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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

In February 1973 a survey, based on the quarterly population survey, was conducted throughout Australia in order to obtain information about the labour force experience during 1972 of civilians aged fifteen years and over. A preliminary statement containing a summary of the survey results was published on 4 March 1974 (Reference No. 6.38). This bulletin provides estimates in greater detail. The results of a similar survey conducted in February 1969 were published in *Labour Force Experience During 1968* (Reference No. 6.26).

The population survey

2. The survey is based on a multistage area sample of private dwellings (houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. In February 1973 about 27,000 private dwellings were included in the sample. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers, the interviews being carried out during a four-week period.

Scope

3. The estimates relate to all persons fifteen years of age and over, except members of the permanent armed forces, national servicemen enlisted in the Regular Army Supplement and certain diplomatic personnel customarily excluded from census and estimated populations. Persons who were patients in hospitals and sanatoria, or inmates of goals, reformatories, etc. and for whom, for the purpose of the survey, the institution was regarded as their dwelling, were excluded from the survey.

Classification of the labour force

4. Each person was assigned to a labour force category for each week in 1972, on the basis of his actual activity (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.) during that week. The principal categories appearing in the tables in this bulletin are as follows :

- (i) *Persons in the labour force.* A person was classified as having been in the labour force during any week in which he was employed or unemployed as defined in (ii) and (iii) below.

- (ii) *Employed persons.* A person was classified as having been employed during a week if, in that week, he :

- (a) did any work for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind, in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons), or
- (b) worked fifteen hours or more without pay in a family business (or farm), or
- (c) had a job, business or farm, but was on paid leave (including sick leave).

- (iii) *Unemployed persons.* A person was classified as having been unemployed during a week if, in that week, he did no work at all, and either

- (a) did not have a job or business and was looking for work, or
- (b) was laid off from his job without pay for the whole week.

- (iv) *Persons out of the labour force* are all those who, in any week, were not in the categories "employed" or "unemployed", as defined above. For the purposes of this survey a person who was on strike and who did no work during a week was classified as out of the labour force in that week.

5. A person was classified as having worked mostly full-time in 1972 if the number of weeks in which he worked 35 hours or more (*full-time work*) exceeded or was equal to the number of weeks in which he worked less than 35 hours (*part-time work*). If the number of weeks worked full-time was less than the number of weeks worked part-time he was classified as having worked mostly part-time. When absent on paid leave (including paid sick leave) he was classified according to the usual hours worked in the job from which he was absent.

Industry classification

6. In the survey of labour force experience during 1968 the industry estimates were based on the Classification of Industries used at the 1966 population census. For the present survey, industry was classified according to the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC).

NOTE. Any discrepancies between totals and sums of components in tables are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. — CIVILIAN POPULATION (a), FEBRUARY 1973, BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS IN 1972
(^{'000})

<i>Employment status (b)</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>All females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
Civilian population in February 1973 (a)	4,576.7	3,127.3	4,650.8	9,227.5
In the labour force at some time during 1972	3,949.4	1,422.9	2,215.7	6,165.1
For the whole year	3,411.8	831.3	1,362.7	4,774.5
For part of the year	537.6	591.6	853.1	1,390.7
Employed at some time during 1972	3,919.8	1,402.5	2,174.0	6,093.8
Mostly full-time	3,779.6	921.8	1,590.5	5,370.2
Mostly part-time	140.2	480.7	583.5	723.6
Unemployed at some time during 1972	338.7	138.7	275.9	614.6
One period of unemployment	251.3	116.7	228.3	479.5
Two periods	40.1	10.1	25.3	65.4
Three periods	20.1	6.1	11.9	32.0
Four or more periods	27.3	5.8	10.5	37.7
Out of the labour force for the whole of 1972	627.3	1,704.4	2,435.1	3,062.4

(a) Non-institutional population aged 15 years and over. (b) For definitions see page 2.

NOTE. The estimates relate to the labour force experience in 1972 of persons covered by the survey in February 1973. Because of emigration, deaths and other exits not all persons with 1972 labour force experience were covered. Labour force experience may relate to experience outside Australia.

TABLE 2. — PERSONS IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a), BY AGE (b), 1972
(^{'000})

<i>Age group (years)</i>	<i>In the labour force at some time during the year</i>				<i>Average labour force (c)</i>			
	<i>Males</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>All females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>All females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
15-19	379.7	30.9	359.7	739.3	334.6	20.8	310.6	645.1
20-24	523.4	226.0	396.6	920.0	500.2	163.7	329.5	829.7
25-34	933.1	383.6	464.7	1,397.8	904.6	286.2	360.7	1,265.3
35-44	757.4	356.6	411.4	1,168.8	757.1	305.3	352.8	1,109.9
45-54	724.0	306.1	377.2	1,101.2	709.2	249.4	315.1	1,024.3
55-59	280.7	77.0	113.6	394.2	278.1	62.2	94.4	372.5
60-64	214.6	32.0	58.2	272.8	197.2	23.5	44.7	241.9
65 and over	136.7	10.8	34.3	171.1	101.2	7.5	24.7	125.9
Total	3,949.4	1,422.9	2,215.7	6,165.1	3,782.2	1,118.6	1,832.4	5,614.7

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) In February 1973. (c) Average for February, May, August and November 1972 Labour Force Surveys.

TABLE 3. — PERSONS IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972 :
PROPORTION OF POPULATION, BY AGE (b)
(per cent)

	<i>Age group (years)</i>								<i>Total</i>
	<i>15-19</i>	<i>20-24</i>	<i>25-34</i>	<i>35-44</i>	<i>45-54</i>	<i>55-59</i>	<i>60-64</i>	<i>65 and over</i>	
Males	66.0	96.3	98.9	98.7	97.0	93.1	83.2	31.0	86.3
Married women	70.1	64.3	47.3	53.9	49.2	32.1	18.0	4.9	45.5
All females	64.2	73.4	51.5	56.6	51.7	36.1	21.5	5.7	47.6
Persons	65.1	84.9	75.7	78.2	74.6	64.0	51.6	16.4	66.8

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) In February 1973.

TABLE 4. - PERSONS IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY AGE AND LENGTH OF TIME IN THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR ('000)

Length of time in the labour force during 1972 (weeks)	Age group (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65 and over	
MALES									
1 and under 4	38.4	5.4	*	5.4	7.4	5.0	{ * 5.3	4.9 8.3 8.3	50.9
4 " " 13	61.3	20.0	*						103.7
13 " " 26	20.7	10.8	6.4						61.3
26 " " 39	19.1	12.3	18.6	9.4	9.1	5.5	7.1	12.9	94.0
39 " " 49	19.8	23.0	35.7	25.2	21.5	7.8	7.8	8.9	149.6
49 " " 52	7.7	16.8	24.4	12.6	9.3	*	*	*	78.1
52	212.6	435.1	843.6	704.8	676.7	259.7	188.1	91.2	3,411.8
Total	379.7	523.4	933.1	757.4	724.0	280.7	214.6	136.7	3,949.4
MARRIED WOMEN									
1 and under 4	*	6.4	15.5	9.2	7.7	*	4.8	*	{ 43.2
4 " " 13	*	19.9	40.5	28.6	20.0	4.3			{ 119.3
13 " " 26	*	25.7	42.6	24.8	17.5	6.4			{ 121.4
26 " " 39	5.2	25.0	50.3	33.6	23.6	6.2	6.0	*	{ 148.1
39 " " 49	4.7	18.6	37.2	30.7	29.3	7.0			{ 130.4
49 " " 52	*	5.5	8.7	7.1	6.1	*			{ 29.2
52	14.3	124.8	188.9	222.7	202.0	50.3	21.2	7.2	831.3
Total	30.9	226.0	383.6	356.6	306.1	77.0	32.0	10.8	1,422.9
ALL FEMALES									
1 and under 4	31.7	8.1	16.6	9.3	8.4	*	{ * 4.4	6.2	{ 79.1
4 " " 13	58.2	27.9	42.2	29.3	22.0	6.3			{ 193.9
13 " " 26	19.3	32.5	44.8	27.3	19.2	8.0			{ 156.0
26 " " 39	25.1	32.4	54.8	35.5	28.4	8.2	{ 4.6 *	7.5	{ 192.2
39 " " 49	26.0	30.7	43.8	32.9	33.3	9.6			{ 183.6
49 " " 52	8.8	10.1	11.6	8.1	7.0	*			{ 48.2
52	190.5	254.8	250.9	268.9	258.9	77.9	40.1	20.6	1,362.7
Total	359.7	396.6	464.7	411.4	377.2	113.6	58.2	34.3	2,215.7
PERSONS									
1 and under 4	70.1	13.5	17.2	9.7	8.8	*	*	6.2	130.0
4 " " 13	119.5	47.9	46.0	31.2	25.2	8.6	7.3	11.9	297.5
13 " " 26	40.1	43.3	51.2	30.4	23.1	10.7	8.9	9.6	217.3
26 " " 39	44.2	44.6	73.4	45.0	37.5	13.7	11.7	16.1	286.2
39 " " 49	45.8	53.7	79.5	58.1	54.8	17.5	11.4	12.5	333.2
49 " " 52	16.6	26.9	36.0	20.7	16.2	*	*	*	126.3
52	403.1	689.9	1,094.4	973.7	935.7	337.6	228.2	111.9	4,774.5
Total	739.3	920.0	1,397.8	1,168.8	1,101.2	394.2	272.8	171.1	6,165.1

(a) For definition see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 5. - PERSONS IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY MARITAL STATUS AND LENGTH OF TIME IN THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR ('000)

Length of time in the labour force during 1972 (weeks)	Married			Not married (b)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1 and under 4	7.1	43.2	50.3	43.8	35.9	79.7
4 " " 13	20.1	119.3	139.4	83.6	74.6	158.2
13 " " 26	24.1	121.4	145.5	37.2	34.7	71.9
26 " " 39	47.9	148.1	196.0	46.1	44.1	90.2
39 " " 49	86.5	130.4	216.9	63.1	53.2	116.3
49 " " 52	52.7	29.2	81.9	25.4	19.0	44.4
52	2,578.4	831.3	3,409.7	833.4	531.4	1,364.8
Total	2,816.8	1,422.9	4,239.7	1,132.6	792.8	1,925.5

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Never married, widowed and divorced.

TABLE 6. — PERSONS IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY LENGTH OF TIME IN THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR ('000)

<i>Length of time in the labour force during 1972 (weeks)</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
MALES							
1 and under 4	15.4	10.9	8.5	7.4	6.3	*	50.9
4 " " 13	39.0	27.6	12.6	10.4	9.2	*	103.7
13 " " 26	23.1	15.9	7.7	6.0	6.5	*	61.3
26 " " 39	34.0	25.2	14.0	7.0	10.0	*	94.0
39 " " 49	55.0	33.6	26.6	11.4	16.3	*	149.6
49 " " 52	28.3	18.1	9.1	7.7	11.2	*	78.1
52	1,249.8	930.2	480.8	319.6	263.1	107.4	3,411.8
Total	1,444.5	1,061.3	559.2	369.4	322.6	117.4	3,949.4
MARRIED WOMEN							
1 and under 4	17.0	7.4	6.7	4.2	4.5	*	43.2
4 " " 13	42.0	27.6	18.5	11.9	13.1	4.4	119.3
13 " " 26	42.1	27.0	19.5	12.8	12.5	*	121.4
26 " " 39	53.2	38.0	22.5	12.8	14.7	4.4	148.1
39 " " 49	53.7	28.8	16.7	13.4	11.4	*	130.4
49 " " 52	10.3	6.8	2.7	4.9	*	*	29.2
52	310.6	248.4	91.7	76.5	64.2	23.1	831.3
Total	528.9	384.1	178.3	136.6	123.0	39.3	1,422.9
ALL FEMALES							
1 and under 4	28.4	16.5	10.5	8.8	9.0	*	79.1
4 " " 13	75.8	41.3	26.9	18.5	20.2	6.8	193.9
13 " " 26	56.0	35.1	24.1	16.9	14.7	*	156.0
26 " " 39	69.6	47.4	30.2	17.0	18.7	5.7	192.2
39 " " 49	73.4	43.3	23.2	17.9	16.5	*	183.6
49 " " 52	19.5	9.7	5.4	6.5	4.5	*	48.2
52	507.4	395.2	171.4	124.2	102.8	38.5	1,362.7
Total	830.2	588.5	291.7	209.7	186.4	62.3	2,215.7
PERSONS							
1 and under 4	43.8	27.4	18.9	16.2	15.3	4.0	130.0
4 " " 13	114.8	68.8	39.4	28.9	29.4	9.1	297.5
13 " " 26	79.1	51.0	31.8	22.9	21.2	5.0	217.3
26 " " 39	103.6	72.6	44.1	23.9	28.6	7.6	286.2
39 " " 49	128.4	76.9	49.7	29.3	32.8	5.4	333.2
49 " " 52	47.8	27.8	14.6	14.2	15.7	*	126.3
52	1,757.2	1,325.3	652.2	443.8	365.9	145.9	4,774.5
Total	2,274.7	1,649.8	850.8	579.1	509.0	179.7	6,165.1

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 7. — PERSONS IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a) DURING THE WHOLE OF 1972, BY DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR ('000)

<i>Duration of employment</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>All females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
Whole year	3,249.2	803.5	1,296.5	4,545.7
Less than whole year (b) —				
Under 13 weeks	7.7	4.4	7.8	(c)15.6
13 and under 26 weeks	9.8	*	4.8	14.7
26 " " 39 "	26.9	*	11.3	38.3
39 " " 49 "	78.4	12.0	26.9	105.3
49 " " 52 "	39.7	5.7	15.2	54.9
Total less than whole year	162.6	27.8	66.2	228.8
Total	3,411.8	831.3	1,362.7	4,774.5

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) As the figures in this table relate to persons in the labour force (i.e. employed and unemployed) for the whole of 1972, persons employed for less than the whole year were unemployed for the remainder. (c) Includes 7,000 persons who did not work during 1972.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 8. — PERSONS EMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR, BIRTHPLACE AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL ('000)

Birthplace and period of arrival	Duration of employment (weeks)							Total
	1 and under 4	4 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 39	39 and under 49	49 and under 52	52	
MALES								
Born in Australia	41.8	79.7	50.8	80.7	144.5	61.2	2,404.7	2,863.4
Born outside Australia	7.0	16.9	21.4	45.8	82.8	37.9	844.5	1,056.4
U.K. and Ireland	4.2	5.2	7.7	15.9	33.8	16.7	313.0	396.4
Other countries	*	11.7	13.8	29.9	49.0	21.2	531.5	660.0
Arrived in Australia								
Before 1955	*	4.4	6.9	13.5	18.5	8.6	328.6	381.9
1955-1961	*	*	*	9.4	13.5	6.6	193.4	231.3
1962-1966	*	*	*	7.0	11.7	5.8	137.0	167.9
1967-1971	*	5.7	4.6	10.0	23.0	11.6	172.6	229.8
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	*	*	*	6.1	16.2	5.4	13.0	45.5
Total	48.8	96.6	72.2	126.5	227.3	99.1	3,249.2	3,919.8
MARRIED WOMEN								
Born in Australia	30.9	91.2	87.8	105.1	90.5	21.5	568.6	995.5
Born outside Australia	8.3	29.6	33.8	45.7	46.6	8.0	234.9	407.0
U.K. and Ireland	*	12.9	15.0	18.2	21.8	*	85.0	159.8
Other countries	4.9	16.8	18.9	27.5	24.8	4.5	149.9	247.2
Arrived in Australia								
Before 1955	*	8.4	8.7	11.1	14.0	*	75.6	122.3
1955-1961	*	4.6	6.8	9.4	9.4	*	59.9	92.2
1962-1966	*	7.0	6.3	8.5	6.9	*	41.5	72.7
1967-1971	*	8.1	9.2	12.7	11.2	*	55.1	102.7
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	*	*	*	4.0	5.1	*	*	17.1
Total	39.2	120.8	121.7	150.9	137.0	29.5	803.5	1,402.5
ALL FEMALES								
Born in Australia	62.8	149.1	117.6	147.7	142.5	38.5	976.3	1,634.5
Born outside Australia	12.0	36.8	40.6	57.7	59.6	12.5	320.2	539.5
U.K. and Ireland	5.4	15.9	18.0	23.3	27.9	6.2	118.7	215.3
Other countries	6.6	21.0	22.6	34.4	31.7	6.3	201.5	324.2
Arrived in Australia								
Before 1955	*	8.9	10.2	13.8	16.9	*	97.4	152.7
1955-1961	*	5.9	7.7	12.0	11.5	*	81.4	122.6
1962-1966	*	9.2	7.5	10.5	8.2	*	60.2	99.6
1967-1971	*	10.1	10.8	14.7	14.0	5.0	76.4	134.8
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	*	*	4.5	6.8	9.0	*	4.8	29.9
Total	74.9	185.9	158.2	205.4	202.1	51.0	1,296.5	2,174.0
PERSONS								
Born in Australia	104.6	228.8	168.4	228.4	287.0	99.7	3,381.0	4,497.9
Born outside Australia	19.0	53.8	62.1	103.6	142.4	50.4	1,164.7	1,595.9
U.K. and Ireland	9.6	21.0	25.7	39.2	61.7	22.8	431.7	611.7
Other countries	9.4	32.7	36.4	64.3	80.7	27.6	733.0	984.2
Arrived in Australia								
Before 1955	4.7	13.3	17.0	27.3	35.4	10.9	426.0	534.7
1955-1961	*	9.3	11.1	21.3	25.0	8.8	274.8	353.9
1962-1966	*	11.1	11.0	17.4	19.8	8.2	197.2	267.5
1967-1971	6.2	15.8	15.5	24.7	37.0	16.5	249.0	364.5
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	*	4.3	7.5	12.8	25.2	5.9	17.8	75.3
Total	123.6	282.6	230.5	331.9	429.4	150.1	4,545.7	6,093.8

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 9. — PERSONS EMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972 WHO WORKED MOSTLY OR WHOLLY FULL-TIME (a), BY DURATION OF FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT DURING THE YEAR, MARITAL STATUS AND WHETHER WORKED PART-TIME DURING THE YEAR ('000)

Duration of full-time employment (weeks)	Males			Females			Persons
	Married	Not married (b)	Total	Married	Not married (b)	Total	
NO PART-TIME WORK							
1 and under 4	5.1	28.6	33.7	14.0	23.7	37.6	71.3
4 " " 13	15.5	54.3	69.8	47.7	42.1	89.8	159.7
13 " " 26	21.9	29.6	51.5	62.7	22.5	85.2	136.6
26 " " 39	55.0	47.6	102.6	82.5	37.4	120.0	222.5
39 " " 49	122.2	81.8	203.9	75.3	51.5	126.8	330.7
49 " " 52	62.5	27.9	90.4	19.3	19.0	38.4	128.8
52	2,430.1	731.5	3,161.7	583.0	458.2	1,041.2	4,202.9
Total	2,712.2	1,001.4	3,713.6	884.5	654.5	1,539.0	5,252.5
SOME PART-TIME WORK							
1 and under 13	*	*	*	5.5	*	8.5	(c)12.4
13 " " 26	*	4.3	7.7	9.7	*	12.9	20.6
26 " " 39	11.3	5.5	16.8	14.4	5.3	19.8	36.5
39 " " 49	14.1	4.1	18.2	6.7	*	9.1	27.3
49 " " 52	15.7	*	19.4	*	*	*	20.8
Total	45.2	20.9	66.1	37.3	14.3	51.5	117.6
TOTAL							
1 and under 4	5.1	29.0	34.1	14.0	24.6	38.6	72.7
4 " " 13	16.2	57.2	73.4	53.2	44.2	97.3	170.7
13 " " 26	25.3	33.9	59.2	72.4	25.7	98.0	157.3
26 " " 39	66.2	53.2	119.4	97.0	42.7	139.7	259.1
39 " " 49	136.2	85.9	222.1	82.0	54.0	135.9	358.0
49 " " 52	78.1	31.7	109.8	20.3	19.4	39.7	149.5
52	2,430.1	731.5	3,161.7	583.0	458.2	1,041.2	4,202.9
Total	2,757.4	1,022.3	3,779.6	921.8	668.8	1,590.5	5,370.2

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Never married, widowed and divorced. (c) One and under eight weeks, 5,500; eight and under 13 weeks, 6,900.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 10. — PERSONS EMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972 WHO WORKED MOSTLY OR WHOLLY PART-TIME (a), BY DURATION OF PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT DURING THE YEAR, MARITAL STATUS AND WHETHER WORKED FULL-TIME DURING THE YEAR ('000)

Duration of part-time employment (weeks)	Males			Females			Persons
	Married	Not married (b)	Total	Married	Not married (b)	Total	
NO FULL-TIME WORK							
1 and under 4	*	12.2	14.9	25.3	11.2	36.5	51.4
4 " " 13	6.6	16.9	23.5	68.3	19.8	88.1	111.7
13 " " 26	5.0	7.4	12.4	50.0	10.8	60.7	73.2
26 " " 39	6.9	7.7	14.6	56.5	11.0	67.5	82.2
39 " " 49	*	4.7	8.2	50.8	8.0	58.7	66.9
49 " " 52	*	*	*	7.6	*	8.9	11.1
52	25.5	21.1	46.6	198.3	28.4	226.8	273.4
Total	50.6	71.8	122.4	456.8	90.5	547.3	669.8
SOME FULL-TIME WORK							
1 and under 13	*	*	*	*	*	6.0	(c)8.8
13 " " 26	*	*	5.0	4.2	*	6.4	11.4
26 " " 39	*	*	5.3	7.6	*	10.7	16.0
39 " " 52	*	*	4.6	8.3	4.7	13.0	(d)17.7
Total	5.4	12.3	17.7	23.9	12.2	36.1	53.9
TOTAL							
1 and under 4	*	12.6	15.4	25.6	11.5	37.1	52.5
4 " " 13	7.2	18.6	25.8	71.8	21.7	93.5	119.3
13 " " 26	6.6	10.8	17.4	54.2	13.0	67.2	84.6
26 " " 39	9.0	11.0	19.9	64.2	14.0	78.2	98.1
39 " " 49	4.4	7.9	12.4	57.3	11.7	69.0	81.4
49 " " 52	*	*	*	9.4	*	11.7	14.3
52	25.5	21.1	46.6	198.3	28.4	226.8	273.4
Total	56.0	84.2	140.2	480.7	102.7	583.5	723.6

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Never married, widowed and divorced. (c) One and under eight weeks, 4,100; eight and under 13 weeks, 4,700. (d) 39 and under 49 weeks, 14,500.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 11. — PERSONS EMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STATUS, BIRTHPLACE AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL

Birthplace and period of arrival	Number ('000)				Proportion of the population (b) (per cent)			
	Males	Married women	All females	Persons	Males	Married women	All females	Persons
MOSTLY OR WHOLLY FULL-TIME								
Born in Australia	2,748.8	621.1	1,170.9	3,919.7	81.5	26.7	32.7	56.4
Born outside Australia	1,030.9	300.7	419.6	1,450.5	85.5	37.5	39.0	63.6
U.K. and Ireland	386.7	108.2	157.5	544.2	81.3	33.6	35.0	58.8
Other countries	644.2	192.5	262.1	906.3	88.3	40.2	41.9	66.9
Arrived in Australia —								
Before 1947	84.8	14.4	22.1	106.9	53.9	18.1	15.3	35.5
1947–1954	284.0	62.1	79.5	363.5	90.8	30.5	31.9	64.7
1955–1961	226.6	68.6	96.1	322.7	90.9	39.4	43.0	68.2
1962–1966	165.4	57.0	81.7	247.1	88.9	40.7	45.0	67.2
1967–1971	225.2	84.2	114.0	339.2	91.2	48.7	50.7	71.9
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	44.8	14.5	26.2	71.0	85.6	46.3	50.7	68.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,779.6</i>	<i>921.8</i>	<i>1,590.5</i>	<i>5,370.2</i>	<i>82.6</i>	<i>29.5</i>	<i>34.2</i>	<i>58.2</i>
MOSTLY OR WHOLLY PART-TIME								
Born in Australia	114.6	374.4	463.6	578.3	3.4	16.1	13.0	8.3
Born outside Australia	25.5	106.3	119.8	145.4	2.1	13.3	11.1	6.4
U.K. and Ireland	9.7	51.6	57.8	67.6	2.0	16.0	12.9	7.3
Other countries	15.8	54.7	62.0	77.8	2.2	11.4	9.9	5.7
Arrived in Australia —								
Before 1947	8.0	9.1	11.6	19.6	5.1	11.5	8.1	6.5
1947–1954	5.1	36.7	39.5	44.6	1.6	18.0	15.9	7.9
1955–1961	4.7	23.7	26.5	31.2	1.9	13.6	11.9	6.6
1962–1966	*	15.8	17.8	20.3	*	11.3	9.8	5.5
1967–1971	4.5	18.5	20.8	25.3	1.8	10.7	9.2	5.4
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	*	*	*	4.3	*	*	*	4.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>140.2</i>	<i>480.7</i>	<i>583.5</i>	<i>723.6</i>	<i>3.1</i>	<i>15.4</i>	<i>12.5</i>	<i>7.8</i>
TOTAL								
Born in Australia	2,863.4	995.5	1,634.5	4,497.9	84.9	42.8	45.7	64.7
Born outside Australia	1,056.4	407.0	539.5	1,595.9	87.7	50.8	50.2	70.0
U.K. and Ireland	396.4	159.8	215.3	611.7	83.4	49.6	47.9	66.1
Other countries	660.0	247.2	324.2	984.2	90.5	51.7	51.9	72.7
Arrived in Australia —								
Before 1947	92.9	23.5	33.7	126.6	59.0	29.6	23.4	42.0
1947–1954	289.1	98.8	119.0	408.1	92.4	48.5	47.8	72.6
1955–1961	231.3	92.2	122.6	353.9	92.7	53.0	54.9	74.8
1962–1966	167.9	72.7	99.6	267.5	90.3	52.0	54.8	72.8
1967–1971	229.8	102.7	134.8	364.5	93.0	59.4	59.9	77.2
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	45.5	17.1	29.9	75.3	86.9	54.7	57.6	72.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>3,919.8</i>	<i>1,402.5</i>	<i>2,174.0</i>	<i>6,093.8</i>	<i>85.6</i>	<i>44.8</i>	<i>46.7</i>	<i>66.0</i>

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Persons in each group as a proportion of the total non-institutional civilian population aged 15 years and over in February 1973 in the same group.

* Less than or based on a figure less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 12. — PERSONS EMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY OCCUPATION (b) AND DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR ('000)

Occupation group (b)	Duration of employment (weeks)							Total	
	1 and under 4	4 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 39	39 and under 49	49 and under 52	52		
MALES									
In the labour force (b) –									
Professional and technical	*	7.1	*	8.5	11.3	4.6	347.3	382.4	
Administrative, executive and managerial	*	*	*	*	6.7	*	295.6	308.3	
Clerical	*	5.7	*	5.6	14.0	*	273.9	307.8	
Sales	*	6.9	4.1	7.2	15.7	6.4	194.2	236.9	
Farmers, fishermen and timbergetters, etc.	*	5.7	5.2	9.9	19.8	7.4	321.7	371.6	
Transport and communication	*	*	*	6.9	19.0	8.5	259.2	300.0	
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c. (c)	9.4	21.4	28.5	54.3	114.1	60.8	1,382.9	1,671.5	
Service, sport and recreation	*	4.3	4.2	6.5	11.7	4.5	144.2	177.0	
Total in the labour force (b)	18.6	53.4	52.8	102.5	212.2	97.2	3,219.0	3,755.6	
Not in the labour force (b)	30.2	43.3	19.4	24.0	15.1	*	30.3	164.2	
Total	48.8	96.6	72.2	126.5	227.3	99.1	3,249.2	3,919.8	
FEMALES									
In the labour force (b) –									
Professional and technical	}	*	8.0	10.7	21.1	24.3	7.4	191.6	259.3
Administrative, executive and managerial								31.2	37.3
Clerical	5.7	26.6	20.7	35.9	50.5	14.1	439.0	592.6	
Sales	6.2	14.0	15.0	21.9	25.6	6.6	146.1	235.4	
Farmers, fisherwomen and timbergetters, etc.	*	5.3	*	4.0	*	*	46.5	62.8	
Transport and communication	*	*	*	*	4.6	*	34.3	49.5	
Tradeswomen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c. (c)	*	11.0	15.5	19.6	26.7	5.7	159.0	241.2	
Service, sport and recreation	4.7	16.6	21.3	28.4	33.2	8.3	197.2	309.7	
Total in the labour force (b)	22.9	83.5	88.0	134.3	168.4	45.6	1,244.9	1,787.7	
Not in the labour force (b)	51.9	102.4	70.2	71.2	33.6	5.3	51.6	386.3	
Total	74.9	185.9	158.2	205.4	202.1	51.0	1,296.5	2,174.0	
PERSONS									
In the labour force (b) –									
Professional and technical	*	14.4	13.1	27.6	33.9	10.9	538.9	641.7	
Administrative, executive and managerial	*	*	*	5.6	8.4	*	326.8	345.7	
Clerical	7.1	32.3	24.2	41.5	64.5	18.0	712.9	900.4	
Sales	8.5	20.9	19.1	29.1	41.3	13.0	340.3	472.3	
Farmers, fishermen and timbergetters, etc.	*	10.9	7.8	13.8	23.2	7.9	368.2	434.3	
Transport and communication	*	4.3	5.6	10.3	23.6	11.5	293.4	349.6	
Tradesmen, production-process workers, labourers, n.e.c. (c)	13.1	32.4	44.0	73.9	140.8	66.5	1,541.9	1,912.7	
Service, sport and recreation	6.3	20.9	25.5	34.9	44.9	12.8	341.4	486.7	
Total in the labour force (b)	41.5	136.9	140.9	236.8	380.7	142.7	4,463.9	5,543.3	
Not in the labour force (b)	82.1	145.7	89.6	95.2	48.7	7.4	81.9	550.6	
Total	123.6	282.6	230.5	331.9	429.4	150.1	4,545.7	6,093.8	

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) At the time of the survey. (c) Includes miners and quarrymen.
 * Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 13. – PERSONS EMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY INDUSTRY (b) AND DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR ('000)

Industry division (b)	Duration of employment (weeks)						Total
	1 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 39	39 and under 49	49 and under 52	52	
MALES							
In the labour force (b) –							
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	5.9	4.5	8.2	15.2	5.8	295.8	335.5
Mining	*	*	*	4.3	*	55.2	66.7
Manufacturing	16.3	14.7	27.3	56.4	31.3	844.1	990.1
Electricity, gas and water	*	*	*	*	*	87.6	93.0
Construction	7.0	6.9	18.9	41.2	18.8	356.3	449.1
Wholesale and retail trade	17.6	10.8	20.1	38.3	16.9	585.7	689.5
Transport and storage	4.1	4.1	4.6	13.9	6.4	236.6	269.7
Communication	*	*	*	*	*	86.2	92.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	5.8	*	*	10.7	4.5	197.3	223.7
Public administration and defence	*	*	*	5.6	*	142.6	158.1
Community services	5.3	*	5.9	8.7	*	228.0	253.0
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	4.8	*	7.2	12.7	*	103.6	134.3
Total in the labour force (b)	72.0	52.8	102.5	212.2	97.1	3,219.0	3,755.6
Not in the labour force (b)	73.4	19.4	24.0	15.1	*	30.3	164.2
Total	145.4	72.2	126.5	227.3	99.1	3,249.2	3,919.8
FEMALES							
In the labour force (b) –							
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	5.6	*	4.5	*	*	52.1	68.6
Manufacturing	17.1	17.7	23.5	32.0	9.4	220.8	320.4
Electricity, gas and water	*	*	*	*	*	8.4	9.7
Construction	*	*	*	*	*	16.3	21.4
Wholesale and retail trade	30.5	23.2	35.3	47.4	11.5	298.4	446.5
Transport and storage	*	*	*	*	*	24.7	35.5
Communication	*	*	*	*	*	20.8	25.1
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	11.4	8.2	10.8	15.6	5.4	134.9	186.2
Public administration and defence	*	*	*	*	*	49.2	61.9
Community services	18.2	17.6	30.7	39.9	8.3	295.9	410.6
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	15.4	14.0	20.7	20.7	6.1	120.6	197.6
Total in the labour force (b)(c)	106.4	88.0	134.3	168.4	45.6	1,244.9	1,787.7
Not in the labour force (b)	154.3	70.2	71.2	33.6	5.3	51.6	386.3
Total (c)	260.8	158.2	205.4	202.1	51.0	1,296.5	2,174.0
PERSONS							
In the labour force (b) –							
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11.5	6.6	12.7	19.1	6.4	347.9	404.2
Mining	*	*	*	4.8	4.1	58.0	70.9
Manufacturing	33.4	32.4	50.8	88.4	40.7	1,064.9	1,310.5
Electricity, gas and water	*	*	*	*	*	96.0	102.7
Construction	7.9	7.7	20.4	42.8	19.2	372.6	470.6
Wholesale and retail trade	48.2	34.0	55.5	85.7	28.4	884.2	1,136.0
Transport and storage	5.8	5.6	7.2	17.1	8.1	261.4	305.1
Communication	*	*	*	*	1.4	107.0	117.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services	17.2	9.9	14.5	26.3	9.9	332.1	410.0
Public administration and defence	6.7	*	6.2	8.5	*	191.7	220.0
Community services	23.5	19.7	36.6	48.6	11.3	523.9	663.6
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	20.3	16.8	27.9	33.4	9.2	224.2	331.9
Total in the labour force (b)	178.4	140.9	236.8	380.7	142.7	4,463.9	5,543.3
Not in the labour force (b)	227.8	89.6	95.2	48.7	7.4	81.9	550.6
Total	406.2	230.5	331.9	429.4	150.1	4,545.7	6,093.8

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) At the time of the survey. (c) Includes mining.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 14. - PERSON UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY AGE AND DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR

	Age group (years)						
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	Total
MALES							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -	- '000 -						
1 and under 2	17.5	12.6	12.6	4.7	*	*	52.0
2 " " 4	27.4	18.3	18.5	9.8	5.0	*	81.5
4 " " 8	27.9	16.6	17.6	10.7	7.1	4.7	84.6
8 " " 13	11.4	12.0	14.0	6.9	5.1	*	53.4
13 " " 26	9.4	8.2	7.6	6.9	*	4.0	40.0
26 and over	6.7	5.3	4.4	*	4.3	*	27.2
Total	100.5	73.0	74.8	41.5	27.3	21.6	338.7
- per cent -							
Proportion of labour force	26.5	13.9	8.0	5.5	3.8	3.4	8.6
FEMALES							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -	- '000 -						
1 and under 2	24.4	11.3	15.3	8.2	4.2	*	64.7
2 " " 4	26.1	17.0	12.9	7.1	5.0	*	69.0
4 " " 8	24.8	14.5	11.2	8.2	4.3	*	65.1
8 " " 13	7.8	7.7	5.7	*	*	*	29.5
13 " " 26	8.5	5.8	4.0	*	*	*	25.7
26 and over	5.6	*	5.5	*	*	*	21.9
Total	97.1	60.1	54.6	33.9	22.9	7.2	275.9
- per cent -							
Proportion of labour force	27.0	15.2	11.7	8.2	6.1	3.5	12.5
PERSONS							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -	- '000 -						
1 and under 2	41.9	23.9	27.9	12.9	6.1	*	116.7
2 " " 4	53.5	35.3	31.4	16.9	10.0	*	150.5
4 " " 8	52.7	31.0	28.8	18.9	11.4	6.9	149.8
8 " " 13	19.2	19.7	19.7	10.4	8.7	5.1	82.8
13 " " 26	17.9	14.1	11.6	10.3	6.9	4.9	65.7
26 and over	12.3	9.2	9.9	6.1	7.1	4.6	49.1
Total	197.6	133.1	129.4	75.5	50.2	28.9	614.6
- per cent -							
Proportion of labour force	26.7	14.5	9.3	6.5	4.6	3.4	10.0

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 15. - PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY MARITAL STATUS AND DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR ('000)

Duration of unemployment (weeks)	Married			Not married (b)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1 and under 2	20.2	34.4	54.6	31.8	30.4	62.1
2 " " 4	34.5	32.4	66.8	47.0	36.6	83.7
4 " " 8	35.5	31.6	67.1	49.2	33.5	82.7
8 " " 13	27.1	16.7	43.8	26.3	12.8	39.1
13 " " 26	20.5	12.5	33.0	19.5	13.1	32.6
26 and over	11.5	11.1	22.7	15.7	10.8	26.5
Total	149.2	138.7	287.9	189.5	137.2	326.7

(a) For definitions, see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Never married, widowed and divorced.

NOTE. For totals for males, females and persons, see Table 14.

TABLE 16. — PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (b)
PROPORTION OF THE LABOUR FORCE (per cent) (c)							
Males	8.7	8.1	8.2	7.8	12.2	6.2	8.6
Females	13.2	10.7	12.9	11.8	14.7	10.9	12.5
Persons	10.4	9.0	9.8	9.3	13.1	7.8	10.0
NUMBER OF PERSONS ('000)							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) —							
1 and under 2	48.8	24.2	15.7	9.0	14.0	4.6	116.7
2 " " 3	35.0	25.5	12.7	6.8	9.3		92.6
3 " " 4	22.0	13.8	7.6	4.9	7.5		57.9
4 " " 5	30.7	21.0	11.6	6.8	7.1		79.6
5 " " 6	8.9	5.4	*	*	*	5.2	23.9
6 " " 8	18.2	10.0	7.0	4.3	4.2		46.2
8 " " 13	31.8	18.2	11.4	8.3	9.7		82.8
13 " " 26	21.7	16.7	9.0	7.1	8.0		65.7
26 and over	18.4	14.3	4.7	4.2	4.7	4.2	49.1
Total	235.5	149.0	83.4	53.8	66.6	14.1	614.6

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Proportion of persons in the labour force at some time during 1972 who were unemployed at some time during the year.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 17. — PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY BIRTHPLACE, PERIOD OF ARRIVAL AND DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR

Birthplace and period of arrival	Duration of unemployment (weeks)					Total	
	1 and under 4 ('000)	4 and under 8 ('000)	8 and under 13 ('000)	13 and under 26 ('000)	26 and over ('000)	Number ('000)	Proportion of the labour force (b) (per cent)
MALES							
Born in Australia	83.5	57.6	33.9	24.2	18.3	217.5	7.5
Born outside Australia	50.0	27.1	19.5	15.8	8.9	121.3	11.4
U.K. and Ireland	18.7	13.2	7.2	5.4	*	46.9	11.7
Other countries	31.3	13.9	12.3	10.4	6.6	74.4	11.2
Arrived in Australia							
Before 1955	8.7	5.0	7.3	7.3	5.0	23.9	6.2
1955–1961	6.1	4.9				20.3	8.7
1962–1966	6.9	4.3	7.1	8.5	*	17.6	10.4
1967–1971	15.9	8.2				37.2	16.0
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	12.3	4.7	*	*	*	22.3	48.2
Total	133.5	84.7	53.4	40.0	27.0	338.7	8.6
FEMALES							
Born in Australia	94.7	47.0	19.1	18.4	14.2	193.3	11.6
Born outside Australia	39.1	18.1	10.4	7.3	7.7	82.6	15.0
U.K. and Ireland	16.9	7.7	*	*	*	34.7	15.8
Other countries	22.1	10.5	6.7	*	4.9	47.9	14.4
Arrived in Australia							
Before 1955	5.0	6.5	4.1	*	*	12.7	8.1
1955–1961	5.2					12.4	9.9
1962–1966	8.8	6.5	6.3	5.0	5.8	15.2	15.0
1967–1971	11.6					28.0	20.3
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	8.5	*	*	*	*	14.3	46.5
Total	133.7	65.1	29.5	25.7	21.9	275.9	12.5
PERSONS							
Born in Australia	178.1	104.6	53.0	42.6	32.5	410.8	9.0
Born outside Australia	89.1	45.2	29.9	23.1	16.6	203.9	12.6
U.K. and Ireland	35.7	20.9	10.9	8.9	5.2	81.5	13.2
Other countries	53.4	24.3	18.9	14.2	11.5	122.3	12.3
Arrived in Australia							
Before 1955	13.7	8.1	6.1	4.4	4.3	36.6	6.8
1955–1961	11.3	8.3	5.3	5.1	*	32.7	9.2
1962–1966	15.7	7.0	*	4.5	*	32.8	12.1
1967–1971	27.5	14.5	10.8	6.0	6.1	65.1	17.6
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	20.9	7.1	4.1	*	*	36.6	47.5
Total	267.2	149.8	82.8	65.7	49.1	614.6	10.0

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Persons unemployed at some time during 1972 as a proportion of the total number of persons in the labour force at some time during 1972 in the same group.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 18. — PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY NUMBER OF PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT, BIRTHPLACE AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL

Birthplace and period of arrival	Number ('000)				Proportion of the labour force (b) (per cent)			
	Males	Married women	All females	Persons	Males	Married women	All females	Persons
ONE PERIOD OF UNEMPLOYMENT								
Born in Australia	159.0	68.7	159.8	318.8	5.5	n.a.	9.6	7.0
Born outside Australia —								
Arrived before 1955	17.2	8.3	9.9	27.2	4.5	n.a.	6.3	5.0
1955–1961	14.5	6.6	11.0	25.5	6.2	n.a.	8.8	7.1
1962–1966	13.5	9.0	13.0	26.5	8.0	n.a.	12.8	9.8
1967–1971	28.4	16.9	23.0	51.4	12.2	n.a.	16.7	13.9
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	19.0	7.2	12.0	31.0	41.0	n.a.	39.2	40.3
Total born outside Australia	92.6	47.9	68.9	161.5	8.7	n.a.	12.5	10.0
Total	251.7	116.7	228.7	480.3	6.4	8.2	10.3	7.8
TWO OR MORE PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT								
Born in Australia	58.5	13.4	33.5	91.9	2.0	n.a.	2.0	2.0
Born outside Australia —								
Arrived before 1955	6.6	4.5	6.4	9.5	1.7	n.a.	1.7	1.8
1955–1961	5.8			7.2	2.5			2.0
1962–1966	4.1			6.3	2.4			2.3
1967–1971	8.7			13.8	3.8			3.7
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	*	*	*	5.6	*	n.a.	*	7.3
Total born outside Australia	28.6	8.6	13.7	42.3	2.7	n.a.	2.5	2.6
Total	87.1	22.0	47.2	134.3	2.2	1.5	2.1	2.2
TOTAL								
Born in Australia	217.5	82.1	193.3	410.8	7.5	n.a.	11.6	9.0
Born outside Australia —								
Arrived before 1955	23.9	10.6	12.7	36.6	6.2	n.a.	8.1	6.8
1955–1961	20.3	7.5	12.4	32.7	8.7	n.a.	9.9	9.2
1962–1966	17.6	10.2	15.2	32.8	10.4	n.a.	15.0	12.1
1967–1971	37.2	20.2	28.0	65.1	16.0	n.a.	20.3	17.6
Jan. 1972 to Feb. 1973	22.3	8.0	14.3	36.6	48.2	n.a.	46.5	47.5
Total born outside Australia	121.3	56.5	82.6	203.9	11.4	n.a.	15.0	12.6
Total	338.7	138.7	275.9	614.6	8.6	9.7	12.6	10.0

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Persons unemployed at some time during 1972 as a proportion of the total number of persons in the labour force at some time during 1972 in the same group.

* Less than or based on a figure less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

n.a. — not available.

TABLE 19. - PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972 BY AGE, MARITAL STATUS AND NUMBER OF PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT ('000)

Number of periods of unemployment	Age group (years)						Married	Not married (b)	Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over			
MALES									
One	79.9	52.1	53.6	30.3	20.0	15.7	109.6	142.1	251.7
Two	10.4	10.6	9.4	5.5	*	*	20.0	20.9	41.0
Three and over	10.2	10.3	11.7	5.7	4.7	*	19.6	26.5	46.1
Total	100.5	73.0	74.8	41.5	27.3	21.6	149.2	189.5	338.7
FEMALES									
One	80.4	49.3	46.1	28.3	19.2	5.4	116.7	112.0	228.7
Two	10.4	5.9	4.8	*	*	*	10.5	15.5	26.1
Three and over	6.3	4.9	3.8	*	*	*	11.5	9.6	21.1
Total	97.1	60.1	54.6	33.9	22.9	7.2	138.7	137.2	275.9
PERSONS									
One	160.3	101.4	99.7	58.6	39.2	21.2	226.3	254.1	480.3
Two	20.8	16.5	14.2	8.4	4.0	*	30.6	36.5	67.0
Three	8.5	8.9	7.1	8.4	7.0	4.7	13.2	17.9	31.1
Four and over	8.0	6.4	8.3				17.9	18.3	36.2
Total	197.6	133.1	129.4	75.5	50.2	28.9	287.9	326.7	614.6

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Never married, widowed and divorced.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 20. - PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY NUMBER OF PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR ('000)

Number of periods of unemployment	Duration of unemployment (weeks)							Total
	1 and under 2	2 and under 3	3 and under 4	4 and under 8	8 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and over	
MALES								
One	52.0	39.2	25.2	62.5	35.0	22.8	14.9	251.7
Two	..	7.0	5.4	10.9	7.9	4.8	4.9	41.0
Three and over	..	..	4.6	11.3	10.4	12.4	7.4	46.1
Total	52.0	46.2	35.3	84.6	53.4	40.0	27.2	338.7
FEMALES								
One	64.7	38.8	17.1	52.3	22.1	18.0	15.6	228.7
Two and over	..	7.5	5.6	12.8	7.4	7.7	6.3	47.2
Total	64.7	46.3	22.7	65.1	29.5	25.7	21.9	275.9
PERSONS								
One	116.7	78.0	42.3	114.8	57.2	40.8	30.5	480.3
Two	..	14.5	6.5	17.1	11.4	8.6	8.9	67.0
Three	..	..	9.2	7.2	6.1	5.8	*	31.1
Four and over	..	..	..	10.7	8.1	10.4	6.9	36.2
Total	116.7	92.6	57.9	149.8	82.8	65.7	49.1	614.6

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

**TABLE 21. — PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY
NUMBER OF PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT
(^{'000})**

<i>number of periods of unemployment</i>	<i>N.S.W.</i>	<i>Vic.</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>S.A.</i>	<i>W.A.</i>	<i>Tas.</i>	<i>Aust. (b)</i>
MALES							
One	92.1	66.1	32.9	22.6	29.0	5.0	251.7
Two	14.7	9.3	6.0	*	5.0	*	41.0
Three and over	18.9	10.7	6.8	*	5.2	*	46.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>125.6</i>	<i>86.1</i>	<i>45.8</i>	<i>29.0</i>	<i>39.2</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>338.7</i>
FEMALES							
One	90.6	52.0	31.7	20.5	22.9	5.5	228.7
Two	10.5	5.7	*	*	*	*	26.1
Three and over	8.8	5.3	*	*	*	*	21.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>109.9</i>	<i>63.0</i>	<i>37.6</i>	<i>24.9</i>	<i>27.3</i>	<i>6.8</i>	<i>275.9</i>
PERSONS							
One	182.6	118.1	64.7	43.1	51.9	10.6	480.3
Two	25.2	15.0	9.7	5.6	7.8	*	67.0
Three	10.9	8.1	9.0	5.1	6.8	*	31.1
Four and over	16.7	7.8					36.2
<i>Total</i>	<i>235.5</i>	<i>149.0</i>	<i>83.4</i>	<i>53.8</i>	<i>66.6</i>	<i>14.1</i>	<i>614.6</i>

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Includes the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 22. – PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY AGE, NUMBER OF PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR

	Age group (years)						
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	Total
ONE PERIOD OF UNEMPLOYMENT							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) –	– '000 –						
1 and under 2	41.9	23.9	27.9	12.9	6.1	*	116.7
2 " " 4	45.3	26.8	24.3	13.6	8.3	*	120.3
4 " " 8	43.2	23.6	19.9	14.4	8.5	5.2	114.8
8 " " 13	12.8	14.0	13.6	6.9	6.5	*	57.2
13 " " 26	10.4	7.4	7.5	7.1	4.9	*	40.8
26 and over	6.7	5.8	6.5	*	4.9	*	30.5
Total	160.3	101.4	99.7	58.7	39.2	21.2	480.3
Average duration of unemployment	– weeks –						
	5.5	6.7	7.0	7.5	10.4	11.2	7.0
TWO PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) –	– '000 –						
2 and under 4	5.9	5.7	5.1	*	*	*	21.0
4 " " 13	9.3	5.9	6.7	*	*	*	28.5
13 and over	5.6	4.9	*	*	*	*	17.5
Total	20.8	16.5	14.2	8.4	4.0	*	67.0
Average duration of unemployment	– weeks –						
	11.1	10.6	9.1	11.5	11.6	11.8	10.6
THREE OR MORE PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) –	– '000 –						
3 and under 4	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.2
4 " " 13	6.6	7.2	8.4	4.3	*	*	32.2
13 and over	7.5	5.1	5.0	*	*	*	25.9
Total	16.5	15.2	15.5	8.4	7.0	4.6	67.2
Average duration of unemployment	– weeks –						
	13.7	11.3	11.0	11.8	14.0	17.4	12.6
TOTAL							
Duration of unemployment (weeks) –	– '000 –						
1 and under 2	41.9	23.9	27.9	12.9	6.1	*	116.7
2 " " 4	53.5	35.3	31.4	16.9	10.0	*	150.5
4 " " 8	52.7	31.0	28.8	18.9	11.4	6.9	149.8
8 " " 13	19.2	19.7	19.7	10.4	8.7	5.1	82.8
13 " " 26	17.9	14.1	11.6	10.3	6.9	4.9	65.7
26 and over	12.3	9.2	9.9	6.1	7.1	4.6	49.1
Total	197.6	133.1	129.4	75.5	50.2	28.9	614.6
Average duration of unemployment	– weeks –						
	6.8	7.7	7.7	8.5	11.0	12.2	8.0

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 23. — PERSONS UNEMPLOYED (a) AT SOME TIME DURING 1972, BY DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND DURATION OF EMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR ('000)

Duration of unemployment (weeks)	Duration of employment (weeks)						Total
	0	1 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 39	39 and under 49	49 and under 52	
MALES							
1 and under 2	*	13.2	4.2	5.5	10.6	15.3	52.0
2 " " 3	5.3	7.3	*	4.0	11.3	16.0	46.2
3 " " 4	4.1	*	*	*	8.2	12.8	35.2
4 " " 8	8.5	6.7	5.2	10.4	53.9	..	84.6
8 " " 26	4.0	5.1	7.0	33.1	44.2	..	93.4
26 and over	4.5	5.8	10.8	6.2	..	..	27.2
Total	29.6	41.5	32.3	63.0	128.2	44.2	338.7
FEMALES							
1 and under 2	8.7	18.5	7.0	11.3	11.2	8.1	64.7
2 " " 3	5.6	9.0	8.4	6.5	8.2	8.5	46.3
3 " " 4	*	4.5	*	*	5.9	*	22.7
4 " " 8	12.7	10.9	6.1	11.8	23.7	..	65.1
8 " " 26	6.3	6.1	7.6	20.1	15.1	..	55.1
26 and over	5.4	7.8	6.3	*	..	..	21.9
Total	41.7	56.8	38.3	55.7	64.2	19.2	275.9
PERSONS							
1 and under 2	11.9	31.7	11.2	16.8	21.8	23.4	116.7
2 " " 3	10.9	16.3	10.8	10.5	19.5	24.6	92.6
3 " " 4	7.2	7.9	5.9	7.4	14.1	15.4	57.9
4 " " 5	12.5	10.4	5.6	12.4	38.7	..	79.6
5 " " 6	*	*	*	*	14.5	..	23.9
6 " " 8	5.0	5.9	4.1	6.9	24.4	..	46.2
8 " " 13	6.1	6.1	6.8	12.8	51.0	..	82.8
13 " " 26	4.2	5.1	7.7	40.3	8.4	..	65.7
26 and over	9.8	13.6	17.0	8.6	..	..	49.1
Total	71.3	98.3	70.6	118.7	192.3	63.4	614.6

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 24. — PERSONS WHO CEASED FULL-TIME EDUCATION DURING 1972 (a), BY DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT IN THE YEAR AND TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION ATTENDED ('000)

Type of institution attended	Duration of unemployment (weeks)			Total
	Under 1	1 and under 4	4 and over	
School —				
Left Jan.-Oct. 1972	20.2	9.1	8.9	38.3
Nov. 1972	45.3	13.0	11.0	69.3
Dec. 1972	46.5	7.1	*	57.3
Total	112.0	29.2	23.6	164.8
University, C.A.E. or teachers' college	26.7	4.6	*	35.2
Technical college or other institution	9.7	5.7	*	18.5
Total	148.4	(b)39.5	(c)30.7	(d)218.5

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15-24 years. See also NOTE to Table 1. (b) One and under 2 weeks, 17,000 persons; two and under three weeks, 13,200 persons; three and under 4 weeks, 9,300 persons. (c) Four and under eight weeks, 22,200 persons; eight weeks and over, 8,500 persons. (d) Includes 114,800 males and 103,700 females.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 25. – PERSONS OUT OF THE LABOUR FORCE (a) DURING ALL OR PART OF 1972, BY
LENGTH OF TIME OUT OF THE LABOUR FORCE AND MAJOR ACTIVITY
(‘000)

Major activity during 1972 when not in the labour force	Length of time out of the labour force (weeks)							Total
	1 and under 4	4 and under 13	13 and under 26	26 and under 39	39 and under 49	49 and under 52	52	
MALES								
Went to school	*	7.6	13.8	24.3	85.1	43.7	210.9	387.5
Ill or injured	11.6	32.3	19.9	9.9	5.2	*	11.0	90.7
Retired or voluntarily idle	64.2	97.4	50.1	37.4	22.4	5.8	361.2	638.5
Permanently unable to work	*	*	*	*	*	*	36.2	38.0
Total (b)	78.1	137.8	84.7	72.2	113.9	50.9	627.3	1,164.9
FEMALES								
Kept house	21.4	103.9	125.6	146.9	142.5	45.2	2,109.2	2,694.6
Went to school	*	6.2	12.9	17.8	64.1	32.2	199.5	333.4
Ill or injured	5.4	14.5	9.9	4.7	*	*	4.7	41.4
Retired or voluntarily idle	20.7	39.4	18.7	10.1	6.4	*	98.2	195.0
Permanently unable to work	*	*	*	*	*	*	23.5	23.7
Total	48.2	163.9	167.2	179.5	215.1	79.1	2,435.1	3,288.1
PERSONS								
Kept house	21.5	104.5	126.2	147.3	142.8	45.4	2,117.2	2,704.9
Went to school	*	13.7	26.7	42.0	149.2	75.9	410.4	720.9
Ill or injured	17.0	46.8	29.8	14.6	7.3	*	15.7	132.1
Retired or voluntarily idle	84.9	136.8	68.8	47.5	28.8	7.3	459.4	833.5
Permanently unable to work	*	*	*	*	*	*	59.6	61.7
Total	126.3	301.7	252.0	251.6	329.0	130.0	3,062.4	4,453.1

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1. (b) Includes males who were keeping house.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TABLE 26. - PERSONS OUT OF THE LABOUR FORCE (a) DURING ALL OR PART OF 1972, BY AGE AND LENGTH OF TIME OUT OF THE LABOUR FORCE DURING THE YEAR ('000)

Length of time out of the labour force (weeks)	Age group (years)						Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	
MALES							
1 and under 4	7.7	16.8	24.4	12.6	9.3	7.3	78.1
4 " " 13	18.4	21.9	33.3	23.6	19.7	20.9	137.8
13 " " 26	16.5	10.7	18.3	9.7	8.1	21.4	84.7
26 " " 39	21.7	11.1	8.0	*	6.4	21.1	72.2
39 " " 49	64.3	22.5	4.8	*	*	16.5	113.9
49 " " 52	38.4	5.4	*	*	*	5.8	50.9
52	195.8	19.9	10.1	10.1	22.3	369.2	627.3
Total	362.9	108.2	99.5	62.6	69.5	462.1	1,164.9
MARRIED WOMEN							
1 and under 4	*	5.5	8.7	7.1	6.1	*	29.2
4 " " 13	4.0	16.4	30.9	27.0	26.8	9.4	114.5
13 " " 26	4.7	21.0	44.5	28.0	20.5	8.4	127.2
26 " " 39	*	28.5	48.1	31.6	20.4	10.9	142.3
39 " " 49	*	23.3	47.1	31.1	22.7	8.2	135.2
49 " " 52	*	6.4	15.5	9.2	7.7	*	43.2
52	13.2	125.3	428.1	304.9	316.2	516.8	1,704.4
Total	29.9	226.5	622.8	438.8	420.3	557.8	2,296.0
ALL FEMALES							
1 and under 4	8.8	10.1	11.6	8.1	7.0	*	48.2
4 " " 13	23.8	27.8	36.8	29.0	30.9	15.7	163.9
13 " " 26	22.4	28.4	49.0	29.3	24.8	13.3	167.2
26 " " 39	20.9	34.9	51.1	34.4	22.4	15.8	179.5
39 " " 49	61.5	32.4	48.8	32.4	24.9	15.2	215.1
49 " " 52	31.7	8.1	16.6	9.3	8.4	4.9	79.1
52	200.5	144.0	438.0	315.7	353.1	983.8	2,435.1
Total	369.7	285.7	651.8	458.2	471.4	1,051.3	3,288.1
PERSONS							
1 and under 4	16.6	26.9	36.0	20.7	16.2	9.9	126.3
4 " " 13	42.3	49.7	70.1	52.6	50.5	36.6	301.7
13 " " 26	39.0	39.1	67.3	39.0	32.9	34.7	252.0
26 " " 39	42.6	46.0	59.1	38.2	28.8	36.9	251.6
39 " " 49	125.7	54.8	53.6	34.9	28.3	31.6	329.0
49 " " 52	70.1	13.5	17.2	9.7	8.8	10.7	130.0
52	396.3	163.9	448.0	325.8	375.4	1,353.0	3,062.4
Total	732.5	394.0	751.3	520.9	540.9	1,513.4	4,453.1

(a) For definitions see page 2. See also footnote (a) and NOTE to Table 1.

* Less than 4,000. See page 20, paragraph 3.

TECHNICAL NOTE

Estimation procedure

Estimates derived from the quarterly population survey are obtained by using a ratio estimation procedure. This procedure ensures that survey estimates conform to the independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex, rather than the age and sex distribution within the sample itself.

Reliability of the estimates

2. Since the estimates in this bulletin are based on a sample, they may differ from the figures that would have been obtained from a complete census using the same questionnaires and procedures. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which

indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample, and not the whole population, was enumerated. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained from a comparable complete enumeration, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. A table of standard errors which is intended to be of general application is given below. An example of the use of this table is as follows: if the estimate obtained from the sample is 100,000 and the standard error is 3.0 per cent of the estimate, i.e. 3,000, there are about two chances in three that the true figure is within the range 97,000 to 103,000 and about nineteen chances in twenty that this figure is between 94,000 and 106,000.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

Size of estimate (Persons)	Approximate standard error of estimates		Size of estimate (Persons)	Approximate standard error of estimates	
	Persons	Per cent of estimate		Persons	Per cent of estimate
4,000	800	20.0	100,000	3,000	3.0
5,000	900	18.0	200,000	4,000	2.0
10,000	1,200	12.0	500,000	6,000	1.2
20,000	1,600	8.0	1,000,000	8,000	0.8
50,000	2,300	4.6	2,000,000	10,000	0.5

3. In the tables in this bulletin only estimates of 4,000 or over have been shown, as smaller estimates would be subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. Although, in some cases, figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

4. The reliability of an estimated percentage, computed by using sample data for both numerator and denominator, depends upon both the size of the numerator and the size of the denominator. Percentages calculated from figures in this bulletin have generally somewhat lower standard errors (proportionally) than

have the estimates which form the numerators of the percentages, particularly where the percentages are large.

5. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by interviewers and respondents. 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 only 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 operating procedures.

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