# LABOUR MARKET, NOVEMBER 2017

## **Summary**

During November, total employment:

- fell by a marginal 400 persons in South Australia in <u>trend</u> terms (nationally, total employment rose 0.2%); and
- rose 0.2% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (nationally, total employment rose 0.5%).

During November, the unemployment rate:

- was 5.8% in South Australia in <u>trend</u> terms (5.4% nationally); and
- was 6.1% in South Australia in <u>seasonally adjusted</u> terms (5.4% nationally).

Underemployment is above average in South Australia and as a result the overall trend labour force underutilisation rate was 15.1% in November, above the national rate of 13.8%.

## **Further Analysis**

#### **Employment**

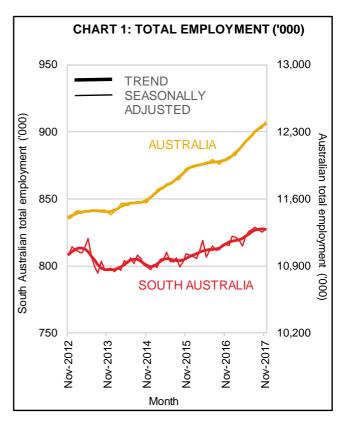
In **trend** terms, total employment in South Australia fell by 400, and rose by 22,200 (0.2%) nationally in November—see Chart 1.

- In <u>South Australia</u>, full-time employment rose by 1,700 persons (0.3%) but part-time employment fell by 2,000 (0.7%).
- <u>Nationally</u>, full-time employment rose by 15,300 persons (0.2%) and part-time employment rose by 6,900 (0.2%).

Annual trend employment growth was 1.3% for South Australia and 3.1% nationally.

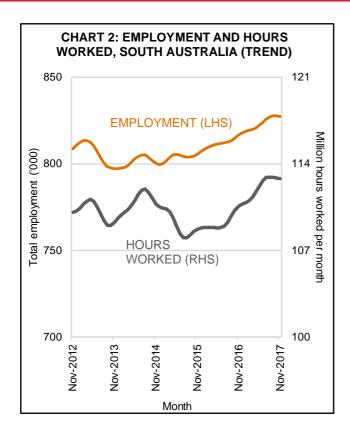
In **seasonally adjusted** terms, total employment in <u>South Australia</u> rose by 2,000 people (0.2%) in November, following a fall of 0.2% in October. Employment rose by 61,600 (0.5%) <u>nationally</u>.

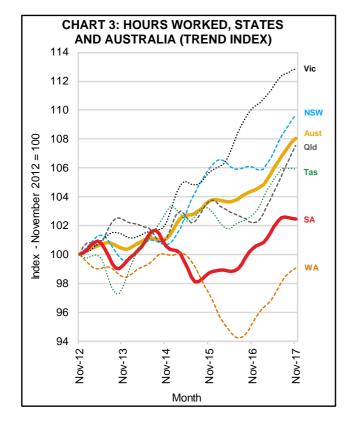
- In <u>South Australia</u>, full-time employment rose by 8,100 (1.5%) while part-time employment fell by 6,100 (2.1%).
- <u>Nationally</u>, full-time employment rose by 41,900 people (0.5%) and part-time employment rose by 19,700 (0.5%).



### Hours worked

In **trend** terms, monthly hours worked in all jobs was unchanged in South Australia in November but was 2.0% higher than a year earlier—see Chart 2. Nationally, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 3.4% through the year to November.



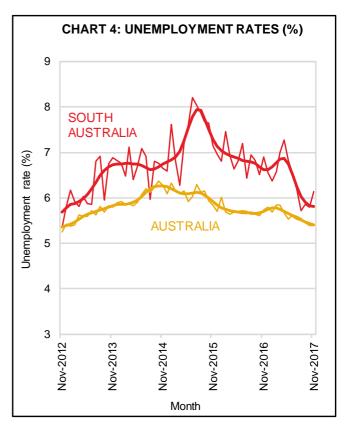


#### **Unemployment**

In **trend** terms, the unemployment rate in <u>South Australia</u> remained unchanged at 5.8% in November. <u>Nationally</u>, the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.4% in November—see Table 1 and Chart 4.

Table 1: Unemployment Rates —Trend

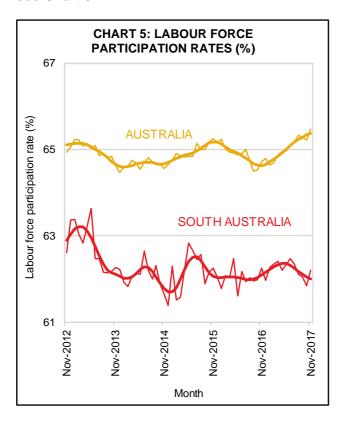
	Nov 16 (%)	Oct 17 (%)	Nov 17 (%)
NSW	5.0	4.7	4.6
VIC	5.9	5.8	5.7
QLD	6.1	5.8	5.8
SA	6.6	5.8	5.8
WA	6.5	6.1	6.2
TAS	6.3	5.9	5.9
AUST	5.7	5.4	5.4



In **seasonally adjusted** terms, <u>South Australia's</u> unemployment rate rose from 5.8% in October to 6.1% in November. <u>Australia's</u> unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.4% in November.

#### **Participation**

In **trend** terms, the participation rate in <u>South Australia</u> fell to 62.0% in November from 62.1% in October. <u>Nationally</u>, the participation rate rose to 65.4% in November from 65.3% in October—see Chart 5.



In **seasonally adjusted** terms, the <u>South Australian</u> participation rate rose 0.4 of a percentage point to 62.2% in November. <u>Nationally</u>, the participation rate rose by 0.3 of a percentage point to 65.5%.

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Nov-16	Oct-17	Nov-17	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru yea
Full-time employment	('000)	526.9	538.1	539.7	0.3%	2.4%
Part-time employment	('000)	289.6	289.6	287.5	-0.7%	-0.7%
Total employment	('000)	816.5	827.6	827.3	0.0%	1.3%
Unemployment	('000)	57.9	51.2	51.1	-0.2%	-11.8%
Unemployment rate	%	6.6	5.8	5.8	0.0pp	-0.8pp
Participation rate	%	62.1	62.1	62.0	0.0pp	-0.1pp
Total hours worked	millions	110.5	112.8	112.8	0.0%	2.0%
AUSTRALIA		Nov-16	Oct-17	Nov-17	Chang	je (%)
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,172.1	8,465.1	8,480.4	0.2%	3.8%
Part-time employment	(,000)	3,837.0	3,892.8	3,899.7	0.2%	1.6%
Total employment	(,000)	12,009.1	12,357.9	12,380.1	0.2%	3.1%
Unemployment	('000)	727.2	710.2	707.3	-0.4%	-2.7%
Unemployment rate	%	5.7	5.4	5.4	0.0pp	-0.3pp
Participation rate	%	64.6	65.3	65.4	0.0pp	0.7pp
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Total hours worked	millions	1,676.8	1,730.6	1,734.4	0.2%	3.4%
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