

## Unemployment Questionnaire

Dear participant

After greeting:

The Jordanian team based on the project,

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Which is supported by the European Union within the program Erasmus +, sends you the most beautiful greetings and is honored to contact you to map out the causes of unemployment of graduates of Jordanian universities.

Please be aware that participation in this study by filling out this questionnaire is voluntary and all your answers will be handled in strict confidence.

Thank you for your support for the success of this national project.

With the greetings of the project team

## Personal Information

**What is your gender?**

- Male  
 Female

**What is your age?**

- Under 16  
 17 – 25  
 26 – 35  
 36 – 50  
 51 – 65  
 Over 65

**What is your marital status?**

- Married  
 Widowed  
 Divorced  
 Single  
 Prefer not to say

**How many children are there in your family?**

- 0  
 1 – 2  
 3 – 4  
 5 – 6  
 More than 6

**What is your highest level of education?**

- Attended high school but did not finish  
 High School Diploma  
 Attended college but did not finish  
 Vocational/Technical degree or certificate  
 Bachelor's Degree  
 Master's Degree  
 Doctorate Degree

**Specialization ?**

- Vocational  
 Human Sciences  
 Natural Sciences  
 Engineering  
 Medical Sciences  
 Technology

**How would you describe your current employment status?**

- Unemployment
- Disable
- Employed – Full Time
- Employed – Part Time
- Student
- Homemaker
- Retired

**If you are employed, which sector you are working in ?**

- Public sector
- Private sector

**Does your wife / husband have a job?**

- yes
- No
- Not married

**Number of family members:**

- 2 Only
- From 3 to 5
- From 6 to 9
- 10 or over

**Place of residence ?**

- Village
- City
- Badia
- Other

**Number of months you work per year**

- 12 months
- 6 months
- 3 months
- 0 (unemployment)

**What is the monthly family income in JD?**

- Less than 300
- Between 301-450
- Between 451 and 750
- Between 751-1000
- More than 1000

**How many members of your family that are employee?**

- No one
- From 1 to 3
- From 4 to 6
- More

## 1. Unemployment and Job Search

Please assign (√) with each of the paragraphs in the following sections

❖ Pass only a short time while I was looking for work:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I have been looking for a job for a long time and did not find any job opportunity:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I prefer to work in the public sector rather than to work in the private sector:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I found some job opportunities and did not accept them because they were not consistent with my academic / professional qualifications:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I accept any job opportunity below my qualifications until I get the right job:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I think that working in the public sector is more stable than working in the private sector

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ The salary in the private sector is better than the public sector:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ The possibility of increasing the income in the private sector is more possible than in the public sector:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I looked for a job in the private sector and did not find the right opportunity:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ Private sector employers prefer expatriate workers to local employment:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ Migrant workers accept lower wages than local workers:

Agree  Disagree

❖ Expatriates have higher skills than local labor:

Agree

❖ I opt to any career rather that to stay unemployed:

Agree

disAgree

disAgree

❖ The main problem of the private sector is that the owners don't meet their legal obligations during or after the end of the service period compared to the public sector:

❖ I am Ready to work long hours against minimum wage:

Agree  
 disAgree

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ I would like to receive training programs in areas where there are jobs in my region:

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ There are many areas in my region that offer programs to train the unemployed on the job opportunities available:

❖ I stopped looking for work because I was desperate to find the right job opportunity:

Agree  
 disAgree

Agree  
 disAgree

❖ This Questionnaire has reached you through:

Mutah University  
 Jordan University of Science and Technology  
 Husain bin Talal University  
 Municipality of Karak

Jordan University – aqaba branch  
 Tafila technical University  
 The Ministry of Public Works  
 Other

## 2. Adapting education outputs to the labor market factor:

Please indicate (√) on degree to which you agree with each of the paragraphs in the following sections

| Paragraph |   | 1                    | 2      | 3       | 4     | 5                 |
|-----------|---|----------------------|--------|---------|-------|-------------------|
|           |   | I strongly<br>reject | reject | neutral | agree | Strongly<br>agree |
| 1         | <b>I did not find a job opportunity because my specialization was not suitable for available job opportunities.</b>   |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 2         | <b>The majors taught at universities and university colleges are not commensurate with the available job opportunities.</b>                                       |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 3         | <b>The majors taught at universities and university colleges for males are closer to the job opportunities available to them than females.</b>                    |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 4         | <b>The culture of work in society makes male employment opportunities higher than those of females</b>  |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 5         | <b>The majors taught by universities and university colleges are more suitable for employment in the public sector than in the private sector.</b>                |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 6         | <b>The educational system did not provide me with the necessary skills for the requirements of the labor market.</b>  |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 7         | <b>The lack of certain skills in my specialization forced me to look for any job opportunity in the public sector.</b>  |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 8         | <b>I did not receive enough specialized courses during my studies to be able to find a suitable job after graduation.</b>   |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 9         | <b>The course syllabus in my specialty lacks the practical application required in the labor market.</b>  |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 10        | <b>I think that the main reason for the weakness of the practical side in the academic plans in universities and colleges is the lack of financial resources.</b> |                      |        |         |       |                   |
| 11        | <b>The collaboration between my university and institutions the are responsible for training enabled me to develop my practical skills.</b>                       |                      |        |         |       |                   |

### 3. The orientation of individuals to the educational track:

| Paragraph |   | 1                 | 2      | 3       | 4     | 5              |
|-----------|---|-------------------|--------|---------|-------|----------------|
|           |   | I strongly reject | reject | neutral | agree | Strongly agree |
| 1         | I chose the academic track based on my personal orientation.  |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 2         | I preferred to finish my education in vocational track.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 3         | It was the desire of my parents and my family that led me to complete my studies in the academic track.                         |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 4         | The inferior attitude of the Community culture towards the vocational education prompted me to go for the academic education.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 5         | My low average in the primary school is the main reason for choosing the vocational education track.                            |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 6         | I found sufficient guidance from my school in the secondary school about the orientation of the appropriate educational path.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 7         | My desire to get a suitable job in the future is what prompted me to complete my studies in the vocational education track.     |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 8         | I believe that job opportunities are associated with vocational education than with academic education.                         |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 9         | I believe that the level of wages for graduates of the academic track is higher than for the graduates of the vocational track. |                   |        |         |       |                |

**4. self-employment factor:**

| Paragraph |  | 1                 | 2      | 3       | 4     | 5              |
|-----------|--|-------------------|--------|---------|-------|----------------|
|           |  | I strongly reject | reject | neutral | agree | Strongly agree |
| 1         | I have training certificates that enable me to start my own project.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 2         | I have sufficient knowledge of the projects that my region needs.  |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 3         | There are specialized institutions in my region that give me enough support to create a project              |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 4         | I think there are government facilities that enable me to finance my own project.                            |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 5         | I think that creating my own project is better than hiring in the public and private sector.                 |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 6         | I will leave my job in the sector I work in and return to work on my own project if the environment is right |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 7         | The infrastructure in my area does not help create my own project.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 8         | I would like to do my own project that fits my specialization.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 9         | I have a good knowledge of people of the same discipline as me with whom I can build a small project with.   |                   |        |         |       |                |
| 10        | I think the possibility of increasing my income through my own project is better than job.                   |                   |        |         |       |                |

Any other suggestions or observations you wish to add on the subject:

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