

SDG Goal 8	Decent work and economic growth
SDG Target 8.9	By 2030, devise and implement policies to promote sustainable tourism that creates jobs and promotes local culture and products
SDG Indicator 8.9.2	Employed persons in the tourism industries
Time series	Employed persons

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: 31 October 2025
- National data: <http://sdg-indicators.de/8-9-2/>
- Definition: The time series shows the number of employed persons (active persons) in the tourism industry. The employed persons include active owners, unpaid family members who help out, and dependent employees. It is based on the Classification of Economic Activities, 2008 edition (WZ 2008). The following economic sectors are taken into account: transport (4910, 4932, 4939, 5010, 5030, 5110), accommodation and food services (5510, 5520, 5530, 5590, 5610, 5629, 5630), real estate (6810, 6820, 6831, 6832), rental and leasing (7711, 7712, 7721), travel agencies and tour operators (7911, 7912, 7990) and culture, entertainment and recreation (9001, 9002, 9003, 9004, 9102, 9103, 9104, 9200, 9311, 9313, 9319, 9321, and 9329).
- Disaggregation: economic activity; time series

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: April 2025
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-08-09-02.pdf>
- The time series is compliant with the UN metadata. The positions required in the UN metadata for the fourth revision of the International Standard Industrial Classification (ISIC Rev. 4) have been assigned to the economic sectors of WZ 2008.

3. Data description

- The data is derived from the cross-sectoral business statistics of the Federal Statistical Office. These statistics cover all companies in economic sectors B to N and P to R and divisions S95 and S96 according to WZ 2008 with headquarters in Germany. In addition to manufacturing, this also includes other productive industries, trade, hospitality, and services.

The cross-sectoral business statistics provide information on the structure and economic activity of companies in Germany for the entire economy. On this basis, statements can be made about the importance and economic performance of companies by economic sector. Key characteristics are: number of companies, turnover, persons employed, investments, gross value added, personnel expenses, and purchases of goods and services.

4. Access to data source

- Enterprises (EU), persons employed, turnover and other business and economic figures – GENESIS online 48112-0001:
<https://www-genesis.destatis.de/genesis//online?operation=table&code=48112-0001&bypass=true&levelindex=1&language=en>

5. Metadata on source data

- Quality Report – Structural statistics in the trade and services sector (only available in German):
https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Gross-Einzelhandel/strukturstatistik-handel-dienstleistung-2023.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=14
- Quality Report – Cross-Sectoral Business Statistics (only available in German):
https://www.destatis.de/DE/Methoden/Qualitaet/Qualitaetsberichte/Unternehmen/bereichsuebergreif-ende-unternehmensstatistik.pdf?__blob=publicationFile&v=14

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 18 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Number
- Calculation:

Not applicable.

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Time series	Employees

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- Definition: The time series shows the number of employees (wage and salary earners or dependent employees) in the tourism industry. Employees include all persons who, as of September 30 of the reporting year, were in an employment or comparable service relationship with the survey unit and received remuneration from it in the form of wages, salaries, bonuses, commissions, training allowances, or benefits in kind. It is based on the Classification of Economic Activities, 2008 edition (WZ 2008). The following economic sectors are taken into account: transport (4910, 4932, 4939, 5010, 5030, 5110), accommodation and food services (5510, 5520, 5530, 5590, 5610, 5629, 5630), real estate (6810, 6820, 6831, 6832), rental and leasing (7711, 7712, 7721), travel agencies and tour operators (7911, 7912, 7990) and culture, entertainment and recreation (9001, 9002, 9003, 9004, 9102, 9103, 9104, 9200, 9311, 9313, 9319, 9321, and 9329).
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- Quality Report – Cross-Sectoral Business Statistics (only available in German):
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Time series	Full-time equivalents

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