

LABOUR MARKET, DECEMBER 2016

Summary

During December, total employment:

- rose 0.1% in South Australia in trend terms (nationally, total employment also rose 0.1%); and
- rose 0.1% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (nationally, total employment also rose 0.1%).

During December, the unemployment rate:

- was 6.8% in South Australia in trend terms (5.7% nationally); and
- was 6.8% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (5.8% nationally).

Further Analysis

Employment

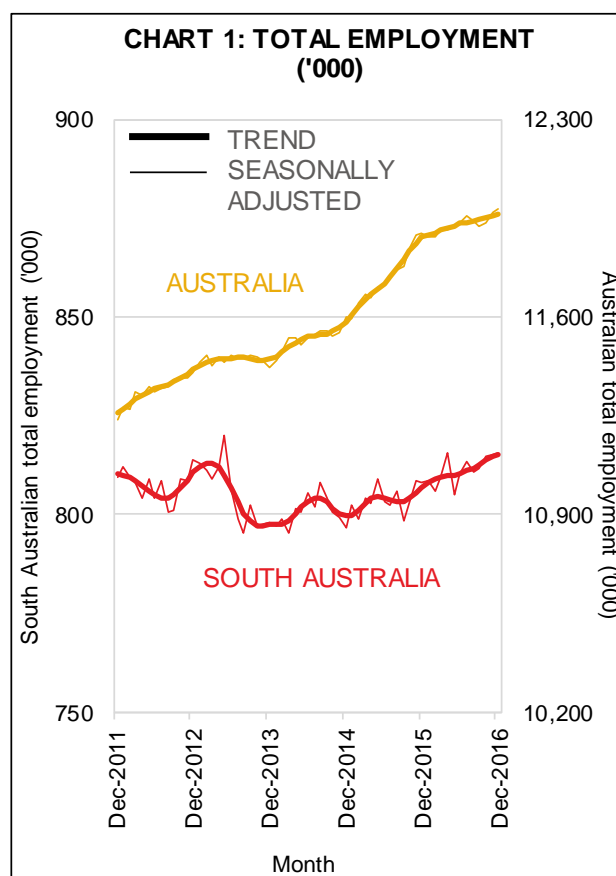
In trend terms, total employment in South Australia rose by 500 (0.1%), and rose by 8,200 (0.1%) nationally in December—see Chart 1.

- In South Australia, full-time employment rose by 1,100 persons (0.2%) and part-time employment fell by 600 (0.2%).
- Nationally, full-time employment rose by 7,000 persons (0.1%) and part-time employment rose by 1,100.

Annual trend employment growth was 1.0% for South Australia and 0.7% nationally.

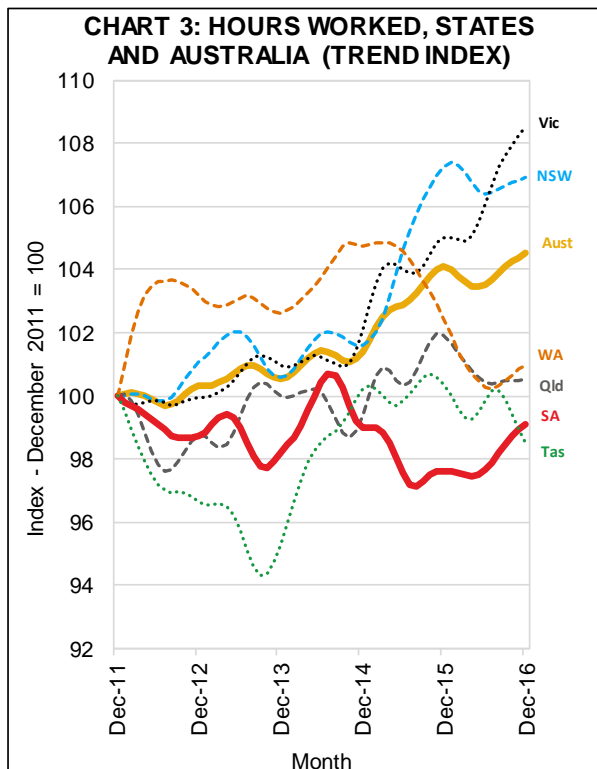
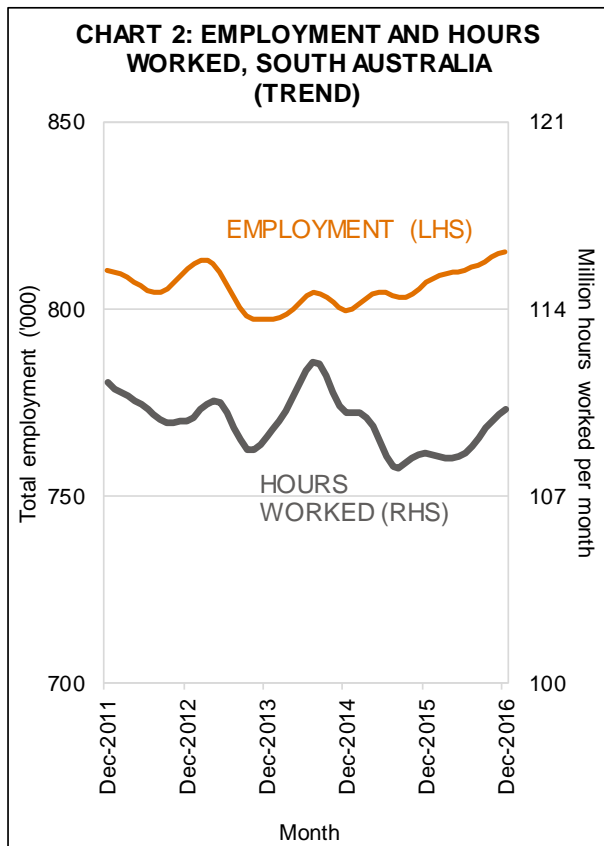
In seasonally adjusted terms, total employment in South Australia rose by 500 people (0.1%) in December, following a smaller rise of 300 people in November. Employment rose by 13,500 (0.1%) nationally.

- In South Australia, full-time employment fell by 1,200 (0.2%) while part-time employment rose by 1,700 (0.6%).
- Nationally, full-time employment rose by 9,300 people (0.1%) and part-time employment rose by 4,200 (0.1%).



Hours worked

In trend terms, monthly hours worked in all jobs rose by 0.2% in South Australia in December and was 1.5% higher than a year earlier—see Chart 2. Nationally, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 0.4% through the year to December.

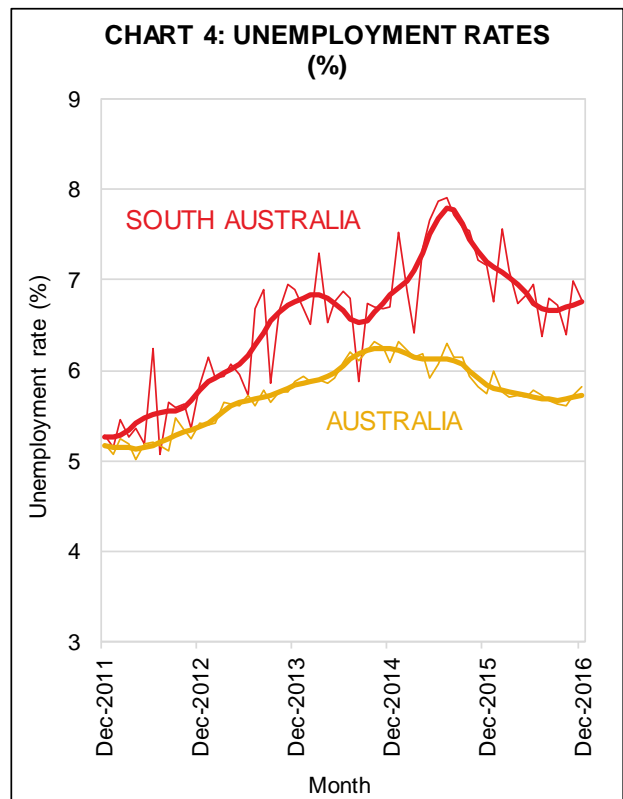


Unemployment

In **trend** terms, the unemployment rate in South Australia rose from 6.7% in November to 6.8% in December. Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.7% in December—see Table 1 and Chart 4.

Table 1: Unemployment Rates —Trend

	Dec 15 (%)	Nov 16 (%)	Dec 16 (%)
NSW	5.3	5.0	5.0
VIC	6.0	5.9	5.9
QLD	6.0	6.0	6.0
SA	7.2	6.7	6.8
WA	6.1	6.6	6.7
TAS	6.6	6.4	6.4
AUST	5.8	5.7	5.7

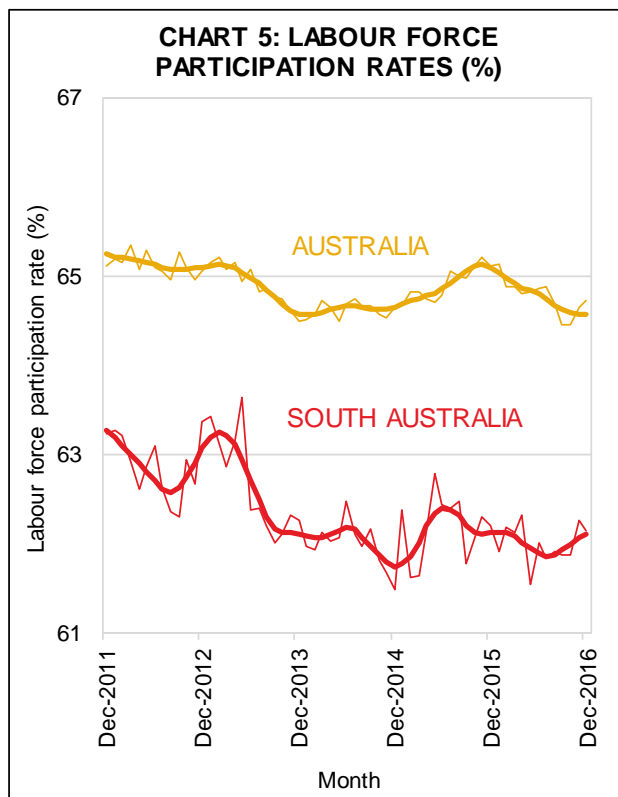


In **seasonally adjusted** terms, South Australia's unemployment rate fell from 7.0% in November to 6.8% in December. Australia's unemployment rate rose from 5.7% in November to 5.8% in December.



Participation

In **trend** terms, the participation rate in South Australia remained unchanged at 62.1%. Nationally, the participation rate remained unchanged at 64.6%—see Chart 5.



In **seasonally adjusted** terms, the South Australian participation rate fell from 62.3% in November to 62.1% in December. Nationally, the participation rate rose from 64.6% in November to 64.7% in December.

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Table A1: Labour Force Aggregates - Trend

SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Dec-15	Nov-16	Dec-16	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	524.1	527.2	528.3	0.2%	0.8%
Part-time employment	('000)	282.8	287.6	287.0	-0.2%	1.5%
Total employment	('000)	807.0	814.8	815.3	0.1%	1.0%
Unemployment	('000)	62.7	58.7	59.1	0.6%	-5.7%
Unemployment rate	%	7.2	6.7	6.8	0.0pp	-0.4pp
Participation rate	%	62.1	62.1	62.1	0.0pp	0.0pp
Total hours worked	millions	108.6	110.0	110.2	0.2%	1.5%
AUSTRALIA						
		Dec-15	Nov-16	Dec-16	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,185.6	8,143.3	8,150.3	0.1%	-0.4%
Part-time employment	('000)	3,695.6	3,815.4	3,816.5	0.0%	3.3%
Total employment	('000)	11,881.2	11,958.6	11,966.8	0.1%	0.7%
Unemployment	('000)	737.6	722.5	725.7	0.4%	-1.6%
Unemployment rate	%	5.8	5.7	5.7	0.0pp	-0.1pp
Participation rate	%	65.1	64.6	64.6	0.0pp	-0.5pp
Total hours worked	millions	1,662.3	1,666.8	1,669.1	0.1%	0.4%

pp represents percentage points; totals may not reconcile due to rounding

Table A2: Labour Force Aggregates - Seasonally Adjusted

SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Dec-15	Nov-16	Dec-16	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	523.6	530.1	528.8	-0.2%	1.0%
Part-time employment	('000)	284.6	285.0	286.7	0.6%	0.8%
Total employment	('000)	808.2	815.1	815.6	0.1%	0.9%
Unemployment	('000)	62.4	61.2	59.3	-3.1%	-4.9%
Unemployment rate	%	7.2	7.0	6.8	-0.2pp	-0.4pp
Participation rate	%	62.2	62.3	62.1	-0.1pp	-0.1pp
Total hours worked	millions	107.8	109.1	110.5	1.3%	2.5%
AUSTRALIA						
		Dec-15	Nov-16	Dec-16	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,210.5	8,167.2	8,176.5	0.1%	-0.4%
Part-time employment	('000)	3,684.0	3,805.3	3,809.5	0.1%	3.4%
Total employment	('000)	11,894.4	11,972.5	11,985.9	0.1%	0.8%
Unemployment	('000)	724.3	726.4	741.1	2.0%	2.3%
Unemployment rate	%	5.7	5.7	5.8	0.1pp	0.1pp
Participation rate	%	65.1	64.6	64.7	0.1pp	-0.4pp
Total hours worked	millions	1,658.1	1,663.5	1,670.4	0.4%	0.7%

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