**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**Australia**

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

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

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**States and Territories**

**New South Wales**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 3,334,857 (59.7%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 3,092,603 (58.9%) | 54.0% | 46.0% |
| Employed full-time | 2,007,925 (36.0%) | 63.3% | 36.7% | 1,879,628 (35.8%) | 63.9% | 36.1% |
| Employedpart-time | 939,464 (16.8%) | 32.9% | 67.1% | 842,714 (16.1%) | 32.3% | 67.7% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 196,525 (3.5%) | 53.6% | 46.4% | 183,158 (3.5%) | 54.7% | 45.3% |
| Population not in the labour force | 1,933,275 (34.6%) | 40.4% | 59.6% | 1,801,010 (34.3%) | 39.3% | 60.7% |
| Total persons | 5,585,148 (100.0%) | 48.8% | 51.2% | 5,250,260 (100.0%) | 48.8% | 51.2% |

**Victoria**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 2,675,477 (61.4%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 2,404,605 (60.4%) | 53.9% | 46.1% |
| Employed full-time | 1,583,266 (36.4%) | 64.6% | 35.4% | 1,445,459 (36.3%) | 65.0% | 35.0% |
| Employed part-time | 791,837 (18.2%) | 31.9% | 68.1% | 682,604 (17.1%) | 30.8% | 69.2% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 144,844 (3.3%) | 52.4% | 47.6% | 130,157 (3.3%) | 53.5% | 46.5% |
| Population not in the labour force | 1,451,592 (33.3%) | 39.6% | 60.4% | 1,330,370 (33.4%) | 38.6% | 61.4% |
| Total persons | 4,355,244 (100.0%) | 48.7% | 51.3% | 3,982,038 (100.0%) | 48.5% | 51.5% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**States and Territories**

**Queensland**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 2,171,074 (62.8%) | 53.0% | 47.0% | 1,915,948 (61.8%) | 53.8% | 46.2% |
| Employed full-time | 1,302,954 (37.7%) | 63.4% | 36.6% | 1,180,888 (38.1%) | 64.5% | 35.5% |
| Employed part-time | 611,296 (17.7%) | 31.5% | 68.5% | 530,502 (17.1%) | 30.6% | 69.4% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 131,800 (3.8%) | 52.9% | 47.1% | 90,952 (2.9%) | 50.2% | 49.8% |
| Population not in the labour force | 1,079,302 (31.2%) | 40.4% | 59.6% | 971,829 (31.4%) | 39.2% | 60.8% |
| Total persons | 3,456,874 (100.0%) | 49.1% | 50.9% | 3,097,997 (100.0%) | 49.1% | 50.9% |

**South Australia**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 784,328 (59.9%) | 53.1% | 46.9% | 728,074 (59.0%) | 53.7% | 46.3% |
| Employed full-time | 445,074 (34.0%) | 65.2% | 34.8% | 426,179 (34.5%) | 65.6% | 34.4% |
| Employed part-time | 247,599 (18.9%) | 31.7% | 68.3% | 218,542 (17.7%) | 30.4% | 69.6% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 44,971 (3.4%) | 55.4% | 44.6% | 38,178 (3.1%) | 56.4% | 43.6% |
| Population not in the labour force | 466,428 (35.6%) | 41.5% | 58.5% | 441,819 (35.8%) | 40.3% | 59.7% |
| Total persons | 1,309,637 (100.0%) | 48.9% | 51.1% | 1,233,516 (100.0%) | 48.7% | 51.3% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**States and Territories**

**Western Australia**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 1,152,198 (64.0%) | 54.6% | 45.4% | 972,791 (62.3%) | 54.7% | 45.3% |
| Employed full-time | 699,414 (38.9%) | 65.8% | 34.2% | 593,674 (38.0%) | 66.3% | 33.7% |
| Employed part-time | 324,257 (18.0%) | 31.0% | 69.0% | 275,949 (17.7%) | 30.2% | 69.8% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 54,317 (3.0%) | 52.7% | 47.3% | 36,659 (2.3%) | 51.7% | 48.3% |
| Population not in the labour force | 529,554 (29.4%) | 38.7% | 61.3% | 478,245 (30.6%) | 37.7% | 62.3% |
| Total persons | 1,799,101 (100.0%) | 50.0% | 50.0% | 1,562,653 (100.0%) | 49.4% | 50.6% |

**Tasmania**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 232,125 (57.8%) | 52.4% | 47.6% | 219,159 (57.3%) | 53.3% | 46.7% |
| Employed full-time | 126,467 (31.5%) | 65.0% | 35.0% | 122,813 (32.1%) | 65.9% | 34.1% |
| Employed part-time | 76,384 (19.0%) | 31.2% | 68.8% | 67,384 (17.6%) | 30.2% | 69.8% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 14,826 (3.7%) | 57.4% | 42.6% | 14,420 (3.8%) | 55.6% | 44.4% |
| Population not in the labour force | 151,378 (37.7%) | 42.2% | 57.8% | 143,106 (37.4%) | 40.6% | 59.4% |
| Total persons | 401,483 (100.0%) | 48.5% | 51.5% | 382,454 (100.0%) | 48.4% | 51.6% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**States and Territories**

**Northern Territory**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 103,965 (63.9%) | 53.8% | 46.2% | 91,183 (62.8%) | 54.3% | 45.7% |
| Employed full-time | 69,546 (42.7%) | 58.7% | 41.3% | 60,089 (41.4%) | 59.6% | 40.4% |
| Employed part-time | 20,877 (12.8%) | 37.1% | 62.9% | 20,178 (13.9%) | 39.3% | 60.7% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 5,489 (3.4%) | 55.9% | 44.1% | 4,004 (2.8%) | 53.7% | 46.3% |
| Population not in the labour force | 41,688 (25.6%) | 45.0% | 55.0% | 37,149 (25.6%) | 43.1% | 56.9% |
| Total persons | 162,802 (100.0%) | 51.8% | 48.2% | 145,291 (100.0%) | 51.5% | 48.5% |

**Australian Capital Territory**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 203,207 (69.9%) | 51.5% | 48.5% | 182,490 (69.6%) | 51.6% | 48.4% |
| Employed full-time | 132,041 (45.4%) | 58.4% | 41.6% | 117,943 (45.0%) | 58.9% | 41.1% |
| Employed part-time | 51,029 (17.5%) | 35.0% | 65.0% | 47,107 (18.0%) | 34.3% | 65.7% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 7,316 (2.5%) | 54.6% | 45.4% | 6,204 (2.4%) | 56.5% | 43.5% |
| Population not in the labour force | 74,890 (25.7%) | 41.5% | 58.5% | 67,078 (25.6%) | 40.5% | 59.5% |
| Total persons | 290,876 (100.0%) | 49.0% | 51.0% | 262,106 (100.0%) | 48.9% | 51.1% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**Capital Cities**

**Sydney**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 2,188,853 (61.7%) | 53.5% | 46.5% | 2,010,009(60.6%) | 53.9% | 46.1% |
| Employed full-time | 1,358,191 (38.3%) | 62.2% | 37.8% | 1,267,504(38.2%) | 62.5% | 37.5% |
| Employed part-time | 584,776 (16.5%) | 34.3% | 65.7% | 516,793 (15.6%) | 33.4% | 66.6% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 125,587 (3.5%) | 52.8% | 47.2% | 106,482 (3.2%) | 54.2% | 45.8% |
| Population not in the labour force | 1,149,798 (32.4%) | 39.2% | 60.8% | 1,052,817(31.8%) | 38.1% | 61.9% |
| Total persons | 3,548,457 (100%) | 48.7% | 51.3% | 3,314,161 (100%) | 48.7% | 51.3% |

**Melbourne**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 2,039,382(62.5%) | 53.4% | 46.6% | 1,807,761(61.1%) | 53.7% | 46.3% |
| Employed full-time | 1,226,135 (37.6%) | 63.8% | 36.2% | 1,102,999(37.3%) | 64.1% | 35.9% |
| Employed part-time | 587,550 (18.0%) | 32.8% | 67.2% | 502,081 (17.0%) | 31.7% | 68.3% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 111,456 (3.4%) | 52.0% | 48.0% | 95,873 (3.2%) | 53.4% | 46.6% |
| Population not in the labour force | 1,048,662 (32.2%) | 39.1% | 60.9% | 956,631 (32.4%) | 38.2% | 61.8% |
| Total persons | 3,260,799 (100%) | 48.7% | 51.3% | 2,956,448 (100%) | 48.5% | 51.5% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**Capital Cities**

**Brisbane**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 1,073,480 (65.0%) | 52.7% | 47.3% | 941,196 (63.8%)  | 53.2% | 46.8% |
| Employed full-time | 654,898 (39.7%) | 62.4% | 37.6% | 589,177 (40.0%) | 63.3% | 36.7% |
| Employed part-time | 296,515 (18.0%) | 32.1% | 67.9% | 256,446 (17.4%) | 30.8% | 69.2% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 62,865 (3.8%) | 52.8% | 47.2% | 41,490 (2.8%) | 49.8% | 50.2% |
| Population not in the labour force | 493,944 (29.9%) | 39.8% | 60.2% | 443,560 (30.1%) | 38.5% | 61.5% |
| Total persons | 1,651,496 (100%) | 48.8% | 51.2% | 1,474,169 (100%) | 48.6% | 51.4% |

**Adelaide**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 612,225 (60.7%) | 52.6% | 47.4% | 563,777 (59.5%) | 53.2% | 46.8% |
| Employed full-time | 348,427 (34.5%) | 64.2% | 35.8% | 330,755 (34.9%) | 64.7% | 35.3% |
| Employed part-time | 193,319 (19.2%) | 32.2% | 67.8% | 170,088 (17.9%) | 30.8% | 69.2% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 35,403 (3.5%) | 54.9% | 45.1% | 29,159 (3.1%) | 51.3% | 48.7% |
| Population not in the labour force | 352,642 (35.0%) | 41.0% | 59.0% | 336,517 (35.5%) | 39.8% | 60.2% |
| Total persons | 1,008,605 (100%) | 48.5% | 51.5% | 948,072 (100%) | 48.3% | 51.7% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**Capital Cities**

**Perth**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 900,493 (64.5%) | 53.9% | 46.1% | 757,531 (62.2%) | 54.2% | 45.8% |
| Employed full-time | 542260 (38.8%) | 65.0% | 35.0% | 461,072 (37.9%) | 65.6% | 34.4% |
| Employed part-time | 260,272 (18.6%) | 31.3% | 68.7% | 218,766 (18.0%) | 30.4% | 69.6% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 42,861 (3.1%) | 52.1% | 47.9% | 27,957 (2.3%) | 51.0% | 49.0% |
| Population not in the labour force | 413,912 (29.6%) | 38.1% | 61.9% | 377,748 (31.0%) | 37.5% | 62.5% |
| Total persons | 1,396,459 (100%) | 49.2% | 50.8% | 1,217,260 (100%) | 48.9% | 51.1% |

**Hobart**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 102,768 (59.8%) | 51.2% | 48.8% | 95,722 (58.7%) | 51.8% | 48.2% |
| Employed full-time | 56,609 (32.9%) | 62.7% | 37.3% | 54,047 (33.2%) | 63.2% | 36.8% |
| Employed part-time | 34,217 (19.9%) | 31.8% | 68.2% | 29,979 (18.4%) | 30.6% | 69.4% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 5,896 (3.4%) | 58.2% | 41.8% | 5,621 (3.4%) | 56.6% | 43.4% |
| Population not in the labour force | 61,446 (35.7%) | 42.2% | 57.8% | 58,301 (35.8%) | 40.8% | 59.2% |
| Total persons | 171,885 (100%) | 47.9% | 52.1% | 162,973 (100%) | 47.7% | 52.3% |

**Labour Force (all persons aged**

**15 years and over)**

**Capital Cities**

**Darwin**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 65,395 (68.7%) | 53.7% | 46.3% | 56,188 (68.5%) | 54.3% | 45.7% |
| Employed full-time | 45,397 (47.7%) | 58.8% | 41.2% | 39,023 (47.5%) | 59.8% | 40.2% |
| Employed part-time | 12,785 (13.4%) | 34.7% | 65.3% | 11,058 (13.5%) | 34.7% | 65.3% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 2,353 (2.5%) | 55.9% | 44.1% | 1,952 (2.4%) | 56.1% | 43.9% |
| Population not in the labour force | 19,558 (20.5%) | 45.7% | 54.3% | 17,019 (20.7%) | 43.0% | 57.0% |
| Total persons | 95,206 (100%) | 52.5% | 47.5% | 82,075 (100%) | 52.2% | 47.8% |

**Canberra**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  | **2011** | **2006** |
|  | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** | **Total** | **Males** | **Females** |
| Total in labour force | 202,876 (69.6%) | 51.5% | 48.5% | 182,126 (69.6%) | 51.6% | 48.4% |
| Employed full-time | 131,869 (45.4%) | 58.4% | 41.6% | 117,758 (45.0%) |  58.9% | 41.1% |
| Employed part-time | 50,947 (17.5%) | 35.0% | 65.0% | 47,015 (18.0%) | 34.3% | 65.7% |
| Unemployed, looking for work | 7,258 (2.5%) | 54.6% | 45.4% | 6,149 (2.4%) | 56.5% | 43.5% |
| Population not in the labour force | 74,707 (25.7%) | 41.5% | 58.5% | 66,889 (25.6%) | 40.5% | 59.5% |
| Total persons | 290,304 (100%) | 49.0% | 51.0% | 261,506 (100%) | 48.9% | 51.1% |