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## NOTES

### SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

ABS Australian Bureau of Statistics  
ASCO Australian Standard Classification of Occupations  
LFS Labour Force Survey  
n.a. not available  
\* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses  
... not applicable

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## PREFACE

### ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

This publication presents information about the labour force experience of the civilian population aged 15–69 years during the year ended February 1997. It presents information about the time spent in labour force activities, specifically, episodes of working or looking for work, and time spent out of the labour force.

For this publication, labour force activity over a 12 month period was determined from a more limited set of questions than is used in the monthly Labour Force Survey (LFS). For this reason, the terms *worked* and *looked for work* are used, rather than the more precisely defined terms *employed* and *unemployed*, as used in the LFS.

Statistics in this publication were obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) survey, Labour Force Experience.

### ABOUT THIS SURVEY

The Labour Force Experience Survey was conducted throughout Australia in February 1997 as a supplement to the ABS monthly LFS.

Labour force experience relates to a person's labour force activities over a 12 month period. Labour force activity consists of either working or looking for work.

The survey measured the number of weeks persons were engaged in these labour force activities during the year, the number of employers or businesses a person had during the year, the number of spells of looking for work during the year and the main activity of persons when not in the labour force.

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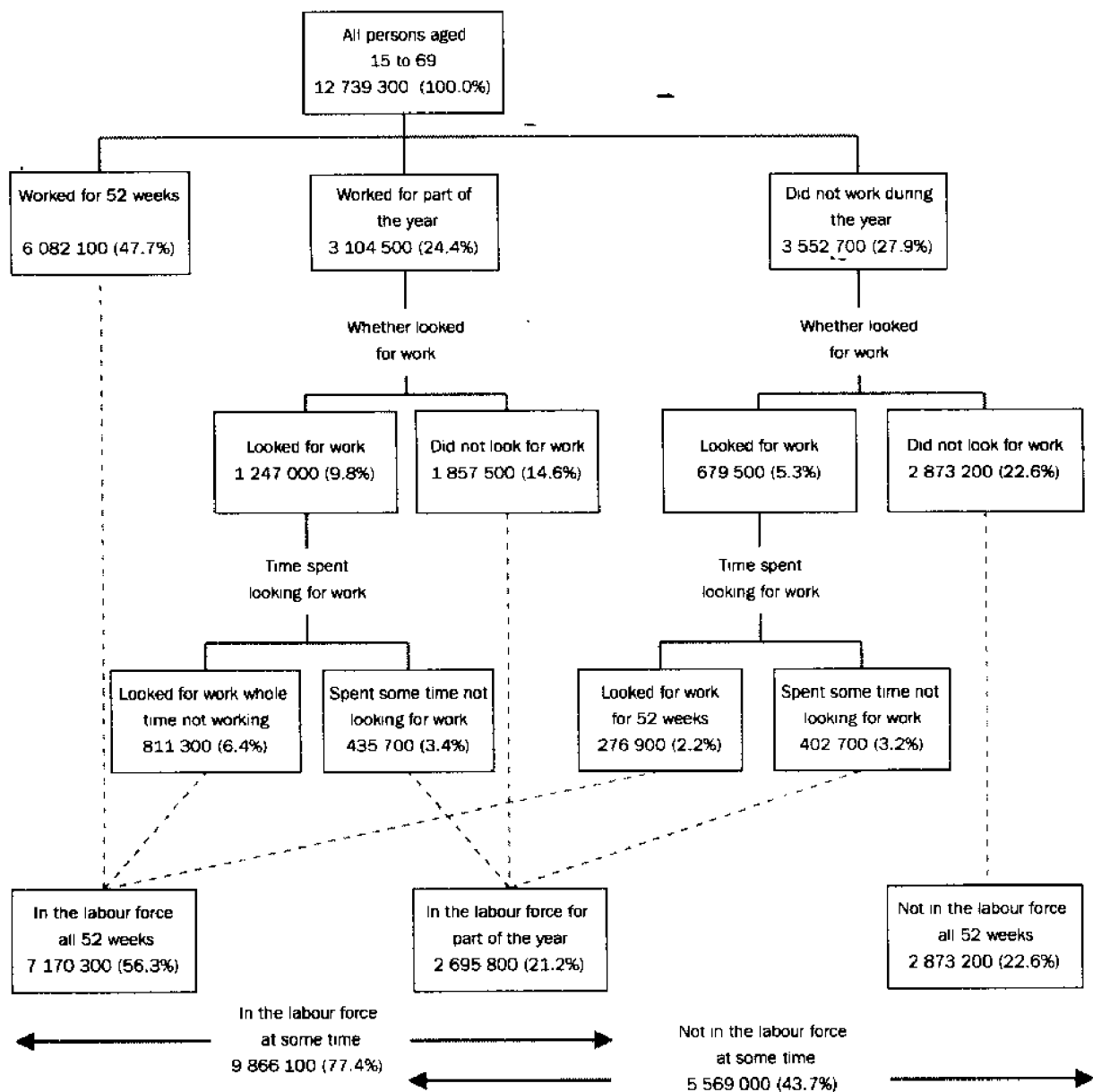
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## LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE: CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

The following diagram illustrates the framework for the Labour Force Experience Survey. Persons aged 15–69 were classified according to their labour force activity over a 12 month period, that is, whether working or looking for work.

The framework firstly differentiates between persons who worked the whole year, part of the year or did not work during the year. Persons who worked for part of the year or did not work during the year were asked whether they looked for work or not. Persons who looked for work were also asked about the time they spent looking for work.



## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

### ALL PERSONS AGED 15-69

In February 1997, Australia's civilian population included 12,739,300 persons aged 15-69 years. During the year ending February 1997, 9,186,600 people (80% of males and 64% of females) worked at some time during the year, 1,926,500 (17% of males and 13% of females) looked for work at some time during the year and 5,569,000 (32% of males and 55% of females) were not in the labour force at some time during the year.

Further, there were 6,082,100 (48%) persons who spent the whole year working, 276,900 (2.2%) persons who spent the whole year looking for work and 2,873,200 (23%) persons who spent no time in the labour force. It is possible for a person to be in one or more labour force categories over the course of a 12 month period. While there were 6,359,000 (50%) persons who spent the whole year engaged in just one labour force activity, 3,507,100 (28%) persons either spent time in more than one labour force activity during the year or only part of the year in the labour force.

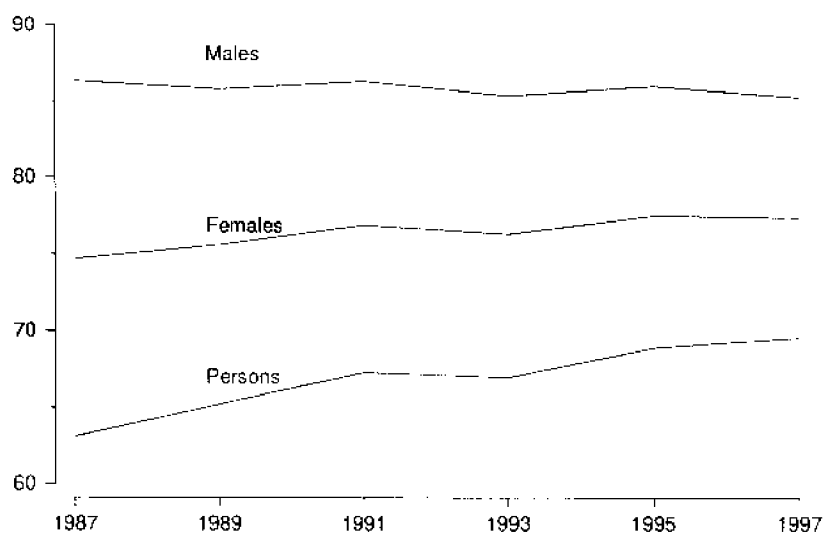
### PARTICIPATION IN THE LABOUR FORCE

An estimated 9,866,100 persons aged 15-69 were in the labour force, that is, either worked or looked for work at some time during the 12 months ending February 1997.

#### 1987-97

For males, 85% of the civilian population aged 15-69 participated in the labour force at some time in the 12 months to February 1997. This has remained relatively steady for all years since 1987. For females, the rate of participation has steadily increased from 63% in 1987 to 67% in 1991 and 1993, and further to 70% in 1997.

LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION, FEBRUARY

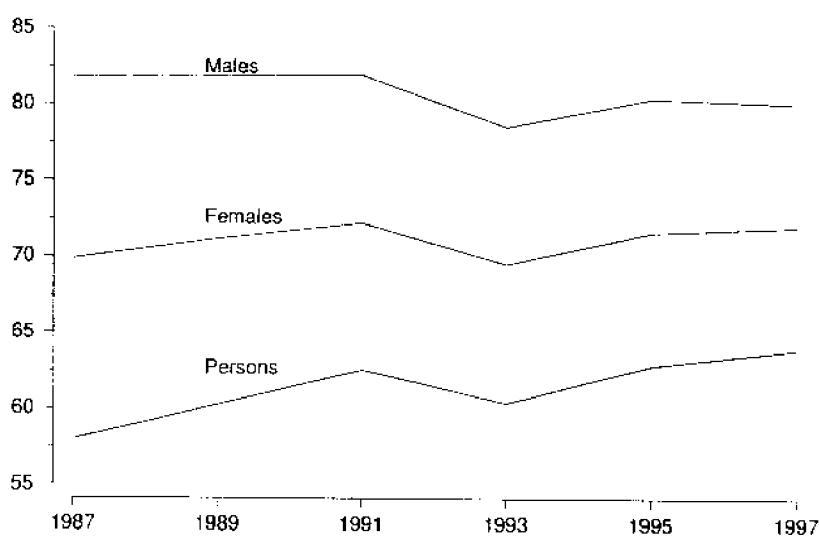


Note: For 1991 and 1993, the survey was conducted in March.

Age	For males, the most notable changes in labour force participation rates between 1987 and 1997 occurred for males aged 55-69. The rate for this group fell from 84% to 79%. For females, those aged 45-54 experienced the largest change over the same 10 year period — a rise from 62% to 76%.
In the labour force for the whole year	An estimated 7,170,300 persons were in the labour force for the whole year. Of this group, 6,082,100 persons worked 52 weeks; 811,300 persons spent time in both labour force activities (i.e. working or looking for work); and 276,900 persons looked for work for the whole 12 months. The proportion of males spending the whole year in the labour force has fallen from 70% in 1987 to 68% in 1997. For females, the proportion has increased from 38% to 45% over the same period.
In the labour force for part of the year	During the year ending February 1997, there were 2,695,800 persons who were in the labour force for only part of the year. Of these persons, 1,857,500 worked for part of the year but did not look for work at other times; 435,700 worked for part of the year and also spent some of the balance of the year looking for work; and 402,700 persons looked for work at some time during the year, but did not work at all. About 18% of males spent less than 52 weeks in the labour force during the year ending February 1997, compared to 25% of females.
Children under 15 years present	For females, 39% of those with children under 15 present, spent the whole year in the labour force and a further 31% spent some time in the labour force. In comparison, 48% of females without children under 15 present, spent all 52 weeks in the labour force and a further 22% spent some time in the labour force.  For males with children under 15 present, 83% spent the whole year in the labour force, with a further 12% spending some time in the labour force. For males without children under 15 present, 62% spent the whole year in the labour force with a further 17% spending some time in the labour force.
PERSONS WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR	An estimated 9,186,600 persons worked at some time during the year. Of these persons 5,114,100 were male and 4,072,500 female. Of the males who worked during the year, 71% worked for the entire 52 weeks; this compared to 61% for females.
1987-97	The proportion of males who worked at some time during the year fell to a low of 79% in 1993. It has since risen to 80% in 1997 but still remains below the pre-1993 level of 82%. For females, the proportion who worked at some time fell to 60% in 1993 but has risen to 64% in 1997.
Full time/part time	Of the 5,114,100 males who worked at some time during the year, 81% worked all weeks full time, 10% worked all weeks part time and 9% worked a combination of full time and part time. In comparison 49% of females worked all weeks full time, 40% worked all weeks part time and 11% worked a combination of full time and part time.



PERSONS WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR, FEBRUARY



Note: For 1991 and 1993, the survey was conducted in March.

Educational attainment

For the 12 months ending February 1997, 84% of persons with post-school qualifications worked at some time during the year, compared with 65% of persons without post-school qualifications.

Those without post-school qualifications were also more likely to have not participated in the labour force at some time, during the year.

Children under 15 years present

Of the 1,299,400 females with children under 15 present, who worked at some time during the year, 37% worked all weeks full time, 53% worked all weeks part time and 10% worked a combination of full time and part time. By comparison, of the 2,773,100 females without children under 15 present, who worked at some time during the year, 55% worked all weeks full time, 34% worked all weeks part time and 11% worked a combination of full time and part time.

Of the 1,665,700 males with children under 15 present, who worked at some time during the year, 89% worked all weeks full time and 4% worked all weeks part time. Of the 3,448,400 males without children under 15 present, who worked at some time during the year, 77% worked all weeks full time and 14% worked all weeks part time.

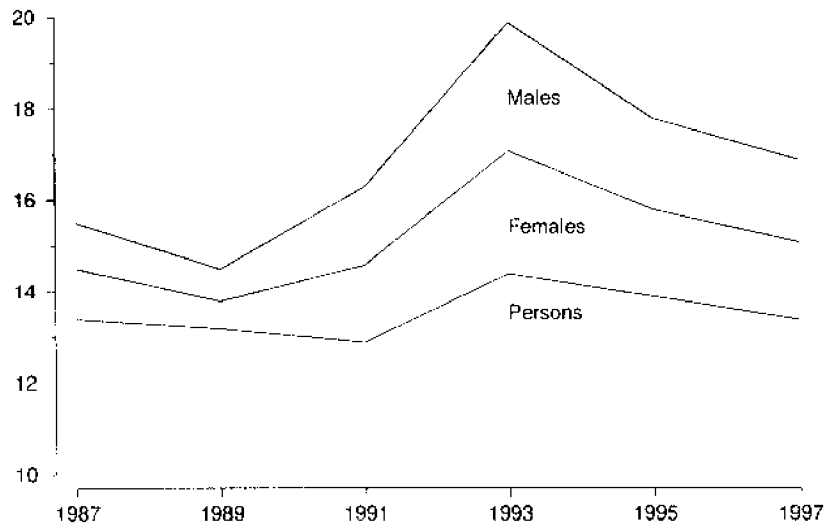
PERSONS WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR

During the year ending February 1997, 1,075,300 males and 851,200 females looked for work at some time. Of the 1,926,500 persons who looked for work 64% of females and 62% of males were aged 15-34 years.

1987-97

While the proportion of males who looked for work at some time during the year steadily increased from 16% in 1987 to 20% in 1993, it has fallen over the last four years to 17% in February 1997. The proportion of females who looked for work at some time during the year peaked at 14% in 1993, but has since fallen to 13% for the 12 months ending February 1997.

PERSONS WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR, FEBRUARY



Note: For 1991 and 1993, the survey was conducted in March.

Time spent looking for work

Of the 1,926,500 persons who looked for work at some time during the year, 16% of males and 13% of females looked for the whole 52 weeks.

Of the 1,075,300 males who looked for work the largest group (31%) looked for work for between 4 and 12 weeks. Similarly, 33% of females were looking for the same length of time.

Spells of looking for work

Of those who looked for work at some time during the year the majority of males (73%) and females (76%) had one spell looking for work. A further 12% of males and 11% of females had two spells of looking for work, and 15% of males and 13% of females had three or more spells of looking for work

PERSONS WHO WERE NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR

The number of persons not in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997 was 5,569,000 persons. Of the 2,061,600 males who were not in the labour force at some time 939,800 (46%) were not in the labour force at any time. In comparison, of the 3,507,400 females not in the labour force at some time 1,933,400 (55%) were not in the labour force at any time.

Main activity when not in the labour force

For males, the most commonly reported main activity while not in the labour force was 'Attended an educational institution' (26%), followed by 'Retired or voluntarily inactive' (24%), closely followed by 'Holiday/travel/leisure activities' (23%). For females, the most commonly reported main activity while not in the labour force was 'Home duties/childcare' (56%), followed by 'Attended an educational institution' (16%).

TABLE 1. ALL PERSONS: LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE, FEBRUARY 1987 TO FEBRUARY 1997  
(Per cent)

	Survey conducted in - - -					
	February		March		February	
	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997
<b>MALES</b>						
Not in the labour force at any time during the preceding year	13.7	14.2	13.7	14.6	14.0	14.7
In the labour force at some time during the preceding year	86.3	85.8	86.3	85.4	86.0	85.3
Time in the labour force (weeks)						
1 and under 52	15.6	16.7	16.4	15.8	18.0	17.6
52	70.4	69.1	69.8	69.7	68.0	67.7
Worked at some time during the preceding year	81.8	81.9	82.0	78.6	80.5	80.2
Full-time or part-time status for weeks worked						
All full-time	72.2	72.5	70.1	64.8	65.7	64.8
More full-time than part-time(a)	3.7	3.2	4.3	4.5	4.7	4.6
More part-time than full-time	1.0	0.9	1.3	1.7	1.9	1.9
All part-time	4.8	5.3	6.3	7.6	8.2	8.4
Number of employers/businesses during the preceding year						
One	67.3	65.3	71.1	69.5	68.6	69.0
Two	10.9	12.2	8.1	6.8	8.8	8.0
Three	2.1	2.5	1.9	1.5	2.1	2.0
Four or more	1.5	1.9	1.0	0.8	1.1	1.1
Looked for work at some time during the preceding year	15.5	14.5	16.3	19.9	17.8	16.9
Number of spells of looking for work						
One	12.2	11.7	12.9	15.1	13.0	12.4
Two	1.5	1.3	1.5	1.9	2.0	2.0
Three	0.7	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.0	0.9
Four or more	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.8	1.7	1.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>						
Not in the labour force at any time during the preceding year	36.9	34.8	32.7	33.0	31.1	30.4
In the labour force at some time during the preceding year	63.1	65.2	67.3	67.0	68.9	69.6
Time in the labour force (weeks)						
1 and under 52	24.1	24.5	25.1	23.4	26.2	24.8
52	38.4	40.7	42.2	43.5	42.7	44.8
Worked at some time during the preceding year	58.0	60.3	62.6	60.4	62.9	64.0
Full-time or part-time status for weeks worked						
All full-time	32.1	33.0	33.4	30.9	30.7	31.6
More full-time than part-time(a)	3.1	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.1	3.4
More part-time than full-time	1.8	1.9	2.5	2.6	2.9	2.8
All part-time	20.9	22.5	23.2	23.4	25.1	25.7
Number of employers/businesses during the preceding year						
One	48.3	48.8	54.5	53.5	54.3	55.1
Two	7.2	8.7	6.2	5.3	6.4	6.7
Three	1.4	1.8	1.4	1.1	1.6	1.6
Four or more	0.8	1.0	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7
Looked for work at some time during the preceding year	13.4	13.2	12.9	14.4	13.9	13.4
Number of spells of looking for work						
One	10.9	10.5	10.4	11.3	10.4	10.2
Two	1.1	1.1	1.3	1.3	1.5	1.4
Three	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.7
Four or more	0.8	0.9	0.6	1.1	1.2	1.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>						
Not in the labour force at any time during the preceding year	25.3	24.4	23.1	23.7	22.5	22.6
In the labour force at some time during the preceding year	74.7	75.6	76.9	76.3	77.5	77.4
Time in the labour force (weeks)						
1 and under 52	19.8	20.6	20.8	19.6	22.1	21.2
52	54.4	55.0	56.1	56.7	55.4	56.3
Worked at some time during the preceding year	69.9	71.2	72.3	69.6	71.7	72.1
Full-time or part-time status for weeks worked						
All full-time	52.2	52.9	51.9	47.9	48.2	48.2
More full-time than part-time(a)	3.4	3.1	3.9	4.0	4.4	4.0
More part-time than full-time	1.4	1.4	1.9	2.2	2.4	2.4
All part-time	12.8	13.8	14.6	15.5	16.7	17.1
Number of employers/businesses during the preceding year						
One	57.8	57.1	62.8	61.6	61.4	62.1
Two	9.0	10.4	7.2	6.1	7.6	7.4
Three	1.8	2.2	1.6	1.3	1.8	1.8
Four or more	1.2	1.4	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.9
Looked for work at some time during the preceding year	14.5	13.8	14.6	17.1	15.8	15.1
Number of spells of looking for work						
One	11.6	11.1	11.7	13.2	11.7	11.3
Two	1.3	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	1.7
Three	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.8
Four or more	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.5	1.5	1.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

(a) Includes persons who worked the same number of weeks full time and part time.

**TABLE 2. ALL PERSONS: WHETHER PARTICIPATED IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME DURING THE PRECEDING YEAR, AGE AND MARITAL STATUS, FEBRUARY 1987 TO FEBRUARY 1997**  
(Per cent)

Age group (years)	Survey conducted in					
	February		March		February	
	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997
<b>MARRIED MALES</b>						
15-19	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	*100.0	*100.0
20-24	99.7	98.3	98.8	98.4	99.0	98.5
25-34	98.7	98.2	98.8	98.2	98.1	98.4
35-44	97.7	97.7	97.7	97.8	96.9	96.9
45-54	93.3	93.4	94.1	94.5	93.8	93.8
55-59	85.4	81.7	83.2	80.6	81.6	80.8
60-64	54.1	60.2	61.1	59.3	58.0	55.0
65-69	20.3	17.6	21.2	19.3	22.9	23.9
<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>87.5</i>	<i>87.3</i>	<i>87.7</i>	<i>87.3</i>	<i>87.0</i>	<i>87.0</i>
<b>TOTAL MALES</b>						
15-19	74.7	73.9	72.3	68.6	74.1	71.9
20-24	96.7	96.1	96.3	94.3	95.6	94.0
25-34	98.0	97.2	97.7	96.6	97.1	96.9
35-44	96.6	96.7	96.7	96.5	95.6	95.2
45-54	92.1	92.1	92.6	93.0	92.1	91.3
55-59	83.6	79.8	81.1	78.4	80.3	78.6
60-64	52.8	57.7	58.7	58.3	56.1	52.3
65-69	19.5	17.0	20.8	18.6	21.7	23.5
<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>86.3</i>	<i>85.8</i>	<i>86.3</i>	<i>85.4</i>	<i>86.0</i>	<i>85.3</i>
<b>MARRIED FEMALES</b>						
15-19	77.1	66.3	79.0	64.6	85.3	83.0
20-24	75.8	74.8	78.0	78.0	79.2	77.1
25-34	68.1	72.4	74.1	72.2	75.3	76.0
35-44	72.5	76.2	77.9	77.7	78.0	78.4
45-54	61.0	62.7	69.3	70.7	72.4	74.9
55-59	35.3	36.9	41.0	43.7	43.2	46.9
60-64	16.6	17.4	18.3	19.8	22.0	24.6
65-69	6.0	7.1	7.4	6.8	6.6	8.6
<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>59.3</i>	<i>61.7</i>	<i>64.5</i>	<i>64.5</i>	<i>65.9</i>	<i>67.1</i>
<b>TOTAL FEMALES</b>						
15-19	73.4	73.9	72.3	67.9	74.9	71.6
20-24	85.2	86.4	86.4	85.7	88.0	86.6
25-34	72.1	74.6	77.4	75.6	78.1	79.2
35-44	72.6	76.4	78.6	78.6	78.8	78.7
45-54	61.8	64.7	69.6	71.8	72.6	75.7
55-59	37.1	39.4	42.5	44.5	45.0	48.0
60-64	17.5	19.0	19.6	19.8	21.1	23.7
65-69	6.9	5.9	6.9	6.2	7.2	8.0
<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>63.1</i>	<i>65.2</i>	<i>67.3</i>	<i>67.0</i>	<i>68.9</i>	<i>69.6</i>
<b>PERSONS</b>						
15-19	74.1	73.9	72.3	68.3	74.5	71.7
20-24	91.0	91.3	91.4	90.0	91.8	90.4
25-34	85.0	85.9	87.5	86.1	87.5	88.0
35-44	84.7	86.6	87.7	87.5	87.1	86.8
45-54	77.3	78.7	81.4	82.6	82.5	83.6
55-59	60.5	59.9	62.1	62.0	62.9	63.6
60-64	34.9	38.1	38.7	38.7	38.6	38.0
65-69	12.8	11.2	13.6	12.2	14.2	15.6
<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>74.7</i>	<i>75.6</i>	<i>76.9</i>	<i>76.3</i>	<i>77.5</i>	<i>77.4</i>

(a) Prior to March 1990, the scope of this survey included persons aged 70 years and over. To enable time series comparisons, proportions in 1987 and 1989 have been revised to exclude persons aged 70 years and over.

**TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS: SUMMARY OF LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997,  
AGE AND RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD  
(Per cent)**

Age group (years)	Husband		Total	Lone parent		Total	Other family person(a)	Non-family member(b)	Total
	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present		With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present				
<b>MALES WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*34.1	*85.1	*69.4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	57.3	69.2	58.4
20-24	90.2	95.3	93.1	*100.0	*0.0	*100.0	84.3	85.1	85.8
25-34	94.8	97.4	95.7	71.2	*100.0	72.1	85.5	92.5	92.9
35-44	94.4	93.5	94.2	80.3	92.4	83.4	76.4	85.1	91.5
45-54	91.4	91.1	91.2	65.9	84.7	79.1	61.9	77.6	88.1
55-59	69.8	76.9	76.2	*0.0	80.4	73.2	57.0	57.8	72.6
60-64	*39.3	52.6	52.2	*0.0	*40.7	*40.7	*28.7	37.8	48.9
65-69	*27.2	23.5	23.5	*0.0	*8.9	*8.5	*8.5	24.2	23.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>93.0</i>	<i>76.5</i>	<i>84.2</i>	<i>74.1</i>	<i>69.7</i>	<i>71.9</i>	<i>71.2</i>	<i>78.2</i>	<i>80.2</i>
<b>MALES WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*82.8	*65.3	*70.7	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	29.8	33.6	30.3
20-24	36.3	20.0	27.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	28.6	33.4	29.7
25-34	17.3	12.6	15.6	37.4	*0.0	36.2	28.3	21.1	19.4
35-44	11.8	10.6	11.5	23.5	*19.7	22.5	20.6	21.7	14.0
45-54	10.2	10.1	10.1	*9.3	*13.1	*12.0	21.6	16.4	11.4
55-59	*7.2	11.8	11.4	*0.0	*11.7	*10.7	*20.1	18.7	12.8
60-64	*8.9	5.9	6.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*7.6	8.8	6.4
65-69	*0.0	*0.9	*0.8	*0.0	*2.6	*2.5	*0.0	*2.0	*1.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>13.6</i>	<i>9.4</i>	<i>11.3</i>	<i>23.6</i>	<i>10.8</i>	<i>17.3</i>	<i>28.2</i>	<i>21.4</i>	<i>16.9</i>
<b>MALES WHO WERE IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*100.0	*100.0	*100.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	70.8	81.1	71.9
20-24	98.5	98.5	98.5	*100.0	*0.0	*100.0	93.5	93.0	94.0
25-34	98.2	99.0	98.4	86.6	*100.0	87.0	93.3	96.3	96.9
35-44	97.2	95.8	96.9	87.9	100.0	90.9	83.2	91.8	95.2
45-54	93.8	93.7	93.7	70.4	87.9	82.6	70.2	83.8	91.3
55-59	71.1	81.9	81.0	*0.0	87.0	79.2	73.9	68.4	78.6
60-64	*45.2	55.5	55.2	*0.0	*40.7	*40.7	*32.4	43.3	52.3
65-69	*27.2	23.8	23.9	*0.0	*11.5	*11.1	*8.5	24.9	23.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>96.0</i>	<i>79.1</i>	<i>87.0</i>	<i>82.8</i>	<i>73.4</i>	<i>78.2</i>	<i>81.8</i>	<i>84.3</i>	<i>85.3</i>
<b>MALES WHO WERE NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*29.6	*8.2	*14.8	*100.0	*0.0	*100.0	70.8	59.5	69.5
20-24	21.7	19.6	20.5	*61.7	*0.0	*61.7	32.4	34.4	31.4
25-34	15.2	17.3	15.9	49.9	*0.0	48.3	23.2	21.8	18.9
35-44	14.6	15.4	14.7	38.4	*18.6	33.4	30.4	21.5	17.2
45-54	16.3	19.2	18.2	*46.4	26.0	32.2	42.1	33.2	21.4
55-59	37.3	32.1	32.6	*100.0	*31.7	*37.8	*36.0	44.2	34.7
60-64	54.8	61.5	61.3	*0.0	64.6	64.6	71.3	70.5	63.2
65-69	*80.4	86.5	86.4	*100.0	89.8	90.3	91.5	81.6	85.7
<i>Total</i>	<i>16.0</i>	<i>34.6</i>	<i>25.9</i>	<i>44.5</i>	<i>38.9</i>	<i>41.7</i>	<i>47.9</i>	<i>34.2</i>	<i>32.3</i>

(a) Includes persons who were a dependent student, non-dependent child or other family member. (b) Includes persons for whom relationship in household could not be determined.

**TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS: SUMMARY OF LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997, AGE AND RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD—continued**  
(Per cent)

Age group (years)	Wife		Lone parent		Total	Other family person(a)	Non-family member(b)	Total	
	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present					
<b>FEMALES WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*25.7	79.4	61.2	*35.7	*0.0	*35.7	56.7	71.4	58.2
20-24	40.2	92.1	69.8	40.1	*0.0	40.1	87.0	86.4	79.2
25-34	61.5	94.4	71.0	52.1	*100.0	52.4	85.2	89.2	73.6
35-44	71.3	81.6	73.8	58.6	75.8	62.5	71.0	83.8	73.2
45-54	68.6	72.3	71.6	58.9	72.0	68.0	66.9	73.5	71.4
55-59	*37.9	45.3	45.1	*46.1	45.7	45.7	37.8	43.9	44.7
60-64	*0.0	24.5	24.4	*13.3	22.2	21.8	*10.9	22.9	23.4
65-69	*0.0	8.5	8.5	*0.0	*4.0	*3.9	*1.5	8.0	7.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>65.6</i>	<i>61.2</i>	<i>63.2</i>	<i>53.0</i>	<i>58.2</i>	<i>54.7</i>	<i>67.4</i>	<i>68.9</i>	<i>64.0</i>
<b>FEMALES WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*43.1	46.1	45.1	*33.0	*0.0	*33.0	25.4	36.3	27.3
20-24	14.9	21.3	18.5	29.2	*0.0	29.2	24.2	30.4	24.8
25-34	11.3	13.8	12.0	25.5	*41.5	25.6	18.9	17.0	14.9
35-44	10.2	10.0	10.2	19.9	23.6	20.7	*10.8	15.1	12.0
45-54	9.1	7.0	7.4	*11.6	17.7	15.8	*15.5	17.2	9.8
55-59	*7.2	2.9	3.0	*44.4	*10.6	*12.8	*11.7	11.5	5.5
60-64	*0.0	*0.3	*0.3	*0.0	*1.4	*1.3	*0.0	*1.3	*0.6
65-69	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.9	*0.4
<i>Total</i>	<i>10.8</i>	<i>7.1</i>	<i>8.7</i>	<i>22.7</i>	<i>14.9</i>	<i>20.1</i>	<i>22.5</i>	<i>17.5</i>	<i>13.4</i>
<b>FEMALES WHO WERE IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	*52.6	98.1	82.6	53.3	*0.0	53.3	70.3	81.2	71.6
20-24	50.8	96.0	76.5	58.6	*0.0	58.6	93.9	92.5	86.6
25-34	67.6	96.9	76.1	65.2	*100.0	65.5	90.8	92.8	79.2
35-44	76.0	86.0	78.5	70.3	86.2	73.9	75.3	88.1	78.7
45-54	73.7	75.2	74.9	64.1	81.6	76.2	73.9	79.4	75.7
55-59	*45.2	46.8	46.7	*66.6	54.2	55.0	44.6	50.9	48.0
60-64	*0.0	24.7	24.6	*13.3	22.2	21.8	*10.9	24.0	23.7
65-69	*0.0	8.6	8.6	*0.0	*4.0	*3.9	*1.5	8.6	8.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>71.2</i>	<i>63.6</i>	<i>67.0</i>	<i>65.7</i>	<i>65.9</i>	<i>65.7</i>	<i>77.2</i>	<i>73.6</i>	<i>69.6</i>
<b>FEMALES WHO WERE NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME</b>									
15-19	90.3	*26.0	47.8	93.4	*0.0	93.4	75.5	58.6	73.2
20-24	85.4	22.8	49.7	84.2	*0.0	84.2	36.7	37.7	43.6
25-34	67.4	24.4	54.9	75.2	*79.5	75.2	23.6	28.6	49.5
35-44	50.8	35.6	47.0	62.5	37.8	56.9	36.4	28.0	46.2
45-54	53.1	45.7	47.0	59.7	35.5	42.9	37.9	38.5	45.2
55-59	*75.2	69.0	69.1	*68.3	55.9	56.7	61.6	62.8	66.9
60-64	*100.0	83.6	83.7	*86.7	83.5	83.6	89.8	86.0	84.4
65-69	*100.0	94.5	94.5	*100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	95.2	95.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>59.1</i>	<i>53.3</i>	<i>55.9</i>	<i>70.6</i>	<i>49.7</i>	<i>63.7</i>	<i>56.5</i>	<i>46.4</i>	<i>55.2</i>

(a) Includes persons who were a dependent student, non-dependent child or other family member. (b) Includes persons for whom relationship in household could not be determined.

TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS: SUMMARY OF LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997,  
AGE AND RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD--continued  
(Per cent)

Age group (years)	Husband or wife			Lone parent			Other family person(a)	Non-family member(b)	Total
	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present	Total	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present	Total			
PERSONS WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME									
15-19	*27.1	80.5	62.6	*34.8	*0.0	*34.8	57.0	70.4	58.3
20-24	58.1	93.3	78.1	41.3	*0.0	41.3	85.4	85.7	82.5
25-34	76.4	95.9	82.6	53.7	*100.0	54.1	85.4	91.1	83.2
35-44	83.1	87.0	84.0	62.1	78.8	65.9	74.7	84.6	82.3
45-54	83.9	81.3	82.0	60.3	74.6	70.2	64.1	75.6	79.9
55-59	64.9	61.5	61.7	*35.0	52.1	50.9	44.8	50.8	58.9
60-64	*34.2	39.3	39.2	*13.3	26.9	26.5	*17.2	29.8	36.1
65-69	*24.6	16.6	16.6	*0.0	*5.5	*5.3	*3.2	14.3	15.3
Total	79.6	68.7	73.7	55.6	60.6	57.4	69.5	73.9	72.1
PERSONS WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME									
15-19	*49.5	49.6	49.5	*32.2	*0.0	*32.2	27.7	35.0	28.8
20-24	22.5	20.8	21.6	28.7	*0.0	28.7	26.8	32.0	27.3
25-34	14.0	13.2	13.7	26.5	*28.4	26.5	24.9	19.4	17.1
35-44	11.0	10.2	10.9	20.5	22.9	21.0	17.5	19.2	13.0
45-54	9.8	8.5	8.8	11.1	16.8	15.1	18.9	16.8	10.6
55-59	*7.2	7.5	7.5	*33.8	*10.8	*12.4	*14.8	15.0	9.2
60-64	*7.8	3.2	3.3	*0.0	*1.0	*1.0	*2.7	4.7	3.5
65-69	*0.0	*0.6	*0.6	*0.0	*0.8	*0.8	*0.0	*1.4	0.7
Total	12.3	8.2	10.0	22.8	14.0	19.7	25.7	19.6	15.1
PERSONS WHO WERE IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME									
15-19	*60.2	98.5	85.7	51.9	*0.0	51.9	70.6	81.1	71.7
20-24	67.8	96.9	84.4	59.4	*0.0	59.4	93.6	92.8	90.4
25-34	81.3	97.9	86.6	67.0	*100.0	67.3	92.4	94.9	88.0
35-44	86.8	90.4	87.6	73.1	88.8	76.7	80.7	90.4	86.8
45-54	87.2	84.0	84.8	65.3	82.8	77.5	71.9	81.7	83.6
55-59	67.1	64.9	65.0	*50.7	60.2	59.5	55.2	59.6	63.6
60-64	*39.3	40.9	40.8	*13.3	26.9	26.5	*18.5	32.9	38.0
65-69	*24.6	16.8	16.9	*0.0	*6.3	*6.1	*3.2	14.9	15.6
Total	83.9	71.2	77.0	67.7	67.5	67.6	79.8	79.4	77.4
PERSONS WHO WERE NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME									
15-19	80.5	*22.7	42.1	93.6	*0.0	93.6	73.0	59.0	71.3
20-24	62.7	21.6	39.3	83.8	*0.0	83.8	34.1	36.0	37.4
25-34	44.0	20.7	36.6	73.0	*54.4	72.9	23.3	24.6	34.3
35-44	32.3	26.5	31.0	58.6	34.3	53.0	32.3	23.9	31.9
45-54	28.5	33.1	31.8	57.0	33.6	40.7	40.2	35.7	33.2
55-59	43.1	50.0	49.6	*75.9	51.4	53.2	52.3	53.5	50.5
60-64	60.7	72.0	71.8	*86.7	78.7	78.9	83.3	78.9	73.8
65-69	*82.3	90.2	90.1	*100.0	96.9	97.0	98.0	89.9	90.6
Total	37.1	44.1	40.9	67.5	47.4	60.4	51.6	39.8	43.7

(a) Includes persons who were a dependent student, non-dependent child or other family member. (b) Includes persons for whom relationship in household could not be determined.

**TABLE 4. ALL PERSONS: SUMMARY OF LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997,  
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AND WHETHER CHILDREN UNDER 15 PRESENT  
(Per cent)**

Educational attainment	With children under 15 present			Without children under 15 present			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
<b>WORKED AT SOME TIME</b>									
With post-school qualifications(a)	95.5	74.3	85.7	84.3	80.5	82.6	88.2	78.3	83.7
Higher degree	96.7	84.5	93.2	90.4	89.8	90.2	93.3	87.9	91.4
Postgraduate diploma	98.9	85.6	92.0	94.1	91.0	92.4	95.9	89.0	92.3
Bachelor degree	97.3	82.4	89.7	88.6	86.8	87.7	91.6	85.3	88.4
Undergraduate diploma	94.8	77.4	84.4	83.1	81.4	82.2	87.5	79.6	83.1
Associate diploma	96.0	77.5	86.1	84.9	82.8	83.8	88.6	80.9	84.6
Skilled vocational qualification	95.1	67.4	87.0	81.4	72.0	78.8	86.1	70.4	81.6
Basic vocational qualification	90.2	67.4	73.2	84.9	77.9	80.3	86.4	73.9	77.8
Without post-school qualifications	87.7	53.9	67.0	71.8	56.1	63.6	75.6	55.4	64.6
Completed highest level of secondary school	94.4	59.6	73.2	80.1	73.8	77.0	82.9	69.9	76.1
Did not complete highest level of secondary school	85.5	52.0	64.9	67.8	48.4	57.5	72.5	49.6	59.8
Never attended school	*55.3	*18.1	*39.9	*23.2	*11.1	15.5	*29.9	*11.8	19.0
Still at school	*0.0	*23.5	*23.5	36.8	41.0	38.9	36.8	40.9	38.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>92.5</i>	<i>63.3</i>	<i>76.9</i>	<i>75.3</i>	<i>64.4</i>	<i>70.0</i>	<i>80.2</i>	<i>64.0</i>	<i>72.1</i>
<b>LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME</b>									
With post-school qualifications(a)	11.7	12.3	12.0	15.4	13.9	14.7	14.1	13.3	13.8
Higher degree	*4.7	*12.3	6.9	6.7	*7.9	7.2	5.8	9.5	7.1
Postgraduate diploma	*5.9	*10.3	8.2	12.0	8.0	9.9	9.7	8.8	9.2
Bachelor degree	7.9	9.2	8.5	12.7	12.9	12.8	11.1	11.6	11.3
Undergraduate diploma	13.1	10.8	11.7	12.0	10.5	11.2	12.4	10.6	11.4
Associate diploma	8.0	11.4	9.8	16.6	13.5	15.0	13.7	12.8	13.3
Skilled vocational qualification	13.9	13.0	13.6	14.3	12.7	13.8	14.1	12.8	13.8
Basic vocational qualification	19.7	16.1	17.0	31.3	19.3	23.5	28.0	18.1	21.2
Without post-school qualifications	17.4	13.6	15.0	20.4	12.4	16.3	19.7	12.8	15.9
Completed highest level of secondary school	12.1	12.4	12.3	21.5	17.1	19.3	19.7	15.8	17.7
Did not complete highest level of secondary school	19.2	13.9	16.0	19.9	10.4	14.9	19.7	11.6	15.2
Never attended school	*24.9	*9.6	*18.6	*3.0	*5.4	*4.6	*7.6	*5.9	*6.6
Still at school	*0.0	*41.1	*41.1	18.8	21.0	19.9	18.8	21.1	19.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>13.9</i>	<i>13.0</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>18.0</i>	<i>13.6</i>	<i>15.9</i>	<i>16.9</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>15.1</i>
<b>IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME</b>									
With post-school qualifications(a)	97.4	80.1	89.4	88.3	83.9	86.3	91.4	82.5	87.4
Higher degree	97.7	88.6	95.1	93.0	91.8	92.6	95.2	90.7	93.6
Postgraduate diploma	100.0	87.0	93.3	95.3	92.0	93.5	97.1	90.2	93.4
Bachelor degree	98.5	85.7	92.0	92.7	89.8	91.2	94.7	88.4	91.5
Undergraduate diploma	97.6	81.5	88.0	86.2	83.4	84.7	90.5	82.6	86.1
Associate diploma	97.4	82.9	89.6	89.4	85.7	87.5	92.1	84.7	88.2
Skilled vocational qualification	96.8	74.9	90.4	84.9	75.2	82.2	89.0	75.1	85.0
Basic vocational qualification	96.6	75.2	80.7	91.9	83.3	86.3	93.3	80.2	84.3
Without post-school qualifications	92.9	61.8	73.8	78.7	60.9	69.5	82.2	61.2	70.7
Completed highest level of secondary school	96.7	66.7	78.5	87.5	80.1	83.8	89.3	76.4	82.6
Did not complete highest level of secondary school	91.8	60.2	72.4	74.6	52.6	63.0	79.1	55.2	65.8
Never attended school	*55.3	*18.1	*39.9	*24.8	*14.7	18.4	*31.3	*15.1	21.5
Still at school	*0.0	*41.1	*41.1	48.2	55.0	51.6	48.2	54.9	51.6
<i>Total</i>	<i>95.6</i>	<i>70.2</i>	<i>82.1</i>	<i>81.2</i>	<i>69.3</i>	<i>75.4</i>	<i>85.3</i>	<i>69.6</i>	<i>77.4</i>
<b>NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME</b>									
With post-school qualifications(a)	14.9	53.9	32.9	29.6	37.6	33.1	24.6	43.6	33.1
Higher degree	9.3	31.6	15.8	21.2	26.0	23.1	15.8	28.0	20.0
Postgraduate diploma	*8.2	53.1	31.5	23.0	28.3	25.9	17.3	37.3	28.0
Bachelor degree	11.4	46.3	29.2	28.1	34.0	31.1	22.3	38.3	30.4
Undergraduate diploma	14.1	50.9	36.0	34.4	40.9	37.8	26.7	45.3	37.1
Associate diploma	13.4	54.5	35.4	27.4	34.4	31.0	22.8	41.5	32.5
Skilled vocational qualification	18.1	57.8	29.7	31.9	44.1	35.3	27.2	49.0	33.4
Basic vocational qualification	11.9	60.5	48.1	27.6	39.4	35.3	23.1	47.5	39.8
Without post-school qualifications	19.7	67.5	48.9	40.2	57.9	49.4	35.2	61.0	49.3
Completed highest level of secondary school	14.0	64.3	44.5	39.8	48.8	44.3	34.8	53.0	44.3
Did not complete highest level of secondary school	21.5	68.5	50.4	40.1	61.8	51.6	35.2	64.1	51.2
Never attended school	*57.4	*91.5	*71.6	77.9	88.2	84.5	73.6	88.5	82.6
Still at school	*0.0	*92.7	*92.7	89.0	89.0	89.0	89.0	89.0	89.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>16.8</i>	<i>61.2</i>	<i>40.4</i>	<i>38.4</i>	<i>52.3</i>	<i>45.1</i>	<i>32.3</i>	<i>55.2</i>	<i>43.7</i>

(a) Includes other nursing and post-school qualifications.



**TABLE 5. ALL PERSONS: SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS OF LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997 AND WHETHER CHILDREN UNDER 15 PRESENT ('000)**

	<i>With children under 15 present</i>			<i>Without children under 15 present</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>
Not in the labour force at any time during the year	78.4	612.1	690.5	861.4	1,321.3	2,182.7	939.8	1,933.4	2,873.2
In the labour force at some time during the year	1,723.1	1,441.1	3,164.2	3,717.2	2,984.8	6,701.9	5,440.2	4,425.9	9,866.1
<i>Time in the labour force (weeks) ---</i>									
1 and under 4	5.1	53.3	58.4	49.2	55.8	105.0	54.2	109.2	163.4
4 and under 13	12.0	92.3	104.3	156.6	159.6	316.2	168.6	251.9	420.5
13 and under 26	14.5	93.8	108.2	93.0	101.2	194.2	107.5	194.9	302.4
26 and under 39	21.8	127.3	149.1	125.6	147.0	272.6	147.4	274.3	421.7
39 and under 52	170.4	278.1	448.5	473.6	465.7	939.4	644.0	743.8	1,387.8
52	1,499.4	796.3	2,295.7	2,819.1	2,055.5	4,874.6	4,318.5	2,851.8	7,170.3
Worked at some time during the year	1,665.6	1,299.4	2,965.1	3,448.4	2,773.1	6,221.5	5,114.1	4,072.5	9,186.6
<i>Time worked (weeks) ---</i>									
1 and under 4	7.7	30.4	38.0	59.4	45.6	105.0	67.1	75.9	143.1
4 and under 13	23.7	74.0	97.7	151.5	137.1	288.6	175.2	211.1	386.4
13 and under 26	42.4	92.3	134.7	148.1	129.4	277.5	190.5	221.7	412.2
26 and under 39	54.2	118.6	172.7	214.1	192.7	406.9	268.3	311.3	579.6
39 and under 52	228.4	275.4	503.8	568.3	511.0	1,079.4	796.7	786.5	1,583.2
52	1,309.2	708.8	2,018.0	2,307.0	1,757.1	4,064.1	3,616.2	2,465.9	6,082.1
<i>Full-time/part-time status of weeks worked ---</i>									
All full-time	1,475.5	475.5	1,951.0	2,659.4	1,533.2	4,192.6	4,134.9	2,008.7	6,143.6
More full-time than part-time	92.7	65.3	157.9	199.3	152.5	351.9	292.0	217.8	509.8
Full-time same as part-time	5.4	11.9	17.3	19.9	19.4	39.3	25.3	31.3	56.6
More part-time than full-time	27.0	58.9	85.9	96.8	121.4	218.2	123.8	180.3	304.2
All part-time	65.1	687.8	752.9	473.0	946.4	1,419.5	538.1	1,634.3	2,172.4
<i>Whether worked with current employer/business for one year or more</i>									
One employer/business during the year	1,466.6	1,156.9	2,623.5	2,938.5	2,345.2	5,283.7	4,405.1	3,502.1	7,907.2
With current employer/business for one year or more	1,359.1	896.1	2,255.2	2,471.0	1,916.1	4,387.2	3,830.1	2,812.3	6,642.4
Other(a)	107.5	260.8	368.3	467.4	429.1	896.5	575.0	689.9	1,264.8
More than one employer/business during the year	199.0	142.5	341.5	510.0	427.9	937.8	709.0	570.4	1,279.4
Two	148.0	112.5	260.5	363.2	313.9	677.2	511.2	426.5	937.6
Three	34.2	21.6	55.8	96.4	78.0	174.4	130.6	99.6	230.2
Four or more	16.8	8.4	25.2	50.4	35.9	86.3	67.3	44.3	111.5
Looked for work at some time during the year	250.4	267.3	517.7	824.9	583.9	1,408.8	1,075.3	851.2	1,926.5
<i>Time spent looking for work (weeks) -</i>									
1 and under 4	30.0	50.8	80.7	100.8	89.6	190.4	130.8	140.4	271.2
4 and under 13	76.6	87.3	163.9	254.1	195.4	449.5	330.6	282.7	613.4
13 and under 26	35.7	34.2	69.8	129.0	94.5	223.5	164.6	128.7	293.3
26 and under 39	46.7	41.2	87.9	116.8	80.6	197.4	163.5	121.7	285.2
39 and under 52	22.6	22.8	45.4	94.3	46.9	141.2	116.9	69.7	186.6
52	38.9	31.1	70.0	130.0	76.8	206.8	168.9	107.9	276.9
<i>Number of spells of looking for work</i>									
One	181.8	198.2	380.0	608.6	447.9	1,056.5	790.3	646.1	1,436.4
Two	28.2	28.0	56.1	98.5	63.5	162.0	126.7	91.5	218.2
Three	15.0	14.9	29.9	44.6	29.4	73.9	59.6	44.3	103.8
Four or more	25.5	26.2	51.7	73.2	43.2	116.4	98.7	69.3	168.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,801.5</b>	<b>2,053.2</b>	<b>3,854.7</b>	<b>4,578.6</b>	<b>4,306.1</b>	<b>8,884.7</b>	<b>6,380.1</b>	<b>6,359.3</b>	<b>12,739.3</b>

(a) Comprises persons who were not working at February 1997 and persons who were working at February 1997 who had been with current employer/business for less than one year.

**TABLE 6. ALL PERSONS: TIME IN THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997.  
AGE AND WHETHER CHILDREN UNDER 15 PRESENT  
('000)**

Time in the labour force during the year (weeks)	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	
<b>MALES WITH CHILDREN UNDER 15 PRESENT</b>									
Nil	*0.3	*0.6	11.3	26.9	22.7	9.3	4.8	*2.6	78.4
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.0	*1.9	*1.6	*1.4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.2	5.1
4 and under 13	*0.0	*0.8	5.4	5.7	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	12.0
13 and under 26	*0.0	*0.0	7.5	4.7	*2.1	*0.1	*0.0	*0.0	14.5
26 and under 39	*0.1	*1.7	7.1	9.7	*2.9	*0.3	*0.0	*0.0	21.8
39 and under 52	*0.2	6.3	52.1	82.4	27.2	*2.2	*0.0	*0.0	170.4
52	*0.7	32.1	446.8	723.3	272.9	19.0	*3.9	*0.6	1,499.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>*1.3</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>531.9</b>	<b>854.3</b>	<b>329.4</b>	<b>30.9</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>*3.5</b>	<b>1,801.5</b>
<b>ALL MALES</b>									
Nil	179.7	41.0	43.2	66.4	102.5	91.3	166.8	248.9	939.8
1 and under 4	30.6	6.7	4.6	*2.6	*3.2	*1.4	*3.0	*2.1	54.2
4 and under 13	90.0	29.1	16.0	10.0	8.0	5.6	6.4	*3.7	168.6
13 and under 26	38.0	15.6	17.7	9.2	12.2	*3.0	5.8	6.0	107.5
26 and under 39	33.2	22.0	28.9	-20.9	18.5	7.4	10.8	5.7	147.4
39 and under 52	72.6	101.1	153.9	126.9	108.9	39.6	28.3	12.6	644.0
52	194.9	471.1	1,131.1	1,137.9	929.7	278.7	128.5	46.6	4,318.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>639.0</b>	<b>686.7</b>	<b>1,395.4</b>	<b>1,373.8</b>	<b>1,182.9</b>	<b>427.0</b>	<b>349.7</b>	<b>325.6</b>	<b>6,380.1</b>
<b>FEMALES WITH CHILDREN UNDER 15 PRESENT</b>									
Nil	7.7	55.3	256.2	232.1	54.4	*3.6	*2.1	*0.7	612.1
1 and under 4	*0.4	5.5	24.8	19.1	*3.4	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	53.3
4 and under 13	*1.8	8.6	44.5	30.9	6.4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	92.3
13 and under 26	*1.1	11.6	44.8	31.9	*4.0	*0.4	*0.0	*0.0	93.8
26 and under 39	*2.7	10.7	60.8	46.2	6.9	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	127.3
39 and under 52	*1.4	10.1	105.2	130.2	30.1	*1.1	*0.0	*0.0	278.1
52	*1.3	18.0	243.4	443.1	88.6	*1.9	*0.1	*0.0	796.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>119.7</b>	<b>779.6</b>	<b>933.5</b>	<b>193.8</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>*2.2</b>	<b>*0.7</b>	<b>2,053.2</b>
<b>ALL FEMALES</b>									
Nil	173.7	89.3	294.0	298.9	281.2	214.5	267.1	314.6	1,933.4
1 and under 4	25.6	11.9	29.5	23.4	13.3	*1.8	*2.5	*1.0	109.2
4 and under 13	83.2	30.3	55.6	41.5	25.4	8.9	4.6	*2.4	251.9
13 and under 26	40.8	30.0	55.5	40.9	18.0	6.0	*2.6	*1.2	194.9
26 and under 39	37.6	35.6	81.0	61.3	39.2	11.8	5.2	*2.4	274.3
39 and under 52	86.8	93.5	184.9	183.1	145.3	32.6	13.7	*4.0	743.8
52	164.2	376.0	715.4	755.3	633.2	136.6	54.7	16.5	2,851.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>612.0</b>	<b>666.7</b>	<b>1,415.9</b>	<b>1,404.4</b>	<b>1,155.7</b>	<b>412.2</b>	<b>350.3</b>	<b>342.1</b>	<b>6,359.3</b>
<b>PERSONS WITH CHILDREN UNDER 15 PRESENT</b>									
Nil	8.0	55.9	267.5	259.0	77.0	12.9	6.9	*3.4	690.5
1 and under 4	*0.4	5.5	26.7	20.6	4.8	*0.2	*0.0	*0.2	58.4
4 and under 13	*1.8	9.3	49.9	36.6	6.6	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	104.3
13 and under 26	*1.1	11.6	52.2	36.7	6.1	*0.5	*0.0	*0.0	108.2
26 and under 39	*2.9	12.4	67.8	55.9	9.8	*0.3	*0.0	*0.0	149.1
39 and under 52	*1.6	16.4	157.3	212.6	57.3	*3.3	*0.0	*0.0	448.5
52	*2.0	50.1	690.1	1,166.4	361.5	20.9	*4.1	*0.6	2,295.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>161.2</b>	<b>1,311.5</b>	<b>1,787.8</b>	<b>523.2</b>	<b>38.1</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>*4.2</b>	<b>3,854.7</b>
<b>ALL PERSONS</b>									
Nil	353.4	130.3	337.2	365.4	383.6	305.8	434.0	563.6	2,873.2
1 and under 4	56.2	18.7	34.1	26.0	16.6	*3.2	5.5	*3.1	163.4
4 and under 13	173.2	59.4	71.6	51.5	33.4	14.5	10.9	6.0	420.5
13 and under 26	78.8	45.5	73.2	50.0	30.2	9.0	8.4	7.3	302.4
26 and under 39	70.9	57.6	109.9	82.2	57.7	19.2	16.0	8.1	421.7
39 and under 52	159.4	194.6	338.8	310.0	254.2	72.2	42.0	16.6	1,387.8
52	359.1	847.2	1,846.5	1,893.2	1,562.8	415.3	183.2	63.0	7,170.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,251.0</b>	<b>1,353.3</b>	<b>2,811.2</b>	<b>2,778.2</b>	<b>2,338.6</b>	<b>839.2</b>	<b>700.0</b>	<b>667.7</b>	<b>12,739.3</b>

**TABLE 7. PERSONS WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997: TIME WORKED, FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STATUS OF WEEKS WORKED AND RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD ('000)**

Time worked during the year (weeks)	Husband		Total	Lone parent		Total	Other family		Total
	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present		With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present		person(a)	Non-family member(b)	
<b>MALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS ALL FULL TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*3.6	4.7	8.3	*0.9	*0.2	*1.1	15.1	7.3	31.8
4 and under 13	12.1	15.4	27.5	*0.3	*0.5	*0.7	35.9	16.0	80.1
13 and under 26	22.2	20.6	42.8	*1.4	*0.1	*1.5	28.4	21.3	93.9
26 and under 39	34.2	37.9	72.1	*0.9	*0.8	*1.6	45.2	35.2	154.1
39 and under 52	156.4	140.0	296.4	*2.2	*3.2	5.4	75.9	103.6	481.3
52	1,220.9	1,086.7	2,307.6	20.5	24.0	44.4	392.9	548.8	3,293.7
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,449.4</i>	<i>1,305.2</i>	<i>2,754.7</i>	<i>26.0</i>	<i>28.7</i>	<i>54.7</i>	<i>593.2</i>	<i>732.3</i>	<i>4,134.9</i>
<b>MALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS MORE FULL TIME THAN PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.2
4 and under 13	*1.2	*1.0	*2.2	*0.3	*0.0	*0.3	*2.8	*0.9	6.2
13 and under 26	6.0	*4.1	10.1	*0.8	*0.8	*1.5	*4.2	*3.8	19.7
26 and under 39	6.5	8.4	15.0	*0.1	*0.2	*0.3	7.9	9.2	32.4
39 and under 52	42.5	33.1	75.6	*1.4	*0.8	*2.2	21.0	27.7	126.5
52	33.1	31.0	64.1	*0.7	*0.6	*1.2	18.3	23.4	107.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>89.4</i>	<i>77.8</i>	<i>167.2</i>	<i>*3.2</i>	<i>*2.3</i>	<i>5.5</i>	<i>54.2</i>	<i>65.1</i>	<i>292.0</i>
<b>MALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS THE SAME FULL TIME AND PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.9	*0.0	*0.9
4 and under 13	*0.6	*0.7	*1.4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*1.1	*0.6	*3.1
13 and under 26	*0.7	*0.8	*1.5	*0.2	*0.0	*0.2	*1.1	*0.0	*2.7
26 and under 39	*0.0	*0.5	*0.5	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*1.2	*0.9	*2.6
39 and under 52	*0.4	*0.1	*0.5	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.4	*0.7	*1.6
52	*3.0	*2.9	5.8	*0.6	*0.0	*0.6	*4.1	*3.8	14.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>4.6</i>	<i>5.0</i>	<i>9.6</i>	<i>*0.8</i>	<i>*0.0</i>	<i>*0.8</i>	<i>8.8</i>	<i>6.1</i>	<i>25.3</i>
<b>MALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS MORE PART TIME THAN FULL TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.3	*0.0	*0.5
4 and under 13	*0.9	*1.2	*2.1	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	*2.7	*1.1	6.1
13 and under 26	*1.7	*1.9	*3.6	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*3.4	*4.0	10.9
26 and under 39	*4.1	*2.4	6.5	*0.4	*0.0	*0.4	6.2	5.6	18.8
39 and under 52	10.1	9.4	19.6	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	16.7	12.5	49.0
52	9.8	7.3	17.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	16.2	5.2	38.6
<i>Total</i>	<i>26.7</i>	<i>22.5</i>	<i>49.2</i>	<i>*0.4</i>	<i>*0.4</i>	<i>*0.8</i>	<i>45.5</i>	<i>28.3</i>	<i>123.8</i>
<b>MALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS ALL PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*2.6	*3.9	6.4	*0.6	*0.0	*0.6	19.9	6.8	33.7
4 and under 13	7.0	12.2	19.3	*1.4	*0.0	*1.4	43.6	15.5	79.8
13 and under 26	7.7	9.7	17.4	*1.8	*0.0	*1.8	31.6	12.5	63.3
26 and under 39	6.9	13.3	20.3	*1.0	*0.2	*1.2	26.9	12.0	60.5
39 and under 52	13.6	32.5	46.1	*1.8	*1.0	*2.8	62.8	26.6	138.4
52	19.6	44.2	63.9	*1.1	*2.2	*3.3	68.0	27.3	162.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>57.4</i>	<i>115.9</i>	<i>173.3</i>	<i>7.7</i>	<i>*3.5</i>	<i>11.1</i>	<i>252.8</i>	<i>100.8</i>	<i>538.1</i>
<b>ALL MALES</b>									
1 and under 4	6.2	9.0	15.2	*1.5	*0.2	*1.7	36.2	14.1	67.1
4 and under 13	21.8	30.6	52.4	*1.9	*0.7	*2.6	86.1	34.1	175.2
13 and under 26	38.3	37.0	75.4	*4.1	*0.9	5.0	68.5	41.6	190.5
26 and under 39	51.8	62.6	114.4	*2.4	*1.2	*3.5	87.4	63.0	268.3
39 and under 52	223.0	215.1	438.1	5.4	5.2	10.6	176.9	171.2	796.7
52	1,286.4	1,172.1	2,458.5	22.8	26.7	49.6	499.5	608.6	3,616.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,627.6</i>	<i>1,526.4</i>	<i>3,154.0</i>	<i>38.1</i>	<i>34.8</i>	<i>72.9</i>	<i>954.6</i>	<i>932.6</i>	<i>5,114.1</i>

(a) Includes persons who were a dependent student, non-dependent child or other family member. (b) Includes persons for whom relationship in household could not be determined.

**TABLE 7. PERSONS WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997: TIME WORKED, FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STATUS OF WEEKS WORKED AND RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD--continued**  
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Time worked during the year (weeks)	Wife		Lone parent		Total	Other family person(a)	Non-family member(b)	Total	
	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present					
<b>FEMALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS ALL FULL TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	4.8	*3.0	7.8	*1.3	*0.4	*1.8	6.1	6.7	22.4
4 and under 13	13.7	11.2	24.9	*2.6	*0.8	*3.4	15.8	12.5	56.7
13 and under 26	18.2	11.7	29.9	7.5	*0.7	8.1	10.4	14.2	62.6
26 and under 39	26.6	20.9	47.5	5.9	*1.5	7.4	15.9	23.0	93.7
39 and under 52	51.3	72.2	123.6	8.2	6.8	15.0	32.1	52.5	223.2
52	290.0	590.5	880.5	45.3	57.0	102.3	225.5	341.8	1,550.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>404.7</i>	<i>709.6</i>	<i>1,114.3</i>	<i>70.8</i>	<i>67.2</i>	<i>138.1</i>	<i>305.8</i>	<i>450.6</i>	<i>2,008.7</i>
<b>FEMALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS MORE FULL TIME THAN PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.1	*0.0	*0.1
4 and under 13	*2.4	*1.0	*3.4	*0.2	*0.0	*0.2	*2.3	*0.9	6.7
13 and under 26	*3.7	*1.8	5.5	*1.4	*0.1	*1.5	*1.1	4.6	12.7
26 and under 39	5.4	8.0	13.4	*2.9	*0.6	*3.5	*4.3	9.1	30.3
39 and under 52	15.6	25.4	41.1	4.5	*1.2	5.7	9.9	17.9	74.5
52	24.5	27.0	51.5	4.6	*1.2	5.9	14.5	21.6	93.4
<i>Total</i>	<i>51.6</i>	<i>63.1</i>	<i>114.8</i>	<i>13.6</i>	<i>*3.2</i>	<i>16.8</i>	<i>32.1</i>	<i>54.1</i>	<i>217.8</i>
<b>FEMALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS THE SAME FULL TIME AND PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.3	*0.0	*0.3	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.3
4 and under 13	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.7	*0.5	*1.2
13 and under 26	*0.2	*0.5	*0.7	*0.5	*0.0	*0.5	*0.3	*0.2	*1.7
26 and under 39	*0.6	*0.9	*1.4	*0.0	*0.3	*0.3	*0.9	*0.6	*3.2
39 and under 52	*0.4	*0.3	*0.7	*0.3	*0.0	*0.3	*0.0	*0.3	*1.3
52	8.4	7.4	15.7	*1.3	*0.0	*1.3	*3.2	*3.4	23.7
<i>Total</i>	<i>9.8</i>	<i>9.0</i>	<i>18.9</i>	<i>*2.1</i>	<i>*0.3</i>	<i>*2.4</i>	<i>5.1</i>	<i>4.9</i>	<i>31.3</i>
<b>FEMALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS MORE PART TIME THAN FULL TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0
4 and under 13	*2.3	*1.1	*3.4	*0.1	*0.9	*1.0	*1.7	*0.0	6.0
13 and under 26	*3.1	*1.4	4.5	*1.8	*0.1	*1.9	*2.8	4.9	14.0
26 and under 39	6.5	*4.2	10.7	*0.7	*0.3	*0.9	*4.1	*4.5	20.2
39 and under 52	16.8	16.3	33.1	*3.8	*2.3	6.2	13.8	9.2	62.3
52	21.7	24.5	46.2	*2.2	*1.3	*3.5	15.9	12.2	77.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>50.3</i>	<i>47.5</i>	<i>97.9</i>	<i>8.6</i>	<i>4.9</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>38.3</i>	<i>30.8</i>	<i>180.3</i>
<b>FEMALES WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS ALL PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	19.5	10.4	29.8	*4.5	*0.5	5.0	11.4	6.9	53.2
4 and under 13	37.8	27.3	65.1	14.8	*1.9	16.7	41.8	16.9	140.5
13 and under 26	43.8	17.4	61.2	12.2	*2.0	14.2	40.1	15.2	130.6
26 and under 39	59.4	36.4	95.8	10.7	*3.1	13.8	36.1	18.2	163.9
39 and under 52	140.1	105.9	246.1	34.3	8.9	43.1	91.9	44.1	425.2
52	281.9	240.0	521.9	28.9	16.1	45.0	91.5	62.5	720.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>582.5</i>	<i>437.3</i>	<i>1,019.8</i>	<i>105.3</i>	<i>32.5</i>	<i>137.9</i>	<i>312.8</i>	<i>163.8</i>	<i>1,634.3</i>
<b>ALL FEMALES</b>									
1 and under 4	24.6	13.4	37.9	5.8	*1.0	6.8	17.7	13.6	75.9
4 and under 13	56.2	40.6	96.8	17.8	*3.5	21.3	62.2	30.8	211.1
13 and under 26	69.0	32.8	101.8	23.3	*2.9	26.2	54.7	39.0	221.7
26 and under 39	98.4	70.4	168.8	20.1	5.8	26.0	61.2	55.4	311.3
39 and under 52	224.3	220.2	444.5	51.2	19.2	70.4	147.7	123.9	786.5
52	626.5	889.3	1,515.8	82.3	75.7	158.0	350.6	441.5	2,465.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,099.0</i>	<i>1,266.6</i>	<i>2,365.6</i>	<i>200.4</i>	<i>108.2</i>	<i>308.6</i>	<i>694.1</i>	<i>704.2</i>	<i>4,072.5</i>

(a) Includes persons who were a dependent student, non-dependent child or other family member. (b) Includes persons for whom relationship in household could not be determined.

**TABLE 7. PERSONS WHO WORKED AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997: TIME WORKED, FULL-TIME/PART-TIME STATUS OF WEEKS WORKED AND RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD** *continued*  
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Time worked during the year (weeks)	Husband or wife			Lone parent			Other family person(a)	Non-family member(b)	Total
	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present	Total	With children under 15 present	Without children under 15 present	Total			
<b>PERSONS WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS ALL FULL TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	8.5	7.7	16.1	*2.2	*0.6	*2.8	21.2	14.0	54.1
4 and under 13	25.8	26.7	52.4	*2.9	*1.3	*4.2	51.7	28.5	136.8
13 and under 26	40.4	32.2	72.7	8.8	*0.8	9.6	38.8	35.5	156.6
26 and under 39	60.8	58.8	119.6	6.7	*2.3	9.0	61.1	58.2	247.8
39 and under 52	207.7	212.2	419.9	10.4	10.0	20.4	108.0	156.1	704.4
52	1,510.9	1,677.2	3,188.1	65.8	81.0	146.8	618.4	890.6	4,843.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,854.1</b>	<b>2,014.8</b>	<b>3,868.9</b>	<b>96.9</b>	<b>95.9</b>	<b>192.8</b>	<b>899.1</b>	<b>1,182.8</b>	<b>6,143.6</b>
<b>PERSONS WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS MORE FULL TIME THAN PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.1	*0.0	*0.3
4 and under 13	*3.6	*2.0	5.6	*0.4	*0.0	*0.4	5.0	*1.8	12.9
13 and under 26	9.7	5.9	15.6	*2.2	*0.9	*3.0	5.3	8.5	32.3
26 and under 39	12.0	16.4	28.4	*3.0	*0.8	*3.8	12.1	18.3	62.7
39 and under 52	58.2	58.5	116.7	5.9	*2.0	7.9	30.9	45.6	201.0
52	57.6	58.0	115.6	5.3	*1.8	7.1	32.8	45.0	200.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>141.1</b>	<b>140.9</b>	<b>282.0</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>86.3</b>	<b>119.2</b>	<b>509.8</b>
<b>PERSONS WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS THE SAME FULL TIME AND PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.3	*0.0	*0.3	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.9	*0.0	*1.2
4 and under 13	*0.6	*0.7	*1.4	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*1.9	*1.1	*4.3
13 and under 26	*0.9	*1.2	*2.2	*0.7	*0.0	*0.7	*1.4	*0.2	*4.4
26 and under 39	*0.6	*1.4	*1.9	*0.0	*0.3	*0.3	*2.0	*1.5	5.8
39 and under 52	*0.8	*0.4	*1.2	*0.3	*0.0	*0.3	*0.4	*1.0	*2.9
52	11.3	10.2	21.5	*1.9	*0.0	*1.9	7.3	7.3	38.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>*2.8</b>	<b>*0.3</b>	<b>*3.1</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>11.0</b>	<b>56.6</b>
<b>PERSONS WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS MORE PART TIME THAN FULL TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	*0.0	*0.2	*0.2	*0.0	*0.0	*0.0	*0.3	*0.0	*0.5
4 and under 13	*3.2	*2.3	5.5	*0.1	*1.1	*1.2	*4.4	*1.1	12.1
13 and under 26	4.8	*3.3	8.1	*1.8	*0.1	*1.9	6.1	8.8	25.0
26 and under 39	10.6	6.7	17.2	*1.1	*0.3	*1.3	10.2	10.1	38.9
39 and under 52	26.9	25.7	52.6	*3.8	*2.5	6.4	30.5	21.7	111.2
52	31.5	31.9	63.4	*2.2	*1.3	*3.5	32.1	17.4	116.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>77.0</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>147.1</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>83.8</b>	<b>59.1</b>	<b>304.2</b>
<b>PERSONS WHOSE TIME WORKED WAS ALL PART TIME</b>									
1 and under 4	22.0	14.2	36.3	5.1	*0.5	5.6	31.3	13.7	86.9
4 and under 13	44.9	39.5	84.4	16.2	*1.9	18.1	85.4	32.4	220.3
13 and under 26	51.5	27.1	78.6	13.9	*2.0	16.0	71.6	27.7	193.9
26 and under 39	66.3	49.7	116.0	11.7	*3.3	15.0	63.1	30.3	224.4
39 and under 52	153.7	138.5	292.1	36.1	9.9	46.0	154.7	70.8	563.6
52	301.5	284.2	585.7	30.0	18.4	48.4	159.5	89.8	883.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>639.9</b>	<b>553.2</b>	<b>1,193.1</b>	<b>113.0</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>149.0</b>	<b>565.6</b>	<b>264.7</b>	<b>2,172.4</b>
<b>ALL PERSONS</b>									
1 and under 4	30.8	22.3	53.1	7.3	*1.2	8.4	53.9	27.7	143.1
4 and under 13	78.1	71.2	149.2	19.7	*4.2	23.9	148.4	64.9	386.4
13 and under 26	107.3	69.8	177.1	27.4	*3.8	31.1	123.2	80.7	412.2
26 and under 39	150.2	133.0	283.2	22.5	7.0	29.5	148.5	118.4	579.6
39 and under 52	447.3	435.3	882.6	56.6	24.4	81.0	324.6	295.1	1,583.2
52	1,912.9	2,061.5	3,974.3	105.1	102.5	207.6	850.1	1,050.1	6,082.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,726.6</b>	<b>2,793.0</b>	<b>5,519.6</b>	<b>238.5</b>	<b>143.0</b>	<b>381.5</b>	<b>1,648.7</b>	<b>1,636.8</b>	<b>9,186.6</b>

(a) Includes persons who were a dependent student, non-dependent child or other family member. (b) Includes persons for whom relationship in household could not be determined.

**TABLE 8. PERSONS WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997:  
NUMBER OF SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK, TIME SPENT LOOKING FOR WORK AND AGE**

Time spent looking for work during the year (weeks)	Age group (years)							Total(a)
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	
<b>MALES WHO HAD ONE SPELL OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	'000							
1 and under 4	30.1	17.6	31.5	17.9	8.3	*3.5	*1.6	111.1
4 and under 13	60.6	42.6	53.2	36.5	25.3	5.8	*3.8	227.9
13 and under 26	15.5	23.1	26.7	18.8	14.9	4.8	*2.5	106.4
26 and under 39	14.2	23.5	25.8	20.9	12.4	*1.7	*2.4	101.5
39 and under 52	12.5	15.1	20.9	9.4	8.5	5.1	*2.7	74.5
52	17.0	29.8	34.6	36.3	26.1	19.1	5.3	168.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>149.8</i>	<i>151.8</i>	<i>192.6</i>	<i>139.9</i>	<i>95.4</i>	<i>40.0</i>	<i>18.2</i>	<i>790.3</i>
Average duration(b)	17.5	24.3	23.1	25.7	27.0	35.2	30.1	24.0
Median duration(b)	9	20	17	21	24	49	33	18
<b>MALES WHO HAD TWO SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	'000							
1 and under 4	*3.8	*2.0	*3.7	*2.1	*1.5	*0.2	*0.8	14.1
4 and under 13	7.3	10.7	9.0	5.9	*4.3	*1.1	*0.1	38.5
13 and under 26	5.1	5.0	4.9	5.2	*1.8	*1.0	*0.2	23.1
26 and under 39	*3.6	4.7	6.5	5.9	*3.8	*0.5	*0.3	25.2
39 and under 52	*3.2	*3.8	9.4	*2.7	*4.4	*1.9	*0.3	25.8
52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	<i>22.9</i>	<i>26.2</i>	<i>33.5</i>	<i>21.8</i>	<i>15.9</i>	<i>4.7</i>	<i>*1.7</i>	<i>126.7</i>
Average duration(b)	18.2	19.1	23.1	20.3	23.5	*26.8	*14.5	21.0
Median duration(b)	14	13	24	18	26	*32	*4	19
<b>MALES WHO HAD THREE OR MORE SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	'000							
1 and under 4	*1.3	*1.1	*1.9	*0.8	*0.2	*0.3	*0.0	5.6
4 and under 13	8.1	10.1	16.5	13.5	11.2	*3.7	*1.1	64.2
13 and under 26	*3.8	6.5	10.7	6.7	*4.5	*1.9	*0.7	35.1
26 and under 39	6.1	5.6	9.3	7.6	*4.2	*3.4	*0.3	36.8
39 and under 52	*1.9	*2.8	5.9	*1.4	*3.6	*0.7	*0.3	16.6
52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	<i>21.2</i>	<i>26.1</i>	<i>44.2</i>	<i>30.0</i>	<i>23.6</i>	<i>10.0</i>	<i>*2.3</i>	<i>158.3</i>
Average duration(b)	18.9	19.2	19.7	17.3	19.5	19.2	*17.9	19.0
Median duration(b)	16	17	15	14	14	*22	*16	15
<b>ALL MALES</b>								
	'000							
1 and under 4	35.2	20.6	37.1	20.9	10.0	*3.9	*2.4	130.8
4 and under 13	76.0	63.5	78.7	55.9	40.8	10.6	5.0	330.6
13 and under 26	24.3	34.5	42.2	30.7	21.1	7.7	*3.4	164.6
26 and under 39	23.8	33.9	41.5	34.4	20.4	5.5	*3.0	163.5
39 and under 52	17.7	21.7	36.2	13.5	16.5	7.8	*3.3	116.9
52	17.0	29.8	34.6	36.3	26.1	19.1	5.3	168.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>193.9</i>	<i>204.0</i>	<i>270.3</i>	<i>191.7</i>	<i>134.9</i>	<i>54.7</i>	<i>22.3</i>	<i>1,075.3</i>
Average duration(b)	17.7	23.0	22.5	23.8	25.3	31.6	27.6	22.9
Median duration(b)	10	19	18	18	22	35	26	18

**TABLE 8. PERSONS WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997:  
NUMBER OF SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK, TIME SPENT LOOKING FOR WORK AND AGE** *continued*

Time spent looking for work during the year (weeks)	Age group (years)							Total(a)
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	
<b>FEMALES WHO HAD ONE SPELL OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	--- '000 ---							
1 and under 4	29.4	21.4	34.2	23.3	13.8	*1.1	*0.3	123.4
4 and under 13	54.1	43.2	49.4	36.6	22.3	*2.2	*0.3	208.5
13 and under 26	12.5	19.9	21.7	13.4	10.6	*2.7	*0.4	81.1
26 and under 39	14.2	14.1	20.2	17.1	10.5	*2.1	*0.2	78.4
39 and under 52	7.7	8.7	11.9	9.7	7.0	*1.5	*0.0	46.8
52	15.6	16.6	21.5	22.5	22.6	8.3	*0.5	107.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>133.6</i>	<i>123.9</i>	<i>158.8</i>	<i>122.7</i>	<i>86.7</i>	<i>17.9</i>	<i>*1.7</i>	<i>646.1</i>
Average duration(b)	16.6	19.3	19.0	21.7	25.2	35.3	*26.3	20.4
Median duration(b)	8	12	11	13	21	46	*17	12
<b>FEMALES WHO HAD TWO SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	--- '000 ---							
1 and under 4	*2.1	*3.0	4.5	*2.6	*0.3	*0.4	*0.0	13.0
4 and under 13	6.5	6.7	7.5	7.4	*1.8	*0.4	*0.0	30.2
13 and under 26	*2.8	5.6	*4.1	*3.0	*2.4	*0.0	*0.0	17.9
26 and under 39	*2.3	5.0	*3.7	*4.5	*2.5	*0.0	*0.0	18.0
39 and under 52	*3.5	*1.9	*3.8	*2.2	*1.0	*0.0	*0.0	12.4
52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	<i>17.1</i>	<i>22.1</i>	<i>23.6</i>	<i>19.7</i>	<i>8.0</i>	<i>*0.8</i>	<i>*0.0</i>	<i>91.5</i>
Average duration(b)	18.8	18.2	17.8	18.0	21.5	*6.6	..	18.3
Median duration(b)	13	18	12	12	20	*10	..	14
<b>FEMALES WHO HAD THREE OR MORE SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	--- '000 ---							
1 and under 4	*0.5	*0.7	*1.3	*1.0	*0.5	*0.0	*0.0	*3.9
4 and under 13	4.8	6.0	12.7	11.2	7.2	*2.0	*0.0	44.0
13 and under 26	6.1	7.3	5.8	*4.3	4.6	*1.3	*0.0	29.7
26 and under 39	*3.6	*3.7	6.4	6.9	*4.5	*0.0	*0.3	25.4
39 and under 52	*1.2	*1.4	*1.9	*3.3	*2.2	*0.5	*0.0	10.5
52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<i>Total</i>	<i>16.2</i>	<i>19.1</i>	<i>28.0</i>	<i>26.7</i>	<i>19.0</i>	<i>*3.9</i>	<i>*0.3</i>	<i>113.6</i>
Average duration(b)	19.7	18.6	16.9	19.3	18.9	*17.4	*26.0	18.5
Median duration(b)	20	17	13	15	16	*12	*26	16
<b>ALL FEMALES</b>								
	--- '000 ---							
1 and under 4	31.9	25.1	40.0	26.9	14.6	*1.5	*0.3	140.4
4 and under 13	65.4	55.9	69.5	55.2	31.4	4.7	*0.3	282.7
13 and under 26	21.3	32.8	31.6	20.7	17.5	*4.1	*0.4	128.7
26 and under 39	20.2	22.8	30.3	28.5	17.4	*2.1	*0.5	121.7
39 and under 52	12.5	11.9	17.5	15.2	10.2	*2.1	*0.0	69.7
52	15.6	16.6	21.5	22.5	22.6	8.3	*0.5	107.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>166.9</i>	<i>165.1</i>	<i>210.4</i>	<i>169.0</i>	<i>113.7</i>	<i>22.7</i>	<i>*2.0</i>	<i>851.2</i>
Average duration(b)	17.2	19.1	18.6	20.9	23.9	31.2	*26.3	19.9
Median duration(b)	10	13	12	13	20	26	*26	13

**TABLE 8. PERSONS WHO LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997:  
NUMBER OF SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK, TIME SPENT LOOKING FOR WORK AND AGE** *continued*

Time spent looking for work during the year (weeks)	Age group (years)							Total(a)
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	
<b>PERSONS WHO HAD ONE SPELL OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	'000 ----							
1 and under 4	59.4	39.0	65.6	41.3	22.0	4.6	*1.9	234.6
4 and under 13	114.7	85.9	102.6	73.1	47.7	8.0	*4.1	436.4
13 and under 26	28.0	43.0	48.4	32.2	25.4	7.6	*2.9	187.5
26 and under 39	28.4	37.7	46.0	38.1	22.8	*3.8	*2.6	179.9
39 and under 52	20.2	23.8	32.8	19.2	15.5	6.6	*2.7	121.2
52	32.6	46.5	56.1	58.8	48.7	27.4	5.8	276.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>283.3</b>	<b>275.7</b>	<b>351.4</b>	<b>262.6</b>	<b>182.1</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>19.9</b>	<b>1,436.4</b>
	--- weeks ---							
Average duration(b)	17.1	22.0	21.3	23.8	26.1	35.3	29.7	22.4
Median duration(b)	9	16	13	18	22	48	33	15
<b>PERSONS WHO HAD TWO SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	'000							
1 and under 4	5.8	4.9	8.2	4.8	*1.8	*0.6	*0.8	27.1
4 and under 13	13.8	17.4	16.5	13.3	6.1	*1.5	*0.1	68.7
13 and under 26	7.8	10.6	9.0	8.2	*4.2	*1.0	*0.2	40.9
26 and under 39	5.9	9.6	10.2	10.4	6.3	*0.5	*0.3	43.2
39 and under 52	6.8	5.7	13.2	4.9	5.5	*1.9	*0.3	38.2
52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Total</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>48.3</b>	<b>57.1</b>	<b>41.5</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>*1.7</b>	<b>218.2</b>
	--- weeks ---							
Average duration(b)	18.5	18.7	20.9	19.2	22.8	*23.8	*14.5	19.9
Median duration(b)	13	16	20	15	22	*20	*4	17
<b>PERSONS WHO HAD THREE OR MORE SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK</b>								
	'000							
1 and under 4	*1.8	*1.8	*3.2	*1.8	*0.7	*0.3	*0.0	9.5
4 and under 13	12.9	16.1	29.1	24.8	18.4	5.8	*1.1	108.2
13 and under 26	9.8	13.8	16.5	11.0	9.0	*3.2	*0.7	64.8
26 and under 39	9.7	9.3	15.7	14.5	8.7	*3.4	*0.6	62.2
39 and under 52	*3.2	*4.1	7.8	4.7	5.8	*1.2	*0.3	27.1
52	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>Total</b>	<b>37.4</b>	<b>45.2</b>	<b>72.2</b>	<b>56.7</b>	<b>42.6</b>	<b>13.9</b>	<b>*2.7</b>	<b>271.9</b>
	--- weeks ---							
Average duration(b)	19.2	19.0	18.6	18.3	19.2	18.7	*18.9	18.8
Median duration(b)	20	17	15	14	15	16	*16	16
<b>ALL PERSONS</b>								
	--- '000 ---							
1 and under 4	67.0	45.7	77.0	47.8	24.5	5.4	*2.7	271.2
4 and under 13	141.4	119.4	148.2	111.2	72.2	15.3	5.3	613.4
13 and under 26	45.6	67.4	73.8	51.4	38.6	11.8	*3.7	293.3
26 and under 39	44.0	56.6	71.9	62.9	37.8	7.6	*3.4	285.2
39 and under 52	30.1	33.6	53.7	28.7	26.8	9.8	*3.3	186.6
52	32.6	46.5	56.1	58.8	48.7	27.4	5.8	276.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>360.8</b>	<b>369.1</b>	<b>480.7</b>	<b>360.8</b>	<b>248.6</b>	<b>77.4</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>1,926.5</b>
	--- weeks ---							
Average duration(b)	17.5	21.2	20.8	22.4	24.6	31.5	27.5	21.6
Median duration(b)	10	16	14	16	21	34	26	15

(a) Includes persons aged 65-69. (b) Duration of total weeks spent looking for work during the year.



**TABLE 9. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1997:  
MAIN ACTIVITY WHEN NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AND TIME NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE  
(\*000)**

Main activity when not in the labour force	Time not in the labour force during the year (weeks)						Total
	1 and under 4	4 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 39	39 and under 52	52	
<b>MALES</b>							
Retired or voluntarily inactive	15.9	32.0	16.7	20.2	20.7	391.5	497.1
Home duties/childcare	12.0	23.5	10.8	8.7	14.0	52.6	121.6
Attended an educational institution	12.7	37.3	31.9	62.8	168.6	222.4	535.6
Own illness/injury	25.0	30.7	15.0	15.9	15.5	121.1	223.1
Own disability/handicap	*0.3	*0.5	*1.7	*1.1	*3.0	101.8	108.4
Looking after ill/disabled person	*1.4	*1.1	*0.9	*2.4	*0.7	15.5	21.9
Holiday/travel/leisure activities	209.2	183.8	32.7	20.1	8.9	19.5	474.2
Worked in an unpaid voluntary job	*2.3	*2.9	*2.8	*0.8	*1.9	11.9	22.5
Other	16.2	18.9	7.5	6.0	5.0	*3.6	57.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>295.0</b>	<b>330.6</b>	<b>120.1</b>	<b>137.9</b>	<b>238.2</b>	<b>939.8</b>	<b>2,061.6</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>							
Retired or voluntarily inactive	6.3	9.9	6.2	5.0	13.0	262.6	302.9
Home duties/childcare	43.7	167.9	126.9	152.5	197.3	1,282.2	1,970.6
Attended an educational institution	14.1	55.8	40.1	66.4	155.5	215.1	546.9
Own illness/injury	24.3	26.7	11.8	8.9	6.0	56.5	134.3
Own disability/handicap	*0.0	*0.6	*0.3	*1.3	*1.3	37.8	41.3
Looking after ill/disabled person	6.2	*3.2	*2.4	*2.3	*1.2	32.8	48.0
Holiday/travel/leisure activities	167.0	160.2	30.0	9.6	9.2	14.8	390.8
Worked in an unpaid voluntary job	*0.0	*4.4	*2.1	*4.1	*3.6	27.8	42.0
Other	6.1	11.3	4.6	*3.1	*1.8	*3.8	30.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>267.6</b>	<b>440.0</b>	<b>224.5</b>	<b>253.1</b>	<b>388.9</b>	<b>1,933.4</b>	<b>3,507.4</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>							
Retired or voluntarily inactive	22.2	41.9	22.9	25.2	33.7	654.0	800.0
Home duties/childcare	55.7	191.5	137.7	161.2	211.2	1,334.8	2,092.2
Attended an educational institution	26.8	93.1	72.0	129.1	324.1	437.5	1,082.6
Own illness/injury	49.3	57.4	26.8	24.8	21.5	177.6	357.4
Own disability/handicap	*0.3	*1.1	*2.1	*2.4	*4.2	139.6	149.7
Looking after ill/disabled person	7.5	*4.3	*3.3	4.6	*1.9	48.3	69.9
Holiday/travel/leisure activities	376.2	344.0	62.7	29.7	18.1	34.3	865.0
Worked in an unpaid voluntary job	*2.3	7.3	4.9	4.8	5.5	39.7	64.5
Other	22.3	30.2	12.1	9.0	6.8	7.4	87.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>562.6</b>	<b>770.6</b>	<b>344.5</b>	<b>391.0</b>	<b>627.1</b>	<b>2,873.2</b>	<b>5,569.0</b>

**TABLE 10. PERSONS WHO WERE WORKING AT FEBRUARY 1997: INDUSTRY AT FEBRUARY 1997, OCCUPATION AT FEBRUARY 1997, TIME WORKED WITH CURRENT EMPLOYER/BUSINESS AND WHETHER WORKED FOR WHOLE YEAR**

	<i>Worked for whole year</i>			<i>Worked for part of year</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>
	----- '000								
<i>Industry --</i>									
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	207.0	96.4	303.4	67.3	28.2	95.6	274.4	124.6	399.0
Mining	63.2	6.3	69.5	11.3	*1.8	13.1	74.5	8.2	82.6
Manufacturing	697.7	217.9	915.6	135.0	81.4	216.4	832.8	299.3	1,132.0
Electricity, gas and water supply	51.1	7.0	58.1	*3.1	*2.4	5.5	54.2	9.4	63.6
Construction	302.0	63.0	365.1	179.8	25.5	205.3	481.8	88.6	570.4
Wholesale trade	288.2	111.8	399.9	57.5	43.2	100.7	345.7	155.0	500.7
Retail trade	417.4	360.5	777.9	185.4	257.3	442.6	602.8	617.7	1,220.5
Accommodation, cafes and restaurants	109.1	129.3	238.4	64.2	108.5	172.8	173.3	237.8	411.1
Transport and storage	236.7	72.8	309.4	71.6	24.4	96.0	308.3	97.1	405.4
Communication services	100.2	43.8	144.0	12.4	8.0	20.4	112.6	51.8	164.4
Finance and insurance	121.8	142.3	264.2	17.9	34.9	52.7	139.7	177.2	316.9
Property and business services	329.1	241.7	570.8	121.6	120.7	242.3	450.6	362.5	813.1
Government administration and defence	197.8	126.9	324.7	16.8	34.1	50.9	214.6	161.0	375.6
Education	167.6	259.8	427.3	28.2	98.2	126.5	195.8	358.0	553.8
Health and community services	127.4	427.2	554.6	30.8	162.2	193.1	158.3	589.4	747.7
Cultural and recreational services	64.7	57.0	121.7	30.7	43.9	74.6	95.4	100.9	196.2
Personal and other services	128.8	93.3	222.1	33.9	53.4	87.2	162.7	146.6	309.3
<i>Occupation --</i>									
Managers and administrators	410.6	132.3	542.9	41.1	15.2	56.3	451.8	147.5	599.2
Professionals	580.8	508.7	1,089.5	122.6	166.0	288.6	703.5	674.6	1,378.1
Associate professionals	484.5	253.8	738.3	73.2	70.9	144.1	557.7	324.6	882.3
Tradespersons and related workers	774.5	69.6	844.1	271.1	37.6	308.7	1,045.6	107.2	1,152.8
Advanced clerical and service workers	32.0	259.9	292.0	7.1	89.5	96.6	39.1	349.4	388.6
Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers	311.2	680.5	991.7	78.6	314.8	393.4	389.8	995.3	1,385.0
Intermediate production and transport workers	510.1	67.3	577.4	173.6	44.6	218.3	683.7	112.0	795.7
Elementary clerical, sales and service workers	199.4	299.5	498.9	105.5	258.7	364.1	304.9	558.2	863.0
Labourers and related workers	306.5	185.4	491.9	194.7	130.9	325.6	501.2	316.3	817.6
<i>Time worked with current employer/business --</i>									
Under 1 year	243.6	187.1	430.8	601.4	582.2	1,183.7	845.1	769.4	1,614.4
1 and under 4 weeks	26.8	19.8	46.6	112.7	88.6	201.3	139.5	108.4	247.9
4 and under 13 weeks	45.5	35.3	80.8	159.5	144.9	304.4	205.1	180.2	385.2
13 and under 26 weeks	57.1	42.8	99.9	133.1	140.2	273.3	190.2	183.0	373.2
26 and under 39 weeks	78.1	54.3	132.5	135.5	147.4	282.9	213.7	201.7	415.4
39 and under 52 weeks	36.0	34.9	70.9	60.6	61.2	121.8	96.6	96.1	192.7
1 and under 2 years	442.3	343.9	786.1	103.7	120.4	224.1	545.9	464.3	1,010.2
2 and under 3 years	385.7	303.6	689.3	76.1	99.6	175.7	461.8	403.1	865.0
3 and under 5 years	547.7	416.2	963.9	83.3	105.4	188.6	630.9	521.6	1,152.5
5 and under 10 years	786.5	590.6	1,377.1	83.9	121.9	205.8	870.4	712.5	1,582.9
10 and under 20 years	704.0	446.1	1,150.1	72.5	74.1	146.6	776.5	520.1	1,296.7
20 years and over	499.9	169.5	669.4	46.7	24.6	71.2	546.6	194.1	740.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,609.7</b>	<b>2,457.0</b>	<b>6,066.7</b>	<b>1,067.6</b>	<b>1,128.1</b>	<b>2,195.7</b>	<b>4,677.3</b>	<b>3,585.1</b>	<b>8,262.3</b>

TABLE 11. ALL POPULATIONS BY STATE OR TERRITORY OF USUAL RESIDENCE, FEBRUARY 1997  
('000)

	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Vic- toria</i>	<i>Queens- land</i>	<i>South Aust- ralia</i>	<i>Western Aust- ralia</i>	<i>Tas- mania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Aust- ralian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Australia</i>
MALES									
<i>Population 1:</i> All persons (excluding institutionalised and boarding school pupils)	2,156.5	1,599.7	1,168.8	512.2	624.6	162.7	48.4	107.1	6,380.1
<i>Population 2:</i> Persons in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997	1,819.9	1,366.4	999.6	429.8	551.2	135.3	42.9	95.1	5,440.2
<i>Population 3:</i> Persons who worked at some time during the year ending February 1997	1,704.0	1,278.9	946.0	399.9	528.3	126.2	41.7	89.1	5,114.1
<i>Population 4:</i> Persons who looked for work at some time during the year ending February 1997	331.4	275.5	213.0	90.3	111.8	28.9	7.5	17.1	1,075.3
<i>Population 5:</i> Persons not in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997	665.4	518.7	383.8	178.0	208.3	56.6	15.9	34.8	2,061.6
<i>Population 6:</i> Persons who were working at February 1997	1,578.5	1,170.2	850.6	363.6	481.1	113.4	38.6	81.2	4,677.3
FEMALES									
<i>Population 1:</i> All persons (excluding institutionalised and boarding school pupils)	2,156.7	1,606.2	1,154.2	508.4	615.1	161.7	47.6	109.3	6,359.3
<i>Population 2:</i> Persons in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997	1,462.6	1,116.7	819.0	352.1	443.1	106.3	39.0	87.1	4,425.9
<i>Population 3:</i> Persons who worked at some time during the year ending February 1997	1,345.3	1,018.8	756.1	323.1	415.9	95.9	35.9	81.5	4,072.5
<i>Population 4:</i> Persons who looked for work at some time during the year ending February 1997	274.7	221.9	167.2	66.5	78.6	20.9	7.1	14.4	851.2
<i>Population 5:</i> Persons not in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997	1,166.9	876.8	658.1	286.1	344.1	96.4	23.0	56.0	3,507.4
<i>Population 6:</i> Persons who were working at February 1997	1,189.6	900.9	659.5	290.5	359.0	81.7	31.6	72.3	3,585.1

TABLE 11. ALL POPULATIONS BY STATE OR TERRITORY OF USUAL RESIDENCE, FEBRUARY 1997  
('000)—continued

	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Vic- toria</i>	<i>Queens- land</i>	<i>South Aust- ralia</i>	<i>Western Aust- ralia</i>	<i>Tas- mania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Aust- ralian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Australia</i>
PERSONS									
<i>Population 1:</i> All persons (excluding institutionalised and boarding school pupils)	4,313.2	3,205.9	2,323.0	1,020.6	1,239.7	324.4	96.0	216.4	12,739.3
<i>Population 2:</i> Persons in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997	3,282.5	2,483.1	1,818.6	782.0	994.3	241.6	81.9	182.3	9,866.1
<i>Population 3:</i> Persons who worked at some time during the year ending February 1997	3,049.3	2,297.7	1,702.1	723.0	944.2	222.1	77.6	170.6	9,186.6
<i>Population 4:</i> Persons who looked for work at some time during the year ending February 1997	606.1	497.4	380.2	156.7	190.3	49.7	14.6	31.5	1,926.5
<i>Population 5:</i> Persons not in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997	1,832.3	1,395.5	1,042.0	464.1	552.4	153.0	38.9	90.9	5,569.0
<i>Population 6:</i> Persons who were working at February 1997	2,768.1	2,071.1	1,510.1	654.1	840.1	195.2	70.2	153.5	8,262.3

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

**1** This survey was conducted as a supplement to the monthly Labour Force Survey (LFS). Respondents to the LFS who fell within the scope of the supplementary survey were asked further questions.

**2** For further information about the LFS, see *Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6203.0). This publication contains information about survey design, sample redesign, scope, coverage and population benchmarks relevant to the LFS, which also apply to supplementary surveys. It also contains definitions of demographic and labour force characteristics, and information about telephone interviewing relevant to both the LFS and supplementary surveys.

### SCOPE

**3** In addition to those already excluded from the LFS, persons aged 70 years and over, visitors to private dwellings, students at boarding schools, patients in hospitals, residents of homes (e.g. retirement homes, homes for the handicapped), and inmates of prisons are further excluded from this supplementary survey.

**4** Also out of scope were some 75,000 persons living in remote and sparsely settled parts of Australia. The exclusion of these persons will have only a minor impact on any aggregate estimates that are produced for individual States and Territories, with the exception of the Northern Territory where such persons account for 17% of the population.

### RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

**5** Estimates in this publication are subject to sampling and non-sampling errors.

- Sampling error is the difference between the published estimate and the value that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. For further information on sampling error, refer to the Technical Notes.
- Non-sampling errors are inaccuracies that occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents and interviewers and errors made in coding and processing data. These inaccuracies may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient processing procedures.

### SEASONAL FACTORS

**6** The estimates refer to information collected in the survey month and, due to seasonal factors, may not be representative of other months of the year.

### CHANGES IN CLASSIFICATIONS

**7** From August 1996, occupation data are classified according to the second edition of the Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO). For more detailed information see *Information Paper: ASCO — Australian Standard Classification of Occupations* (Cat. no. 1221.0). A concordance between the new and the old versions of ASCO is not yet available.

COMPARABILITY OF TIME SERIES

**8** Revisions are made to population benchmarks for the LFS after each five-yearly Census of Population and Housing. The last such revision was made in February 1994 to take account of the results of the 1991 Census of Population and Housing. Estimates from supplementary surveys conducted after February 1994 are therefore based on revised population benchmarks.

**9** Supplementary surveys are not always conducted on the full LFS sample. Further, since August 1994, the sample available for supplementary surveys has been restricted to seven-eighths of the LFS sample. Since it was introduced, this survey has been conducted on various proportional samples and therefore sampling error associated with previous surveys may vary from sampling error for this survey, which was conducted on a seven-eighths sample.

**10** From March 1990, persons aged 70 and over were excluded from this supplementary survey, restricting the age of respondents to 15-69 years.

COMPARABILITY WITH MONTHLY LABOUR FORCE SURVEY STATISTICS

**11** Due to differences in the scope and sample size of this supplementary survey and that of the LFS, the estimation procedure may lead to some small variations between labour force estimates from this survey and those from the LFS.

**12** It is impracticable to obtain information relating to a whole year which is strictly comparable with that obtained in the LFS for which the reference period is one week. The definitions used in determining the labour force status of persons in the monthly survey depend on a detailed set of questions asked about a person's labour force activity during the reference week. For the survey of labour force experience, a person is assigned to a labour force category on the basis of a more limited set of questions. It is for this reason that the terms *worked* and *looked for work* are used in this survey rather than the precisely defined terms *employed* and *unemployed* used in the LFS.

SURVEY COVERAGE

**13** The estimates relate to persons covered by the survey in February 1997. Because of emigration, deaths, etc., not all persons with labour force experience during the period were covered. Labour force experience may relate to experience outside Australia.

PREVIOUS SURVEYS

**14** Results of similar surveys, conducted in February 1969, 1973, 1975, 1976, 1977, annually from February 1979 to February 1989, and annually from March 1990 to March 1994, have been given in previous issues of the publication *Labour Force Experience, Australia* (Cat. no. 6206.0) or the standard data service *Labour Force Experience on Hardcopy, Australia* (Cat. no. 6206.40.001).

NEXT SURVEY

**15** The ABS plans to conduct this survey again in February 1999.

RELATED PUBLICATIONS

**16** Other publications which may be of interest include:

- *Australians' Employment and Unemployment Patterns, Jobseekers* (Cat. no. 6286.0)
- *Australians' Employment and Unemployment Patterns, First Results* (Cat. no. 6289.0)
- *Career Experience, Australia on Hardcopy* (Cat. no. 6254.0.40.001)
- *Job Search Experience of Unemployed Persons, Australia* (Cat. no. 6222.0)
- *Labour Mobility, Australia* (Cat. no. 6209.0)
- *Persons Not in the Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6220.0)
- *Persons Who Have Left the Labour Force, Australia* (Cat. no. 6267.0.40.001)
- *Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force, Australia on Hardcopy* (Cat. no. 6264.0)
- *Successful and Unsuccessful Job Search Experience, Australia* (Cat. no. 6245.0)

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## TECHNICAL NOTES

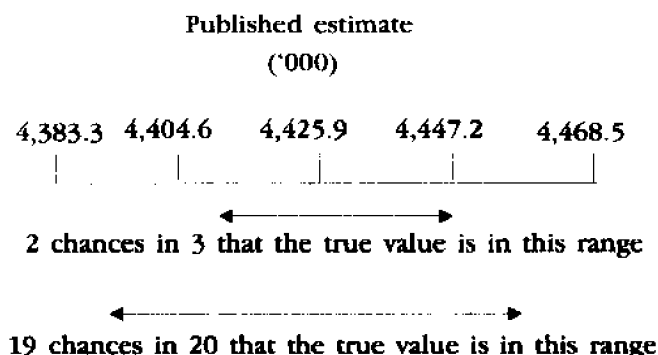
### INTRODUCTION

1 Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they are subject to sampling variability, that is, they may differ from those estimates that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error (SE), which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one SE from the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about 19 chances in 20 that the difference will be less than two SE's. Another measure of the likely difference is the relative standard error (RSE), which is obtained by expressing the SE as a percentage of the estimate.

2 Space does not allow for the separate indication of the SE's of all estimates in this publication. Since they are averages based on calculations for a limited number of past surveys over a wide range of labour force characteristics, these numbers will not give a precise measure of the SE of a particular estimate but they will provide an indication of its magnitude.

### CALCULATION OF STANDARD ERROR

3 An example of the calculation and the use of SE's in relation to estimates of persons is as follows. Table 5 shows the estimated number of females who were in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997 was 4,425,900. Since this estimate is between 2,000,000 and 5,000,000 the table of standard errors shows that the SE for Australia is between 16,300 and 22,500 and can be approximated by interpolation as 21,300 (rounded to the nearest 100). Therefore, there are about two chances in three that the value that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will fall within the range 4,404,600 to 4,447,200 and about 19 chances in 20 that the value will fall within the range 4,383,300 to 4,468,500. This example is illustrated in the following diagram:





4 As can be seen from the standard error table, the smaller the estimate the higher the RSE. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high SE's (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In these tables, only estimates with RSE's less than 25% are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. However, estimates with larger RSE's have been included, and are preceded by an asterisk (e.g. \*3.4) to indicate they are subject to high SE's and should be used with caution.

Averages and medians

5 The RSE's of estimates of *average duration of time spent looking for work* and *median duration of time spent looking for work* are obtained by first finding the RSE of the estimate of the total number of persons contributing to the estimate (see table A) and then multiplying the number so obtained by the following relevant factors:

Average duration of time spent looking for work: 1.3

Median duration of time spent looking for work: 2.0

6 The following is an example of the calculation of SE's where the use of a factor is required. Table 8 shows that the estimated median duration of time spent looking for work for all males was 18 weeks and the number of males who had looked for work at some time during the year ending February 1997 was estimated as 1,075,300. From table A it can be calculated that this estimate (1,075,300) has a SE of about 12,900 and therefore a RSE of about 1.2%. The RSE of the estimate of median duration of time spent looking for work is calculated by multiplying this number (1.2) by the appropriate factor shown in the previous paragraph (in this case 2.0):  $1.2 \times 2.0 = 2.4\%$ . The SE of this estimate of median duration of time spent looking for work is therefore 2.4% of 18, i.e. about 0.4. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the median duration of time spent looking for work for males who looked for work at some time during the year ending February 1997 that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey would have been within the range 17.6 to 18.4 weeks and about 19 chances in 20 that it is between 17.2 to 18.8 weeks.

Proportions and percentages

7 Proportions and percentages formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling error. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and the denominator. A formula to approximate the RSE of a proportion is given below:

$$RSE(x/y) = \sqrt{[RSE(x)]^2 + [RSE(y)]^2}$$

**8** Considering the example from paragraph 3 above, these females as a proportion of all females (6,359,300) is 69.6%. The SE for 6,359,300 is approximately 24,100 so the RSE is 0.4%. The RSE for 4,425,900 is 0.5. Applying the above formula, the RSE of the proportion is  $\sqrt{(0.5)^2 - (0.4)^2}$  or 0.3%, giving a SE for the proportion (69.6%) of 0.2 percentage points. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that the proportion of females who were in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997 is between 69.4% and 69.8% and 19 chances in 20 that the proportion is within the range 69.2% to 70.0%.

Differences **9** Published estimates may also be used to calculate the difference between two survey estimates (of numbers or percentages). Such an estimate is also subject to sampling error. The sampling error of the difference between two estimates depends on their SE's and the relationship (correlation) between them. An approximate SE of the difference between two estimates ( $x-y$ ) may be calculated by the following formula:

$$SE(x-y) = \sqrt{\{SE(x)\}^2 + \{SE(y)\}^2}$$

**10** While this formula will only be exact for differences between separate and uncorrelated characteristics or subpopulations it is expected to provide a good approximation for all differences likely to be of interest in this publication.

**11** The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the SE, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by interviewers and respondents and errors made in coding and processing data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the non-sampling error, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce non-sampling errors to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

## A STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

Size of estimate (Persons)	NSW no.	Vic. no.	QLD no.	SA no.	WA no.	Tas. no.	NT no.	ACT no.	Aust.	
									no.	%
100	..	..	..	130	..	100	120	90	..	..
200	..	..	230	190	210	150	170	120	200	100.0
300	340	310	280	240	260	180	200	150	260	86.7
500	450	410	360	310	340	230	260	190	340	68.0
700	530	480	430	360	400	280	300	220	420	60.0
1 000	630	580	520	430	470	330	350	260	510	51.0
1 500	770	710	630	520	570	390	420	310	630	42.0
2 000	890	820	720	600	650	450	480	350	740	37.0
2 500	990	920	800	660	720	490	530	390	830	33.2
3 000	1 100	1 000	900	700	800	550	600	400	900	30.0
4 000	1 250	1 150	1 000	800	900	600	650	450	1 050	26.3
5 000	1 400	1 300	1 100	900	1 000	650	750	500	1 200	24.0
7 000	1 600	1 500	1 300	1 050	1 150	750	850	600	1 400	20.0
10 000	1 900	1 750	1 500	1 250	1 350	850	1 000	700	1 700	17.0
15 000	2 250	2 100	1 800	1 450	1 600	1 000	1 200	800	2 050	13.7
20 000	2 600	2 400	2 050	1 650	1 800	1 100	1 400	900	2 350	11.8
30 000	3 050	2 850	2 450	1 950	2 100	1 250	1 650	1 050	2 850	9.5
40 000	3 450	3 250	2 750	2 200	2 350	1 350	1 900	1 200	3 250	8.1
50 000	3 800	3 550	3 050	2 400	2 600	1 450	2 100	1 300	3 600	7.2
100 000	5 050	4 700	4 050	3 100	3 400	1 750	2 950	1 650	4 900	4.9
150 000	5 950	5 550	4 750	3 650	4 000	1 900	3 550	1 900	5 850	3.8
200 000	6 650	6 200	5 300	4 050	4 450	2 050	4 100	2 100	6 600	3.3
300 000	7 750	7 200	6 150	4 650	5 200	2 250	..	2 400	7 850	2.6
500 000	9 400	8 700	7 450	5 550	6 250	2 450	..	..	9 650	1.9
1 000 000	12 050	11 100	9 550	7 050	7 950	..	..	..	12 600	1.3
2 000 000	15 300	14 050	12 150	8 800	10 050	..	..	..	16 300	0.8
5 000 000	20 600	18 800	16 400	..	..	..	..	..	22 500	0.5
10 000 000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	28 300	0.3

## B LEVELS AT WHICH ESTIMATES HAVE A RELATIVE STANDARD ERROR OF 25%

	NSW	Vic.	QLD	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Aust.
Estimates classified by									
Average duration of time spent looking for work during the year	9 700	8 500	6 500	4 500	5 200	2 600	3 000	1 700	7 700
Median duration to time spent looking for work during the year	21 100	18 600	14 200	9 700	11 100	5 400	6 600	3 600	17 900
All other estimates	6 000	5 200	4 000	2 800	3 200	1 600	1 800	1 100	4 500

## GLOSSARY

<b>Associate diploma</b>	The entry requirement is usually the completion of Year 12 or the completion of Year 10 and a prerequisite certificate course. The duration of study ranges from one to two years full-time study or its equivalent. Advanced Certificates, Technician Certificates and Certificates of Technology are included in this level as they have broadly the same theoretical orientation as associate diplomas.
<b>Average duration of time spent looking for work</b>	Obtained by dividing the aggregate number of weeks a group has been looking for work by the number of persons in that group.
<b>Bachelor degree or higher</b>	Includes bachelor degrees, postgraduate diplomas, masters degrees and doctorates. The entry requirement for a bachelor degree is usually the satisfactory completion of Year 12 or its equivalent. The entry requirement for postgraduate diplomas is usually the successful completion of a bachelor degree or an undergraduate diploma. The minimum entry requirement for masters and doctorates are usually first class honours for a masters degree or a masters degree for a doctorate.
<b>Basic vocational qualifications</b>	Often require Year 10 completion, however many courses have no formal entry requirements. The duration of study ranges from one semester to one year of full-time study or equivalent.
<b>Educational attainment</b>	Measures the highest qualification completed by the respondent, classified according to the <i>ABS Classification of Qualifications (ABSCQ)</i> (Cat. no. 1262.0).
<b>Family</b>	<p>Two or more related persons (comprises relationships by blood, marriage or adoption) usually resident in the same household at the time of the survey. A family comprises a married couple or a family head as defined, together with any persons having any of the following relationships to them:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ sons or daughters of any age, if not married and with no children of their own present;</li><li>▪ other relatives if not accompanied by a spouse, sons or daughters, or parents of their own; or</li><li>▪ any children under 15 years of age who do not have a parent present.</li></ul> <p>Further details on the determination of family relationships are given in <i>Labour Force, Australia</i> (Cat. no. 6203.0).</p>
<b>Full-time status of weeks worked during the year</b>	During any week of the reference period, if a person perceived that they worked full time they were classified as working full time in that week.
<b>Highest level of secondary school available</b>	The highest level of secondary schooling (or equivalent) offered by the education system at the time the respondent left school.

<b>In the labour force at some time during the year</b>	Persons who were reported as having either worked or looked for work for one week or more during the reference period.
<b>Industry</b>	Classified using the <i>Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification (ANZSIC), 1993</i> (Cat. no. 1292.0). In this publication, industry relates to the main job and is shown at the ANZSIC Division level. Unpublished industry data at the ANZSIC Subdivision or Group level are also available.
<b>Looked for work at some time during the year</b>	Persons who were reported as being out of work and looking for work for one week or more during the reference period.
<b>Main English-speaking countries</b>	Comprises the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, South Africa, the United States of America and New Zealand.
<b>Median duration of time spent looking for work</b>	The duration which divides persons who looked for work into two equal groups, one comprising persons whose time spent looking for work during the year is above the median, and the other, persons whose time spent looking for work is below it. This can be useful as a measure of central tendency or value, where the arithmetic mean is unrepresentative due to extreme high or low values.
<b>Multiple jobholders</b>	All persons who had more than one job in the week before the interview. Persons who had more than one job solely by reason of changing jobs were not counted as multiple jobholders.
<b>Not in the labour force at any time during the year</b>	Persons who were reported as having neither worked nor looked for work at any time during the reference period.
<b>Not in the labour force at some time during the year</b>	Persons who were reported as having neither worked nor looked for work for one week or more during the reference period.
<b>Number of employers/businesses during the year</b>	The number of employers/businesses a person has worked for during the reference period, excluding second jobs of multiple jobholders.
<b>Number of spells of looking for work during the year</b>	The number of different periods, including the current period, during which persons were reported as having been out of work and looking for a job.
<b>Occupation</b>	Unless otherwise specified, all occurrences of occupation in this publication relate to Major Group as defined by the <i>Information Paper: ASCO — Australian Standard Classification of Occupations</i> (Cat. no. 1221.0).
<b>Part-time status of weeks worked during the year</b>	During any week of the reference period, if a person perceived that they worked part time they were classified as working part time in that week.

<b>Skilled vocational qualifications</b>	The entry requirement is usually the completion of Year 10 or its equivalent. In addition, some courses may require a student to be concurrently employed in that specific field. The duration of study is two to four years, and typically involves some on-the-job training.
<b>Time in the labour force during the year</b>	The total number of weeks persons were reported as having either worked or looked for work.
<b>Time not in the labour force during the year</b>	The total number of weeks persons were reported as having neither worked nor looked for work.
<b>Time spent looking for work during the year</b>	The total number of weeks persons were reported as being out of work and looking for a job.
<b>Time worked during the year</b>	The total number of weeks persons were reported as having either worked or been on paid leave. Periods of one week or more on strike or time off without pay are not classified as time worked.
<b>Undergraduate diploma</b>	The entry requirement is usually the successful completion of Year 12 or its equivalent. The duration of study is three years full-time study or its equivalent. Certain other qualifications are classified to this level on the basis that their entry requirements, duration of study and theoretical orientation are regarded as being equivalent to those of undergraduate diplomas, for example, Certificate in Psychiatric Nursing.
<b>Worked at some time during the year</b>	Persons who were reported as having worked and/or been on paid leave for one week or more during the reference period.

## POPULATIONS AND DATA ITEMS AVAILABLE FROM THIS SURVEY

### POPULATIONS

- POPULATION 1: All persons
- POPULATION 2: Persons in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997
- POPULATION 3: Persons who worked at some time during the year ending February 1997
- POPULATION 4: Persons who looked for work at some time during the year ending February 1997
- POPULATION 5: Persons who were not in the labour force at some time during the year ending February 1997
- POPULATION 6: Persons who were working at February 1997

NOTE: All populations exclude persons aged 70 years or more, institutionalised persons, boarding school pupils and persons living in remote and sparsely settled areas of Australia.

(See paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Explanatory Notes).

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS	DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>1 STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>6B RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD (2)</b>	<b>ALL</b>
New South Wales		Family member	
Victoria		Husband or wife	
Queensland		With children under 15	
South Australia		Without children under 15	
Western Australia		Lone parent	
Tasmania		With children under 15	
Northern Territory		With dependent students but without children under 15	
Australian Capital Territory		Without dependants	
<b>2 AREA OF USUAL RESIDENCE</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Dependent student	
Capital City		Non-dependent child	
Balance of State or Territory		Other family person	
<b>3 REGION OF USUAL RESIDENCE</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Non-family member	
Standard labour force dissemination regions		Lone person	
<b>4 SEX</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Not living alone	
Males		Family status not determined	
Females		<b>7A BIRTHPLACE AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>5 MARITAL STATUS</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Born in Australia	
Married		Born outside Australia	
Not-married		Arrived before 1961	
<b>6A RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD (1)</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Arrived 1961-1970	
Family member		Arrived 1971-1980	
Husband or wife		Arrived 1981-1990	
With dependants		Arrived 1991 to survey date	
Without dependants		<b>7B BIRTHPLACE (1)</b>	<b>ALL</b>
Lone parent		Born in Australia	
With dependants		Born outside Australia	
Without dependants		Born in main English speaking countries	
Dependent student		Born in other countries	
Non-dependent child			
Other family person			
Non-family member			
Lone person			
Not living alone			
Family status not determined			

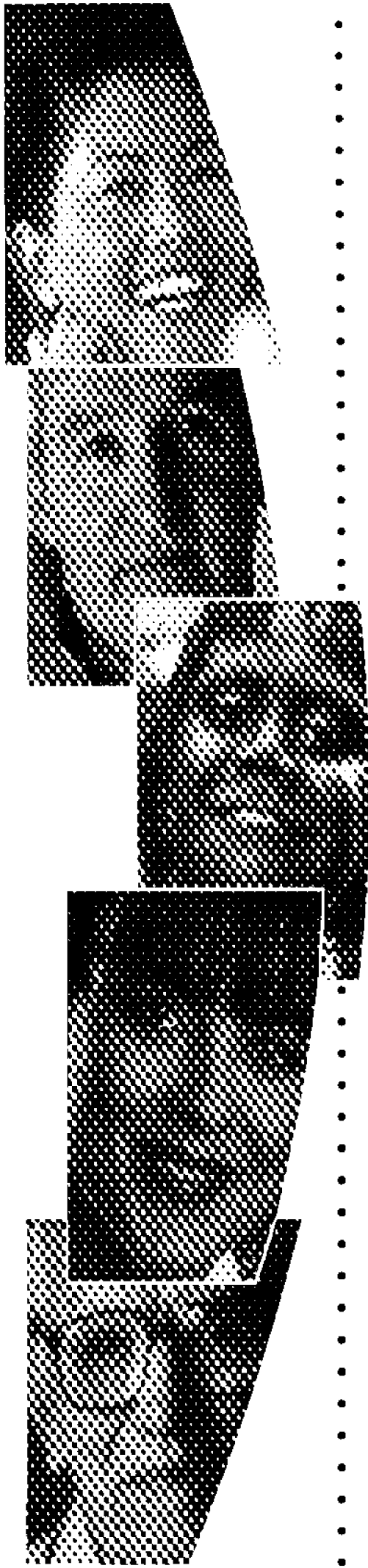
DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS	DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>7C BIRTHPLACE (2)</b> Born in Australia Born outside Australia Oceania New Zealand Europe and the former USSR Germany Greece Italy Netherlands United Kingdom and Ireland Former Yugoslav Republics The Middle East and North Africa Lebanon Southeast Asia Malaysia Philippines Viet Nam Northeast Asia China The Americas Other India	<b>ALL</b>	<b>12 INDUSTRY AT FEBRUARY 1997</b> Working Agriculture, forestry and fishing Mining Manufacturing Electricity, gas and water supply Construction Wholesale trade Retail trade Accommodation, cafes and restaurants Transport and storage Communication services Finance and insurance Property and business services Government administration and defence Education Health and community services Cultural and recreational services Personal and other services Not working	<b>ALL</b>
		Note: Data available at Group (3-digit) level.	
<b>8 AGE</b> 15-19 20-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-59 60-64 65-69	<b>ALL</b>	<b>13 OCCUPATION AT FEBRUARY 1997</b> Working Managers and administrators Professionals Associate professionals Tradespersons and related workers Advanced clerical and service workers Intermediate clerical, sales and service workers Intermediate production and transport workers Elementary clerical, sales and service workers Labourers and related workers Not working	<b>ALL</b>
		Note: Data available at Unit Group (4-digit) level.	
<b>9 LABOUR FORCE STATUS AT FEBRUARY 1997</b> In the labour force Working Looking for work Not in the labour force	<b>ALL</b>	<b>14 TIME IN THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR</b> Nil weeks In the labour force at some time 1 and under 4 weeks 4 and under 13 weeks 13 and under 26 weeks 26 and under 39 weeks 39 and under 52 weeks 52 weeks	<b>ALL</b>
<b>10 STATUS IN EMPLOYMENT AT FEBRUARY 1997</b> Working Employer Own account worker Employee Contributing family worker Not working	<b>ALL</b>	<b>15 TIME WORKED DURING THE YEAR</b> Nil weeks In the labour force at some time 1 and under 4 weeks 4 and under 13 weeks 13 and under 26 weeks 26 and under 39 weeks 39 and under 52 weeks 52 weeks	<b>ALL</b>
<b>11 FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STATUS IN ALL JOBS AT FEBRUARY 1997</b> Working Full-time Part-time Not determined Not working	<b>ALL</b>		



DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>16 TIME NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR</b> Nil weeks In the labour force at some time 1 and under 4 weeks 4 and under 13 weeks 13 and under 26 weeks 26 and under 39 weeks 39 and under 52 weeks 52 weeks	ALL
<b>17 NUMBER OF EMPLOYERS/BUSINESSES DURING THE YEAR</b> None One Two Three Four or more	ALL
<b>18 FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STATUS OF WEEKS WORKED</b> Worked at some time All full-time More full-time than part-time Same full time as part time More part-time than full-time All part-time Did not work at any time	ALL
<b>19 TIME SPENT LOOKING FOR WORK DURING THE YEAR</b> Nil weeks In the labour force at some time 1 and under 4 weeks 4 and under 13 weeks 13 and under 26 weeks 26 and under 39 weeks 39 and under 52 weeks 52 weeks	ALL
<b>20 NUMBER OF SPELLS OF LOOKING FOR WORK DURING THE YEAR</b> Looked for work at some time One Two Three Four or more Did not look for work at any time	ALL
<b>21 MAIN ACTIVITY WHEN NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE</b> Not in the labour force at some time Retired or voluntarily inactive Home duties or childcare Attended an educational institution Own illness or injury Own disability or handicap Looking after ill or disabled person Holiday, travelled or leisure activities Worked in an unpaid voluntary job Other In the labour force for whole year	ALL

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>22 WHETHER CEASED A JOB DURING THE YEAR</b> Worked at some time Ceased a job Did not cease a job Did not work at any time	ALL
<b>23 WHETHER IN THE LABOUR FORCE AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR</b> In the labour force For whole year For part of year Not in the labour force at any time	ALL
<b>24 WHETHER LOOKED FOR WORK AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR</b> Looked for work at some time For whole year For part of year Did not look for work at any time	ALL
<b>25 WHETHER WORKED AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR</b> Worked at some time For whole year For part of year Did not work at any time	ALL
<b>26 TIME WORKED PART TIME DURING THE YEAR</b> Nil weeks In the labour force at some time 1 and under 4 weeks 4 and under 13 weeks 13 and under 26 weeks 26 and under 39 weeks 39 and under 52 weeks 52 weeks	ALL
<b>27 TIME WORKED FULL TIME DURING THE YEAR</b> Nil weeks In the labour force at some time 1 and under 4 weeks 4 and under 13 weeks 13 and under 26 weeks 26 and under 39 weeks 39 and under 52 weeks 52 weeks	ALL
<b>28 WHETHER HAD AN UNPAID ABSENCE FROM WORK DURING THE YEAR</b> Working at February 1997 With current employer/business for one year or more Had an unpaid absence from work Did not have an unpaid absence from work With current employer/business for less than one year Not working at February 1997	ALL

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS	DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>29 TIME WORKED WITH CURRENT EMPLOYER/BUSINESS</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>31 STATE OR TERRITORY OF USUAL RESIDENCE TWELVE MONTHS AGO</b>	<b>ALL</b>
Working at February 1997		New South Wales	
Under 1 year		Victoria	
1 and under 4 weeks		Queensland	
4 and under 13 weeks		South Australia	
13 and under 26 weeks		Western Australia	
26 and under 39 weeks		Tasmania	
39 and under 52 weeks		Northern Territory	
52 weeks		Australian Capital Territory	
1 and under 2 years		Overseas	
2 and under 3 years			
3 and under 5 years			
5 and under 10 years			
10 years and over			
20 years and over			
Not working at February 1997			
<b>30 EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>	<b>ALL</b>		
With post-school qualifications			
Higher degree			
Post-graduate diploma			
Bachelor degree			
Undergraduate diploma			
Associate diploma			
Skilled vocational qualification			
Basic vocational qualification			
Other			
Level unknown (nursing)			
Without post-school qualifications			
Completed highest level of secondary school			
Did not complete highest level of secondary school			
Left school at age (years) —			
Under 14			
14			
15			
16			
17			
18			
19			
20			
21 or more			
Never attended school			
Still at school			



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## SUPPLEMENTARY SURVEYS

The supplementary and special surveys collect data on particular aspects of the labour force. The following is an historical list of supplementary and special labour force surveys. The data is available in publication form, by subscription or on request. It may be possible to order unpublished data on the following supplementary and special surveys by contacting the ABS.

TITLE	CATALOGUE NUMBER
■ Career Experience. Irregular. Latest issue November 1996	6254.0
■ Career Paths of Persons with Trade Qualifications. Irregular. Latest issue 1993	6243.0
■ Child Care. Irregular. Latest issue March 1996	4402.0
■ Employment Benefits. Irregular. Latest issue August 1994	6334.0.40.001
■ Job Search Experience of Unemployed Persons. Annual. Latest issue July 1996	6222.0
■ Labour Force Experience. Two-yearly. Latest issue February 1997	6206.0
■ Labour Force Status and Educational Attainment. Final issue February 1994	6235.0
■ Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families. Annual. Latest issue June 1996	6224.0
■ Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Migrants. Irregular. Latest issue November 1996	6250.0
■ Labour Mobility. Two-yearly. Latest issue February 1996	6209.0
■ Multiple Jobholding. Irregular. Latest issue August 1994	6216.0.40.001
■ Participation in Education. Annual. Latest issue September 1996	6272.0
■ Persons Employed at Home. Irregular. Latest issue September 1995	6275.0
■ Persons Not in the Labour Force. Annual. Latest issue September 1996	6220.0
■ Persons Who had Re-entered the Labour Force. Irregular. Latest issue July 1995	6264.0.40.001
■ Persons Who Have Left the Labour Force. Irregular. Latest issue September 1994	6267.0.40.001
■ Retirement and Retirement Intentions. Irregular. Latest issue November 1994	6238.0.40.001
■ Successful and Unsuccessful Job Search Experience. Two-yearly. Latest issue July 1996	6245.0
■ Superannuation. Irregular. Latest issue November 1995	6319.0
■ Trade Union Members. Two-yearly. Latest issue August 1996	6325.0
■ Training and Education Experience. Irregular. Latest issue 1993	6278.0
■ Transition from Education to Work. Annual. Irregular. Latest issue May 1996	6227.0
■ Underemployed Workers. Annual. Latest issue September 1996	6265.0
■ Weekly Earnings of Employees (Distribution). Annual. Latest issue August 1995	6310.0.40.001
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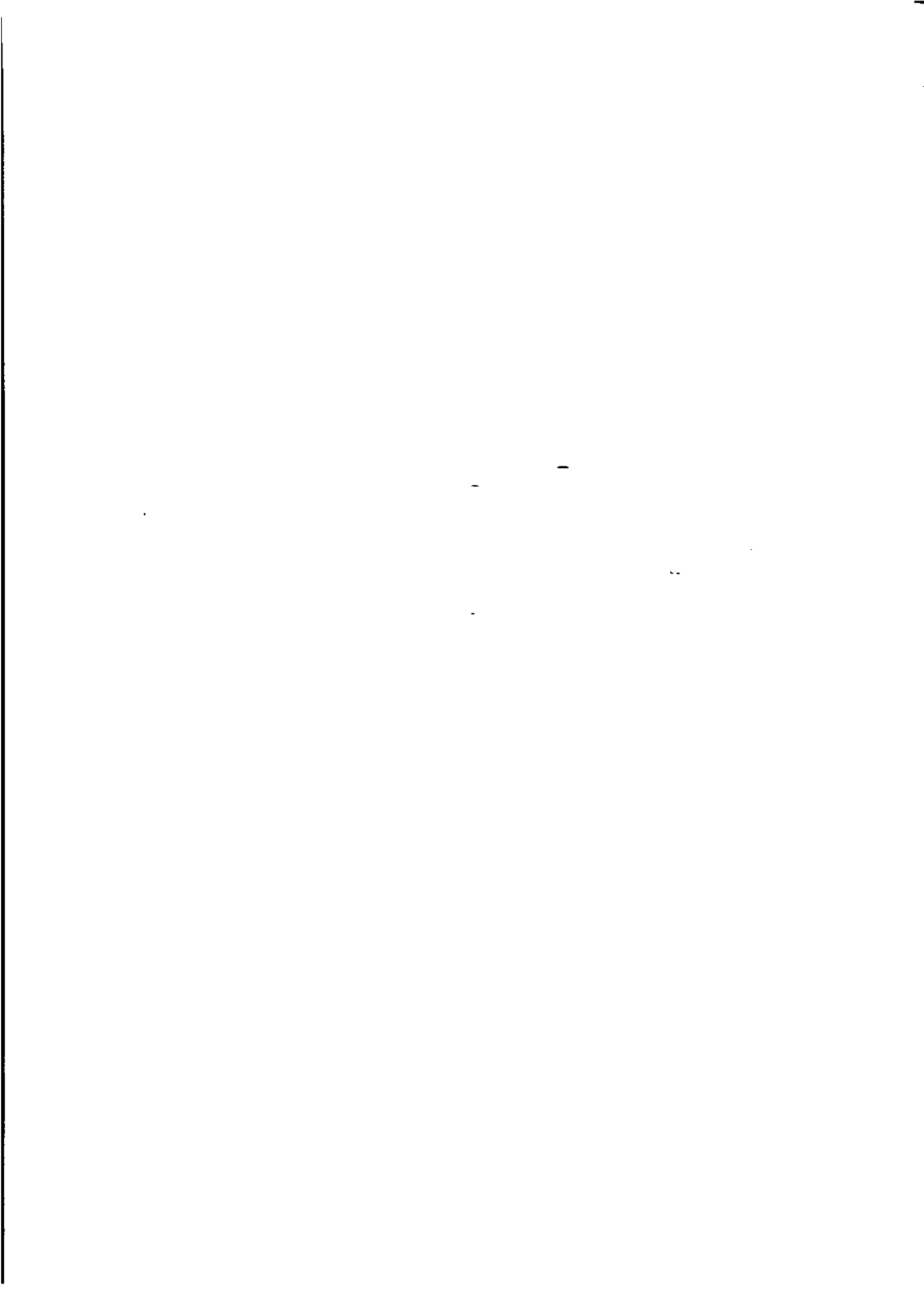
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