

Overview of the informal economy in the Republic of Moldova

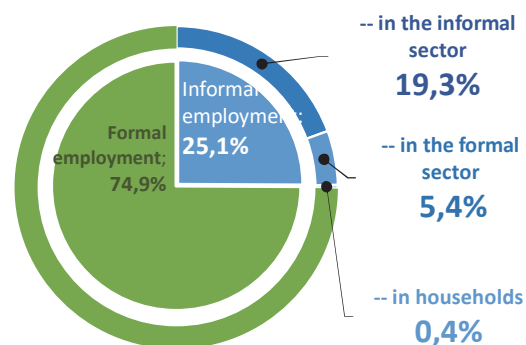
Source: National Labour force survey, 2018

1 Share and composition of informal employment*, by sex (%)

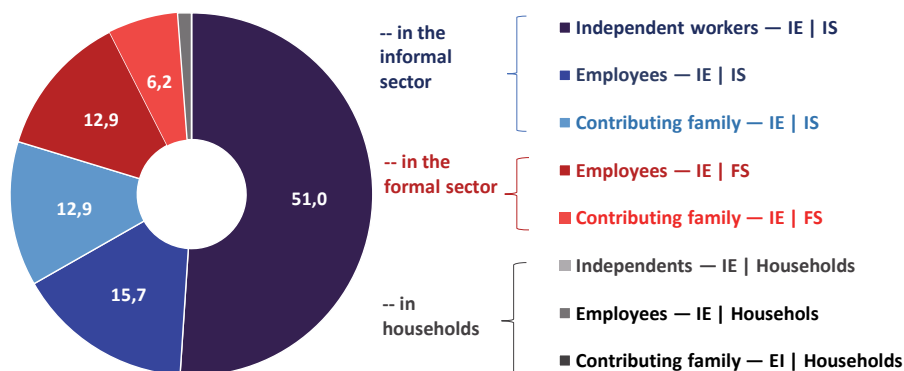
	Men	Women	Total
Informal employment (%), of which:	28,5	21,7	25,1
-- in the informal sector	80,8	71,7	76,9
-- in the formal sector	19,0	25,3	21,7
-- in households	0,2	3,1	1,4
Informal sector units (%)	71,6	73,3	68,2
Informal employment, excluding agriculture	17,4	7,0	11,9
-- in the informal sector	85,1	69,8	80,4
-- in the formal sector	14,5	18,2	15,6
-- in households	0,5	12,0	4,0
Informal sector units, excluding agriculture (%)	77,2	85,9	58,2

Estimates of informal employment follow the ILO harmonized definition and ILO estimates may differ from national estimates. For more details, see: *Women and men in the informal economy: A statistical picture (Third edition)*.

2 Share and composition of informal employment, total (%)



3 Composition of informal employment: What is the prevalent form of informality in the country?

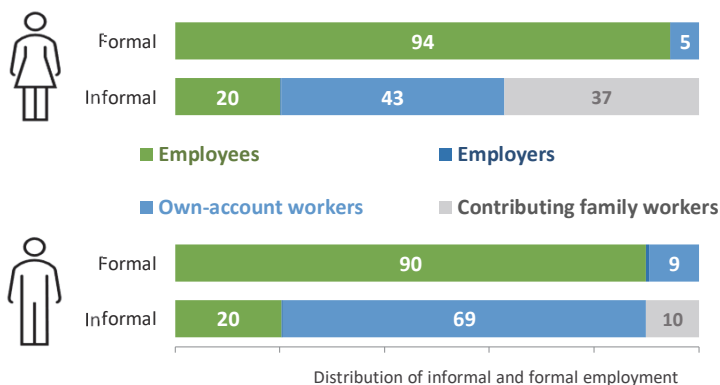


Shares in total informal employment of:

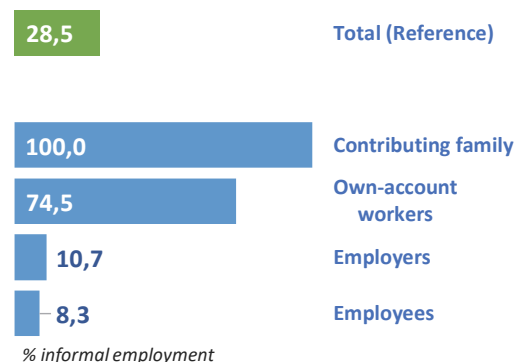
	T	M	W
Independent workers — IE IS	51,0	61,8	37,1
Employees — IE IS	15,7	15,2	16,5
Contributing family — IE IS	12,9	6,0	21,8
Employees — IE FS	12,9	13,9	11,6
Contributing family — IE FS	6,2	3,0	10,3
Independents — IE Households	0,0	0,0	0,0
Employees — IE Households	1,3	0,2	2,7
Contributing family — IE Households	0,0	0,0	0,0
Total	100,0	100,0	100,0

Note: IE= Informal Employment; IS = Informal Sector; EI = formal Employment; FS = Formal Sector

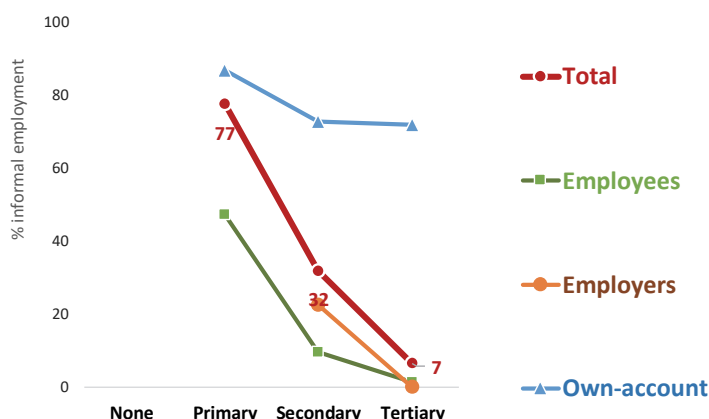
4 Distribution of informal & formal employment by employment status (%)



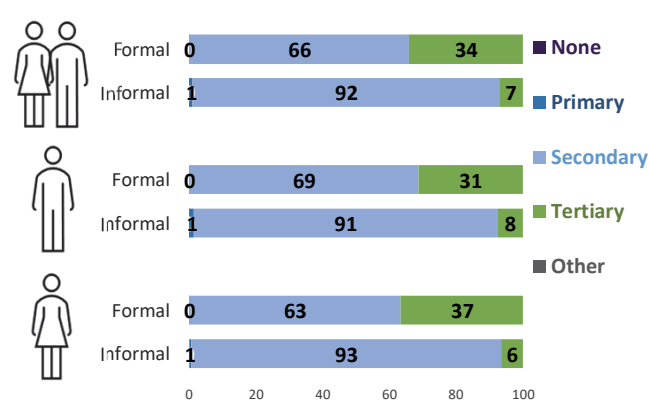
5 Informal employment depending on employment status (%)



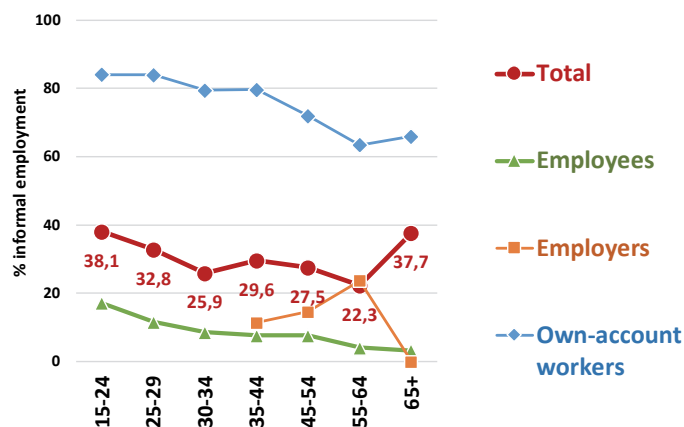
6 Share of informal employment by education level (%)



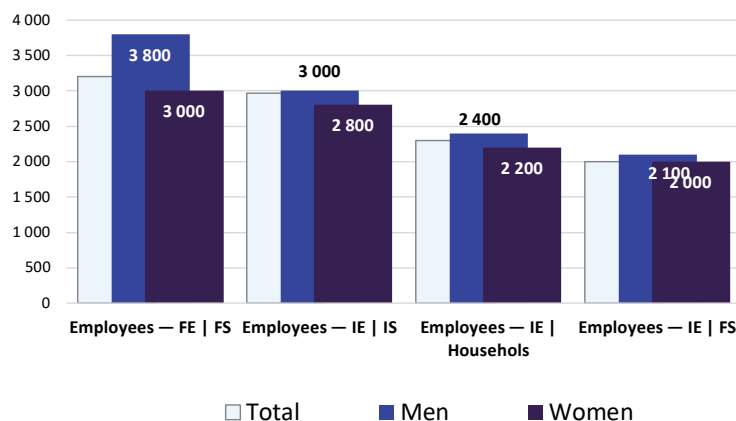
7 Distribution of informal employment by level of education (%)



8 Share of informal employment depending on age group (%)

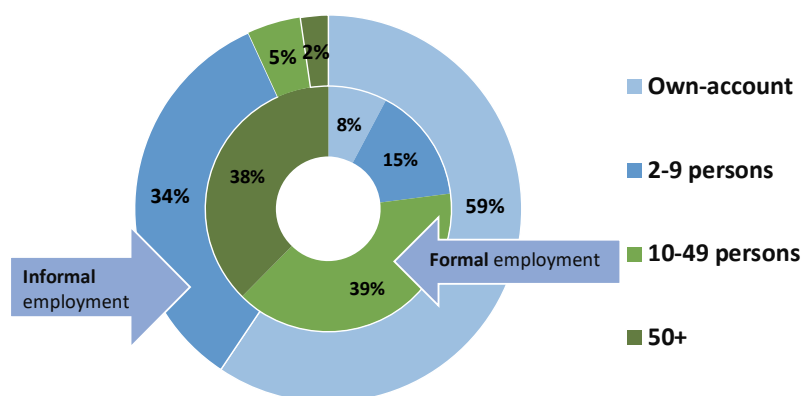


9 Monthly median wages among employees (national currency)

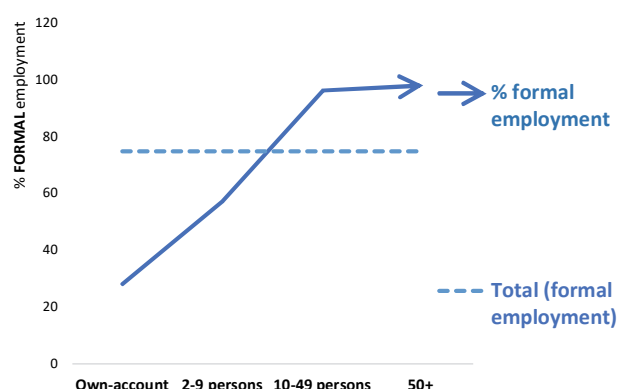


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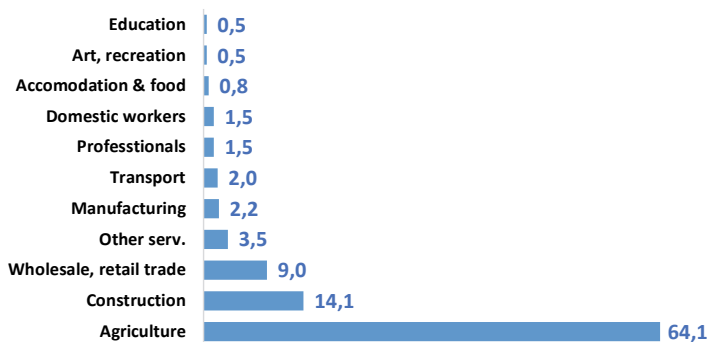
10 Distribution of informal & formal employment by enterprise size (%)



11 Share of informal employment and size of enterprises (%)

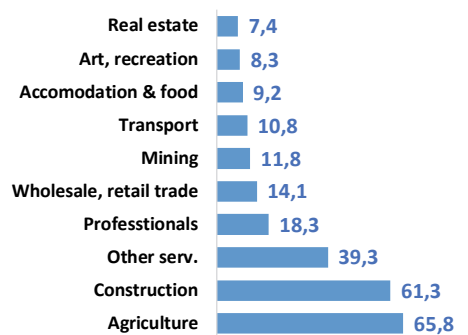


12 The sectoral dimension: The 10 sectors the most represented in the informal economy



Representation of sector X in total informal employment

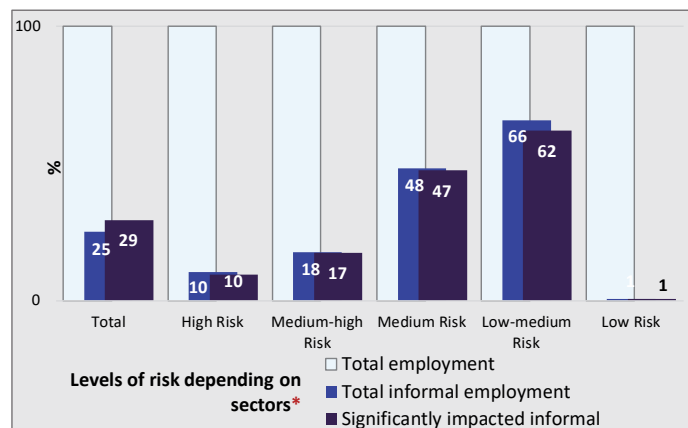
13 The 10 sectors the most exposed to informality



Share of informal employment (%)

14 The impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the informal economy

Proportion of informal economy workers significantly impacted



High risk sectors: Wholesale and retail trade, repair of motor vehicles, motorcycles; Manufacturing; Accommodation and food services; Real estate; business and administrative activities.

Medium-high risk sectors: Arts, entertainment and recreation, domestic workers, and other services; Transport, storage and communication.

Medium-Risk sectors: Construction; Financial and insurance services; Mining and quarrying.

Low-Medium risk sector: Agriculture, forestry and fishing.

Low-risk sectors: Human health and social work activities; Education; Utilities; Public administration.

Sectors most represented among informal workers significantly impacted by the crisis

