

# Labor Force Statistics - Volume 2: Unemployment and Underemployment by State

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### Summary

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### Definition and Methodology

### Labor force and non-labor force

The total population in Nigeria is divided into labor force (currently active) and non labor force (not

currently active). The labor force population covers all persons aged 15 to 64 years who are willing and able to work regardless of whether they have a job or not. The definition of unemployment, therefore, covers persons (aged 15–64) who during the reference period were currently available for work, actively seeking for work but were without work.

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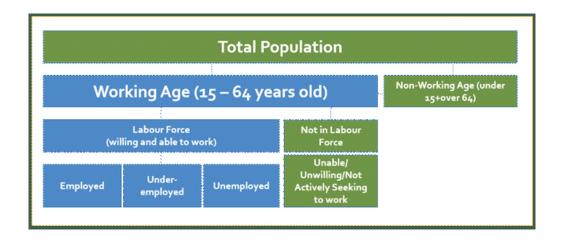
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Examples of these are voluntary full-time housewives, underage children 14 and below, adults above 65, full-time students, those in active military service, physically challenged and incapacitated persons whose incapacitation prevents them from working. Changes in the labor force are mainly determined by population growth, but is also dependent on the decisions by constituents of the economically active population, on whether to work or not, which varies across different cultures, regions, and is also affected by other factors including academic, economic and family considerations. For example, a housewife might decide to take up employment to supplement the family income due to changes in the husband's income or due to added family needs. Also, a person might decide to take some time off work to either study for a Master's program or to recover from ill health. All these decisions can add or subtract to and from the labor force at each point in time.

#### **Employment and Unemployment**

A person is regarded as **employed if he/she is engaged in the production of goods and services**, thereby contributing to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in a legitimate manner, which is a component of the national accounts **and receives any form or amount of compensation for that activity. Accordingly, it does not consider the employed persons satisfcation with the work, meets with his or her qualification or whether his compenation is suitable/satisfactory.** There is no universal standard definition of unemployment as various countries adopt definitions to suit their local priorities. However, all countries, use the International Labor Organization (ILO) definition, or a variant of it to compute its unemployment estimates. The ILO definition covers persons aged 15–64 who during the reference period (which is usually the week preceding the time the survey is administered) were available for work, actively seeking work, but unable to find work.

The Nigerian National Bureau of Statistics, like most countries in the world, uses a variant of the ILO definition. The unemployment rate is the proportion of those in the labor force (not in the entire economic active population, nor the entire Nigerian population), who were actively looking for work but could not find work for at least 20 hours during the reference period. Accordingly, you are unemployed if you did absolutely nothing at all, or did something but for less than 20 hours during the reference week.

Hence, the unemployment rate is calculated by dividing the labor force population by labor force

population: Unemployment Rate = 100 x Unemployed Population Labor Force Population

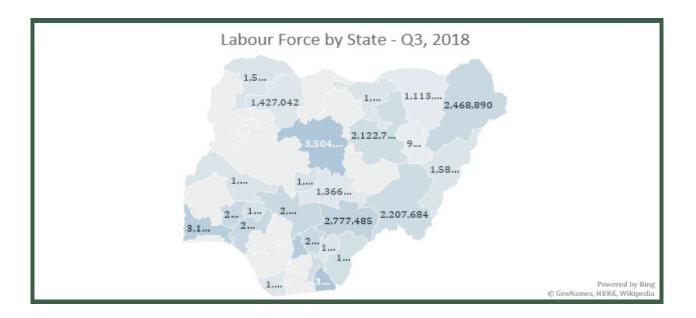
Underemployment, however, occurs if you work less than full-time hours, which is 40 hours, but work at least 20 hours on average a week and /or if you work full time but are engaged in an activity that underutilizes your skills, time and educational qualifications. Consequently, rural farmers only farming seasonally will be considered underemployed if they only work on their farms during the planting and harvests periods and do nothing in between. If farmers are however working in dry and wet seasons, as is increasingly becoming the case, they will then be considered to be in full-time employment. It is important to note that the international definition of unemployment, underemployment or employment is not a function of the quantity/suitability of wages earned nor it is a function of a person's involvement or otherwise in economic activity even if that activity is performed solely to make ends meet and not for satisfaction or enjoyment. The suitability of wages or job fulfilment is covered under other indices such as the living standard, poverty rate or happiness index, but not in determining whether one is employed, unemployed or underemployed, which is a function of economic engagement.

### Unemployment and Underemployment by State: Overview

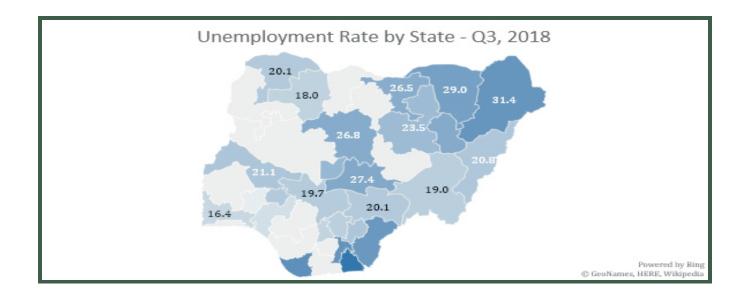
The analysis below presents the labor force indicators for the reference period at the State level following a review of the methodology by National Bureau of Statistics in 2014. Accordingly, it is not comparable to earlier labor force estimates which used different methodologies for computation. It is also important to be cautious in comparing unemployment and underemployment rates across States due to the influence of migration. This means a higher unemployment rate in a State is not necessarily reflective of poor performance by the State. In certain cases, a State might experience an increase in its unemployment rate because it may be adjudged to be doing well economically and socially, which may lead to people moving from economically poor, or security challenging States to that State in search of better living standards and conditions. In such a case, that State's unemployment rate may be high and rising because it's good performance is attracting more unemployed and poor people, which would lead to an increase in its unemployment and poverty rates.

Similarly, a low unemployment rate does not necessarily equate to a sign of improving conditions in that State. The unemployment rate in a poor performing state can go down simply because unemployed persons who can't find work in the State leave for another State in search of jobs and a better life. When the situation described above happens, the number of unemployed who have left that State which was doing badly will reduce the size of the labor force population, resulting in a seemingly better-looking unemployment rate. At the same time, it is possible that better unemployment rates in a state might be a sign of good performance by that State, just as a State with poorer looking unemployment rates may be a sign of poor performance by the State. Accordingly, **cross-state comparisons to indicate performance should be treated cautiously**.

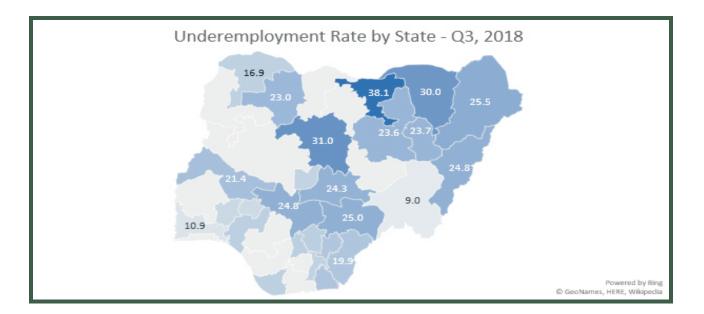
The geopolitical zones with the highest Labor force population were the South-West, followed by the South-South, and then the North Western zone of the country. According to the 2018 Labor Force Survey conducted by NBS in the third quarter, Nigeria had a labor force of 90.47 million nationwide, among which Lagos, Rivers, Oyo, Kano and Akwa-Ibom accounted for 26.23% of the total labor force. The map below shows the labor force distribution in different states in the third quarter of 2018. Unemployment and Underemployment rates vary according to the nature of economic activity predominant in the State. Unemployment tends to be higher in the Southern States while underemployment tends to be higher in the Southern States while underemployment compared to unemployment and may swing from high full-time employment during periods of planting and harvest when they are fully engaged on their farms to periods of underemployment at other periods. States with a higher propensity of women to marry early or be housewives and hence not part of the labor force also tend to have lower unemployment rates. These States tend to have a higher proportion of their economically active population outside the labor force thereby reducing the number looking for work and hence the number that can be unemployed.



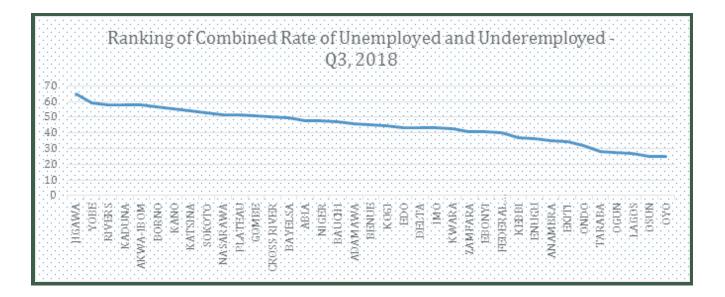
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Similarly, an underemployment map below shows that the regions with the highest rates were the North-East, North-Central and the North-West states in the third quarter of 2018. Katsina, Jigawa, Kaduna, Yobe and Niger states recorded the highest underemployment rates during the reviewing period, with 39.5%, 38.1%, 31.0%, 30.0%, and 26.9% respectively. South West states reported relatively low underemployment rates, however, the state with the lowest underemployment rate was Taraba state (9.0%).



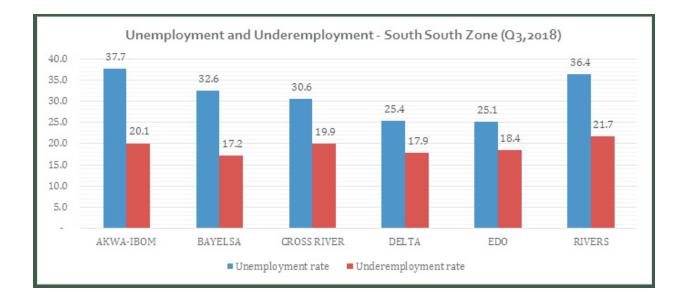
When combining both unemployment rate and underemployment rate, Jigawa, Yobe, Rivers, Kaduna, Akwa Ibom, Borno, and Kano reported highest unemployed and underemployed rates in the third quarter of 2018, of 64.6%, 58.9%, 58.1%, 57.8%, 57.8%, 56.9% and 55.5% respectively. While Rivers, Kano, Akwa-Ibom, Kaduna, Lagos, Borno, and Imo reported the highest numbers of combined unemployment and underemployment population, altogether accounting for 35.2% of the total unemployed and underemployed population in Nigeria.



### Q3 2018 Employment, Unemployment, and Underemployment by State – Zonal and State Analysis

### SOUTH-SOUTH ZONE

In Q3, 2018, Akwa Ibom state reported the highest unemployment rate (37.7%), followed by Rivers state (36.4%), Bayelsa state (32.6%), Cross River state (30.6%), Delta state (25.4%) and Edo state (25.1%). For underemployment, Rivers state recorded the highest rate in South-South zone with 21.7%, followed by Akwa Ibom state (20.1%), Cross River state (19.9%), Edo state (18.4%), Delta state (17.9%) and Bayelsa state (17.2%). In the period under review, the state with the highest labor force population was Rivers state with 4,601,135, while Bayelsa state had the lowest labor force population with (1,363,014).



#### **AKWA IBOM STATE**

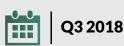
In Q3, 2018, the calculated unemployment rate for Akwa Ibom state was 37.7% (37.91% in Q3 2017), the highest unemployment rate in the zone, while the underemployment rate was 20.1%, this represents a 0.20 percentage points decrease in unemployment rate and 1.33 percentage point increase in underemployment rate over the corresponding period of the previous year. At the same time, the labor force population of Akwa Ibom state stood at 3,599,981, an increase of 300,163 compared to Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 154,692 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

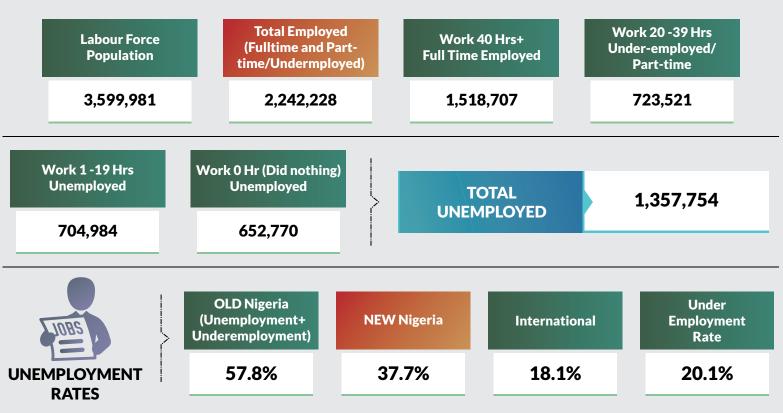


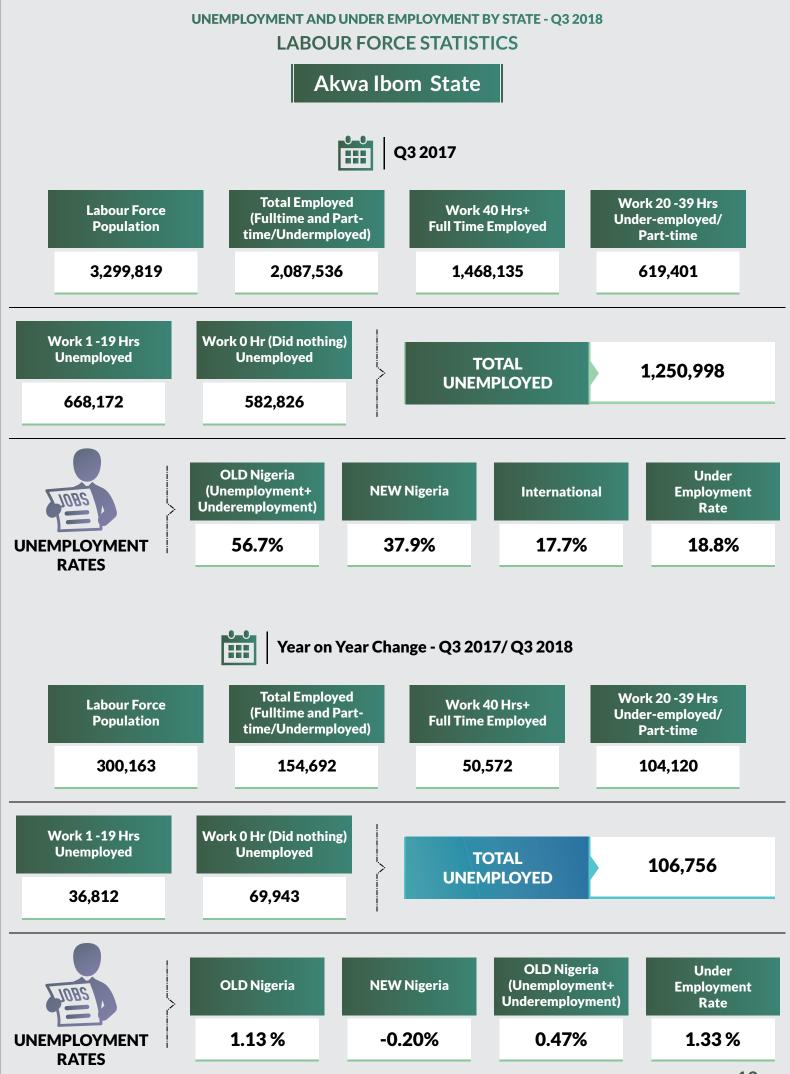
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Akwa Ibom State









#### **RIVERS STATE**

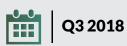
Rivers state recorded the second highest unemployment rate and the highest underemployment rate, as well as, attaining the state with the largest labor force population in the zone. It recorded 36.4% for unemployment, a decline of 4.92 percentage points from 41.3% recorded in the 3rd quarter of 2017; while its underemployment rate increased from 18.8% in Q3, 2017 to 21.7% in Q3, 2018. During the same period, the labor force population increased by 299,928 from 4,301,207 in Q3, 2017 to 4,601,135 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 425,022 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

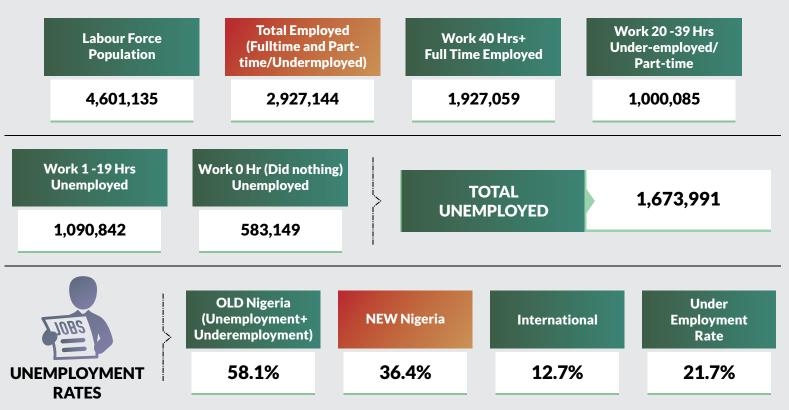


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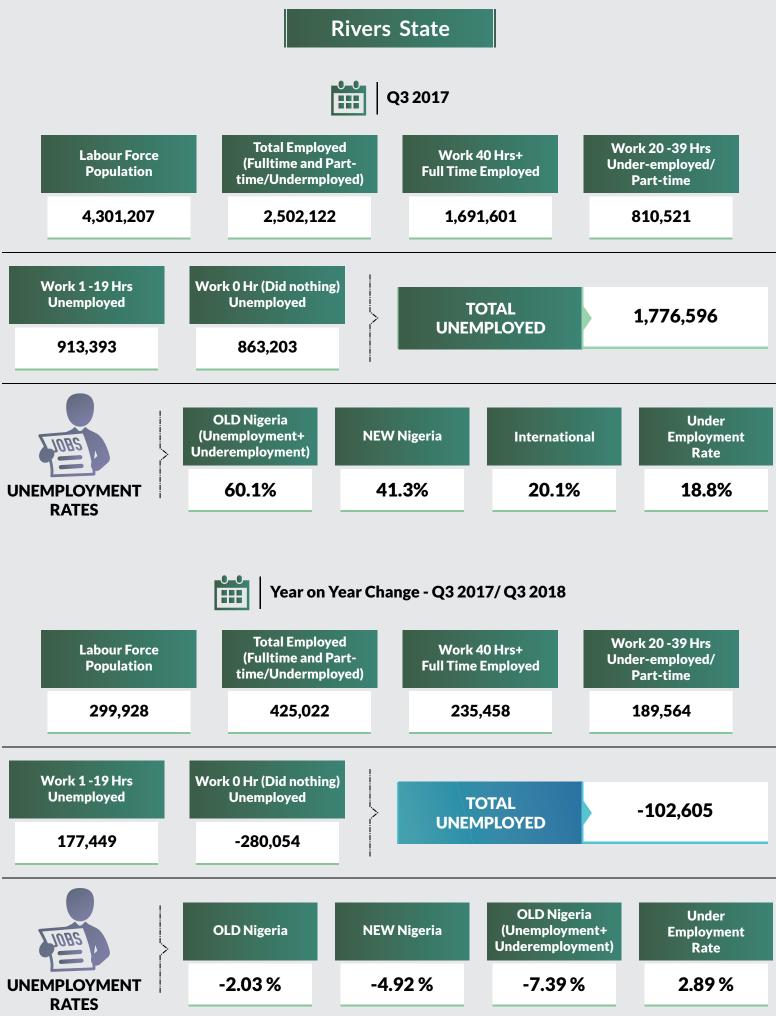
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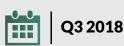
In Q3 2018, there was an increase of 2.6 percentage points in the unemployment rate, from 30.0% in Q3 2017 to 32.6% in Q3 2018, while the underemployment rate dropped by 0.34 percentage points, from 17.6% in Q3 2017 to 17.2% in Q3 2018. Comparatively, the labor force population increased by 109,821, to hit 1,363,014 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 49,705 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

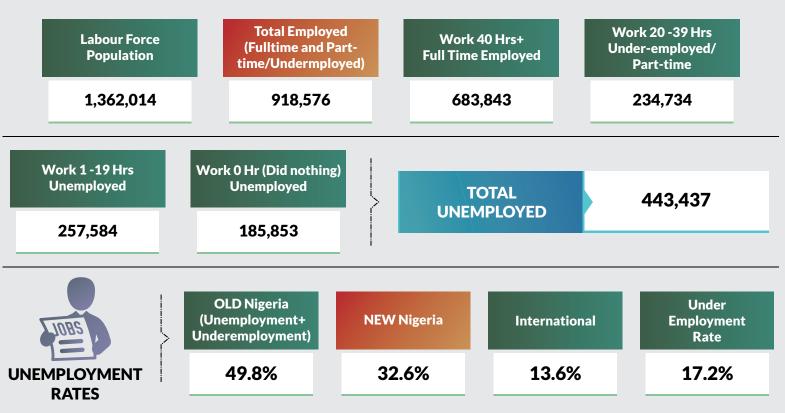


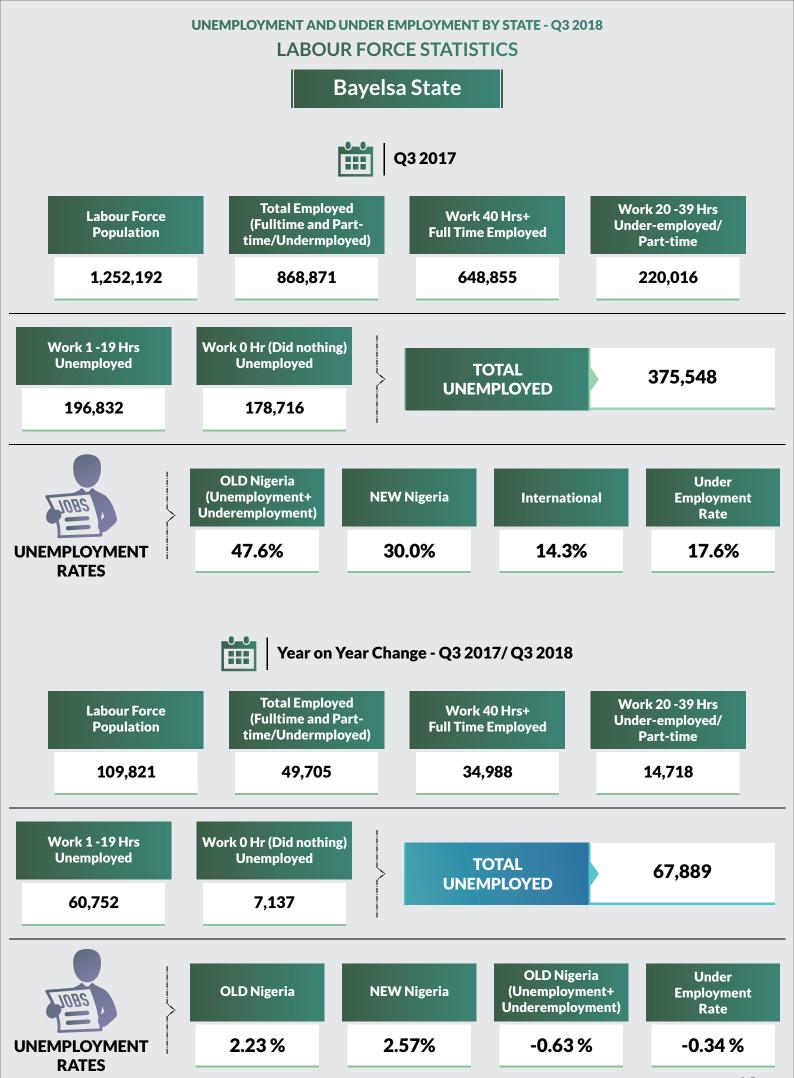
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**Bayelsa State** 









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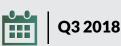
In Q3 2018, the unemployment rate for Cross River stood at 30.6% (20.79% in Q3 2017), while the underemployment rate was 19.9%. This represents a 9.9 percentage point increase in unemployment rate and a 0.2 percentage points drop in underemployment rate when compared to the rates realized in Q3, 2017. The labor force population increased to 1,936,998, from the figure recorded in Q3, 2017, representing an increase of 140,177. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 88,719 persons within Q32017 and Q32018.

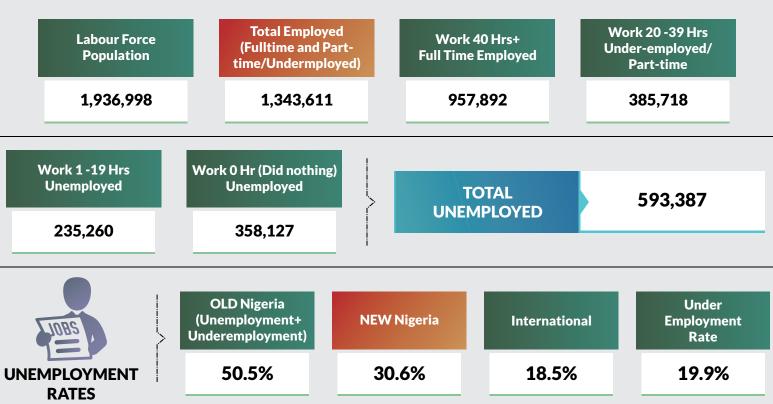


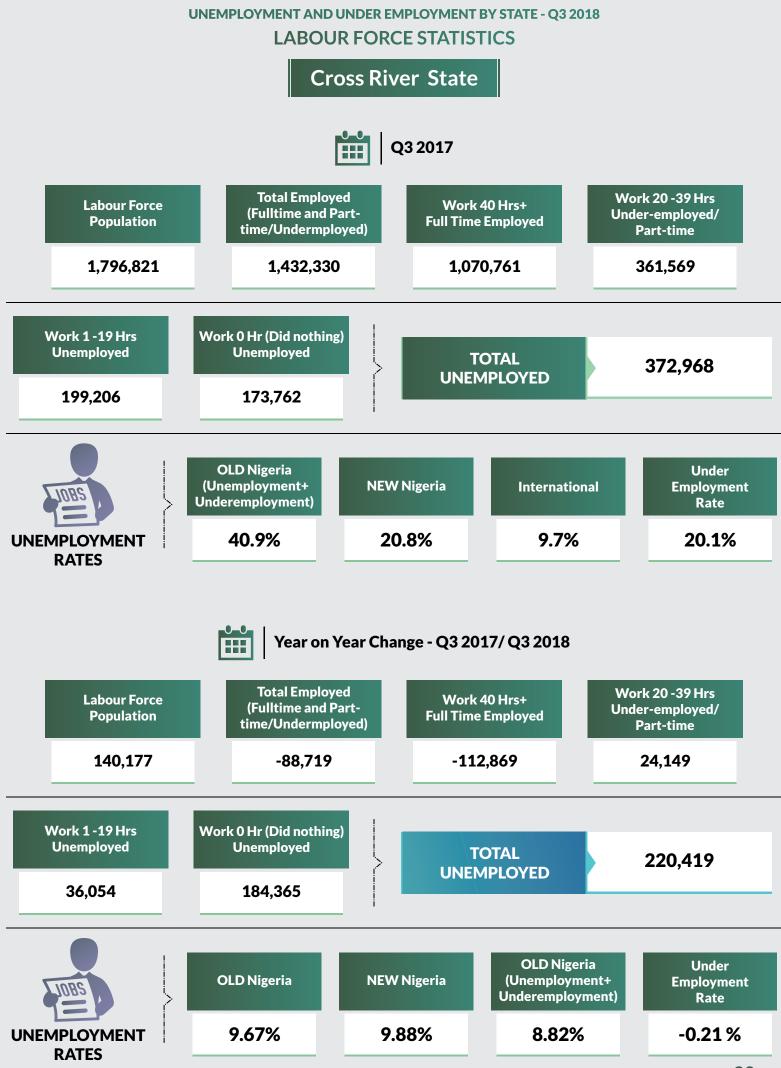
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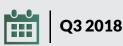
The unemployment rate for Delta state rose to 25.4% (18.09% in Q3 2017), representing a 7.3 percentage point increase from the same period of 2017. The rate of underemployment, however, decreased to 17.9% in Q3 2018 from 19.7% in Q3 2017. The estimated number of persons in the labor force increased to 3,120,370 during the quarter, an increase of 184,400 on the figure recorded in the third quarter of 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 78,809 persons within Q32017 and Q32018.

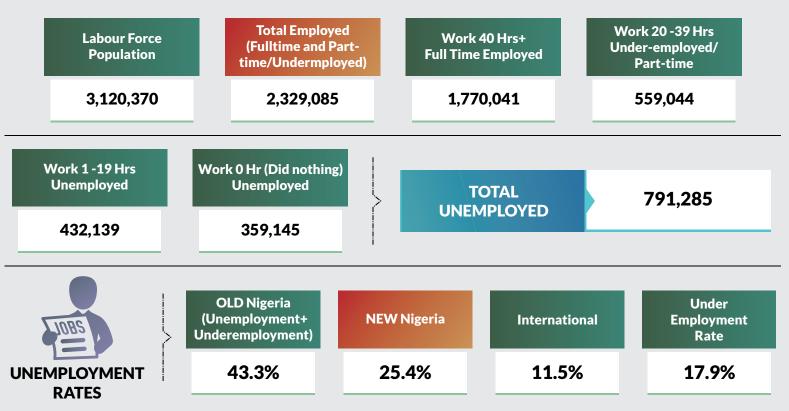


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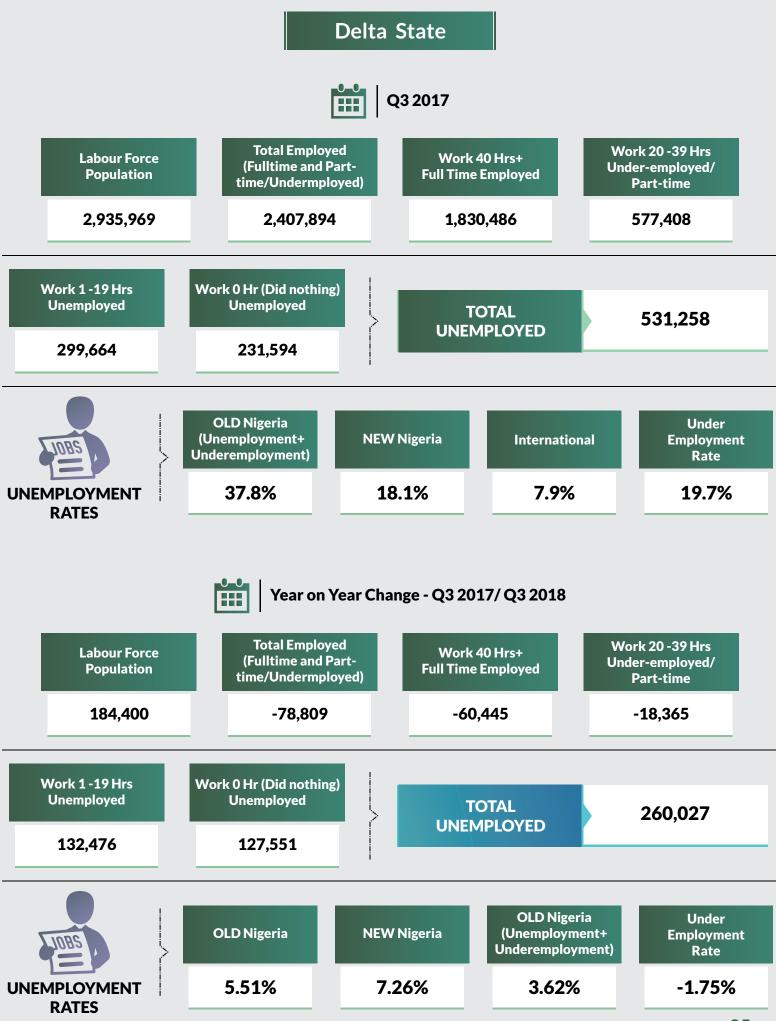
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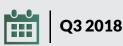
The rate of unemployment in the third quarter for Edo state increased to 25.1%, from 19.6% in the same quarter of the previous year. The underemployment rate, however, declined by 1.06 percentage points from 19.5% in Q3 2017, to 18.4% in Q3 2018. The labor force population was estimated at 2,095,235 an increase of 116,032 from Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 13,607 persons within Q32017 and Q32018.

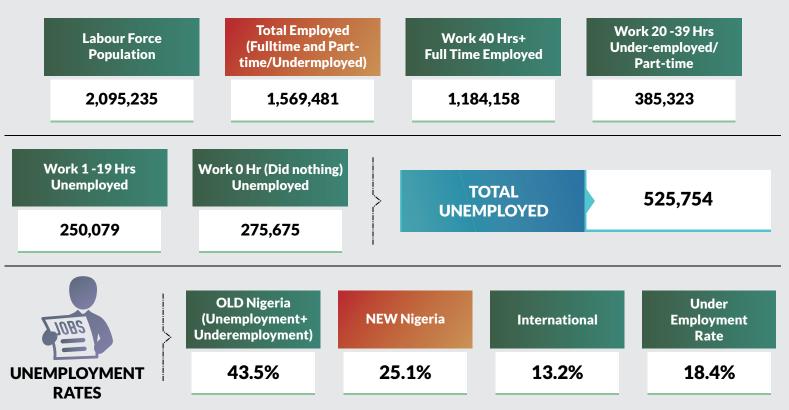


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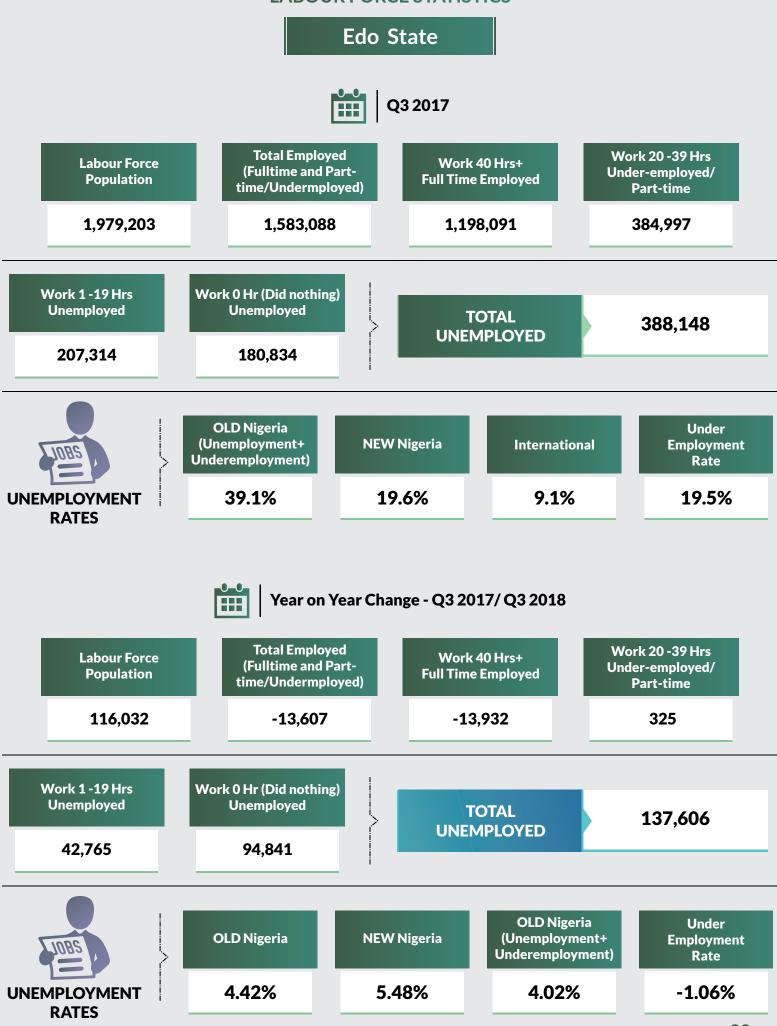






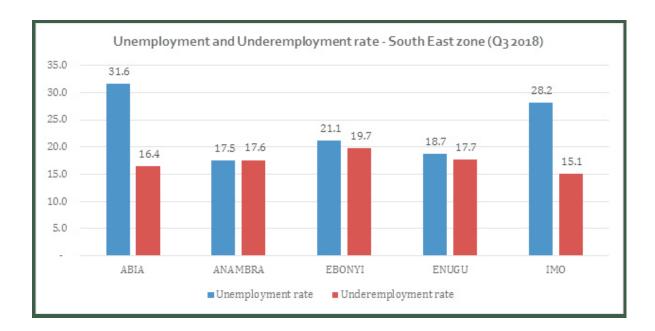
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#### SOUTH-EAST ZONE

In the third quarter of 2018, Abia state reported the highest unemployment rate (31.6%) in the zone, this was followed by Imo state (28.2%), Ebonyi state (21.1%), Enugu state (18.7%), and Anambra state (17.5%). Ebonyi state recorded the highest underemployment rate with 19.7%, followed by Enugu (17.7%), Anambra (17.6%), Abia (16.4%), and Imo state with the lowest (15.1%). During the same period, Anambra state recorded the highest labor force population (3,251,915), while Ebonyi state recorded the lowest population in the labor force (1,528,582) for this zone. The chart below depicts the level of unemployment and underemployment in the zone.



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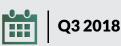
As at Q3 2018, the level of unemployment rate in Abia state was 31.6% in Q3 2018 (28.6% in Q3 2017) - the highest rate recorded for the zone, while the underemployment rate was 16.4%. This represents an increase of 3.00 percentage points in the unemployment rate and a decrease 0f 0.41 percentage points in underemployment level compared to the corresponding quarter of 2017. In the same period, the labor force population of Abia state stood to 2,023,768, an increase of 54,147 persons or 2.7% compared to Q3, 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 25,276 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

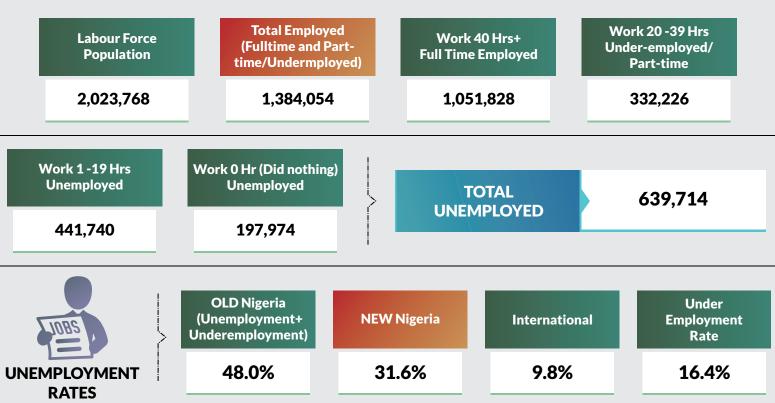


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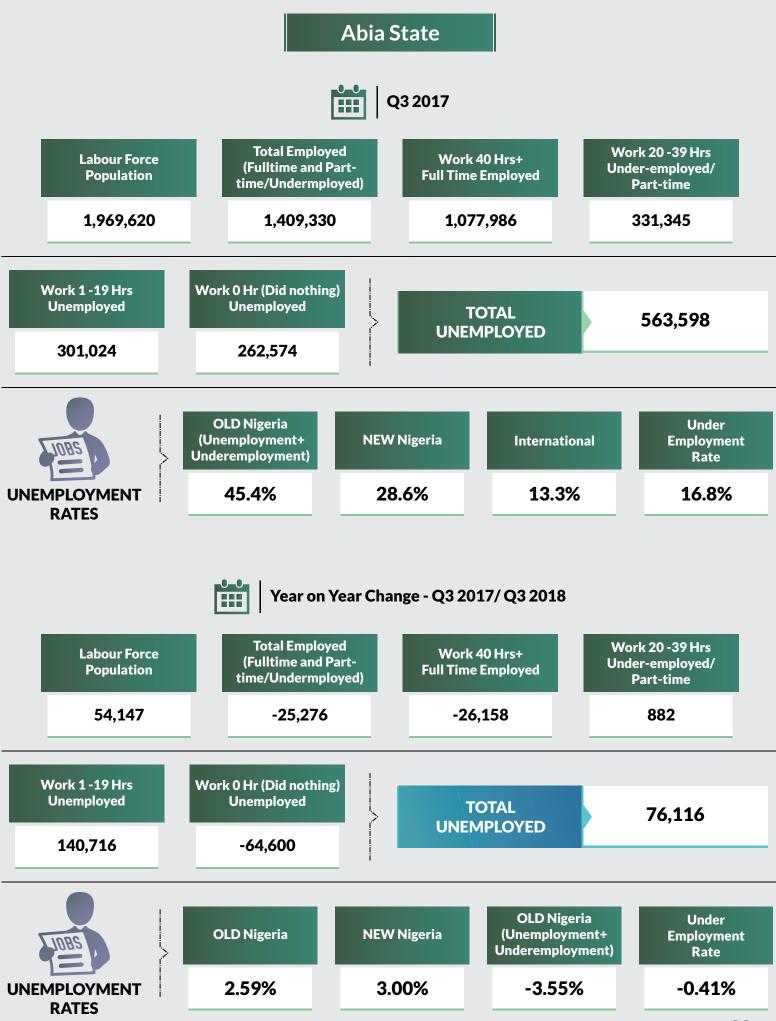
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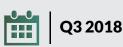
Imo state in Q3 2018, had the second highest unemployment rate and labor force population in the South-East Zone. It recorded an unemployment rate of 28.2% (29.4% in Q3 2017) and underemployment rate of 15.1%, which is a decline by 1.19 and 1.74 percentage points respectively when compared to Q3 2017. The labor force population in the state rose to 3,123,271, a 7.0% rise compared to the third quarter of 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 175,378 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

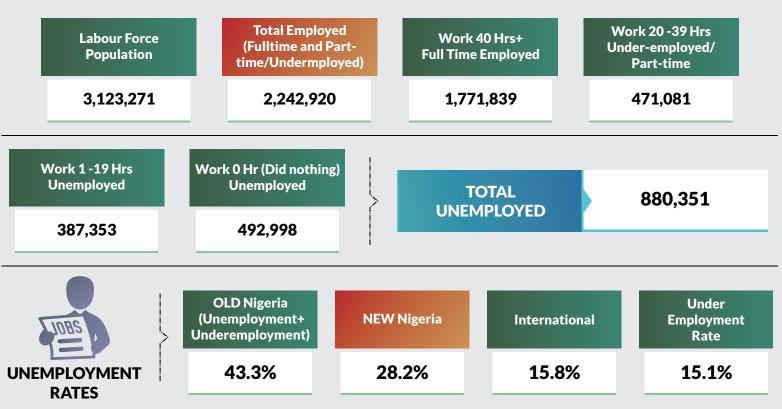


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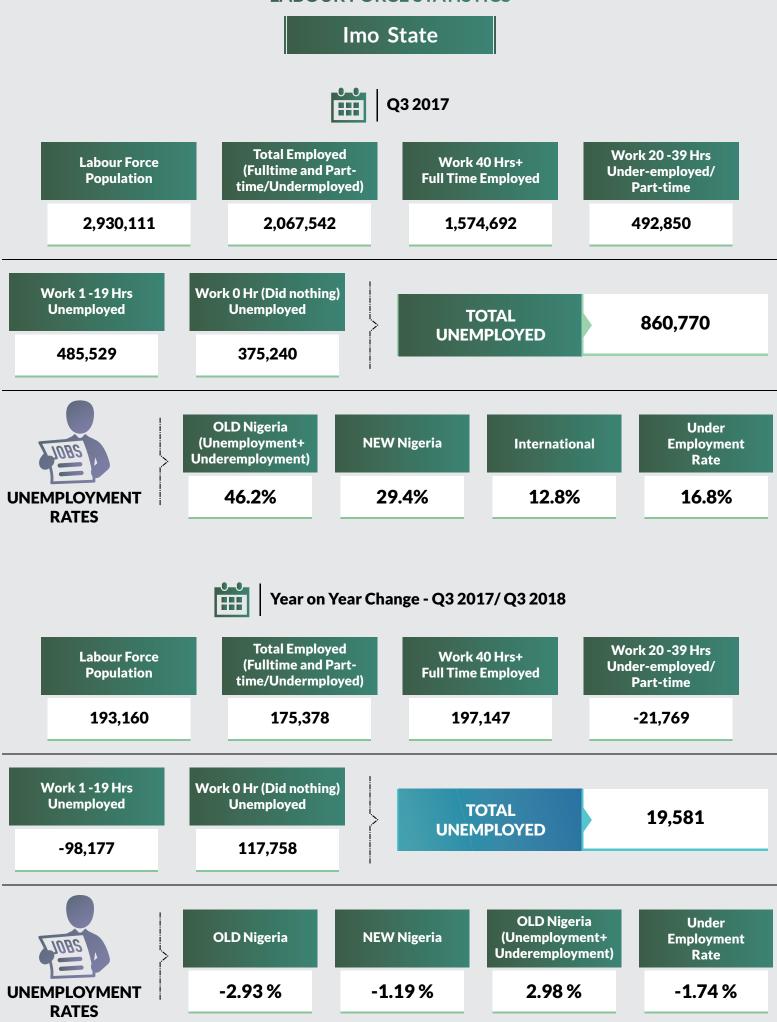
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### **EBONYI STATE**

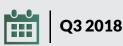
Ebonyi State reported the highest underemployment rate for the zone at 19.7%, while the unemployment rate for the reference period was 21.1% (18.9%). This represents a 2.20 percentage points increase in the unemployment rate and a 2.42 increase in underemployment in the State. The number of persons in the labor force rose to 1,528,582 in the third quarter of 2018, an increase of 89,523 or 6.2% when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 32,676 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

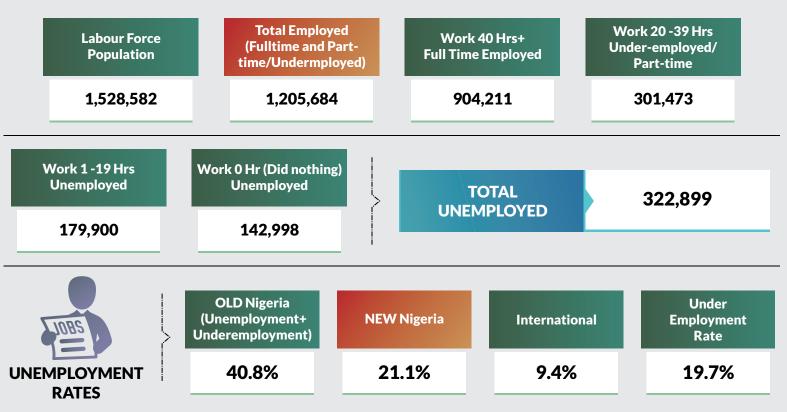


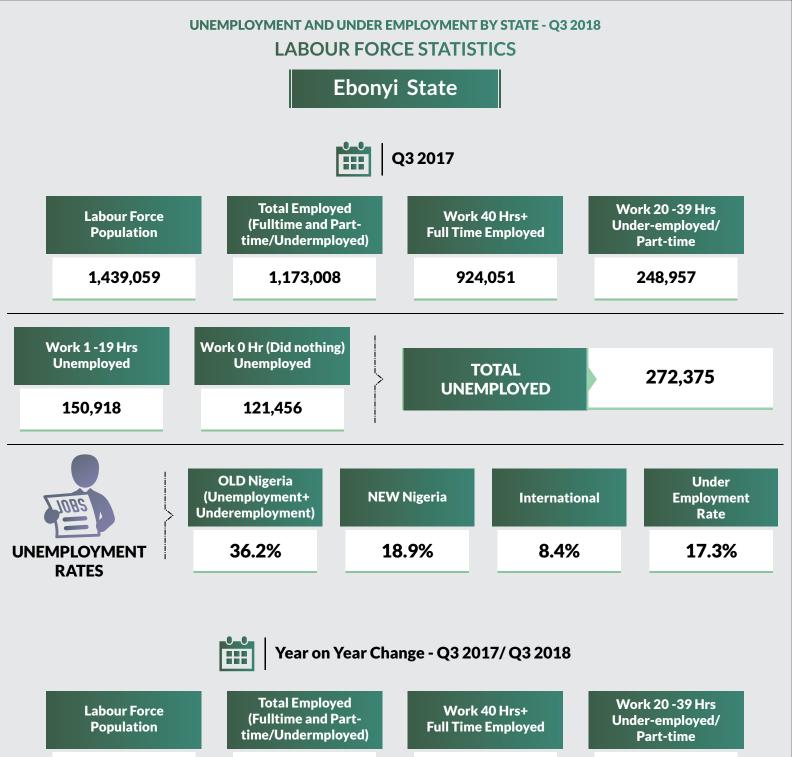
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Ebonyi State









32,676

Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)

Unemployed

21.542

**OLD** Nigeria

4.62%

-19,840

TOTAL

**UNEMPLOYED** 

**NEW Nigeria** 

2.20%

**OLD** Nigeria

(Unemployment+

**Underemployment)** 

0.91%



89,523

Work 1 - 19 Hrs

Unemployed

28,982

IOBS

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

38

52,516

50,524

Under

Employment

Rate

2.42%

## ENUGU STATE

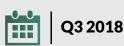
In the third quarter of 2018, the unemployment and underemployment rates dropped by 1.81 percentage points, from 20.5% in Q3, 2017 to 18.7% in Q3 2018, and by 0.33 percentage points, from 18.0% in Q3 2017 to 17.7% in Q3 2018, respectively. On the other hand, the labor force population increased to 2,467,332 in Q3 2018, from the 2,349,603 recorded in Q3, 2017, representing an increase of 5.0% between both periods. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 135,365 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

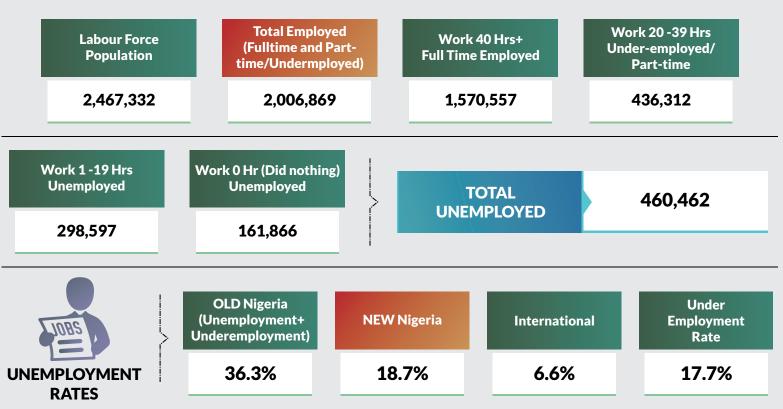


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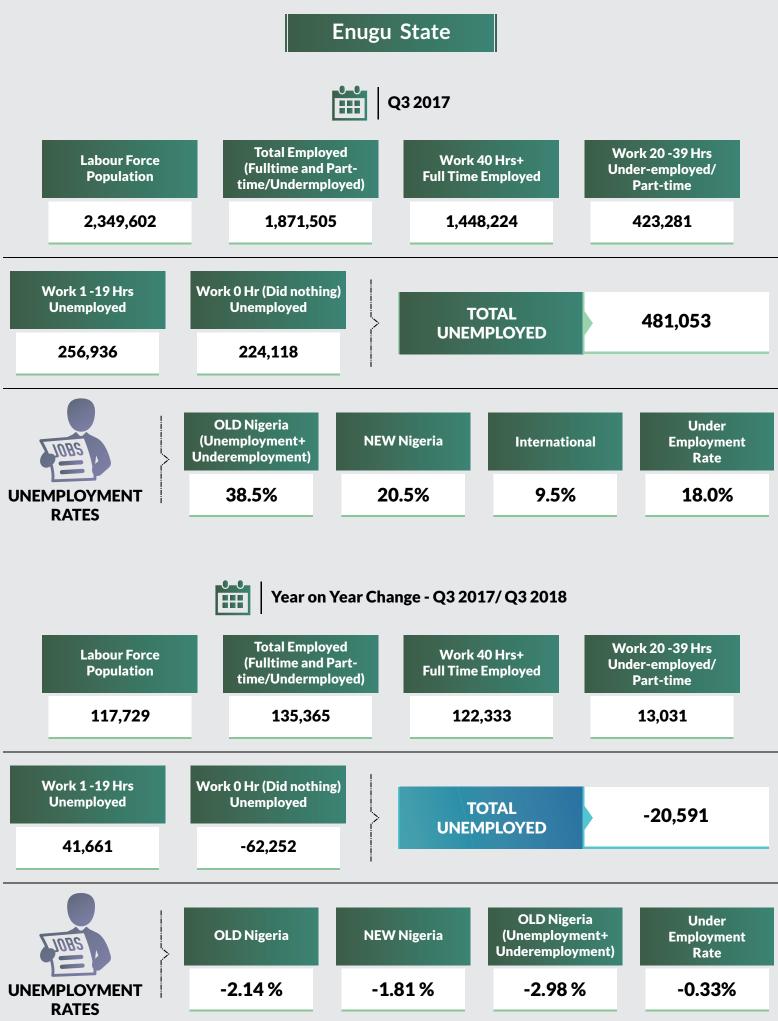
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#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



#### **ANAMBRA STATE**

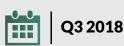
Anambra state recorded the highest labor force population in the South-East zone in the Q3, 2018. Its unemployment and underemployment levels rose to 17.5% (13.8% in Q3 2017) and 17.6% respectively, representing a 3.95 percentage points increase in unemployment and a 1.94 percentage points increase in underemployment rate over the same period of the previous year. In the same period labour force population increased by 133,858 or 4.3%, from 3,118,057 in Q3 2017 to 3,251,915 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 9,309 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

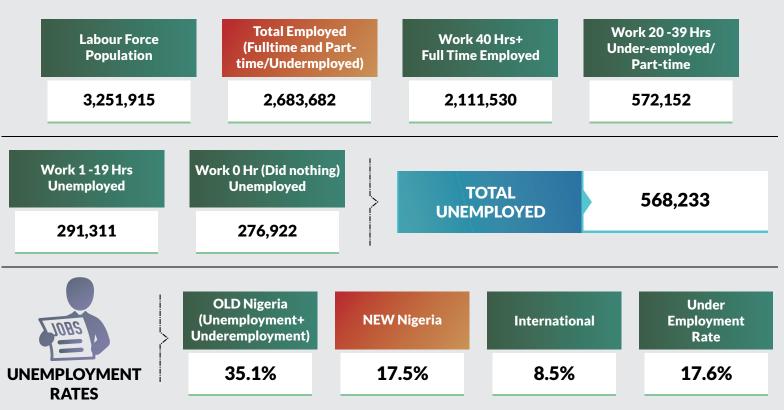


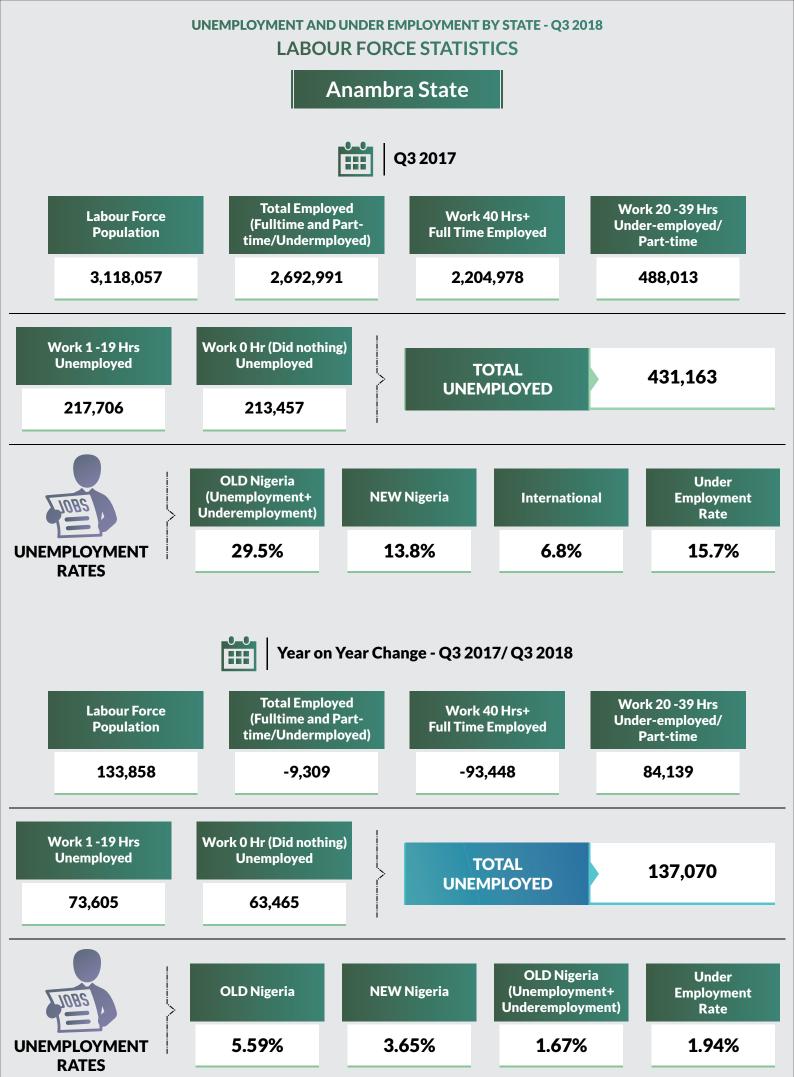
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Anambra State





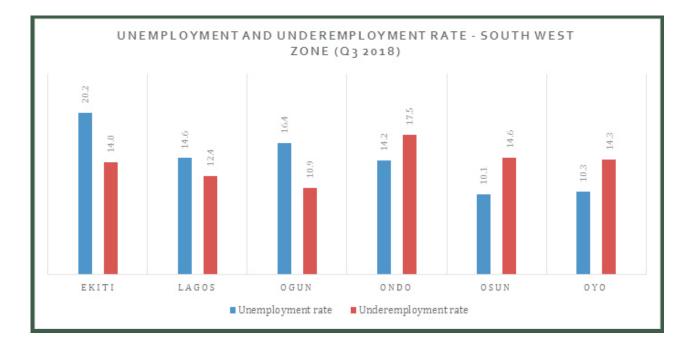




Unemployment and Under Employment by State - Q3 2018

### SOUTH-WEST ZONE

In Q3 2018, in the South-West region of the country, Ekiti state reported the highest unemployment rate (20.2%), this was followed by Ogun state (16.4%), Lagos (14.6%), Ondo (14.2%), Oyo (10.3%) and Osun (10.1%) states. Ondo state recorded the highest underemployment rate with 17.6%, followed by Osun 14.6%, Oyo state 14.3%, Ekiti state with 14.0%, Lagos state (12.4%), and Ogun state with the lowest (10.9%). The state with the highest jump in its unemployment rate was Ogun State, which rose by 6.8 percentage points, while Lagos state recorded the biggest decline in its unemployment rate, declining by 3.7 percentage points. In the period under review, Lagos state as expected, had the highest labor force population (7,478,256), while Ekiti state had the lowest labor force population (1,770,459) in the South-West zone.



### **EKITI STATE**

As of Q3 2018, the calculated unemployment rate for Ekiti state was 20.2% (14.56% in Q3 2017), the highest unemployment rate in the South-West zone, while the underemployment rate was 14.0%, this represents a 5.6 and 0.6 percentage points increase in the unemployment and underemployment rate respectively, when compared to the corresponding quarter of 2017. Along the same line, the labor force population of Ekiti state stood at 1,770,459, an increase of 358,354 or 2.2% compared to Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 68,110 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

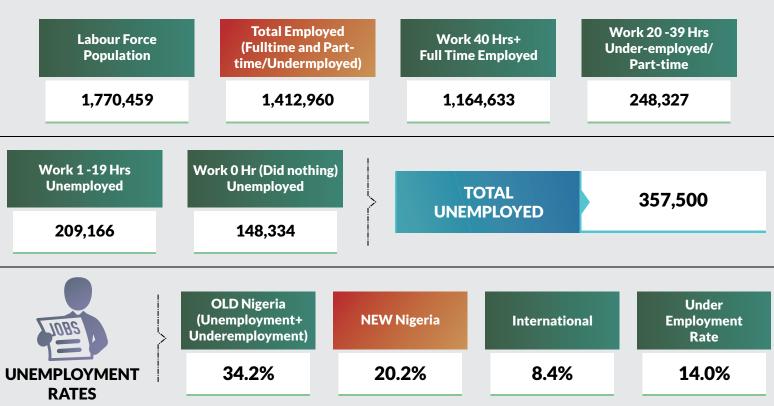


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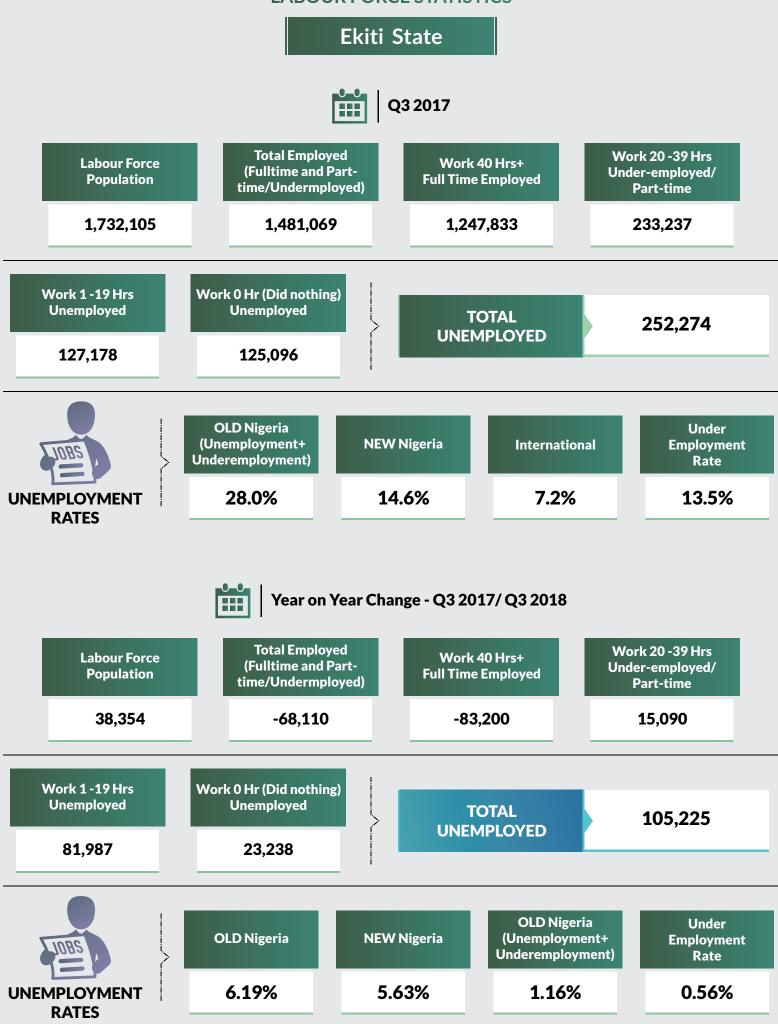
Ekiti State







#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



### **OGUN STATE**

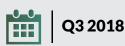
Ogun state, during the reference quarter, had the second highest unemployment rate in the South-West zone. This stood at 16.4%, an increase of 6.8 percentage points, from the 9.6% recorded in Q3 2017. Underemployment within the same quarter declined to 10.9% from the 11.0% recorded in Q3 2017. During the same period, the labor force population increased by 92,633 or 3.1%, from 3,024,149 in Q3 2017 to 3,116,782 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 127,530 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

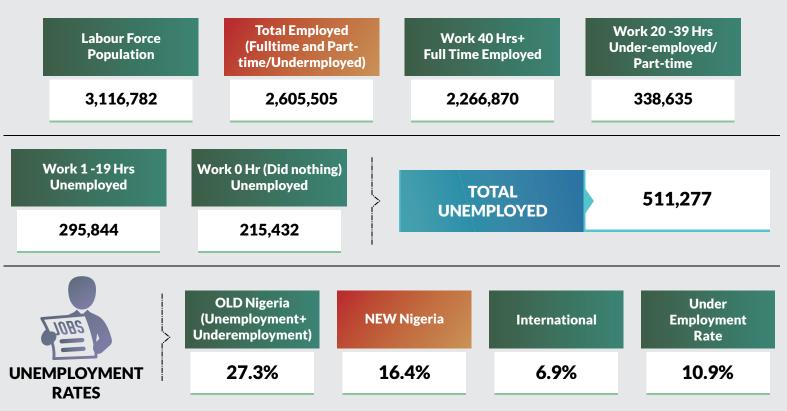


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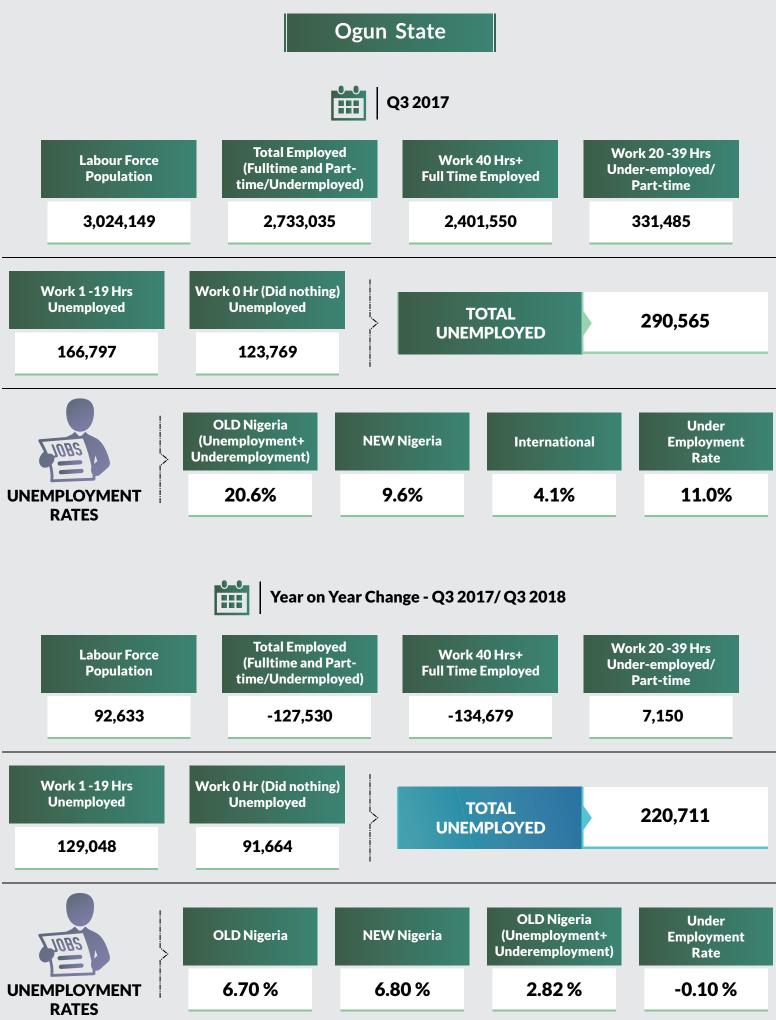
**Ogun State** 











## LAGOS STATE

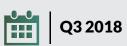
During the quarter, Lagos state expectedly recorded the highest labor force population in the zone (as well as in the country). The population increased by 398,559 or 5.6%, from 7,079,697 in Q3 2017, to 7,478,256 in Q3 2018. The unemployment rate dropped to 14.6% (18.28% in Q3 2017) during the quarter, while the underemployment rates declined to 12.4%, this was a decrease of 3.7 and 3.0 percentage points respectively. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 574,744 persons within Q32017 and Q32018.

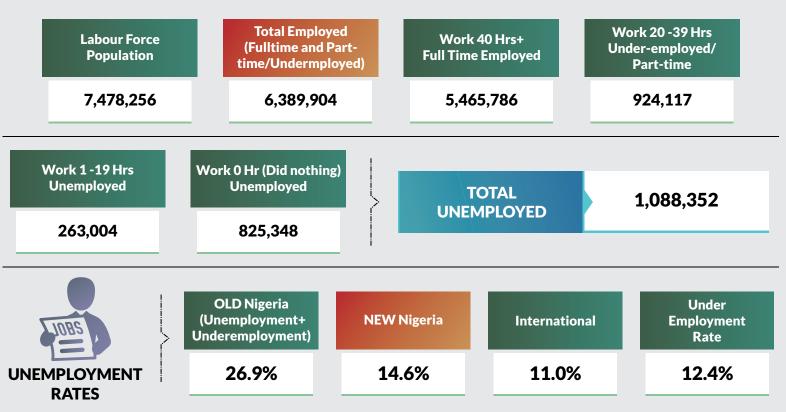


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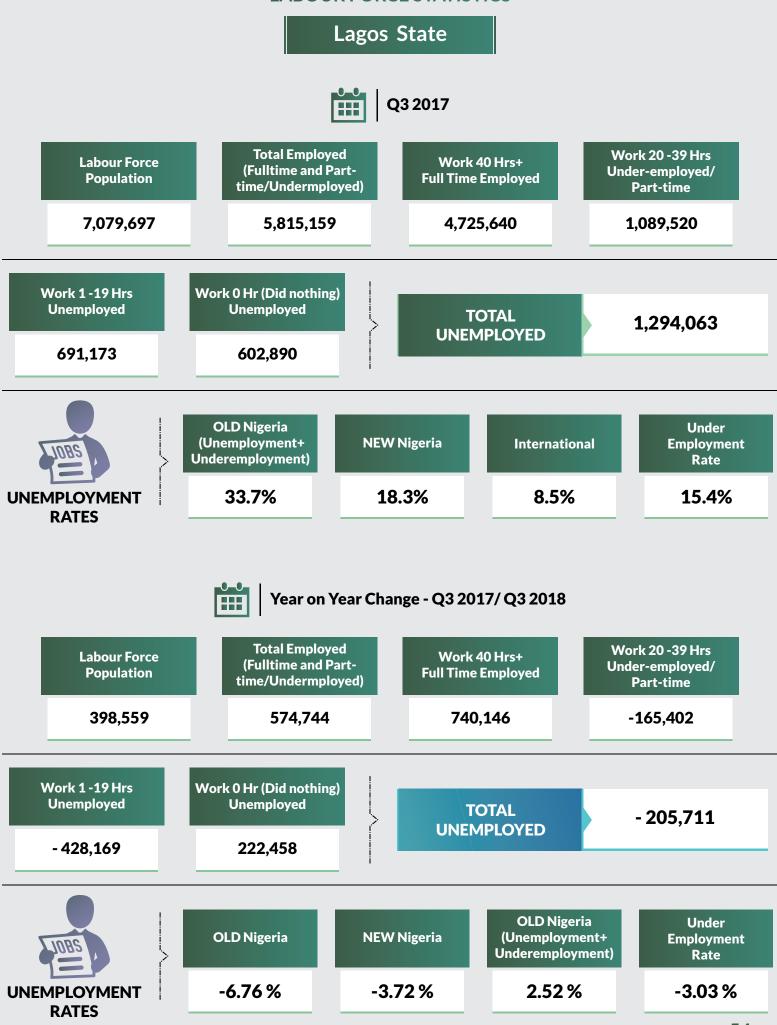
Lagos State







#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



Unemployment and Under Employment by State - Q3 2018

### **ONDO STATE**

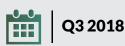
Ondo state recorded the highest underemployment rate in the zone during the quarter, albeit the rate dropped from 19.1% in Q3, 2017 to 17.5% in Q3 2018. Unemployment, however, declined by 1.2 percentage points, moving from 15.4% in Q3 2017 to 14.2% in Q3 2018. The labor force population increased to 2,502,482 from 2,393,197 in Q3 2017, an increase of 4.6% between both periods. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 122,709 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

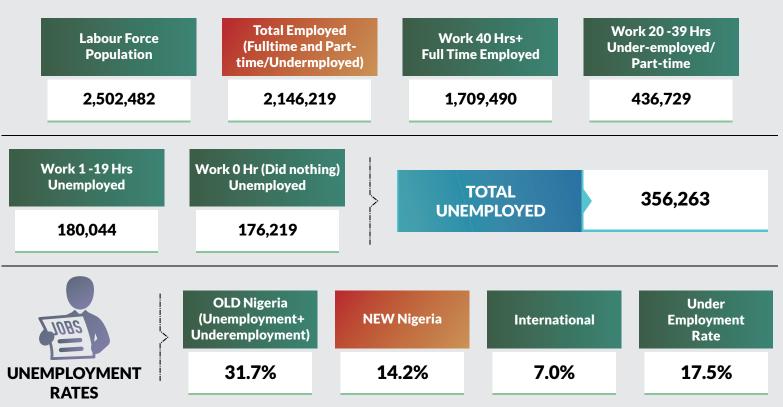


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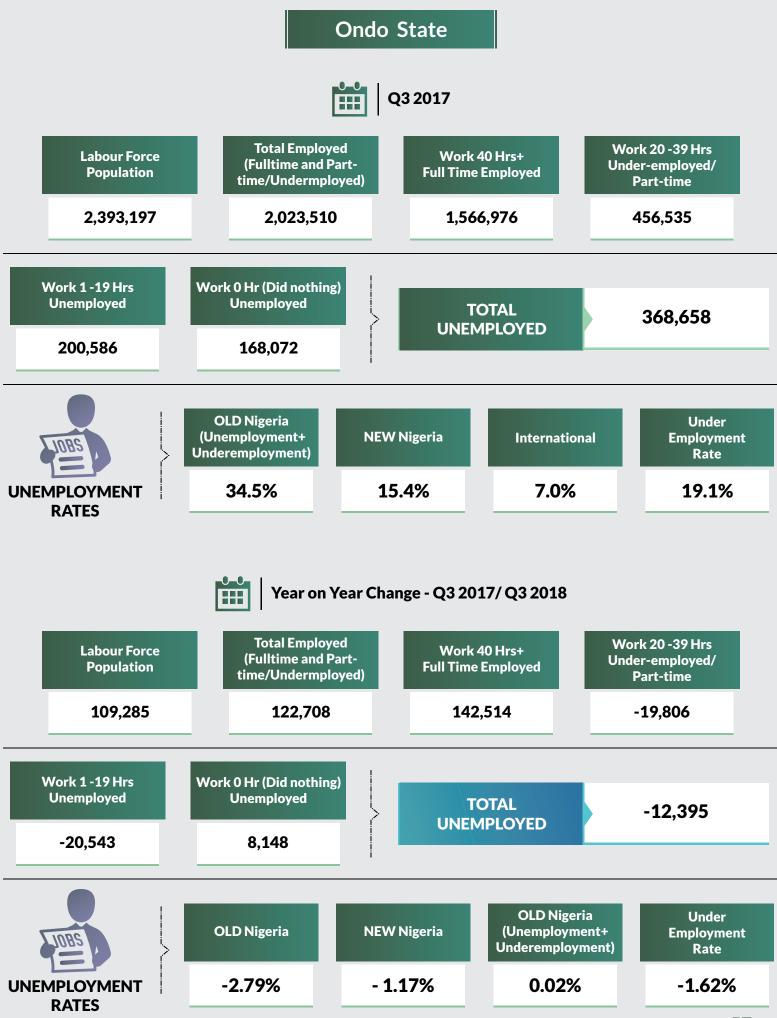
**Ondo State** 











### **OYO STATE**

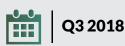
The unemployment and underemployment rates for Oyo state rose to 10.3% (9.08% in Q3 2017) and 14.3% in Q3 2018 respectively. This represents a 1.3 and 0.8 percentage point increase in the levels of unemployment and underemployment rate over the same period of last year. The number of people in the labor force also increased by 105,489 or 2.7%, reporting the second largest labor force population in the South-West zone during the reference period. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 46,389 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

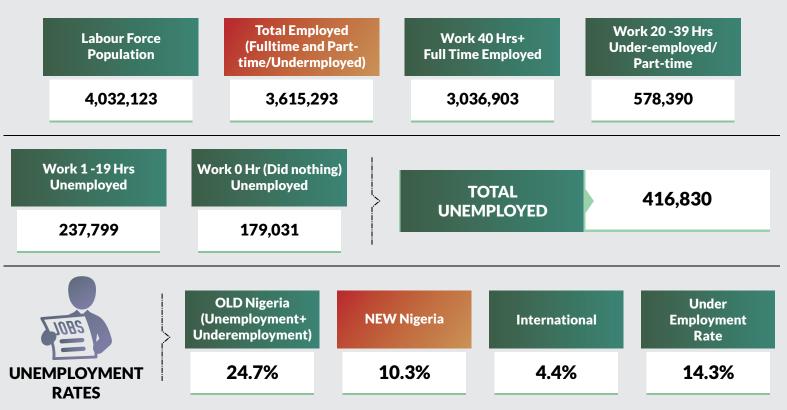


LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

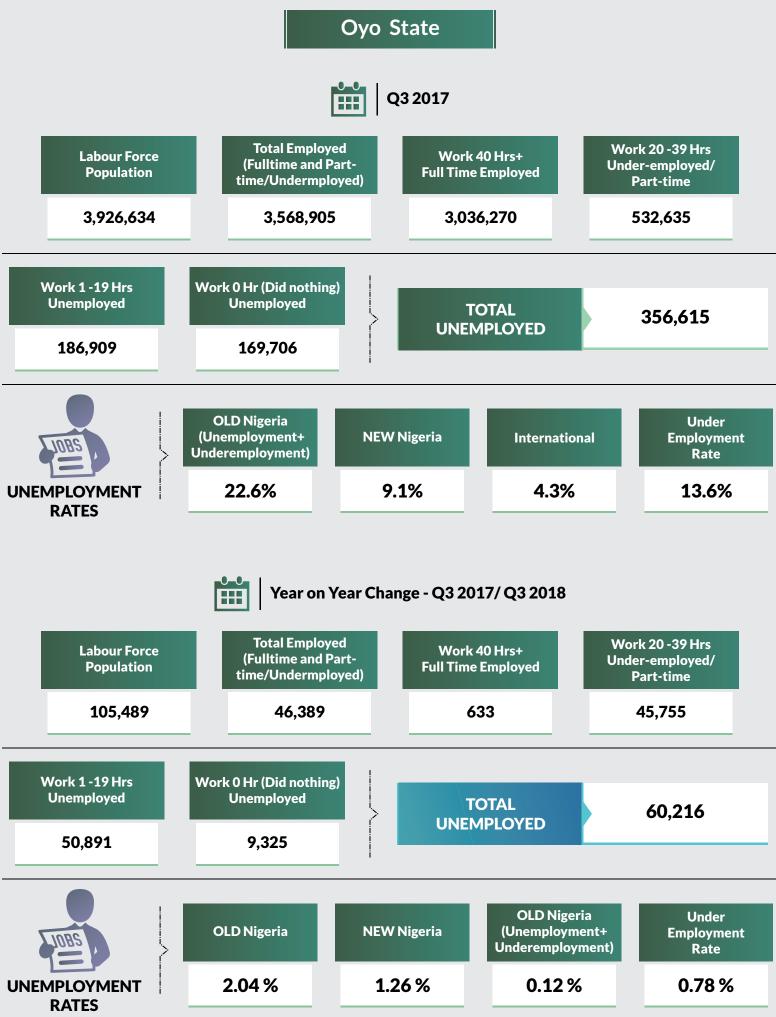
Oyo State











### **OSUN STATE**

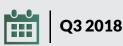
Unemployment and underemployment rates during the quarter increased to 10.1% (5.29% in Q3 2017) and 14.6% respectively. This shows an increase of 4.8 and 0.9 percentage points in unemployment and underemployment rates respectively when compared to the same quarter of 2017. The labor force population was 2,466,519 at the end of the third quarter, an increase of 91,773 or 3.9% from the figure recorded in Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 30,312 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

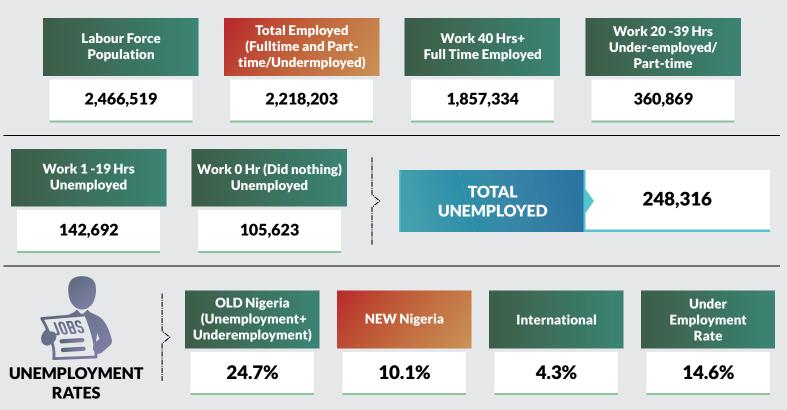


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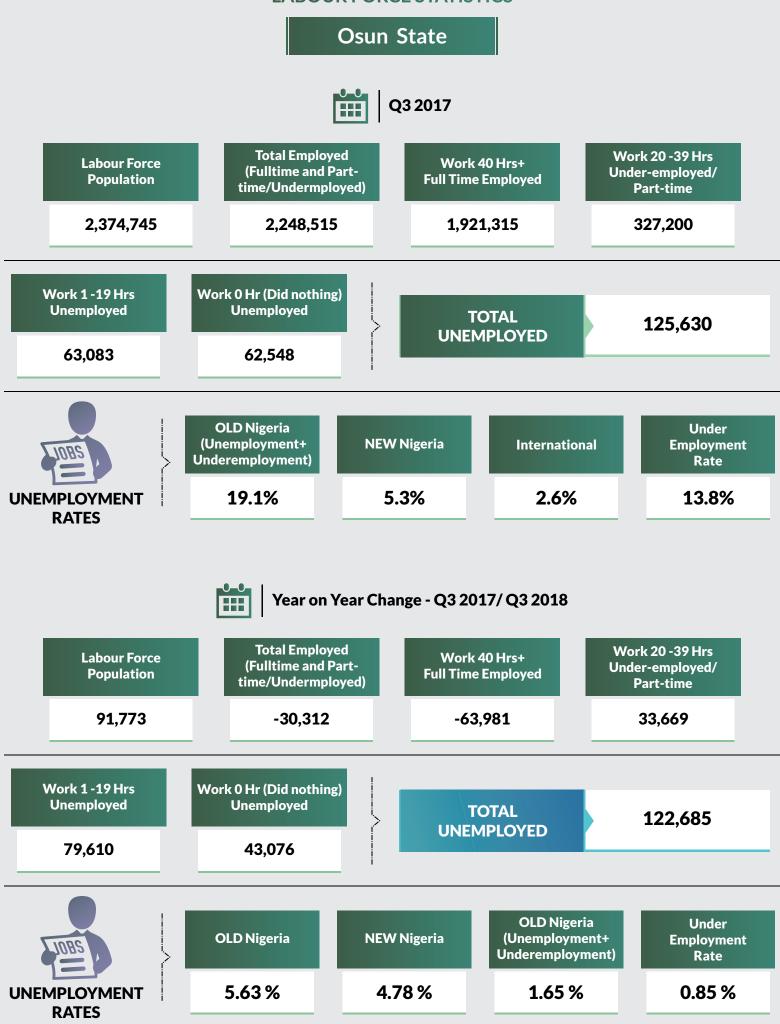
**Osun State** 





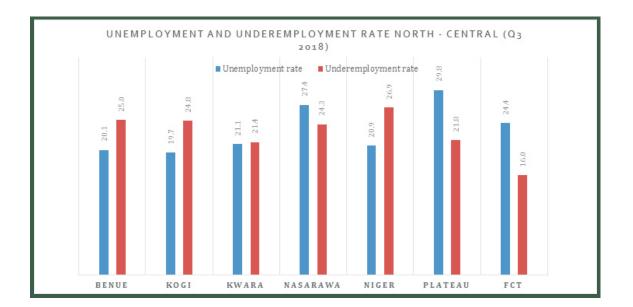


#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



### NORTH-CENTRAL ZONE

In 2018 Q3, Plateau state reported the highest unemployment rate (29.8%), followed by Nasarawa state (27.4%), FCT (24.4%), Kwara state (21.1%), Niger state (20.9%), Benue state (20.1%) and Kogi state (19.7%); while Niger state was rated the state with the highest underemployment rate in North-Central zone with 26.9%, followed by Benue state (25.0.%), Kogi state (24.8%), Nasarawa state (24.3%), Plateau state (21.8%), Kwara state (21.4%) and FCT (16.1%). In the period under review, Benue state had the highest labor force population (2,777,485) and Nasarawa had the lowest population (1,366,207) in the North-Central zone.



### PLATEAU STATE

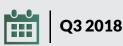
As of Q3 2018, the calculated unemployment rates show that Plateau state at 29.8% (24.12% in Q3 2017), had the highest unemployment rate in the zone, while the state's underemployment rate was 21.8%. This represents a 5.7% increase in the unemployment rate and a 0.6% decrease in the underemployment rate when compared to the third quarter of 2017. At the same time, the labor force population of Plateau state stood at 2,084,700, which is an increase of 127,893 or 6.5% compared to Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 1,755 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

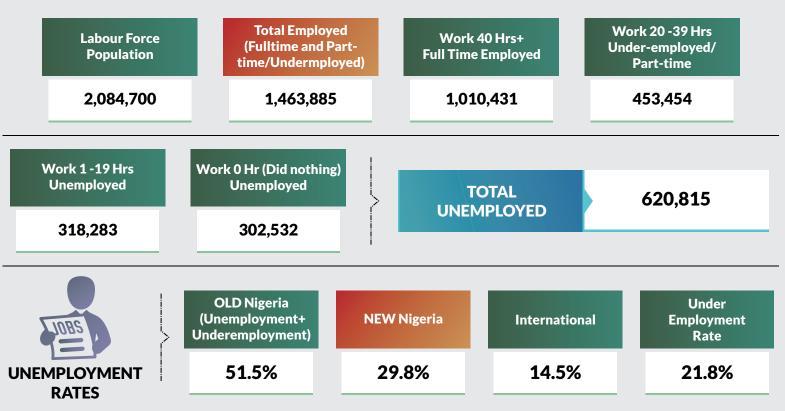


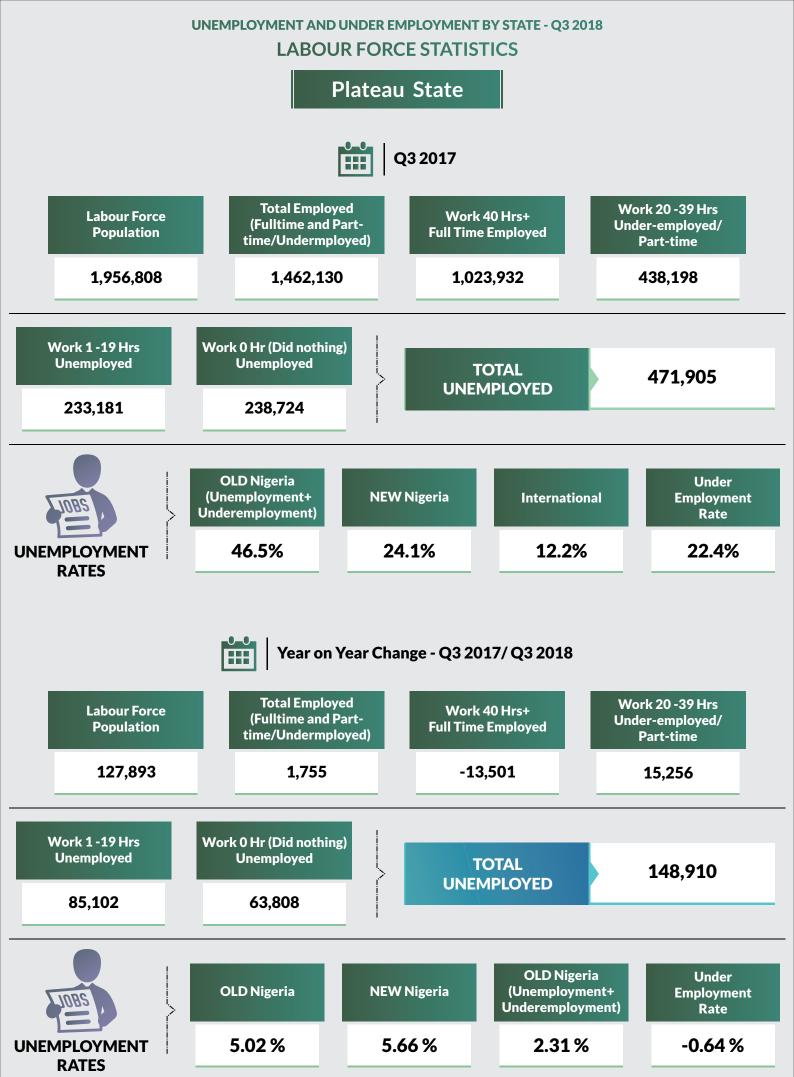
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Plateau State









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### NASARAWA STATE

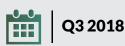
Nasarawa state recorded the second highest unemployment rate and also the lowest labor force population in Q3 2018. Specifically, the state recorded 27.4% for its unemployment rate, which is a decline of 1.5 percentage points from the 28.9% reported in Q3 2017. Additionally, underemployment decreased by 0.2 percentage points from 24.5% in Q3, 2017 to 24.3% in Q3, 2018. During the same period the number of people in the labor force increased by 83,609 or 6.5%, from 1,282,598 in Q3 2017 to 1,366,207 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 78,115 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

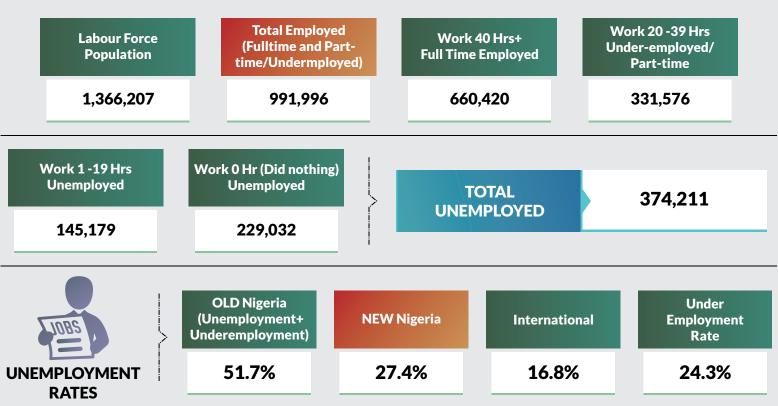


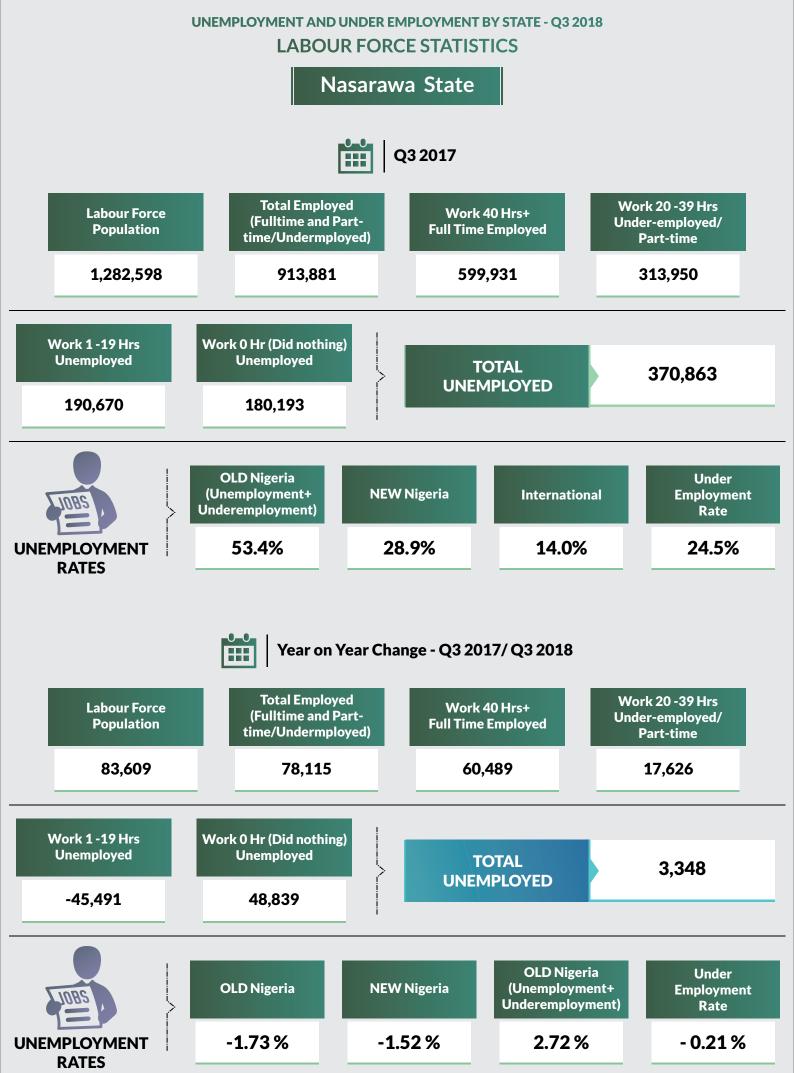
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Nasarawa State









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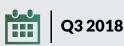
The FCT in Q3 of 2018, recorded an increase of 8.8 percentage points in its unemployment rate, from 15.7% in Q3 2017 to 24.4 %, it also recorded a 1.2 percentage points decline in its level of underemployment, from 17.2% in Q3 2017 to 16.1% in Q3 2018. The labour force population however, increased from 1,616,778 in Q3, 2017 to 1,736,236 in Q3 2018, representing a 7.4% increase. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 52,670 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

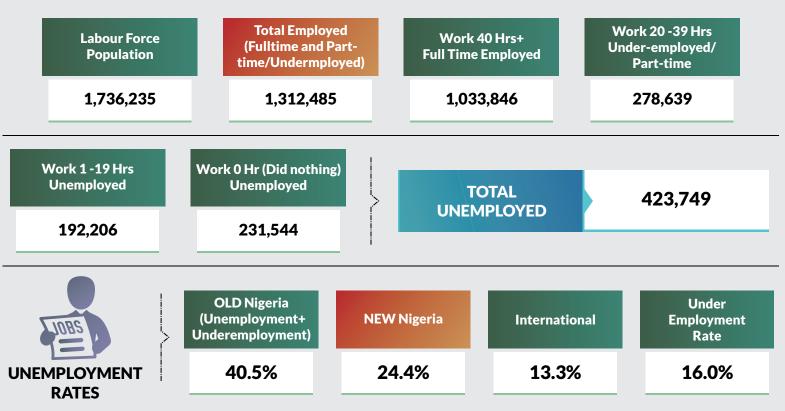


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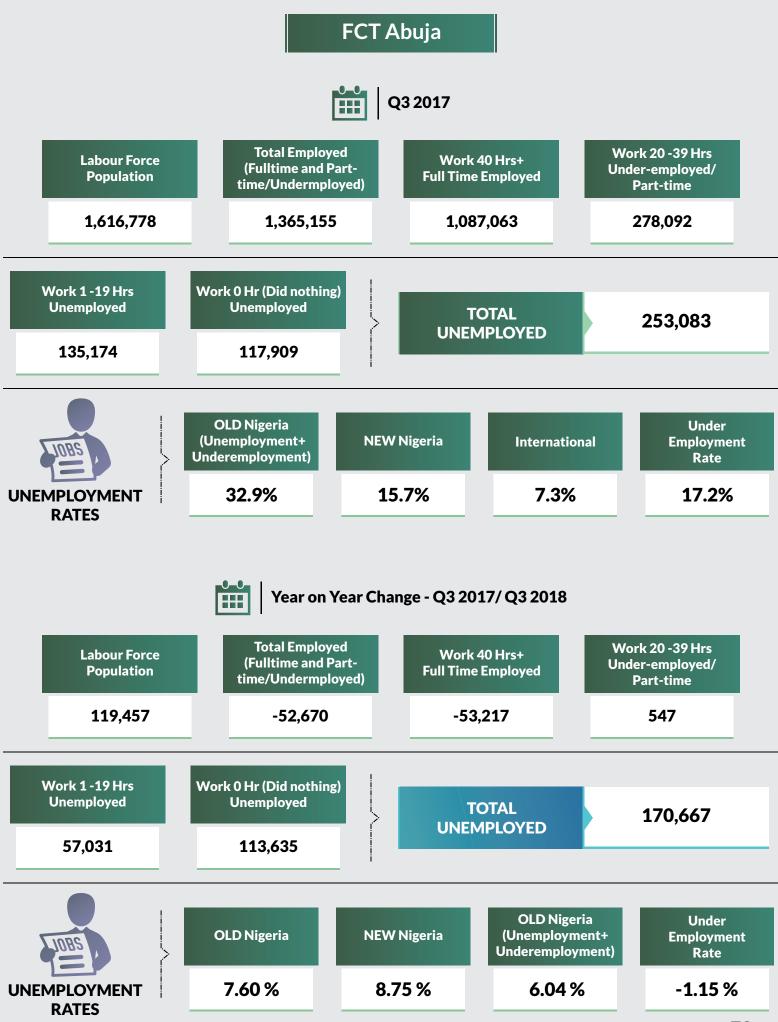








#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



### **KWARA STATE**

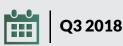
In Q3 2018, the unemployment rate for Kwara state stood at 21.1% (13.19% in Q3 2017) which represents a 7.9 percentage points increase in the unemployment rate. The underemployment rate within the same quarter increased by 3.0 percentage points to hit 21.4% in Q3 2018, up from 18.4% in Q3, 2017. The quarter in review recorded an increase of 98,483 or 6.5% in the labor force population to 1,612,476 when compared to the same period last year. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 41,793 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

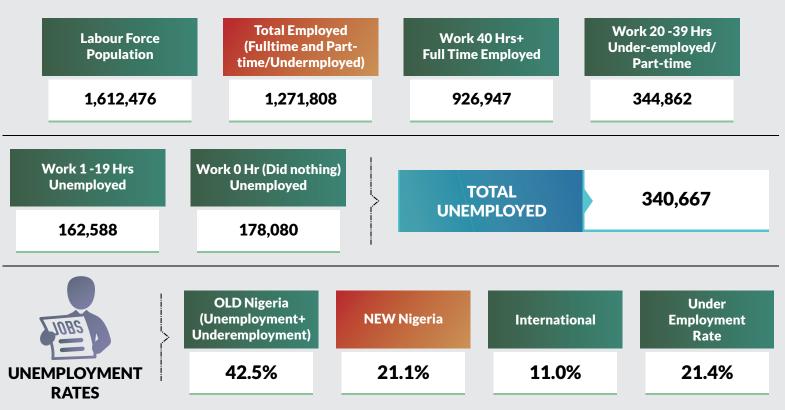


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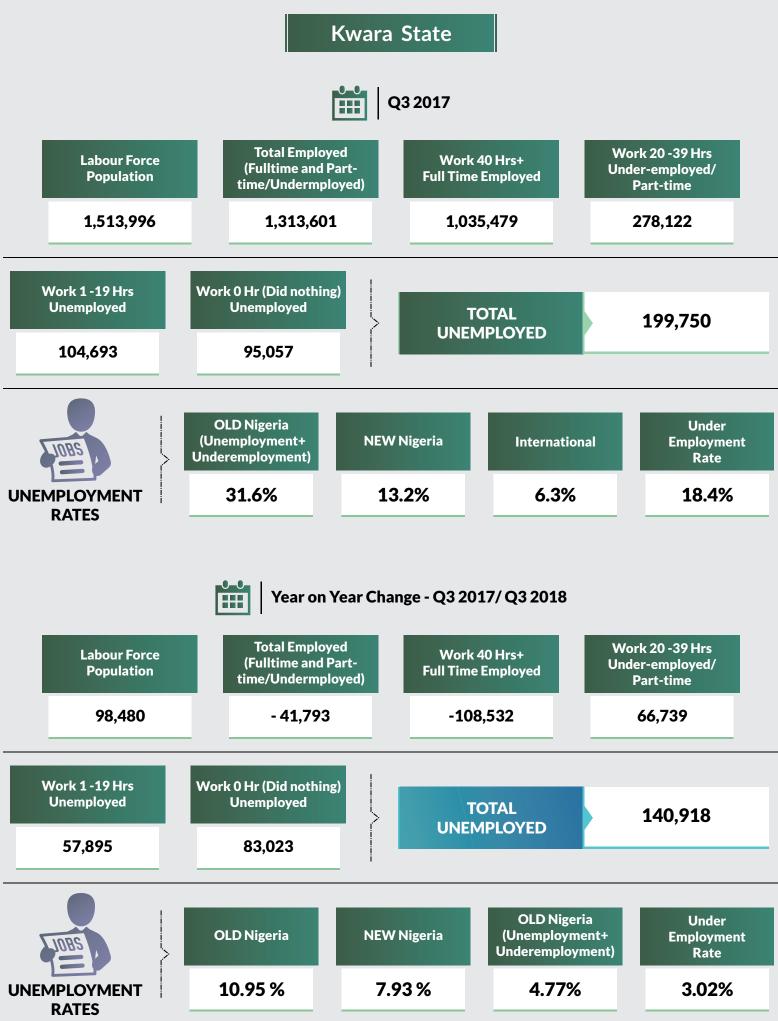
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#### **NIGER STATE**

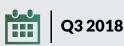
The unemployment rate for Niger state rose to 20.9% (10.76% in Q3 2017) in the third quarter of 2018. This represents a 10.1 percentage point increase in the unemployment rate over the same quarter in 2017. Niger state recorded the highest underemployment rate (26.9%), recording a decline of 2.8 percentage points from the level recorded in Q3, 2018. The number of persons in the labor force increased to 1,917,790 in Q3 2018, an increase of 114,504 or 6.4% over the figure recorded in Q3, 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 94,266 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

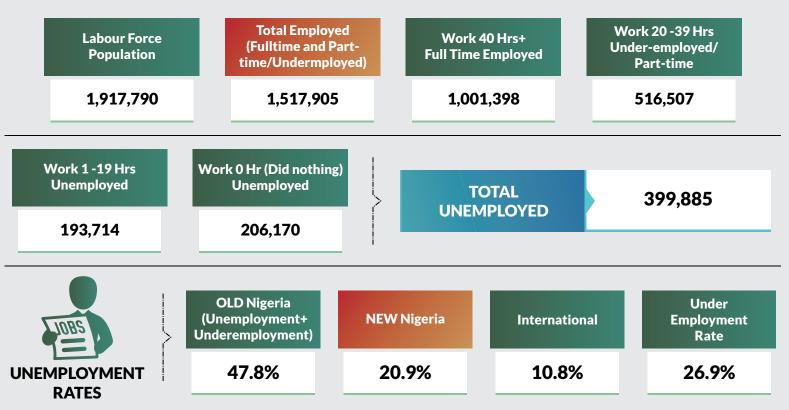


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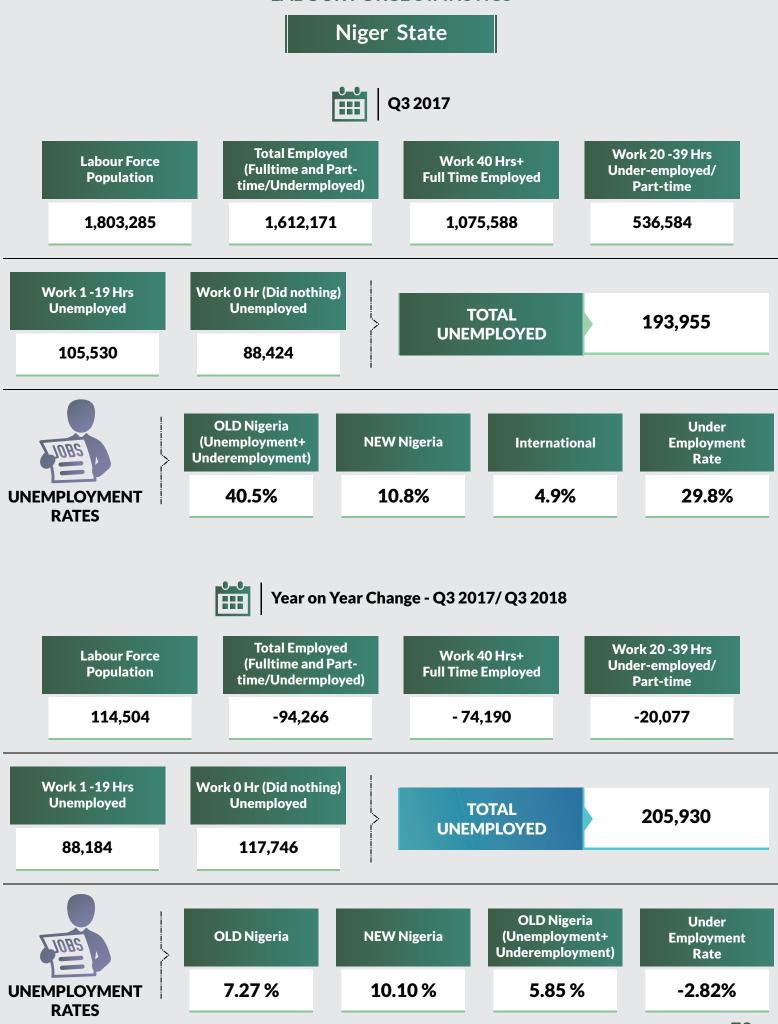
Niger State







#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



### **BENUE STATE**

The unemployment rate in Q3 2018 for Benue state increased to 20.1% from 10.4% in Q3 2017. Underemployment during the quarter, however, increased by 1.2 percentage points, from 23.8% in Q3 2017 to 25.0% in Q3 2018. The labor force also increased to 2,777,485 in Q3 2018, which is 322,572 or 13.1% more than the number recorded in Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 25,213 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

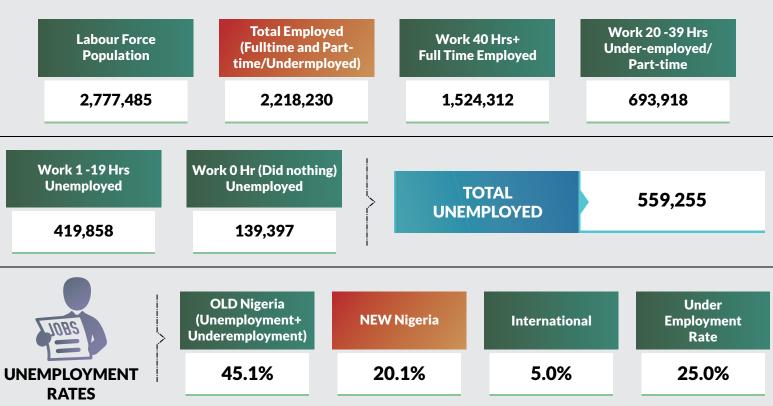


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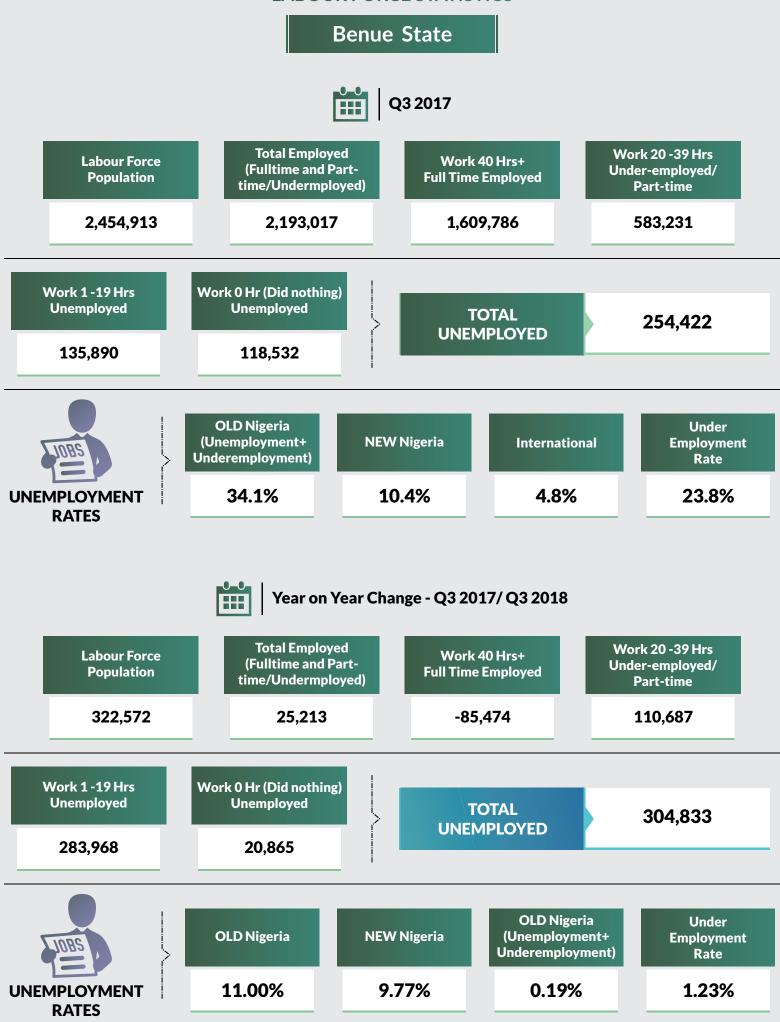
**Benue State** 







#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



#### **KOGI STATE**

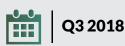
Kogi state recorded the second highest labor force population during the quarter. It recorded an unemployment rate of 19.7% (20.65% in Q3 2017) and an underemployment rate of 24.8% in the period under review. This was a decline of 0.9 percentage points in unemployment and an increase of 3.5 percentage points in the level of underemployment when compared to the levels recorded in Q3, 2017. During the same period, Kogi state labor force population recorded an increase of 124,735 or 5.3% from the number recorded in Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 136,400 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

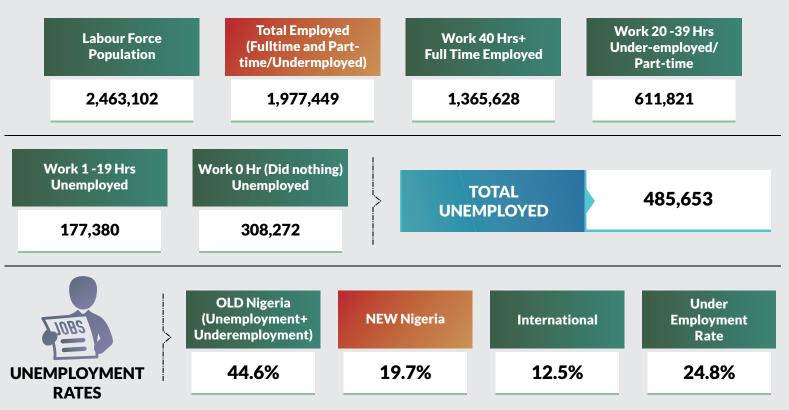


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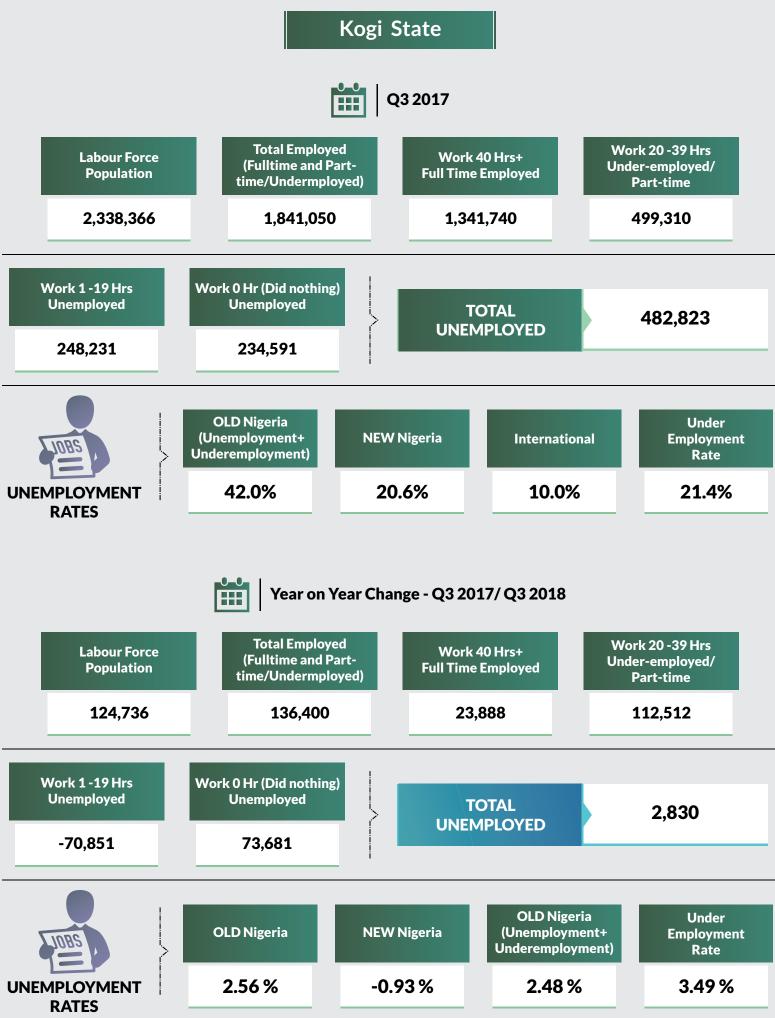
Kogi State





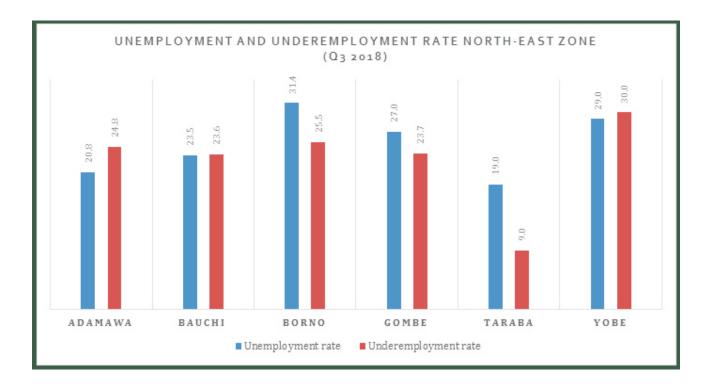






#### NORTH-EAST ZONE

In the third quarter of 2018, Borno state reported the highest unemployment rate (31.4%) in the North-East zone, this was followed by Yobe state with (29.0%), Gombe state with (27.0%), Bauchi state (23.5%), Adamawa state (20.8%) and Taraba state with the lowest at (19.0%). Yobe state ranked highest for underemployment in North-East zone with (30.0%), followed by Borno state with (25.5%), Adamawa state (24.8%), Gombe state (23.7%), Bauchi state (23.6%), and Taraba state once again with the lowest in the zone with (9.0%). In the period under review, Q3 2018, Borno state had the highest labor force population at 2,468,890, while Gombe state had the lowest labor population in the North-East zone, recorded at 995,947.



### **BORNO STATE**

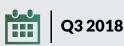
As of Q3 2018, the computed unemployment rate for Borno state was 31.4% (24.63% in Q3 2017), the highest unemployment rate in the zone, while the underemployment rate stood at 25.5%. This represents a 6.8 percentage point increase in the unemployment level and a 2.3 percentage point decline in the underemployment rate when compared to Q3 of 2017. The labor force population of Borno state was also the highest in the zone, hitting 2,468,890 in Q3 2018, an increase of 213,720 or 9.5% compared to Q3 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 27,556 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

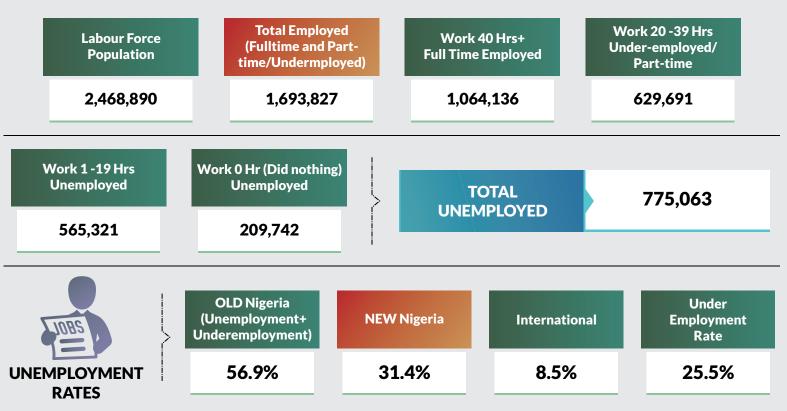


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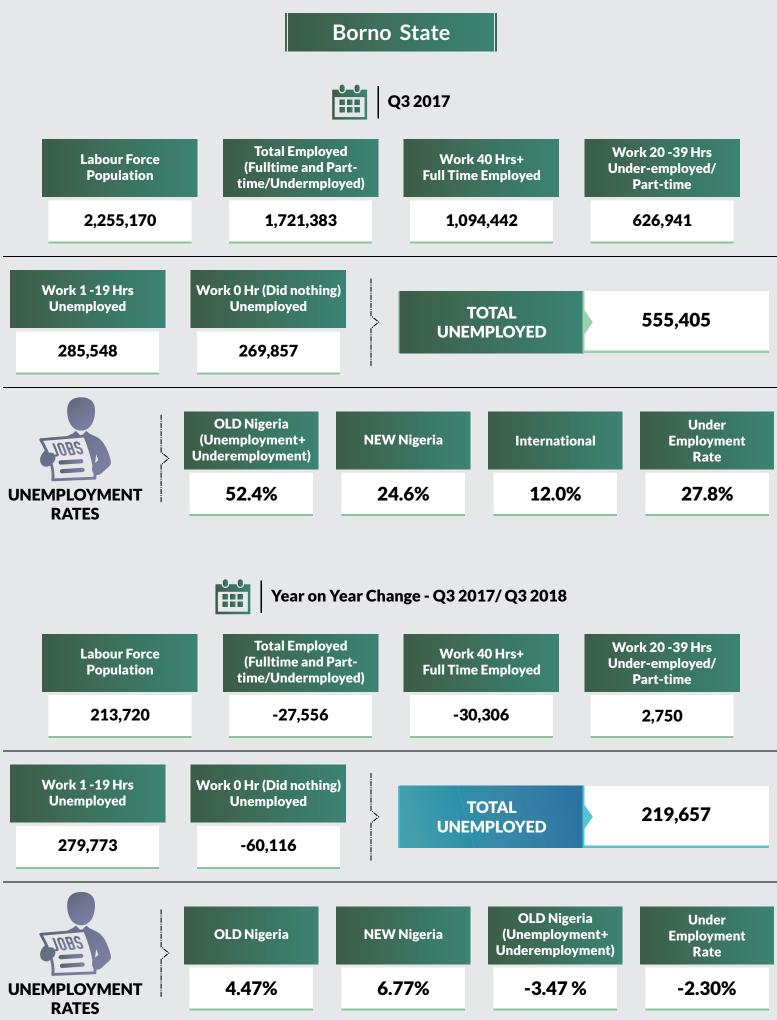
Borno State











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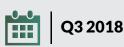
Yobe state recorded the second highest unemployment rate and second lowest labor force population in Q3 2018 in the North-East zone. The state recorded a 29.0% (21.24% in Q3 2017) unemployment rate, which is an increase of 7.7% from 21.2% Q3 2017. Underemployment decreased by 6.9 percentage points from 36.9% in Q3 2017 to 30.0% in Q3 2018. The labour force population increased by 80,804 or 7.8%, from 1,032,847 in Q3, 2017 to 1,113,650 in Q3, 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 19,819 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

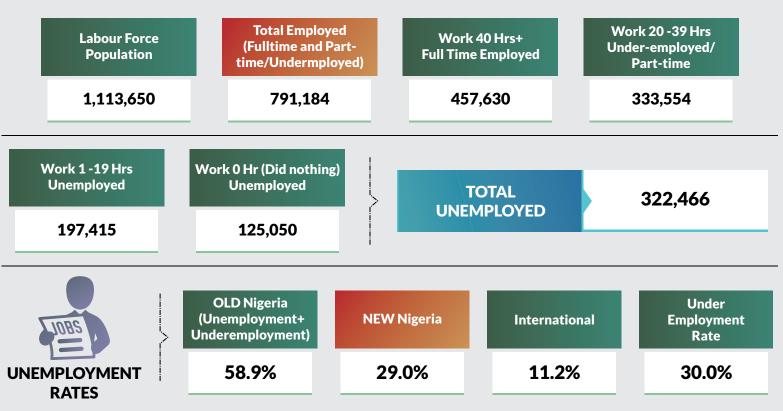


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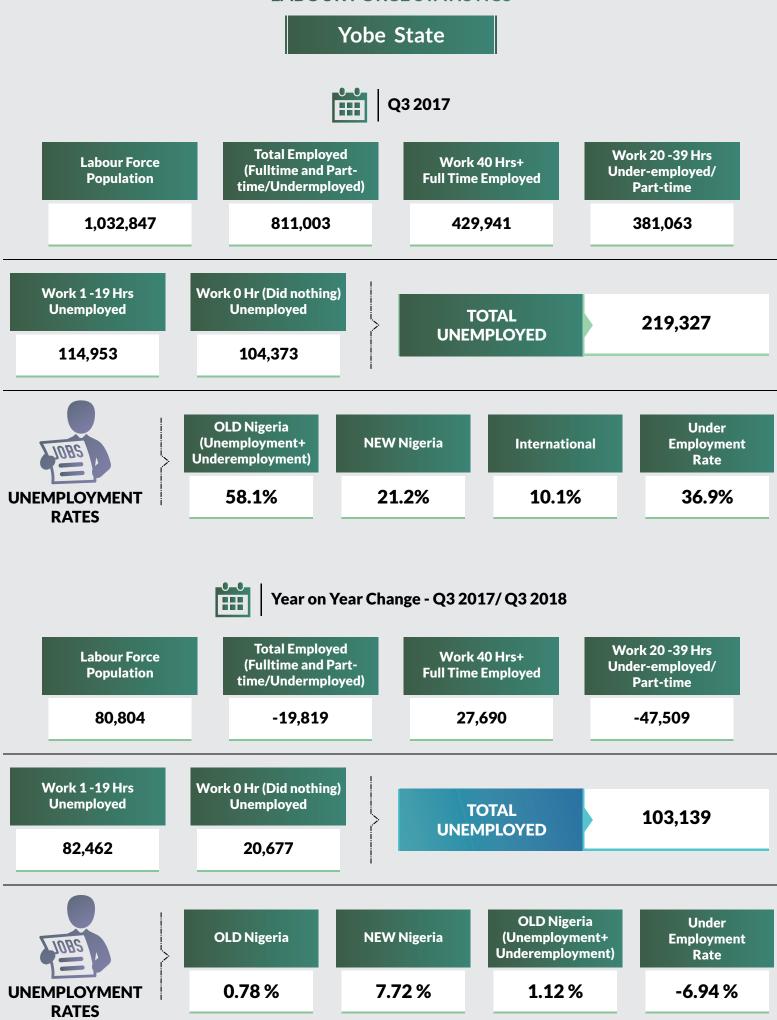
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### GOMBE STATE

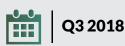
In Q3 2018, the unemployment rate for Gombe state increased by 16.3 percentage points, from 10.7% in Q3 2017 to 27.0% in Q3 2018. The underemployment rate, on the other hand, decreased by 13.7 percentage points, from 37.4% in Q3 2017 to 23.7% in Q3 2018. The labor force in the state which was the lowest in the region, rose to 995,947 a rise of 18.9% over the corresponding period of 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 18,059 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

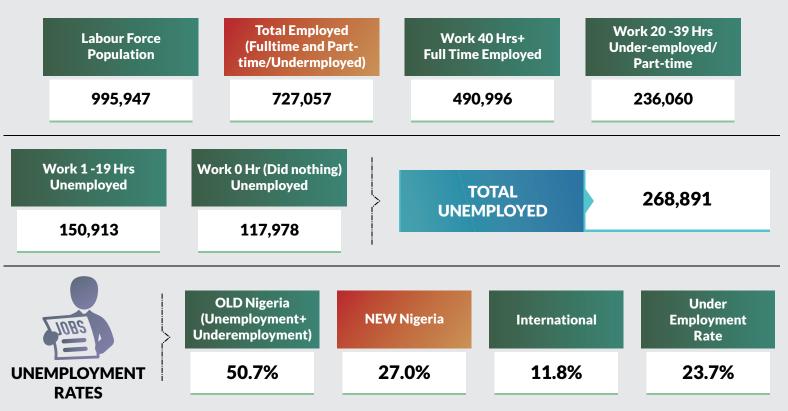


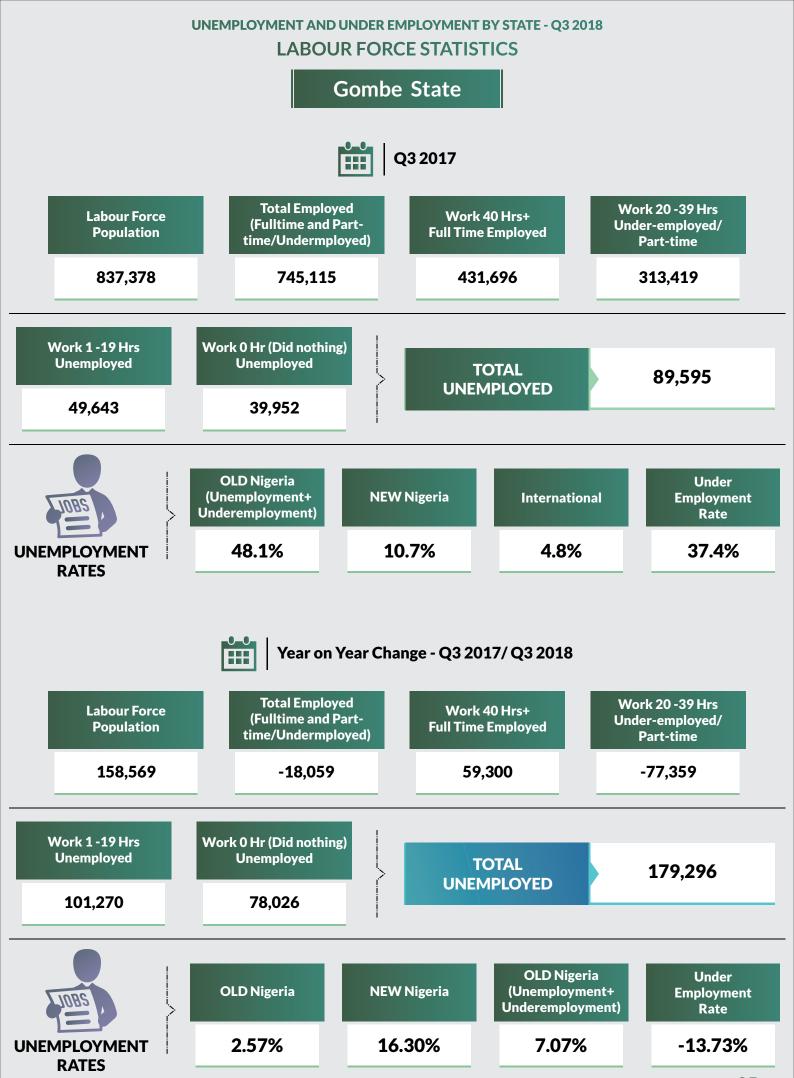
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Gombe State









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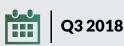
In Q3 2018, the unemployment rate for Bauchi state stood at 23.5 %, up from 9.3% in Q3 2017, which is an increase of 14.2 percentage points. The underemployment rate decreased by 5.8 percentage points from 29.4% in Q3, 2017 to 23.6% in Q3, 2018. Bauchi state labor force population increased by 234,147 or 12.4% to hit 2,122,724 when compared to the number reported in the same quarter of 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 93,428 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

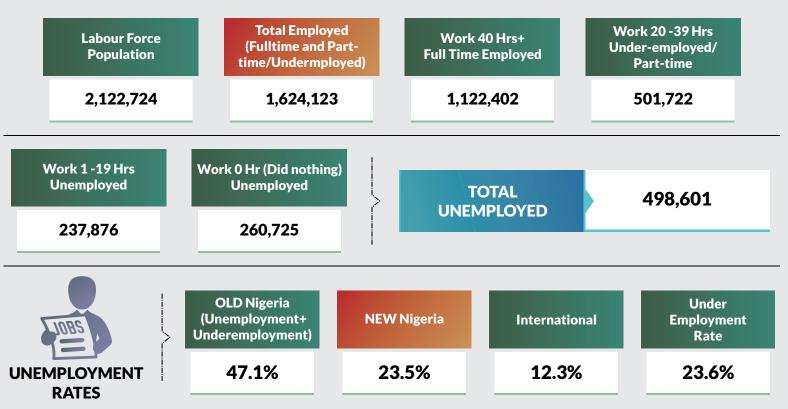


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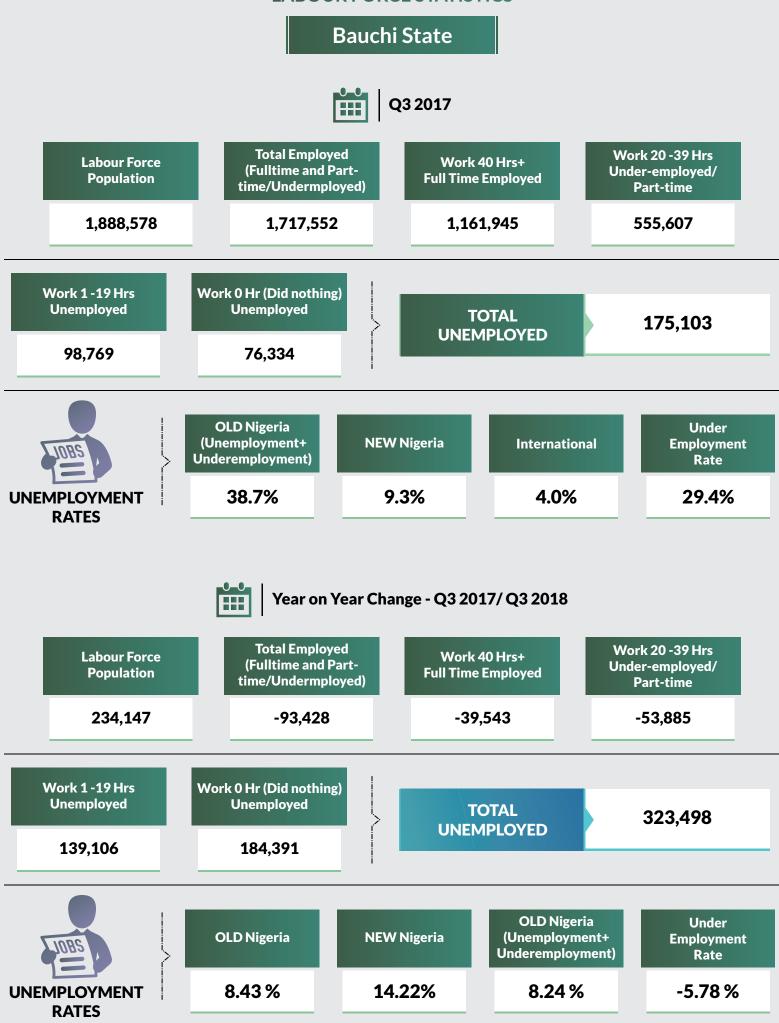
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#### UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



### ADAMAWA STATE

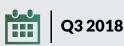
During the quarter under review, the unemployment rate for Adamawa state rose to 20.8%. This represents a 13.9 percentage point increase in unemployment rate over the 6.9% recorded in Q3 2017. The underemployment rate at 24.8% in Q3 2018 decreased by 3.1 percentage points when compared to Q3 2017... Also, the number of persons in the labor force increased by 98,222 or 6.6%, from 1,490,057 Q3,2017 to 1,588,278 in Q3, 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 130,991 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

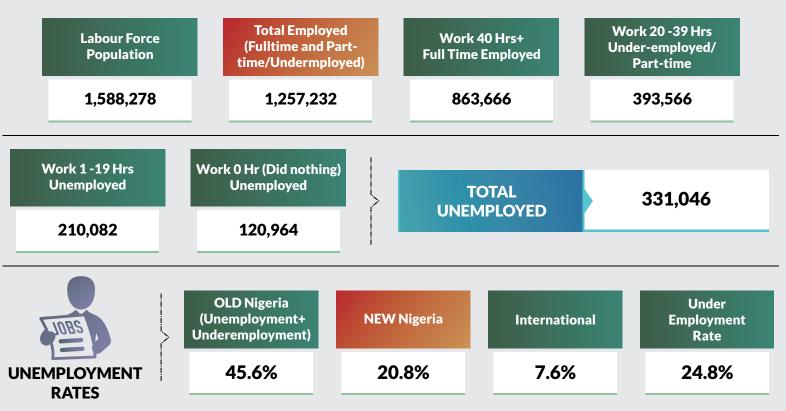


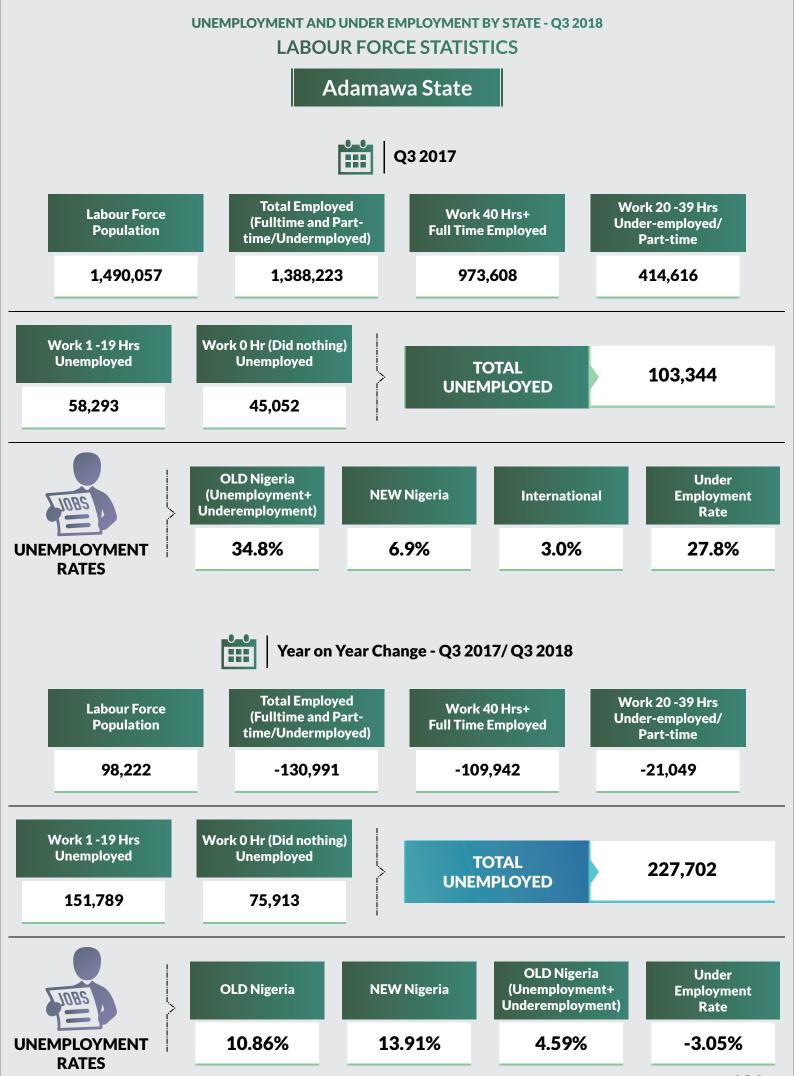
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Adamawa State









Unemployment and Under Employment by State - Q3 2018

### TARABA STATE

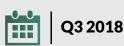
Taraba state reported the lowest unemployment and underemployment rates for Q3 2018, even though both rates increased to 19.0% (7.26% in Q3 2017) and 9.0% respectively, when compared to the levels reported in the third quarter of 2017. The labour force also recorded an increase of 33,416 or 1.5%, from 2,174,268 in Q3, 2017 to 2,207,684 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 229,851 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

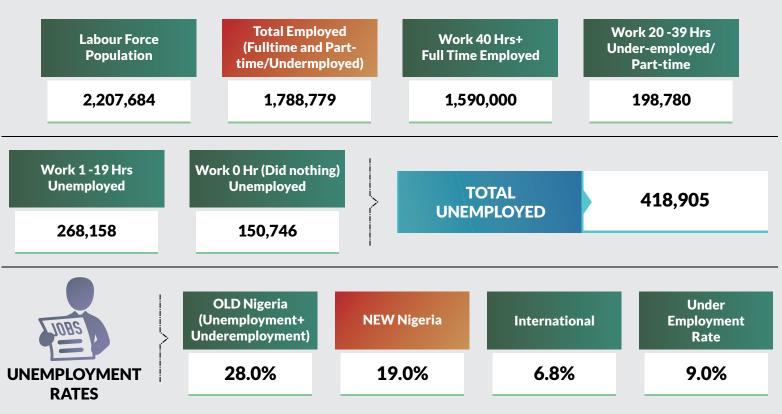


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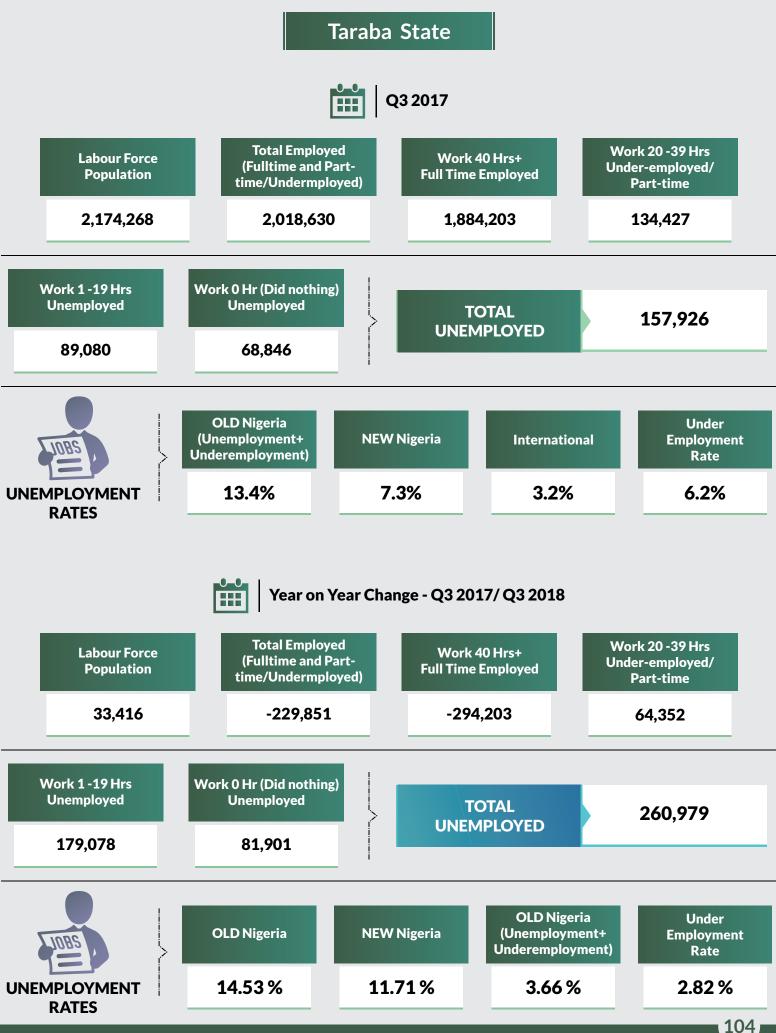
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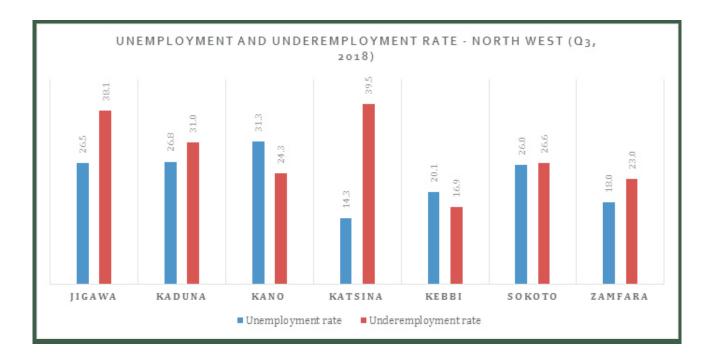




Unemployment and Under Employment by State - Q3 2018

#### NORTH-WEST ZONE

In the third quarter of 2018, Kano state reported the highest unemployment rate in the zone with (31.3%), this was followed by Kaduna state with (26.8%), Jigawa state with 26.5%, Sokoto state (26.0%), Kebbi state (20.1%), Zamfara state (18.0%), and Katsina state (14.3%). For underemployment, Katsina state recorded the highest underemployment rate in North West zone with (39.5%), followed by Jigawa state (38.1%), Kaduna state (31.0%), Sokoto state (26.6%), Kano state (24.3%), Zamfara state (23.0%) and Kebbi (16.9%). In the period under review, Kano state expectedly, ranked the highest in terms of labor force population (4,022,761) and Zamfara state reported the lowest population (1,427,042) in the North-West zone.



### **KANO STATE**

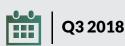
As at Q3 2018, the computed unemployment rate for Kano state was 31.3%, the highest unemployment rate in the zone while the underemployment rate was 24.3% (19.34%), this represents an increase of 11.8 percentage points in the unemployment rate and an 8.1 percentage point decrease in the underemployment rate when compared to Q3 of 2017. The labor force population for Kano state stood at 4,022,761, which is a significant increase of 339,496 or 9.2%, when compared to the 3,683,265 recorded in Q3, 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 185,863 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

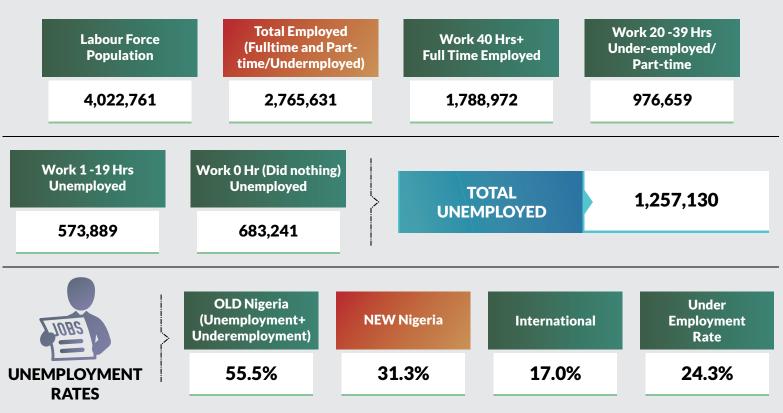


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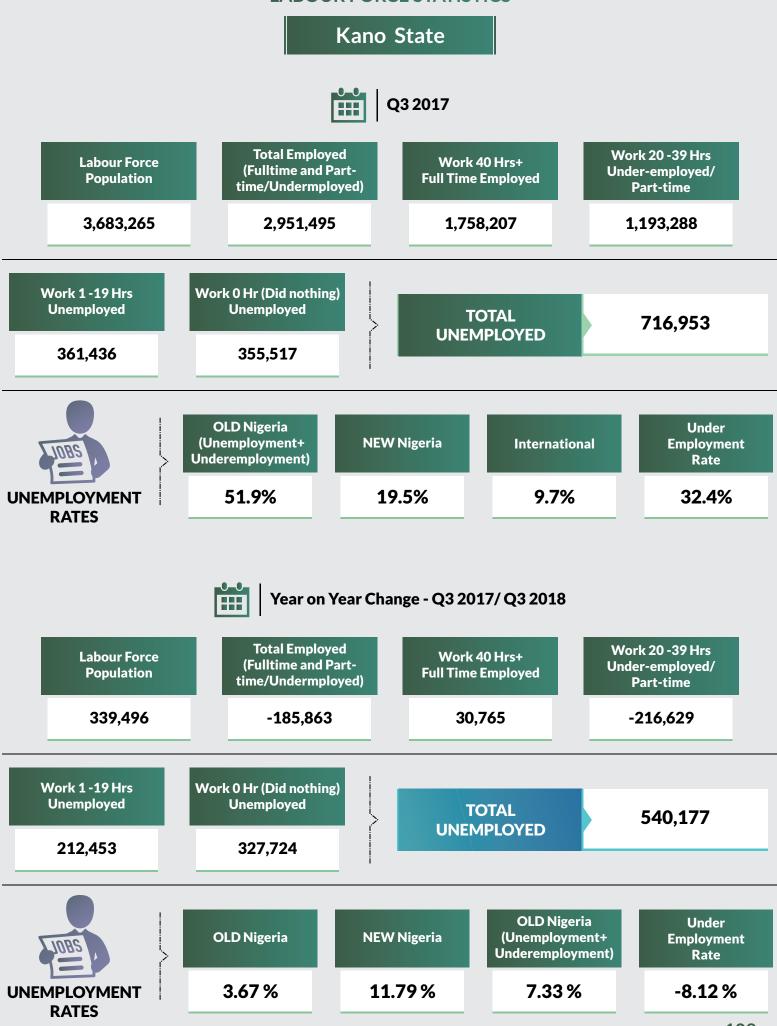
Kano State







UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNDER EMPLOYMENT BY STATE - Q3 2018 LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS



#### **KATSINA STATE**

Katsina state recorded the lowest unemployment rate and highest underemployment rate in Q3 2018 for the North-West zone. The unemployment rate stood at 14.3% in Q3, 2018, from the 3.1% recorded in Q3 2017. The underemployment rate during this quarter decreased by 7.0 percentage points, from 46.5% Q3, 2017 to 39.5% Q3, 2018, while labor force population increased by 78,628 or 4.6%, to hit 1,799,855 when compared to the corresponding quarter of the previous year, 2017. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 124,161 persons within Q32017 and Q32018.

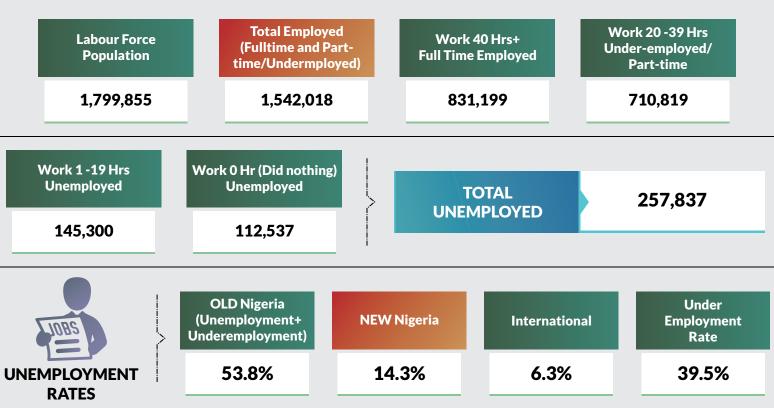


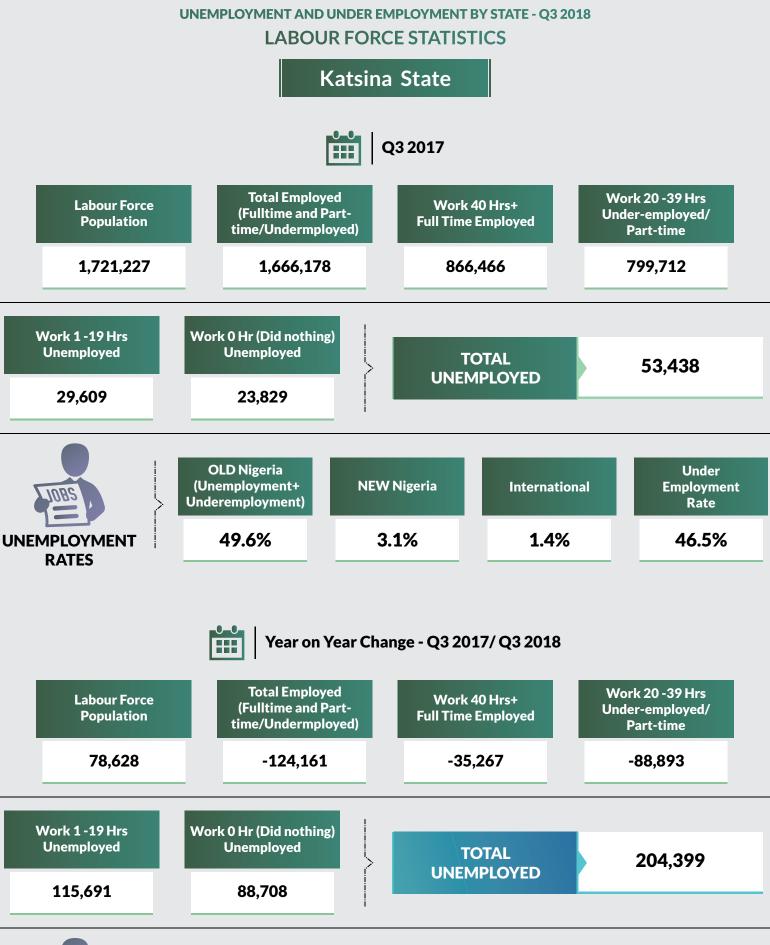
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Katsina State









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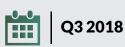
Jigawa state recorded the second highest underemployment rate and second lowest labor force population in Q3 2018. During this quarter, this state recorded 26.5% (19.49% in Q3 2017) and 38.1% in unemployment and underemployment rates respectively - an increase of 7.0 percentage points in unemployment and a decline of 5.3% in underemployment. Additionally, the number of people in labor force increased by 138,478 from 1,415,391 in Q3 2017 to 1,553,870 in Q3 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 664 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

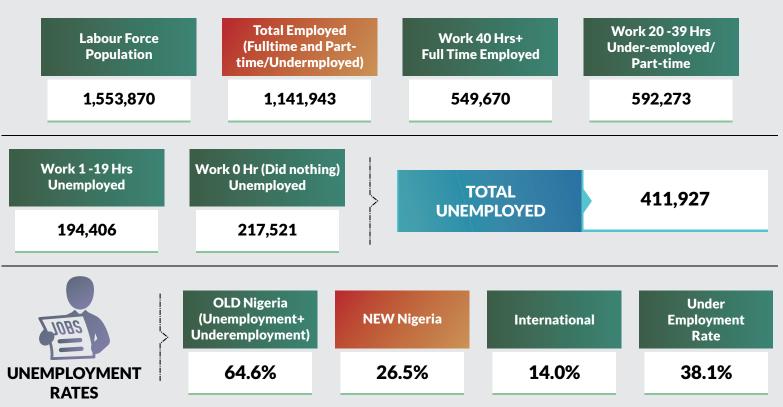


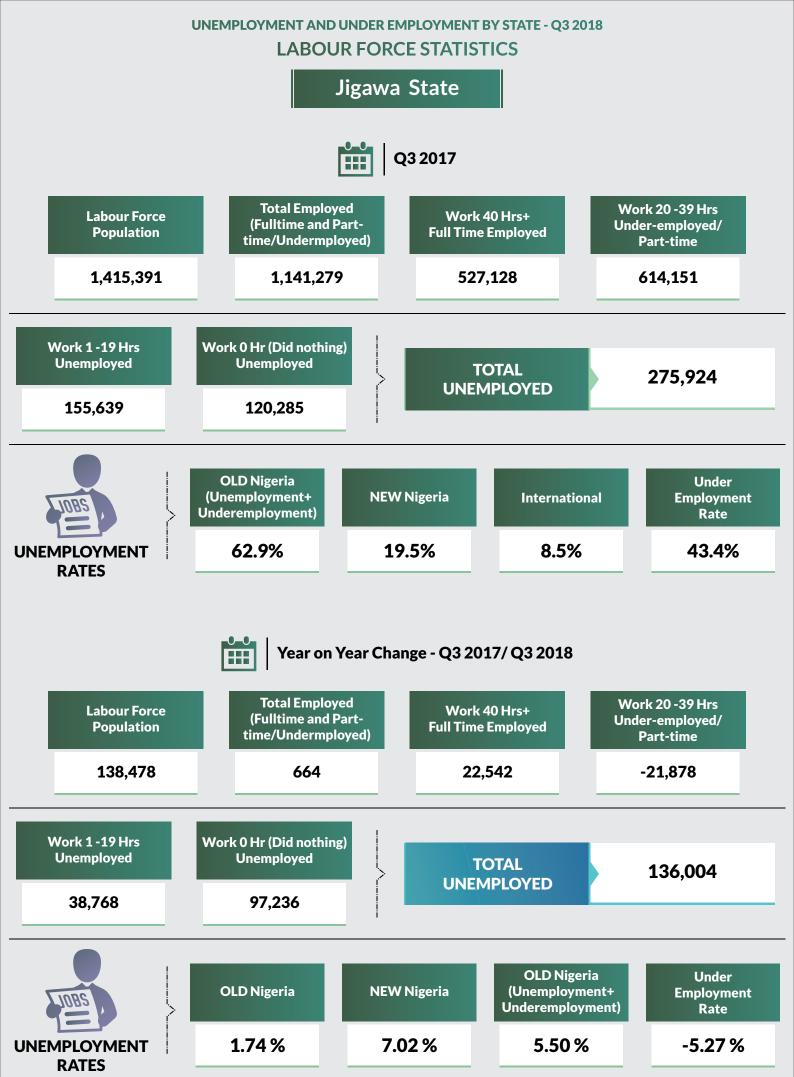
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Jigawa State









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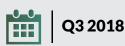
Kaduna state in the third quarter of 2018, recorded an increase of 1.3 percentage points in the level of underemployment rate and a decrease of 1.1 percentage points in the unemployment rate, hence the underemployment and unemployment rate for Kaduna state was 31.0% and 26.8%(27.98% in Q3 2017) respectively in Q3, 2018. The labour force population increased by 230,146 or 7.0%, from 3,274,630 in Q3, 2017, to 3,504,777 in Q3, 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) increased by 233,483 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

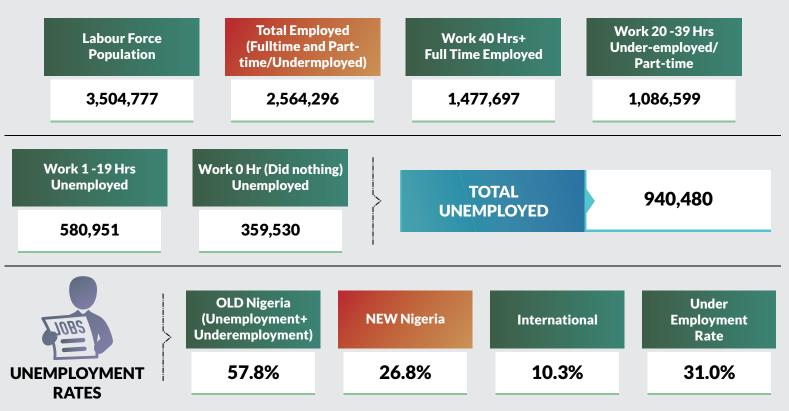


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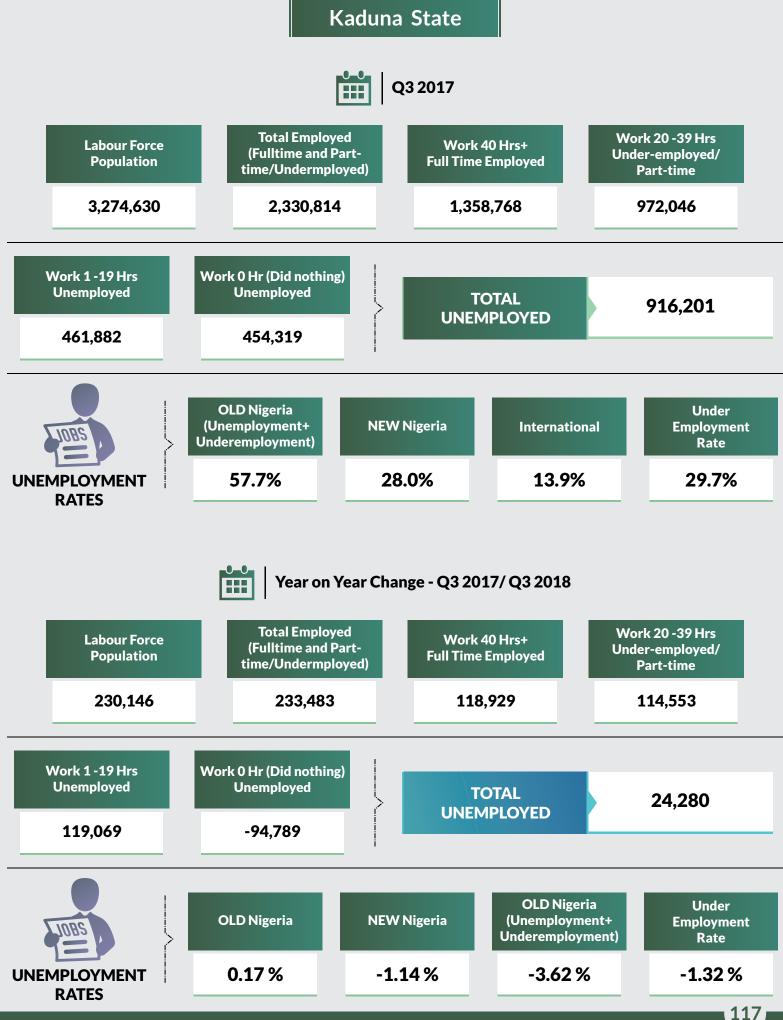
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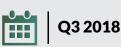
In Q3 2018, the unemployment rate for Sokoto state stood at 26.0% (18.47% in Q3 2017). This represents 7.6 percentage points increase in its unemployment rate. Underemployment within the same quarter under review decreased by 2.1% to reach 26.6% in Q3, 2018, from 28.7% in Q3, 2017. The labour force population also increased by 104,923 or 7.0%, from 1,567,997 recorded in Q3 2017 to 1,672,920 in Q3, 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 40,068 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

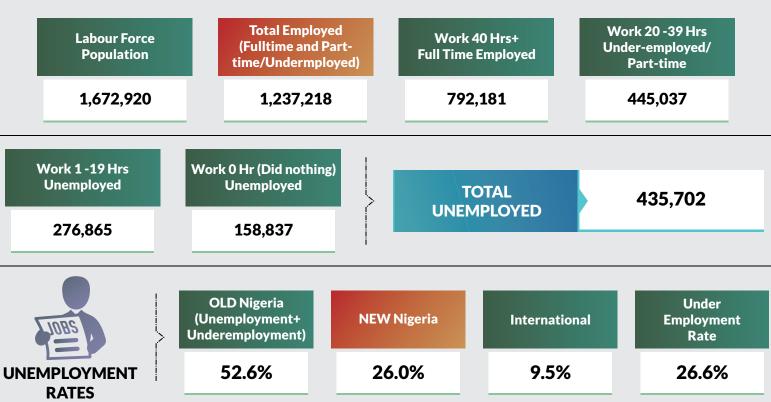


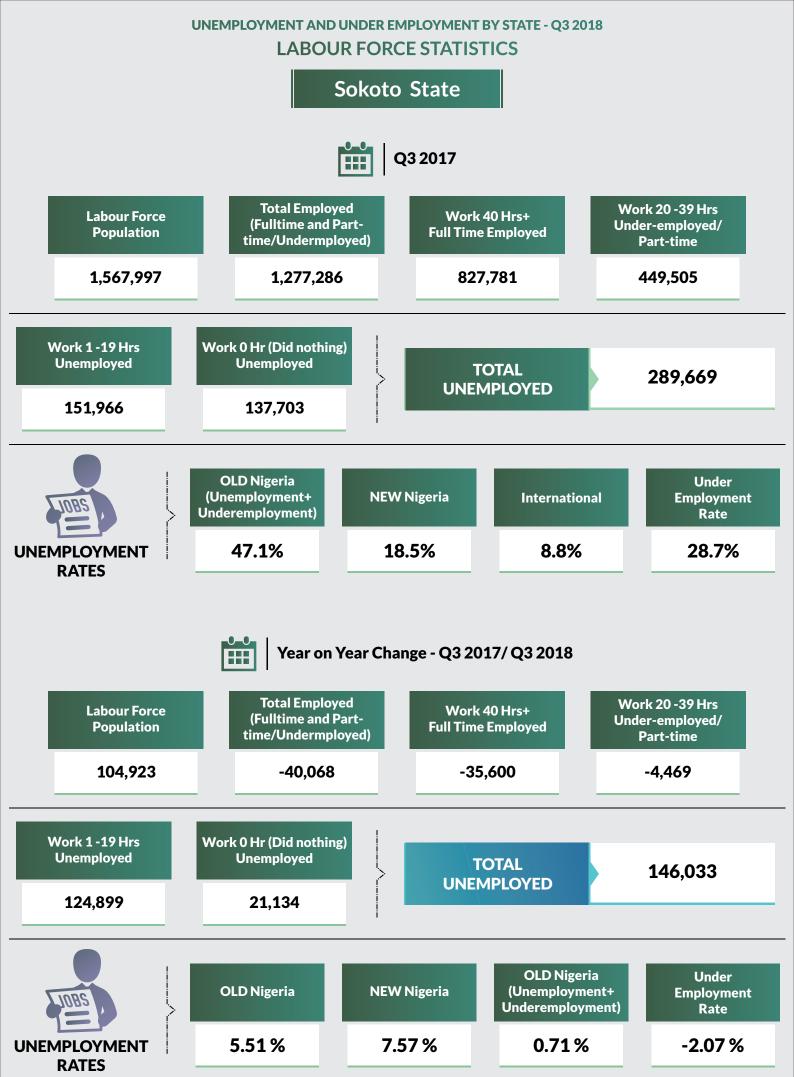
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Sokoto State









#### **KEBBI STATE**

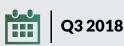
The unemployment rate for Kebbi state rose to 20.1% (8.18%) in Q3, 2018. This represents an 11.9 percentage points increase in the unemployment rate over the period of Q3, 2017. The underemployment rate, however, was 16.9%, the lowest underemployment rate in North-West zone in the reference period. The number of persons in the labor force increased by 77,989 or 5.3%, from 1,478,987 in Q3, 2017 to 1,556,976 in Q3, 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 116,699 persons within Q32017 and Q32018.

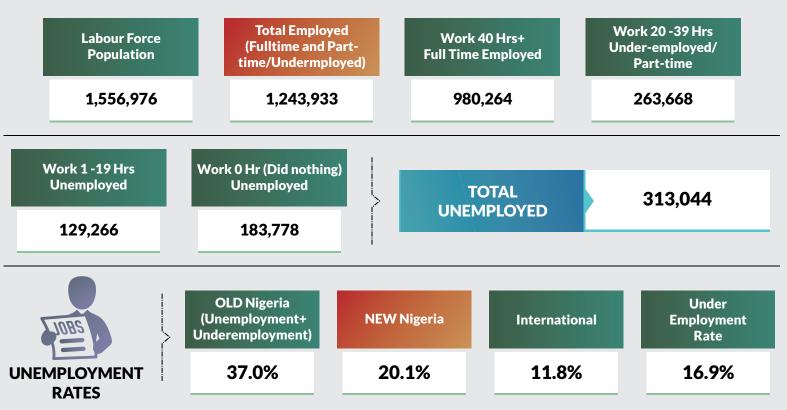


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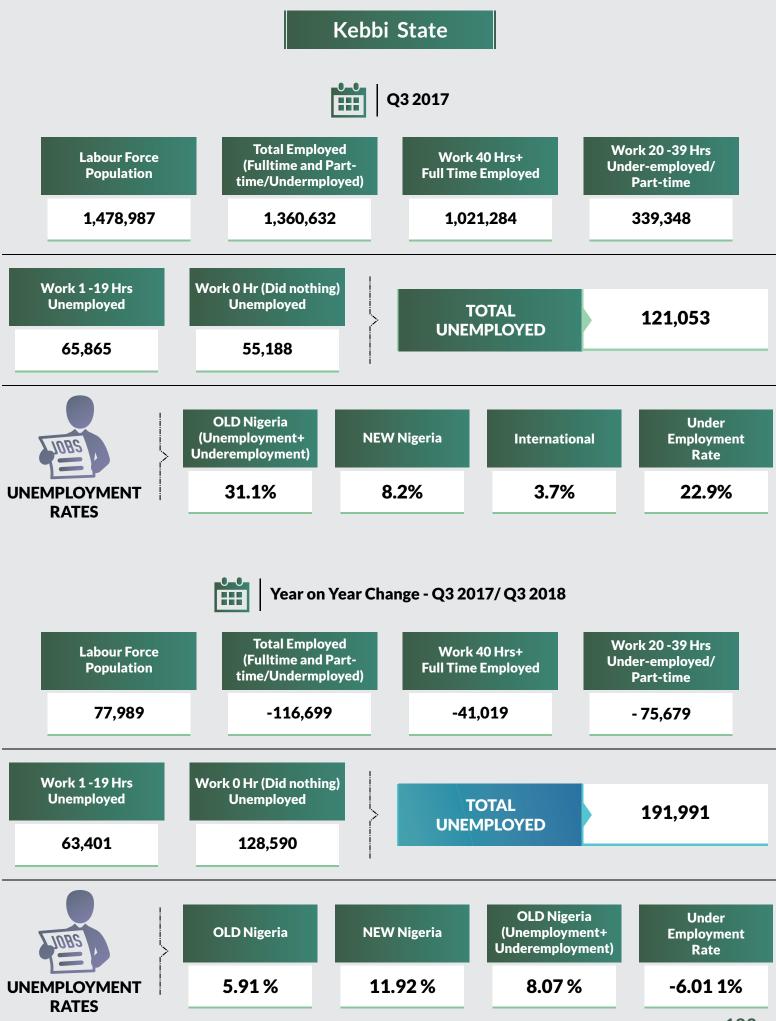
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### ZAMFARA STATE

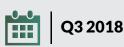
Zamfara state recorded the lowest labor force population in Q3 2018 (1,427,042); this was, however, an increase of 2.0% over the level reported in Q3, 2017. The unemployment rate in Q3, 2018 for Zamfara state increased to 18.0% from 7.5% of Q3 2017, while the underemployment declined by 4.0 percentage points, from 27.0% in Q3, 2017 to 28.0% in Q3, 2018. The total net (created minus lost) number of employed persons (full time and part-time/underemployed) decreased by 122,476 persons within Q3 2017 and Q3 2018.

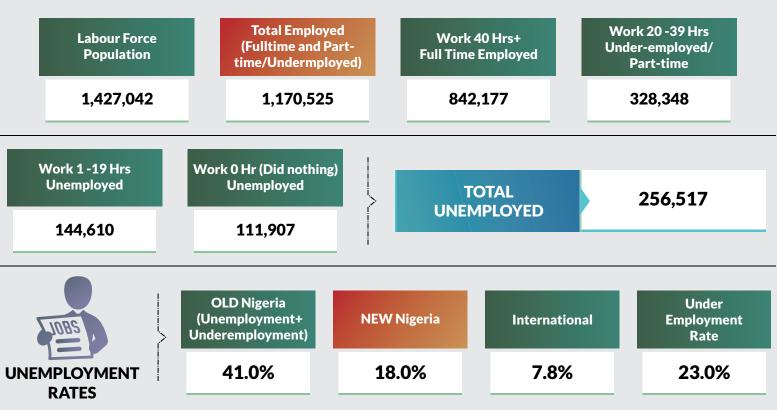


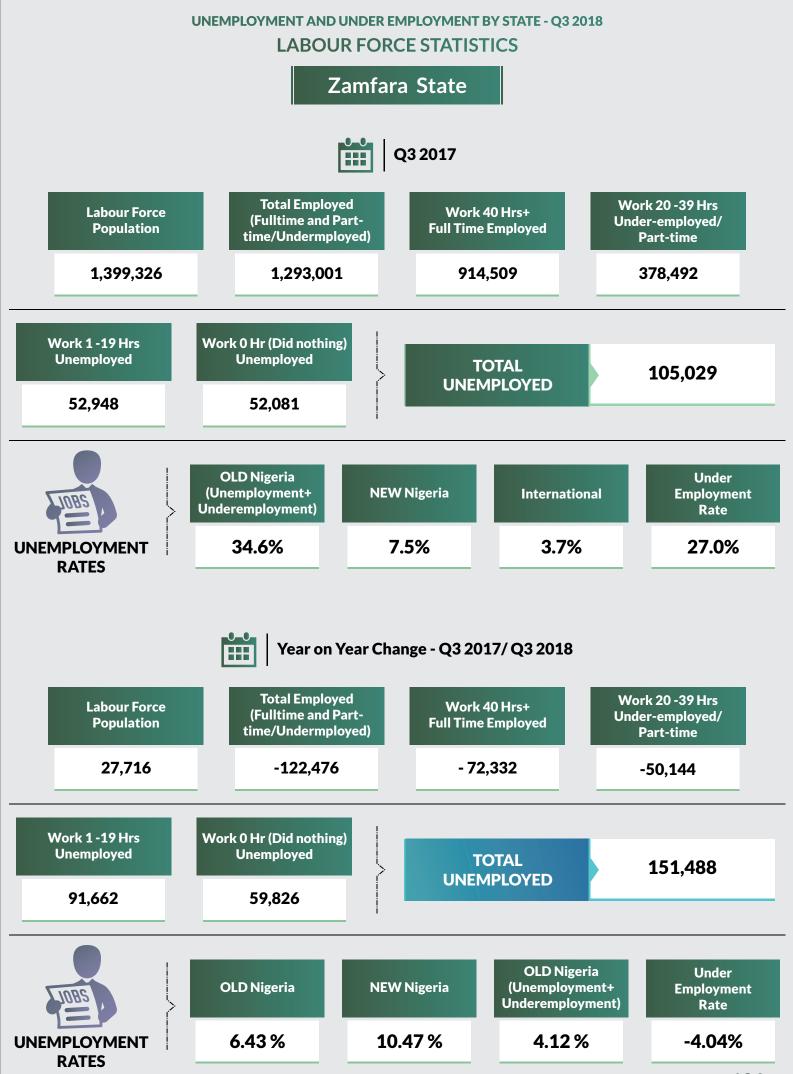
LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

Zamfara State









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State	Population	time + Part- time/Underemployed)	Full Time Employed	Under- employed/Part- time	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed	Underemployed/Part- time employed		OLD Nigeria (Unemployment+Underemploy ment)	NEW Nigeria	International	
ABIA	1,919,458	1,501,773	1,188,552	313,221	211,814	205,871	417,685	730,906		38.1	21.8	10.7	16.3
ADAMAWA	1,445,800	1,369,885	983,358	386,527	38,497	37,417	75,915	462,442		32.0	5.3	2.6	26.7
AKWA-IBOM	3,217,171	2,313,438	1,750,854	562,584	458,296	445,436	903,733	1,466,317		45.6	28.1	13.8	17.5
ANAMBRA	3,009,646	2,692,767	2,234,275	458,492	160,694	156,185	316,878	775,371		25.8	10.5	5.2	15.2
BAUCHI	1,825,977	1,698,480	1,176,680	521,800	64,655	62,841	127,497	649,297		35.6	7.0	3.4	28.6
BAYELSA	1,225,375	939,617	733,964	205,653	144,912	140,846	285,759	491,412		40.1	23.3	11.5	16.8
BENUE	2,368,743	2,173,504	1,629,020	544,484	99,008	96,230	195,238	739,723		31.2	8.2	4.1	23.0
BORNO	2,204,832	1,806,905	1,220,250	586,654	201,795	196,132	397,927	984,581		44.7	18.0	8.9	26.6
CROSS RIVER	1,747,085	1,475,364	1,134,964	340,399	137,794	133,927	271,721	612,120		35.0	15.6	7.7	19.5
DELTA	2,852,244	2,458,575	1,909,819	548,756	199,635	194,034	393,669	942,425		33.0	13.8	6.8	19.2
EBONYI	1,397,158	1,198,822	970,076	228,745	100,579	97,757	198,336	427,081		30.6	14.2	7.0	16.4
EDO	1,923,837	1,628,541	1,257,538	371,003	149,749	145,547	295,296	666,299		34.6	15.3	7.6	19.3
EKITI	1,676,724	1,489,582	1,267,718	221,864	94,903	92,240	187,142	409,006		24.4	11.2	5.5	13.2
ENUGU	2,296,296	1,939,883	1,556,081	383,803	180,742	175,670	356,412	740,215		32.2	15.5	7.7	16.7
GOMBE	816,956	748,176	446,478	301,698	34,879	33,901	68,780	370,478		45.3	8.4	4.1	36.9
IMO	2,840,619	2,197,591	1,732,157	465,434	326,089	316,939	643,028	1,108,462		39.0	22.6	11.2	16.4
JIGAWA	1,369,716	1,165,370	598,590	566,781	103,627	100,719	204,345	771,126		56.3	14.9	7.4	41.4
KADUNA	3,163,022	2,459,426	1,557,440	901,985	356,804	346,792	703,597	1,605,582		50.8	22.2	11.0	28.5
KANO	3,604,743	3,059,223	1,965,213	1,094,010	276,641	268,879	545,520	1,639,530		45.5	15.1	7.5	30.3
KATSINA	1,667,140	1,626,102	885.182	740.921	20,811	20,227	41.038	781,959		46.9	2.5	1.2	44.4
KEBBI	1,434,057	1,345,825	1,021,344	324,482	44,744	43,488	88,232	412,713		28.8	6.2	3.0	22.6
KOGI	2,252,143	1,881,403	1,414,984	466,419	188,007	182,732	370,739	837,159		37.2	16.5	8.1	20.7
KWARA	1,467,465	1,318,075	1,063,751	254,324	75,758	73,632	149,390	403,714		27.5	10.2	5.0	17.3
LAGOS	6,909,301	5,966,614	4,971,372	995,243	478,051	464,637	942,687	1,937,930		28.0	13.6	6.7	14.4
NASARAWA	1,236,654	961,782	670,962	290,820	139,391	135,480	274,871	565,691		45.7	22.2	11.0	23.5
NIGER	1,756,668	1,614,197	1.109.767	504,429	72,249	70.222	142,472	646,901		36.8	8.1	4.0	28.7
OGUN	2,922,932	2,705,912	2,386,413	319,499	110.054	106.966	217.020	536,519		18.4	7.4	3.7	10.9
ONDO	2,320,211	2,044,617	1,619,518	425,099	139,758	135,836	275,594	700.693		30.2	11.9	5.9	18.3
OSUN	2,296,230	2,202,128	1,900,417	301,711	47,721	46,382	94,102	395,813		17.2	4.1	2.0	13.1
OYO	3,792,840	3,526,160	3,019,874	506,285	135,238	131,443	266,680	772,965		20.4	7.0	3.5	13.3
PLATEAU	1,885,617	1,516,845	1,105,563	411,282	187,010	181,762	368,772	780,054		41.4	19.6	9.6	21.8
RIVERS	4,175,796	2,834,614	2,049,693	784,921	680.133	661.049	1,341,182	2,126,103		50.9	32.1	15.8	18.8
SOKOTO	1,520,392	1,303,674	882,391	421.282	109,901	106,818	216,719	638,001		42.0	14.3	7.0	27.7
TARABA	2.101.774	1,985,749	1,859,938	125,811	58.838	57.187	116,025	241,836		11.5	5.5	2.7	6.0
YOBE	1,006,850	841,471	485,955	355,516	83,866	81,513	165,380	520,896		51.7	16.4	8.1	35.3
ZAMFARA	1,361,270	1,282,007	936,663	345,344	40,196	39,068	79,263	424,607		31.2	5.8	2.9	25.4
		1	1	259,510		92,455		447,090		28.3	11.9	5.9	16.4
zFCT	1,579,381	1,391,801	1,132,291		95,125	,	187,580						
Nigeria	82,592,121	70,665,896	53,829,104	16,836,792	6,047,965	5,878,260	11,926,225	28,763,017		34.8	14.4	7.1	20.4

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ABIA	1,949,938	1,474,151	1,146,613	327,538	268,817	209,021	477,838	805,376		41.3	24.5	10.7	16.8
ADAMAWA	1,468,680	1,382,205	971,332	410,874	46,061	42,076	88,138	499,011		34.0	6.0	2.9	28.0
AKWA-IBOM	3,269,128	2,239,684	1,642,473	597,211	565,326	476,574	1,041,900	1,639,111		50.1	31.9	14.6	18.3
ANAMBRA	3,058,884	2,697,927	2,223,089	474,838	189,064	179,764	368,828	843,666		27.6	12.1	5.9	15.5
BAUCHI	1,855,333	1,710,102	1,171,257	538,845	80,770	68,090	148,859	687,704		37.1	8.0	3.7	29.0
BAYELSA	1,245,522	920,014	703,506	216,507	167,902	153,378	321,280	537,788		43.2	25.8	12.3	17.4
BENUE	2,408,883	2,186,486	1,608,332	578,154	117,039	102,712	219,750	797,904		33.1	9.1	4.3	24.0
BORNO	2,241,422	1,788,143	1,162,979	625,164	251,291	211,841	463,132	1,088,296		48.6	20.7	9.5	27.9
CROSS RIVER	1,774,727	1,465,209	1,113,357	351,852	173,389	140,391	313,780	665,632		37.5	17.7	7.9	19.8
DELTA	2,905,333	2,456,903	1,888,386	568,518	237,713	208,613	446,326	1,014,844		34.9	15.4	7.2	19.6
EBONYI	1,417,750	1,191,825	949,956	241,869	127,761	103,446	231,207	473,076		33.4	16.3	7.3	17.1
EDO	1,952,698	1,616,326	1,233,314	383,012	186,840	145,278	332,118	715,130		36.6	17.0	7.4	19.6
EKITI	1,704,131	1,490,957	1,260,631	230,326	113,197	99,340	212,538	442,863		26.0	12.5	5.8	13.5
ENUGU	2,335,772	1,929,782	1,520,128	409,654	233,451	181,522	414,973	824,627		35.3	17.8	7.8	17.5
GOMBE	830,879	752,531	441,482	311,049	41,880	35,305	77,185	388,233		46.7	9.3	4.2	37.4
IMO	2,887,423	2,154,948	1,668,919	486,029	384,090	350,864	734,953	1,220,983		42.3	25.5	12.2	16.8
JIGAWA	1,390,858	1,158,087	555,164	602,924	124,441	113,676	238,117	841,041		60.5	17.1	8.2	43.3
KADUNA	3,218,256	2,416,788	1,459,895	956,892	424,943	358,230	783,173	1,740,065		54.1	24.3	11.1	29.7
KANO	3,666,624	3,045,220	1,897,416	1,147,804	335,476	282,809	618,285	1,766,090		48.2	16.9	7.7	31.3
KATSINA	1,693,271	1,646,524	856,981	789,544	26,070	20,271	46,342	835,885		49.4	2.7	1.2	46.6
KEBBI	1,457,730	1,357,225	1,019,959	337,266	54,034	47,420	101,454	438,720		30.1	7.0	3.3	23.1
KOGI	2,289,105	1,866,795	1,384,601	482,193	211,640	201,229	412,868	895,062		39.1	18.0	8.8	21.1
KWARA	1,491,639	1,321,468	1,053,318	268,150	90,437	79,366	169,803	437,953		29.4	11.4	5.3	18.0
LAGOS	7,026,700	5,952,883	4,902,367	1,050,516	545,998	540,329	1,086,327	2,136,843		30.4	15.5	7.7	15.0
NASARAWA	1,256,529	943,422	634,629	308,793	180,131	140,062	320,193	628,986		50.1	25.5	11.1	24.6
NIGER	1,783,690	1,621,400	1,095,101	526,299	93,554	72,743	166,297	692,596		38.8	9.3	4.1	29.5
OGUN	2,967,100	2,719,893	2,391,487	328,406	142,301	110,647	252,949	581,354		19.6	8.5	3.7	11.1
ONDO	2,355,144	2,041,214	1,593,890	447,324	161,812	150,804	312,616	759,940		32.3	13.3	6.4	19.0
OSUN	2,331,077	2,223,884	1,903,727	320,157	56,101	49,234	105,335	425,492		18.3	4.5	2.1	13.7
ΟΥΟ	3,850,116	3,546,340	3,016,314	530,026	155,070	147,442	302,512	832,538		21.6	7.9	3.8	13.8
PLATEAU	1,913,669	1,493,600	1,068,698	424,902	206,391	204,248	410,639	835,540		43.7	21.5	10.7	22.2
RIVERS	4,246,230	2,718,487	1,910,574	807,913	779,688	712,240	1,491,929	2,299,842		54.2	35.1	16.8	19.0
SOKOTO	1,543,193	1,296,328	849,617	446,712	134,776	109,126	243,902	690,614		44.8	15.8	7.1	28.9
TARABA	2,133,754	2,001,590	1,868,847	132,743	66,923	66,228	133,151	265,895		12.5	6.2	3.1	6.2
YOBE	1,024,840	836,456	459,815	376,641	99,917	91,273	191,190	567,831		55.4	18.7	8.9	36.8
ZAMFARA	1,385,908	1,295,619	930,214	365,405	48,157	42,262	90,419	455,824		32.9	6.5	3.0	26.4
zFCT	1,608,152	1,394,480	1,117,612	276,867	112,301	102,586	214,887	491,754		30.6	13.4	6.4	17.2
Nigeria	83,940,088	70,354,896	52,675,980	17,678,916	7,234,751	6,350,441	13,585,192	31,264,108		37.2	16.2	7.6	21.1

Source: JOB CREATION SURVEY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, 2017

	Labour Force	Total Employed (Full	Work 40 Hrs+	Work 20 - 39 Hrs	Work 1 - 19 Hrs	Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)	Total	Total Unemployed +	UNEMPLOYMENT RATES %	UNEMPLOYMENT RATES			Under
State	Population	time + Part- time/Underemployed)	Full Time Employed	Under- employed/Part- time	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed	Underemployed/Part- time employed		OLD Nigeria (Unemployment+Underemploymen t)	NEW Nigeria	International	Employment Rate
ABIA	1,969,620	1,409,330	1,077,986	331,345	301,024	262,574	563,598	894,943		45.4	28.6	13.3	16.8
ADAMAWA	1,490,057	1,388,223	973,608	414,616	58,293	45,052	103,344	517,960		34.8	6.9	3.0	27.8
AKWA-IBOM	3,299,819	2,087,536	1,468,135	619,401	668,172	582,826	1,250,998	1,870,399		56.7	37.9	17.7	18.8
ANAMBRA	3,118,057	2,692,991	2,204,978	488,013	217,706	213,457	431,163	919,177		29.5	13.8	6.8	15.7
BAUCHI	1,888,578	1,717,552	1,161,945	555,607	98,769	76,334	175,103	730,710		38.7	9.3	4.0	29.4
BAYELSA	1,252,192	868,871	648,855	220,016	196,832	178,716	375,548	595,564		47.6	30.0	14.3	17.6
BENUE	2,454,913	2,193,017	1,609,786	583,231	135,890	118,532	254,422	837,653		34.1	10.4	4.8	23.8
BORNO	2,255,170	1,721,383	1,094,442	626,941	285,548	269,857	555,405	1,182,347		52.4	24.6	12.0	27.8
CROSS RIVER	1,796,821	1,432,330	1,070,761	361,569	199,206	173,762	372,968	734,537		40.9	20.8	9.7	20.1
DELTA	2,935,969	2,407,894	1,830,486	577,408	299,664	231,594	531,258	1,108,666		37.8	18.1	7.9	19.7
EBONYI	1,439,059	1,173,008	924,051	248,957	150,918	121,456	272,375	521,331		36.2	18.9	8.4	17.3
EDO	1,979,203	1,583,088	1,198,091	384,997	207,314	180,834	388,148	773,145		39.1	19.6	9.1	19.5
EKITI	1,732,105	1,481,069	1,247,833	233,237	127,178	125,096	252,274	485,511		28.0	14.6	7.2	13.5
ENUGU	2,349,602	1,871,505	1,448,224	423,281	256,936	224,118	481,053	904,334		38.5	20.5	9.5	18.0
GOMBE	837,378	745,115	431,696	313,419	49,643	39,952	89,595	403,014		48.1	10.7	4.8	37.4
IMO	2,930,111	2,067,542	1,574,692	492,850	485,529	375,240	860,770	1,353,620		46.2	29.4	12.8	16.8
JIGAWA	1,415,391	1,141,279	527,128	614,151	155,639	120,285	275,924	890,075		62.9	19.5	8.5	43.4
KADUNA	3,274,630	2,330,814	1,358,768	972,046	461,882	454,319	916,201	1,888,247		57.7	28.0	13.9	29.7
KANO	3,683,265	2,951,495	1,758,207	1,193,288	361,436	355,517	716,953	1,910,241		51.9	19.5	9.7	32.4
KATSINA	1,721,227	1,666,178	866,466	799,712	29,609	23,829	53,438	853,150		49.6	3.1	1.4	46.5
KEBBI	1,478,987	1,360,632	1,021,284	339,348	65,865	55,188	121,053	460,401		31.1	8.2	3.7	22.9
KOGI	2,338,366	1,841,050	1,341,740	499,310	248,231	234,591	482,823	982,132		42.0	20.6	10.0	21.4
KWARA	1,513,996	1,313,601	1,035,479	278,122	104,693	95,057	199,750	477,872		31.6	13.2	6.3	18.4
LAGOS	7,079,697	5,815,159	4,725,640	1,089,520	691,173	602,890	1,294,063	2,383,583		33.7	18.3	8.5	15.4
NASARAWA	1,282,598	913,881	599,931	313,950	190,670	180,193	370,863	684,813		53.4	28.9	14.0	24.5
NIGER	1,803,285	1,612,171	1,075,588	536,584	105,530	88,424	193,955	730,538		40.5	10.8	4.9	29.8
OGUN	3,024,149	2,733,035	2,401,550	331,485	166,797	123,769	290,565	622,050		20.6	9.6	4.1	11.0
ONDO	2,393,197	2,023,510	1,566,976	456,535	200,586	168,072	368,658	825,193		34.5	15.4	7.0	19.1
OSUN	2,374,745	2,248,515	1,921,315	327,200	63,083	62,548	125,630	452,830		19.1	5.3	2.6	13.8
OYO	3,926,634	3,568,905	3,036,270	532,635	186,909	169,706	356,615	889,249		22.6	9.1	4.3	13.6
PLATEAU	1,956,808	1,462,130	1,023,932	438,198	233,181	238,724	471,905	910,103		46.5	24.1	12.2	22.4
RIVERS	4,301,207	2,502,122	1,691,601	810,521	913,393	863,203	1,776,596	2,587,117		60.1	41.3	20.1	18.8
SOKOTO	1,567,997	1,277,286	827,781	449,505	151,966	137,703	289,669	739,174		47.1	18.5	8.8	28.7
TARABA	2,174,268	2,018,630	1,884,203	134,427	89,080	68,846	157,926	292,353		13.4	7.3	3.2	6.2
YOBE	1,032,847	811,003	429,941	381,063	114,953	104,373	219,327	600,390		58.1	21.2	10.1	36.9
ZAMFARA	1,399,326	1,293,001	914,509	378,492	52,948	52,081	105,029	483,521		34.6	7.5	3.7	27.0
zFCT	1,616,778	1,365,155	1,087,063	278,092	135,174	117,909	253,083	531,175		32.9	15.7	7.3	17.2
Nigeria	85,088,055	69,090,007	51,060,936	18,029,071	8,461,422	7,536,626	15,998,048	34,027,119		40.0	18.8	8.9	21.2

Source:	JOB CREATION SURVEY
	LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, 2017

	Labour Force	Total Employed (Full	Work 40 Hrs+	Work 20 - 39 Hrs	Work 1 - 19 Hrs	Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)	Total	Total Unemployed +	UNEMPLOYMENT RATES %	UNEMPLOYMEN	T RATES		Under
State	Population	time + Part- time/Underemployed)	Full Time Employed	Under- employed/Part- time	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed	Underemployed/Part- time employed		OLD Nigeria (Unemployment+Underemploymen t)	NEW Nigeria	International	Employment Rate
ABIA	1,908,492	1,375,465	1,053,298	322,167	358,296	174,731	533,027	855,194		44.8	27.9	9.2	16.9
ADAMAWA	1,513,562	1,236,402	858,188	378,214	170,398	106,762	277,160	655,374		43.3	18.3	7.1	25.0
AKWA-IBOM	3,350,237	2,182,293	1,482,138	700,155	591,814	576,130	1,167,944	1,868,099		55.8	34.9	17.2	20.9
ANAMBRA	3,148,546	2,667,854	2,113,273	554,581	236,283	244,409	480,692	1,035,273		32.9	15.3	7.8	17.6
BAUCHI	2,008,029	1,584,973	1,098,028	486,945	192,942	230,114	423,056	910,000		45.3	21.1	11.5	24.2
BAYELSA	1,284,279	911,319	685,239	226,081	208,927	164,032	372,960	599,040		46.6	29.0	12.8	17.6
BENUE	2,666,392	2,202,814	1,526,783	676,030	340,548	123,031	463,579	1,139,609		42.7	17.4	4.6	25.4
BORNO	2,303,945	1,680,295	1,076,390	603,905	438,533	185,117	623,650	1,227,555		53.3	27.1	8.0	26.2
CROSS RIVER	1,833,797	1,326,897	954,773	372,123	190,820	316,081	506,901	879,024		47.9	27.6	17.2	20.3
DELTA	2,979,350	2,311,862	1,765,083	546,779	350,509	316,979	667,488	1,214,267		40.8	22.4	10.6	18.4
EBONYI	1,468,015	1,195,888	900,508	295,380	145,917	126,209	272,127	567,507		38.7	18.5	8.6	20.1
EDO	2,005,969	1,559,821	1,183,639	376,182	202,839	243,309	446,148	822,330		41.0	22.2	12.1	18.8
EKITI	1,702,942	1,402,369	1,163,571	238,798	169,655	130,919	300,573	539,372		31.7	17.7	7.7	14.0
ENUGU	2,375,926	1,990,872	1,570,903	419,969	242,193	142,861	385,054	805,023		33.9	16.2	6.0	17.7
GOMBE	944,811	718,279	489,420	228,859	122,406	104,126	226,532	455,391		48.2	24.0	11.0	24.2
IMO	2,977,508	2,228,209	1,767,043	461,165	314,182	435,117	749,299	1,210,465		40.7	25.2	14.6	15.5
JIGAWA	1,444,558	1,094,893	516,798	578,094	157,683	191,982	349,666	927,760		64.2	24.2	13.3	40.0
KADUNA	3,319,128	2,530,599	1,474,583	1,056,016	471,211	317,318	788,529	1,844,545		55.6	23.8	9.6	31.8
KANO	3,804,053	2,735,547	1,788,231	947,315	465,482	603,024	1,068,506	2,015,822		53.0	28.1	15.9	24.9
KATSINA	1,750,338	1,533,160	852,392	680,768	117,853	99,324	217,178	897,946		51.3	12.4	5.7	38.9
KEBBI	1,497,969	1,230,920	977,366	253,554	104,848	162,201	267,049	520,603		34.8	17.8	10.8	16.9
KOGI	2,363,205	1,947,253	1,357,334	589,919	143,873	272,079	415,953	1,005,872		42.6	17.6	11.5	25.0
KWARA	1,545,269	1,256,222	924,324	331,898	131,875	157,172	289,047	620,945		40.2	18.7	10.2	21.5
LAGOS	7,267,579	6,325,809	5,431,977	893,833	213,323	728,446	941,769	1,835,602		25.3	13.0	10.0	12.3
NASARAWA	1,302,151	982,254	657,340	324,914	117,755	202,142	319,897	644,811		49.5	24.6	15.5	25.0
NIGER	1,838,063	1,498,977	994,881	504,096	157,122	181,965	339,087	843,182		45.9	18.4	9.9	27.4
OGUN	3,047,819	2,617,720	2,284,097	333,623	239,960	190,139	430,099	763,722		25.1	14.1	6.2	10.9
ONDO	2,430,192	2,128,628	1,698,335	430,293	146,034	155,530	301,564	731,857		30.1	12.4	6.4	17.7
OSUN	2,405,870	2,196,910	1,843,718	353,192	115,738	93,222	208,960	562,152		23.4	8.7	3.9	14.7
OYO	3,947,115	3,596,224	3,030,438	565,786	192,880	158,011	350,891	916,677		23.2	8.9	4.0	14.3
PLATEAU	1,976,094	1,450,921	1,004,735	446,186	258,160	267,013	525,173	971,359		49.2	26.6	13.5	22.6
RIVERS	4,241,502	2,842,034	1,869,404	972,630	884,785	514,683	1,399,467	2,372,097		55.9	33.0	12.1	22.9
SOKOTO	1,590,016	1,225,262	786,831	438,431	224,566	140,189	364,754	803,185		50.5	22.9	8.8	27.6
TARABA	2,150,247	1,799,696	1,608,708	190,988	217,504	133,048	350,551	541,540		25.2	16.3	6.2	8.9
YOBE	1,054,984	784,492	455,907	328,584	160,124	110,369	270,493	599.077		56.8	25.6	10.5	31.1
ZAMFARA	1,432,415	1,216,354	893,149	323,205	117,294	98,768	216,062	539,266		37.6	15.1	6.9	22.6
zFCT	1,657,169	1,296,912	1,026,701	270,211	155,898	204,359	360,257	630,468		38.0	21.7	12.3	16.3
Nigeria	86,537,538	68,866,396	51,165,530	17,700,866	9,070,230	8,600,912	17,671,142	35,372,009		40.9	20.4	9.9	20.5

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	Labour Force	Total Employed (Full	Work 40 Hrs+	Work 20 - 39 Hrs	Work 1 - 19 Hrs	Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)	Total	Total Unemployed +	UNEMPLOYMENT RATES %	UNEMPLOYMENT RATES			Under
State	Population	time + Part- time/Underemployed)	Full Time Employed	Under- employed/Part- time	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed	Underemployed/Part- time employed		OLD Nigeria (Unemployment+Underemploymen t)	NEW Nigeria	International	Employment Rate
ABIA	1,959,776	1,373,918	1,049,707	324,211	400,971	184,887	585,858	910,069		46.4	29.9	9.4	16.5
ADAMAWA	1,546,239	1,242,578	860,811	381,767	190,693	112,968	303,661	685,428		44.3	19.6	7.3	24.7
AKWA-IBOM	3,394,612	2,195,074	1,489,986	705,088	639,920	559,617	1,199,537	1,904,625		56.1	35.3	16.5	20.8
ANAMBRA	3,198,181	2,675,140	2,116,958	558,183	264,426	258,615	523,041	1,081,224		33.8	16.4	8.1	17.5
BAUCHI	2,043,554	1,584,142	1,094,248	489,895	215,922	243,489	459,411	949,306		46.5	22.5	11.9	24.0
BAYELSA	1,321,229	913,851	685,816	228,034	233,812	173,567	407,378	635,413		48.1	30.8	13.1	17.3
BENUE	2,716,487	2,205,196	1,525,930	679,266	381,109	130,182	511,291	1,190,557		43.8	18.8	4.8	25.0
BORNO	2,391,404	1,682,381	1,072,389	609,991	513,147	195,877	709,023	1,319,014		55.2	29.6	8.2	25.5
CROSS RIVER	1,875,678	1,327,678	952,549	375,129	213,548	334,453	548,000	923,129		49.2	29.2	17.8	20.0
DELTA	3,070,366	2,312,706	1,764,033	548,673	392,257	365,403	757,660	1,306,333		42.5	24.7	11.9	17.9
EBONYI	1,491,995	1,195,153	898,924	296,228	163,297	133,545	296,842	593,070		39.8	19.9	9.0	19.9
EDO	2,044,174	1,559,725	1,182,009	377,716	226,999	257,451	484,450	862,166		42.2	23.7	12.6	18.5
EKITI	1,732,494	1,404,104	1,163,116	240,988	189,861	138,528	328,390	569,378		32.9	19.0	8.0	13.9
ENUGU	2,413,416	1,991,212	1,567,526	423,685	271,039	151,165	422,204	845,890		35.0	17.5	6.3	17.6
GOMBE	965,961	718,798	488,469	230,329	136,985	110,179	247,164	477,492		49.4	25.6	11.4	23.8
IMO	3,039,256	2,227,244	1,764,622	462,623	351,603	460,408	812,011	1,274,634		41.9	26.7	15.1	15.2
JIGAWA	1,473,271	1,093,665	513,170	580,495	176,464	203,141	379,606	960,101		65.2	25.8	13.8	39.4
KADUNA	3,400,612	2,537,515	1,475,580	1,061,935	527,334	335,762	863,096	1,925,031		56.6	25.4	9.9	31.2
KANO	3,904,979	2,745,981	1,792,732	953,249	520,924	638,074	1,158,998	2,112,247		54.1	29.7	16.3	24.4
KATSINA	1,774,802	1,537,814	849,867	687,948	131,890	105,097	236,988	924,935		52.1	13.4	5.9	38.8
KEBBI	1,518,594	1,229,630	973,752	255,878	117,336	171,629	288,965	544,843		35.9	19.0	11.3	16.8
KOGI	2,400,551	1,951,648	1,356,851	594,797	161,009	287,894	448,903	1,043,700		43.5	18.7	12.0	24.8
KWARA	1,573,258	1,259,368	924,517	334,851	147,582	166,307	313,890	648,740		41.2	20.0	10.6	21.3
LAGOS	7,359,873	6,350,355	5,450,076	900,279	238,731	770,787	1,009,518	1,909,797		25.9	13.7	10.5	12.2
NASARAWA	1,327,485	981,814	655,979	325,834	131,780	213,891	345,672	671,506		50.6	26.0	16.1	24.5
NIGER	1,865,861	1,497,484	991,279	506,205	175,836	192,541	368,377	874,582		46.9	19.7	10.3	27.1
OGUN	3,080,703	2,610,972	2,277,006	333,965	268,540	201,191	469,731	803,697		26.1	15.2	6.5	10.8
ONDO	2,455,010	2,127,012	1,696,287	430,725	163,427	164,570	327,997	758,722		30.9	13.4	6.7	17.5
OSUN	2,423,530	2,195,366	1,841,032	354,335	129,523	98,641	228,164	582.499		24.0	9.4	4.1	14.6
OYO	3,997,710	3,594,662	3,026,944	567,718	215,853	187,196	403,048	970,766		24.3	10.1	4.7	14.2
PLATEAU	2,007,659	1,456,219	1,009,388	446,830	288,908	262,533	551,441	998,271		49.7	27.5	13.1	22.3
RIVERS	4,390,153	2,855,388	1,877,539	977,848	990,167	544,599	1,534,765	2,512,614		57.2	35.0	12.4	22.3
SOKOTO	1,624,964	1,225,315	786,428	438,887	251,312	148,337	399,649	838,536		51.6	24.6	9.1	27.0
TARABA	2,203,848	1,799,657	1,606,862	192,795	243,410	160,781	404,191	596,986		27.1	18.3	7.3	8.7
YOBE	1,080,726	784,746	455,814	328,932	179,196	116,784	295,979	624,912		57.8	27.4	10.8	30.4
ZAMFARA	1,449,489	1,213,716	890,085	323,631	131,264	104,509	235,773	559.404		38.6	16.3	7.2	22.3
zFCT	1,688,826	1,298,122	1,026,199	271.922	174,467	216,237	390,704	662,626		39.2	23.1	12.8	16.1
Nigeria	88,206,724	68,955,348	51,154,482	17,800,866	10,150,540	9,100,836	19,251,376	37,052,243		42.0	21.8	10.3	20.2

Source:	JOB CREATION SURVEY
	LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, 2017

	e Labour Force Total Emp		Work 40 Hrs+	Work 20 -39 Hrs	Work 1 - 19 Hrs	Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)	Total	Total Unemployed +	UNEMPLOYMEN	T RATES		Under
State	Population	time + Part- time/Underemployed)	Full Time Employed	Under- employed/Part- time	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed	Underemployed/Part- time employed	OLD Nigeria (Unemployment+Underemploymen t)	NEW Nigeria	International	Employment Rate
ABIA	1,999,854	1,376,805	1,048,892	327,913	431,859	191,190	623,049	950,962	47.6	31.2	9.6	16.4
ADAMAWA	1,568,599	1,246,397	859,106	387,291	205,383	116,819	322,202	709,492	45.2	20.5	7.4	24.7
AKWA-IBOM	3,563,070	2,263,455	1,549,822	713,633	689,214	610,401	1,299,616	2,013,249	56.5	36.5	17.1	20.0
ANAMBRA	3,226,708	2,674,480	2,109,840	564,640	284,795	267,432	552,227	1,116,867	34.6	17.1	8.3	17.5
BAUCHI	2,059,724	1,595,379	1,100,031	495,348	232,555	231,791	464,346	959,693	46.6	22.5	11.3	24.0
BAYELSA	1,347,533	916,227	685,065	231,162	251,823	179,484	431,307	662,469	49.2	32.0	13.3	17.2
BENUE	2,759,150	2,214,063	1,528,100	685,963	410,466	134,621	545,087	1,231,050	44.6	19.8	4.9	24.9
BORNO	2,431,772	1,676,541	1,057,308	619,233	552,676	202,555	755,230	1,374,464	56.5	31.1	8.3	25.5
CROSS RIVER	1,913,366	1,337,513	957,451	380,061	229,998	345,855	575,853	955,914	50.0	30.1	18.1	19.9
DELTA	3,064,538	2,295,226	1,741,868	553,358	422,473	346,838	769,311	1,322,669	43.2	25.1	11.3	18.1
EBONYI	1,513,266	1,199,292	900,710	298,582	175,876	138,098	313,974	612,556	40.5	20.7	9.1	19.7
EDO	2,071,213	1,560,500	1,179,327	381,173	244,485	266,229	510,714	891,886	43.1	24.7	12.9	18.4
EKITI	1,758,790	1,411,052	1,166,631	244,421	204,487	143,251	347,738	592,159	33.7	19.8	8.1	13.9
ENUGU	2,442,579	1,994,343	1,564,758	429,585	291,918	156,319	448,237	877,821	35.9	18.4	6.4	17.6
GOMBE	984,206	722,733	489,756	232,977	147,537	113,935	261,472	494,449	50.2	26.6	11.6	23.7
IMO	3,084,686	2,229,893	1,763,462	466,431	378,688	476,105	854,793	1,321,224	42.8	27.7	15.4	15.1
JIGAWA	1,473,751	1,103,626	517,776	585,850	190,058	180,067	370,125	955,975	64.9	25.1	12.2	39.8
KADUNA	3,466,031	2,550,866	1,477,591	1,073,275	567,956	347,210	915,165	1,988,440	57.4	26.4	10.0	31.0
KANO	3,971,348	2,750,467	1,786,411	964,056	561,052	659,829	1,220,880	2,184,936	55.0	30.7	16.6	24.3
KATSINA	1,820,714	1,549,983	851,290	698,693	142,050	128,681	270,731	969,424	53.2	14.9	7.1	38.4
KEBBI	1,540,971	1,237,116	977,594	259,522	126,374	177,480	303,855	563,377	36.6	19.7	11.5	16.8
KOGI	2,433,766	1,962,645	1,359,912	602,733	173,412	297,709	471,121	1,073,854	44.1	19.4	12.2	24.8
KWARA	1,590,906	1,259,978	920,449	339,529	158,951	171,977	330,928	670,457	42.1	20.8	10.8	21.3
LAGOS	7,417,372	6,363,185	5,451,846	911,339	257,121	797,066	1,054,187	1,965,526	26.5	14.2	10.7	12.3
NASARAWA	1,348,313	985,198	656,788	328,410	141,932	221,184	363,115	691,525	51.3	26.9	16.4	24.4
NIGER	1,894,663	1,506,177	995,286	510,890	189,381	199,106	388,487	899,377	47.5	20.5	10.5	27.0
OGUN	3,127,326	2,610,049	2,274,047	336,002	309,227	208,050	517,277	853,279	27.3	16.5	6.7	10.7
ONDO	2,471,911	2,125,714	1,692,371	433,343	176,016	170,181	346,197	779,540	31.5	14.0	6.9	17.5
OSUN	2,440,193	2,198,689	1,841,409	357,279	139,500	102,004	241,504	598,784	24.5	9.9	4.2	14.6
OYO	4,001,850	3,596,474	3,023,937	572,536	232,480	172,896	405,376	977,913	24.4	10.1	4.3	14.3
PLATEAU	2,080,530	1,477,201	1,027,459	449,742	311,163	292,165	603,329	1,053,071	50.6	29.0	14.0	21.6
RIVERS	4,442,628	2,863,021	1,874,965	988,056	1,016,442	563,166	1,579,608	2,567,663	57.8	35.6	12.7	22.2
SOKOTO	1,650,097	1,226,031	784,461	441,570	270,672	153,394	424,066	865,636	52.5	25.7	9.3	26.8
TARABA	2,218,628	1,780,887	1,585,290	195,597	272,160	165,581	437,741	633,338	28.5	19.7	7.5	8.8
YOBE	1,100,756	786,991	456,041	330,950	193,000	120,765	313,765	644,715	58.6	28.5	11.0	30.1
ZAMFARA	1,514,155	1,214,707	889,007	325,700	161,376	138,072	299,448	625,148	41.3	19.8	9.1	21.5
zFCT	1,714,237	1,302,721	1,027,697	275,024	187,906	223,610	411,516	686,540	40.0	24.0	13.0	16.0
Nigeria	89,509,201	69,165,624	51,173,758	17,991,866	10,932,460	9,411,116	20,343,576	38,335,443	42.8	22.7	10.5	20.1

Source: JOB CREATION SURVEY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, 2017

State	Labour Force	Total Employed (Full time + Part-	Work 40 Hrs+	Work 20 -39 Hrs	Work 1 - 19 Hrs	Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)	Total	Total Unemployed +	UNEMPLOYMENT	RATES %		Under Employment
State	Population	+ Part- time/Underemployed)	Full Time Employed	Under- employed/Part- time	Unemployed	Unemployed	Unemployed	Underemployed/Part- time employed	OLD Nigeria (Unemployment+Underemployment )	NEW Nigeria	International	Rate %
ABIA	2,023,768	1,384,054	1,051,828	332,226	441,740	197,974	639,714	971,940	48.0	31.6	9.8	16.4
ADAMAWA	1,588,278	1,257,232	863,666	393,566	210,082	120,964	331,046	724,613	45.6	20.8	7.6	24.8
AKWA-IBOM	3,599,981	2,242,228	1,518,707	723,521	704,984	652,770	1,357,754	2,081,274	57.8	37.7	18.1	20.1
ANAMBRA	3,251,915	2,683,682	2,111,530	572,152	291,311	276,922	568,233	1,140,385	35.1	17.5	8.5	17.6
BAUCHI	2,122,724	1,624,123	1,122,402	501,722	237,876	260,725	498,601	1,000,323	47.1	23.5	12.3	23.6
BAYELSA	1,362,014	918,576	683,843	234,734	257,584	185,853	443,437	678,171	49.8	32.6	13.6	17.2
BENUE	2,777,485	2,218,230	1,524,312	693,918	419,858	139,397	559,255	1,253,173	45.1	20.1	5.0	25.0
BORNO	2,468,890	1,693,827	1,064,136	629,691	565,321	209,742	775,063	1,404,754	56.9	31.4	8.5	25.5
CROSS RIVER	1,936,998	1,343,611	957,892	385,718	235,260	358,127	593,387	979,106	50.5	30.6	18.5	19.9
DELTA	3,120,370	2,329,085	1,770,041	559,044	432,139	359,145	791,285	1,350,328	43.3	25.4	11.5	17.9
EBONYI	1,528,582	1,205,684	904,211	301,473	179,900	142,998	322,899	624,371	40.8	21.1	9.4	19.7
EDO	2,095,235	1,569,481	1,184,158	385,323	250,079	275,675	525,754	911,077	43.5	25.1	13.2	18.4
EKITI	1,770,459	1,412,960	1,164,633	248,327	209,166	148,334	357,500	605,826	34.2	20.2	8.4	14.0
ENUGU	2,467,332	2,006,869	1,570,557	436,312	298,597	161,866	460,462	896,774	36.3	18.7	6.6	17.7
GOMBE	995,947	727,057	490,996	236,060	150,913	117,978	268,891	504,951	50.7	27.0	11.8	23.7
IMO	3,123,271	2,242,920	1,771,839	471,081	387,353	492,998	880,351	1,351,432	43.3	28.2	15.8	15.1
JIGAWA	1,553,870	1,141,943	549,670	592,273	194,406	217,521	411,927	1,004,200	64.6	26.5	14.0	38.1
KADUNA	3,504,777	2,564,296	1,477,697	1,086,599	580,951	359,530	940,480	2,027,080	57.8	26.8	10.3	31.0
KANO	4,022,761	2,765,631	1,788,972	976,659	573,889	683,241	1,257,130	2,233,789	55.5	31.3	17.0	24.3
KATSINA	1,799,855	1,542,018	831,199	710,819	145,300	112,537	257,837	968,656	53.8	14.3	6.3	39.5
KEBBI	1,556,976	1,243,933	980,264	263,668	129,266	183,778	313,044	576,712	37.0	20.1	11.8	16.9
KOGI	2,463,102	1,977,449	1,365,628	611,821	177,380	308,272	485,653	1,097,474	44.6	19.7	12.5	24.8
KWARA	1,612,476	1,271,808	926,947	344,862	162,588	178,080	340,667	685,529	42.5	21.1	11.0	21.4
LAGOS	7,478,256	6,389,904	5,465,786	924,117	263,004	825,348	1,088,352	2,012,469	26.9	14.6	11.0	12.4
NASARAWA	1,366,207	991,996	660,420	331,576	145,179	229,032	374,211	705,787	51.7	27.4	16.8	24.3
NIGER	1,917,790	1,517,905	1,001,398	516,507	193,714	206,170	399,885	916,391	47.8	20.9	10.8	26.9
OGUN	3,116,782	2,605,505	2,266,870	338,635	295,844	215,432	511,277	849,912	27.3	16.4	6.9	10.9
ONDO	2,502,482	2,146,219	1,709,490	436,729	180,044	176,219	356,263	792,992	31.7	14.2	7.0	17.5
OSUN	2,466,519	2,218,203	1,857,334	360,869	142,692	105,623	248,316	609,184	24.7	10.1	4.3	14.6
OYO	4,032,123	3,615,293	3,036,903	578,390	237,799	179,031	416,830	995,220	24.7	10.3	4.4	14.3
PLATEAU	2,084,700	1,463,885	1,010,431	453,454	318,283	302,532	620,815	1,074,269	51.5	29.8	14.5	21.8
RIVERS	4,601,135	2,927,144	1,927,059	1,000,085	1,090,842	583,149	1,673,991	2,674,076	58.1	36.4	12.7	21.7
SOKOTO	1,672,920	1,237,218	792,181	445,037	276,865	158,837	435,702	880,738	52.6	26.0	9.5	26.6
TARABA	2,207,684	1,788,779	1,590,000	198,780	268,158	150,746	418,905	617,684	28.0	19.0	6.8	9.0
YOBE	1,113,650	791,184	457,630	333,554	197,415	125,050	322,466	656,020	58.9	29.0	11.2	30.0
ZAMFARA	1,427,042	1,170,525	842,177	328,348	144,610	111,907	256,517	584,865	41.0	18.0	7.8	23.0
zFCT	1,736,235	1,312,485	1,033,846	278,639	192,206	231,544	423,749	702,388	40.5	24.4	13.3	16.0
Nigeria	90,470,592	69,542,944	51,326,654	18,216,290	11,182,599	9,745,049	20,927,648	39,143,938	43.3	23.1	10.8	20.1

Source: JOB CREATION SURVEY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, 2017

### Year on Year Q3 2017 compared with Q3 2018

State	Labour Force Population	Total Employed(Fulltime and Part-	Work 40 Hrs+	Work 20 -39 Hrs	Work 1 - 19 Hrs	Work 0 Hr (Did nothing)	Total Unemployed	Total Unemployed + Underemployed /Part-time	UNEM	IPLOYMENT	RATES %	Under Employment Rate %	
		time/Underemployed)	Full time Employed	Under- employed/P art-time	Unemployed	Unemployed		employed	OLD Nigeria	NEW Nigeria	OLD Nigeria		
ABIA	54,147	- 25,276	- 26,158	882	140,716	- 64,600	76,116	76,997	2.59	3.00	- 3.55	- 0.41	
ADAMAWA	98,222	- 130,991	- 109,942	- 21,049	151,789	75,913	227,702	206,652	10.86	13.91	4.59	- 3.05	
AKWA-IBOM	300,163	154,692	50,572	104,120	36,812	69,943	106,756	210,876	1.13	- 0.20	0.47	1.33	
ANAMBRA	133,858	- 9,309	- 93,448	84,139	73,605	63,465	137,070	221,209	5.59	3.65	1.67	1.94	
BAUCHI	234,147	- 93,428	- 39,543	- 53,885	139,106	184,391	323,498	269,612	8.43	14.22	8.24	- 5.78	
BAYELSA	109,821	49,705	34,988	14,718	60,752	7,137	67,889	82,607	2.23	2.57	- 0.63	- 0.34	
BENUE	322,572	25,213	- 85,474	110,687	283,968	20,865	304,833	415,520	11.00	9.77	0.19	1.23	
BORNO	213,720	- 27,556	- 30,306	2,750	279,773	- 60,116	219,657	222,407	4.47	6.77	- 3.47	- 2.30	
CROSS RIVER	140,177	- 88,719	- 112,869	24,149	36,054	184,365	220,419	244,569	9.67	9.88	8.82	- 0.21	
DELTA	184,400	- 78,809	- 60,445	- 18,365	132,476	127,551	260,027	241,662	5.51	7.26	3.62	- 1.75	
EBONYI	89,523	32,676	- 19,840	52,516	28,982	21,542	50,524	103,040	4.62	2.20	0.91	2.42	
EDO	116,032	- 13,607	- 13,932	325	42,765	94,841	137,606	137,932	4.42	5.48	4.02	- 1.06	
EKITI	38,354	- 68,110	- 83,200	15,090	81,987	23,238	105,225	120,316	6.19	5.63	1.16	0.56	
ENUGU	117,729	135,365	122,333	13,031	41,661	- 62,252	- 20,591	- 7,560	- 2.14	- 1.81	- 2.98	- 0.33	
GOMBE	158,569	- 18,059	59,300	- 77,359	101,270	78,026	179,296	101,937	2.57	16.30	7.07	- 13.73	
IMO	193,160	175,378	197,147	- 21,769	- 98,177	117,758	19,581	- 2,188	- 2.93	- 1.19	2.98	- 1.74	
JIGAWA	138,478	664	22,542	- 21,878	38,768	97,236	136,004	114,125	1.74	7.02	5.50	- 5.27	
KADUNA	230,146	233,483	118,929	114,553	119,069	- 94,789	24,280	138,833	0.17	- 1.14	- 3.62	1.32	
KANO	339,496	- 185,863	30,765	- 216,629	212,453	327,724	540,177	323,549	3.67	11.79	7.33	- 8.12	
KATSINA	78,628	- 124,161	- 35,267	- 88,893	115,691	88,708	204,399	115,506	4.25	11.22	4.87	- 6.97	
KEBBI	77,989	- 116,699	- 41,019	- 75,679	63,401	128,590	191,991	116,311	5.91	11.92	8.07	- 6.01	
KOGI	124,736	136,400	23,888	112,512	- 70,851	73,681	2,830	115,342	2.56	- 0.93	2.48	3.49	
KWARA	98,480	- 41,793	- 108,532	66,739	57,895	83,023	140,918	207,657	10.95	7.93	4.77	3.02	
LAGOS	398,559	574,744	740,146	- 165,402	- 428,169	222,458	- 205,711	- 371,113	- 6.76	- 3.72	2.52	- 3.03	
NASARAWA	83,609	78,115	60,489	17,626	- 45,491	48,839	3,348	20,974	- 1.73	- 1.52	2.72	- 0.21	
NIGER	114,504	- 94,266	- 74,190	- 20,077	88,184	117,746	205,930	185,853	7.27	10.10	5.85	- 2.82	
OGUN	92,633	- 127,530	- 134,679	7,150	129,048	91,664	220,711	227,861	6.70	6.80	2.82	- 0.10	
ONDO OSUN	109,285	122,708	142,514	- 19,806	- 20,543	8,148	- 12,395	- 32,201	- 2.79	- 1.17	0.02	- 1.62	
OSUN	91,773	- 30,312 46,389	- 63,981 633	33,669 45,755	79,610	43,076	122,685	156,354 105,971	5.63 2.04	4.78 1.26	1.65 0.12	0.85 0.78	
PLATEAU	105,489				50,891	9,325	60,216						
	127,893	1,755	- 13,501	15,256	85,102	63,808	148,910			5.66	2.31	- 0.64	
RIVERS SOKOTO	299,928	425,022	235,458	189,564	177,449		- 102,605	86,959	- 2.03	- 4.92	- 7.39	2.89	
TARABA	104,923		- 35,600	- 4,469	124,899	21,134	146,033	141,564	5.51	7.57	0.71	- 2.07 2.82	
YOBE	33,416		- 294,203	64,352	179,078	81,901	260,979	325,331	14.53	11.71	3.66		
ZAMFARA	80,804	- 19,819 - 122,476	27,690	- 47,509	82,462	20,677	103,139	55,631	0.78	7.72	1.12	- 6.94	
zFCT	27,716		- 72,332	- 50,144	91,662	59,826	151,488	101,344	6.43		4.12	- 4.04	
Nigeria	119,457 <b>5,382,537</b>		- 53,217 265,718	547 <b>187,219</b>	57,031 <b>2,721,177</b>	113,635 <b>2,208,422</b>	170,667 <b>4,929,600</b>	171,214 <b>5,116,819</b>	7.60 3.28	8.75 <b>4.33</b>	6.04 1.91	- 1.15 - <b>1.05</b>	

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