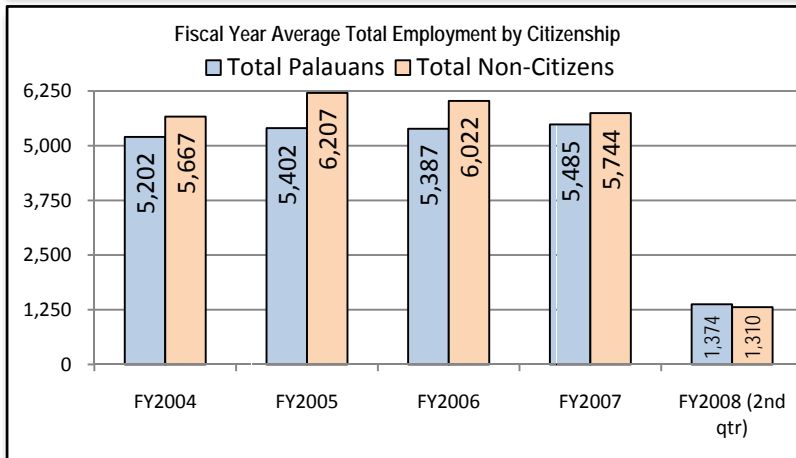
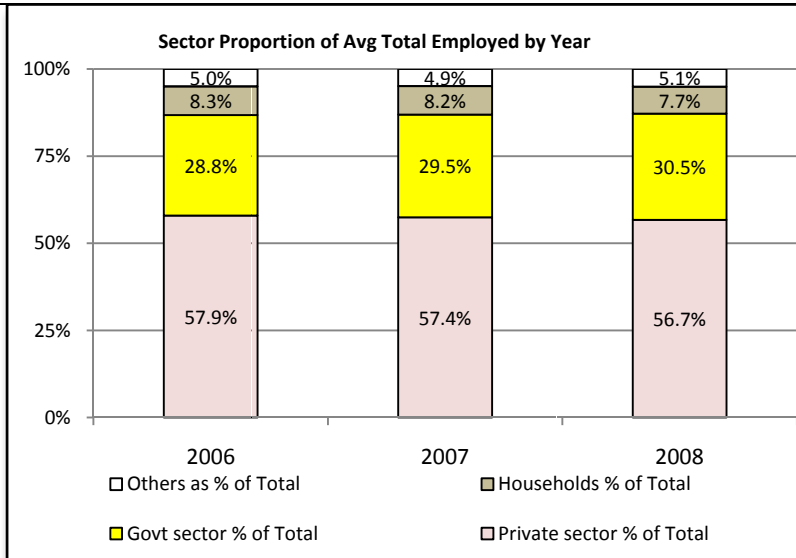




**JUNE 2008 QUARTER RELEASE**  
**EMPLOYMENT INDICATORS**



JUNE 2008 QTR KEY FIGURES			
Industry	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr '07 No. Empl	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr '08 No. Empl	Annual % Change
Agriculture, Hunting and Forestry	157	131	-16.6%
Fishing	145	143	-1.4%
Mining and Quarrying	21	17	-19.0%
Manufacturing	412	413	0.2%
Construction	1,261	978	-22.4%
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair Of Motor Vehicles, Motorcycles and Personal and Household Goods	1,835	1,769	-3.6%
Hotels and Restaurants	1,707	1,663	-2.6%
Transport, Storage and Communications	834	885	6.1%
Financial Intermediation	151	142	-6.0%
Real Estate, Renting and Business Activities	644	650	1.0%
Public Administration and Defense; Compulsory Social Security	3,027	3,028	0.0%
Education	578	559	-3.3%
Health and Social Work	75	97	29.3%
Other Community, Social and Personal Service Activities	289	279	-3.5%
Private Households With Employed Persons	944	864	-8.5%
Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	14	13	-7.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,093</b>	<b>11,631</b>	<b>-3.8%</b>

**Please Note:**  
 There are discrepancies in the number of employees reported each quarter due to late filers. As employers submit filings with Social Security, quarterly numbers are adjusted accordingly, even as far back as years.

**JUNE 2008 QTR KEY POINTS**

Source: OPS / Social Security Administration

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2008 numbers are provisional.
- Quarterly employment numbers are derived from the total number of people filing returns at the end of the quarter.
- Industry employment counts are classified based on the business activity as disclosed on their Social Security activity description.
- The average number of people receiving wages in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2008 is down 3.8% compared to the same period in 2007.
  - The largest drops were in the Construction industry (-22.4%), the Mining & Quarrying industry (-19%) and the Agriculture, Hunting & Forestry industry (-16.6%).
  - There was a substantial gain in the Health & Social Work industry (29.3%)
- There were only slight percentage changes in the make-up of total employment by sector. For instance, the ratio of employees in Government to the total employed has rose slightly from year 2006 (28.8%) to year 2007 (29.5%). As of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2008, that ratio is 30.5%.
- Non-citizen employees outnumbered Palauan citizen employees by 259 in Fiscal Year 2007. This has been the trend since Fiscal Year 2001. The number of Palauan citizens employed has been gradually increasing, whereas the number of non-citizen employees has been trending downward since FY2005. As of the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2008, there were more Palauan employees whose Social Security filings were recorded than Non-Citizens; however, the trend of Non-Citizen workers outnumbering Palauan workers is expected throughout this Fiscal Year as well.