











Quarterly Employment Statistics, Q1:2022





QES Background

QES is an enterprise-based sample survey

QES collects information on employing businesses registered for VAT with annual turnover greater than R300 000

Samples are drawn from private non-agricultural businesses e.g. factories, offices, stores as well as national, provincial and local government entities

Sample size of approximately 20 000 was selected





QES Coverage









^{*} Administrative data from DMR

QES Variables

Estimates are published on a quarter lag (SDDS)

Number of employees

as at the *last month* of the reference quarter



Average monthly earnings

for *the middle month* of the reference quarter

Gross earnings

for the *three months* of the reference quarter











EMPLOYMENT RESULTS

Number of persons employed in Q1:2022

10 104 000



There was a quarterly increase of 42 000 jobs (or 0,4%) in Q1:2022 compared with Q4:2021.



Jobs **increased** by 200 000 (or 2,0%) in the reference quarter compared with the same quarter of 2021 (Q1:2021).

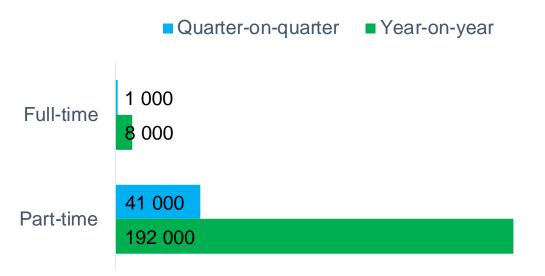




EMPLOYMENT RESULTS

Number of persons employed Full-time: 8 881 000

Number of persons employed Part-time: 1 223 000



Full-time jobs increased quarter-on-quarter by 1 000 and year-on-year full-time jobs increased by 8 000.

Part-time jobs increased quarteron-quarter by 41 000 and yearon-year part-time jobs increased by 192 000.





There was a quarterly net increase of $42\ 000$ jobs in Q1:2022. Most of the job gains were reported in part-time employment with a net increase of $41\ 000$ and full-time jobs increased by $1\ 000$.

Quarter-on-quarter employment change

Quarter-on-quarter	Number of employees			
Industry	Full-time	Part-time	All employees	
Community services	-1 000	70 000	69 000	
Manufacturing	-4 000	12 000	8 000	
Mining*	2 000		2 000	
Electricity	0	0	0	
Transport	-3 000	1 000	-2 000	
Business services	14 000	-22 000	-8 000	
Construction	-1 000	-8 000	-9 000	
Trade	-6 000	-12 000	-18 000	
Total	1 000	41 000	42 000	

*Data for mining industry is not available separately for part-time





Year-on-year QES reported a net gain of 200 000 jobs in Q1:2022 compared with Q1:2021. Part-time increased by 192 000 jobs and full-time jobs also increased by 8 000.

Year-on-year employment change

Year-on-year	Number of employees			
Industry	Full-time	Part-time	All employees	
Community services	-6 000	129 000	123 000	
Manufacturing	51 000	27 000	78 000	
Trade	0	22 000	22 000	
Business services	-3 000	14 000	11 000	
Mining*	1 000		1 000	
Electricity	0	0	0	
Transport	-8 000	0	-8 000	
Construction	-27 000	0	-27 000	
Total	8 000	192 000	200 000	

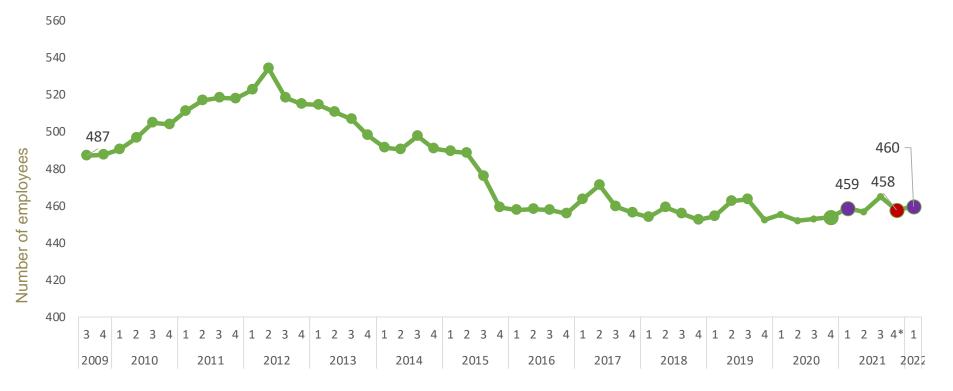
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The mining industry reported net increase of 2 000 jobs in the first quarter of 2022.

Year-on-year the industry increased by 1 000 when comparing Q1:2022 with Q1:2021.



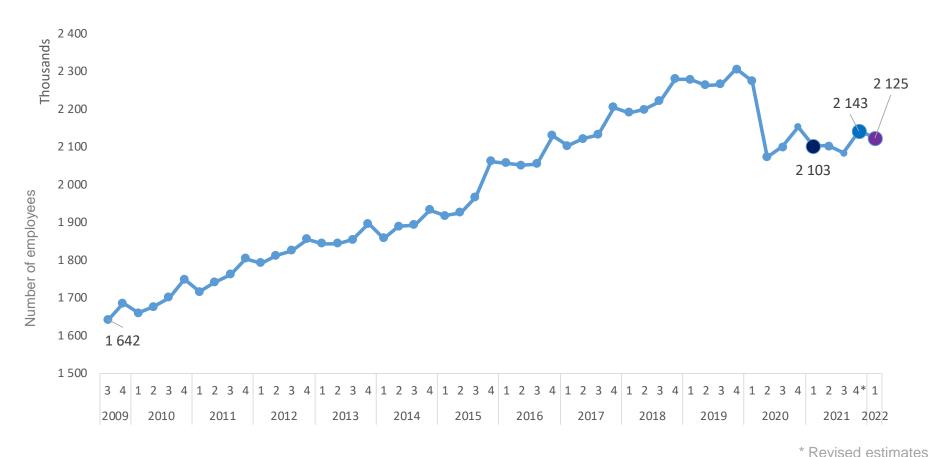
* Revised estimates





The trade industry reported net loss of 18 000 jobs in the first quarter of 2022 compared to Q4:2021.

Year-on-year the industry added 22 000 jobs compared with same quarter of 2021.







The community services industry reported a net gain of 69 000 jobs in the first quarter of 2022 compared to Q4:2021.

Year-on-year the industry increased by 123 000 jobs compared with same quarter of the previous year (i.e. Q1:2021).

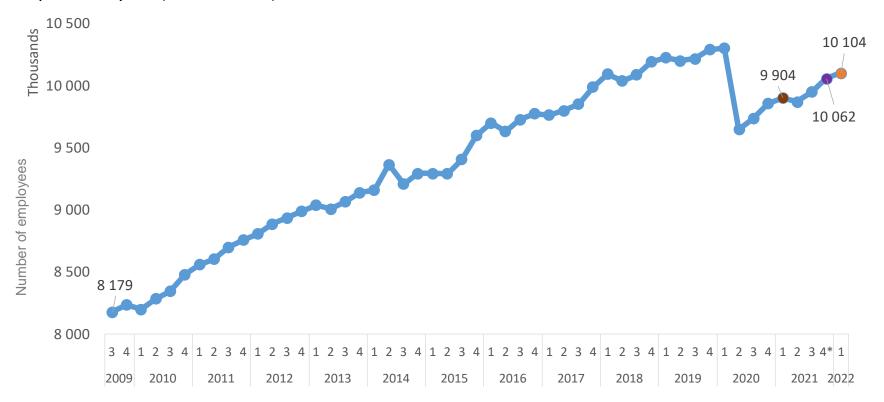






The total number of persons employed increased by 42 000 from **10 062 000** in Q4:2021 to **10 104 000** in Q1:2022.

Year-on-year total employment increased by 200 000 compared with same quarter of the previous year (i.e. Q1:2021).

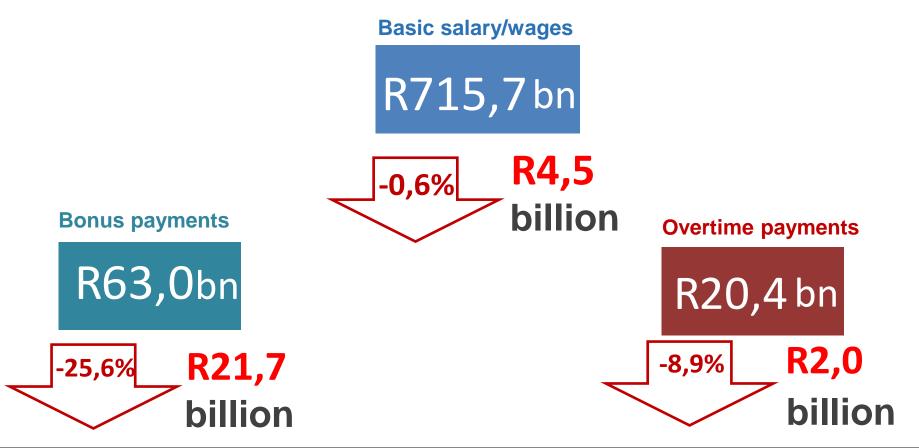


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Total gross earnings decreased by **R28,2** billion to **R799,1** billion in Q1:2022







Gross earnings decreased by R28,2 billion (or -3,4%) in the first quarter of 2022 compared to Q4:2021. Decreases in gross earnings were due to decreases in bonus payments by R21,7 billion, basic salary/wages by R4,5 billion and overtime payments by R2,0 billion.

Quarter-on-quarter changes in gross earnings

Quarter-on-quarter	Gross earnings (R' 000)			
Industry	Basic Salary/Wages	Bonus Payments	Overtime Payments	Total Gross Earnings
Community services	-6 496 000	-8 301 000	-929 000	-15 726 000
Manufacturing	830 000	-5 830 000	-549 000	-5 549 000
Transport	-926 000	-2 839 000	-135 000	-3 900 000
Trade	1 693 000	-5 636 000	101 000	-3 842 000
Construction	-616 000	-2 220 000	-183 000	-3 019 000
Electricity	-123 000	-1 211 000	-15 000	-1 349 000
Mining*	106 000			106 000
Business services	1 003 000	4 356 000	-279 000	5 080 000
Total	-4 529 000	-21 681 000	-1 989 000	-28 199 000

*Data for mining industry is not available separately for bonuses & overtime payments





Year-on-year gross earnings increased by **R56,6** billion (or **7,6%**). Increases were due to basic salary payments made by **R43,1** billion, bonus payments by **R12,7** billion and overtime payments by **R0,8** billion.

Year-on-year changes in Gross Earnings

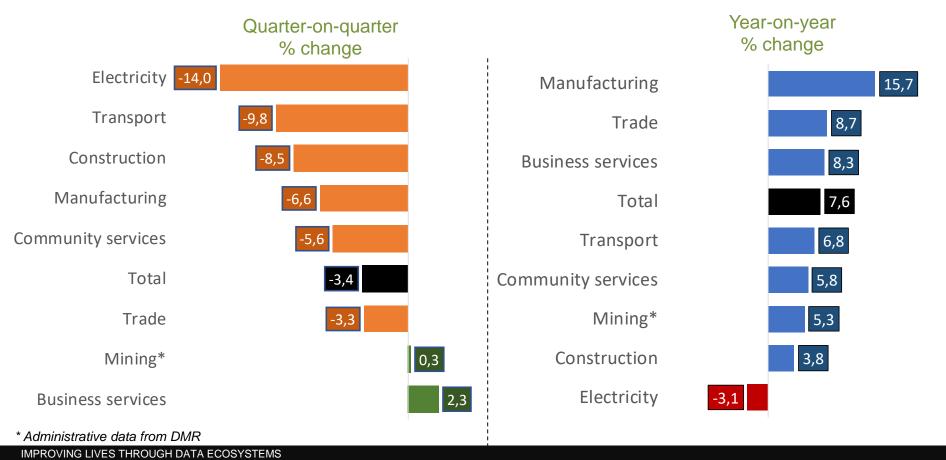
Year-on-year	Gross earnings (R' 000)			
Industry	Basic Salary/Wages	Bonus Payments	Overtime Payments	Total Gross Earnings
Business services	8 586 000	8 419 000	35 000	17 040 000
Community services	13 983 000	364 000	237 000	14 584 000
Manufacturing	9 054 000	1 402 000	261 000	10 717 000
Trade	6 907 000	1 638 000	441 000	8 986 000
Transport	1 641 000	461 000	178 000	2 280 000
Mining*	2 119 000			2 119 000
Construction	747 000	437 000	0	1 184 000
Electricity	32 000	28 000	-321 000	-261 000
Total	43 069 000	12 749 000	831 000	56 649 000

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There was a quarterly decrease of **3,4**% in gross earnings in the first quarter of 2022 compared to Q4:2021. Year-on-year earnings increased by **7,6**% in the first quarter of 2022 compared with same quarter of the previous year.

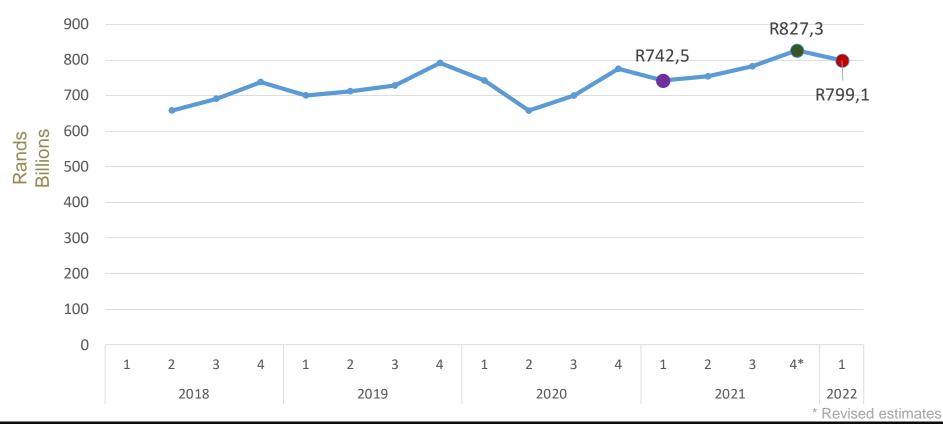






The total gross earnings paid to employees decreased by R28,2 billion from R827,3 billion in Q4:2021 to R799,1 billion in Q1:2022.

Year-on-year gross earnings increased by **R56,6** billion compared with the same quarter of the previous year (i.e. 2021:Q1)













AME including bonuses and overtime payments decreased by 1,4% from R23 828 in November 2021 to R23 502 in February 2022. Year-on-year AME increased by 1,8%.

Average monthly earnings (AME)

R23 502



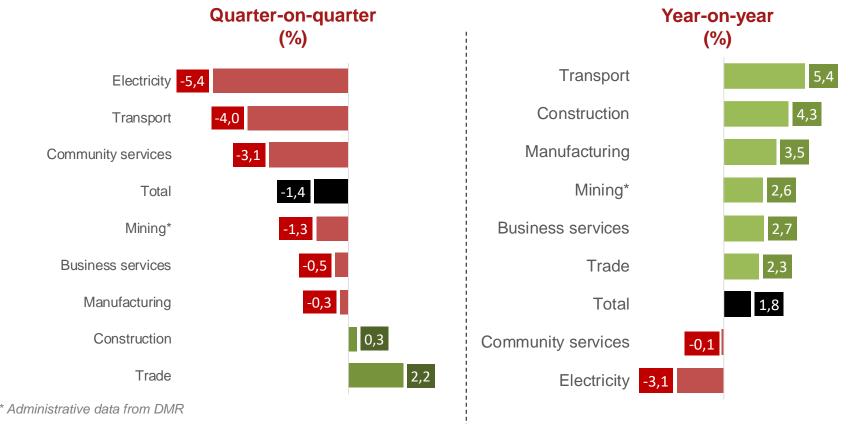






Six out of eight industries reported decreases in average monthly earnings in the first quarter compared with Q4:2021. Two industries, viz. Trade and Construction, increased quarter-on-quarter.

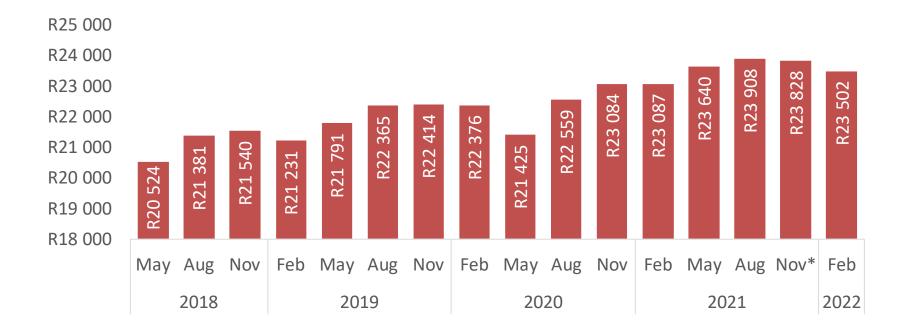
Year-on-year the Transport industry reported an increase of 5,4% in AME while the electricity industry declined by 3,1%.







Average monthly earnings were measured at R23 502 in the formal non-agricultural sector of the economy in February 2022.



* Revised estimates





Recap QES Q1:2022



Number of employees increased by 42 000 Q/Q & increased by 200 000 Y/Y.



Gross earnings decreased by R28,2 billion Q/Q & increased by R56,6 billion Y/Y.



Full-time jobs increased by 1 000 Q/Q & increased by 8 000 Y/Y.



Basic salaries/wages decreased by R4,5 billion Q/Q & increased by R43,1 billion Y/Y.



Part-time jobs increased by 41 000 Q/Q and Y/Y gained by 192 000.



Bonus payments decreased by **R21,7** billion Q/Q & increased by **R12,7** billion Y/Y.



Average monthly earnings decreased by 1,4% Q/Q & increased by 1,8% Y/Y.



Overtime payments decreased by **R2,0** billion Q/Q & increased by **R0,8** billion Y/Y.





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