

**Table 1 - Trends in number of labour unions, labour union membership and estimated unionization rate  
(Unitary labour unions)**

Year	Number of labour unions			Labour union membership			Number of employees	Estimated unionization rate
		Change on previous year	Percentage change on previous year		Change on previous year	Percentage change on previous year		
	Unions	Unions	%	Thousand persons	Thousand persons	%	Ten thousand persons	%
2012	25,775	-277	-1.1	9,892 (2,990)	-68 (31)	-0.7 (1.1)	5,528 (2,370)	17.9 (12.6)
2013	25,532	-243	-0.9	9,875 (3,034)	-17 (44)	-0.2 (1.5)	5,571 (2,404)	17.7 (12.6)
2014	25,279	-253	-1.0	9,849 (3,054)	-26 (20)	-0.3 (0.7)	5,617 (2,444)	17.5 (12.6)
2015	24,983	-296	-1.2	9,882 (3,120)	33 (66)	0.3 (2.2)	5,665 (2,490)	17.4 (12.5)
2016	24,682	-301	-1.2	9,940 (3,192)	58 (72)	0.6 (2.3)	5,740 (2,544)	17.3 (12.5)
<b>2017</b>	<b>24,465</b>	<b>-217</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>9,981 (3,268)</b>	<b>41 (76)</b>	<b>0.4 (2.4)</b>	<b>5,848 (2,609)</b>	<b>17.1 (12.5)</b>

Note: 1) Round brackets indicate figures for female.

- 2) The raw (unadjusted) figures in the Labour Force Survey (by Statistics Bureau, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications) published every June are used for the "numbers of employees."
- 3) The result derived by dividing the number of union members identified by this survey by the number of employees based on the "Labour Force Survey" which is implemented by the Statistics Bureau of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.