

LABOUR MARKET, JANUARY 2018

Summary

During January, total employment:

- rose 0.1% in South Australia in trend terms (nationally, total employment rose 0.2%); and
- rose 0.6% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (nationally, total employment rose 0.1%).

During January, the unemployment rate:

- was 6.0% in South Australia in trend terms (5.5% nationally); and
- was 6.0% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (5.5% nationally).

Further Analysis

Employment

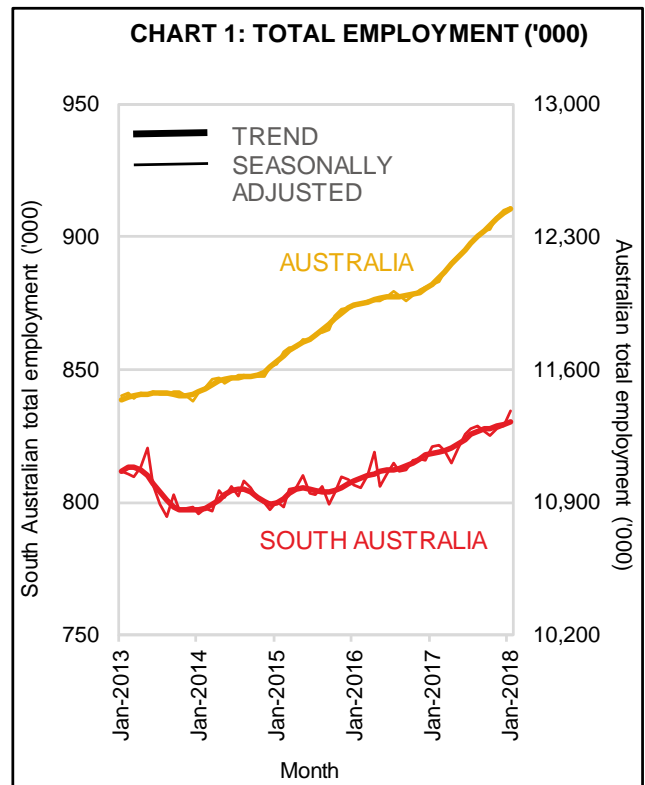
In **trend** terms, total employment in South Australia rose by 1,000 (0.1%), and rose by 23,000 (0.2%) nationally in January—see Chart 1.

- In South Australia, full-time employment rose by 750 persons (0.1%) and part-time employment rose by 250 (0.1%).
- Nationally, full-time employment rose by 8,800 persons (0.1%) and part-time employment rose by 14,200 (0.4%).

Annual trend employment growth was 1.5% for South Australia and 3.3% nationally.

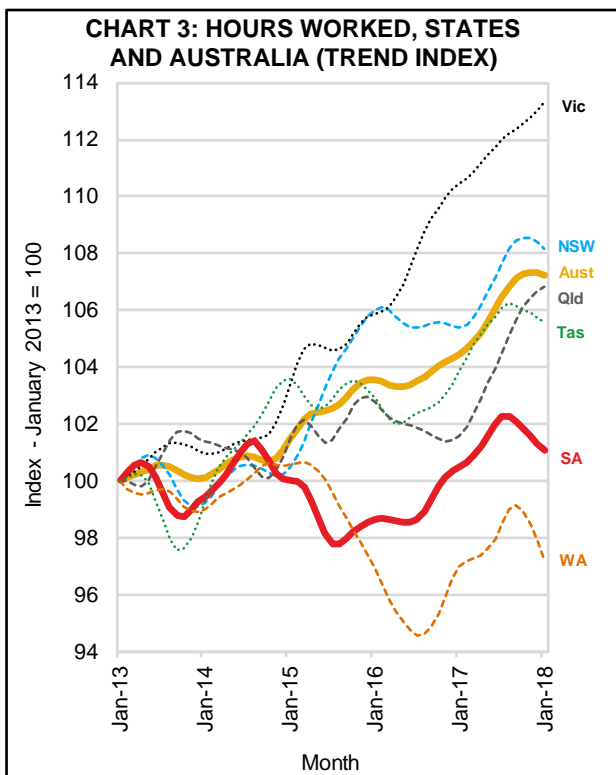
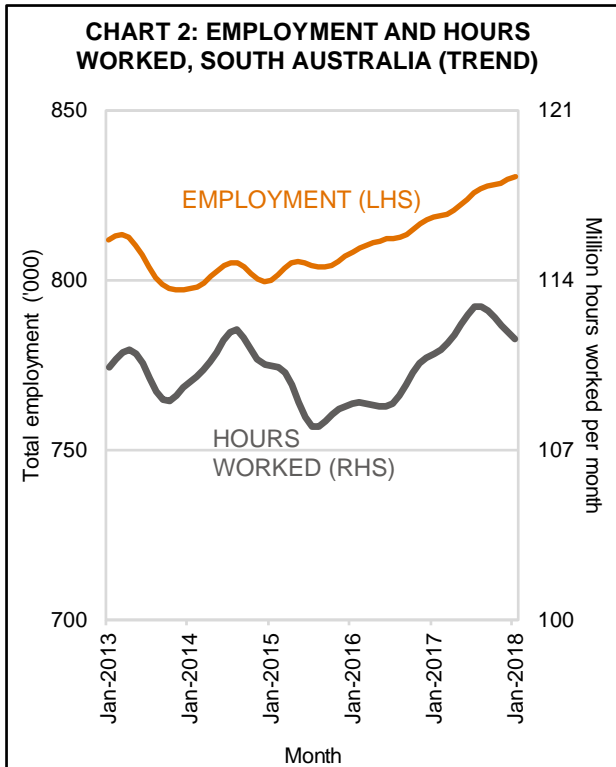
In **seasonally adjusted** terms, total employment in South Australia rose by 5,300 people (0.6%) in January, following a rise of 0.2% in December. Employment rose by 16,000 (0.1%) nationally.

- In South Australia, full-time employment rose by 2,200 (0.4%) while part-time employment rose by 3,100 (1.1%).
- Nationally, full-time employment fell by 49,800 people (0.6%) and part-time employment rose by 65,900 (1.7%).



Hours worked

In **trend** terms, monthly hours worked in all jobs fell by 0.2% in South Australia in January but was 0.6% higher than a year earlier—see Chart 2. Nationally, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 2.7% through the year to January.

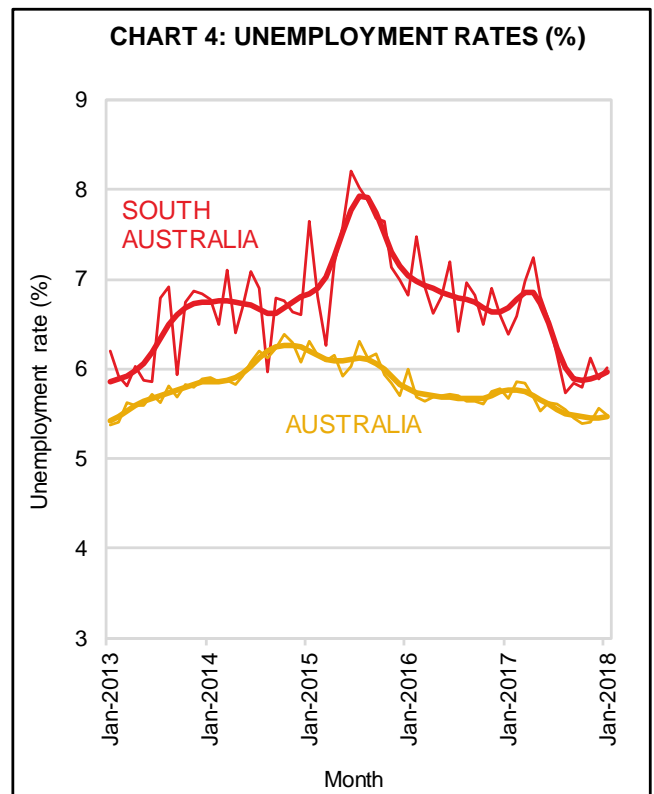


Unemployment

In **trend** terms, the unemployment rate in South Australia increased from 5.9% in December to 6.0% in January. Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.5% in January—see Table 1 and Chart 4.

Table 1: Unemployment Rates —Trend

	Jan 17 (%)	Dec 17 (%)	Jan 18 (%)
NSW	5.1	4.8	4.8
VIC	6.0	5.7	5.7
QLD	6.2	5.9	6.0
SA	6.7	5.9	6.0
WA	6.4	6.0	6.0
TAS	6.0	5.8	5.7
AUST	5.8	5.5	5.5

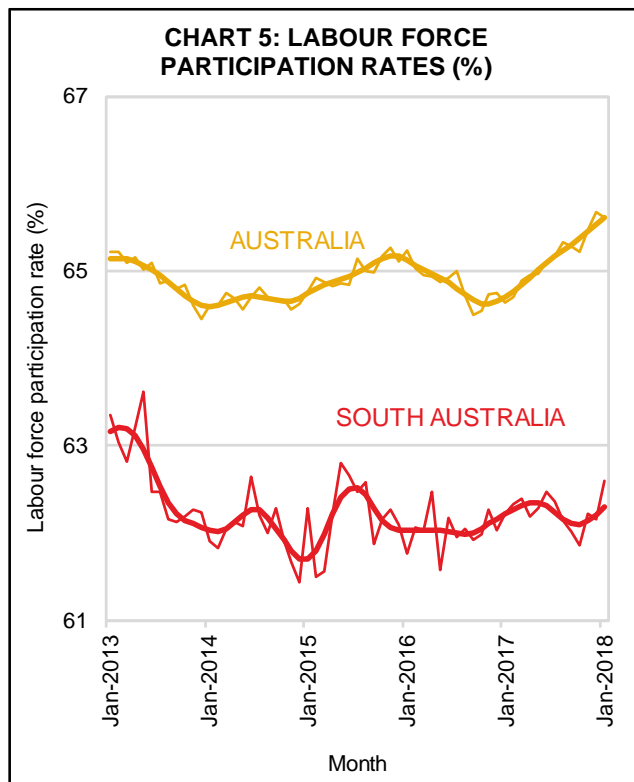


In **seasonally adjusted** terms, South Australia's unemployment rate rose from 5.9% in December to 6.0% in January. Australia's unemployment rate fell from 5.6% in December to 5.5% in January.



Participation

In **trend** terms, the participation rate in South Australia rose by 0.1 of a percentage point to 62.3% in January. Nationally, the participation rate rose by 0.1 of a percentage point to 65.6%—see Chart 5.



In **seasonally adjusted** terms, the South Australian participation rate rose 0.4 of a percentage point to 62.6% in January. Nationally, the participation rate fell 0.1 of a percentage point to 65.6%.

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Table A1: Labour Force Aggregates - Trend

SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Jan-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	527.8	538.7	539.5	0.1%	2.2%
Part-time employment	('000)	290.7	290.7	291.0	0.1%	0.1%
Total employment	('000)	818.5	829.5	830.5	0.1%	1.5%
Unemployment	('000)	58.7	52.2	52.7	1.0%	-10.1%
Unemployment rate	%	6.7	5.9	6.0	0.0pp	-0.7pp
Participation rate	%	62.2	62.2	62.3	0.1pp	0.1pp
Total hours worked	millions	111.0	111.8	111.6	-0.2%	0.6%
AUSTRALIA						
		Jan-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,203.0	8,486.4	8,495.2	0.1%	3.6%
Part-time employment	('000)	3,848.6	3,937.2	3,951.4	0.4%	2.7%
Total employment	('000)	12,051.7	12,423.6	12,446.6	0.2%	3.3%
Unemployment	('000)	738.2	717.6	720.2	0.4%	-2.4%
Unemployment rate	%	5.8	5.5	5.5	0.0pp	-0.3pp
Participation rate	%	64.7	65.5	65.6	0.1pp	0.9pp
Total hours worked	millions	1,681.8	1,728.2	1,727.0	-0.1%	2.7%

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

Table A2: Labour Force Aggregates - Seasonally Adjusted

SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Jan-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	531.9	536.0	538.2	0.4%	1.2%
Part-time employment	('000)	289.2	292.9	296.0	1.1%	2.3%
Total employment	('000)	821.1	828.9	834.3	0.6%	1.6%
Unemployment	('000)	56.1	51.8	53.4	3.1%	-4.8%
Unemployment rate	%	6.4	5.9	6.0	0.1pp	-0.4pp
Participation rate	%	62.2	62.2	62.6	0.4pp	0.4pp
Total hours worked	millions	113.6	111.9	111.2	-0.6%	-2.1%
AUSTRALIA						
		Jan-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,167.8	8,510.7	8,460.9	-0.6%	3.6%
Part-time employment	('000)	3,882.5	3,926.7	3,992.6	1.7%	2.8%
Total employment	('000)	12,050.2	12,437.5	12,453.5	0.1%	3.3%
Unemployment	('000)	724.2	731.7	723.8	-1.1%	0.0%
Unemployment rate	%	5.7	5.6	5.5	-0.1pp	-0.2pp
Participation rate	%	64.6	65.7	65.6	-0.1pp	1.0pp
Total hours worked	millions	1,699.0	1,732.3	1,708.2	-1.4%	0.5%

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