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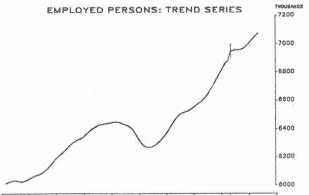
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To assist users in interpreting underlying trends, this publication contains estimates of trend for the major labour force series. For a brief explanation of the methodology, refer to paragraphs 20 to 23 of the Explanatory Notes.

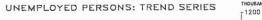
Care should be taken in the interpretation of the trend series, as the most recent data are subject to revision when subsequent months' data become available. Care should also be taken in the interpretation of month-to-month movements in the original and seasonally adjusted data - see paragraphs 15 to 19.

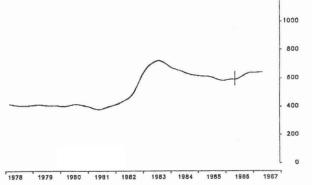
#### MAIN FEATURES

The April 1987 estimate (seasonally adjusted) of employed persons was 7,084,500, an increase of 24,300 compared with March 1987. Trend estimates of employed persons show continuing growth since September 1986, following the levelling-off in the rate of growth from April 1986 to September 1986, and a steady growth in employment in the



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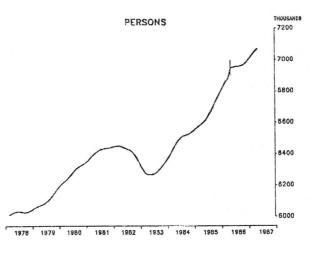
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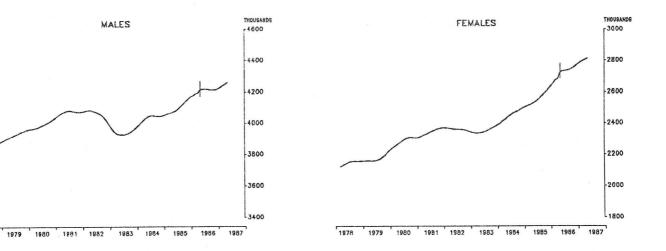
period April 1983 to April 1986. The trend estimates show that the growth in employment since September 1986 has occurred for both males and females (see the graphs on page 2). Similarly, growth in employment during this period has occurred in both the full-time and part-time labour markets.

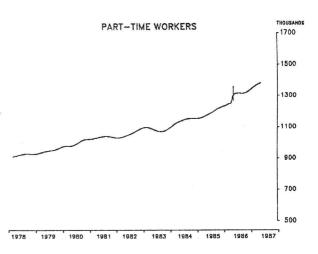
The total number unemployed (seasonally adjusted) stood at 640,900 in April 1987. There was a decline of 11,500 in male unemployment compared with March 1987 and no discernible change in female unemployment. The trend estimates of unemployed persons show that the plateau in the number of unemployed that has been experienced since October 1986 continues. This period was preceded by a gradual increase in the trend estimate of unemployed persons from November 1985 (583,400) to October 1986 (636,300). The male and female trend estimates show a different picture (see graphs on page 3). While male unemployment increased from December 1985 (332,800) until December 1986 (371,500) and has since commenced decreasing, female unemployment has continued to gradually increase during this period. Prior to November 1985, the trend estimate of unemployed persons declined from July 1983 (722,900) to November 1985 (583,400).

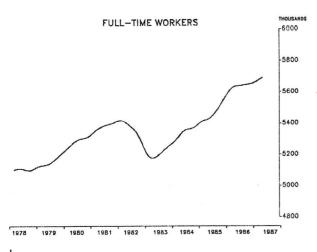
The April 1987 unemployment rate for persons was 8.3% (seasonally adjusted). The trend estimates show that, following a series of small monthly increases from April 1986 (7.8%), the unemployment rate reached a level of 8.4% in October 1986 and has remained at about that level since that time. During the period between June 1983 and April 1986, the unemployment rate showed a steady decline from a peak of 10.3% to 7.8%.

The participation rate (seasonally adjusted) for April 1987 was 62.2%, the same as in March 1987. The trend estimates show the participation rate has been relatively unchanged since April 1986 (62.0%). Before that, trend estimates show a steady increase from a turning point of 60.5% in November 1984. Trend estimates for male and female participation rates continue to move in opposite directions, with the male participation rate declining and the female participation rate still rising. **EMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES** 





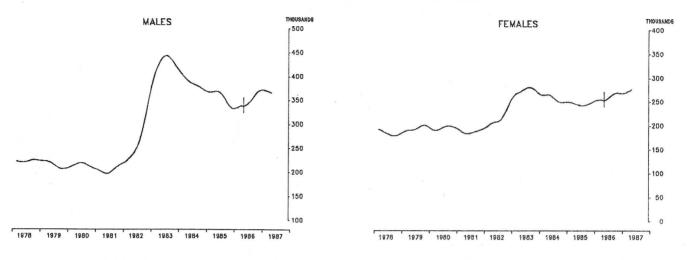




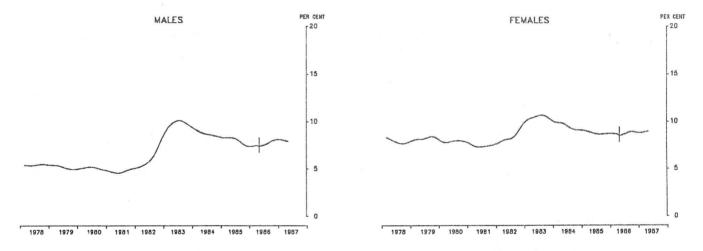
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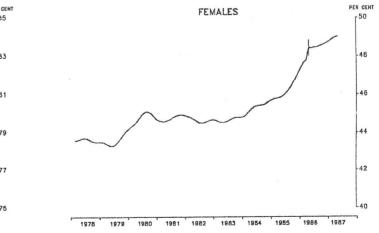
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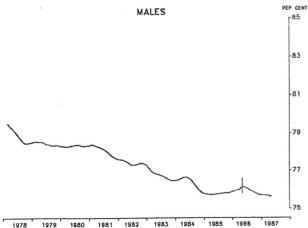


# **UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: TREND SERIES**



# PARTICIPATION RATE: TREND SERIES





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# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### Introduction

1. This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey part of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised figures for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

## The population survey

2. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 35,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the survey week).

### Scope

3. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas residents in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependents) stationed in Australia.

#### Coverage

4. In the labour force survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. The coverage rules are, necessarily, a balance between theoretical and operational considerations. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the survey is considered to be negligible.

## Definitions

5. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on the *actual activity* undertaken during the survey week (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.). The following definitions, which conform closely to the international standard definitions specified by the International Labour Office (ILO), relate only to those persons within the scope of the survey.

6. *Employed persons* comprise all those aged 15 and over who, during the survey week:

 (a) worked for one hour or more 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 for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

7. Full-time workers are those who usually worked 35 hours or more a week and others who, although usually part-time workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week. Part-time workers are those who usually work less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the survey week. When recording hours of work, fractions of an hour are disregarded.

8. Unemployed persons are those aged 15 and over who were not employed during the survey week, and:

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and:
  - (i) were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or
  - (ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then; or
- (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant break-down.

9. Unemployed persons looking for their first full-time job are those who had never worked full time for two weeks or more.

10. The *unemployment rate* for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

11. The *labour force* comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined above.

12. The *labour force participation rate* for any group is the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

13. *Persons not in the labour force* are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories employed or unemployed as defined above.

### **Revision of series**

14. From April 1986, the definition of employed persons was changed to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers). In this issue, estimates for months prior to April 1986 are on the old basis, and estimates for April 1986 and later months are based on the new definition. For further information, see paragraphs 37 and 38 of the Explanatory Notes to the February 1987 issue of *The Labour Force*, *Australia* (6203.0).

# Reliability of the estimates

15. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The *sampling error* is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all dwellings in the survey is given by the *standard error*. 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 if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

16. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown in the tables. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical Note in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

17. Very small estimates and percentages based on such estimates are not published but are indicated with a '\*' because they are subject to high relative standard errors. Although figures for these small components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

18. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

(a) An estimate of 320,000 unemployed males looking for full-time work has a standard error of about 6,300. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will be within the range 313,700 to 326,300 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the number will be within the range 307,400 to 332,600.

(b) An estimate of movement in the number of unemployed males looking for full-time work from one month to the next is an increase of 28,300. The standard error of this monthly movement is about 5,100. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been within the range +23,200 to +33,400, and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range +18,100 to +38,500.

19. 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 respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the 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 the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

#### Seasonal adjustment and trend estimation

20. Seasonally adjusted series are published in Tables 2 and 6. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

21. Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates have been derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. These are published in Tables 3 and 7.

22. While this smoothing technique enables estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in revisions to the most recent months as additional observations become available. Generally, subsequent revisions become smaller, and after three months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of the annual review of seasonal factors.

23. Users may wish to refer to the ABS Information Papers A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of 'Trend' (1316.0), and Time Series Decomposition - an Overview (1317.0) for more detailed information on smoothing of seasonally adjusted time series data.

## **Related publications**

24. Users may also wish to refer to *The Labour Force*, *Australia* (6203.0). This publication contains a detailed list of related publications which are available on request.

25. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

## Symbols and other usages

- \* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See the Technical Note in 6203.0 for more details.
- . . not applicable
- r revised

26. Estimates have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

## **Electronic services**

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND CVER

Month	Employed Full-time workers	Total	Unemployed Looking for full-time w Aged 15-19 looking for first job	ork	ooking for part- time work '000 -	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian popula- tion aged 15 and over	loyment rate	Partici- pation rate cent -
					MALES						
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	3,939.3 3,914.6 3,914.3 3,950.7 3,927.7 3,901.6 3,955.8 3,944.0 3,930.9 3,984.3	4,213.0 4,217.2 4,204.1 4,233.2 4,204.7 4,179.8 4,237.2 4,223.8 4,209.0 4,273.3	30.3 21.4 18.8 18.5 20.6 17.5 16.9 17.2 17.8 34.9	314.9 305.5 308.8 292.9 317.4 319.9 333.2 315.0 320.0 348.3	37.4 33.2 27.6 27.0 24.3 28.1 29.3 26.1 24.8 37.2	352.2 338.7 336.4 320.0 341.7 348.0 362.5 341.0 344.8 385.5	4,565.2 4,555.8 4,540.5 4,553.2 4,546.4 4,527.8 4,599.7 4,564.9 4,553.8 4,658.8	1,403.0 1,422.1 1,447.1 1,444.1 1,462.6 1,492.4 1,431.8 1,479.3 1,503.0 1,410.6	5,968.2 5,977.9 5,987.6 5,997.3 6,009.0 6,020.2 6,031.5 6,044.2 6,056.8 6,069.5	7.7 7.4 7.0 7.5 7.7 7.9 7.5 7.6 8.3	76.5 75.8 75.9 75.7 75.2 76.3 75.5 75.2 76.8
1987 - January February March April	3,929.0 3,963.5 3,972.6 3,961.5	4,193.6 4,230.9 4,274.1 4,265.3	35.0 34.2 23.0 20.7	370.8 362.8 351.4 327.2	31.7 32.5 33.9 30.2	402.4 395.4 385.3 357.4	4,596.1 4,626.3 4,659.3 4,622.7	1,484.8 1,466.0 1,444.3 1,493.4	6,080.9 6,092.3 6,103.7 6,116.1	8.8 8.5 8.3 7.7	75.6 75.9 76.3 75.6
Standard error of - April 1987 estimates Mar 87 to Apr 87 movements	15.3	15.7 13.1	2.0	6.4 5.1	2.3 2.1	6.6 5.3	16.1	11.1		0.1	0.3
					FEMALES	5					
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	1,699.2 1,705.5 1,701.6 1,684.3 1,703.5 1,680.7 1,711.2 1,717.9 1,716.7 1,739.7	2,713.3 2,744.9 2,740.4 2,739.5 2,753.7 2,705.9 2,770.4 2,776.5 2,798.0 2,818.7	27.8 17.1 20.0 17.3 21.4 19.5 14.9 16.5 18.5 30.4	191.8 179.6 174.5 164.1 173.5 170.8 184.4 171.0 169.1 197.4	96.4 88.6 81.3 77.8 78.9 84.7 78.1 69.3 72.6	288.2 255.8 241.9 252.4 247.6 269.1 249.1 238.4 269.9	3,001.5 3,013.2 2,996.2 2,981.4 3,006.1 2,953.6 3,039.5 3,025.6 3,036.4 3,088.6	3,152.1 3,150.2 3,177.1 3,201.9 3,189.4 3,253.1 3,178.5 3,205.2 3,207.1 3,167.7	6,153.6 6,163.4 6,173.3 6,183.2 6,195.5 6,206.7 6,218.0 6,2230.7 6,243.5 6,256.3	9.6 8.9 8.5 8.1 8.4 8.4 8.9 8.2 7.9 8.7	48.8 48.9 48.5 48.5 47.6 48.9 48.6 48.6 49.4
1987 - January February March April	1,719.8 1,717.6 1,733.6 1,726.0	2,684.6 2,767.3 2,835.0 2,822.3	35.3 29.3 22.9 20.9	204.2 218.3 211.0 203.7	64.7 85.9 106.3 91.1	269.0 304.2 317.3 294.8	2,953.6 3,071.5 3,152.3 3,117.2	3,314.3 3,207.9 3,138.8 3,184.9	6,267.9 6,279.5 6,291.0 6,302.1	9.1 9.9 10.1 9.5	47.1 48.9 50.1 49.5
Standard error of - April 1987 estimates Mar 87 to Apr 87 movements	11.7 9.3	13.8 11.2	2.0	5.3	3.8 3.3 PERSON	6.1 4.9	14.2	14.3	 	0.2	0.2
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	5,638.5 5,620.1 5,615.8 5,634.9 5,631.2 5,582.4 5,667.0 5,661.9 5,661.9 5,647.6 5,724.0	6,926.3 6,962.1 6,944.5 6,972.7 6,958.4 6,885.7 7,007.6 7,000.3 7,006.9 7,092.0	58.138.438.735.842.037.031.833.736.365.3	506.7 485.1 483.3 457.0 490.9 490.7 517.6 485.9 489.1 545.7	133.7 121.8 108.9 104.8 103.2 105.0 114.0 104.2 94.2 109.8	640.4 606.9 592.2 561.9 594.2 595.6 631.6 631.6 583.3 655.5	7,566.7 7,569.0 7,534.6 7,552.6 7,481.4 7,639.2 7,590.4 7,590.2 7,747.4	4,555.1 4,572.3 4,624.1 4,646.0 4,652.0 4,745.6 4,610.2 4,684.4 4,710.1 4,578.4	12,121.7 12,141.3 12,160.9 12,180.5 12,224.5 12,224.5 12,224.9 12,249.5 12,274.9 12,300.3 12,325.8	8.5 8.0 7.9 7.5 8.0 8.3 7.8 7.7 8.5	62.4 62.3 62.0 61.9 61.2 62.4 61.8 61.7 62.9
1987 - January February March April	5,648.8 5,681.0 5,706.2 5,687.5	6,878.3 6,998.2 7,109.1 7,087.6	70.3 63.5 45.8 41.6	575.0 581.1 562.4 531.0	96.4 118.4 140.2 121.3	671.4 699.6 702.5 652.2	7,549.7 7,697.8 7,811.6 7,739.9	4,799.1 4,673.9 4,583.1 4,678.3	12,348.8 12,371.7 12,394.7 12,418.2	8.9 9.1 9.0 8.4	61.1 62.2 63.0 62.3
Standard error of - April 1987 estimates Mar 87 to Apr 87 movements	17.2 14.6	18.4	2.7 2.4	7.7 6.1	4.3	8.3	18.9	16.2 13.5	 	0.1	0.2
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Persons	5,638.5	6,961.4	57.1	501.6	133.0	634.6	7,596.0	4,525.7	12,121.7	8.4	62.7

(a) Estimates based on old definition. These estimates differ from those shown in the April 1986 to February 1987 issues of this publication. See paragraph 14. Estimates for March 1986 based on the new definition are shown above to assist users to assess the impact of the change. 8

TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ALGUSTED SERIES

Unemployed

			Unemployed							
			Looking for full-time work							
Month	Employed Full-time workers	Total	Aged 15-19 looking for first job	Total	Looking for part-time work	Total	Labour force	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	
nonen			,	-	000 -			- per	cent -	
				MALES						
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	3,926.9 3,930.8 3,922.4 3,961.4 3,925.3 3,935.9 3,942.4 3,940.5 3,933.8 3,942.0	4,198.8 4,218.1 4,206.4 4,243.0 4,205.0 4,214.5 4,219.3 4,213.3 4,203.0 4,236.1	28.0 25.1 23.9 23.8 26.8 21.3 20.3 21.6 21.8 23.1	305.9 308.4 312.0 301.8 327.0 321.8 333.9 337.3 343.5 346.8	33.5 33.2 26.0 29.0 29.6 30.1 27.7 29.0 28.8 31.0	339.3 341.6 338.0 330.8 356.6 351.9 361.6 366.3 372.3 377.7	4,538.1 4,559.8 4,544.4 4,573.9 4,561.6 4,566.3 4,580.9 4,579.6 4,575.2 4,613.8	7.5 7.4 7.2 7.8 7.7 7.9 8.0 8.1 8.2	76.0 76.3 75.9 76.3 75.9 75.9 76.0 75.8 75.8 75.5 76.0	
1987 - January February March April	3,940.1 3,953.3 3,960.4 3,978.0	4,223.3 4,239.0 4,259.8 4,266.3	22.4 24.8 21.2 24.2	342.9 331.7 341.3 329.9	27.1 34.2 30.4 30.1	370.0 365.8 371.6 360.1	4,593.3 4,604.8 4,631.4 4,626.4	8.1 7.9 8.0 7.8	75.5 75.6 75.9 75.6	
				FEMALES		,				
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	1,687.3 1,709.5 1,699.3 1,699.2 1,704.2 1,700.0 1,727.0 1,714.6 1,711.9	2,680.3 2,741.4 2,732.1 2,736.2 2,741.6 2,728.4 2,746.4 2,770.7 2,763.4 2,778.7	25.2 18.4 22.2 19.7 26.7 25.6 18.2 21.9 23.4 22.3	174.9 176.3 174.9 167.3 188.4 182.5 191.4 188.3 191.6	79.0 79.1 78.6 78.8 82.4 89.1 77.5 81.2 76.1 75.1	253.9 253.5 246.1 270.8 271.6 268.9 273.0 264.4 266.7	2,934.2 2,996.8 2,985.6 2,982.3 3,012.4 3,000.0 3,015.3 3,043.7 3,027.9 3,045.4	8.7 8.5 8.3 9.0 9.1 8.9 9.0 8.7 8.8	47.7 48.6 48.4 48.2 48.6 48.3 48.5 48.5 48.5 48.5	
1987 - January February March April	1,718.4 1,718.1 1,721.3 1,730.2	2,797.1 2,802.4 2,800.4 2,818.2	23.4 20.8 20.7 22.6	186.4 187.3 192.2 199.7	81.9 78.8 86.8 81.1	268.3 266.0 279.0 280.9	3,065.5 3,068.5 3,079.4 3,099.0	8.8 8.7 9.1 9.1	48.9 48.9 48.9 49.2	
				PERSONS						
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	5,614.2 5,620.7 5,629.7 5,624.4 5,640.1 5,642.4 5,647.5 5,648.4 5,653.9	6,879.1 6,959.5 6,938.5 6,979.2 6,946.6 6,942.9 6,965.7 6,984.0 6,966.4 7,014.8	53.2 43.5 46.1 43.5 53.5 46.9 38.5 43.5 43.5 43.5 45.2 45.4	480.8 484.7 486.9 469.1 515.4 504.4 525.3 529.1 531.8 538.4	112.4 112.3 104.6 107.8 112.0 119.1 105.3 110.2 105.0 106.0	593.2 597.1 591.5 577.0 627.4 623.5 630.5 639.3 636.7 644.5	7,472.3 7,556.6 7,530.0 7,556.2 7,574.0 7,566.4 7,596.3 7,623.3 7,603.1 7,659.2	7.9 7.9 7.6 8.3 8.2 8.3 8.4 8.4	61.6 62.2 61.9 62.1 61.9 62.1 61.9 62.1 61.8 62.1	
1987 - January February March April	5,658.6 5,671.4 5,681.7 5,708.3	7,020.4 7,041.4 7,060.2 7,084.5	45.8 45.6 41.9 46.8	529.3 518.9 533.5 529.7	109.1 112.9 117.2 111.3	638.3 631.9 650.6 640.9	7,658.7 7,673.3 7,710.9 7,725.4	8.3 8.2 8.4 8.3	62.0 62.0 62.2 62.2	
		ESTIMA	ATES FOR MARCH 1	986 BASED	ON NEW DEFINI	TION				
Males Females Persons	3,927.0 1,687.5 5,614.5	4,209.3 2,704.6 6,913.9	27.7 24.6 52.3	303.1 173.0 476.1	33.4 78.4 111.8	336.5 251.4 587.9	4,545.8 2,956.0 7,501.8	7.4 8.5 7.8	76.2 48.0 61.9	

(a) Estimates based on old definition. See paragraph 14. Estimates for March 1986 based on the new definition are shown above to assist users to assess the impact of the change.

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## TABLE 3. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: TREND SERIES

			Unemployed						
			Looking for full-time work						
	Employed		Aged 15-19 looking		Looking for			Unemp-	Partici-
Month	Full-time workers	Total	for first job	Total	part-time work	Total	Labour force	loyment rate	pation rate
			5	-	'000 -			- per d	
1000			MA	LES					
1986 - March(a) April	3,931.5 3,933.2	4,197.4 4,215.3	27.3	307.4 306.8	31.2 30.6	338.5 337.4	4,535.9	7.5 7.4	76.0 76.2
May June	3,934.5 3,936.3	4,218.4	25.2	309.6	30.1 29.4	339.6	4,558.0	7.5	76.1 76.1
July August	3,937.7 3,938.4	4,218.0 4,215.9	23.2 22.4	318.9 325.6	29.0 28.7	347.9 354.4	4,565.8 4,570.3	7.6	76.0
September October r	3,938.0 3,937.4	4,214.0 4,213.8	21.9 21.7	332.4 338.0	28.7	361.1 367.0	4,575.1 4,580.8	7.9 8.0	75.9 75.8
November r December r	3,938.3 3,941.7	4,216.9 4,223.7	21.9 22.3	341.2 341.8	29.3 29.7	370.6 371.5	4,587.5 4,595.3	8.1 8.1	75.7 75.7
1987 - January r February r	3,946.8 3,953.2	4,232.5	22.8 23.1	340.9 339.1	30.2 30.6	371.1 369.7	4,603.6 4,611.8	8.1 8.0	75.7 75.7
March r April	3,960.0	4,251.5	23.3 23.4	336.9	30.9 31.0	367.8	4,619.3	8.0 7.9	75.7 75.6
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1986 -			FEM	ALES					
March(a) April	1,697.6 1,702.1	2,689.2 2,727.4	23.0	176.3 174.5	78.3 78.6	254.6 253.1	2,943.8 2,980.5	8.6 8.5	47.8
May June	1,703.2	2,732.7 2,736.0	22.2	175.4	79.9 81.4	255.3	2,988.0	8.5	48.4
July August	1,703.7 1,705.6	2,738.6 2,742.6	22.5 22.7	181.0 184.8	82.0 81.9	263.0 266.7	3,001.6 3,009.3	8.8 8.9	48.4
September October r	1,708.5 1,711.6	2,749.2 2,758.6	22.7 22.5	188.0 189.6	81.0 79.7	268.9 269.3	3,018.2 3,027.9	8.9 8.9	48.5 48.6
November r December r 1987 -	1,714.5 1,716.6	2,769.7 2,780.7	22.3 22.1	189.8 189.5	78.7 78.6	268.6 268.1	3,038.3 3,048.8	8.8 8.8	48.7 48.7
January r February r	1,718.3	2,790.8	22.1 22.0	189.7 190.7	79.4 80.6	269.1 271.4	3,059.9	8.8 8.8	48.8 48.9
March r April	1,722.4	2,807.0 2,812.6	21.9	192.1 193.8	81.9 82.8	274.0 276.6	3,081.0	8.9 9.0	49.0
			DFI	SONS					
1986 -				COND					
March(a) April	5,629.1 5,635.2	6,886.6 6,942.7	50.3 48.6	483.7 481.3	109.4 109.1	593.1 590.4	7,479.7 7,533.1	7.9 7.8	61.7 62.0
May June	5,637.7 5,639.5	6,951.1 6,955.3	47.4	485.0 491.1	110.0 110.8	595.0 601.9	7,546.1 7,557.2	7.9 8.0	62.1 62.0
July August	5,641.4	6,956.6	45.7 45.1	499.9	111.0 110.6	610.9 621.1	7,567.4	8.1 8.2	62.0 62.0
September October r November r	5,646.5 5,649.0 5,652.8	6,963.2 6,972.4 6,986.7	44.7 44.3 44.1	520.4 527.6 531.1	109.7 108.7 108.0	630.1 636.3 639.1	7,593.3 7,608.6 7,625.8	8.3 8.4 8.4	62.0 62.0 62.0
December r 1987 -	5,658.3	7,004.4	44.1	531.3	108.3	639.6	7,644.1	8.4	62.0
January r February r	5,665.2 5,673.4	7,023.3 7,041.6	44.9 45.1	530.6 529.8	109.6	640.2 641.1	7,663.5 7,682.6	8.4 8.3	62.1 62.1
March r April	5,682.5 5,690.6	7,058.5 7,073.0	45.2 45.0	528.9 528.4	112.9 113.9	641.8 642.3	7,700.3 7,715.3	8.3 8.3	62.1 62.1

(a) Estimates based on old definition. See paragraph 14.

# TABLE 4. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, STATES AND TERRITORIES, APRIL 1987

			Unemployed					Civilian		
State or	Employed Full-time		Looking for full-	Looking for part-		Labour	Not in labour	popula- tion aged 15	Unemp- loyment	Partici- pation
Territory	workers	Total	time work	time work	Total	force	force	and over	rate	rate
				- '000	-				- pe	cent -
				м	ALES					
					1000					
New South Wales	1,367.6	1,461.4	124.0	9.3	133.4	1,594.8	532.6	2,127.4	8.4	75.0
Victoria	1,059.7	1,143.6	61.6	7.1	68.8	1,212.4	388.1	1,600.5	5.7	75.7
Queensland	619.3	674.1 359.7	68.2 29.3	4.8 3.1	73.0 32.4	747.1	235.1	982.2	9.8	76.1
South Australia Western Australia	330.1 369.1	395.7	29.3	4.1	32.4	392.1 427.7	138.1 129.4	530.2 557.1	8.3	74.0 76.8
Tasmania	108.8	116.1	9.9	*	10.2	126.3	42.8	169.1	8.1	74.7
Northern Territory	40.6	43.0	2.7	*	3.0	46.0	8.9	54.9	6.6	83.8
Australian Capital Territory	66.4	71.7	3.5	*	4.6	76.3	18.4	94.7	6.1	80.6
-	3,961.5	4,265.3	327.2	30.2	357.4	4,622.7	1,493.4	6,116.1	7.7	75.6
Australia	5,901.5	4,205.5	527.2	50.2	557.4	4,022.1	1,495.4	0,110.1	/./	75.0
					MALES					
New South Wales Victoria	600.3 480.7	946.3 775.7	72.7	31.0 23.4	103.6 68.1	1,049.9 843.8	1,148.5 819.2	2,198.4 1,663.1	9.9 8.1	47.8
Queensland	258.8	437.1	37.7	15.7	53.4	490.5	513.5	1,004.0	10.9	48.9
South Australia	139.7	246.1	19.0	8.1	27.1	273.2	280.4	553.6	9.9	49.4
Western Australia	152.4	260.3	19.3	7.6	27.0	287.3	270.0	557.3	9.4	51.6
Tasmania	39.6	72.3	5.6	2.7	8.2	80.5	94.4	174.9	10.2	46.0
Northern Territory Australian Capital	19.3	28.4	2.1	*	2.3	30.7	19.1	49.8	7.4	61.7
Territory	35.4	56.1	2.6	2.5	5.1	61.2	39.8	101.0	8.4	60.6
Australia	1,726.0	2,822.3	203.7	91.1	294.8	3,117.2	3,184.9	6,302.1	9.5	49.5
				PE	RSONS					
New South Wales	1,967.8	2,407.7	196.7	40.3	237.0	2,644.7	1,681.1	4,325.8	9.0	61.1
Victoria	1,540.4	1,919.3	106.4	30.5	136.9	2,056.2	1,207.4	3,263.6	6.7	63.0
Queensland	878.0	1,111.2	105.9	20.5	126.4	1,237.6	748.6	1,986.2	10.2	62.3
South Australia	469.8	605.8	48.3	11.2	59.5	665.3	418.5	1,083.8	8.9	61.4
Western Australia	521.4	656.0	47.2	11.7	58.9	715.0	399.4	1,114.4	8.2	64.2
Tasmania	148.4	188.4	15.5	2.9	18.4	206.8	137.2	344.0	8.9	60.1
Northern Territory Australian Capital	59.9	71.4	4.9	*	5.3	76.7	28.0	104.7	6.9	73.3
Territory	101.8	127.8	6.1	3.6	9.8	137.6	58.1	195.7	7.1	70.3
Australia	5,687.5	7,087.6	531.0	121.3	652.2	7,739.9	4,678.3	12,418.2	8.4	62.3

#### TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, AUSTRALIA

	Number looki				Number			oyment ra			
	Aged 15-19				Number looking for		Looking			Looking for	
	Looking for		Aged 20		part- time			Aged 20		part- time	
Month	first job	Total	and over	Total	work	Total		and over	Total	work	Total
			- '000	) –				-	per cent	-	
					MALES						
1986 - March (a) April May June July August September October November	30.3 21.4 18.8 18.5 20.6 17.5 16.9 17.2 17.8	67.7 64.4 60.7 57.6 60.7 58.7 59.5 57.3 55.3	247.1 241.1 248.1 235.3 256.8 261.2 273.7 257.7 264.6	314.9 305.5 308.8 292.9 317.4 319.9 333.2 315.0 320.0	37.4 33.2 27.6 27.0 24.3 28.1 29.3 26.1 24.8	352.2 338.7 336.4 320.0 341.7 348.0 362.5 341.0 344.8	21.4 20.5 19.7 19.5 20.0 19.7 19.8 19.5 19.1	6.3 6.2 6.3 6.5 6.5 6.5 6.5	7.4 7.2 7.3 6.9 7.5 7.6 7.8 7.4 7.5	12.0 9.9 8.7 8.7 8.1 9.2 9.4 8.5 8.2	7.7 7.4 7.0 7.5 7.7 7.9 7.5 7.6
December	34.9	80.4	267.9	348.3	37.2	385.5	23.7	6.7	8.0	11.4	8.3
1987 - January February March April	35.0 34.2 23.0 20.7	81.9 83.3 68.0 63.8	288.9 279.5 283.4 263.5	370.8 362.8 351.4 327.2	31.7 32.5 33.9 30.2	402.4 395.4 385.3 357.4	23.8 24.7 21.6 20.7	7.3 7.0 7.1 6.6	8.6 8.4 8.1 7.6	10.7 10.8 10.1 9.0	8.8 8.5 8.3 7.7
Standard error of -											
April 1987 estimates	2.0	3.3	5.9	6.4	2.3	6.6	1.1	0.1	0.1	0.7	0.1
Mar 87 to Apr 87 movements	1.9	2.8	4.7	5.1	2.1	5.3	0.9	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.1
					FEMALES						
1986 - March(a) April May	27.8 17.1 20.0	60.1 56.5 56.2	131.7 123.1 118.3	191.8 179.6 174.5	96.4 88.6 81.3	288.2 268.2 255.8	23.1 22.5 22.4	8.1 7.5 7.3	10.1 9.5 9.3	8.7 7.9 7.3	9.6 8.9 8.5
June July August September October November	17.3 21.4 19.5 14.9 16.5 18.5	52.9 54.8 51.2 52.6 51.9 48.7	111.2 118.7 119.6 131.8 119.0 120.4	164.1 173.5 170.8 184.4 171.0 169.1	77.8 78.9 76.9 84.7 78.1 69.3	241.9 252.4 247.6 269.1 249.1 238.4	21.9 22.4 21.5 21.6 22.4 20.7	6.9 7.3 7.4 8.0 7.2 7.3	8.9 9.2 9.2 9.7 9.1 9.0	6.9 7.0 7.4 6.9 6.0	8.1 8.4 8.9 8.2 7.9
December 1987 -	30.4	69.9	127.5	197.4	72.6	269.9	26.0	7.6	10.2	6.3	8.7
January February March April	35.3 29.3 22.9 20.9	73.2 74.1 63.7 59.2	131.0 144.2 147.2 144.5	204.2 218.3 211.0 203.7	64.7 85.9 106.3 91.1	269.0 304.2 317.3 294.8	26.9 27.9 25.5 24.2	7.9 8.6 8.7 8.6	10.6 11.3 10.8 10.6	6.3 7.6 8.8 7.7	9.1 9.9 10.1 9.5
Standard error of - April 1987 estimates Mar 87 to Apr 87 movements	2.0	3.2	4.6	5.3	3.8 3.3	6.1	1.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
					PERSONS						
1986 - March(a) April	58.1 38.4	127.9 120.9	378.8	506.7 485.1	133.7 121.8	640.4 606.9	22.2	6.8	8.2	9.4	8.5 8.0
May June July August September October November December	38.7 35.8 42.0 37.0 31.8 33.7 36.3 65.3	116.9 110.6 115.4 109.8 112.1 109.2 104.0 150.3	366.4 346.5 375.5 380.8 405.5 376.7 385.1 395.4	483.3 457.0 490.9 490.7 517.6 485.9 489.1 545.7	108.9 104.8 103.2 105.0 114.0 104.2 94.2 109.8	592.2 561.9 594.2 595.6 631.6 590.1 583.3 655.5	20.9 20.6 21.0 20.5 20.6 20.8 19.9 24.7	6.6 6.2 6.7 6.9 7.2 6.7 6.9 7.0	7.9 7.5 8.0 8.1 8.4 7.9 8.0 8.7	7.6 7.3 7.2 7.5 7.8 7.2 6.5 7.4	7.9 7.5 7.9 8.0 8.3 7.8 7.7 8.5
1987 - January February March April	70.3 63.5 45.8 41.6	155.1 157.4 131.7 123.0	419.9 423.7 430.6 408.0	575.0 581.1 562.4 531.0	96.4 118.4 140.2 121.3	671.4 699.6 702.5 652.2	25.2 26.1 23.4 22.3	7.5 7.5 7.5 7.2	9.2 9.3 9.0 8.5	7.3 8.3 9.1 8.0	8.9 9.1 9.0 8.4
Standard error of - April 1987											
estimates Mar 87 to Apr 87	2.7	4.3	6.9	7.7	4.3	8.3	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
movements	2.4	3.6	5.5	6.1	3.6	6.7	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1
		ESTIMAT	ES FOR MARCH	5 1986 BA	SED ON NEW	DEFINITION					
Males Females Persons	29.9 27.2 57.1	66.3 59.1 125.4	245.7 130.6 376.2	311.9 189.7 501.6	37.3 95.7 133.0	349.2 285.5 634.6	21.0 22.8 21.8	6.2 8.0 6.8	7.3 10.0 8.2	11.6 8.4 9.1	7.6 9.4 8.4

(a) Estimates based on old definition. These estimates differ from those shown in the April 1986 to February 1987 issues of this publication. See paragraph 14. Estimates for March 1986 based on the new definition are shown above to assist users to assess the impact of the change. TABLE 6. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

	Number look:	ing for f	ull-time wo	rk	Number			ment ra	te		
	Aged 15-19				Number looking for		Looking full-tir	for		Looking for	
Month	Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total	part- time work	Total		Aged 20	Total	part- time work	Total
HOITCH	ilist job	Iocui	- '0		WOLK	Iotui	15 15 4.		per cent		Tocur
					MALES						
1986 - March (a) April May June July August September October November December	28.0 25.1 23.9 23.8 26.8 21.3 20.3 21.6 21.6 21.8 23.1	66.7 68.1 66.1 64.5 65.1 65.0 64.5 66.1 63.6 65.2	239.2 240.3 245.9 237.3 261.9 256.8 269.4 271.2 279.8 281.6	305.9 308.4 312.0 301.8 327.0 321.8 333.9 337.3 343.5 346.8	33.5 33.2 26.0 29.0 29.6 30.1 27.7 29.0 28.8 31.0	339.3 341.6 338.0 330.8 356.6 351.9 361.6 366.3 372.3 377.7	21.4 21.7 21.5 21.3 21.0 20.7 21.1 20.5 20.8	6.1 6.3 6.6 6.5 6.8 6.8 7.1 7.1	7.2 7.3 7.4 7.1 7.7 7.6 7.8 7.9 8.0 8.1	11.0 10.4 8.4 9.3 9.6 9.7 9.7 9.5	7.5 7.5 7.4 7.2 7.8 7.7 8.0 8.1 8.2
1987 - January February March April	22.4 24.8 21.2 24.2	62.2 70.7 66.8 67.2	280.7 260.9 274.5 262.7	342.9 331.7 341.3 329.9	27.1 34.2 30.4 30.1	370.0 365.8 371.6 360.1	19.8 22.3 21.5 21.9	7.1 6.6 6.9 6.6	8.0 7.7 7.9 7.7	8.7 10.7 9.2 9.5	8.1 7.9 8.0 7.8
					FEMALES					a.	
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	25.2 18.4 22.2 19.7 26.7 25.6 18.2 21.9 23.4 22.3	55.8 57.4 58.9 56.5 61.3 58.2 58.2 61.6 56.8 56.8 58.5	119.1 118.9 116.0 127.0 124.3 133.2 130.3 131.5 133.1	174.9 176.3 174.9 167.3 188.4 182.5 191.4 191.8 188.3 191.6	79.0 79.1 78.6 78.8 82.4 89.1 77.5 81.2 76.1 75.1	253.9 255.4 253.5 246.1 270.8 271.6 268.9 273.0 264.4 266.7	22.1 22.8 23.4 22.7 24.3 23.4 23.3 24.9 22.8 23.1	7.4 7.3 7.1 6.8 7.6 8.1 7.8 8.0 8.1	9.4 9.4 9.3 9.0 10.0 9.7 10.1 10.0 9.9 10.1	7.4 7.1 7.1 7.3 8.0 6.9 7.2 6.8 6.6	8.7 8.5 8.3 9.0 9.1 8.9 9.0 8.7 8.8
1987 - January February March April	23.4 20.8 20.7 22.6	57.6 61.2 59.0 60.2	128.8 126.1 133.2 139.5	186.4 187.3 192.2 199.7	81.9 78.8 86.8 81.1	268.3 266.0 279.0 280.9	23.2 24.7 24.5 24.6	7.8 7.6 8.0 8.3	9.8 9.8 10.0 10.3	7.1 6.8 7.4 6.9	8.8 8.7 9.1 9.1
					PERSONS						
1986 - March(a) April May June July August September October November December	53.2 43.5 46.1 43.5 53.5 46.9 38.5 43.5 43.5 45.4	122.5 125.5 125.0 121.1 126.5 123.2 122.7 127.6 120.5 123.7	358.3 359.2 361.9 348.0 388.9 381.2 402.6 401.5 411.3 414.8	480.8 484.7 486.9 469.1 515.4 504.4 525.3 529.1 531.8 538.4	112.4 112.3 104.6 107.8 112.0 119.1 105.3 110.2 105.0 106.0	593.2 597.1 591.5 577.0 623.5 630.5 639.3 636.7 644.5	21.7 22.2 22.3 21.9 22.5 21.9 21.8 22.8 21.5 21.8	6.5 6.5 6.2 7.0 6.8 7.1 7.1 7.3 7.4	7.9 7.9 8.0 7.7 8.4 8.2 8.5 8.5 8.5 8.5 8.6 8.7	8.2 7.8 7.4 7.6 8.4 7.4 7.7 7.4 7.2	7.9 7.9 7.6 8.3 8.2 8.3 8.4 8.4 8.4
1987 - January February March April	45.8 45.6 41.9 46.8	119.8 131.9 125.8 127.4	409.4 387.0 407.6 402.2	529.3 518.9 533.5 529.7	109.1 112.9 117.2 111.3	638.3 631.9 650.6 640.9	21.3 23.3 22.8 23.1	7.3 6.9 7.2 7.1	8.6 8.4 8.6 8.5	7.4 7.6 7.8 7.5	8.3 8.2 8.4 8.3
		ESTIMAT	TES FOR MARC	H 1986 BA	SED ON NEW	DEFINITION	1				
Males Females Persons	27.7 24.6 52.3	65.3 54.8 120.1	237.8 118.2 356.0	303.1 173.0 476.1	33.4 78.4 111.8	336.5 251.4 587.9	21.0 21.8 21.3	6.1 7.3 6.4	7.2 9.3 7.8	10.6 7.2 7.9	7.4 8.5 7.8

(a) Estimates based on old definition. See paragraph 14. Estimates for March 1986 based on the new definition are shown above to assist users to assess the impact of the change.

#### TABLE 7. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES

		k			Unemploy	nent rate	e		
Aged 15-19			Number looking for		Looking full-time	For		Looking for	
Looking for			part- time	mala d	Aged Ag	ged 20		part- time	ma ta 1
first job To			work	Total	15-19 and				Total
		MAL	ES						
26.2 6 25.2 6 24.2 2 23.2 6 22.4 6 21.9 6 21.7 6 21.9 6	6.4       240.4         6.3       243.3         5.8       247.8         5.3       253.6         64.9       260.7         74.6       267.8         74.5       273.5         74.7       276.5	307.4 306.8 309.6 313.5 318.9 325.6 332.4 338.0 341.2 341.8	31.2 30.6 30.1 29.4 29.0 28.7 28.7 29.0 29.3 29.7	338.5 337.4 339.6 343.0 347.9 354.4 361.1 367.0 370.6 371.5	21.3 21.3 21.4 21.3 21.1 20.9 20.7 20.6 20.7 20.8	6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4 6.6 6.8 6.9 7.0 7.0	7.3 7.2 7.3 7.4 7.5 7.6 7.8 7.9 8.0 8.0	10.5 9.8 9.6 9.4 9.4 9.4 9.4 9.5 9.5 9.5	7.5 7.4 7.5 7.6 7.8 7.9 8.0 8.1 8.1
23.1 23.3	6.4 272.6 7.1 269.8	340.9 339.1 336.9 334.7	30.2 30.6 30.9 31.0	371.1 369.7 367.8 365.7	21.0 21.2 21.5 21.7	6.9 6.9 6.8 6.7	8.0 7.9 7.8 7.8	9.6 9.6 9.6 9.6	8.1 8.0 8.0 7.9
		FEMA	ALES						
22.3 22.2 22.3 22.5 22.7 22.7 22.7 22.5 22.3	57.1       117.4         57.7       117.6         58.4       119.2         59.0       122.0         59.2       125.7         59.1       128.9         58.9       130.7         58.7       131.1	176.3 174.5 175.4 177.6 181.0 184.8 188.0 189.6 189.8 189.5	78.3 78.6 79.9 81.4 82.0 81.9 81.0 79.7 78.7 78.6	254.6 253.1 255.3 258.9 263.0 266.7 268.9 269.3 268.6 268.1	22.6 23.0 23.3 23.6 23.7 23.7 23.7 23.6 23.5 23.6	7.4 7.2 7.3 7.5 7.7 7.8 7.9 7.9 7.9	9.4 9.3 9.4 9.6 9.8 9.9 10.0 10.0 9.9	7.3 7.1 7.2 7.3 7.3 7.3 7.2 7.1 6.9 6.9	8.6 8.5 8.6 8.8 8.9 8.9 8.9 8.9 8.8 8.8
22.0 21.9	59.3 131.5 59.6 132.5	189.7 190.7 192.1 193.8	79.4 80.6 81.9 82.8	269.1 271.4 274.0 276.6	23.7 24.0 24.3 24.5	7.9 7.9 7.9 8.0	9.9 10.0 10.0 10.1	6.9 7.0 7.0 7.1	8.8 8.8 8.9 9.0
		PERS	SONS						
48.6       1:         47.4       1:         46.4       1:         45.7       1         45.1       1:         44.3       1:         44.3       1:         44.4       1:         44.4       1:         44.5       1:         45.1       1:	23.5       357.8         24.0       361.0         24.2       366.9         24.3       375.6         24.1       386.4         23.7       396.7         23.4       404.2         23.4       407.7         23.8       407.5         24.7       405.9         25.7       404.1	483.7 481.3 485.0 491.1 499.9 510.5 520.4 527.6 531.1 531.3 530.6 522.8 528.9	109.4 109.1 110.0 110.8 111.0 110.6 109.7 108.0 108.3 109.6 111.2 112.9	593.1 590.4 595.0 601.9 621.1 636.3 639.1 639.6 640.2 641.1 641.8	21.9 21.9 22.1 22.2 22.2 22.2 22.0 21.9 21.9 22.0 22.2 22.5 22.7	6.5 6.4 6.5 6.6 7.1 7.2 7.3 7.2 7.2 7.2 7.2	7.9 7.9 8.0 8.1 8.3 8.4 8.5 8.6 8.6 8.6 8.5	8.0 7.7 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.8 7.7 7.6 7.5 7.5 7.5 7.5 7.5	7.9 7.8 7.9 8.0 8.1 8.2 8.3 8.4 8.4 8.4 8.4 8.4 8.4 8.3
	for first job To 27.3 6 26.2 6 25.2 6 24.2 6 23.2 6 21.9 6 21.7 6 21.9 6 22.3 6 23.1 6 23.3 6 23.1 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.1 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.1 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.1 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.1 6 23.2 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.3 6 23.4 6 23.5 5 22.7 5 5 22.0 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	forAged 20first jobTotaland over-'0027.366.9240.526.266.4240.425.266.3243.324.265.8247.823.265.3253.622.464.9260.721.964.627.821.964.7276.522.365.1276.721.964.7276.522.365.1276.723.166.4272.623.367.1269.823.467.6267.122.559.0122.022.759.2125.722.758.9130.722.358.7131.122.158.9130.722.358.7131.122.158.9130.722.358.7131.121.950.6132.521.659.8134.050.3124.0359.645.7124.3356.444.950.6132.521.659.8134.0	for Aged 20 first job Total and over Total - '000 - MAI 27.3 66.9 240.5 307.4 26.2 66.4 240.4 306.8 25.2 66.3 243.3 309.6 24.2 65.8 247.8 313.5 23.2 65.3 253.6 318.9 22.4 64.9 260.7 322.6 21.9 64.6 267.8 332.4 21.7 64.5 273.5 338.0 21.9 64.7 276.5 341.2 22.3 65.1 276.7 341.8 22.8 65.7 275.1 340.9 23.1 66.4 272.6 339.1 23.3 67.1 269.8 336.9 23.4 67.6 267.1 334.7 FEMA 23.0 57.2 119.2 176.3 22.3 57.1 117.4 174.5 22.2 57.7 117.6 175.4 22.3 58.4 119.2 177.6 22.5 59.0 122.0 181.0 22.7 59.1 128.9 188.0 22.5 58.9 130.7 189.6 22.3 58.7 131.1 189.8 22.1 58.7 130.8 189.7 22.3 58.4 119.2 177.6 22.5 58.9 130.7 189.6 22.1 58.7 131.1 189.8 22.1 58.7 130.8 189.7 22.0 59.3 131.5 190.7 21.9 59.6 132.5 192.1 21.6 59.8 134.0 193.8 FEMA	for Aged 20 time first job Total and over Total work - '000 - MALES 27.3 66.9 240.5 307.4 31.2 26.2 66.4 240.4 306.8 30.6 25.2 66.3 243.3 309.6 30.1 24.2 65.8 247.8 313.5 29.4 23.2 65.3 253.6 318.9 29.0 22.4 64.9 260.7 325.6 28.7 21.9 64.6 267.8 332.4 28.7 21.9 64.7 276.5 341.2 29.3 22.3 65.1 276.7 341.8 29.7 22.8 65.7 275.1 340.9 30.2 23.1 66.4 272.6 339.1 30.6 23.3 67.1 269.8 336.9 30.9 23.4 67.6 267.1 334.7 31.0 FEMALES 23.0 57.2 119.2 176.3 78.3 22.3 57.1 117.4 174.5 78.6 22.2 57.7 117.6 175.4 79.9 23.4 67.6 267.1 334.7 31.0 22.7 59.1 128.9 188.0 81.0 22.7 59.1 128.9 188.0 81.9 22.7 59.1 128.9 188.0 81.9 22.7 59.1 128.9 188.0 81.9 22.3 58.7 131.1 189.8 78.7 22.1 58.9 130.7 189.6 79.7 22.3 58.7 131.1 189.8 78.6 22.1 58.9 130.8 189.7 79.4 22.0 59.8 134.0 193.8 82.8 23.1 24.0 359.6 483.7 109.4 48.6 123.5 357.8 481.3 109.1 47.4 124.0 361.0 485.0 110.0 21.9 59.6 132.5 192.1 81.9 21.6 59.8 134.0 193.8 82.8 50.3 124.0 359.6 483.7 109.4 48.6 123.5 357.8 481.3 109.1 47.4 124.3 37.6 499.9 111.0 45.1 124.1 386.4 510.5 110.6 46.4 124.2 366.9 491.1 110.8 47.4 124.3 37.6 499.9 111.0 45.1 124.1 386.4 510.5 110.6 44.4 123.8 407.7 531.3 108.3 44.9 124.7 405.9 530.6 109.6 45.1 125.7 404.1 528.8 1112.9	for first job         Total Total         and over and over Total         time Total         Total           -         '000         -           NALES           27.3         66.9         240.5         307.4         31.2         338.5           26.2         66.4         240.4         306.8         30.6         337.4           25.2         66.3         243.3         309.6         30.1         338.6           24.2         65.8         247.8         313.5         29.4         344.0           23.2         65.3         253.6         318.9         29.0         347.9           21.9         64.6         267.8         332.4         28.7         366.1           21.9         64.7         276.5         341.2         29.3         370.6           22.8         65.7         275.1         340.9         30.2         371.1           23.1         66.4         272.6         339.1         30.6         366.7           23.3         57.1         119.2         176.3         78.3         254.6           22.3         57.7         119.2         177.6         81.4         255.9           23.4         67.6	Aged 20         time Total and over         Total         work         Total         J5-19 and           - '000         -         -         NALES         -         NALES           27.3         66.9         240.5         307.4         31.2         338.5         21.3           25.2         66.3         243.3         309.6         30.1         339.6         21.4           24.2         65.8         247.8         313.5         29.4         343.0         21.3           22.4         66.4         260.7         325.6         28.7         354.4         20.9           21.9         64.6         267.8         324.2         29.0         367.0         20.6           21.9         64.7         276.5         341.2         29.3         370.6         20.7           22.3         65.1         276.7         341.8         29.7         371.5         20.8           22.4         67.6         267.1         334.7         31.0         365.7         21.7           23.1         66.4         272.6         339.1         30.6         23.1         22.6           22.2         57.7         117.6         178.4         79.9         253.1<	Aged         Aged <th< td=""><td>Line         Aged Aged 20         Fine         Aged Aged 20           first job         Total         and over         Total         work         Total         15-19 and over         Total           -         '000         -         -         -         per cent           NALES         -         '006         -         -         -         per cent           26:2         66:4         240.5         307.4         31.2         31.7         21.3         6.1         7.2           25:2         66:3         243.3         309.6         30.1         339.6         21.4         6.2         7.3           240.5         220.7         352.6         21.7         354.4         20.9         6.6         7.6           21.4         64.6         267.8         332.4         28.7         361.1         20.7         6.6         7.6           21.7         64.5         271.5         336.0         23.0         367.6         20.6         6.7         7.9         21.7         6.7         8.0           22.3         65.7         275.1         340.9         30.2         371.1         21.0         6.9         7.0         8.0           22</td><td>for first job         Aged 20 total         time vork         Aged Aged 20 total         time vork         Aged Aged 20 total         time vork         time total           - '000 -         -         - per cent -           NALES           27.3         66.9         240.5         307.4         31.2         338.5         21.3         6.1         7.3         9.6           25.2         66.3         240.5         307.4         31.2         338.5         21.3         6.1         7.3         9.6           24.2         65.8         247.8         313.5         29.4         343.0         21.3         6.4         7.4         9.4           21.4         64.9         260.7         322.6         287.7         334.4         20.9         6.6         7.6         9.4           21.9         64.7         275.5         341.2         29.3         370.6         20.7         7.0         8.0         9.5           22.4         65.7         275.1         340.9         30.2         371.1         21.0         6.9         8.0         9.6           23.4         67.6         267.1         334.7         31.0         365.7         21.7         6.7         7.8</td></th<>	Line         Aged Aged 20         Fine         Aged Aged 20           first job         Total         and over         Total         work         Total         15-19 and over         Total           -         '000         -         -         -         per cent           NALES         -         '006         -         -         -         per cent           26:2         66:4         240.5         307.4         31.2         31.7         21.3         6.1         7.2           25:2         66:3         243.3         309.6         30.1         339.6         21.4         6.2         7.3           240.5         220.7         352.6         21.7         354.4         20.9         6.6         7.6           21.4         64.6         267.8         332.4         28.7         361.1         20.7         6.6         7.6           21.7         64.5         271.5         336.0         23.0         367.6         20.6         6.7         7.9         21.7         6.7         8.0           22.3         65.7         275.1         340.9         30.2         371.1         21.0         6.9         7.0         8.0           22	for first job         Aged 20 total         time vork         Aged Aged 20 total         time vork         Aged Aged 20 total         time vork         time total           - '000 -         -         - per cent -           NALES           27.3         66.9         240.5         307.4         31.2         338.5         21.3         6.1         7.3         9.6           25.2         66.3         240.5         307.4         31.2         338.5         21.3         6.1         7.3         9.6           24.2         65.8         247.8         313.5         29.4         343.0         21.3         6.4         7.4         9.4           21.4         64.9         260.7         322.6         287.7         334.4         20.9         6.6         7.6         9.4           21.9         64.7         275.5         341.2         29.3         370.6         20.7         7.0         8.0         9.5           22.4         65.7         275.1         340.9         30.2         371.1         21.0         6.9         8.0         9.6           23.4         67.6         267.1         334.7         31.0         365.7         21.7         6.7         7.8

(a) Estimates based on old definition. See paragraph 14.

## TABLE 8. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, STATES AND TERRITORIES

	Number look:				oyment rat						
	Aged 15-19				Number looking for		Lookir	ng for time work		Looking for	
State or Territory	Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total	part- time work	Total	Aged	Aged 20 and over	Total	part- time work	Total
				'000 -				- p	er cent		
NEW SOUTH WALES -											
1986 - April 1987 - March April	17.6 15.9 14.5	47.3 44.0 40.8	141.1 165.3 155.9	188.4 209.3 196.7	34.0 44.0 40.3	222.4 253.3 237.0	24.2 24.1 22.4	7.3 8.3 7.9	8.8 9.6 9.1	7.2 8.9 8.4	8.5 9.5 9.0
Standard error of - Apr 1987 estimates	1.7	2.7	4.6	5.0	2.7	5.4	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
Mar 1987 to Apr 1987 movements	1.5	2.2	3.7	4.0	2.2	4.3	1.2	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.2
VICTORIA -											
1986 - April 1987 - March	7.9 10.6	23.4 28.6	76.1 86.5	99.5 115.1	35.7 35.1	135.2	17.8	5.2 5.7	6.2	9.1 8.5	6.8 7.2
April Standard error of -	10.1	23.0	83.4	106.4	30.5	136.9	16.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	6.7
Apr 1987 estimates Mar 1987 to	1.5	2.1	3.5	3.8	2.3	4.2	1,5	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
Apr 1987 movements	1.3	1.8	2.7	3.0	2.0	3.3	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2
QUEENSLAND -											
1986 - April 1987 - March April	4.6 8.0 6.3	19.7 27.9 27.3	67.4 84.5 78.6	87.1 112.4 105.9	23.2 25.9 20.5	110.3 138.3 126.4	20.1 27.9 28.4	7.8 9.4 8.9	9.0 11.2 10.8	9.8 10.2 8.1	9.2 11.0 10.2
Standard error of - Apr 1987 estimates	1.0	1.9	2.8	3.1	1.6	3.3	1.9	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.3
Mar 1987 to Apr 1987 movements	1.0	1.5	2.3	2.5	1.5	2.7	1.6	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.2
SOUTH AUSTRALIA -											
1986 - April 1987 - March April	3.5 4.6 4.6	11.4 11.7 12.6	29.7 39.5 35.7	41.1 51.2 48.3	11.3 12.2 11.2	52.5 63.4 59.5	23.2 23.2 25.8		8.1 9.8 9.3	7.8 8.4 7.6	8.0 9.5 8.9
Standard error of - Apr 1987 estimates	0.7	1.0	1.5	1.7	1.0	1.8	2.1	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.3
Mar 1987 to Apr 1987 movements	0.6	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.8	1.5	1.7	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.2
WESTERN AUSTRALIA -											
1986 - April 1987 - March	2.4 3.4	11.8	33.7 35.8	45.5	10.7	56.2 61.2	19.2 21.7		8.1	7.5	8.0
April Standard error of -	3.2	11.6		47.2	11.7	58.9	20.7	6.9	8.3	8.0	8.2
Apr 1987 estimates Mar 1987 to	0.6	1.0		1.8	1.0	1.9	1.8		0.3	0.7	0.3
Apr 1987 movements	0.5	0.8	1.2	1.4	0.8	1.5	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2
TASMANIA -							5 ×				
1986 - April 1987 - March	2.1	4.9		15.4	3.1 3.5	18.6	26.2 29.1		9.5 10.2	7.8	9.2
April Standard error of -	210	4.7	10.7	15.5	2.9	18.4	27.3	7.3	9.4	6.9	8.9
Apr 1987 estimates Mar 1987 to	0.3	0.5		0.8	0.4	0.8	2.9		0.5	1.0	0.4
Apr 1987 movements	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.7	2.3	0.4	0.4	0.9	0.3
NORTHERN TERRITORY -											
1986 - April 1987 - March April	* *	*	2.4	4.0 3.6 4.9	*	5.5 5.1 5.3	*	4.1	6.3 5.5 7.5	* * *	7.6 6.6 6.9
Standard error of - Apr 1987 estimates	0.1	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.6	6.4	0.9	0.9	2.0	0.8
Mar 1987 to Apr 1987 movements	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	6.1	0.8	<b>G.</b> 8	2.8	0.7
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRI	TORY -										
1986 - April 1987 - March	*	*		4.1	2.2	6.3 10.5	* 21.0		3.9 5.5	7.9 14.2	4.7 7.5
April Standard error of -	*	1.9	4.2	6.1	3.6	9.8	27.6		5.7	12.3	7.1
Apr 1987 estimates Mar 1987 to	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6	5.2		0.5	1.6	0.5
Apr 1987 movements	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	4.5	0.4	0.4	1.3	0.4