Data

In order to derive the data, the following data sources are used:

- Employment and Job Vacancies Survey,
- Labor Force Survey,
- Employment (in persons) from the Social Insurance Register,
- Treasury of the Republic of Cyprus.

For more information:

CYSTAT Portal, subtheme [National Accounts](#)

[CYSTAT-DB](#) (Online Database)

[Methodological Information](#)

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