

LABOUR MARKET, SEPTEMBER 2017

Summary

During September, total employment:

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

During September, the unemployment rate:

- was 5.8% in South Australia in trend terms (5.5% nationally); and
- was 5.8% in South Australia in seasonally adjusted terms (5.5% nationally).

Further Analysis

Employment

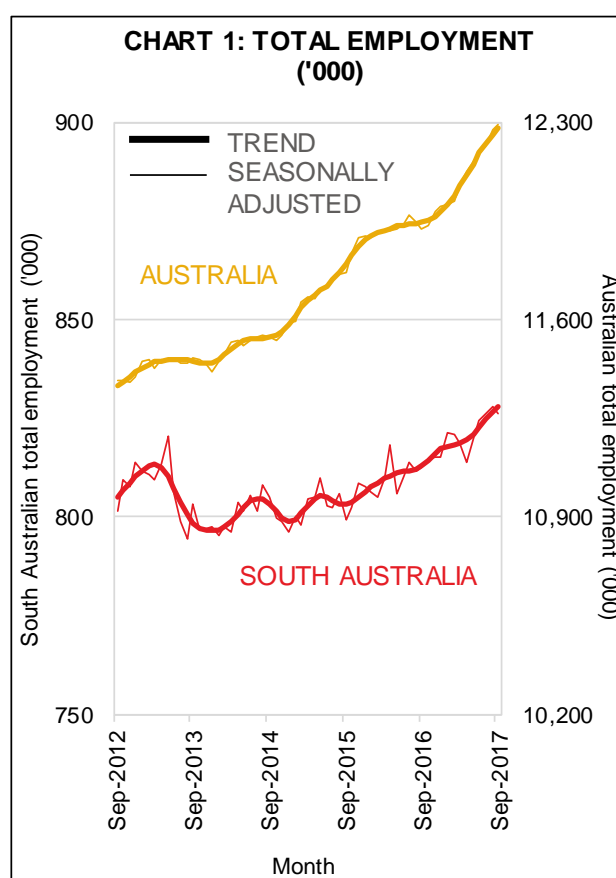
In **trend** terms, total employment in South Australia rose by 1,500 (0.2%), and rose by 23,800 (0.2%) nationally in September—see Chart 1.

- In South Australia, full-time employment fell by 500 persons (0.1%) and part-time employment rose by 2,000 (0.7%).
- Nationally, full-time employment rose by 16,000 persons (0.2%) and part-time employment rose by 7,700 (0.2%).

Annual trend employment growth was 1.9% for South Australia and 2.8% nationally.

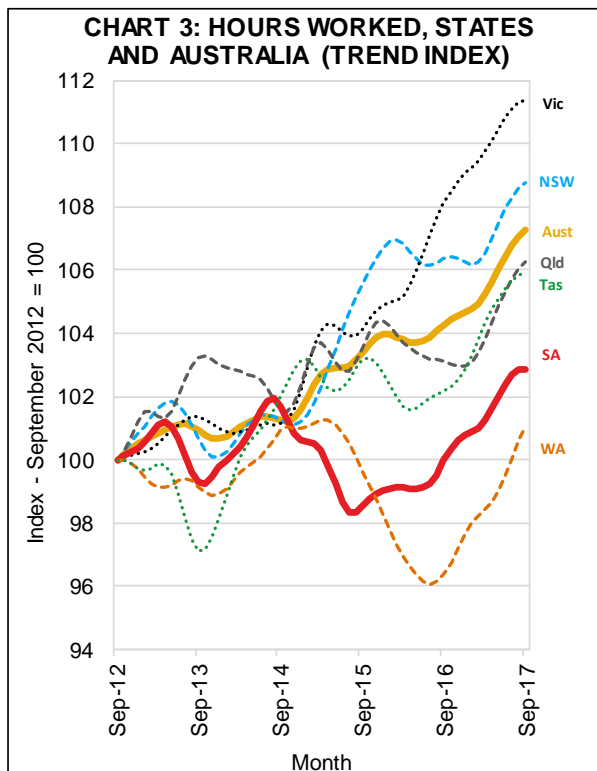
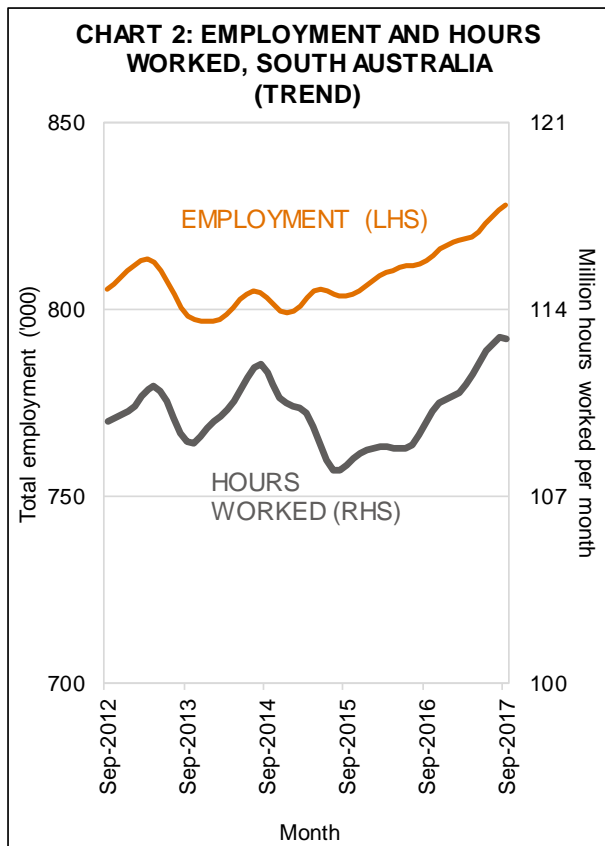
In **seasonally adjusted** terms, total employment in South Australia fell by 1,800 people (0.2%) in September, following a rise of 0.2% in August. Employment rose by 19,800 (0.2%) nationally.

- In South Australia, full-time employment fell by 5,600 (1.0%) while part-time employment rose by 3,800 (1.3%).
- Nationally, full-time employment rose by 6,100 people (0.1%) and part-time employment rose by 13,700 (0.4%).



Hours worked

In **trend** terms, monthly hours worked in all jobs fell marginally in South Australia in September but was 2.9% higher than a year earlier—see Chart 2. Nationally, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 2.9% through the year to September.

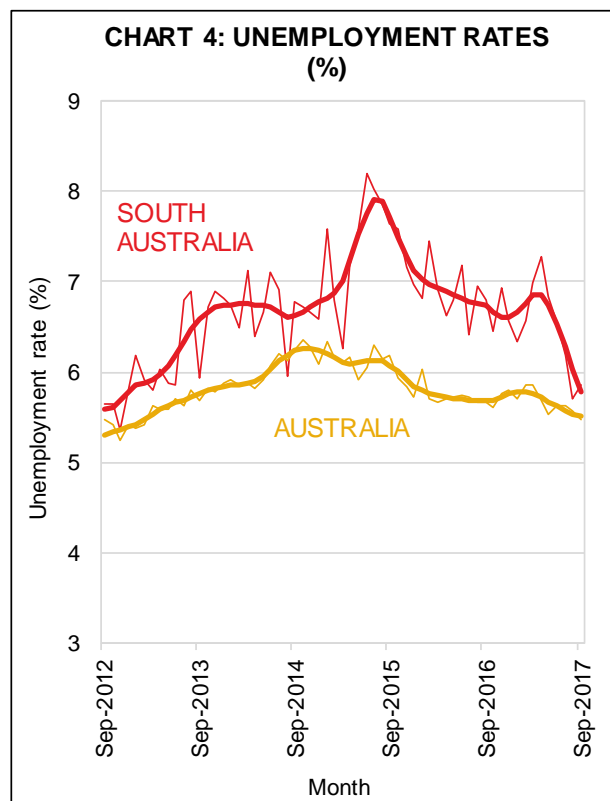


Unemployment

In **trend** terms, the unemployment rate in South Australia fell from 6.0% in August to 5.8% in September. Nationally, the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 5.5% in September—see Table 1 and Chart 4.

Table 1: Unemployment Rates —Trend

	Sep 16 (%)	Aug 17 (%)	Sep 17 (%)
NSW	5.0	4.8	4.8
VIC	5.8	6.0	6.0
QLD	6.1	6.0	5.9
SA	6.7	6.0	5.8
WA	6.4	5.6	5.6
TAS	6.6	6.0	5.9
AUST	5.7	5.5	5.5

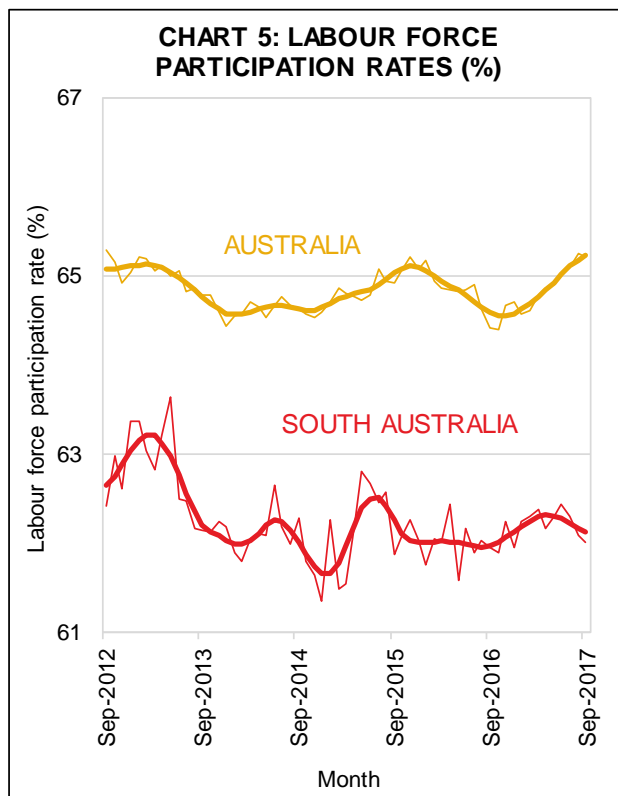


In **seasonally adjusted** terms, South Australia's unemployment rate rose from 5.7% in August to 5.8% in September. Australia's unemployment rate fell from 5.6% in August to 5.5% in September.



Participation

In **trend** terms, the participation rate in South Australia fell 0.1 of a percentage point to 62.1%. Nationally, the participation rate rose 0.1 of a percentage point to 65.2%—see Chart 5.



In **seasonally adjusted** terms, the South Australian participation rate fell 0.1 of a percentage point to 62.0% in September. Nationally, the participation rate remained unchanged at 65.2%.

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Table A1: Labour Force Aggregates - Trend

SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Sep-16	Aug-17	Sep-17	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	524.4	533.8	533.3	-0.1%	1.7%
Part-time employment	('000)	288.6	292.8	294.8	0.7%	2.1%
Total employment	('000)	813.0	826.5	828.1	0.2%	1.9%
Unemployment	('000)	58.7	53.0	50.9	-3.9%	-13.3%
Unemployment rate	%	6.7	6.0	5.8	-0.2pp	-0.9pp
Participation rate	%	62.0	62.2	62.1	-0.1pp	0.1pp
Total hours worked	millions	109.7	112.9	112.9	0.0%	2.9%
AUSTRALIA						
		Sep-16	Aug-17	Sep-17	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,131.8	8,387.1	8,403.1	0.2%	3.3%
Part-time employment	('000)	3,814.0	3,870.4	3,878.1	0.2%	1.7%
Total employment	('000)	11,945.7	12,257.5	12,281.2	0.2%	2.8%
Unemployment	('000)	718.8	718.8	716.6	-0.3%	-0.3%
Unemployment rate	%	5.7	5.5	5.5	0.0pp	-0.2pp
Participation rate	%	64.6	65.2	65.2	0.1pp	0.6pp
Total hours worked	millions	1,666.4	1,711.4	1,714.5	0.2%	2.9%

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

Table A2: Labour Force Aggregates - Seasonally Adjusted

SOUTH AUSTRALIA		Sep-16	Aug-17	Sep-17	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	522.8	534.4	528.8	-1.0%	1.1%
Part-time employment	('000)	289.6	293.7	297.5	1.3%	2.7%
Total employment	('000)	812.3	828.1	826.3	-0.2%	1.7%
Unemployment	('000)	59.2	50.1	51.3	2.4%	-13.3%
Unemployment rate	%	6.8	5.7	5.8	0.1pp	-0.9pp
Participation rate	%	61.9	62.1	62.0	-0.1pp	0.1pp
Total hours worked	millions	109.4	112.7	112.3	-0.3%	2.7%
AUSTRALIA						
		Sep-16	Aug-17	Sep-17	Change (%)	
					In month	Thru year
Full-time employment	('000)	8,082.2	8,392.1	8,398.2	0.1%	3.9%
Part-time employment	('000)	3,836.5	3,878.3	3,892.0	0.4%	1.4%
Total employment	('000)	11,918.7	12,270.4	12,290.2	0.2%	3.1%
Unemployment	('000)	716.6	723.3	711.5	-1.6%	-0.7%
Unemployment rate	%	5.7	5.6	5.5	-0.1pp	-0.2pp
Participation rate	%	64.4	65.2	65.2	0.0pp	0.8pp
Total hours worked	millions	1,661.4	1,707.0	1,718.2	0.7%	3.4%

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