POPULATION, LABOUR FORCE & EMPLOYMENT

HIGHLIGHTS	Units	2023
Area	**Sq. Kms.**	**796,096**
Population	**Million**	**241.50**
Density	**Person per Km.**	**303**
Population Growth Rate	**Percent**	**2.55**
Composition of Population by Gender*		
Male	**Million**	**117.11**
Female	**Million**	**112.10**
Labour Force**	**Million**	**71.76**
Participation Rate	**Percent**	**32.30**
Employed Labour Force	**Million**	**67.25**
Rural	**Million**	**45.70**
Urban	**Million**	**21.55**
Unemployment Rate	**Percent**	**6.30**
Rural	**Percent**	**5.80**
Urban	**Percent**	**7.30**

* : Data pertains to 2022.

** : Labour Force Survey 2020-21, which is the latest available information.

Note: Council of Common Interest (CCI) has approved the results of Census 2023 on 5th August, 2023. However, circulation of detailed data on Gender-wise and Age-wise population etc. is under process at Pakistan Bureau of Statistics.

TABLE 12.1

POPULATION

Year	Population (mln)	Labour Force Participation Rate(%)	Civilian Labour Force (mln)	Employed Total (mln)	Crude Birth Rate*	Crude Death Rate*	Infant Mortality Rate*	Growth Rate *
					(per 1000 persons)			
2000	139.55	28.97	40.38	37.22	-	-	-	2.60
2001	142.76	28.48	41.23	38.00	-	-	-	2.61
2002	146.02	29.61	43.01	39.45	27.03	8.20	85.00	-
2003	149.32	29.61	43.88	40.25	27.30	8.00	83.00	1.90
2004	152.66	30.41	45.95	42.42	27.80	8.70	79.90	-
2005	156.04	30.41	46.82	43.22	-	-	-	-
2006	159.46	32.22	50.50	47.37	26.10	7.10	76.70	-
2007	162.91	31.82	50.78	48.07	25.50	7.90	72.40	1.76
2008	166.41	32.17	52.23	49.52	25.00	7.70	70.20	1.73
2009	169.94	32.81	55.76	52.71	28.40	7.60	73.50	2.08
2010	173.51	32.98	57.22	54.05	28.00	7.40	72.00	2.05
2011	177.10	32.98	58.41	55.17	27.50	7.30	70.50	2.03
2012	180.71	32.83	59.33	55.80	27.20	7.20	69.00	2.00
2013	184.35	32.88	60.35	56.58	26.80	7.00	67.50	1.97
2014	188.02	32.28	60.09	56.52	26.40	6.90	66.10	1.95
2015	191.71	32.30	61.04	57.42	26.10	6.80	64.60	1.92
2016	198.78	-	-	-	27.80	7.00	62.40	2.08
2017	207.68	-	-	-	27.30	7.80	67.20	2.40
2018	211.82	31.70	65.50	61.71	26.70	6.80	60.50	1.99
2019	216.08	32.20	68.75	64.03	26.10	6.70	59.50	1.94
2020	220.40	-	-	-	25.40	6.60	58.50	1.80
2021	224.78	32.30	71.76	67.25	-	-	-	-
2022	229.22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023	241.50	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.55

- : Not available **Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics**

Note: Total Population is revised from 2018 onward on the basis of Census 2017 by NIPS

*** : NIPS has not estimated the population indicators from 2018 onward on the basis of Census 2017. However, the given estimates are based on Census 1998**

TABLE 12.2

POPULATION IN RURAL / URBAN AREAS

Population in million

Year	All Areas	Male	Female	Rural areas	Urban areas
2000	139.96	72.65	67.11	93.63	46.13
2001	142.86	74.23	68.63	95.36	47.50
2002	146.02	75.69	70.33	97.76	48.26
2003	149.32	77.38	71.93	99.74	49.57
2004	152.66	79.10	73.57	101.34	51.33
2005	156.04	80.83	75.21	102.12	53.92
2006	159.46	82.57	76.88	103.66	55.80
2007	162.91	84.34	78.57	105.20	57.72
2008	166.41	86.13	80.28	106.73	59.68
2009	169.94	87.94	82.01	108.08	61.87
2010	173.51	89.76	83.75	109.41	64.09
2011	177.10	91.59	85.51	110.73	66.37
2012	180.71	93.43	87.28	112.02	68.69
2013	184.35	95.29	89.06	113.28	71.07
2014	188.02	97.16	90.86	115.52	72.50
2015	191.71	99.04	92.67	116.52	75.19
2016	198.79	102.69	96.10	115.85	82.93
2017	207.68	106.34	101.34	131.94	75.74
2018	211.82	108.41	103.41	134.37	77.45
2019	216.08	110.54	105.53	136.87	79.20
2020	220.40	112.71	107.69	139.39	81.01
2021	224.78	114.90	109.88	141.96	82.83
2022	229.22	117.11	112.10	144.53	84.69
2023	241.50	-	-	147.74	93.75

- : Not available **Source: Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives**

Note: Total Population is revised from 2018 onward on the basis of Census 2017 by NIPS

Note: Council of Common Interest (CCI) has approved the results of Census 2023 on 5th August, 2023. However, circulation of detailed data related to Geneder-wise, Agewise etc. is under process at Pakistan Bureau of Statistics.

TABLE 12.3

POPULATION IN URBAN, RURAL AREAS 1972, 1981, 1998 AND 2017 CENSUS

In thousands

Region/ Province	Population*									Density (Per sq. km)
	Total			Urban			Rural			
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female	
				1972 CENSUS						
PAKISTAN	65,309	34,833	30,476	16,594	9,027	7,567	48,716	25,806	22,909	82
Islamabad**	238	131	106	77	46	31	161	86	75	259
Punjab**	37,607	20,209	17,398	9,183	4,977	4,206	28,424	15,232	13,192	183
Sindh	14,156	7,574	6,582	5,726	3,131	2,595	8,430	4,443	3,987	100
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	8,388	4,363	4,026	1,196	647	549	7,193	3,716	3,477	113
Balochistan	2,429	1,290	1,139	399	218	181	2,029	1,071	958	7
FATA	2,491	1,266	1,225	13	8	5	2,478	1,258	1,220	92
				1981 CENSUS						
PAKISTAN	84,253	44,232	40,021	23,841	12,767	11,074	60,412	31,465	28,947	106
Islamabad	340	185	155	204	113	91	136	72	64	376
Punjab	47,292	24,860	22,432	13,052	6,952	6,100	34,241	17,909	16,332	230
Sindh	19,029	9,999	9,030	8,243	4,433	3,810	10,786	5,566	5,220	135
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	11,061	5,761	5,300	1,665	898	767	9,396	4,863	4,533	148
Balochistan	4,332	2,284	2,048	677	371	306	3,655	1,913	1,742	13
FATA	2,199	1,143	1,056	-	-	-	2,199	1,143	1,056	81
				1998 CENSUS						
PAKISTAN	132,352	68,874	63,478	43,036	22,752	20,284	89,316	46,122	43,194	166
Islamabad	805	434	371	529	291	238	276	144	133	889
Punjab	73,621	38,094	35,527	23,019	12,071	10,948	50,602	26,023	24,579	359
Sindh	30,440	16,098	14,342	14,840	7,904	6,935	15,600	8,193	7,407	216
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	17,744	9,089	8,655	2,994	1,589	1,405	14,750	7,500	7,250	238
Balochistan	6,566	3,057	3,059	1,569	849	719	4,997	2,657	2,340	19
FATA	3,176	1,652	1,524	85	46	39	3,091	1,606	1,485	117
				2017 CENSUS						
PAKISTAN	207,685	106,340	101,345	75,671	39,163	36,508	132,014	67,177	64,837	261
Islamabad	2,003	1,053	951	1,009	536	473	994	517	478	2,211
Punjab	109,990	55,922	54,067	40,547	20,829	19,719	69,442	35,094	34,349	536
Sindh	47,855	24,882	22,972	24,833	12,952	11,881	23,022	11,930	11,092	340
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	30,509	15,446	15,062	5,735	2,975	2,760	24,773	12,471	12,302	409
Balochistan	12,335	6,485	5,851	3,407	1,798	1,608	8,928	4,686	4,242	36
FATA	4,993	2,552	2,441	140	73	66	4,853	2,479	2,375	183

- : Not available

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

* : This population does not include the population of AJK and Gilgit Baltistan

** : Adjusted due to transfer of some mouzas from Rawalpindi to Islamabad district

Note : Total may differ due to rounding off figures

TABLE 12.4

POPULATION BY AGE, IN URBAN, RURAL AREAS 1981, 1998 AND 2017 CENSUS

In thousands

Age (in years)	Total			Rural			Urban		
	Both	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female	Both	Male	Female
				1981 Census*					
All ages	82,055	43,090	38,965	58,214	30,323	27,891	23,841	12,767	11,074
0- 4	12,574	6,200	6,373	8,995	4,387	4,608	3,579	1,813	1,766
5- 9	13,142	6,811	6,331	9,591	4,973	4,618	3,552	1,839	1,713
10-14	10,803	5,857	4,946	7,684	4,204	3,480	3,119	1,653	1,467
15-19	7,763	4,193	3,571	5,223	2,828	2,395	2,540	1,365	1,175
20-24	6,228	3,270	2,958	4,119	2,111	2,008	2,108	1,159	950
25-29	5,479	2,891	2,588	3,760	1,948	1,812	1,719	944	776
30-34	4,617	2,388	2,229	3,226	1,631	1,595	1,391	757	634
35-39	4,197	2,121	2,077	2,922	1,452	1,469	1,276	668	608
40-44	3,865	1,937	1,928	2,733	1,332	1,402	1,132	606	526
45-49	3,076	1,610	1,466	2,194	1,121	1,074	882	490	392
50-54	2,966	1,638	1,328	2,170	1,179	991	796	459	337
55-59	1,611	859	751	1,187	618	569	424	242	182
60-64	2,216	1,299	917	1,667	973	695	549	327	222
65-69	987	555	431	755	420	334	232	135	97
70-74	1,161	678	484	900	526	374	261	152	109
75 and above	1,369	782	588	1,088	622	466	281	160	121
				1998 Census*					
All ages	129,176	67,222	61,954	86,225	44,516	41,709	42,951	22,705	20,245
0- 4	19,118	9,761	9,357	13,534	6,907	6,627	5,584	2,854	2,730
5- 9	20,215	10,571	9,644	14,211	7,466	6,745	6,004	3,105	2,899
10-14	16,732	8,909	7,822	11,106	5,973	5,133	5,625	2,935	2,690
15-19	13,400	6,909	6,490	8,553	4,396	4,158	4,846	2,514	2,333
20-24	11,588	5,815	5,773	7,402	3,610	3,791	4,186	2,205	1,981
25-29	9,521	4,879	4,643	6,092	3,024	3,067	3,429	1,854	1,575
30-34	8,040	4,232	3,807	5,083	2,604	2,479	2,956	1,628	1,328
35-39	6,167	3,254	2,912	3,846	1,984	1,862	2,320	1,270	1,050
40-44	5,745	2,931	2,815	3,660	1,812	1,848	2,086	1,119	967
45-49	4,563	2,360	2,203	2,995	1,512	1,483	1,569	849	720
50-54	4,148	2,201	1,948	2,776	1,459	1,318	1,372	742	630
55-59	2,777	1,505	1,272	1,868	1,001	867	909	504	405
60-64	2,637	1,418	1,219	1,838	987	851	799	431	368
65-69	1,554	850	704	1,076	585	491	478	265	214
70-74	1,408	778	631	1,022	564	458	386	214	172
75 and above	1,563	849	714	1,162	632	531	400	217	183
				2017 Census					
All ages	207,685	106,340	101,345	132,014	67,177	64,837	75,671	39,163	36,508
00-04	29,163	14,944	14,219	19,821	10,156	9,665	9,342	4,788	4,554
05-09	30,026	15,643	14,384	20,473	10,701	9,772	9,553	4,942	4,611
10-14	24,527	12,947	11,580	16,193	8,586	7,607	8,334	4,360	3,974
15-19	21,367	11,097	10,269	13,449	6,968	6,481	7,918	4,130	3,788
20-24	18,496	9,248	9,248	11,132	5,480	5,652	7,364	3,768	3,596
25-29	16,401	7,940	8,462	9,863	4,672	5,191	6,538	3,268	3,270
30-34	14,152	6,948	7,203	8,410	4,029	4,381	5,741	2,919	2,822
35-39	12,049	6,091	5,958	7,267	3,614	3,653	4,782	2,476	2,305
40-44	9,627	4,849	4,778	5,692	2,793	2,899	3,935	2,056	1,879
45-49	7,932	4,062	3,869	4,795	2,411	2,383	3,137	1,651	1,486
50-54	6,946	3,645	3,301	4,146	2,159	1,987	2,799	1,486	1,314
55-59	4,975	2,648	2,327	3,003	1,573	1,430	1,972	1,075	897
60-64	4,312	2,248	2,064	2,670	1,372	1,298	1,642	876	765
65-69	2,952	1,558	1,394	1,918	1,004	913	1,034	554	480
70-74	2,134	1,132	1,002	1,406	746	660	728	386	342
75 and above	2,627	1,339	1,288	1,775	912	863	852	427	425

* : Figures regarding FATA are not included

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

TABLE 12.5

POPULATION OF PAKISTAN BY PROVINCE, LAND AREA AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION 1951 - 2023

	Area	Population (In thousand)						
	Sq km	1951	1961	1972	1981	1998	2017	2023
PAKISTAN	796,096	33,740	42,880	65,309	84,254	132,352	207,685	241,499
	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)	(100)
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	74,521	4,557	5,731	8,389	11,061	17,744	30,509	40,856
	(9.4)	(13.5)	(13.4)	(12.8)	(13.1)	(13.4)	(14.7)	(16.91)
FATA	27,220	1,332	1,847	2,491	2,199	3,176	4,993	FATA merged in KPK
	(3.4)	(3.9)	(4.3)	(3.8)	(2.6)	(2.4)	(2.4)	
Punjab	205,345	20,541	25,464	37,607	47,292	73,621	109,990	127,689
	(25.8)	(60.9)	(59.4)	(57.6)	(56.1)	(55.6)	(53.0)	(52.87)
Sindh	140,914	6,048	8,367	14,156	19,029	30,440	47,855	55,696
	(17.7)	(17.9)	(19.5)	(21.7)	(22.6)	(23.0)	(23.0)	(23.00)
Balochistan	347,190	1,167	1,353	2,429	4,332	6,566	12,335	14,894
	(43.6)	(3.5)	(3.2)	(3.7)	(5.1)	(5.0)	(5.9)	(6.16)
Islamabad	906	96	118	238	340	805	2,003	2,364
	(0.1)	(0.3)	(0.3)	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.6)	(1.0)	(0.97)

Note : Percentage distribution is given in parenthesis **Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics**

TABLE 12.6

LITERACY RATIOS OF POPULATION BY SEX, REGION AND URBAN/RURAL AREAS, 1981 TO 2017 CENSUS

Sex	Total					Urban					Rural				
	2017		1998		1981	2017		1998		1981	2017		1998		1981
	15 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	15 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	15 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	15 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	15 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	15 Years & Above	10 Years & Above	10 Years & Above
Pakistan															
Both	56.1	58.9	41.0	43.9	26.2	71.3	73.2	60.5	63.1	47.1	46.4	50.1	30.4	33.6	17.3
Male	65.8	67.8	53.0	54.8	35.0	76.7	78.0	68.7	70.0	55.3	58.6	61.3	44.0	46.4	26.2
Female	46.2	49.7	28.0	32.0	16.0	65.6	68.1	51.0	55.2	37.3	34.2	38.6	16.2	20.1	7.3
Islamabad															
Both	80.4	81.5	69.7	72.4	47.8	80.3	81.1	75.2	77.2	57.6	80.5	81.8	58.4	62.5	32.5
Male	86.1	86.5	79.5	80.6	59.1	85.7	85.9	82.2	83.2	65.8	86.5	87.2	73.2	75.1	48.1
Female	74.0	75.8	57.7	62.4	33.5	74.1	75.6	65.9	69.7	46.8	73.9	76.0	42.1	48.8	14.7
Punjab															
Both	60.9	64.0	43.4	46.6	27.4	74.6	76.6	61.9	64.5	46.7	52.3	56.2	34.5	38.0	20.0
Male	68.9	71.2	55.2	57.2	36.8	78.7	80.1	69.8	70.9	55.2	62.6	65.5	47.9	50.4	29.6
Female	52.8	56.7	30.8	35.1	16.8	70.3	73.0	53.0	57.2	36.7	42.1	46.9	20.5	24.8	9.4
Sindh															
Both	53.1	54.6	43.9	45.3	31.4	69.0	70.4	62.6	63.7	50.8	32.6	35.2	23.9	25.7	15.6
Male	61.7	62.5	54.5	54.5	39.7	74.3	75.1	70.0	69.8	57.8	45.1	46.9	37.2	37.9	24.5
Female	43.8	45.9	32.0	34.8	21.6	63.2	65.3	54.9	56.7	42.2	19.5	22.6	10.2	12.2	5.2
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa															
Both	49.7	54.0	31.5	35.4	16.7	64.0	67.1	51.0	54.3	35.8	46.1	50.8	27.2	31.3	13.2
Male	66.3	69.2	48.2	51.4	25.9	76.1	78.0	65.5	67.5	47.0	63.6	67.0	44.1	47.7	21.7
Female	33.5	38.7	14.6	18.8	6.5	50.9	55.4	33.9	39.1	21.9	29.3	34.8	10.6	14.7	3.8
Balochistan															
Both	40.5	43.6	23.1	24.8	10.3	56.3	59.6	43.4	46.9	33.2	33.7	37.0	15.2	17.5	6.2
Male	52.1	54.1	33.3	34.0	15.2	68.4	70.3	55.9	58.1	42.4	45.1	47.4	24.0	25.8	9.8
Female	27.9	31.9	11.8	14.1	4.3	43.0	47.6	20.8	33.1	18.5	21.6	25.5	5.6	7.9	1.7
FATA															
Both	31.4	36.1	-	17.4	6.4	50.3	54.1	-	39.3	-	30.8	35.5	-	16.8	6.4
Male	51.7	56.0	-	29.5	10.9	71.6	73.4	-	59.7	-	51.0	55.5	-	28.6	10.9
Female	11.4	15.7	-	3.0	0.8	26.9	32.7	-	12.0	-	10.9	15.3	-	2.8	0.8

- : Not available

FATA: Federally Administered Tribal Areas

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

TABLE 12.7

LAND AREA, POPULATION AND PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION

Population in thousand

Region / Years	Area Sq. Kms	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Pakistan	796,096	191,708	198,785	207,685	211,821	216,075	220,399	224,781	229,215	241,499
	100	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
i. Punjab	205,345	103,837	107,959	109,989	111,995	114,048	116,130	118,235	120,359	127,689
	25.79	54.16	54.31	52.96	52.87	52.78	52.69	52.60	52.51	52.87
ii. Sindh	140,914	45,988	46,568	47,855	49,237	50,647	52,073	53,511	54,962	55,696
	17.70	23.98	23.43	23.04	23.24	23.43	23.62	23.81	23.98	23.00
iii. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	74,521	25,836	27,714	35,502	35,944	36,412	36,895	37,392	37,900	40,856
	9.36	13.47	13.94	17.09	16.96	16.85	16.74	16.63	16.53	16.91
iv. Balochistan	347,190	9,942	10,408	12,335	12,568	12,818	13,078	13,346	13,623	14,894
	43.61	5.18	5.24	5.93	5.93	5.93	5.93	5.93	5.94	6.16
v. FATA	27,220	4,623.00	4,927.00	FATA merged in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa						
	3.42	2.41	2.48							
vi. Islamabad	906	1,479	1,207	2,003	2,077	2,150	2,224	2,297	2,370	2,364
	0.11	0.77	0.60	0.96	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.02	1.03	0.97

Note: Total Population is revised from 2018 onward on the basis of Census 2017 by NIPS

Sources : Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
National Institute for Population Studies (NIPS)

TABLE 12.8

PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION OF 10 YEARS AND ABOVE AND CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE BY GENDER AND AREA 2020-21

Percent share

	Population			Civilian Labour Force								
				Total Civilian Labour Force			Employed			Unemployed		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
PAKISTAN	100.00	50.63	49.37	44.90	34.36	10.54	42.07	32.48	9.60	2.82	1.88	0.94
Rural	100.00	50.12	49.88	48.56	34.61	13.95	45.75	32.83	12.92	2.81	1.78	1.03
Urban	100.00	51.48	48.52	38.79	33.93	4.86	35.95	31.88	4.06	2.85	2.05	0.80
Punjab	100.00	49.85	50.15	47.38	34.21	13.17	44.18	32.12	12.06	3.20	2.09	1.11
Rural	100.00	49.29	50.71	52.26	34.72	17.54	49.01	32.71	16.30	3.25	2.01	1.24
Urban	100.00	50.75	49.25	39.45	33.39	6.06	36.32	31.17	5.16	3.12	2.22	0.90
Sindh	100.00	52.01	47.99	43.83	36.52	7.31	42.14	35.31	6.83	1.69	1.21	0.48
Rural	100.00	51.76	48.24	49.71	37.79	11.92	48.69	37.05	11.64	1.02	0.74	0.28
Urban	100.00	52.23	47.77	38.68	35.41	3.27	36.40	33.79	2.61	2.28	1.63	0.66
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	100.00	50.08	49.92	39.51	31.65	7.86	36.02	29.39	6.63	3.49	2.26	1.23
Rural	100.00	49.74	50.26	40.07	31.52	8.55	36.55	29.32	7.23	3.52	2.20	1.32
Urban	100.00	51.82	48.18	36.65	32.27	4.38	33.35	29.73	3.62	3.30	2.54	0.76
Balochistan	100.00	54.33	45.67	40.39	34.94	5.45	38.65	33.47	5.18	1.75	1.48	0.27
Rural	100.00	54.15	45.85	42.75	35.86	6.88	41.39	34.66	6.73	1.36	1.21	0.15
Urban	100.00	54.78	45.22	34.68	32.71	1.97	31.98	30.58	1.40	2.70	2.13	0.57

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
Labour Force Survey 2020-21

TABLE 12.9

LABOUR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT

In million

Mid Year	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12*	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2017-18	2018-19	2020-21
Population	172.57	176.20	180.71	183.57	186.19	189.19	206.62	214.49	222.44
Rural	105.70	107.00	120.10	121.66	121.56	123.36	131.19	135.39	142.09
Urban	66.87	69.20	60.61	61.91	64.63	65.83	75.43	79.10	80.35
Working Age Population	124.06	126.60	129.84	132.07	132.24	134.99	147.91	153.49	159.83
Rural	80.08	81.77	83.87	84.96	83.62	85.60	91.02	94.14	99.88
Urban	43.98	44.83	45.97	47.11	48.62	49.39	56.89	59.35	59.95
Labour Force	56.92	57.84	59.33	59.74	60.10	61.04	65.50	68.75	71.76
Rural	39.56	40.12	41.15	41.23	41.14	41.95	42.91	45.85	48.50
Urban	17.36	17.72	18.18	18.15	18.96	19.09	22.59	22.90	23.26
Employed Labour Force	53.76	54.40	55.80	56.01	56.52	57.42	61.71	64.03	67.25
Rural	37.66	38.24	39.22	39.14	39.07	39.85	40.75	42.94	45.70
Urban	16.10	16.16	16.58	16.87	17.45	17.57	20.96	21.10	21.55
Unemployed Labour Force	3.16	3.44	3.53	3.73	3.58	3.62	3.79	4.71	4.51
Rural	1.90	1.88	1.93	2.09	2.06	2.10	2.15	2.91	2.81
Urban	1.26	1.56	1.60	1.64	1.52	1.52	1.64	1.80	1.71
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.55	5.95	5.95	6.24	6.00	5.90	5.80	6.90	6.30
Rural	4.82	4.68	4.68	5.08	5.01	5.00	5.00	6.40	5.80
Urban	7.21	8.84	8.84	8.83	8.02	8.00	7.20	7.90	7.30
Labour Force Partici-pation Rates (%)	32.98	32.83	32.83	32.88	32.28	32.30	31.70	32.20	32.30
Rural	34.50	34.26	34.26	34.23	33.84	34.00	32.70	33.90	34.10
Urban	29.99	29.99	29.99	30.21	29.35	29.00	30.00	28.90	29.00

Source : Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (Labour Force Survey)
*Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives

TABLE 12.10

POPULATION AND LABOUR FORCE

In million

Years	Population	Crude Activity Rate(%)	Labour Force	Unemployed Labour Force	Employed Labour Force	Agriculture	Mining & Manufacturing	Construction	Electricity & Gas Distribution	Transport Storage & Communication	Whole-Sale & Retail Trade	Others
2000-01	142.86	28.97	41.38	3.24	38.14	18.47	4.40	2.21	0.26	1.92	5.15	5.73
2001-02	145.96	28.97	43.21	3.57	39.64	16.68	5.51	2.40	0.32	2.34	5.89	6.50
2002-03	149.03	28.97	44.12	3.65	40.47	17.03	5.63	2.45	0.33	2.39	6.01	6.63
2003-04	150.47	30.41	45.76	3.52	42.24	18.18	5.83	2.46	0.28	2.42	6.25	6.82
2004-05	153.96	30.41	46.82	3.60	43.22	18.60	5.96	2.52	0.29	2.48	6.39	6.98
2005-06	156.77	32.22	50.50	3.13	47.37	20.54	6.60	2.91	0.31	2.72	6.95	7.34
2006-07	161.98	31.82	51.55	2.75	48.80	21.29	6.66	3.21	0.37	2.63	7.03	7.61
2007-08	165.45	32.17	53.22	2.77	50.45	22.52	6.61	3.18	0.36	2.75	7.38	7.65
2008-09	168.99	32.81	55.91	3.05	52.86	23.63	6.89	3.46	0.36	2.74	8.63	7.15
2009-10	172.57	32.98	56.92	3.16	53.76	24.18	7.17	3.62	0.43	2.82	8.75	6.79
2010-11	176.20	32.83	57.84	3.44	54.40	24.51	7.51	3.78	0.26	2.78	8.78	6.78
2011-12*	180.71	32.83	59.33	3.53	55.80	25.14	7.70	3.88	0.27	2.85	8.28	7.68
2012-13	183.57	32.88	60.34	3.76	56.58	24.73	8.03	4.21	0.30	2.82	8.14	8.35
2013-14	186.19	32.28	60.10	3.58	56.52	24.57	8.00	4.15	0.27	3.07	8.24	8.21
2014-15	189.19	32.30	61.04	3.62	57.42	24.27	8.89	4.20	0.45	3.11	8.41	8.09
2017-18	206.62	31.70	65.50	3.79	61.71	23.76	10.05	4.70	0.45	3.50	9.21	10.05
2018-19	214.49	32.10	68.75	4.71	64.03	25.07	9.76	5.13	0.50	3.98	9.28	10.30
2020-21	222.44	32.30	71.76	4.51	67.25	25.18	10.25	6.39	0.43	4.19	9.66	11.13

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (Labour Force Survey)
*Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives

Note: Labour Force Survey was not conducted in the years 2000-01, 2002-03, 2004-05, 2011-12, 2015-16 and 2016-17.

TABLE 12.11

DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS OF 10 YEARS AGE AND ABOVE BY MAJOR INDUSTRIES

In percentage

Years	Agricul-ture	Mining & Manu-facturing	Const-ruction	Electricity & Gas Distri-bution	Transport Storage & Commu-cation	Whole-Sale & Retail Trade	Others
2000-01	48.42	11.55	5.78	0.70	5.03	13.50	15.02
2001-02	42.09	13.91	6.05	0.81	5.90	14.85	16.39
2002-03	42.09	13.91	6.05	0.81	5.90	14.85	16.39
2003-04	43.05	13.80	5.83	0.67	5.73	14.80	16.12
2004-05	43.05	13.80	5.83	0.67	5.73	14.80	16.12
2005-06	43.37	13.93	6.13	0.66	5.74	14.67	15.49
2006-07	43.61	13.65	6.56	0.75	5.39	14.42	15.60
2007-08	44.65	13.11	6.29	0.70	5.46	14.62	15.17
2008-09	45.08	13.14	6.62	0.69	5.23	16.47	12.77
2009-10	44.96	13.34	6.74	0.80	5.24	16.28	12.64
2010-11	45.05	13.80	6.95	0.48	5.11	16.15	12.46
2011-12*	45.05	13.80	6.95	0.42	5.11	14.83	13.76
2012-13	43.71	14.20	7.44	0.53	4.98	14.39	14.75
2013-14	43.48	14.16	7.33	0.48	5.44	14.58	14.53
2014-15	42.27	15.49	7.31	0.79	5.00	14.64	14.09
2017-18	38.50	16.28	7.61	0.73	5.67	14.92	16.29
2018-19	39.16	15.25	8.01	0.78	5.76	14.50	16.54
2020-21	37.40	15.20	9.50	0.60	6.30	14.40	16.60

- : Not available **Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics**

*** : Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives**

Note : Labour Force Survey was not conducted in 2011-12

TABLE 12.12
PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF EMPLOYED PERSONS OF 10 YEARS AGE AND ABOVE BY MAJOR INDUSTRY 2020-21

In percentage

	Major Industry Division	Pakistan			Punjab			Sindh			Khyper Pakhtunkhwa			Balochistan		
		Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban
	Total	100.0	68.0	32.0	58.1	39.9	18.2	22.8	12.3	10.5	14.0	11.9	2.1	5.1	3.9	1.2
1.	Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	37.4	35.4	2.0	22.6	21.5	1.1	8.3	7.7	0.6	4.4	4.3	0.1	2.1	1.9	0.1
2.	Mining and Quarrying	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0
3.	Manufacturing	14.9	7.4	7.5	9.6	5.0	4.6	3.5	1.0	2.5	1.6	1.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1
4.	Electricity, Gas Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5.	Water Supply, Sewerage, Waste, Management & Remediation Activity	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6.	Construction	9.5	6.7	2.8	5.0	3.6	1.4	1.9	1.0	1.0	2.1	1.9	0.3	0.5	0.3	0.1
7.	Wholesale and Retail Trade, Repair of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles	14.4	6.3	8.0	8.1	3.6	4.5	3.5	0.8	2.7	2.0	1.5	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.3
8.	Transport, storage	5.8	3.4	2.3	3.0	1.8	1.3	1.3	0.5	0.8	1.1	0.9	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1
9.	Accomodation and Food Services Activities	1.9	1.0	0.9	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0
10.	Information and Communication	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
11.	Financial and Insurance Activities	0.5	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
12.	Real Estate Activities	0.5	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
13.	Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.3	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
14.	Administrative and Support Service Activities	0.8	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
15.	Public Administration and Defence Compulsory Scocial Security	2.9	1.3	1.6	1.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
16.	Education	3.8	2.0	1.8	2.1	1.0	1.1	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1
17.	Human Health and Social Work Activities	1.3	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0
18.	Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
19.	Other Services Activities	2.5	1.4	1.1	1.4	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1	0.1
20.	Activities of Households as Employer; Undifferentiated Goods & Services - Producing Activities of Household for own use	1.6	0.8	0.7	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
21.	Activities Extraterritorial Organizations and Bodies	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics
(Labour Force Survey 2020-21)

TABLE 12.13

AGE SPECIFIC LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE

In percentage

Age Group	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2017-18	2018-19	2020-21
10 years & over										
Both Sexes	45.17	45.66	45.89	45.69	45.70	45.45	45.22	44.30	44.80	44.90
Male	69.54	69.31	68.83	68.70	68.89	68.07	67.78	68.00	67.70	67.86
Female	19.59	20.66	21.51	21.67	21.50	22.17	22.02	20.10	21.50	21.35
10-14										
Male	17.09	16.20	15.42	14.27	14.46	12.62	11.22	9.80	8.80	5.44
Female	9.69	9.48	9.24	8.83	7.98	8.37	7.71	6.40	5.60	4.30
15-19										
Male	53.94	52.74	52.68	51.59	51.16	49.68	47.55	47.60	44.90	47.89
Female	17.61	18.90	19.17	19.58	18.19	19.32	18.01	15.60	17.20	16.65
20-24										
Male	85.12	85.39	84.54	84.27	82.38	81.71	82.32	84.60	81.20	85.99
Female	20.98	22.76	23.88	24.20	24.41	25.14	25.74	23.30	26.80	27.72
25-34										
Male	96.90	97.19	96.89	97.42	96.73	96.91	97.33	97.00	98.30	97.59
Female	21.87	23.63	25.48	25.44	26.01	26.57	27.15	25.57	27.20	28.55
35-44										
Male	97.87	98.37	97.53	98.34	98.45	98.06	98.33	98.38	99.40	98.52
Female	26.75	27.67	27.88	29.46	28.72	30.00	29.43	27.97	29.20	29.78
45-54										
Male	96.65	96.69	96.96	97.29	97.02	97.13	97.24	96.77	99.20	96.19
Female	24.42	25.86	29.41	28.35	29.11	29.37	30.75	26.07	29.90	28.95
55-59										
Male	92.54	93.71	93.26	92.24	92.61	92.78	93.80	91.70	94.80	84.21
Female	25.53	26.37	27.98	26.27	26.60	27.48	27.29	23.40	24.40	18.05
60+										
Male	59.46	56.38	55.49	54.95	52.42	53.33	55.16	51.30	48.60	43.00
Female	15.50	15.22	13.54	14.62	13.58	12.77	11.95	11.50	8.90	7.58

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (Labour Force Surveys)

TABLE 12.14

DAILY WAGES OF CONSTRUCTION WORKERS IN DIFFERENT CITIES

In Pak Rupees

Category of workers and cities	(Base Year : 2007-08= 100)						(Base Year : 2015-16 = 100)			
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Painter*										
Islamabac	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,250.00	1,300.00	1,432.57	1,425.27	1,432.57	1,454.83	1,857.48
Karachi	792.31	861.54	861.54	861.54	1,292.31	1,359.76	1,357.23	1,426.70	1,541.28	1,650.70
Lahore	780.36	830.36	830.36	925.00	1,100.00	1,232.45	1,232.45	1,232.45	1,245.11	1,582.64
Peshawar	741.67	800.00	800.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,205.27	1,314.31	1,500.00	1,621.99
Quetta	900.00	900.00	900.00	900.00	1,000.00	1,297.43	1,289.08	1,355.87	1,397.61	1,397.61
Mason (Raj)										
Islamabac	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,250.00	1,300.00	1,440.83	1,440.83	1,490.14	1,568.72	1,940.29
Karachi	861.54	1,061.54	1,061.54	1,061.54	1,430.77	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,502.72	1,966.04
Lahore	826.79	926.79	926.79	1,025.00	1,150.00	1,232.45	1,274.93	1,428.17	1,713.02	1,786.76
Peshawar	900.00	900.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,227.10	1,437.65	1,500.00	1,603.93
Quetta	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	1,200.00	1,497.77	1,489.42	1,597.89	1,898.24	1,898.24
Labour (Unskilled)										
Islamabac	600.00	700.00	700.00	800.00	825.00	965.49	965.49	994.25	1,086.57	1,400.29
Karachi	530.00	630.77	663.46	719.23	932.69	981.03	990.78	1,000.00	1,179.06	1,387.92
Lahore	600.00	600.00	600.00	725.00	850.00	832.03	869.14	921.10	1,000.00	1,212.59
Peshawar	483.33	500.00	500.00	600.00	600.00	631.64	656.80	800.00	800.00	919.34
Quetta	550.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	700.00	996.66	988.30	1,021.74	1,096.96	1,096.96

Data pertains to month of November each year

Source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

*: Painter is included while Carpenter is excluded in Base Year 2015-16

Note : From 2019-20 the data pertains to fiscal year