

Palau
Table B. Data Categories and Indicators
Real Sector

DATA CATEGORY: Labour Market Indicators
National Descriptor:
(if different, please indicate)

CORE INDICATORS: Employment

ENCOURAGED EXTENSIONS:
(as applicable)
Country-Specific Indicator:
(if different, please indicate)

Information applies to: Data Category Only
(select from drop down list)

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I. Data Characteristics
<p>Coverage <i>Briefly describe the key characteristics of the data; i.e., the features of which a user must be aware to use the data appropriately. These include the unit of measure, scope (e.g., geographic, institutional, product), statistical characteristics (e.g., seasonal adjustment, index number base year), basic data source, and accounting conventions.</i></p>
<p>Palau Employment data were last published in our 2000 Population Census publication and in our Annual Yearbook in 2001. The 2000 Palau Population Census which was published in 2001 contains information on average wages, total citizens and alien workers employed by industry and occupation, and place and area of employment. Employment data could be also is easily obtained from our Social Security Office, which covers all government employees as well as those employed in the private sector. The Palau Social Security employment data covers all persons employed in the country since our laws requires it. Subsistence or informal employments are not included in the social security system. Other information that can be found in both publications are labor force participation by sex, age group, registered foreign workers with permits, sex and nationality.</p>
<p>Periodicity: <i>Identify the frequency of compilation and dissemination of the data (e.g., monthly, quarterly, annual)</i></p>
<p>Employment data are available at the Palau Social Security Office quarterly and annually but not published. The only regular publication of employment numbers can be found in the Statistics Office's annual Statistical Yearbook.</p>
<p>Timeliness: <i>Identify the lapse of time between the end of a reference period (or a reference date) and the dissemination of the data.</i></p>
<p>10 months after reference date.</p>

II. Quality
<p>Documentation of Methodology: <i>Identify any publicly available statement of methodology that describes how the data are compiled and the sources of data.</i></p>
<p>Data are currently not published by the compiling agency. Employment data are compiled by Social Security Office using social security numbers assigned to all employed in Palau. Social Security numbers are assigned to all employed in the Republic by a system which allows for easy distinction on whether an employee is local or foreign.</p>
<p>Data to Support Cross-checks and Assurance of Reasonableness: <i>Describe the kind and extent of detail of published data, the statistical frameworks (including accounting identities and statistical relationships), and the comparisons and reconciliations that are available to assist users in assessing the quality of the data.</i></p>
<p>The Social Security Office's tracking system is based on individual numbers assigned to all employed in Palau. Their records are audited vigorously against the tax register since both are revenue generating agencies and thus accurate employment is a priority for both offices.</p>

III. Plans for Improvement
<p><i>Describe short-term (in the next year) and medium-term (2-5 years) plans for making improvements in the data category and note any improvements that have been implemented in the past two years. Technical or other assistance needs that may be required for implementing these plans should also be noted, if applicable. If it has been determined that there are no shortcomings that need to be addressed, this determination should be explicitly stated.</i></p>
<p>Recent Improvements: Improvements on their classification and reporting system.</p>
<p>Short-Term Plans: Publication of employment numbers on a quarterly basis.</p>
<p>Medium-Term Plans:</p>

Technical Assistance/Financing Needs/Other Prerequisites:
<i>Short-Term:</i>
<i>Medium-Term:</i>

IV. Dissemination Formats	
<i>For each publication or data release, check the box corresponding to the frequency of release and indicate the title and language(s) on the next line. Identify an appropriate contact person, if different from first page.</i>	
Hard Copy:	
<i>News Release:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Publication:	
<i>Weekly:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Monthly:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Quarterly:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Annual:</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Annual publication in the Palau Annual Statistical Yearbook.	
<i>Other:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic:	
<i>Internet:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other Online:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>CD-ROM:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Diskette:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other (specify):</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>None:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>