

Australia

Labour Force (all persons aged 15 years and over)

| | 2011 | | | 2006 | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|---------------------|-------|---------|
| | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females |
| Total in labour force | 10,658,458 (61.4%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 9,607,987 (60.4%) | 53.9% | 46.1% |
| Employed full-time | 6,367,552 (36.7%) | 63.9% | 36.1% | 5,827,433 (36.6%) | 64.6% | 35.4% |
| Employed part-time | 3,062,974 (17.6%) | 32.1% | 67.9% | 2,685,195 (16.9%) | 31.2% | 68.8% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 600,134 (3.5%) | 53.3% | 46.7% | 503,803 (3.2%) | 53.5% | 46.5% |
| Population not in the labour force | 5,729,308 (33.0%) | 40.2% | 59.8% | 5,271,119 (33.1%) | 39.1% | 60.9% |
| Total persons | 17,363,696 (100.0%) | 49.0% | 51.0% | 15,918,080 (100.0%) | 48.9% | 51.1% |

- In 2011, 61.4% of persons aged 15 years and over reported being in the labour force. This is similar to 2006 when 60.4% of persons reported being in the labour force.
- In 2011, nearly one third of persons aged 15 years and over reported not being in the labour force. 3.5% of persons reported that they were unemployed and looking for work. These proportions are similar to those reported in 2006.
- Of those who reported being employed full-time, 63.9% were males and 36.1% were females.
- Of those who reported being employed part-time, 32.1% were males and 67.9% were females.

Weekly Hours Worked (employed persons aged 15 years and over)

| | 2011 | | | 2006 | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------|---------|
| | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females |
| 40 hours and above | 4,558,676 (45.3%) | 68.7% | 31.3% | 4,293,873 (47.2%) | 69.0% | 31.0% |
| 35-39 hours | 1,808,877 (18.0%) | 51.8% | 48.2% | 1,533,565 (16.8%) | 52.0% | 48.0% |
| 25-34 hours | 1,027,380 (10.2%) | 32.9% | 67.1% | 887,843 (9.8%) | 32.7% | 67.3% |
| 16-24 hours | 947,793 (9.4%) | 30.1% | 69.9% | 811,591 (8.9%) | 28.8% | 71.2% |
| 0-15 hours | 1,497,117 (14.9%) | 36.2% | 63.8% | 1,323,750 (14.5%) | 35.8% | 64.2% |
| Total persons | 10,058,325 (100.0%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 9,104,187 (100.0%) | 53.9% | 46.1% |

- In 2011, 45.3% of those who were employed and aged 15 years and over reported working 40 hours or more in the week prior to Census. A higher proportion of these were males (68.7%).
- Between the 2006 and 2011 Census there was a 1.9 percentage point decline in the proportion of persons who reported working 40 hours or more (47.2% in 2006 compared to 45.3% in 2011).
- 14.9% of employed persons aged 15 years and over reported working 0 to 15 hours in the week prior to Census. A higher proportion of these were females (63.8%).

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Top five Industries in 2011 (employed persons aged 15 years and over)

| | 2011 | | | 2006 | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------|---------|
| | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 1,167,633 (11.6%) | 21.0% | 79.0% | 956,150 (10.5%) | 21.4% | 78.6% |
| Retail Trade | 1,057,310 (10.5%) | 42.2% | 57.8% | 1,033,193 (11.3%) | 42.8% | 57.2% |
| Manufacturing | 902,830 (9.0%) | 74.0% | 26.0% | 952,014 (10.5%) | 74.0% | 26.0% |
| Construction | 828,910 (8.2%) | 86.8% | 13.2% | 709,842 (7.8%) | 86.5% | 13.5% |
| Education and Training | 804,417 (8.0%) | 29.9% | 70.1% | 697,808 (7.7%) | 30.5% | 69.5% |
| Total persons | 10,058,325 (100.0%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 9,104,187 (100.0%) | 53.9% | 46.1% |

- In 2011, the largest proportion of employed persons aged 15 years and over reported working in the Health Care and Social Assistance industry (11.6%).
- In 2006, the Retail Trade industry was the most reported response for employed persons aged 15 years and over (11.3%). The proportion of those who reported being employed in this industry declined to 10.5% in 2011, however there has been an increase in the number of persons employed in this industry (24,117 persons).
- The proportion of employed persons aged over 15 who reported Manufacturing as their industry of employment has declined to 9.0% in 2011 compared to 10.5% in 2006. There has been a decline in the number of persons who reported being employed in this industry (49,184 persons).
- In 2011, males comprised 74.0% of persons employed in the Manufacturing industry and 86.8% of persons employed in the Construction industry.
- In 2011, of persons employed in the industries of Health Care and Social Assistance, Education and Training, and Retail Trade, a higher proportion were females (79.0%, 70.1% and 57.8% respectively).



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 Top five Occupations in 2011 (employed persons aged
15 years and over)

| | 2011 | | | 2006 | | |
|--|---------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------|---------|
| | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females |
| Professionals | 2,145,440 (21.3%) | 46.1% | 53.9% | 1,806,015 (19.8%) | 47.1% | 52.9% |
| Clerical and Administrative Workers | 1,483,560 (14.7%) | 23.5% | 76.5% | 1,365,805 (15.0%) | 23.2% | 76.8% |
| Technicians and Trades Workers | 1,425,146 (14.2%) | 85.1% | 14.9% | 1,309,257 (14.4%) | 85.3% | 14.7% |
| Managers | 1,293,969 (12.9%) | 64.6% | 35.4% | 1,202,263 (13.2%) | 65.6% | 34.4% |
| Community and Personal Service Workers | 971,899 (9.7%) | 30.8% | 69.2% | 801,911 (8.8%) | 31.2% | 68.8% |
| Total persons | 10,058,325 (100.0%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 9,104,187 (100.0%) | 53.9% | 46.1% |

- In 2011, 21.3% of employed persons aged 15 years and over reported working as professionals. 53.9% of these were females.
- The proportion of those who reported working as Professionals has increased by 1.5 percentage point, from 19.8% in 2006 to 21.3% in 2011.
- Of persons who reported working as Technicians and Trades Workers (14.2%), a higher proportion were males (85.1%). This compared to 14.7% of persons reporting as Clerical and Administrative workers, of whom 76.5% were females.



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Highest Level of Education (all persons aged 15 years and over)

| | 2011 | | | 2006 | | |
|--|---------------------|-------|---------|---------------------|-------|---------|
| | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females |
| Postgraduate Degree | 631,121 (3.6%) | 53.6% | 46.4% | 413,093 (2.6%) | 57.1% | 42.9% |
| Graduate Diploma and Graduate Certificate | 297,282 (1.7%) | 36.6% | 63.4% | 228,553 (1.4%) | 37.1% | 62.9% |
| Bachelor Degree | 2,340,509 (13.5%) | 44.1% | 55.9% | 1,840,663 (11.6%) | 44.9% | 55.1% |
| Advanced Diploma and Diploma | 1,393,049 (8.0%) | 42.7% | 57.3% | 1,130,468 (7.1%) | 42.5% | 57.5% |
| Certificate III/IV | 2,653,126 (15.3%) | 70.4% | 29.6% | 2,218,372 (13.9%) | 74.2% | 25.8% |
| Year 12 | 2,883,589 (16.6%) | 46.8% | 53.2% | 2,570,380 (16.1%) | 46.5% | 53.5% |
| Year 11 or below (includes Certificate I/II/nfd) | 4,998,113 (28.8%) | 43.6% | 56.4% | 5,155,221 (32.4%) | 42.7% | 57.3% |
| Total persons | 17,363,696 (100.0%) | 49.0% | 51.0% | 15,918,080 (100.0%) | 48.9% | 51.1% |

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- In 2011, there was a significant increase in the number of persons who reported completing a Postgraduate Degree. This increased from 413,093 in 2006 to 631,121 in 2011 (a 52.8% increase).
- There has also been a significant increase in numbers of those who reported completing a Graduate Diploma or Graduate Certificate as their highest level of education. This increased from 228,553 in 2006 to 297,282 in 2011 (an increase of 30.1%).
- There was a significant increase (27.2%) in the number of persons who reported completing a Bachelor Degree as their highest level of education, from 1,840,663 in 2006 to 2,340,509 in 2011.
- There has been a decline in the number of persons who reported Year 11 and below (including Certificate level I/II) as their highest level of education, from 5,155,221 in 2006 to 4,998,113 in 2011.
- A higher proportion of females than males reported their highest level of education as Graduate Diploma or Graduate Certificate, Bachelor Degree, and Advanced Diploma or Diploma (63.4%, 55.9% and 57.3% respectively).
- Of those who reported completing Certificate III/IV as their highest level of education, a higher proportion were males (70.4%).



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Top five Fields of Study in 2011 (all persons aged 15 years and over who stated a completed qualification)

| | 2011 | | | 2006 | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|-------|---------|--------------------|-------|---------|
| | Total | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females |
| Management and Commerce | 1,744,946 (18.0%) | 40.2% | 59.8% | 1,353,244 (16.2%) | 39.9% | 60.1% |
| Engineering and Related Technologies | 1,509,939 (15.6%) | 93.2% | 6.8% | 1,351,119 (16.2%) | 93.4% | 6.6% |
| Society and Culture | 999,396 (10.3%) | 32.9% | 67.1% | 745,448 (8.9%) | 35.1% | 64.9% |
| Health | 873,499 (9.0%) | 22.4% | 77.6% | 703,165 (8.4%) | 21.8% | 78.2% |
| Education | 714,086 (7.4%) | 24.7% | 75.3% | 619,103 (7.4%) | 25.6% | 74.4% |
| Total persons | 9,703,233 (100.0%) | 51.8% | 48.2% | 8,361,815 (100.0%) | 52.8% | 47.2% |

- In 2011, Management and Commerce (18.0%) and Engineering and Related Technologies (15.6%) were the two most common fields of study completed that were reported by persons aged 15 years and over. These fields were also reported as the most common fields of study in the 2006 Census.
- Between the 2006 and 2011 Census there has been a decline in the proportion of those who reported Engineering and Related Technologies (0.6 percentage point). In addition there has been an increase in the proportion of those who reported Management and Commerce (1.8 percentage point).
- Of those who reported Management and Commerce as their field of study in 2011, a higher proportion were females (59.8%). Of those who reported Engineering and Related Technologies as their field of study, the proportion of males was significantly higher (93.2%).
- More than three quarters of those who reported Health and Education as fields of study in 2011 were females (77.6% and 75.3% respectively).



Australia**Top five Methods of travel to work in 2011 (employed persons aged 15 years and over)**

| | 2011 | 2006 |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| | Total Persons | Total Persons |
| Car, as driver | 6,059,971 (60.2%) | 5,404,032 (59.4%) |
| Car, as passenger | 537,637 (5.3%) | 533,324 (5.9%) |
| Train | 388,012 (3.9%) | 305,195 (3.4%) |
| Walked only | 377,043 (3.7%) | 367,169 (4.0%) |
| Bus | 301,187 (3.0%) | 250,717 (2.8%) |
| Total persons | 10,058,325 (100.0%) | 9,104,187 (100.0%) |

- Transport by car continues to be the most reported method of travel to work. Almost two thirds (65.5%) of employed persons aged 15 years and over reported that they travelled to work by Car (either as driver or a passenger) on 9 August 2011.
- The number of those who walked to work has grown slightly from 367,169 in 2006 to 377,043 in 2011. However, the proportion of persons who walked to work has declined from 4.0% in 2006 to 3.7% in 2011 (reflecting a slower rate of growth compared to other forms of travel).



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Place of Usual Residence one year ago (all persons, excluding persons aged under one year)

| | 2011 | 2006 |
|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Same Address | 16,946,446 (84.1%) | 15,345,571 (83.2%) |
| Elsewhere in Australia | 2,855,692 (14.2%) | 2,781,981 (15.1%) |
| Overseas | 312,204 (1.5%) | 280,738 (1.5%) |
| Total persons | 20,150,330 (100%) | 18,438,694 (100.0%) |

- Most Australian residents did not move in the year prior to the 2011 Census, with 84.1% reporting that they had not moved. This compared to 14.2% who had moved and 1.5% who were either recent migrants or Australians returning from overseas.

Place of Usual Residence five years ago (all persons, excluding persons aged under five years)

| | 2011 | 2006 |
|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Same Address | 11,009,843 (58.3%) | 9,841,426 (56.9%) |
| Elsewhere in Australia | 6,577,266 (34.8%) | 6,549,508 (37.9%) |
| Overseas | 1,200,438 (6.4%) | 822,516 (4.8%) |
| Total persons | 18,880,540 (100%) | 17,296,787 (100.0%) |

- More than half of Australian residents did not move in the five years prior to the 2011 Census, with 58.3% reporting that they had not moved. This compared to 34.8% who had moved and 6.4% who were either recent migrants or Australians returning from overseas.

