

Table A.5

Labour Market: Selected Indicators

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010e
	(number of positions/persons)				
Vacancies Reported by Industry¹					
Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishery	188,104	226,759	275,548	230,303	327,670
Mining and quarrying	861	1,163	1,450	1,377	2,517
Manufacturing	348,302	275,155	327,798	695,418	693,711
Construction	129,586	117,217	107,421	111,622	250,820
Services	154,902	204,599	346,763	507,627	512,503
<i>Electricity, gas and water supply⁽ⁱ⁾</i>	2,227	1,477	2,047	4,367	8,269
<i>Wholesale and retail trade, hotels and restaurants⁽ⁱⁱ⁾</i>	67,956	66,600	99,317	162,270	147,303
<i>Transport, storage and communication⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾</i>	8,287	12,578	15,264	15,090	17,888
<i>Financial intermediation, real estate, renting and business services^(iv)</i>	26,642	50,235	125,821	148,001	168,067
<i>Public administration, defence and compulsory social security</i>	3,539	11,287	11,132	16,128	20,414
<i>Community, social and personal service activities</i>	46,251	62,422	93,182	161,771	150,562
Others not elsewhere classified	12,920	289	0	0	0
Total vacancies	834,675	825,182	1,058,980	1,546,347	1,787,221
Retrenchments by Industry					
Agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishery	312	255	398	278	866
Mining and quarrying	78	61	89	78	30
Manufacturing	8,890	9,970	11,014	17,850	3,854
Construction	603	291	199	503	262
Services	5,477	3,458	4,769	6,355	2,073
<i>Electricity, gas and water supply</i>	65	5	77	156	0
<i>Wholesale and retail trade, hotels and restaurants</i>	2,327	1,929	2,052	1,429	662
<i>Transport, storage and communication</i>	1,521	322	773	643	208
<i>Financial intermediation, real estate, renting and business services</i>	983	761	1,008	1,923	934
<i>Community, social and personal service activities</i>	581	441	859	2,204	269
Total retrenchments	15,360	14,035	16,469	25,064	7,085
Employment by Industry² ('000 persons)					
Agriculture, forestry, livestock and fishery	1,392.4	1,389.8	1,390.9	1,391.5	1,390.3
Mining and quarrying	42.6	42.9	42.8	42.6	42.2
Manufacturing	3,227.2	3,296.6	3,338.2	3,302.0	3,312.3
Construction	755.2	757.3	758.4	760.8	768.4
Services	5,741.7	5,911.4	6,046.1	6,112.2	6,311.7
<i>Electricity, gas and water supply⁽ⁱ⁾</i>	95.0	96.8	97.6	97.4	100.1
<i>Wholesale and retail trade, hotels and restaurants⁽ⁱⁱ⁾</i>	1,930.4	1,957.7	1,984.3	1,996.4	2,184.8
<i>Transport, storage and communication⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾</i>	646.4	660.0	673.2	675.0	683.5
<i>Finance, insurance, real estate and business services^(iv)</i>	767.5	789.7	811.9	814.7	832.5
<i>Government services</i>	1,152.5	1,225.6	1,263.5	1,286.2	1,249.5
<i>Other services</i>	1,150.0	1,181.6	1,215.6	1,242.5	1,260.9
Total employment	11,159.0	11,398.0	11,576.5	11,609.1	11,824.9
Unemployment rate² (% of labour force)	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.7	3.2

e Estimates

¹ Refers to vacancies reported by employers through the JobsMalaysia portal (formerly known as Electronic Labour Exchange, ELX).² Refers to estimates by Economic Planning Unit⁽ⁱ⁾ From 2010 onwards, refers to electricity, gas, water, steam and air conditioning supply⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ From 2010 onwards, refers to wholesale and retail trade, accommodation and food services⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾ From 2010 onwards, refers to transport, storage, information and communication^(iv) From 2010 onwards, refers to financial intermediation, real estate, professional, scientific, technical, administrative and support services

Source: Economic Planning Unit and Ministry of Human Resources