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Since 1971, numbers have borne witness to our nation's foundation, and today they have become the driving force shaping our path forward.

1971-1979 The Seventies	Our First Census	The formation of a comprehensive framework and institutional structure to support the new nation's development planning.
1989 - 1980 The Eighties	From Numbers to a National Framework	Evidence-based and data-driven urban and economic planning.
1999 - 1990 The Nineties	**Data:** The Cornerstone of Development	Embracing the comprehensive and balanced development approach, expanding local statistical operations, and initiating global representation.
2009 - 2000 The Two Thousands	Local Centers, Unified National Vision	Strengthening statistical harmonization between federal and local entities in alignment with international standards and methodologies introducing the concept of competitiveness into the nation's development agenda.
2019 - 2010 The Twety Tens	**The UAE:** First to Unite Statistics and Competitiveness	Statistics measure, competitiveness differentiates, and the UAE unites both within a single entity to rank among the world's leading nations.
2030 - 2020 The Decade Ahead	From Field Operations to Smart Statistics	Toward an integrated and advanced statistical framework that supports analysis, forecasting, and evidence-based decision-making, while engaging with the global statistical community through membership in the United Nations Statistical Commission (2025–2028).

اللجنة الوطنية للإحصاء
NATIONAL STATISTICS COMMITTEE

The National Statistics Committee was established in the United Arab Emirates pursuant to Cabinet Resolution No. (22/5) of 2024, chaired by the Federal Competitiveness and Statistics Centre with membership comprising all local UAE statistical centers and executive councils. The Committee aims to strengthen federal and local coordination for planning purposes and to implement statistical studies and surveys in line with national and international requirements. The Committee works to develop, monitor, and oversee the Unified UAE Numbers Strategy to build new bridges for the UAE and achieve integration in statistical operations.

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In the modern era, data has emerged as the most critical resource for informed decision-making across diverse fields. In a rapidly changing world, accurate and well-analyzed information is indispensable for guiding policies, investments, and everyday activities. Data serves as the engine of innovation and progress, facilitating the identification of opportunities and challenges while enabling optimal resource allocation.

Through the launch of the Rasmi initiative, the FCSC aims to maintain an unwavering focus on transparency and building trust in the data published by adhering to the highest internationally recognized quality standards.

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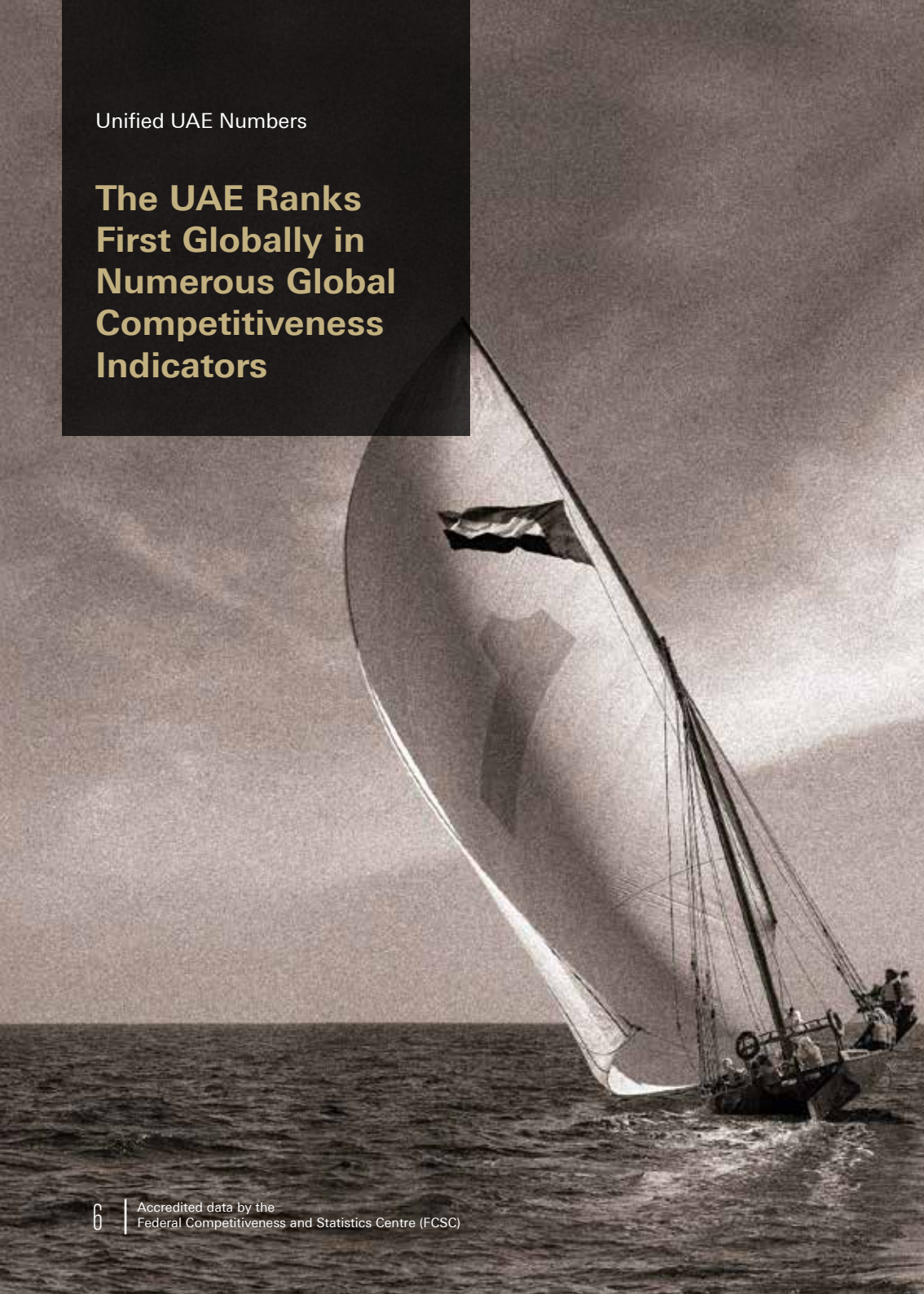
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The UAE Ranks First Globally in Numerous Global Competitiveness Indicators



1
Globally



Higher Education Enrollment

Global Gender Gap Report 2025

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Globally



Primary Education Enrollment

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Female Parliamentary Representation

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Entrepreneurship Policies and Culture

Global Innovation Index 2025

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WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION

1
Globally



Labor Force Growth

World Competitiveness Yearbook 2025

IMD

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Globally



Access to Electricity (% of Population)

Prosperity Index Report 2025

LEGATUM INSTITUTE

1
Globally



Internet Users

World Digital Competitiveness 2025

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Globally



Employment Rate

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Labor Force Rate

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Lack of Labor Disputes

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Working Hours

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Corporate Digital Transformation

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Availability of Global Expertise

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Literacy Rate (Ages 24-15, Male and Female)

Sustainable Development Goals 2025

SDSN

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Low Employment Termination Costs

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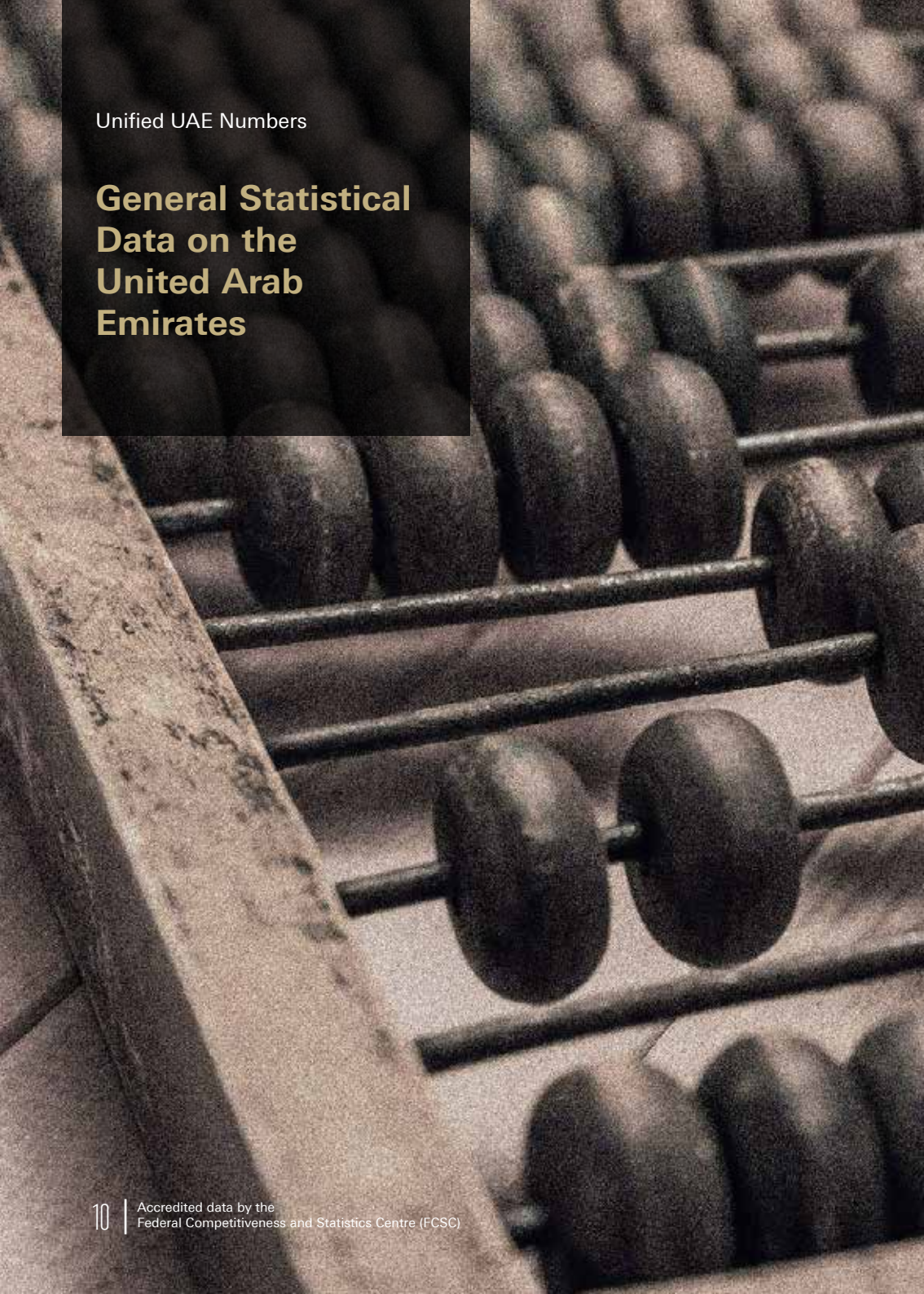
Mobile Broadband Subscriptions per 100 Population

Travel & Tourism Development Index 2024

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General Statistical Data on the United Arab Emirates



2.028

Trillion AED

GDP at Current Prices

2024

1.78

Trillion AED

GDP at Constant Prices

2024

81.4%

Economic Participation Rate

2024

Males: **93%**, Females: **56%**

1.93

Trillion AED

Total External Trade Value

Jan - Jul 2025

98.1%

Employment Rate (Labor Force)

2024

Unemployment Rate: **1.9%**

39.0

Thousand GWh

Electricity Generated from Nuclear Energy

2024

11.29

Million

Population

2024

~200 Nationalities reside and work in the UAE

71,023.6

km2

UAE Land Area

UAE Territorial Sea Area

27,624.9 km²

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367,651

Students Enrolled in
Higher Education Institutions
2024

1,811,145

Students Enrolled in
General Education Institutions
2024

13.36

Years

Mean Years of
Schooling (MYS)
2024

%99.6

Youth/Adult
Literacy Rate (15-24 years)
2024

5,769

Number of Clinics
and Health Centers

175

Number
of Hospitals

(Government and Private)
2023

155,618

Number of
Healthcare Professionals
2023

296

Public Utility Associations
2024

A diverse range of associations, including women's, occupational, folkloric arts, charitable and relief, and cultural associations.

44

Number of Cooperative Societies
2023

Number of workers: 12,517

88

Number of Centers for People of Determination Care and Rehabilitation,
Academic Year
2023

6,150	Total Students
3,680	Total Workers

61

Number of Local, Gulf, and Foreign Banks
2024

557	Bank Branches
75	Moneychangers Operating Through **1,242** Branches

20,018.7

KM^2

Area of Natural Reserves
2024

Land	13,070.3	KM^2
Sea	6,948.4	KM^2

147,832,725

Passenger Movements through Airports
2024

Arrivals	41,675,066
Departures	41,762,368
Transit	64,395,291

105

Number of Climate Parameters Monitoring Stations
2024

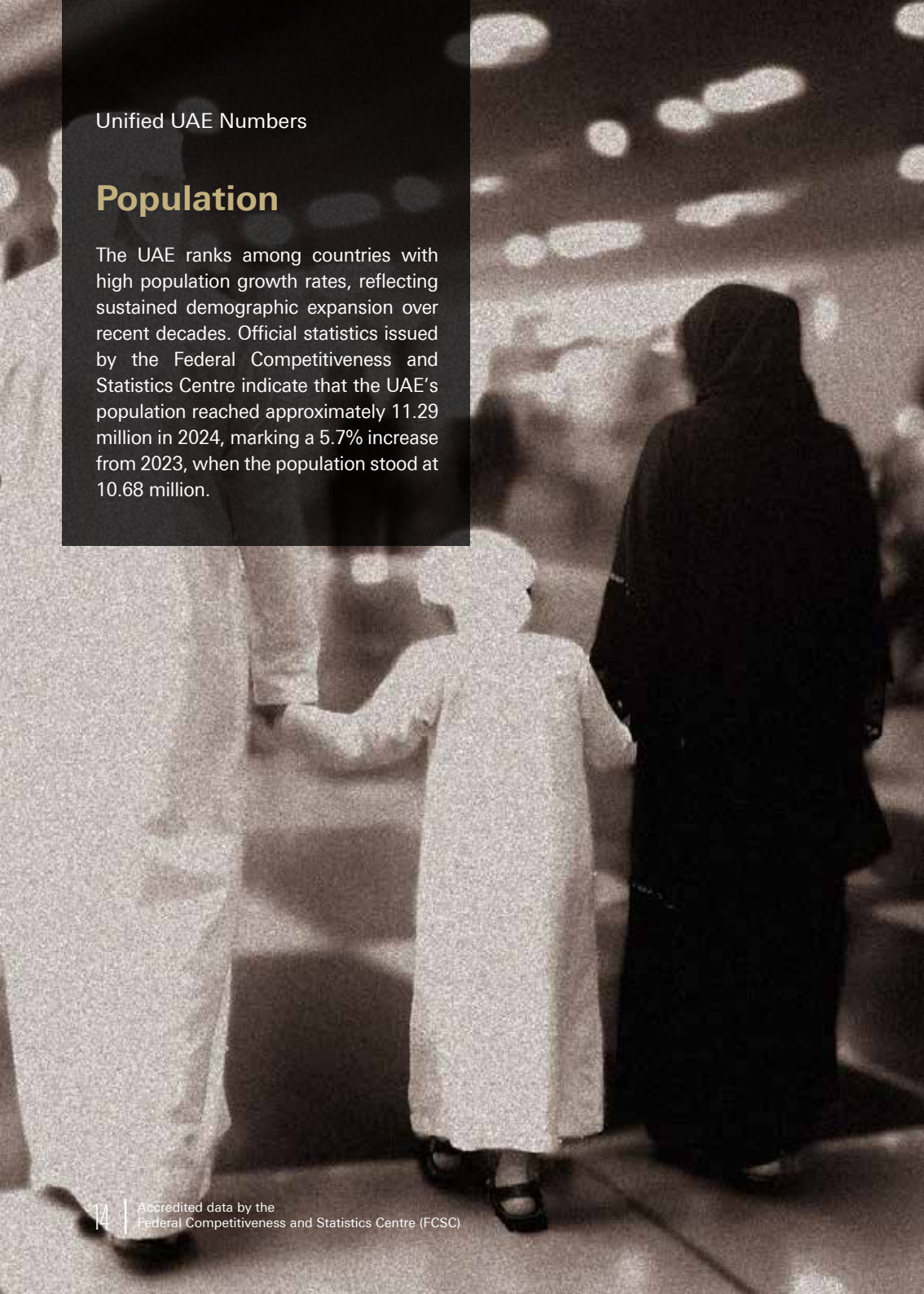
83.4

Years

Average Life Expectancy
2023

Population

The UAE ranks among countries with high population growth rates, reflecting sustained demographic expansion over recent decades. Official statistics issued by the Federal Competitiveness and Statistics Centre indicate that the UAE's population reached approximately 11.29 million in 2024, marking a 5.7% increase from 2023, when the population stood at 10.68 million.



UAE Population, 2024

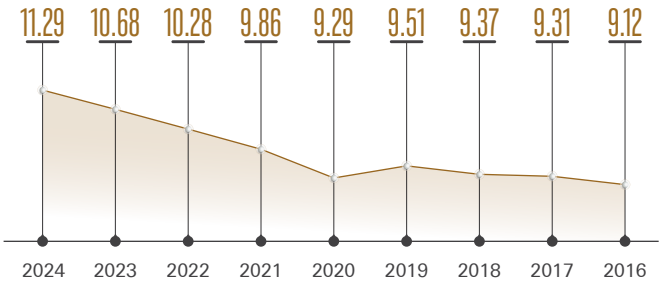


11.29
Million
Total

4.05
Million
Female

7.24
Million
Male

Population (in millions)



Population Growth

+5.7%

Compared to 2023

Economy

The UAE is recognized as one of the world's fastest-growing economies, driven by its commitment to diversifying income sources beyond oil. While oil and natural gas continue to constitute a significant share of the national economy, the government has taken decisive steps to strengthen other key sectors, including tourism, trade, financial services, and others. In recent years, the non-oil sector has made substantial contributions to GDP, reflecting the country's strategic transition toward a diversified and sustainable economy.

GDP at Constant Prices, 2024 (AED)

1.78 Trillion
Gross Domestic Product

4%
Growth Rate Compared to 2023

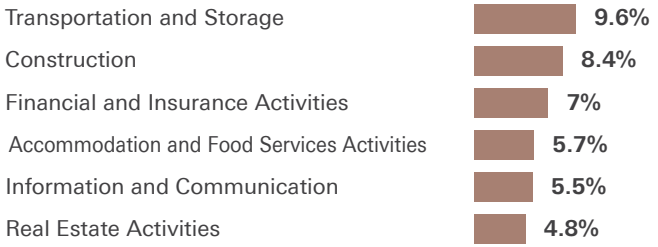
1.34 Trillion
Non-Oil GDP

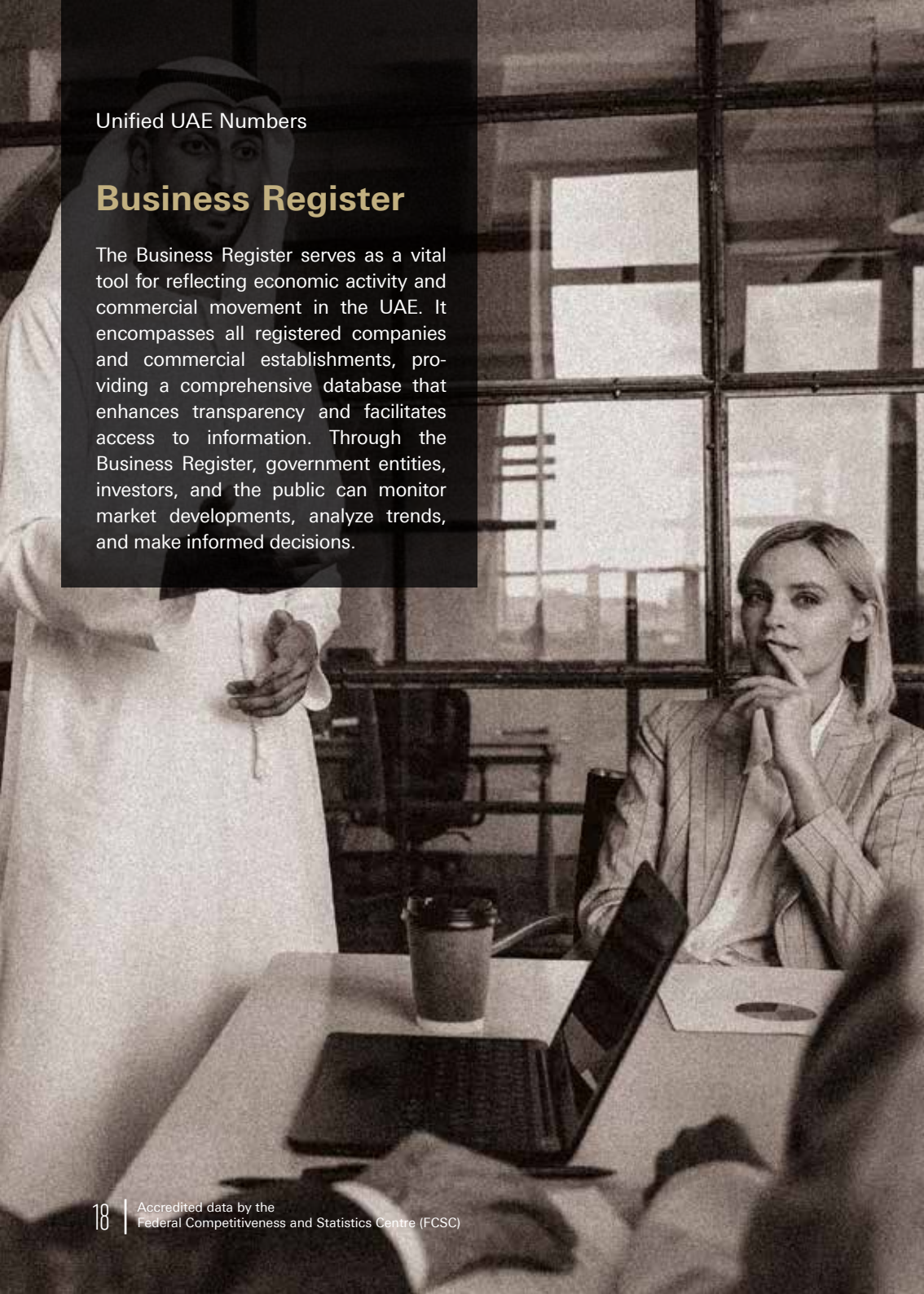
5%
Growth Rate Compared to 2023

Top Contributing Economic Activities



Fastest-Growing Economic Activities





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Business Register

The Business Register serves as a vital tool for reflecting economic activity and commercial movement in the UAE. It encompasses all registered companies and commercial establishments, providing a comprehensive database that enhances transparency and facilitates access to information. Through the Business Register, government entities, investors, and the public can monitor market developments, analyze trends, and make informed decisions.

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1,388,654

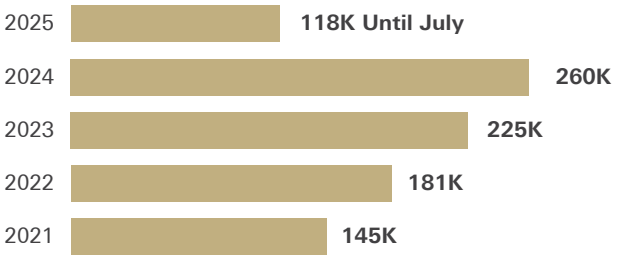
Total Number of licences

Until July 2025

2,215,877

Total Number of Owners

Number of New Licenses



Active Licenses by Economic Activity



168,902

Administrative Services



148,857

Manufacturing



87,907

Accommodation Services



92,459

Information



53,579

Finance



48,541

Transportation



40,818

Real Estate



27,898

Recreation



17,934

Education



17,027

Health and Community



6,523

Foreign Companies Licenses



5,060

Water Supply

The number of licenses is calculated based on the number of activities per license

Active Licenses by Economic Activity



20,763

Mining



589,648

Trade



262,891

Professional and Technical Activities



175,593

Construction



3,141

Agriculture



1,307

Energy



63,479

Other Services

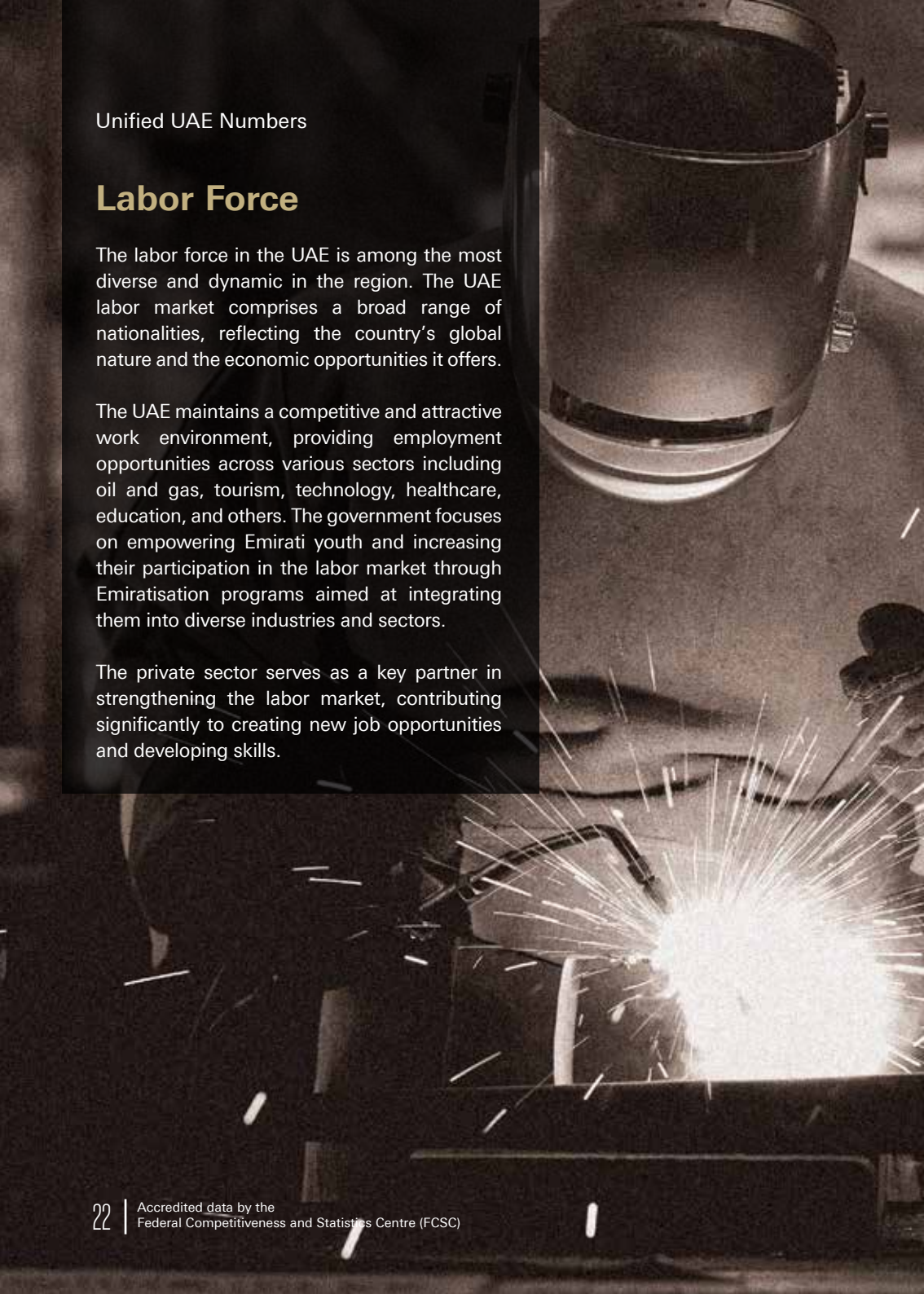
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Labor Force

The labor force in the UAE is among the most diverse and dynamic in the region. The UAE labor market comprises a broad range of nationalities, reflecting the country's global nature and the economic opportunities it offers.

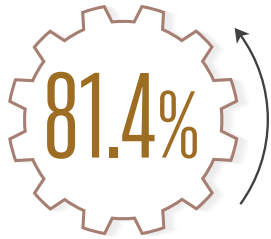
The UAE maintains a competitive and attractive work environment, providing employment opportunities across various sectors including oil and gas, tourism, technology, healthcare, education, and others. The government focuses on empowering Emirati youth and increasing their participation in the labor market through Emiratisation programs aimed at integrating them into diverse industries and sectors.

The private sector serves as a key partner in strengthening the labor market, contributing significantly to creating new job opportunities and developing skills.



Labor Market, 2024

3.7%
Growth Rate
Compared to 2023



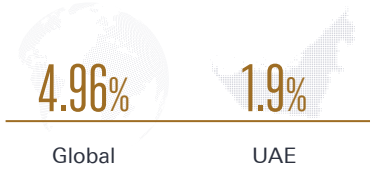
Labor Force

Economic Participation Rate for Individuals Aged 15+

Unemployment Rate

Number of unemployed persons decreased by **6.2%** compared to 2023

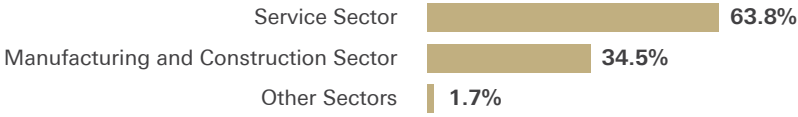




Decline in Number of Unemployed

Lowest globally according to International Labour Organization estimates

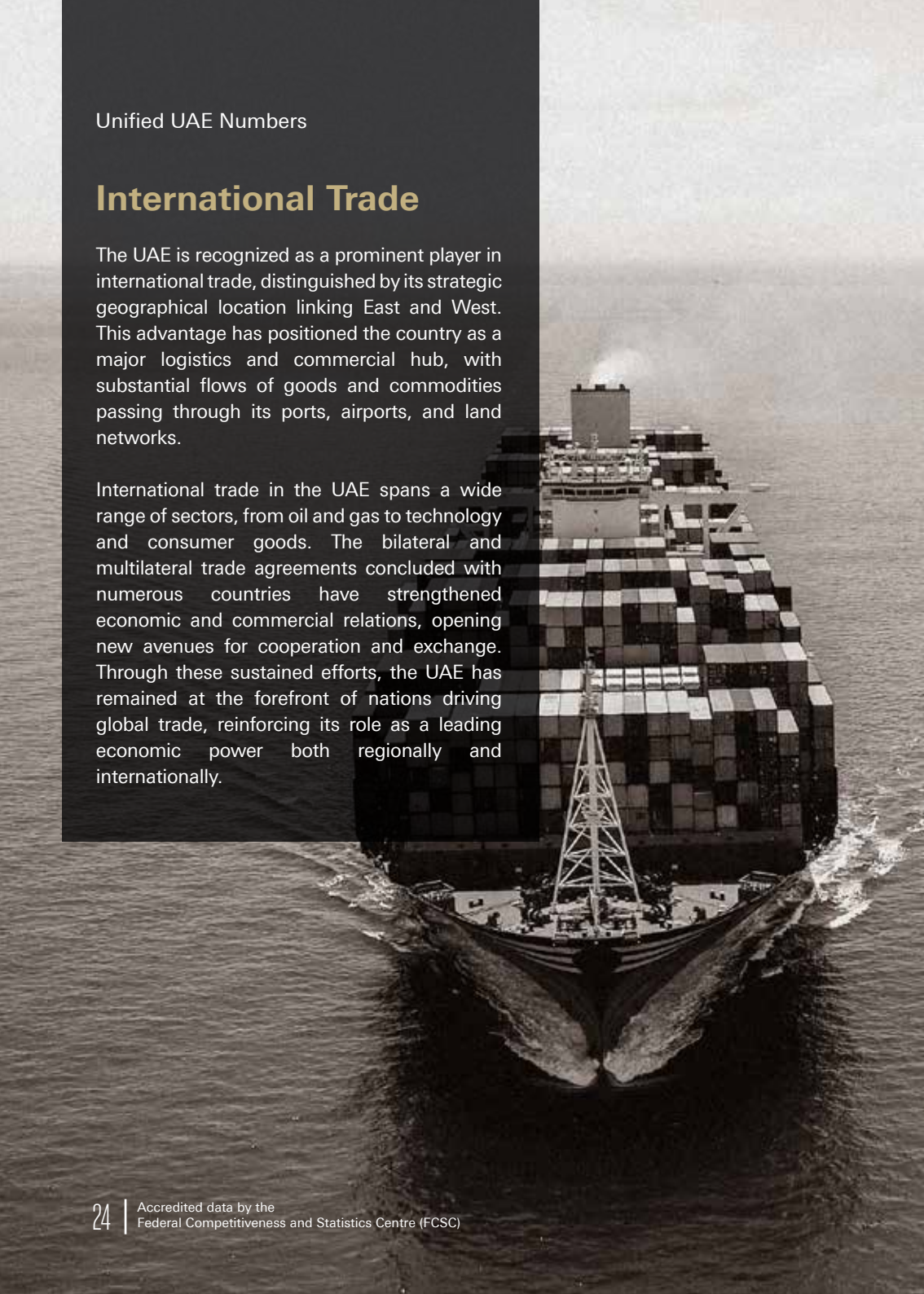
Employment by Economic Activity



International Trade

The UAE is recognized as a prominent player in international trade, distinguished by its strategic geographical location linking East and West. This advantage has positioned the country as a major logistics and commercial hub, with substantial flows of goods and commodities passing through its ports, airports, and land networks.

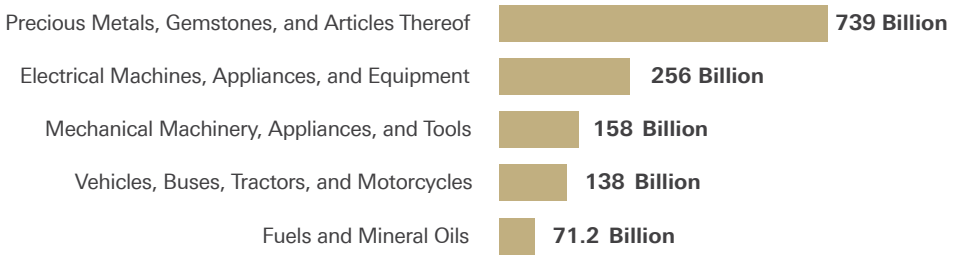
International trade in the UAE spans a wide range of sectors, from oil and gas to technology and consumer goods. The bilateral and multilateral trade agreements concluded with numerous countries have strengthened economic and commercial relations, opening new avenues for cooperation and exchange. Through these sustained efforts, the UAE has remained at the forefront of nations driving global trade, reinforcing its role as a leading economic power both regionally and internationally.



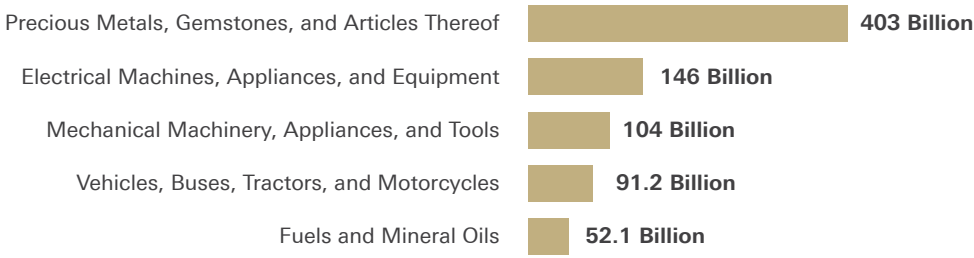
Total International Trade Through July 2025 (AED)

1.93	1.11	432.2	396.2
Trillion	Trillion	Billion	Billion
24.7%	+22.7%	+44.8%	+12.8%
Growth rate compared to July 2024	Growth rate compared to 2024	Growth rate compared to 2024	Growth rate compared to 2024
Total Trade Value	Imports Value	Non-Oil Exports Value	Re-export Value

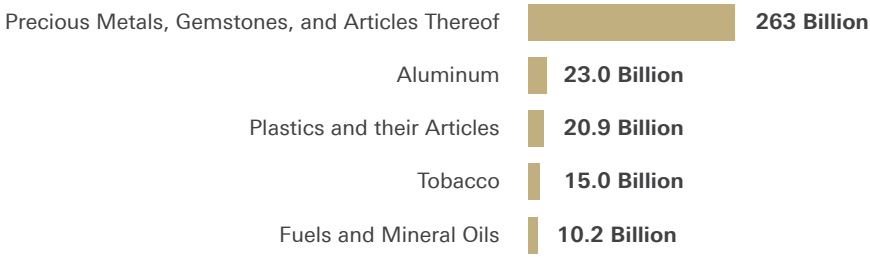
Key Goods & Commodities Through July 2025 (AED)



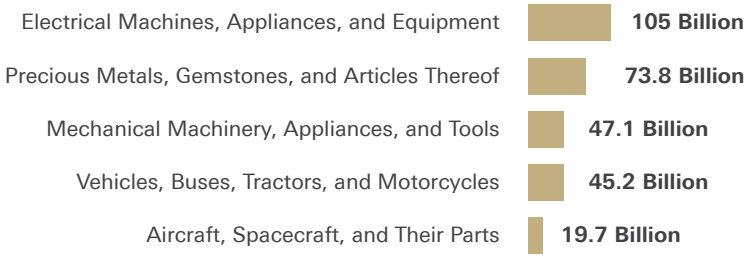
Top Imported Goods and Commodities Through July 2025 (AED)



Top Exported Goods and Commodities Through July 2025 (AED)

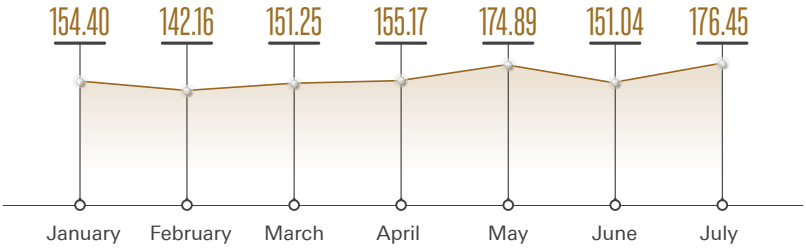


Top Re-Exported Goods and Commodities Through July 2025 (AED)



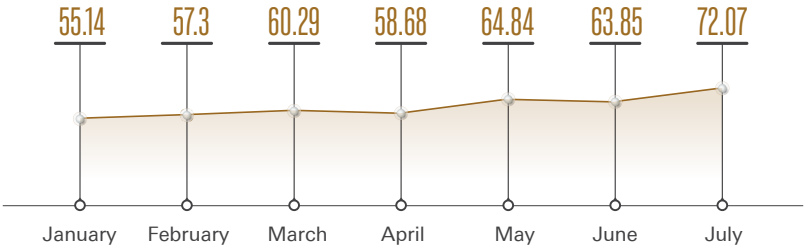
Monthly Import Trends, 2025

(AED Billion)



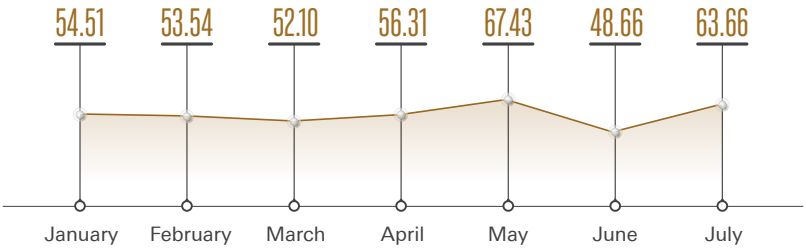
Monthly Export Trends, 2025

(AED Billion)



Monthly Re-Export Trends, 2025

(AED Billion)

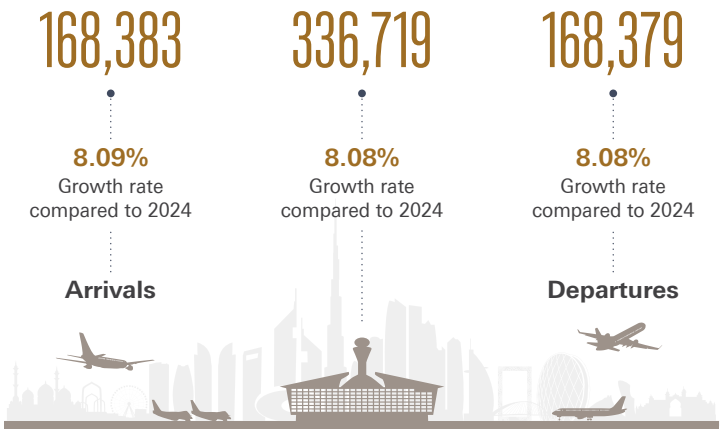


Air Transport

The air transport sector in the UAE is a fundamental factor contributing to strengthening its position as a global economic and tourism destination. The UAE has witnessed significant development in this field thanks to massive investments in airport infrastructure and the modernization of its air fleet with the latest aircraft and aviation technologies. UAE airports rank among the busiest and most advanced in the world. The UAE also plays a pivotal role in connecting continents, facilitating the movement of goods and passengers while enhancing trade and tourism.

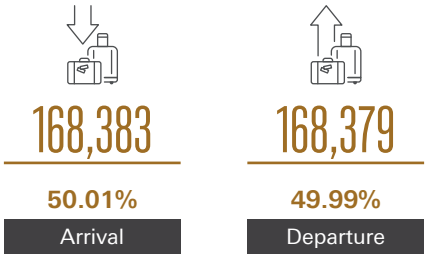


Aircraft Movement From January Through May 2025

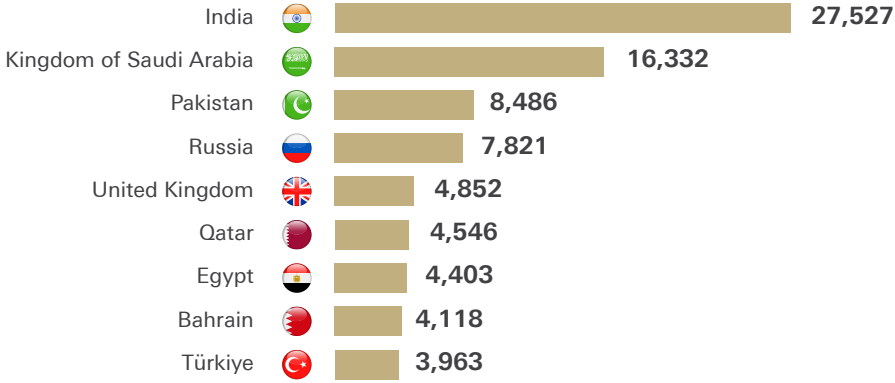


Aircraft Movement

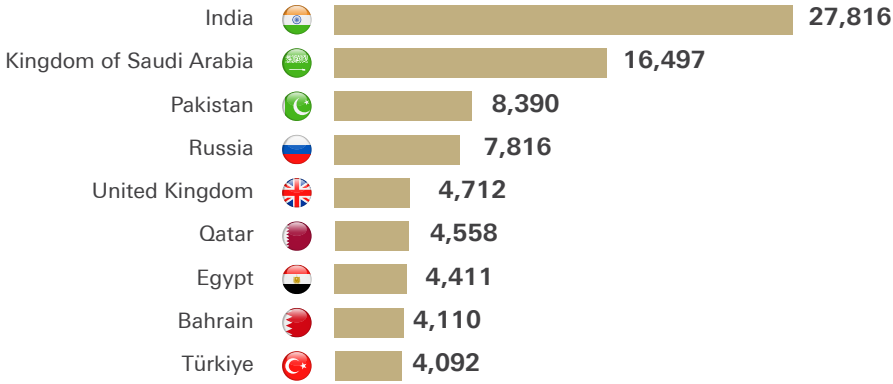
Flight Distribution by Type of Travel



Top Destinations for Departing Flights Through May 2025



Top Destinations for Arriving Flights Through May 2025



Aircrafts Movements 2024

Departures		Arrivals
385,803	771,707	385,996
22.14% Growth rate compared to 2023	21.86% Growth rate compared to 2023	21.58% Growth rate compared to 2023



Aircrafts Movement

Passenger Movements Through UAE Airports, 2024

147,832,725

11.5%
Growth rate compared to 2023

Total Number of Passengers

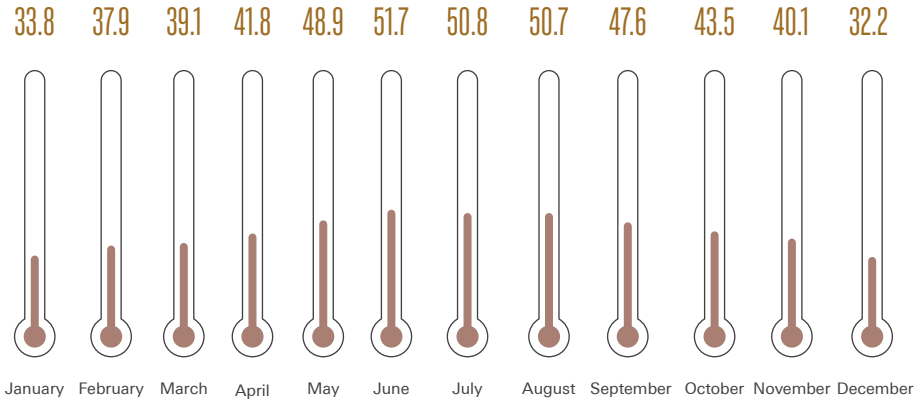
Arrivals	Departures	Transit
41.6 Million	41.8 Million	64.4 Million

Climate

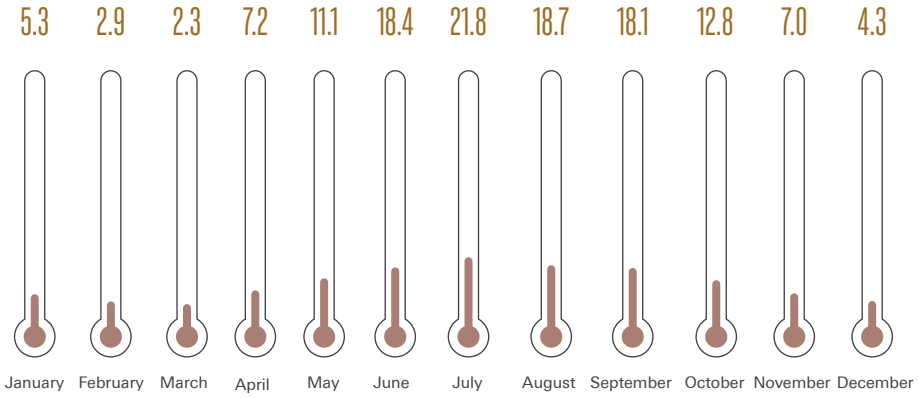
Climate change in the UAE is expected to lead to rising temperatures, reduced rainfall, increased drought, sea-level rise, and more frequent storms. Consequently, addressing the impacts of climate change has become a key national priority in achieving sustainable development.

In 2020, the number of climate-parameter monitoring stations across the country stood at 93, increasing to 105 in 2024, representing a 13% growth. This expansion reflects the nation's commitment to implementing proactive measures to monitor and address climate change.

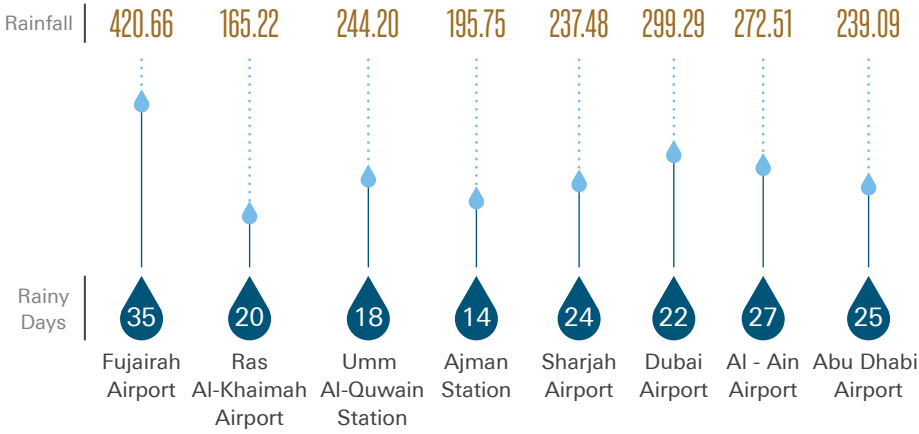
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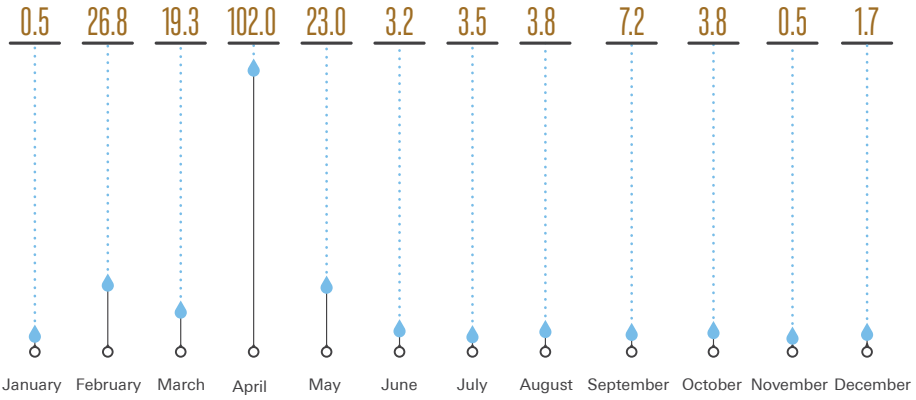
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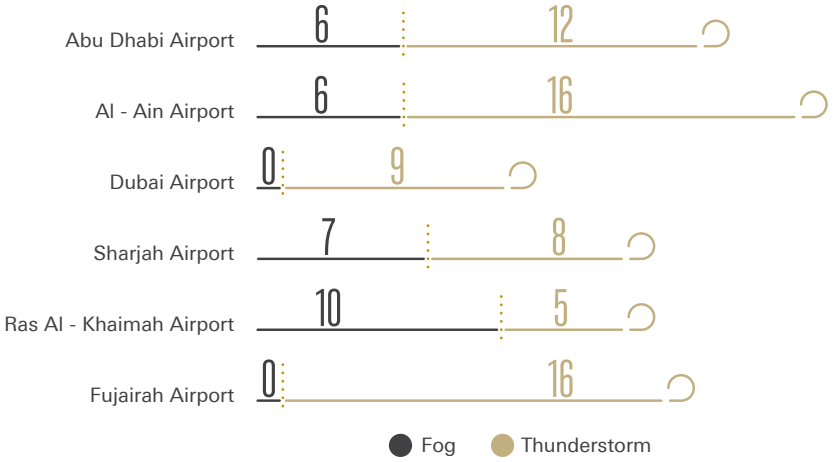
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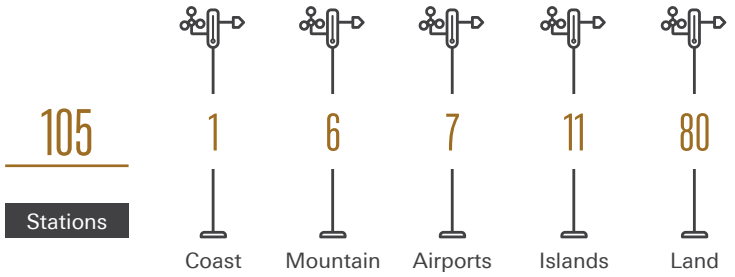
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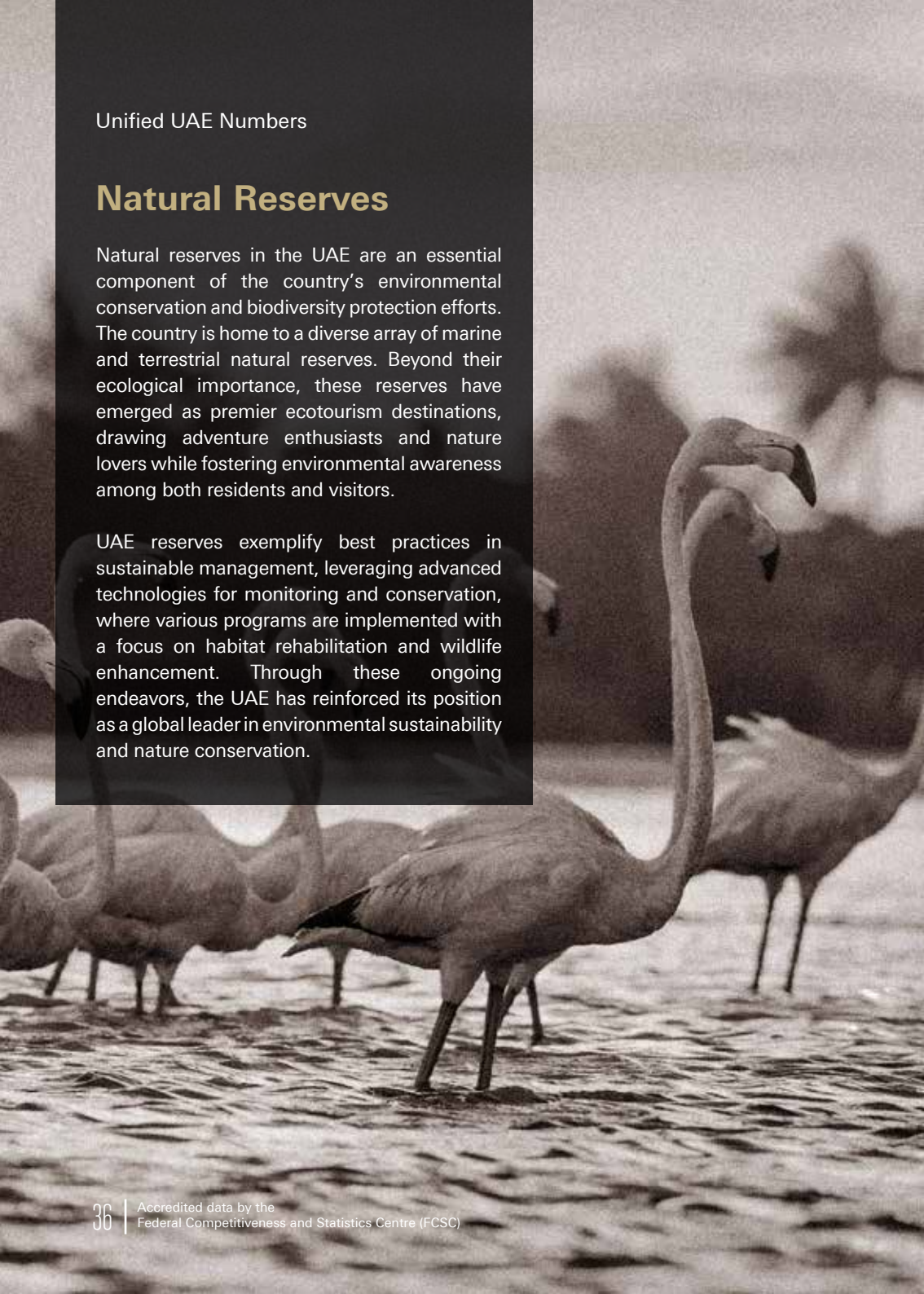
Number of Operational Climate Parameter Monitoring Stations by Location Type, 2024



Natural Reserves

Natural reserves in the UAE are an essential component of the country's environmental conservation and biodiversity protection efforts. The country is home to a diverse array of marine and terrestrial natural reserves. Beyond their ecological importance, these reserves have emerged as premier ecotourism destinations, drawing adventure enthusiasts and nature lovers while fostering environmental awareness among both residents and visitors.

UAE reserves exemplify best practices in sustainable management, leveraging advanced technologies for monitoring and conservation, where various programs are implemented with a focus on habitat rehabilitation and wildlife enhancement. Through these ongoing endeavors, the UAE has reinforced its position as a global leader in environmental sustainability and nature conservation.



Natural Reserves by Type, 2024

16

Number of Marine Reserves

34

Number of Terrestrial Reserves



Percentage Distribution of Natural Reserves by Type



Consumption of Ozone-Depleting Substances – Methyl Bromide

The UAE acceded to the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer in 1988 and the Montreal Protocol in 1989, reaffirming its commitment to international efforts aimed at preserving the ozone layer and protecting against harmful ultraviolet radiation.

These commitments are implemented through the monitoring of consumption levels of major ozone-depleting substances, including Methyl Bromide, Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), Halons, and Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs).

Since 1998, the UAE has ceased the consumption of Methyl Bromide, except for quarantine and pre-shipment purposes, in line with international obligations.

Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), Halons, and Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs)

Since 2010, the UAE has ceased the consumption of Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) and Halons, reflecting its compliance with the Montreal Protocol's international timetable for the phase-out of these substances.

Regarding Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs), the UAE has made steady progress in reducing consumption in line with international obligations:

2015
UAE consumption reached 473.90 tons, complying with the Montreal Protocol's required 10% reduction from the baseline level of 557.1 tons.

2020
Consumption declined to 353.59 tons, representing a 36.5% reduction, exceeding the Montreal Protocol's required 35% reduction for that year.

2021–2024
The UAE has continued to reduce HCFC consumption, demonstrating sustained progress toward meeting international requirements. The Montreal Protocol mandates a 67.5% reduction by 2025, with a complete phase-out by 2030.

Education

The education sector in the UAE is a key enabler of sustainable development and the transition to a knowledge-based economy. The country continuously strives to develop a comprehensive education system that aligns with the latest global standards and strengthens the capabilities of future generations.

The UAE adopts a holistic approach to education development, encompassing the strengthening of primary and secondary education, the provision of a stimulating learning environment, the integration of modern technologies, and sustained support for higher education and scientific research. UAE universities serve as centers of academic and research excellence, attracting leading academics and distinguished researchers from around the world. These institutions prepare students to meet future challenges through advanced academic programs aligned with labor market needs.



General Education 2023 / 2024



1,811,145

Total Students



890,341

Female



920,804

Male



162,533

Total Educational Personnel



120,876

Female



41,657

Male

Higher Education 2023 / 2024



367,651

Total Students



185,568

Female



182,083

Male



21,326

Total Educational Personnel



9,328

Female



11,998

Male

Health

Healthcare is a paramount national priority in the UAE, receiving unwavering governmental focus. The country aims to ensure equitable access to world-standard medical care for its entire population, leveraging state-of-the-art medical technologies and innovations.

The UAE boasts advanced health infrastructure, featuring world-class hospitals and medical centers that deliver specialized services spanning all clinical specializations. The UAE also emphasizes preventive healthcare through health awareness campaigns, systematic screening programs, and vaccination initiatives, thus strengthening public health and curbing the spread of diseases.

Moreover, the UAE actively champions medical research and healthcare innovation while fostering strategic investments in the health sector to continuously elevate service excellence and operational efficiency.

Hospitals - 2023

Total	Private	Government
175	119	56

Hospital Beds - 2023

Total	Private	Government
18,497	8,983	9,514

Clinics and Health Centers - 2023

Total	Private	Government
5,769	5,068	701

Physicians by Physicians Licensure - 2023

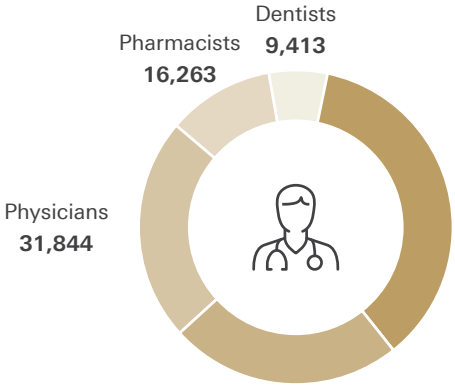
Total	Consultant Physicians	General Practitioners	Specialist Physicians
31,844	7,892	9,911	14,041

Healthcare Professionals - 2023

155,618

6.6%
Growth Rate Compared to 2022

Total



46,581

1.8%
Growth Rate
Compared to 2022

Government

109,037

8.8%
Growth Rate
Compared to 2022

Private

53,721

2.7%
Growth Rate
Compared to 2022

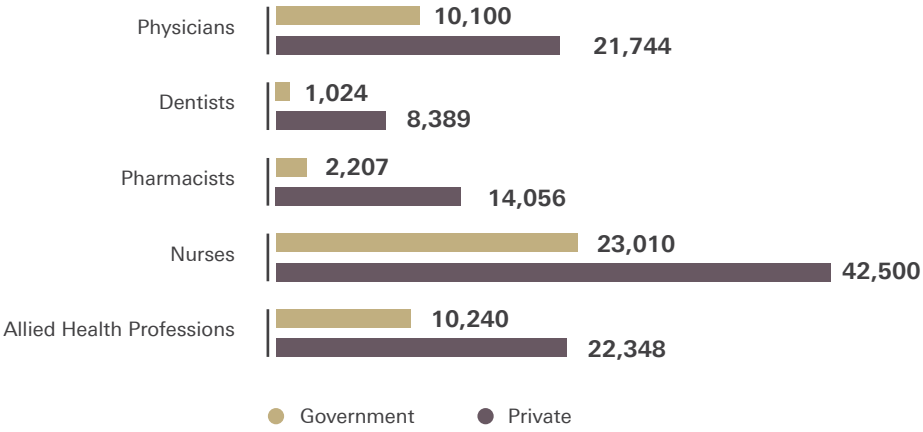
Male

101,897

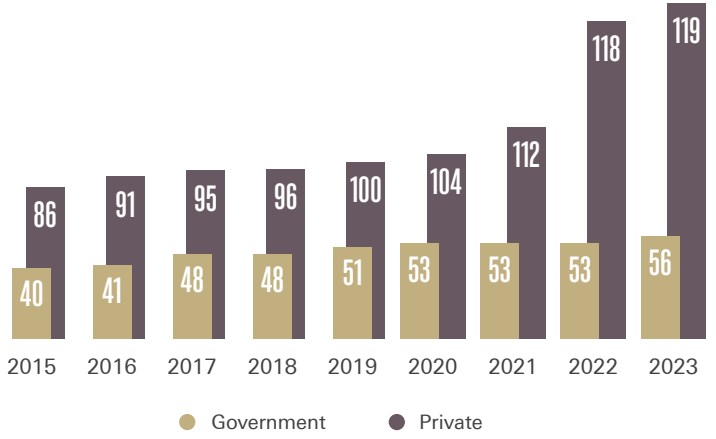
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Growth Rate
Compared to 2022

Female

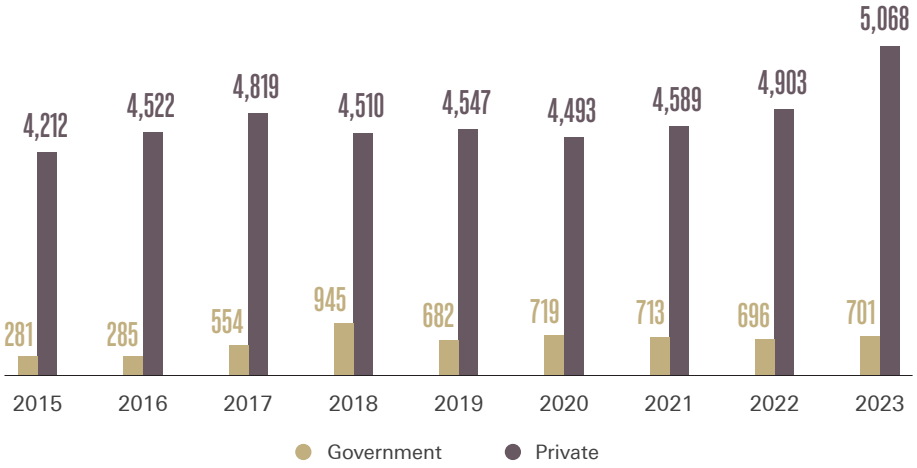
Healthcare Professionals by Sector - 2023



Hospital Growth



Clinics and Health Centers





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