



LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, AUSTRALIA, FEBRUARY 1987, SUMMARY

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MAIN FEATURES

In February 1987 there were 12,371,700 persons aged 15 years and over in the civilian population, and 7,697,800 in the labour force. Of those in the labour force 3,420,400 (44.4 per cent) had a post-school qualification; 40.8 per cent (1,395,200) of these had certificate or diploma qualifications, 37.5 per cent (1,283,600) had a trade qualification or apprenticeship, 20.8 per cent (712,900) had degrees and the remaining 0.8 per cent had some other post-school qualification. The largest group of persons who were not in the labour force and who had post-school qualifications was females with certificate or diploma qualifications (492,300 or 44.5 per cent) and the second largest group was males with a trade qualification or apprenticeship (277,700 or 25.1 per cent).

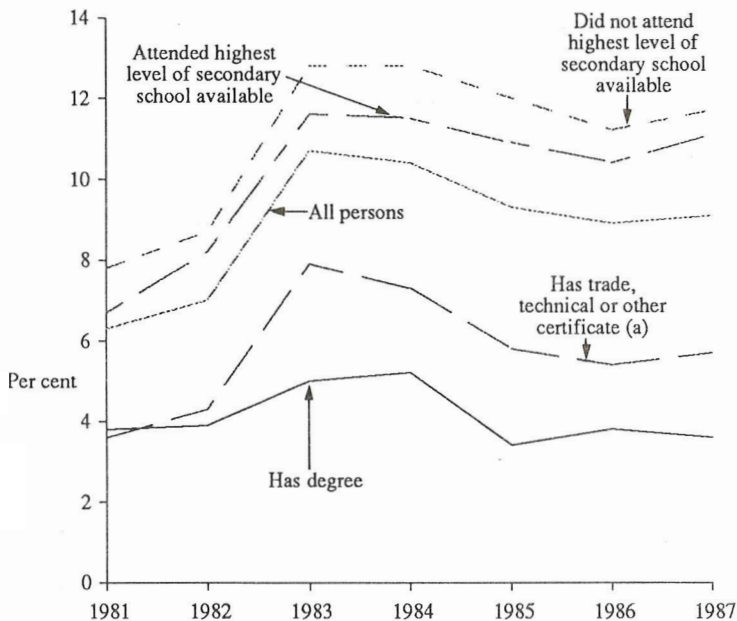
February 1987 (3.6 per cent) whilst persons with no post-school qualifications who had not attended the highest level of secondary school available had a much higher rate of 11.7 per cent.

Of the 531,700 males with a degree, 88.6 per cent were participating in the labour force at February 1987. This compares with a participation rate of 75.6 per cent for females with a degree. While the lowest participation rate was recorded by persons who did not attend the highest level of secondary school available, the rate for males (72.2 per cent) was significantly higher than for females (39.3 per cent).

Unemployment rates varied according to educational attainment—persons with a degree had the lowest rate at

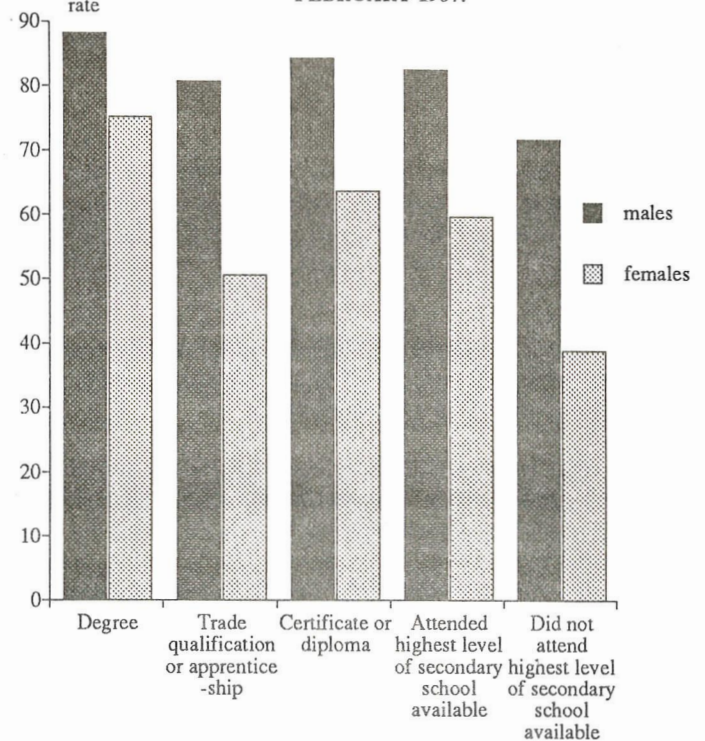
Note: Survey estimates are subject to sampling variability, as explained in paragraph 22 following.

UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, FEBRUARY 1981 TO FEBRUARY 1987.



(a) Comprises the categories 'Trade qualifications or apprenticeship' and 'Certificate or Diploma', see paragraph 18 following.

ALL PERSONS: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES, FEBRUARY 1987.



EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The monthly Population Survey (which is described in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0)) comprises the monthly labour force survey and supplementary topics. This publication contains some results of a supplementary survey run in association with the February 1987 labour force survey conducted throughout Australia.

2. Of the respondents to the labour force survey, those who fell within the scope of the supplementary survey were asked additional questions. This subset of respondents was asked about their highest educational qualifications. For persons with post-school qualifications, the information sought includes field of study, and for those without post-school qualifications, it includes whether they completed the highest level of secondary schooling available, and if not, at what age they left school.

Scope

3. The scope of this supplementary survey was the same as that used for the labour force survey (described in full in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0)) except that it excluded visitors to private dwellings, students boarding at school, some patients in hospitals and sanatoria and inmates of gaols, reformatories etc.

4. In the tables, "All Persons" refers to all persons within the scope of the survey.

Coverage

5. In the Population 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. See *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0) for more details.

Definitions

6. *Persons with a post-school qualification* are those who had left school and answered 'Yes' to the question: 'Since leaving school have you obtained a trade qualification, certificate, diploma, degree or any other qualification?'

7. *Classification of post-school qualifications.* Respondents indicated which of the following groups best described their highest qualification:

- (a) *Degree:* a bachelor degree (including honours), a graduate or post-graduate diploma, masters degree or a doctorate;
- (b) *Trade qualification or apprenticeship:* completion of an approved trade/technical apprenticeship in fitting and turning, hairdressing, plumbing, carpentry, etc;
- (c) *Certificate or diploma:* completion of an approved certificate or diploma in secretarial or business studies, administration, teaching, nursing, etc;

(d) *Other:* completion of other types of education, e.g. adult education, preparatory/bridging course or hobby course.

8. *Highest level of secondary school available* refers to the highest level of secondary schooling (or equivalent) offered by the education system at the time the respondent left school.

9. *Still at school.* Current school attendance is recorded only for persons aged fifteen to twenty years.

10. The *unemployment/population ratio* for any group is the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the civilian population in the same group.

11. Further definitions of labour force and demographic classifications appearing in this publication are given in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

12. Unless otherwise stated, all characteristics referenced in this publication relate to the week before the interview.

Results of the survey

13. Due to differences in the method of estimation used in this supplementary survey and that used in the labour force survey, there are some small variations between estimates in this publication and those in the corresponding issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

14. This publication contains only a summary of the results of the survey. Further information is available on request and a more detailed publication *Labour Force Status and Educational Attainment* (6235.0) will be released as soon as possible.

15. Results of similar surveys, conducted annually since February 1979, have been published in *Labour Force Status and Educational Attainment, Australia* (6235.0).

16. It is proposed that this survey will be conducted next in February 1988.

Discontinuities in the series

17. Educational attainment of persons not in the labour force is not available for the February 1979, 1980 and 1981 surveys.

18. For this survey, an expanded classification of post-school qualifications was used. As a result a small number of persons previously categorised as "Other" may now be included in the categories "Trade qualification or apprenticeship" or "Certificate or diploma".

19. Estimates contained in this publication are based on a revised labour force questionnaire introduced in April 1986. The definition of employment was expanded, resulting in decreases in the estimates of unemployed persons and persons not in the labour force. Further information is contained in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0) and in an information paper *Questionnaires Used in the Labour Force Survey* (6232.0).

20. Classification of occupation according to the Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO 1986) was introduced in the August 1986 labour force survey, replacing the Classification and Classified List of Occupations (CCLO), used in previous surveys. The main difference between these classifications is that ASCO occupations are classified on the basis of the level and specialisation of skill required for the satisfactory performance of primary tasks. For a more detailed explanation of ASCO see the appendix to *The Labour Force, Australia, August 1986* (6203.0).

21. To provide a link between the two classifications, a matrix has been produced and is shown in Table 41 of *The Labour Force, Australia, August 1986* (6203.0). It shows the relationship between ASCO and CCLO at the broadest classification level (the Major Group). The estimates in the matrix are based on a sub-sample of respondents to the May 1986 labour force survey.

Reliability of the estimates

22. Estimates in this publication are subject to two sources of error:

- (a) *sampling error*: since the estimates are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings they may differ from those that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*. More information about this topic can be found in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). A table of estimated standard errors for this survey follows these notes. Estimates with a standard error of more than about 25 per cent have not been shown in this publication, as the degree of sampling error would seriously detract from their value for most reasonable uses. Although, in some cases, estimates for these small components can be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable; and
- (b) *non-sampling error*: inaccuracies may occur because of imperfections in reporting by interviewers and respondents and errors made in coding and processing data. These inaccuracies may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by

careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

Related publications

23. Other ABS publications which may be of interest include:

The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0)—issued monthly

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

24. 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 paragraph 22 above.
- .. not applicable

25. Because estimates have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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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
4,500	1,050	23.9	200,000	6,100	3.0
6,000	1,250	20.7	500,000	8,700	1.7
10,000	1,600	16.0	1,000,000	11,200	1.1
20,000	2,250	11.1	2,000,000	14,200	0.7
50,000	3,400	6.8	5,000,000	19,100	0.4
100,000	4,550	4.6	10,000,000	23,500	0.2
			12,000,000	24,700	0.2

TABLE 1. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT RATE, AVERAGE AND MEDIAN DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT, FEBRUARY 1982 TO FEBRUARY 1987

	Educational attainment							Total(c)
	With post-school qualifications				Without post-school qualifications			
	Degree	Trade qualification or apprenticeship	Certificate or diploma	Total(a)	Attended highest level of secondary school available	Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	Total(b)	
MALES								
<i>Unemployment rate—</i>								
		—per cent—						
1982	2.3	2.9		2.7	6.8	8.1	7.8	5.8
1983	3.6	7.2		6.5	10.8	12.8	12.4	10.0
1984	4.3	6.4		5.9	11.8	12.8	12.7	9.8
1985	2.8	5.2		4.7	10.7	12.0	11.7	8.7
1986	2.7	4.5		4.3	9.7	11.2	10.9	8.1
1987(d)	3.1	5.0	4.2	4.5	10.6	12.2	11.8	8.5
<i>Average duration—</i>								
		—weeks—						
1982	20.6	31.0		29.0	22.3	37.5	34.9	32.9
1983	20.2	23.3		23.4	24.8	37.7	35.2	31.2
1984	34.7	35.3		35.3	37.5	54.4	51.2	45.6
1985	30.6	42.9		40.3	32.7	63.5	57.4	51.9
1986	36.6	48.7		47.2	35.6	65.2	59.3	54.3
1987(d)	50.0	56.5	47.2	53.2	35.6	67.0	60.5	56.7
<i>Median duration—</i>								
		—weeks—						
1982	8	11		11	10	14	13	12
1983	11	12		12	12	19	17	14
1984	13	21		19	15	39	32	26
1985	12	15		14	12	29	26	22
1986	11	12		12	10	27	24	17
1987(d)	13	17	26	17	11	26	24	20
FEMALES								
<i>Unemployment rate—</i>								
		—per cent—						
1982	7.7	7.2		7.3	10.6	9.5	9.7	9.1
1983	8.0	9.4		9.2	12.9	12.9	12.9	11.8
1984	7.1	9.2		8.8	11.0	12.8	12.4	11.3
1985	4.7	6.7		6.5	11.2	12.0	11.8	10.2
1986	5.8	7.1		7.2	11.4	11.2	11.3	10.0
1987(d)	4.6	6.1	7.3	6.8	11.8	11.1	11.3	9.9
<i>Average duration—</i>								
		—weeks—						
1982	12.8	20.4		19.4	20.1	31.8	29.2	25.6
1983	23.6	22.4		23.3	24.1	36.5	33.8	30.5
1984	11.7	26.6		25.0	32.9	45.9	43.3	36.4
1985	23.0	27.4		29.4	23.7	42.5	38.5	34.6
1986	12.1	25.8		23.8	21.6	34.5	31.6	28.3
1987(d)	19.9	33.2	23.2	23.2	25.6	44.5	39.8	33.2
<i>Median duration—</i>								
		—weeks—						
1982	8	8		8	8	11	10	9
1983	9	9		9	10	14	13	12
1984	8	9		9	12	18	16	13
1985	5	8		9	10	19	14	12
1986	5	7		7	8	11	10	9
1987(d)	11	11	8	8	11	15	13	10
PERSONS								
<i>Unemployment rate—</i>								
		—per cent—						
1982	3.9	4.3		4.2	8.2	8.7	8.6	7.0
1983	5.0	7.9		7.4	11.6	12.8	12.6	10.7
1984	5.2	7.3		6.9	11.5	12.8	12.6	10.4
1985	3.4	5.8		5.4	10.9	12.0	11.7	9.3
1986	3.8	5.4		5.3	10.4	11.2	11.1	8.9
1987(d)	3.6	5.1	6.2	5.3	11.1	11.7	11.6	9.1
<i>Average duration—</i>								
		—weeks—						
1982	15.9	25.2		23.6	21.2	35.0	34.2	29.4
1983	22.0	23.0		23.4	24.5	37.2	34.6	30.9
1984	24.9	31.6		30.9	35.6	51.1	48.1	41.9
1985	27.0	36.6		35.7	29.0	55.0	49.7	44.6
1986	23.4	38.0		35.9	29.2	52.5	47.5	42.7
1987(d)	36.9	54.5	29.3	39.4	31.1	57.9	51.9	46.5
<i>Median duration—</i>								
		—weeks—						
1982	8	9		9	9	12	11	10
1983	9	10		11	11	17	16	13
1984	10	15		13	13	28	26	19
1985	9	13		12	10	26	20	16
1986	7	11		10	9	19	15	12
1987(d)	11	15	10	12	11	24	18	14

(a) Includes persons with other post-school qualifications. (b) Includes persons who never attended school and those for whom secondary school qualifications could not be determined. (c) Includes persons still at school. (d) Prior to February 1987 the data now published in the Educational Attainment categories 'Trade qualification or apprenticeship' and 'Certificate or diploma' was published as 'Trade, technical or other certificate'. See paragraph 18 of the Explanatory Notes.

TABLE 2. ALL PERSONS : EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS, FEBRUARY 1987

Educational attainment	Employed			Unem- ployed	In the labour force	Not in the labour force	Total	Partici- pation rate	Unem- ployment rate
	Full-time	Part-time	Total						
— '000—									
— per cent—									
MALES									
With post-school qualifications	2,006.1	85.8	2,091.9	97.6	2,189.5	433.5	2,623.0	83.5	4.5
Degree	436.7	20.1	456.8	14.5	471.3	60.4	531.7	88.6	3.1
Trade qualification or apprenticeship	1,089.5	40.3	1,129.8	59.9	1,189.7	277.7	1,467.4	81.1	5.0
Certificate or diploma	470.9	24.3	495.2	21.9	517.1	93.6	610.7	84.7	4.2
Other	9.0	*	10.1	*	11.3	*	13.2	85.9	11.0
Without post-school qualifications(a)	1,951.6	134.8	2,086.3	279.6	2,365.9	819.2	3,185.1	74.3	11.8
Attended highest level of secondary school available	462.0	54.5	516.5	61.0	577.5	119.2	696.8	82.9	10.6
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	1,485.7	80.0	1,565.7	216.9	1,782.6	686.8	2,469.3	72.2	12.2
Left at age—									
18 and over	30.3	*	32.6	5.6	38.2	8.6	46.8	81.6	14.7
16 or 17	536.8	30.5	567.3	77.6	644.9	90.3	735.3	87.7	12.0
14 or 15	779.2	37.9	817.2	117.7	934.8	409.6	1,344.4	69.5	12.6
13 and under	139.4	9.2	148.6	16.0	164.6	178.2	342.9	48.0	9.7
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	5.6	12.6	18.2	30.6	30.8
Still at school	*	50.8	52.7	18.2	70.8	213.3	284.1	24.9	25.7
Total	3,959.5	271.4	4,230.9	395.4	4,626.3	1,466.0	6,092.3	75.9	8.5
FEMALES									
With post-school qualifications	767.5	380.2	1,147.7	83.2	1,230.9	673.4	1,904.3	64.6	6.8
Degree	178.4	52.0	230.4	11.1	241.6	77.8	319.4	75.6	4.6
Trade qualification or apprenticeship	53.5	34.6	88.1	5.7	93.9	90.3	184.2	51.0	6.1
Certificate or diploma	526.7	287.1	813.8	64.3	878.1	492.3	1,370.4	64.1	7.3
Other	8.9	6.5	15.3	*	17.3	12.9	30.3	57.3	11.7
Without post-school qualifications(a)	948.6	604.9	1,553.5	197.3	1,750.9	2,352.3	4,103.2	42.7	11.3
Attended highest level of secondary school available	249.0	121.8	370.8	49.7	420.5	278.3	698.9	60.2	11.8
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	696.8	481.9	1,178.8	147.3	1,326.1	2,048.0	3,374.0	39.3	11.1
Left at age—									
18 and over	11.1	*	15.1	*	18.4	21.8	40.3	45.8	18.3
16 or 17	298.3	158.6	456.9	60.5	517.4	407.1	924.5	56.0	11.7
14 or 15	341.0	291.4	632.4	75.5	707.8	1,272.2	1,980.0	35.7	10.7
13 and under	46.5	27.9	74.4	8.0	82.4	346.9	429.2	19.2	9.7
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	*	25.8	30.0	14.2	7.0
Still at school	*	65.8	66.1	23.7	89.8	182.2	272.0	33.0	26.4
Total	1,716.4	1,050.9	2,767.3	304.2	3,071.5	3,207.9	6,279.5	48.9	9.9
PERSONS									
With post-school qualifications	2,773.5	466.0	3,239.6	180.8	3,420.4	1,106.9	4,527.3	75.6	5.3
Degree	615.1	72.1	687.3	25.6	712.9	138.2	851.1	83.8	3.6
Trade qualification or apprenticeship	1,143.0	75.0	1,217.9	65.7	1,283.6	368.0	1,651.6	77.7	5.1
Certificate or diploma	997.6	311.4	1,309.0	86.2	1,395.2	585.9	1,981.1	70.4	6.2
Other	17.8	7.6	25.4	*	28.7	14.8	43.4	66.0	11.4
Without post-school qualifications(a)	2,900.2	739.7	3,639.9	476.9	4,116.8	3,171.5	7,288.3	56.5	11.6
Attended highest level of secondary school available	711.1	176.3	887.4	110.7	998.1	397.5	1,395.6	71.5	11.1
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	2,182.5	561.9	2,744.4	364.2	3,108.6	2,734.7	5,843.3	53.2	11.7
Left at age—									
18 and over	41.3	6.3	47.6	9.0	56.6	30.4	87.0	65.0	15.9
16 or 17	835.1	189.2	1,024.2	138.1	1,162.4	497.4	1,659.8	70.0	11.9
14 or 15	1,120.2	329.3	1,449.5	193.1	1,642.7	1,681.8	3,324.5	49.4	11.8
13 and under	185.9	37.1	223.0	23.9	247.0	525.1	772.1	32.0	9.7
Never attended school	6.3	*	7.8	*	9.8	38.4	48.2	20.4	20.4
Still at school	*	116.6	118.8	41.9	160.7	395.5	556.2	28.9	26.1
Total	5,675.9	1,322.3	6,998.2	699.6	7,697.8	4,673.9	12,371.7	62.2	9.1

(a) Includes persons for whom secondary school qualifications could not be determined.

TABLE 3. ALL PERSONS : EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AND AGE, FEBRUARY 1987
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Educational attainment	Age group						Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55 and over	
MALES							
With post-school qualifications	18.5	242.3	699.2	656.3	423.1	583.7	2,623.0
Degree	*	44.5	175.5	156.3	70.0	85.1	531.7
Trade qualification or apprenticeship	10.4	150.8	367.3	328.9	251.6	358.3	1,467.4
Certificate or diploma	7.0	45.1	151.3	168.8	100.5	138.1	610.7
Other	*	*	5.2	*	*	*	13.2
Without post-school qualifications(a)	392.9	418.7	608.7	513.5	391.5	859.9	3,185.1
Attended highest level of secondary school available	134.3	166.7	185.8	95.8	41.1	73.2	696.8
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	257.9	250.7	421.8	416.1	347.2	775.6	2,469.3
Left at age—							
18 and over	*	8.9	10.6	11.1	4.6	7.3	46.8
16 or 17	143.6	143.2	192.6	117.8	56.6	81.5	735.3
14 or 15	108.5	94.3	207.2	242.2	213.3	479.1	1,344.4
13 and under	*	*	11.4	45.1	72.7	207.8	342.9
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	*	11.1	18.2
Still at school	283.3	*	..	..	..	..	284.1
Total	694.6	661.7	1,308.0	1,169.8	814.6	1,443.5	6,092.3
FEMALES							
With post-school qualifications	55.0	234.9	574.0	450.8	240.7	348.8	1,904.3
Degree	*	40.8	130.1	85.2	32.7	30.2	319.4
Trade qualification or apprenticeship	5.0	19.2	37.8	42.9	28.3	51.1	184.2
Certificate or diploma	48.9	170.8	397.3	317.1	176.0	260.4	1,370.4
Other	*	*	8.8	5.7	*	7.2	30.3
Without post-school qualifications(a)	344.3	416.6	734.5	692.9	540.5	1,374.3	4,103.2
Attended highest level of secondary school available	140.4	148.4	159.0	89.7	50.1	111.3	698.9
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	203.7	268.0	573.6	601.6	483.9	1,243.2	3,374.0
Left at age—							
18 and over	*	9.4	10.0	7.4	*	7.8	40.3
16 or 17	106.2	149.6	258.1	174.2	82.5	153.9	924.5
14 or 15	93.3	104.1	288.3	368.8	324.0	801.4	1,980.0
13 and under	*	4.9	17.1	51.2	74.5	280.1	429.2
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	6.5	19.8	30.0
Still at school	271.6	*	..	..	..	..	272.0
Total	670.9	652.0	1,308.5	1,143.7	781.2	1,723.1	6,279.5
PERSONS							
With post-school qualifications	73.5	477.1	1,273.2	1,107.2	663.8	932.5	4,527.3
Degree	*	85.3	305.6	241.6	102.7	115.3	851.1
Trade qualification or apprenticeship	15.4	170.0	405.2	371.8	279.9	409.4	1,651.6
Certificate of diploma	55.9	215.8	548.6	485.8	276.5	398.5	1,981.1
Other	*	6.0	13.9	8.0	4.7	9.3	43.4
Without post-school qualifications(a)	737.2	835.3	1,343.2	1,206.4	932.0	2,234.2	7,288.3
Attended highest level of secondary school available	274.7	315.1	344.7	185.5	91.2	184.4	1,395.6
Did not attend highest level of secondary school available	461.6	518.7	995.4	1,017.7	831.1	2,018.9	5,843.3
Left at age—							
18 and over	6.9	18.3	20.6	18.5	7.6	15.1	87.0
16 or 17	249.8	292.8	450.7	292.0	139.1	235.4	1,659.8
14 or 15	201.9	198.4	495.5	610.9	537.3	1,280.5	3,324.5
13 and under	*	9.2	28.5	96.3	147.1	487.9	772.1
Never attended school	*	*	*	*	9.7	30.9	48.2
Still at school	554.9	*	..	..	..	..	556.2
Total	1,365.6	1,313.7	2,616.5	2,313.5	1,595.8	3,166.7	12,371.7

(a) Includes persons for whom secondary school qualifications could not be determined.

TABLE 4. EMPLOYED PERSONS : OCCUPATION AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, FEBRUARY 1987 ('000)

Occupation	With post-school qualifications				Without post-school qualifications				
	Degree	Trade qualification or apprenticeship	Certificate or diploma	Total (a)	Attended highest secondary level	Did not attend highest level of secondary school and left at age		Total (b)	Total (c)
						16 and over	15 and under		
Managers and administrators	81.0	115.7	135.6	336.4	94.0	105.0	223.2	423.2	759.6
Professionals	462.6	33.0	254.8	751.7	49.4	21.6	18.2	89.2	841.9
Para-professionals	25.1	64.0	208.0	298.7	44.8	28.5	30.8	104.1	403.6
Tradespersons	13.0	653.0	53.8	722.4	69.7	160.7	186.1	417.5	1,141.4
Clerks	58.5	43.4	339.3	446.9	263.3	255.4	255.2	773.9	1,223.9
Salespersons and personal service workers	30.9	64.5	188.7	289.3	184.3	185.8	229.1	600.1	959.6
Plant and machine operators and drivers	5.4	104.7	39.0	150.7	48.5	99.0	254.2	402.9	554.5
Labourers and related workers	10.8	139.5	89.7	243.5	133.2	215.8	476.0	829.0	1,113.7
Total	687.3	1,217.9	1,309.0	3,239.6	887.4	1,071.9	1,672.6	3,639.9	6,998.2

(a) Includes persons with other post-school qualifications. (b) Includes persons who never attended school and those for whom secondary school qualifications could not be determined. (c) Includes persons still at school.

TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS : DURATION OF CURRENT PERIOD OF UNEMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, FEBRUARY 1987

Duration of current period of unemployment (weeks)	With post-school qualifications				Without post-school qualifications					
	Degree	Trade qualification or apprenticeship	Certificate or diploma	Total (a)	Attended highest secondary level	Did not attend highest level of secondary school and left at age		Total (b)	Total (c)	
						16 and over	15 and under			
										— '000 —
1 and under 4	*	10.7	24.7	40.3	18.4	22.6	30.7	71.7	126.1	18.0
4 and under 8	*	9.4	11.7	26.1	18.0	20.4	22.3	60.7	93.7	13.4
8 and under 13	4.8	9.5	12.0	26.6	24.1	21.5	18.6	64.2	100.2	14.3
13 and under 26	4.7	9.1	11.2	25.6	15.5	17.9	29.4	62.8	92.2	13.2
26 and under 52	*	6.6	10.1	20.7	17.2	20.3	32.3	70.1	94.4	13.5
52 and under 104	*	6.0	8.3	16.5	8.9	20.9	32.2	62.6	82.5	11.8
104 and over	*	14.4	8.2	25.1	8.5	23.6	51.5	84.8	110.5	15.8
Total	25.6	65.7	86.2	180.8	110.7	147.1	217.1	476.9	699.6	100.0
										— weeks —
Average duration	36.9	54.5	29.3	39.4	31.1	46.4	65.7	51.9	46.5	..
Median duration	11	15	10	12	11	16	26	18	14	..

(a) Includes persons with other post-school qualifications. (b) Includes persons who never attended school and those for whom secondary school qualifications could not be determined. (c) Includes persons still at school.

