

CHAPTER 2

THE LABOUR FORCE

Fundamental to the measurement of employment and unemployment is the concept of the labour force. The labour force is defined broadly as those persons who, during a particular week, are either employed or unemployed. The labour force represents the total supply of labour available to the labour market during a given week.

This chapter presents some summary statistics on the civilian labour force. The most important labour force measure is the participation rate, which represents the proportion of the working age population (defined to be those aged 15 and over) who are in the labour force. Analysis of the participation rates provides a basis for monitoring changes in the size and composition of labour supply, particularly in terms of age, sex and marital status. Other characteristics of the labour force such as birthplace, educational attainment and family characteristics are also of interest.

The principal source for statistics on the civilian labour force is the ABS population survey, which consists of the monthly labour force survey and attached supplementary surveys. The labour force survey collects information on the labour force status of individuals (i.e. whether they are employed, unemployed or not in the labour force) together with a range of demographic and other characteristics. It has provided the basis for an analysis of underemployment and labour underutilisation, a topic included in Chapter 3. The supplementary surveys cover a range of topics including the Survey of Labour Force Experience, conducted in February in each year, which examines the movements into and out of the labour force over twelve months.

Members of the permanent Defence Forces are excluded from the labour force survey. Their numbers totalled 64,493 males and 5,556 females at the end of June 1986.

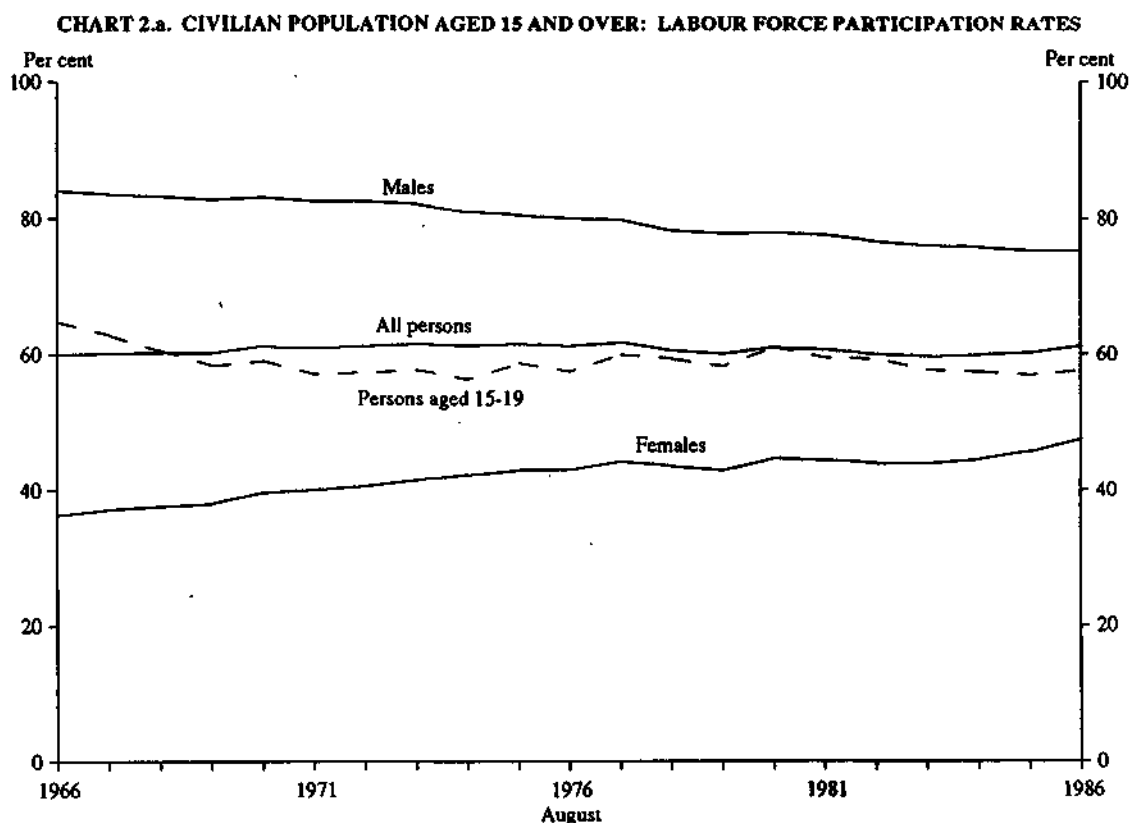


TABLE 2.1. LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY AGE, AUGUST 1976 TO AUGUST 1986
(per cent)

August	Age group								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MALES									
1976	60.2	90.8	96.9	96.8	94.0	86.9	64.0	14.3	80.0
1977	62.1	91.2	96.9	97.0	93.2	86.3	62.2	13.7	79.8
1978	61.0	89.6	95.9	95.6	91.6	81.9	59.7	12.0	78.2
1979	61.4	90.2	95.8	95.6	91.2	82.0	53.5	11.5	77.8
1980	62.8	90.5	95.5	95.9	91.4	83.3	50.2	11.1	77.9
1981	61.8	91.3	95.3	95.2	91.3	81.1	51.2	10.6	77.5
1982	62.4	89.3	94.9	95.1	90.0	79.1	47.7	9.2	76.6
1983	58.2	89.6	95.4	95.0	90.4	78.2	42.8	8.6	75.9
1984	59.1	89.4	95.1	94.7	90.1	76.8	43.5	9.0	75.7
1985	57.8	89.7	94.5	94.8	90.0	76.4	42.7	8.9	75.2
1986(a)	58.6	89.1	94.8	94.4	90.0	75.7	45.2	8.4	75.2
FEMALES									
1976	54.7	66.4	48.2	54.7	48.8	31.5	15.1	3.5	43.0
1977	57.6	68.7	50.4	55.9	48.3	31.6	15.2	3.5	44.2
1978	57.5	66.9	51.0	56.7	47.5	30.2	13.8	2.8	43.5
1979	55.0	69.2	50.3	57.1	46.8	26.2	13.2	2.4	42.9
1980	59.2	71.1	52.8	58.7	47.6	29.1	13.5	2.9	44.7
1981	57.1	70.7	52.9	58.1	49.0	29.8	12.0	2.6	44.4
1982	56.1	70.0	53.6	58.0	49.5	26.0	9.1	2.5	44.0
1983	57.0	70.8	52.8	58.0	48.5	28.3	12.1	2.1	44.0
1984	55.7	71.7	54.9	58.7	50.1	27.6	11.5	2.5	44.6
1985	56.1	73.6	57.7	61.4	50.2	27.2	11.2	2.0	45.7
1986(a)	56.6	74.4	60.1	64.6	54.5	28.7	12.7	2.0	47.6
PERSONS									
1976	57.5	78.5	72.7	76.1	71.8	59.0	38.8	8.2	61.3
1977	59.9	79.8	73.7	76.8	71.2	58.8	38.0	7.9	61.8
1978	59.3	78.2	73.6	76.5	70.0	55.8	35.8	6.7	60.6
1979	58.3	79.7	73.1	76.7	69.5	53.8	32.5	6.2	60.1
1980	61.1	80.8	74.2	77.6	70.0	56.0	31.0	6.4	61.0
1981	59.5	81.0	74.2	76.9	70.6	55.4	30.7	5.9	60.7
1982	59.3	79.6	74.3	76.9	70.2	52.5	27.9	5.3	60.0
1983	57.6	80.2	74.1	76.8	69.9	53.4	26.9	4.8	59.7
1984	57.4	80.6	75.0	76.9	70.5	52.4	27.0	5.2	59.9
1985	56.9	81.7	76.1	78.3	70.5	52.0	26.5	4.9	60.2
1986(a)	57.6	81.8	77.5	79.7	72.6	52.4	28.6	4.7	61.2

(a) Estimates for August 1986 are based on a revised definition introduced in April 1986. See paragraph 34 of Appendix II for further information.

Source: *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

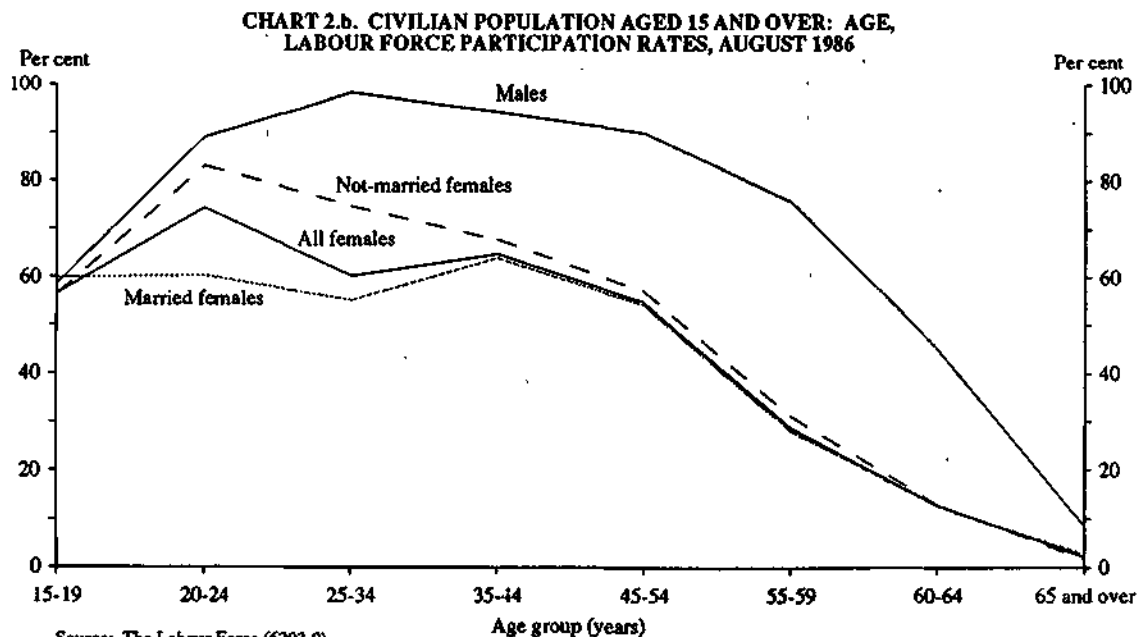


TABLE 2.2. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: LABOUR FORCE STATUS, AUGUST 1966 TO AUGUST 1986

August	Employed		Unemployed			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Unemployment rate	Participation rate
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Looking for part-time work	Total					
MALES										
1966	3,240.2	3,365.5	37.0	*	38.9	3,404.6	650.6	4,055.2	1.1	84.0
1967	3,272.8	3,410.0	38.2	*	42.4	3,452.5	681.9	4,134.4	1.2	83.5
1968	3,346.2	3,478.2	30.8	4.9	35.8	3,514.0	711.3	4,225.3	1.0	83.2
1969	3,409.2	3,546.7	30.9	*	34.1	3,580.8	750.4	4,331.2	1.0	82.7
1970	3,533.4	3,647.7	33.4	*	36.7	3,684.4	749.0	4,433.4	1.0	83.0
1971	3,600.4	3,712.7	39.9	*	43.8	3,756.5	799.6	4,556.1	1.2	82.5
1972	3,632.3	3,757.7	67.7	7.0	74.8	3,832.5	813.8	4,646.2	2.0	82.5
1973	3,697.5	3,839.6	38.3	13.0	51.3	3,891.0	847.9	4,738.8	1.3	82.1
1974	3,710.9	3,847.1	60.0	7.9	67.9	3,914.9	920.5	4,835.4	1.7	81.0
1975	3,668.4	3,820.6	122.5	16.3	138.8	3,959.4	956.6	4,916.0	3.5	80.5
1976	3,665.6	3,836.3	142.7	13.9	156.6	3,992.9	1,000.1	4,993.0	3.9	80.0
1977	3,682.6	3,866.8	168.5	21.6	190.1	4,056.9	1,024.9	5,081.8	4.7	79.8
1978	3,642.5	3,850.9	207.9	14.3	222.2	4,073.1	1,137.7	5,210.8	5.5	78.2
1979	3,715.9	3,921.2	184.0	13.5	197.5	4,118.7	1,177.6	5,296.3	4.8	77.8
1980	3,773.8	3,982.8	193.9	15.7	209.6	4,192.4	1,193.2	5,385.6	5.0	77.9
1981	3,835.6	4,057.9	187.8	12.7	200.5	4,258.4	1,236.6	5,494.9	4.7	77.5
1982	3,782.5	4,024.3	250.4	21.3	271.7	4,296.0	1,314.6	5,610.6	6.3	76.6
1983	3,663.4	3,903.6	409.5	20.2	429.7	4,333.3	1,379.2	5,712.5	9.9	75.9
1984	3,767.3	4,012.4	359.0	22.5	381.5	4,393.9	1,411.5	5,805.4	8.7	75.7
1985	3,836.0	4,089.0	324.5	23.7	348.1	4,437.1	1,459.7	5,896.9	7.8	75.2
1986(a)	3,901.6	4,179.8	319.9	28.1	348.0	4,527.8	1,492.4	6,020.2	7.7	75.2
FEMALES										
1966	1,108.6	1,458.2	28.8	10.8	39.7	1,497.9	2,627.2	4,125.1	2.6	36.3
1967	1,150.4	1,523.0	31.8	12.5	44.4	1,567.3	2,646.6	4,214.0	2.8	37.2
1968	1,178.6	1,577.5	29.9	15.4	45.3	1,622.8	2,684.3	4,307.1	2.8	37.7
1969	1,201.1	1,636.2	27.4	17.5	44.8	1,681.1	2,731.1	4,412.2	2.7	38.1
1970	1,292.5	1,747.8	24.5	17.0	41.5	1,789.3	2,728.1	4,517.5	2.3	39.6
1971	1,339.2	1,803.0	30.2	18.7	48.9	1,851.9	2,783.1	4,635.0	2.6	40.0
1972	1,356.1	1,852.1	43.4	25.9	69.3	1,921.4	2,811.6	4,733.0	3.6	40.6
1973	1,395.4	1,943.3	28.8	25.6	54.5	1,997.8	2,826.8	4,824.6	2.7	41.4
1974	1,416.9	2,008.1	45.8	27.2	73.1	2,081.2	2,851.8	4,933.0	3.5	42.2
1975	1,378.5	2,020.8	93.0	46.6	139.7	2,160.3	2,859.6	5,019.9	6.5	43.0
1976	1,371.3	2,061.5	94.1	42.0	136.1	2,197.6	2,909.8	5,107.4	6.2	43.0
1977	1,411.9	2,128.6	114.8	54.4	169.2	2,297.8	2,904.3	5,202.1	7.4	44.2
1978	1,402.9	2,154.4	126.5	49.6	176.1	2,330.5	3,029.1	5,359.7	7.6	43.5
1979	1,397.2	2,157.4	131.8	48.1	179.9	2,337.4	3,117.0	5,454.4	7.7	42.9
1980	1,477.3	2,298.5	140.7	44.2	184.9	2,483.4	3,071.7	5,555.1	7.4	44.7
1981	1,501.5	2,335.8	135.9	44.2	180.1	2,515.9	3,154.6	5,670.5	7.2	44.4
1982	1,503.4	2,355.0	137.2	52.5	189.7	2,544.7	3,242.8	5,787.5	7.5	44.0
1983	1,486.9	2,337.4	197.9	59.3	257.1	2,594.6	3,299.1	5,893.7	9.9	44.0
1984	1,547.5	2,449.9	165.1	57.9	223.1	2,673.0	3,315.5	5,988.5	8.3	44.6
1985	1,603.2	2,557.1	162.4	60.7	223.0	2,780.1	3,302.7	6,082.8	8.0	45.7
1986(a)	1,680.7	2,705.9	170.8	76.9	247.6	2,953.6	3,253.1	6,206.7	8.4	47.6
PERSONS										
1966	4,348.8	4,823.9	65.9	12.7	78.6	4,902.5	3,277.9	8,180.3	1.6	59.9
1967	4,423.2	4,933.0	70.1	16.7	86.8	5,019.8	3,328.6	8,348.4	1.7	60.1
1968	4,524.8	5,055.6	60.7	20.4	81.1	5,136.8	3,395.5	8,532.3	1.6	60.2
1969	4,610.3	5,183.0	58.3	20.6	78.9	5,261.9	3,481.5	8,743.3	1.5	60.2
1970	4,825.9	5,395.6	57.9	20.3	78.2	5,473.8	3,477.1	8,950.9	1.4	61.2
1971	4,939.6	5,515.7	70.1	22.6	92.7	5,608.4	3,582.7	9,191.1	1.7	61.0
1972	4,988.4	5,609.9	111.1	32.9	144.0	5,753.9	3,625.3	9,379.2	2.5	61.3
1973	5,092.9	5,783.0	67.2	38.6	105.8	5,888.7	3,674.7	9,563.4	1.8	61.6
1974	5,127.8	5,855.2	105.8	35.1	140.9	5,996.1	3,772.3	9,768.4	2.4	61.4
1975	5,046.8	5,841.3	215.5	62.9	278.4	6,119.7	3,816.2	9,935.9	4.6	61.6
1976	5,036.9	5,897.8	236.8	55.9	292.7	6,190.5	3,909.8	10,100.4	4.7	61.3
1977	5,049.6	5,995.4	283.3	76.0	359.3	6,354.7	3,929.2	10,283.9	5.7	61.8
1978	5,045.3	6,005.4	334.4	63.9	398.3	6,403.7	4,166.8	10,570.5	6.2	60.6
1979	5,113.1	6,078.5	315.8	61.7	377.5	6,456.0	4,294.6	10,750.7	5.9	60.1
1980	5,251.1	6,281.4	334.6	59.9	394.5	6,675.9	4,264.9	10,940.7	5.9	61.0
1981	5,337.1	6,393.7	323.7	56.9	380.6	6,774.3	4,391.2	11,165.5	5.6	60.7
1982	5,285.9	6,379.3	387.6	73.8	461.4	6,840.7	4,557.4	11,398.1	6.7	60.0
1983	5,150.3	6,241.1	607.4	79.5	686.8	6,927.9	4,678.3	11,606.2	9.9	59.7
1984	5,314.8	6,462.3	524.2	80.5	604.6	7,066.9	4,727.0	11,793.9	8.6	59.9
1985	5,439.2	6,646.1	486.8	84.3	571.2	7,217.2	4,762.5	11,979.7	7.9	60.2
1986(a)	5,582.4	6,885.7	490.7	105.0	595.6	7,481.4	4,745.6	12,226.9	8.0	61.2

(a) Estimates for August 1986 are based on a revised definition introduced in April 1986. See paragraph 34 of Appendix II for further information.

Source: The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0).

TABLE 2.3. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: LABOUR FORCE STATUS, STATES AND TERRITORIES, AUGUST 1986

State or Territory	Employed		Unemployed			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 and over	Un-employment rate	Partici-pation rate
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work	Looking for part-time work	Total					
— '000—					—per cent—					
MALES										
New South Wales	1,337.0	1,430.4	118.1	9.1	127.1	1,557.5	537.2	2,094.7	8.2	74.4
Victoria	1,038.6	1,109.1	66.4	8.1	74.5	1,183.6	396.3	1,579.9	6.3	74.9
Queensland	620.7	668.8	61.0	4.1	65.1	733.9	230.1	964.0	8.9	76.1
South Australia	329.6	352.9	31.7	2.2	33.9	386.8	137.8	524.6	8.8	73.7
Western Australia	364.6	390.9	29.2	2.6	31.8	422.7	122.1	544.8	7.5	77.6
Tasmania	107.3	114.1	8.7	*	9.5	123.7	43.5	167.2	7.7	74.0
Northern Territory	37.4	41.1	3.8	*	4.1	45.2	8.4	53.6	9.1	84.3
Australian Capital Territory	66.5	72.4	*	*	2.0	74.4	17.0	91.4	2.6	81.4
<i>Australia</i>	<i>3,901.6</i>	<i>4,179.8</i>	<i>319.9</i>	<i>28.1</i>	<i>348.0</i>	<i>4,527.8</i>	<i>1,492.4</i>	<i>6,020.2</i>	<i>7.7</i>	<i>75.2</i>
FEMALES										
New South Wales	583.2	914.0	63.3	23.6	86.9	1,000.9	1,166.5	2,167.5	8.7	46.2
Victoria	463.4	724.6	38.7	19.5	58.2	782.7	860.4	1,643.2	7.4	47.6
Queensland	258.1	420.8	31.7	15.7	47.4	468.2	516.5	984.7	10.1	47.5
South Australia	132.3	237.5	16.8	5.4	22.2	259.7	288.5	548.2	8.5	47.4
Western Australia	147.2	255.8	13.2	8.8	22.0	277.8	266.7	544.5	7.9	51.0
Tasmania	38.9	70.2	5.0	1.9	6.9	77.1	95.7	172.8	8.9	44.6
Northern Territory	19.3	26.0	*	*	*	27.2	21.3	48.5	*	56.1
Australian Capital Territory	38.4	57.0	*	1.8	2.9	59.9	37.5	97.4	4.8	61.5
<i>Australia</i>	<i>1,680.7</i>	<i>2,705.9</i>	<i>170.8</i>	<i>76.9</i>	<i>247.6</i>	<i>2,953.6</i>	<i>3,253.1</i>	<i>6,206.7</i>	<i>8.4</i>	<i>47.6</i>
PERSONS										
New South Wales	1,920.2	2,344.4	181.4	32.7	214.1	2,558.5	1,703.7	4,262.2	8.4	60.0
Victoria	1,502.0	1,833.7	105.1	27.6	132.7	1,966.3	1,256.7	3,223.0	6.7	61.0
Queensland	878.8	1,089.6	92.7	19.8	112.5	1,202.1	746.5	1,948.6	9.4	61.7
South Australia	462.0	590.4	48.5	7.6	56.1	646.5	426.3	1,072.8	8.7	60.3
Western Australia	511.8	646.7	42.5	11.3	53.8	700.5	388.8	1,089.3	7.7	64.3
Tasmania	146.1	184.4	13.7	2.7	16.4	200.8	139.2	340.0	8.2	59.1
Northern Territory	56.7	67.1	4.8	*	5.3	72.4	29.7	102.1	7.4	70.9
Australian Capital Territory	104.9	129.5	2.1	2.7	4.8	134.3	54.6	188.9	3.6	71.1
<i>Australia</i>	<i>5,582.4</i>	<i>6,885.7</i>	<i>490.7</i>	<i>105.0</i>	<i>595.6</i>	<i>7,481.4</i>	<i>4,745.6</i>	<i>12,226.9</i>	<i>8.0</i>	<i>61.2</i>

Source: The Labour Force, Australia, August 1986 (6203.0).

TABLE 2.4. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE STATUS: BIRTHPLACE, AUGUST 1986

Birthplace	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force	Unemployment rate — per cent —	Participation rate
	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work — '000 —	Total			
Born in Australia	4,130.7	5,147.9	353.7	433.0	5,580.8	7.8	62.4
Born outside Australia	1,451.6	1,737.9	136.9	162.7	1,900.5	8.6	61.8
Africa	55.7	66.5	*	3.5	70.0	5.0	67.8
America	41.6	50.4	*	5.0	55.4	9.0	64.1
Asia	215.7	253.0	31.2	38.1	291.1	13.1	60.3
Lebanon	14.6	17.1	6.2	6.5	23.6	27.5	52.9
Vietnam	37.1	40.6	7.7	8.9	49.4	17.9	64.7
Europe	1,015.9	1,219.2	86.4	100.0	1,319.2	7.6	60.4
Germany	54.3	64.5	4.8	5.4	69.9	7.7	65.0
Greece	66.1	79.0	7.1	7.4	86.4	8.6	59.8
Italy	128.7	145.9	6.5	7.1	153.0	4.7	54.6
Malta	23.0	26.3	*	*	28.1	*	59.9
Netherlands	46.6	58.8	*	4.2	62.9	6.6	62.5
Poland	22.3	25.1	*	3.8	28.9	13.1	45.7
U.K. and Ireland	503.8	619.2	43.2	51.0	670.2	7.6	62.3
Yugoslavia	82.9	94.9	10.5	11.7	106.6	11.0	66.0
Oceania	122.6	148.8	13.5	16.1	164.9	9.8	75.0
New Zealand	106.0	126.1	10.6	12.0	138.1	8.7	76.6

Source: The Labour Force, Australia, August 1986 (6203.0).

TABLE 2.5. CIVILIAN POPULATION : PROPORTION WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME DURING THE REFERENCE PERIOD(a) AND AGE, FEBRUARY 1976 TO FEBRUARY 1986
(per cent)

Survey conducted in February—	Age group at the time of the survey								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MALES									
1976	65.4	95.0	98.6	98.6	96.6	91.6	77.2	23.9	84.8
1981	78.4	97.2	98.4	97.3	93.3	85.6	59.8	15.7	83.2
1982	76.8	98.0	98.2	97.5	93.2	87.9	56.7	13.6	82.8
1983	75.8	97.6	98.4	97.1	94.0	84.1	59.4	12.9	82.4
1984	73.8	96.3	98.1	97.7	94.3	83.5	54.6	13.3	81.8
1985	72.3	95.9	97.6	96.9	92.7	82.1	53.4	12.3	80.8
1986	73.8	96.6	97.2	96.6	92.2	82.3	50.7	10.7	80.0
FEMALES									
1976	61.6	76.3	57.4	61.0	53.6	36.1	20.9	5.1	49.9
1981	73.5	81.8	65.9	65.8	54.0	34.0	17.7	3.8	53.6
1982	73.7	81.8	65.5	67.9	58.1	34.7	14.8	3.6	54.1
1983	72.4	81.7	66.8	67.7	54.7	36.0	16.7	3.8	54.3
1984	71.1	82.2	65.9	66.7	55.9	34.7	15.9	3.1	53.9
1985	72.0	82.4	68.4	69.3	57.9	33.6	15.6	2.8	54.5
1986	72.6	84.1	70.9	71.6	58.3	36.1	15.8	3.0	55.1
PERSONS									
1976	63.5	85.7	78.4	80.1	75.5	63.3	48.0	13.1	67.2
1981	76.0	89.6	82.1	81.9	74.1	59.7	38.1	9.0	68.2
1982	75.3	89.9	81.7	83.0	76.0	61.4	35.2	7.9	68.3
1983	74.1	89.7	82.5	82.7	74.9	59.9	37.2	7.8	68.2
1984	72.5	89.2	82.0	82.0	75.7	59.3	34.4	7.7	67.7
1985	72.1	89.2	83.0	83.3	75.6	58.0	34.0	6.9	67.5
1986	73.2	90.3	84.0	84.3	75.6	59.4	32.8	6.2	67.4

(a) Persons who participated in the labour force at some time during the reference period as a proportion of the civilian population in each group.

Source: Labour Force Experience, Australia (6206.0).

TABLE 2.6. CIVILIAN POPULATION : LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1986 AND MARITAL STATUS
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	Married			Not married			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Out of the labour force for the whole year	726.4	1,695.3	2,421.7	465.8	1,062.4	1,528.2	1,192.1	2,757.8	3,949.9
In the labour force at some time during the year	2,977.3	1,987.4	4,964.7	1,788.2	1,398.2	3,186.4	4,765.5	3,385.6	8,151.2
Time in the labour force during the year(weeks)—									
1 and under 4	7.5	73.9	81.4	46.4	47.0	93.3	53.9	120.8	174.7
4 and under 13	18.8	127.2	146.0	133.9	125.9	259.9	152.7	253.1	405.8
13 and under 26	25.8	132.1	158.0	63.0	88.3	151.3	88.8	220.4	309.3
26 and under 39	49.3	142.5	191.8	72.8	85.1	157.9	122.1	227.6	349.7
39 and under 49	140.5	225.8	366.3	104.9	109.3	214.2	245.4	335.2	580.5
49 and under 52	158.9	141.8	300.6	83.9	65.3	149.1	242.7	207.1	449.8
52	2,576.5	1,144.2	3,720.7	1,283.4	877.3	2,160.7	3,859.9	2,021.5	5,881.4
Worked at some time during the year	2,894.2	1,861.6	4,755.9	1,625.7	1,257.4	2,883.2	4,520.0	3,119.1	7,639.0
Full-time/part-time status of weeks worked—									
All were full-time	2,714.8	948.4	3,663.3	1,373.6	853.5	2,227.1	4,088.4	1,801.9	5,890.3
More full-time than part-time	85.1	79.0	164.1	65.2	57.1	122.2	150.3	136.0	286.3
More part-time than full-time	11.4	58.8	70.2	30.1	44.9	74.9	41.5	103.7	145.2
All were part-time	82.9	775.5	858.3	156.9	302.0	458.9	239.8	1,077.5	1,317.3
Time worked during the year(weeks)—									
1 and under 4	9.7	46.1	55.8	46.9	43.4	90.3	56.5	89.5	146.1
4 and under 13	33.2	109.8	143.0	127.9	103.7	231.6	161.1	213.5	374.6
13 and under 26	51.4	137.2	188.6	88.6	101.3	189.9	139.9	238.5	378.5
26 and under 39	91.1	147.4	238.5	112.6	116.8	229.5	203.7	264.3	468.0
39 and under 49	195.7	238.0	433.6	151.9	134.8	286.7	347.6	372.8	720.3
49 and under 52	166.2	144.1	310.3	92.2	67.3	159.5	258.3	211.4	469.8
52	2,347.1	1,038.9	3,386.0	1,005.7	690.1	1,695.8	3,352.8	1,729.1	5,081.8
Looked for work at some time during the year	286.5	275.3	561.8	470.6	391.4	862.0	757.1	666.6	1,423.7
Number of spells of looking for work—									
One	239.2	230.8	470.0	386.2	322.3	708.5	625.4	553.1	1,178.5
Two	24.0	22.3	46.4	46.4	39.4	85.8	70.5	61.7	132.1
Three	8.3	6.2	14.6	15.8	12.5	28.4	24.2	18.8	42.9
Four or more	14.9	15.9	30.8	22.1	17.2	39.3	37.1	33.1	70.1
Total	3,703.6	3,482.8	7,386.4	2,254.0	2,460.6	4,714.7	5,957.7	6,143.4	12,101.1

Source: Labour Force Experience, Australia, February 1986 (6206.0).

TABLE 2.7. PERSONS AGED 15 TO 64: WHETHER ATTENDED AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AND TYPE OF ATTENDANCE IN PREVIOUS YEAR, WHETHER CONTINUING FULL-TIME EDUCATION, LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE MAY 1981(a) TO MAY 1986 ('000)

	1981(a)	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986(b)
AGED 15 TO 24						
Attended an educational institution in previous year	1,214.4	1,179.5	1,193.9	1,257.3	1,304.6	1,328.3
Attended full-time in previous year	930.8	926.8	941.0	1,003.7	1,047.1	1,088.6
Continuing full-time education at May	642.7	635.0	671.9	716.8	743.2	778.3
Leavers	288.2	291.8	269.2	286.9	304.0	310.3
Employed	230.8	221.7	184.6	208.5	230.9	237.0
Full-time	208.1	195.5	152.8	179.6	200.7	206.2
Part-time	22.7	26.2	31.8	28.9	30.2	30.9
Unemployed	42.2	51.3	67.0	62.5	58.5	55.7
Not in the labour force	15.2	18.9	17.6	15.8	14.5	17.6
Attended part-time in previous year	283.6	252.7	252.9	253.6	257.5	239.6
Attending an educational institution at May	154.7	144.1	142.7	139.4	133.8	123.4
Full-time	7.1	6.6	8.3	7.3	6.6	10.0
Part-time	147.6	137.4	134.4	132.1	127.1	113.4
Not attending an educational institution at May	128.9	108.6	110.2	114.2	123.7	116.2
Did not attend an educational institution in previous year	1,545.5	1,371.0	1,384.5	1,340.5	1,289.1	1,302.8
Total	2,759.9	2,550.5	2,578.4	2,597.7	2,593.7	2,631.1
AGED 25 TO 64						
Attended an educational institution in previous year	453.4	497.4	536.8	570.8	592.6	667.7
Attended full-time in previous year	51.7	58.8	61.8	65.7	67.8	74.7
Continuing full-time education at May	22.2	23.3	22.7	24.6	26.5	28.7
Leavers	29.5	35.5	39.1	41.1	41.4	46.0
Employed	25.9	25.6	28.8	28.6	33.2	36.2
Full-time	22.6	22.1	24.2	23.6	27.4	29.7
Part-time	*	3.5	4.6	5.1	5.8	6.5
Unemployed	*	4.0	4.2	5.3	*	4.3
Not in the labour force	*	5.8	6.2	7.2	4.0	5.5
Attended part-time in previous year	401.7	438.6	475.0	505.1	524.8	593.0
Attending an educational institution at May	171.9	193.4	210.9	220.5	220.7	244.1
Full-time	*	6.9	3.9	6.9	9.2	7.8
Part-time	168.5	186.5	207.0	213.6	211.5	236.2
Not attending an educational institution at May	229.8	245.3	264.2	284.5	304.0	348.9
Did not attend an educational institution in previous year	6,318.8	6,661.1	6,812.2	6,943.2	7,051.6	7,128.3
Total	6,772.2	7,158.5	7,349.0	7,514.0	7,644.2	7,796.0
TOTAL						
Attended an educational institution in previous year	1,667.8	1,676.9	1,730.7	1,828.1	1,897.1	1,995.9
Attended full-time in previous year	982.6	985.6	1,002.8	1,069.4	1,114.9	1,163.3
Continuing full-time education at May	664.9	658.3	694.5	741.3	769.6	807.0
Leavers	317.7	327.3	308.3	328.1	345.3	356.3
Employed	256.7	247.3	213.4	237.2	264.1	273.3
Full-time	230.7	217.6	176.9	203.2	228.1	235.9
Part-time	26.0	29.8	36.3	34.0	36.0	37.4
Unemployed	43.7	55.3	71.3	67.9	62.5	60.0
Not in the labour force	17.3	24.7	23.8	23.1	18.6	23.1
Attended part-time in previous year	685.2	691.3	727.9	758.7	782.2	832.6
Attending an educational institution at May	326.6	337.4	353.6	359.9	354.4	367.5
Full-time	10.5	13.5	12.2	14.2	15.8	17.8
Part-time	316.1	323.9	341.4	345.7	338.6	349.7
Not attending an educational institution at May	358.7	353.9	374.3	398.8	427.8	465.1
Did not attend an educational institution in previous year	7,864.3	8,032.1	8,196.7	8,283.6	8,340.7	8,431.1
Total	9,532.1	9,709.8	9,927.4	10,111.7	10,237.9	10,427.0

(a) Estimates for 1981 are for the age groups 15 to 25 and 26 to 64. (b) Estimates for May 1986 are based on a revised definition of employment introduced in the April 1986 labour force survey. See paragraph 34 of Appendix 11 for further information.

Source: *Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1986* (6227.0).

TABLE 2.8. PERSONS AGED 15 TO 24: WHETHER ATTENDED AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL-TIME IN PREVIOUS YEAR AND WHETHER CONTINUING FULL-TIME EDUCATION, MAY 1981(a) TO MAY 1986

	Attended an educational institution full-time in the previous year			Total	Did not attend an educational institution full-time in the previous year	Total
	Continuing full-time education					
	Leavers	Number	Proportion of total			
	— '000—		(per cent)			
1981(a)	288.2	642.7	69.0	930.8	1,829.1	2,759.9
1982	291.9	635.0	68.5	926.8	1,623.7	2,550.5
1983	269.2	671.9	71.4	941.0	1,637.4	2,578.4
1984	286.9	716.8	71.4	1,003.7	1,594.1	2,597.7
1985	304.0	743.2	71.0	1,047.1	1,546.6	2,593.7
1986	310.3	778.3	71.5	1,088.6	1,542.4	2,631.1

(a) Estimates for 1981 are for persons aged 15 to 25.

Source: *Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1986* (6227.0).

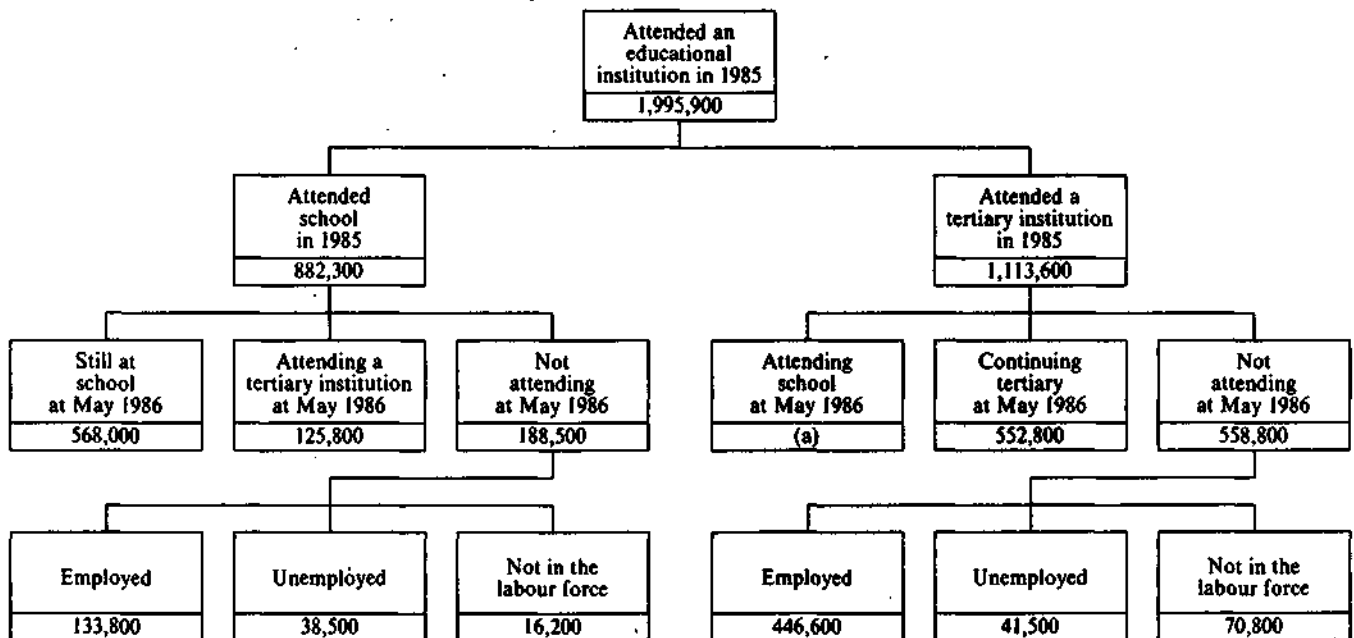
**TABLE 2.9. PERSONS AGED 15 TO 17: WHETHER ATTENDING SCHOOL, TYPE OF ATTENDANCE
AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS, MAY 1983 TO MAY 1986**

	1983	1984	1985	1986(a)
MALES				
—'000—				
Attending school	236.4	250.9	266.4	275.7
Full-time	236.1	250.0	265.9	275.1
Part-time	*	*	*	*
Not attending school	148.3	150.9	148.9	149.8
In the labour force	133.2	134.6	133.8	134.0
Employed	99.0	103.4	104.6	106.4
Unemployed	34.2	31.2	29.2	27.6
Not in the labour force	15.1	16.2	15.0	15.8
Total	384.8	401.8	415.3	425.5
—per cent—				
Proportion attending school	61.4	62.4	64.1	64.8
FEMALES				
—'000—				
Attending school	225.4	243.2	260.8	266.4
Full-time	224.6	242.6	259.7	266.4
Part-time	*	*	*	*
Not attending school	137.7	132.2	129.6	140.3
In the labour force	115.2	106.8	111.3	119.6
Employed	85.4	80.1	88.5	94.0
Unemployed	29.8	26.7	22.9	25.7
Not in the labour force	22.5	25.3	18.3	20.7
Total	363.1	375.4	390.4	406.7
—per cent—				
Proportion attending school	62.1	64.8	66.8	65.5
PERSONS				
—'000—				
Attending school	461.8	494.1	527.2	542.1
Full-time	460.6	492.6	525.6	541.5
Part-time	*	*	*	*
Not attending school	286.1	283.0	278.5	290.1
In the labour force	248.4	241.4	245.2	253.6
Employed	184.5	183.5	193.1	200.4
Unemployed	64.0	57.9	52.1	53.2
Not in the labour force	37.6	41.6	33.3	36.5
Total	747.9	777.2	805.7	832.2
—per cent—				
Proportion attending school	61.7	63.6	65.4	65.1

(a) Estimates for May 1986 are based on a revised definition of employment introduced in the April 1986 labour force survey. See paragraph 34 of Appendix II for further information.

Source: *Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1985 and May 1986* (6227.0).

CHART 2.c. PERSONS AGED 15 TO 64 WHO ATTENDED AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION IN 1985 AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS AT MAY 1986



(a) Estimate subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

Source: *Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1986* (6227.0).

TABLE 2.10. LEAVERS AGED 15 TO 64: TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION ATTENDED-FULL-TIME IN PREVIOUS YEAR AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS, MAY 1981 TO MAY 1986

	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986(a)
— '000—						
Attended school full-time	185.9	187.2	174.4	188.1	199.1	212.2
Labour force status—						
In the labour force	176.3	174.7	162.1	176.7	190.2	198.8
Employed	144.9	140.0	116.5	133.3	152.2	157.4
Unemployed	31.4	34.7	45.5	43.4	38.0	41.4
Not in the labour force	9.6	12.5	12.4	11.4	8.9	13.4
— per cent—						
Unemployment rate	17.8	19.8	28.1	24.6	20.0	20.8
Participation rate	94.8	93.3	92.9	94.0	95.5	93.7
— '000—						
Attended tertiary full-time	131.8	140.2	133.9	140.0	146.1	144.2
Labour force status—						
In the labour force	124.1	128.0	122.5	128.3	136.5	134.5
Employed	111.7	107.3	96.8	103.9	111.9	115.8
Unemployed	12.4	20.6	25.7	24.4	24.5	18.7
Not in the labour force	7.6	12.2	11.4	11.7	9.7	9.7
— per cent—						
Unemployment rate	10.0	16.1	21.0	19.0	18.0	13.9
Participation rate	94.2	91.3	91.5	91.7	93.4	93.3
— '000—						
Total	317.7	327.3	308.3	328.1	345.3	356.3

(a) Estimates for May 1986 are based on a revised definition of employment introduced in the April 1986 labour force survey. See paragraph 34 of Appendix 11 for further information.

Source: *Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1986* (6227.0).

TABLE 2.11. PERSONS AGED 15 TO 24 WHO ATTENDED SCHOOL IN 1985 BUT NOT IN MAY 1986: TYPE OF SCHOOL LAST ATTENDED, LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND WHETHER ATTENDING A TERTIARY INSTITUTION, MAY 1986

Type of school last attended	Employed			Unem- ployed	In the labour force	Not in the labour force	Total	Unemploy- ment rate	Partici- pation rate
	Full-time	Part-time	Total						
	— '000—									—per cent—
ATTENDING TERTIARY INSTITUTION FULL-TIME									
Males—									
Government/state	*	4.1	5.8	*	7.5	16.8	24.3	*	30.8
Non-government	*	6.0	6.3	*	7.7	6.1	13.8	*	56.1
Total	*	10.1	12.0	*	15.2	22.9	38.1	*	40.0
Females—									
Government/state	*	11.2	11.4	*	14.8	17.0	31.8	*	46.5
Non-government	*	6.5	6.5	*	7.4	6.6	14.0	*	52.8
Total	*	17.6	17.9	4.3	22.2	23.6	45.8	19.3	48.4
Persons—									
Government/state	*	15.3	17.2	5.1	22.3	33.8	56.1	22.8	39.7
Non-government	*	12.5	12.7	*	15.1	12.7	27.8	*	54.5
Total	*	27.8	29.9	7.5	37.4	46.5	83.9	20.0	44.6
ATTENDING TERTIARY INSTITUTION PART-TIME									
Males—									
Government/state	19.7	*	20.4	*	21.3	*	21.5	*	99.0
Non-government	4.5	*	5.0	*	5.5	*	5.5	*	100.0
Total	24.2	*	25.4	*	26.7	*	26.9	*	99.2
Females—									
Government/state	7.4	*	8.1	*	9.5	*	10.2	*	93.4
Non-government	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Total	9.2	*	10.9	*	13.0	*	13.7	*	95.0
Persons—									
Government/state	27.1	*	28.5	*	30.8	*	31.7	*	97.2
Non-government	6.3	*	7.8	*	8.9	*	8.9	*	100.0
Total	33.4	*	36.3	*	39.7	*	40.6	*	97.8
NOT ATTENDING TERTIARY INSTITUTION									
Males—									
Government/state	40.8	4.3	45.1	17.2	62.3	4.5	66.8	27.6	93.3
Non-government	12.2	*	13.1	*	15.3	*	15.6	*	97.9
Total	53.1	5.2	58.2	19.4	77.6	4.8	82.4	25.0	94.2
Females—									
Government/state	46.2	7.9	54.1	16.6	70.7	7.6	78.3	23.5	90.3
Non-government	10.2	*	12.5	*	15.0	*	15.8	*	95.0
Total	56.4	10.1	66.5	19.2	85.7	8.4	94.1	22.4	91.1
Persons—									
Government/state	87.0	12.2	99.2	33.8	133.0	12.1	145.1	25.4	91.7
Non-government	22.5	*	25.6	4.7	30.3	*	31.4	15.6	96.5
Total	109.5	15.3	124.8	38.5	163.3	13.2	176.5	23.6	92.5
TOTAL									
Males—									
Government/state	62.2	9.1	71.3	19.8	91.1	21.5	112.6	21.7	80.9
Non-government	16.9	7.5	24.4	4.1	28.5	6.4	34.9	14.4	81.7
Total	79.1	16.6	95.7	23.9	119.6	27.9	147.5	20.0	81.1
Females—									
Government/state	53.8	19.8	73.6	21.4	95.0	25.3	120.3	22.5	79.0
Non-government	12.1	9.7	21.7	4.1	25.8	7.4	33.2	15.9	77.8
Total	65.9	29.5	95.3	25.5	120.8	32.7	153.5	21.1	78.7
Persons—									
Government/state	116.0	28.9	144.9	41.2	186.1	46.8	232.9	22.1	79.9
Non-government	29.0	17.1	46.1	8.2	54.4	13.8	68.1	15.1	79.8
Total	145.0	46.0	191.0	49.4	240.4	60.6	301.0	20.5	79.9

Source: Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1986 (6227.0).

TABLE 2.12. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS
FEBRUARY 1986

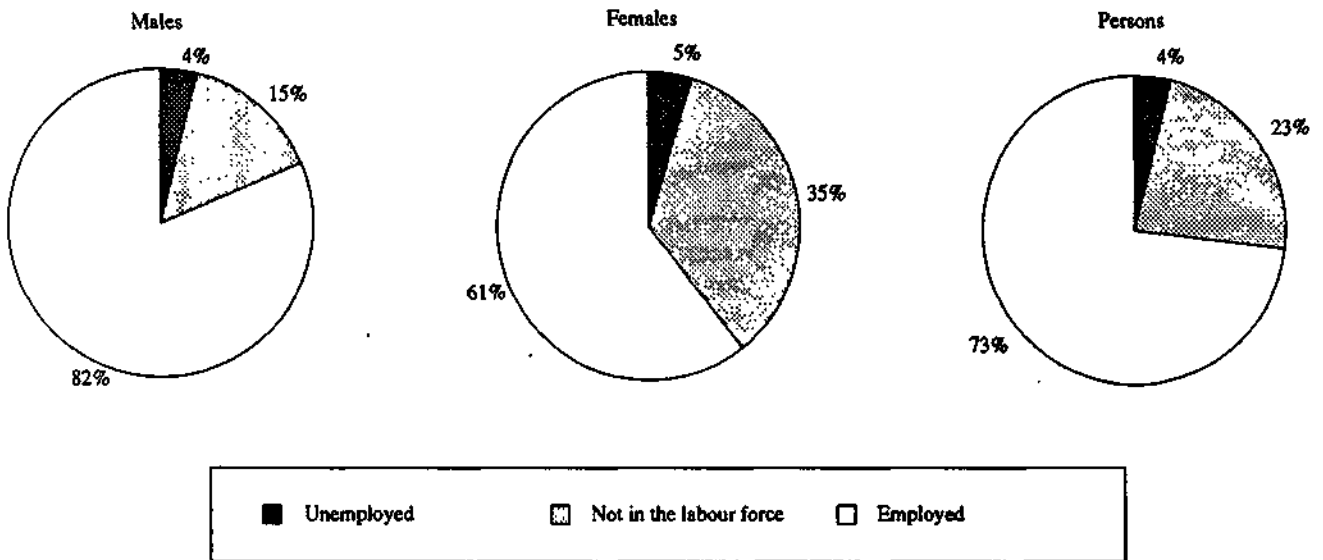
Educational attainment	Employed			Unem- ployed	In the labour force	Not in the labour force	Total	Partici- pation rate(a)	Unem- ployment rate
	Full- time	Part- time	Total						
	— '000 —									— per cent —
MALES									
With post-school qualifications	1,921.3	70.3	1,991.6	88.7	2,080.4	358.4	2,438.8	85.3	4.3
Degree	436.4	20.3	456.7	12.7	469.4	56.7	526.2	89.2	2.7
Trade; technical or other certificate	1,443.0	47.4	1,490.4	70.0	1,560.4	294.0	1,854.4	84.1	4.5
Other	41.8	*	44.5	6.0	50.5	7.7	58.2	86.8	11.8
Without post-school qualifications	2,021.2	126.2	2,147.4	262.2	2,409.7	858.7	3,268.3	73.7	10.9
Attended highest level of secondary school available	460.8	41.6	502.4	54.0	556.3	134.9	691.3	80.5	9.7
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	1,555.3	84.2	1,639.5	207.6	1,847.1	712.3	2,559.5	72.2	11.2
Left at age—									
18 and over	34.4	*	36.7	*	40.2	7.3	47.5	84.6	*
16 or 17	529.4	24.8	554.2	66.1	620.2	93.6	713.8	86.9	10.7
14 or 15	845.7	46.6	892.3	120.9	1,013.3	443.4	1,456.7	69.6	11.9
13 and under	145.8	10.5	156.4	17.1	173.5	168.0	341.4	50.8	9.9
Never attended school	5.0	*	5.5	*	6.1	11.4	17.6	35.0	*
Still at school(b)	*	39.7	41.5	17.0	58.5	192.1	250.6	23.3	29.0
Total	3,944.3	236.2	4,180.5	367.9	4,548.5	1,409.2	5,957.7	76.3	8.1
FEMALES									
With post-school qualifications	739.5	335.9	1,075.4	83.1	1,158.5	616.1	1,774.6	65.3	7.2
Degree	182.7	55.0	237.7	14.8	252.5	86.1	338.6	74.6	5.8
Trade; technical or other certificate	529.0	263.6	792.6	60.6	853.3	493.6	1,346.9	63.4	7.1
Other	27.8	17.3	45.1	7.7	52.8	36.3	89.1	59.2	14.6
Without post-school qualifications	959.3	553.1	1,512.4	193.0	1,705.4	2,416.2	4,121.6	41.4	11.3
Attended highest level of secondary school available	250.7	105.1	355.8	45.6	401.5	282.0	683.5	58.7	11.4
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	706.1	446.7	1,152.8	145.9	1,298.7	2,108.7	3,407.4	38.1	11.2
Left at age—									
18 and over	14.1	*	18.0	*	21.5	18.2	39.7	54.1	*
16 or 17	296.8	153.1	449.9	60.7	510.6	412.9	923.5	55.3	11.9
14 or 15	346.2	259.0	605.2	72.9	678.1	1,360.0	2,038.1	33.3	10.7
13 and under	48.9	30.6	79.5	8.9	88.4	317.7	406.1	21.8	10.0
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	5.3	25.4	30.7	17.2	*
Still at school(b)	*	58.6	59.1	19.2	78.3	169.0	247.2	31.6	24.5
Total	1,699.3	947.6	2,646.8	295.3	2,942.2	3,201.2	6,143.4	47.9	10.0
PERSONS									
With post-school qualifications	2,660.8	406.3	3,067.0	171.8	3,238.9	974.5	4,213.4	76.9	5.3
Degree	619.1	75.3	694.4	27.5	721.9	142.9	864.8	83.5	3.8
Trade; technical or other certificate	1,972.1	311.0	2,283.0	130.6	2,413.7	787.6	3,201.3	75.4	5.4
Other	69.6	20.0	89.6	13.7	103.3	44.0	147.3	70.1	13.3
Without post-school qualifications	2,980.5	679.3	3,659.8	455.2	4,115.0	3,274.9	7,389.9	55.7	11.1
Attended highest level of secondary school available	711.6	146.7	858.2	99.6	957.8	417.0	1,374.8	69.7	10.4
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	2,261.4	530.9	2,792.3	353.5	3,145.8	2,821.1	5,966.9	52.7	11.2
Left at age—									
18 and over	48.5	6.2	54.7	6.9	61.6	25.5	87.2	70.7	11.3
16 or 17	826.2	177.9	1,004.1	126.8	1,130.9	506.4	1,637.3	69.1	11.2
14 or 15	1,192.0	305.6	1,497.6	193.8	1,691.4	1,803.4	3,494.8	48.4	11.5
13 and under	194.8	41.1	235.9	26.0	261.9	485.7	747.6	35.0	9.9
Never attended school	7.5	*	9.3	*	11.4	36.8	48.2	23.7	*
Still at school(b)	*	98.2	100.6	36.2	136.8	361.1	497.8	27.5	26.4
Total	5,643.6	1,183.8	6,827.4	643.3	7,490.6	4,610.4	12,101.1	61.9	8.9

(a) Because it is not practicable to ascertain details of educational attainment for persons in institutions and boarding school pupils, participation rates have been calculated by using population estimates which exclude those in institutions and boarding school pupils. Participation rates and estimates of persons not in the labour force therefore differ from those given in other tables and charts. (b) Aged 15 to 20 only.

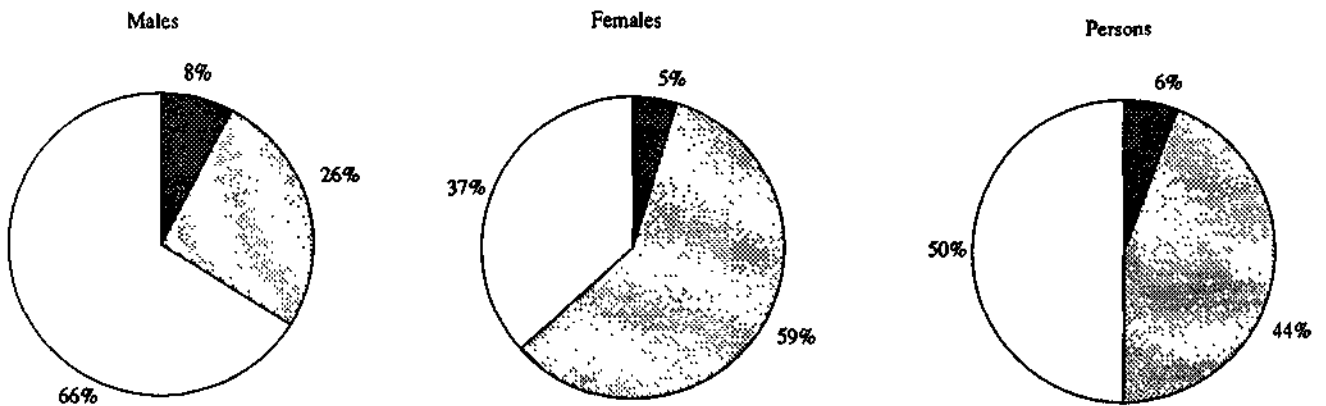
Source: Labour Force Status and Educational Attainment, Australia, February 1986 (6235.0).

**CHART 2.d. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER:
LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT^(a)
FEBRUARY 1986**

With post-school qualifications



Without post school qualifications

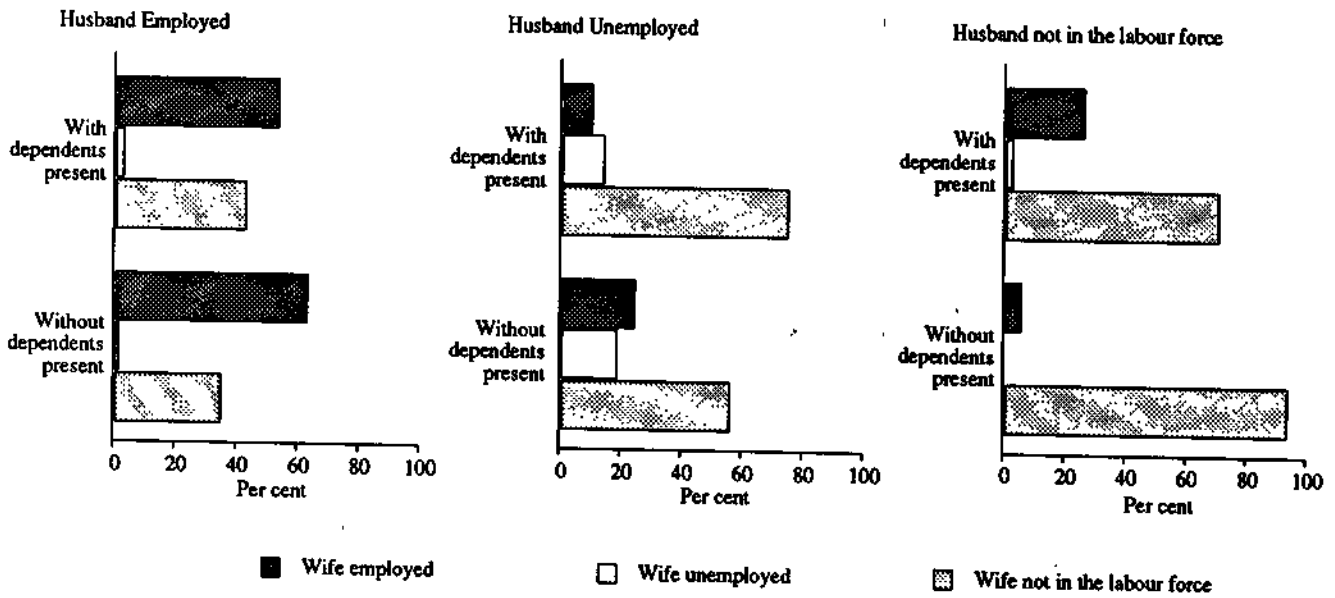


^(a) Excludes persons in institutions and boarding school pupils from whom details of educational attainment were not obtained and persons aged 15 to 20 still at school.

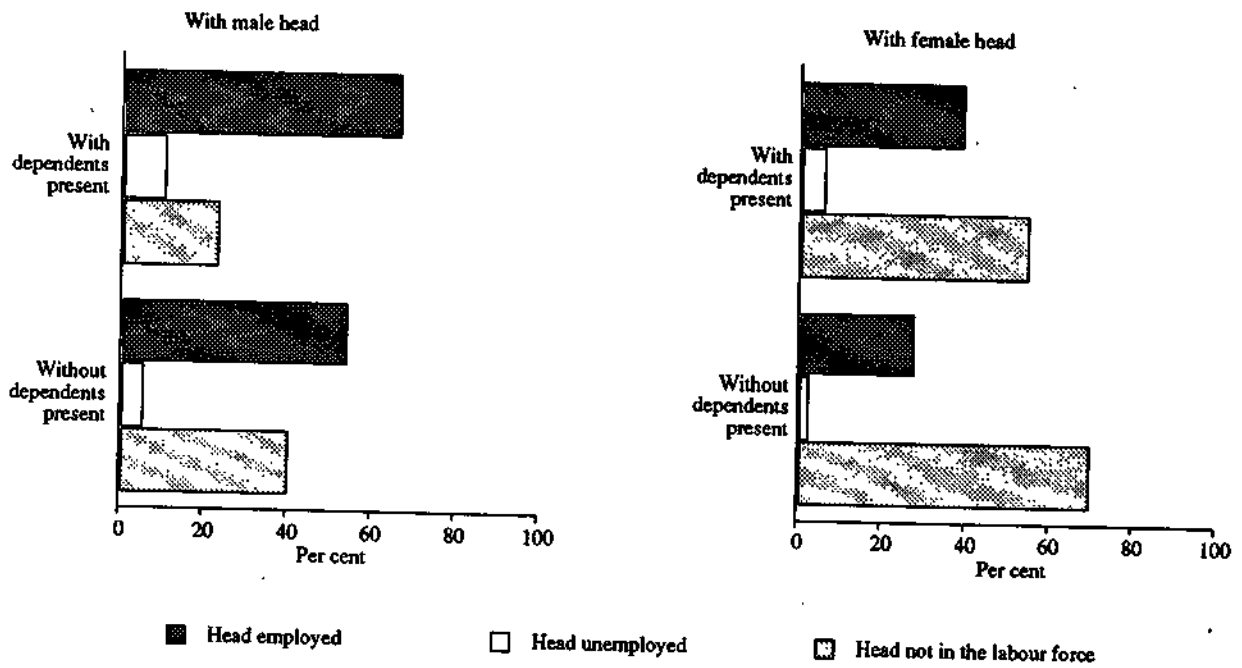
Source: Labour Force Status and Educational Attainment, Australia, February 1986 (6235.0).

CHART 2.e. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND, WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD, JUNE 1986

(a) MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES



(b) OTHER FAMILIES



Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, June 1986 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.13. FAMILY STATUS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER(a), JUNE 1986

	Employed		Unemployed		Labour force	Not in the labour force	Total	Unemployment rate	Participation rate	
	Full-time workers	Part-time workers	Total	Looking for full-time work						Total
	—'000—									—per cent—
MALES										
Member of a family	3,279.5	227.4	3,506.9	224.5	245.8	3,752.6	1,112.0	4,864.6	6.5	77.1
Husband	2,593.6	102.2	2,695.8	120.9	124.9	2,820.7	740.4	3,561.1	4.4	79.2
With dependents present	1,681.2	42.4	1,723.6	83.0	84.5	1,808.1	93.0	1,901.1	4.7	95.1
Without dependents present	912.4	59.8	972.2	37.8	40.5	1,012.7	647.4	1,660.0	4.0	61.0
Not-married family head	57.5	4.0	61.6	6.6	7.8	69.4	35.1	104.5	11.3	66.4
With dependents present	24.6	*	26.8	*	4.2	31.0	9.4	40.4	13.4	76.8
Without dependents present	32.9	*	34.8	3.5	3.7	38.4	25.7	64.1	9.6	59.9
Full-time student aged 15-24(b)	4.6	80.6	85.2	4.3	17.7	102.9	252.7	355.6	17.2	28.9
Other child(c) of family head	577.6	37.0	614.7	83.7	86.2	700.8	52.0	752.8	12.3	93.1
Other relative	46.1	3.6	49.7	9.1	9.1	58.8	31.9	90.6	15.5	64.8
Not a member of a family	502.5	39.8	542.2	45.4	48.7	590.9	176.5	767.4	8.2	77.0
Living alone	240.7	17.8	258.5	17.1	18.5	277.0	134.9	411.9	6.7	67.2
Not living alone	261.8	21.9	283.7	28.2	30.3	314.0	41.6	355.5	9.6	88.3
Total	3,781.9	267.2	4,049.1	269.9	294.5	4,343.6	1,288.5	5,632.1	6.8	77.1
FEMALES										
Member of a family	1,301.8	954.5	2,256.3	122.2	191.3	2,447.5	2,439.3	4,886.9	7.8	50.1
Wife	833.3	753.1	1,586.3	49.6	91.6	1,678.0	1,815.6	3,493.6	5.5	48.0
With dependents present	393.5	538.4	931.9	30.2	67.2	999.2	852.8	1,852.0	6.7	54.0
Without dependents present	439.8	214.7	654.4	19.4	24.4	678.8	962.8	1,641.6	3.6	41.4
Not-married family head	102.4	55.0	157.5	14.0	21.6	179.0	275.7	454.7	12.0	39.4
With dependents present	66.1	42.9	109.0	10.3	17.1	126.1	152.8	279.0	13.6	45.2
Without dependents present	36.3	12.2	48.5	3.7	4.4	52.9	122.8	175.8	8.4	30.1
Full-time student aged 15-24(b)	*	98.4	100.5	3.9	21.1	121.6	227.0	348.6	17.4	34.9
Other child(c) of family head	339.4	43.5	382.9	48.5	50.6	433.5	39.4	472.9	11.7	91.7
Other relative	24.6	4.4	29.1	6.1	6.3	35.4	81.7	117.1	17.9	30.2
Not a member of a family	290.0	60.5	350.6	26.7	31.3	381.8	476.6	858.4	8.2	44.5
Living alone	128.3	25.7	154.0	7.7	9.0	162.9	429.7	592.6	5.5	27.5
Not living alone	161.7	34.9	196.6	19.0	22.3	218.9	46.9	265.9	10.2	82.3
Total	1,591.8	1,015.0	2,606.8	148.8	222.5	2,829.4	2,916.0	5,745.3	7.9	49.2
PERSONS										
Member of a family	4,581.2	1,181.9	5,763.1	346.7	437.0	6,200.2	3,551.3	9,751.5	7.0	63.6
Husband or wife	3,426.9	855.3	4,282.1	170.5	216.6	4,498.7	2,556.0	7,054.7	4.8	63.8
With dependents present	2,074.7	580.8	2,655.5	113.2	151.7	2,807.3	945.8	3,753.0	5.4	74.8
Without dependents present	1,352.2	274.4	1,626.6	57.3	64.9	1,691.5	1,610.2	3,301.7	3.8	51.2
Not-married family head	160.0	59.1	219.1	20.6	29.4	248.5	310.8	559.2	11.8	44.4
With dependents present	90.7	45.1	135.8	13.4	21.3	157.1	162.2	319.3	13.6	49.2
Without dependents present	69.3	14.0	83.2	7.1	8.1	91.4	148.6	239.9	8.9	38.1
Full-time student aged 15-24(b)	6.7	179.0	185.7	8.2	38.8	224.5	479.7	704.2	17.3	31.9
Other child(c) of family head	917.0	80.5	997.5	132.2	136.8	1,134.3	91.3	1,225.7	12.1	92.5
Other relative	70.7	8.0	78.7	15.2	15.4	94.1	113.6	207.7	16.4	45.3
Not a member of a family	792.5	100.3	892.8	72.0	80.0	972.8	653.1	1,625.9	8.2	59.8
Living alone	369.0	43.5	412.5	24.8	27.4	439.9	564.6	1,004.5	6.2	43.8
Not living alone	423.5	56.8	480.3	47.2	52.6	532.9	88.5	621.4	9.9	85.8
Total	5,373.7	1,282.2	6,655.9	418.7	517.0	7,173.0	4,204.4	11,377.4	7.2	63.0

(a) Civilians who were residents of private dwellings where family status was determined. (b) Excludes persons age 20 to 24 attending school. (c) Aged 15 and over.

Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, June 1986 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.14 FAMILY STATUS OF FULL-TIME AND PART-TIME WORKERS, JUNE 1986
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	Full-time workers	Part-time workers				Total workers	Average weekly hours worked		
		Weekly hours worked			By full-time workers		By part-time workers	Total	
		0(a)	1-14	15-34					Total
MALES									
Member of a family	3,279.5	12.8	116.5	98.2	227.4	3,506.9	40.5	13.9	38.8
Husband	2,593.6	7.3	35.9	59.0	102.2	2,695.8	41.3	16.7	40.4
With dependents present	1,681.2	*	12.8	26.4	42.4	1,723.6	42.1	18.1	41.5
Without dependents present	912.4	4.1	23.1	32.6	59.8	972.2	39.9	15.8	38.4
Not-married family head	57.6	*	*	*	4.0	61.6	39.6	18.0	38.1
With dependents present	24.6	*	*	*	*	26.8	39.9	16.8	38.0
Without dependents present	32.9	*	*	*	*	34.8	39.3	19.4	38.3
Full-time student aged 15-24(b)	4.6	3.7	67.4	9.5	80.6	85.2	32.0	7.7	9.0
Other child(c) of family head	577.6	*	10.4	25.6	37.0	614.7	37.3	19.1	36.2
Other relative of family head	46.1	*	*	*	3.6	49.7	38.1	15.0	36.4
Not a member of a family	502.5	*	14.3	23.6	39.8	542.2	39.4	17.5	37.8
Living alone	240.7	*	7.1	10.2	17.8	258.5	40.1	16.4	38.5
Not living alone	261.8	*	7.2	13.5	21.9	283.7	38.8	18.3	37.3
Total	3,781.9	14.6	130.8	121.8	267.2	4,049.1	40.4	14.5	38.7
FEMALES									
Member of a family	1,301.8	45.3	423.1	486.1	954.5	2,256.3	36.4	15.0	27.3
Wife	833.3	37.2	303.8	412.1	753.1	1,586.3	36.9	15.6	26.7
With dependents present	393.5	24.3	230.9	283.1	538.4	931.9	37.2	15.1	24.4
Without dependents present	439.8	12.8	72.9	129.0	214.7	654.4	36.5	16.8	30.0
Not married family head	102.4	*	21.4	30.7	55.0	157.5	36.7	16.0	29.5
With dependents present	66.1	*	18.3	22.9	42.9	109.0	36.7	15.6	28.4
Without dependents present	36.3	*	*	7.8	12.2	48.5	36.6	17.4	31.8
Full-time student aged 15-24(b)	*	4.4	85.2	8.9	98.4	100.5	39.8	7.7	8.3
Other child(c) of family head	339.4	*	11.8	31.1	43.5	382.9	35.3	19.7	33.5
Other relative of family head	24.6	*	*	*	4.4	29.1	36.5	18.9	33.8
Not a member of a family	290.0	*	21.8	35.4	60.5	350.6	36.7	16.6	33.3
Living alone	128.3	*	9.2	14.8	25.7	154.0	36.8	16.5	33.4
Not living alone	161.7	*	12.6	20.6	34.9	196.6	36.7	16.8	33.2
Total	1,591.8	48.6	444.9	521.5	1,015.0	2,606.8	36.5	15.1	28.1
PERSONS									
Member of a family	4,581.2	58.0	539.6	584.3	1,181.9	5,763.1	39.3	14.8	34.3
Husband or wife	3,426.9	44.4	339.7	471.1	855.3	4,282.1	40.2	15.7	35.3
With dependents present	2,074.7	27.5	243.8	309.6	580.8	2,655.5	41.2	15.3	35.5
Without dependents present	1,352.2	16.9	96.0	161.5	274.4	1,626.6	38.8	16.5	35.0
Not-married family head	160.0	*	22.5	33.2	59.1	219.1	37.7	16.2	31.9
With dependents present	90.7	*	19.2	24.0	45.1	135.8	37.6	15.7	30.3
Without dependents present	69.3	*	*	9.2	14.0	83.2	37.9	17.7	34.5
Full-time student aged 15-24(b)	6.7	8.0	152.6	18.3	179.0	185.7	34.4	7.7	8.7
Other child(c) of family head	917.0	*	22.3	56.7	80.5	997.5	36.5	19.4	35.1
Other relative of family head	70.7	*	*	5.0	8.0	78.7	37.5	17.2	35.4
Not a member of a family	792.5	5.2	36.1	59.0	100.3	892.8	38.5	17.0	36.0
Living alone	369.0	*	16.3	24.9	43.5	412.5	38.9	16.5	36.6
Not living alone	423.5	*	19.8	34.1	56.8	480.3	38.0	17.4	35.6
Total	5,373.7	63.2	575.7	643.3	1,282.2	6,655.9	39.2	14.9	34.5

(a) Persons who had a job in which they usually worked part time, i.e. less than 35 hours per week, but were not at work during the survey week. (b) Excludes persons aged 20-24 attending school. (c) Aged 15 and over.

Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, June 1986 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.15. ALL FAMILIES : TYPE OF FAMILY, NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS PRESENT, AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS(a) OF FAMILY MEMBERS, JULY 1985 AND JUNE 1986
(⁰⁰⁰ families)

Number of dependents present	None employed		One employed		Two or more employed		Total	
	July 1985	June 1986(b)	July 1985	June 1986(b)	July 1985	June 1986(b)	July 1985	June 1986(b)
MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES								
None	556.0	556.8	358.9	352.5	681.3	741.7	1,596.2	1,651.0
One or more	120.2	116.5	768.9	710.5	995.3	1,046.9	1,884.4	1,873.9
One	42.7	38.4	208.6	200.2	344.7	357.2	596.1	595.9
Two	41.3	37.3	334.7	312.3	407.8	438.8	783.8	788.3
Three	22.3	25.1	167.1	146.0	184.6	189.0	374.1	360.5
Four or more	13.8	15.7	58.5	52.0	58.2	62.0	130.5	129.7
Total	676.2	673.4	1,127.8	1,063.0	1,676.6	1,788.5	3,480.6	3,524.9
OTHER FAMILIES WITH MALE HEAD								
None	11.3	12.1	20.1	21.5	27.8	31.2	59.2	64.9
One or more	7.9	11.9	23.1	23.1	6.4	5.2	37.4	40.3
One	4.9	8.2	13.5	15.6	5.0	4.1	23.5	27.9
Two	*	3.5	6.4	5.8	*	*	9.3	8.9
Three	*	*	*	*	*	*	3.7	*
Four or more	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Total	19.2	24.0	43.2	44.6	34.2	36.5	96.6	105.1
OTHER FAMILIES WITH A FEMALE HEAD								
None	50.1	43.3	71.7	79.8	55.1	54.3	176.8	177.5
One or more	153.9	146.0	100.1	103.0	25.1	30.6	279.0	279.6
One	76.4	68.1	54.2	58.5	12.9	19.0	143.5	145.7
Two	49.3	47.5	32.5	35.5	9.4	9.0	91.2	91.6
Three	19.9	22.1	10.3	7.3	*	*	32.6	31.4
Four or more	8.3	8.1	*	*	*	*	11.7	11.0
Total	204.0	189.3	171.7	182.8	80.1	84.9	455.9	457.1
OTHER FAMILIES : TOTAL								
None	61.4	55.5	91.8	101.3	82.8	85.5	236.1	242.3
One or more	161.8	157.9	123.2	126.1	31.5	35.9	316.4	319.9
One	81.3	76.4	67.7	74.1	18.0	23.1	167.0	173.6
Two	51.0	49.9	38.9	40.9	10.6	9.8	100.5	100.5
Three	20.6	23.3	13.1	8.7	*	*	36.2	34.3
Four or more	8.9	8.3	*	*	*	*	12.6	11.5
Total	223.2	213.3	215.0	227.4	114.3	121.4	552.5	562.2
ALL FAMILIES								
None	617.4	612.3	450.7	453.7	764.1	827.2	1,832.2	1,893.3
One or more	282.0	274.4	892.1	836.7	1,026.8	1,082.8	2,200.9	2,193.8
One	124.1	114.8	276.4	274.4	362.6	380.4	763.1	769.5
Two	92.3	87.2	373.6	353.1	418.4	448.5	884.3	888.9
Three	42.9	48.4	180.3	154.7	187.2	191.3	410.3	394.4
Four or more	22.7	24.0	61.8	54.4	58.6	62.6	143.2	141.1
Total	899.4	886.7	1,342.8	1,290.4	1,790.9	1,910.0	4,033.1	4,087.1

(a) Employment status refers to persons aged 15 and over only. (b) Estimates for June 1986 are based on a revised definition introduced in April 1986. See paragraph 34 of Appendix II for further information.

Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, June 1986 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.16. MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES : LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE, AND AGE OF YOUNGEST DEPENDENT PRESENT, JUNE 1986
(' 000 families)

	Wife employed			Wife unemployed	Wife in the labour force	Wife not in the labour force	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total				
HUSBAND EMPLOYED FULL-TIME							
Families with dependents present	370.0	515.9	886.0	52.5	938.4	718.7	1,657.1
Age of youngest dependent							
0- 4	92.5	184.6	277.1	23.2	300.3	404.2	704.5
5- 9	94.2	144.1	238.4	14.0	252.4	132.9	385.3
10-14	124.1	130.8	254.9	10.2	265.1	116.1	381.2
15-24	59.2	56.4	115.6	5.0	120.6	65.4	186.1
Families without dependents present	404.7	180.3	585.0	13.8	598.7	307.4	906.1
Total	774.7	696.2	1,470.9	66.2	1,537.2	1,026.1	2,563.3
HUSBAND EMPLOYED : TOTAL							
Families with dependents present	379.5	529.5	909.0	53.5	962.5	736.1	1,698.6
Age of youngest dependent							
0- 4	96.2	190.3	286.5	23.7	310.2	414.9	725.0
5- 9	96.0	147.7	243.7	14.0	257.8	135.2	393.0
10-14	126.3	133.8	260.1	10.6	270.7	119.0	389.7
15-24	61.0	57.7	118.6	5.1	123.8	67.0	190.8
Families without dependents present	415.6	195.2	610.8	15.5	626.3	339.1	965.4
Total	795.0	724.7	1,519.7	69.0	1,588.7	1,075.2	2,664.0
HUSBAND IN THE LABOUR FORCE							
Families with dependents present	383.1	534.5	917.6	65.5	983.1	798.6	1,781.7
Age of youngest dependent							
0- 4	97.9	192.4	290.3	29.5	319.8	450.7	770.5
5- 9	97.3	149.2	246.5	18.0	264.5	149.9	414.3
10-14	126.6	134.6	261.2	12.3	273.4	127.2	400.7
15-24	61.2	58.3	119.6	5.8	125.3	70.8	196.2
Families without dependents present	422.1	198.7	620.8	23.1	643.9	361.7	1,005.6
Total	805.2	733.2	1,538.3	88.6	1,627.0	1,160.3	2,787.3
TOTAL							
Families with dependents present	396.8	545.2	942.0	68.2	1,010.2	863.8	1,873.9
Age of youngest dependent							
0- 4	100.2	195.0	295.2	30.8	326.0	467.6	793.6
5- 9	101.8	151.5	253.4	18.3	271.7	161.0	432.7
10-14	131.4	137.2	268.7	12.9	281.6	147.0	428.5
15-24	63.4	61.3	124.7	6.1	130.9	88.3	219.1
Families without dependents present	443.0	216.5	659.5	24.8	684.3	366.7	1,051.0
Total	839.9	761.6	1,601.5	93.0	1,694.5	1,230.4	3,524.9

Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, June 1986 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.17. OTHER FAMILIES : LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF FAMILY HEAD AND AGE OF YOUNGEST DEPENDENT PRESENT, JUNE 1986
(' 000 families)

	Family head employed			Family head unemployed	Family head in the labour force	Family head not in the labour force	Total
	Full-time	Part-time	Total				
Families with dependents present	90.7	45.3	136.0	21.2	157.3	162.6	319.9
Age of youngest dependent							
0- 4	13.1	9.3	22.4	5.7	28.1	63.3	91.4
5- 9	21.5	13.9	35.4	6.3	41.7	40.6	82.3
10-14	33.8	14.6	48.4	6.2	54.6	36.9	91.5
15-24	22.3	7.5	29.9	*	32.9	21.8	54.7
Families without dependents present	70.0	14.1	84.1	8.2	92.4	150.0	242.3
Total	160.8	59.4	220.2	29.5	249.7	312.6	562.2

Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, June 1986 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.18. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: WHETHER IN THE LABOUR FORCE AND WHETHER HAD RE-ENTERED THE LABOUR FORCE, MAY 1985
(⁰⁰⁰)

<i>Whether in the labour force and whether had re-entered the labour force</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
<i>Persons aged 15 and over</i>	5,871.3	6,056.1	11,927.4
Out of the labour force	1,402.2	3,205.6	4,607.8
In the labour force	4,469.1	2,850.5	7,319.5
Persons who had re-entered the labour force	20.3	136.5	156.8
Working	14.6	97.3	111.8
Looking for work	5.7	39.3	45.0
Other	4,448.7	2,714.0	7,162.7

Source: *Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force, Australia, May 1985* (6264.0).

TABLE 2.19. PERSONS WHO HAD RE-ENTERED THE LABOUR FORCE: SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS AND WHETHER WORKING OR LOOKING FOR WORK
MAY 1985
(⁰⁰⁰)

	<i>Working</i>			<i>Looking for Work</i>			<i>Total</i>		
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
Age group (years)—									
15-24	*	7.1	9.6	*	4.1	4.6	*	11.2	14.2
25-34	5.5	51.6	57.1	3.5	21.4	23.5	7.6	73.0	80.6
35-44	4.0	29.8	32.1	10.4	11.8	11.8	3.7	40.2	43.9
45-54	*	7.2	8.8	*	*	*	*	9.7	12.2
55 and over	*	*	4.2	*	*	5.1	3.6	*	6.0
Family status—									
Member of a family	9.7	90.0	99.7	3.7	35.6	39.3	13.4	125.7	139.1
Husband or wife	7.2	80.6	87.8	*	29.0	32.0	10.2	109.6	119.8
With children aged 0-14 present	*	70.2	73.3	*	26.8	28.3	4.5	97.1	101.6
Without children aged 0-14 present	4.2	10.3	14.5	*	*	3.7	5.7	12.5	18.2
Not married family head	*	7.4	7.8	*	6.0	6.4	*	13.4	14.2
Child of family head	*	*	3.7	*	*	*	*	*	4.3
Other relative of family head	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Not a member of a family	4.5	*	7.6	*	*	*	5.9	4.4	10.2
Not family coded	*	4.2	4.5	*	*	*	*	6.5	7.5
Birthplace and year of arrival—									
Born in Australia	10.9	73.1	84.0	*	29.1	32.1	13.8	102.2	116.0
Born outside Australia	3.7	24.1	27.9	*	10.2	12.9	6.5	34.3	40.8
Arrived before 1971	*	14.5	16.6	*	6.2	8.2	4.1	20.7	24.8
Arrived 1971-1985	*	9.7	11.3	*	3.9	4.7	*	13.6	16.0
Born in Main English speaking countries(a)	*	14.4	16.3	*	5.7	7.5	3.6	20.1	23.8
Born in other countries	*	9.7	11.6	*	4.5	5.5	*	14.2	17.0
Total	14.6	97.3	111.8	5.7	39.3	45.0	20.3	136.5	156.8

(a) Comprises UK, Ireland, Canada, South Africa, USA and New Zealand.

Source: *Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force, Australia, May 1985* (6264.0).

TABLE 2.20. PERSONS WHO HAD RE-ENTERED THE LABOUR FORCE: DETAILS OF PREVIOUS JOB AND WHETHER WORKING OR LOOKING FOR WORK, MAY 1985
(000)

	Working			Looking for Work			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Full-time or part-time status in previous job—									
Previous job less than 20 years ago—									
Full-time	13.8	74.3	88.1	5.7	33.0	38.8	19.5	107.4	126.9
Part-time	*	16.5	17.2	*	4.5	4.5	*	21.0	21.7
Total(a)	14.6	92.8	107.4	5.7	37.8	43.5	20.3	130.6	150.9
Previous job 20 or more years ago	*	4.4	4.4	*	*	*	*	5.9	5.9
Time in previous job (years)—									
1- 2	4.5	28.0	32.5	*	10.9	12.9	6.4	38.9	45.3
3- 4		19.8	22.3	*	8.3	8.6		28.0	31.0
5- 9	4.5	33.2	35.2	*	15.1	16.4	6.2	48.3	51.6
10-19	5.7	15.6	18.9	*	4.8	5.5	3.9	20.5	24.4
20 or more		*	*	*	*	*	3.8	*	4.6
Reason left previous job—									
Retrenched/made redundant/lost job	*	4.8	7.2	*	*	4.6	3.6	8.1	11.8
Returned to studies	5.0	3.6	8.6	*	*	*	5.3	4.5	9.8
Retired/did not want to work any longer	*	3.8	5.1	*	*	*	*	4.6	6.2
Unsatisfactory work arrangements	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.2	4.7
Own ill health or injury	*	4.5	7.7	*	*	4.0	5.5	6.1	11.6
To get married	*	7.3	7.3	*	3.9	3.9	*	11.2	11.2
Pregnancy/to have children	*	51.7	51.7	*	19.1	19.1	*	70.8	70.8
To look after family, house or someone else	*	4.5	4.7	*	*	*	*	7.4	7.6
Moved house/spouse transferred	*	7.0	7.3	*	*	3.6	*	10.4	10.9
Travel	*	4.5	5.5	*	*	*	*	5.6	7.0
Other	*	*	4.1	*	*	*	*	3.7	5.3
Educational attainment when left previous job—									
With post-school qualifications	5.4	38.1	43.5	*	11.8	13.9	7.6	49.8	57.4
Degree	*	8.4	10.0	*	*	*	*	10.4	12.7
Trade, technical or other certificate	3.5	28.0	31.5	*	9.5	10.9	4.9	37.5	42.4
Without post-school qualifications(b)	9.2	59.2	68.4	3.6	27.5	31.1	12.8	86.7	99.4
Attended highest level of secondary school available	4.7	12.0	16.7	*	4.2	4.7	5.1	16.2	21.3
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	4.5	47.2	51.7	*	23.3	26.4	7.6	70.5	78.1
Left at age—									
16 or over	*	19.7	21.1	*	9.0	10.0	*	28.6	31.1
15 or under	*	27.5	30.6	*	14.3	16.4	5.2	41.8	47.0
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Still at school	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Time since previous job (years)—									
1- 2	8.7	28.9	37.6	3.7	9.2	12.9	12.4	38.1	50.5
3- 4	3.9	21.5	25.4	*	5.5	6.4	4.9	26.9	31.8
5- 9	*	25.1	26.7	*	14.6	15.4	*	39.7	42.1
10-19	*	17.3	17.7	*	8.6	8.8	*	25.9	26.5
20 or more	*	4.4	4.4	*	*	*	*	5.9	5.9
Total	14.6	97.3	111.8	5.7	39.3	45.0	20.3	136.5	156.8

(a) Includes varied/did not know. (b) Includes other.

Source: Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force, Australia, May 1985 (6264.0).

TABLE 2.21. PERSONS WHO HAVE LEFT THE LABOUR FORCE WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS: DURATION OF CONTINUOUS PERIOD IN THE LABOUR FORCE BEFORE LEAVING, WHETHER INTENDED TO RETURN TO THE LABOUR FORCE AND AGE, NOVEMBER 1985
(' 000)

	Age group				
	15-24	25-44	45-59	60 and over	Total
MALES					
Continuous period of at least twelve months in the labour force before leaving	11.7	18.1	17.1	31.1	78.0
Intended to return to the labour force	10.6	12.4	5.9	*	31.1
Did not intend to return to the labour force	*	*	6.9	25.3	34.7
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	4.4		4.3	*	12.2
Continuous period of less than twelve months in the labour force before leaving	35.9	12.8	4.8	6.3	59.9
Intended to return to the labour force	32.2	9.2	*	*	45.3
Did not intend to return to the labour force	*	*	*	4.1	8.7
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	*	*	*	*	5.8
Total	47.6	31.0	21.9	37.4	137.9
Intended to return to the labour force	42.8	21.6	8.6	*	76.4
Did not intend to return to the labour force	6.0		8.0	29.4	43.5
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	*	5.8	5.3	4.4	18.0
FEMALES					
Continuous period of at least twelve months in the labour force before leaving	30.5	82.3	27.7	12.6	153.0
Intended to return to the labour force	17.1	43.9	6.1	*	67.8
Did not intend to return to the labour force	8.1	20.8	17.6	11.0	57.5
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	5.3	17.5	4.0	*	27.8
Continuous period of less than twelve months in the labour force before leaving	53.4	95.0	18.5	*	170.3
Intended to return to the labour force	41.0	48.3	9.0	*	99.1
Did not intend to return to the labour force	8.2	24.7	7.2	*	41.8
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	4.3	21.9	*	*	29.5
Total	83.9	177.3	46.2	16.0	323.4
Intended to return to the labour force	58.0	92.3	15.1	*	166.8
Did not intend to return to the labour force	16.3	45.5	24.8	12.7	99.2
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	9.6	39.5	6.3	*	57.3
PERSONS					
Continuous period of at least twelve months in the labour force before leaving	42.2	100.4	44.8	43.7	231.1
Intended to return to the labour force	27.6	56.3	12.0	*	98.9
Did not intend to return to the labour force	8.6	22.8	24.5	36.3	92.2
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	5.9	21.3	8.3	4.4	40.0
Continuous period of less than twelve months in the labour force before leaving	89.4	107.8	23.3	9.7	230.2
Intended to return to the labour force	73.2	57.6	11.7	*	144.4
Did not intend to return to the labour force	10.0	26.3	8.3	5.8	50.5
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	6.1	23.9	5.2		35.3
Total	131.5	208.2	68.2	53.4	461.3
Intended to return to the labour force	100.8	113.9	23.7	4.9	243.3
Did not intend to return to the labour force	18.6	49.1	32.9	42.1	142.7
Undecided about whether would return to the labour force	12.1	45.3	11.6	6.4	75.3

Source: Persons Who have Left the Labour Force, Australia, November 1985 (6267.0).

TABLE 2.22. PERSONS WHO HAVE LEFT THE LABOUR FORCE WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS: WHETHER INTENDED TO RETURN TO THE LABOUR FORCE AND SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NOVEMBER 1985
('000)

	Whether Intended to return to the Labour Force									
	Intended to return			Did not intend to return			Un- decided	Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons		Males	Females	Persons
Family status—										
Member of a family	58.9	141.2	200.1	34.8	88.7	123.5	63.9	106.6	280.9	387.5
Husband or wife	20.0	97.6	117.6	31.5	77.6	109.1	52.3	60.1	218.8	278.9
With children aged 0-14 present	9.7	74.0	83.7	*	43.0	45.8	35.2	16.5	148.2	164.7
Without children aged 0-14 present	10.3	23.5	33.8	28.7	34.6	63.3	17.1	43.6	70.6	114.3
Not married family head	*	17.2	19.3	*	6.3	6.9	6.8	*	29.4	33.0
With children aged 0-14 present	*	14.4	15.7	*	4.2	4.4	5.0	*	23.2	25.1
Without children aged 0-14 present	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6.2	7.9
Child of family head	35.0	25.2	60.2	*	4.1	6.1	4.1	39.5	30.8	70.3
Other relative of family head	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.3
Not a member of a family	11.3	11.1	22.4	6.4	5.7	12.1	7.5	22.1	19.8	41.9
Living alone	4.1	*	6.8	4.6	*	8.4	5.1	12.3	8.0	20.3
Not living alone	7.1	8.4	15.6	*	*	*	*	9.8	11.9	21.7
Not family coded	6.3	14.5	20.8	*	4.8	7.1	*	9.2	22.6	31.8
Birthplace—										
Born in Australia	58.9	130.1	188.9	29.3	73.8	103.1	54.0	99.7	246.3	346.0
Born outside Australia	17.6	36.8	54.3	14.2	25.4	39.6	21.3	38.2	77.0	115.3
Area—										
Metropolitan	53.3	106.4	159.7	29.0	57.5	86.4	43.8	94.4	195.5	289.9
Non-metropolitan	23.1	60.5	83.6	14.5	41.8	56.3	31.5	43.5	127.9	171.4
Duration of continuous period in the labour force before leaving (years)—										
Less than 1	45.3	99.1	144.4	8.7	41.8	50.5	35.3	59.9	170.3	230.2
1 and under 3	11.2	27.2	38.5	*	12.5	15.2	8.7	15.5	46.8	62.4
3 and under 5	5.0	11.5	16.5	*	7.9	9.8	7.3	8.7	24.8	33.5
5 and under 10	5.3	16.5	21.8	*	12.7	13.9	11.0	8.3	38.4	46.7
10 and under 20	*	11.0	14.4	5.2	16.8	22.0	7.1	10.6	32.8	43.4
20 or more	6.2	*	7.8	23.7	7.6	31.3	5.9	34.9	10.2	45.0
Time since last left the labour force (weeks)—										
1 and under 4	11.7	22.2	33.9	*	10.1	13.5	7.5	16.1	38.8	54.9
4 and under 8	11.4	25.3	36.8	*	10.3	13.0	7.2	15.3	41.6	56.9
8 and under 13	10.1	26.3	36.3	5.2	9.6	14.8	10.1	18.0	43.2	61.2
13 and 26	11.9	35.6	47.5	13.5	21.8	35.3	16.2	29.2	69.8	99.0
26 and under 39	12.1	24.3	36.3	9.9	22.3	32.2	17.6	26.3	59.9	86.2
39 and under 52	19.3	33.1	52.4	8.8	25.1	33.9	16.7	33.0	70.1	103.1
Main source of income—										
Investments/savings	15.9	9.8	25.6	8.2	6.3	14.5	5.0	26.2	18.9	45.1
Superannuation	*	*	*	8.6	*	10.7	*	10.4	*	13.7
TEAS(a)	9.6	6.2	15.8	*	*	*	*	10.7	6.7	17.4
Unemployment/sickness benefit	13.0	8.7	21.7	*	*	7.3	4.9	20.1	13.8	33.9
Invalid/age/supporting parent's/widow's pension	*	16.5	18.8	12.5	14.2	26.7	9.9	17.4	37.9	55.3
War disability/repatriation/service/war widow's pension	*	*	*	5.1	*	7.1	*	6.3	*	8.9
Someone else's income	28.0	120.0	148.0	*	68.1	70.4	43.6	32.7	229.4	262.1
Other(b)	5.9	4.6	10.6	*	*	5.4	9.0	14.2	10.8	24.9
Total	76.4	166.8	243.3	43.5	99.2	142.7	75.3	137.9	323.4	461.3

(a) Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme. (b) Includes life assurance, other retirement schemes; and persons permanently unable to work who were not asked their main source of income.

Source: *Persons Who Left the Labour Force, Australia, November 1985* (6267.0).

TABLE 2.23. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER: AGE AT NOVEMBER 1986 AND WHETHER HAD RETIRED OR INTENDED TO RETIRE FROM FULL-TIME WORK, NOVEMBER 1986
(^{' 000})

Age at November 1986	Whether had retired or intended to retire from full-time work				Total
	Had retired	Intended to retire	Did not intend to retire	Had never had a full-time job and did not intend to work full-time	
45-49	212.4	543.1	42.2	41.9	839.5
50-54	233.6	419.7	34.9	45.8	734.0
55-59	313.3	332.8	32.3	51.4	729.7
60-64	452.9	157.0	23.2	77.2	710.3
65-69	451.6	18.8	13.8	79.6	563.8
70 and over	731.3	5.5	13.3	193.5	943.6
Total	2,395.0	1,476.9	159.7	489.4	4,521.1
Males	936.6	1,099.5	122.5	17.3	2,175.9
Females	1,458.4	377.5	37.2	472.0	2,345.1

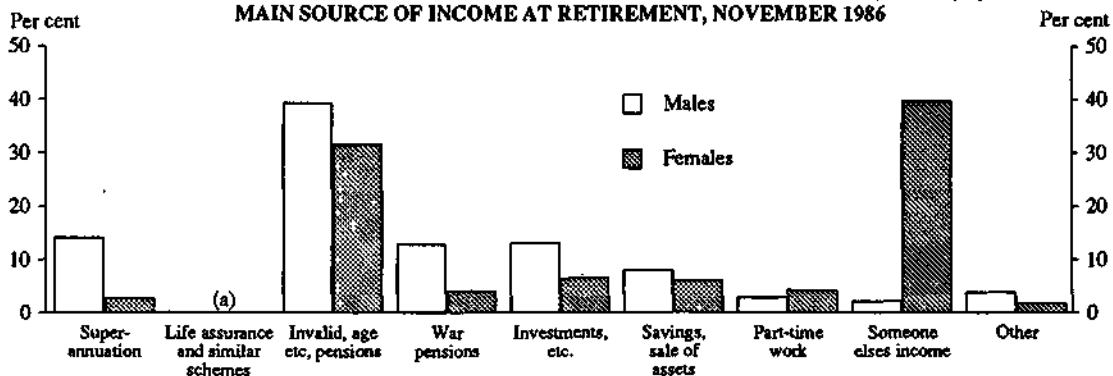
Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).

TABLE 2.24. PERSONS WHO HAD RETIRED FROM FULL-TIME WORK: AGE AT RETIREMENT AND AGE AT NOVEMBER 1986
(^{' 000})

	Age at November 1986						
Age at retirement	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70 and over	Total
MALES							
Less than 45	16.8	13.7	7.9	4.8	*	*	49.0
45-49	7.3	12.6	8.7	4.1	*	*	36.7
50-54	..	12.2	25.3	22.1	6.7	6.7	73.0
55-59	..	..	33.7	71.1	36.2	20.0	160.9
60-64	..	..	..	84.7	119.4	114.9	319.1
65-69	..	..	..	..	62.1	199.8	261.9
70 and over	..	..	..	..	..	36.0	36.0
Total	24.1	38.5	75.7	186.8	229.4	382.1	936.6
FEMALES							
Less than 45	169.6	138.8	140.2	136.2	108.3	185.5	878.6
45-49	18.7	34.1	24.9	17.6	13.8	9.7	118.9
50-54	..	22.1	47.2	38.4	22.4	22.0	152.1
55-59	..	..	25.2	47.0	31.4	28.1	131.8
60-64	..	..	..	26.9	38.4	64.1	129.3
65-69	..	..	..	..	7.9	29.9	37.7
70 and over	..	..	..	..	..	9.9	9.9
Total	188.3	195.1	237.5	266.1	222.2	349.2	1,458.4
PERSONS							
Less than 45	186.4	152.5	148.2	141.0	111.2	188.3	927.6
45-49	26.0	46.7	33.6	21.7	15.9	11.6	155.6
50-54	..	34.3	72.5	60.5	29.1	28.7	225.1
55-59	..	..	58.9	118.1	67.6	48.1	292.8
60-64	..	..	..	111.6	157.8	179.0	448.4
65-69	..	..	..	..	70.0	229.6	299.6
70 and over	..	..	..	..	..	45.9	45.9
Total	212.4	233.6	313.3	452.9	451.6	731.3	2,395.0

Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).

CHART 2.1. PERSONS WHO HAD RETIRED FROM FULL-TIME WORK AT AGE 45 OR MORE: MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME AT RETIREMENT, NOVEMBER 1986



Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).

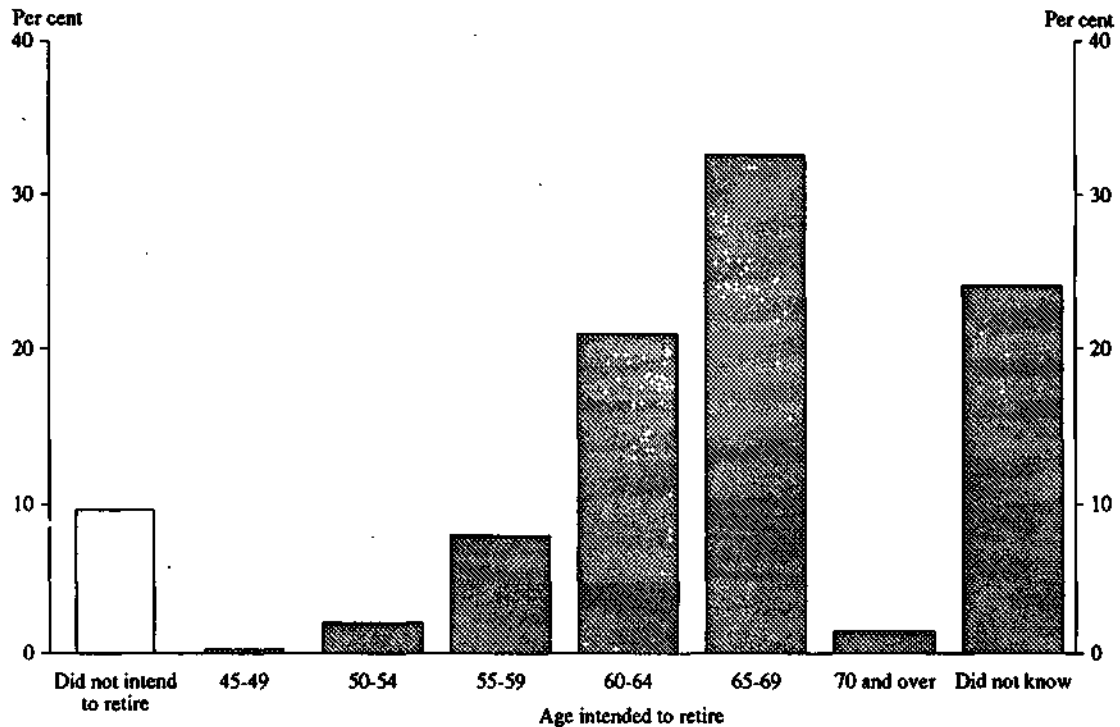
**TABLE 2.25. PERSONS WHO HAD RETIRED FROM FULL-TIME WORK AT AGE 45 OR MORE:
SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NOVEMBER 1986**

	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
	— '000—			— per cent—		
<i>Reason for ceasing last full-time job—</i>						
Job loser	287.2	164.0	451.2	32.4	28.3	30.7
Retrenched	48.5	46.5	95.0	5.5	8.0	6.5
Job was temporary or seasonal and did not leave to return to studies	*	4.8	6.3	*	0.8	0.4
Own ill health or injury	224.8	98.1	322.8	25.3	16.9	22.0
Business closed down for economic reasons	12.5	14.7	27.1	1.4	2.5	1.8
Job leaver	600.4	415.8	1,016.2	67.6	71.7	69.3
Unsatisfactory work arrangements	5.4	13.9	19.3	0.6	2.4	1.3
Retired	489.9	152.1	642.0	55.2	26.2	43.3
Did not want to work any longer	22.6	82.1	104.7	2.5	14.2	7.1
Too old	26.8	18.7	45.5	3.0	3.2	3.1
Reached compulsory retirement age	26.7	7.8	34.5	3.0	1.3	2.4
To get married	*	12.0	12.2	*	2.1	0.8
To look after family, house or someone else	5.9	57.9	63.8	0.7	10.0	4.3
To have holiday/to move house/spouse transferred	4.6	30.7	35.3	0.5	5.3	2.4
Business closed down or sold for other reasons	11.9	19.5	31.4	1.3	3.4	2.1
Other(a)	6.4	21.1	27.5	0.7	3.6	1.9
<i>Retirement scheme membership—</i>						
Belonged to a retirement scheme	448.4	123.2	571.6	50.5	21.2	39.0
Had superannuation cover	404.7	108.8	513.5	45.6	18.8	35.0
In last full-time job	396.7	103.1	499.8	44.7	17.8	34.1
In some previous job	8.0	5.7	13.7	0.9	1.0	0.9
Had life assurance or other schemes(b)	43.7	14.4	58.1	4.9	2.5	4.0
Did not belong to a retirement scheme	439.2	456.6	895.8	49.5	78.8	61.0
<i>Type of payment from retirement scheme—</i>						
Belonged to a retirement scheme	448.4	123.2	571.6	50.5	21.2	39.0
Lump sum only	260.7	78.7	339.4	29.4	13.6	23.1
Regular payments only	80.6	17.9	98.5	9.1	3.1	6.7
Lump sum and regular payments	81.5	15.7	97.1	9.2	2.7	6.6
No lump sum or regular payments	17.0	7.0	23.9	1.9	1.2	1.6
Did not know type of payments	8.7	3.9	12.6	1.0	0.7	0.9
Did not belong to a retirement scheme	439.2	456.6	895.8	49.5	78.8	61.0
<i>Main source of income at retirement—</i>						
Superannuation	128.8	18.8	147.6	14.5	3.2	10.1
Life assurance, other retirement schemes	4.9	*	6.1	0.5	*	0.4
Invalid/age/supporting parent's/widow's pension	352.3	184.8	537.0	39.7	31.9	36.6
War disability/repatriation/service/war widow's pension	117.8	26.1	144.0	13.3	4.5	9.8
Investments/interest/stocks/debentures, etc.	119.9	40.0	159.9	13.5	6.9	10.9
Savings/sale of assets	75.1	36.9	112.1	8.5	6.4	7.6
Part-time work	29.5	26.9	56.3	3.3	4.6	3.8
Someone else's income	21.8	232.0	253.8	2.5	40.0	17.3
Other	37.5	13.0	50.5	4.2	2.2	3.4
<i>Main source of income at November 1986—</i>						
Superannuation	104.3	19.0	123.3	11.7	3.3	8.4
Life assurance, other retirement schemes	*	*	*	*	*	*
Invalid/age/supporting parent's/widow's pension	462.6	316.8	779.4	52.1	54.6	53.1
War disability/repatriation/service/war widow's pension	145.2	44.8	190.0	16.4	7.7	12.9
Investments/interest/stocks/debentures, etc.	121.0	48.0	169.0	13.6	8.3	11.5
Savings/sale of assets	12.6	6.6	19.2	1.4	1.1	1.3
Part-time work	16.3	23.4	39.7	1.8	4.0	2.7
Someone else's income	12.2	113.4	125.5	1.4	19.6	8.6
Other	11.7	7.0	18.8	1.3	1.2	1.3
<i>Labour force status and hours worked—</i>						
Employed part-time	43.9	50.4	94.3	4.9	8.7	6.4
Worked less than 16 hours	21.3	18.9	40.2	2.4	3.3	2.7
Worked 16-34 hours	19.5	27.9	47.4	2.2	4.8	3.2
Not at work	*	*	6.7	*	*	0.5
Unemployed and looking for part-time work	3.6	*	5.9	0.4	*	0.4
Not in the labour force	840.1	527.1	1,367.2	94.7	90.9	93.2
<i>Time since retirement(years)—</i>						
Less than 2	103.4	57.2	160.7	11.7	9.9	10.9
2 and less than 5	212.1	112.6	324.7	23.9	19.4	22.1
5 and less than 10	294.5	163.6	458.1	33.2	28.2	31.2
10 and less than 15	179.5	129.9	309.5	20.2	22.4	21.1
15 and less than 20	57.2	58.5	115.7	6.4	10.1	7.9
20 or more	40.8	57.9	98.8	4.6	10.0	6.7
Total	887.6	579.8	1,467.4	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes returned to studies, pregnancy/to have children; and job was temporary or seasonal and left to return to studies. (b) Excludes persons who had superannuation cover.

Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).

CHART 2.g. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER: WHETHER INTENDED TO RETIRE FROM FULL-TIME WORK AND AGE INTENDED TO RETIRE, NOVEMBER 1986



Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).

CHART 2.h. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER WHO INTENDED TO RETIRE FROM FULL-TIME WORK: WHETHER INTENDED TO RETIRE EARLY, LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND STATUS OF WORKER, NOVEMBER 1986



(a) Includes small number of unpaid family helpers.

Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).

TABLE 2.26. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER WHO INTENDED TO RETIRE FROM FULL-TIME WORK : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS AND AGE INTENDED TO RETIRE, NOVEMBER 1986
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	Age intended to retire						Persons (a)
	Males			Females			
	45-64	65 and over	Total(a)	45-59	60 and over	Total(a)	
<i>Expected time until retirement (years)—</i>							
Less than 2	34.6	16.1	50.7	15.7	9.6	25.3	76.0
2 and less than 5	65.4	55.5	120.9	27.7	19.8	47.4	168.3
5 and less than 10	104.9	134.2	239.1	32.9	54.1	87.0	326.0
10 and less than 15	87.1	133.0	220.1	6.4	53.5	59.9	279.9
15 and less than 20	16.7	153.3	170.0	*	22.5	22.5	192.5
20 or more	*	35.2	35.2	*	*	*	37.4
Did not know	*	*	263.6	*	*	133.3	396.8
<i>Retirement scheme membership—</i>							
Belonged to a retirement scheme	259.4	351.9	755.9	44.0	80.0	167.9	923.8
Had superannuation cover	239.3	297.9	651.0	39.5	70.8	144.1	795.1
In job at November 1986	230.8	278.9	616.1	38.7	66.9	138.8	754.8
In some previous job	8.5	19.0	35.0	*	4.0	5.4	40.3
Had life assurance or other schemes(b)	20.1	54.0	104.9	4.5	9.2	23.8	128.7
Did not belong to a retirement scheme	49.3	175.3	343.6	38.5	81.6	209.5	553.1
<i>Expected type of payment from retirement scheme—</i>							
Belonged to a retirement scheme	259.4	351.9	755.9	44.0	80.0	167.9	923.8
Lump sum only	123.1	184.5	370.0	26.4	39.7	88.0	458.0
Regular payments only	30.3	42.5	84.5	5.0	8.7	16.7	101.2
Lump sum and regular payments	44.6	34.8	94.2	4.5	9.6	18.3	112.5
No lump sum or regular payments	*	*	6.9	*	*	*	8.0
Did not know type of payment	59.2	87.8	200.3	7.9	21.7	43.8	244.1
Did not belong to a retirement scheme	49.3	175.3	343.6	38.5	81.6	209.5	553.1
<i>Expected main source of income at retirement—</i>							
Superannuation	121.2	107.4	269.3	11.7	27.4	48.4	317.7
Life assurance, other retirement schemes	6.6	9.3	20.5	*	*	*	23.8
Invalid/age/supporting parent's/widow's pension	40.8	298.7	427.3	10.1	75.7	128.9	556.2
War disability/repatriation/service/war widow's pension	10.4	9.0	22.9	*	*	4.2	27.1
Investments/interest/stocks/debentures, etc	67.4	42.1	148.8	11.2	15.9	38.4	187.2
Savings/sale of assets	20.7	17.7	59.0	4.1	5.1	16.3	75.3
Part-time work	15.5	10.6	33.4	*	*	5.1	38.5
Someone else's income	*	*	6.8	39.7	23.9	95.9	102.7
Other	7.6	*	14.9	*	*	4.6	19.5
Did not know	15.5	26.5	96.6	*	7.2	32.4	128.9
<i>Intended disbursement of lump sum payment from retirement scheme—</i>							
Belonged to a retirement scheme	259.4	351.9	755.9	44.0	80.0	167.9	923.8
Expected to receive a lump sum payment	167.7	219.3	464.2	30.9	49.2	106.3	570.5
Purchase an annuity	*	*	5.9	*	*	*	6.7
Invest in an approved deposit fund/deferred annuity	24.9	16.9	47.3	*	3.9	8.7	56.0
Invest the money	80.6	83.8	186.6	13.3	20.0	41.0	227.6
Pay off home/pay for home improvements	11.3	23.2	38.5	*	6.2	10.7	49.2
Clear other outstanding debts	*	4.3	9.5	*	*	*	12.4
Pay for a holiday	9.7	17.3	30.9	4.4	4.3	10.8	41.7
Other	9.1	13.5	27.4	*	*	5.3	32.7
Did not know	26.7	58.2	118.0	5.5	9.9	26.1	144.1
Did not expect to receive a lump sum payment	82.6	119.0	264.1	11.3	28.4	56.5	320.6
Did not know	9.1	13.6	27.6	*	*	5.2	32.7
Did not belong to a retirement scheme	49.3	175.3	343.6	38.5	81.6	209.5	553.1
<i>Housing arrangements at November 1986—</i>							
Owned home	152.5	264.7	563.9	41.5	76.9	183.5	747.3
Paying off home	121.1	164.5	361.1	36.1	48.7	130.7	491.8
Renting	28.6	77.7	140.0	4.0	29.0	49.7	189.7
From Housing Commission	5.5	16.7	28.1	*	5.7	10.7	38.8
From other	23.1	61.0	111.9	*	23.3	39.0	151.0
Rent free	4.5	14.0	23.5	*	4.7	8.8	32.4
Other	*	6.4	11.0	*	*	4.7	15.7
<i>Expected housing arrangements at retirement—</i>							
Own home	246.7	397.9	839.4	62.5	113.8	262.3	1101.6
Paying off home	31.8	43.1	90.8	14.8	17.5	46.9	137.7
Renting	12.3	45.1	71.0	*	14.6	25.3	96.2
From Housing Commission	4.1	15.1	24.0	*	4.7	8.4	32.4
From other	8.2	29.9	47.0	*	9.8	16.9	63.9
Rent free	*	6.6	11.2	*	*	5.2	16.4
Other	*	3.9	7.2	*	*	*	10.1
Did not know	12.6	30.6	80.0	*	11.3	34.9	114.9
Total	308.7	527.2	1099.5	82.6	161.6	377.5	1476.9

(a) Includes persons who did not know at what age they intended to retire. (b) Excludes persons who had superannuation cover.

Source: Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia, November 1986 (6238.0).