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THE LABOUR FORCE, AUSTRALIA, FEBRUARY 1990, PRELIMINARY

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**MAIN FEATURES**

The February 1990 seasonally adjusted estimate of **employed persons** was 7,855,300, a small fall (7,300) since January 1990. Full-time employment fell by 16,000, while part-time employment rose by 8,700. The number of employed males decreased by 12,500 to 4,620,200 and female employment

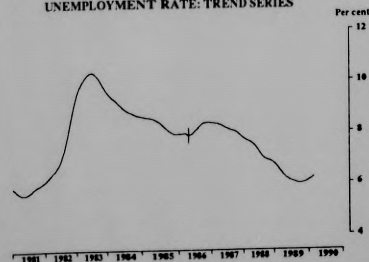
rose by 5,300 to 3,235,000. While trend estimates of employment have been increasing, the rate of growth continues to decline.

Trend estimates of employed persons show differing patterns from State to State (see graphs on page 2). In recent months, Victoria, Queensland and Western Australia have shown growth, Tasmania has experienced steady employment, and in New South Wales and South Australia employment has declined.

**EMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES**



**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: TREND SERIES**



The seasonally adjusted estimate of **unemployed persons** rose by 27,600 to 542,000 in February 1990. The main components of this increase were: persons looking for full-time work (a rise of 12,200 for females and a rise of 7,300 for males) and females looking for part-time work (a rise of 7,400). Trend estimates of unemployed persons have shown successive increases since September 1989.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the **unemployment rate** was 6.5% for February 1990, compared with 6.1% in January 1990. The seasonally adjusted estimates for males and females were 5.9% and 7.3%, increases of 0.2 and 0.5 percentage points respectively.

The February 1990 seasonally adjusted estimates of the unemployment rate for the States were: Victoria 5.0%, New South Wales 6.6%, Queensland and Western Australia 7.0%, South Australia 7.6%, and Tasmania 8.1%.

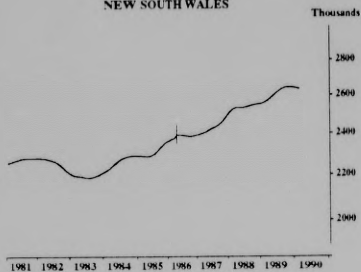
Trend estimates of the unemployment rate vary from State to State (see graphs on page 3). For Victoria, Queensland and Tasmania, recent trend estimates have been steady. For New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia, trend estimates have been increasing in recent months.

The seasonally adjusted estimate of the **labour force participation rate** for February 1990 was 63.7%, the highest level recorded by the survey. The female participation rate of 52.3% was also the highest recorded.

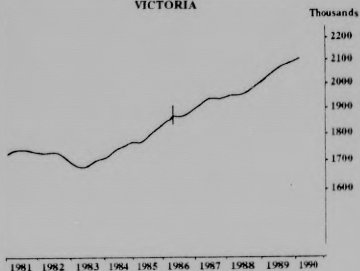
## EMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES

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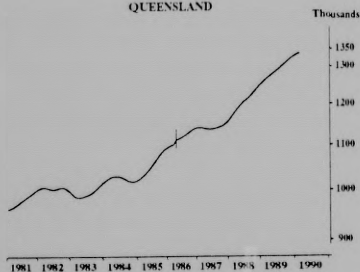
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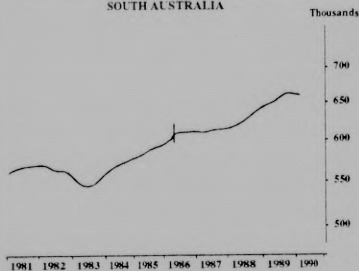
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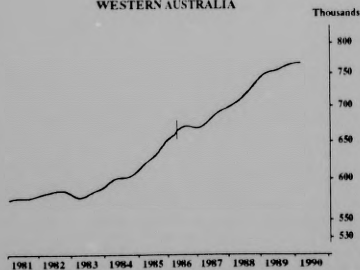
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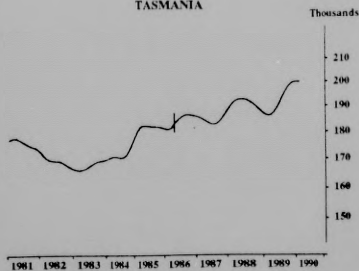
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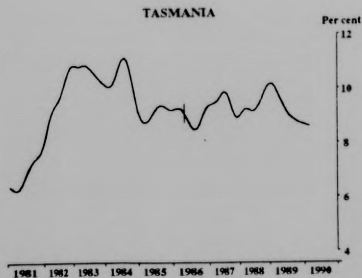
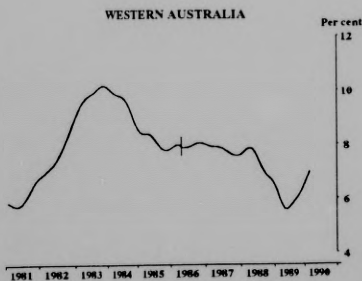
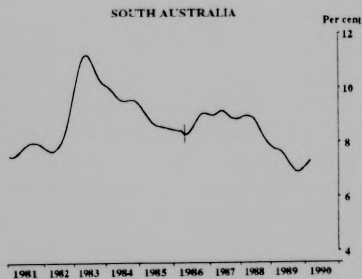
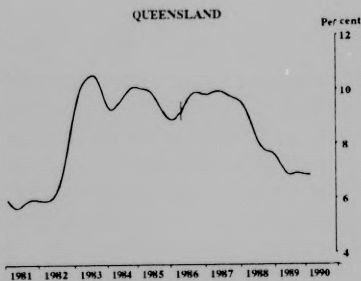
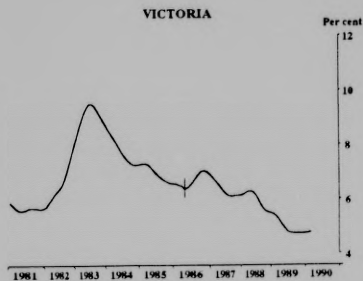
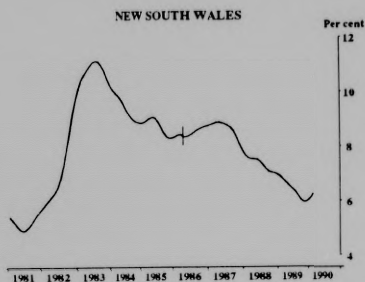
TASMANIA



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## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE: TREND SERIES

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER

| Month                                       | Unemployed        |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |         |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
|                                             | Employed          |         | Looking for full-time work       |       | Looking for part-time work |       | Labour force | Not in labour force | Civilian population aged 15 and over | Unemployment rate per cent. | Participation rate |         |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                             | Full-time workers | Total   | Aged 15-19 looking for first job | Total | Total                      | Total |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    | ('000.) |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                             |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |         |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                             |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| MALES                                       |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988 - December                             | 4,206.6           | 4,532.1 | 35.2                             | 272.8 | 38.5                       | 311.3 | 4,843.4      | 1,521.8             | 6,365.1                              | 6.4                         | 76.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 - January                              | 4,147.0           | 4,455.4 | 36.4                             | 296.1 | 37.8                       | 333.8 | 4,789.2      | 1,587.1             | 6,376.3                              | 7.0                         | 75.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| February                                    | 4,204.3           | 4,513.3 | 28.5                             | 286.9 | 39.6                       | 326.6 | 4,839.9      | 1,547.5             | 6,387.4                              | 6.7                         | 75.8               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| March                                       | 4,196.5           | 4,530.7 | 15.2                             | 257.4 | 36.5                       | 293.9 | 4,824.6      | 1,574.1             | 6,398.6                              | 6.1                         | 75.4               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| April                                       | 4,222.7           | 4,563.7 | 14.7                             | 236.4 | 37.3                       | 273.7 | 4,837.4      | 1,572.0             | 6,409.4                              | 5.7                         | 75.5               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| May                                         | 4,225.1           | 4,571.2 | 14.3                             | 242.9 | 35.6                       | 278.5 | 4,849.7      | 1,570.5             | 6,420.2                              | 5.7                         | 75.5               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| June                                        | 4,222.4           | 4,570.6 | 12.0                             | 230.7 | 29.9                       | 260.5 | 4,831.1      | 1,599.8             | 6,430.9                              | 5.4                         | 75.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| July                                        | 4,249.4           | 4,594.9 | 12.6                             | 231.1 | 33.6                       | 264.8 | 4,859.7      | 1,581.9             | 6,441.6                              | 5.4                         | 75.4               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| August                                      | 4,217.5           | 4,571.9 | 13.5                             | 230.7 | 30.0                       | 260.7 | 4,832.6      | 1,619.7             | 6,452.3                              | 5.4                         | 74.9               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| September                                   | 4,250.3           | 4,628.4 | 13.7                             | 238.2 | 36.5                       | 274.7 | 4,903.1      | 1,559.8             | 6,463.0                              | 5.0                         | 75.3               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| October                                     | 4,264.2           | 4,628.3 | 15.0                             | 211.0 | 32.2                       | 243.2 | 4,871.5      | 1,599.8             | 6,471.3                              | 4.9                         | 75.3               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| November                                    | 4,263.0           | 4,637.7 | 12.9                             | 214.0 | 26.7                       | 240.7 | 4,878.4      | 1,601.1             | 6,479.5                              | 4.9                         | 75.3               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| December                                    | 4,299.4           | 4,672.6 | 23.5                             | 246.1 | 31.8                       | 277.9 | 4,950.5      | 1,537.3             | 6,487.8                              | 5.6                         | 76.3               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990 - January                              | 4,237.3           | 4,586.1 | 30.4                             | 274.0 | 37.1                       | 311.1 | 4,897.2      | 1,599.0             | 6,496.2                              | 6.4                         | 75.4               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| February                                    | 4,259.6           | 4,609.6 | 20.5                             | 274.1 | 37.6                       | 311.8 | 4,921.3      | 1,583.3             | 6,504.6                              | 6.3                         | 75.7               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard error of - February 1990 estimates | 18.7              | 19.2    | 2.1                              | 6.6   | 2.8                        | 7.0   | 19.6         | 13.1                | ..                                   | 0.1                         | 0.3                |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements                  | 14.2              | 14.6    | 2.2                              | 5.1   | 2.4                        | 5.3   | 15.0         | 9.9                 | ..                                   | 0.1                         | 0.2                |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| FEMALES                                     |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988 - December                             | 1,896.7           | 3,090.8 | 30.4                             | 169.6 | 82.4                       | 252.0 | 3,342.9      | 3,193.7             | 6,536.5                              | 7.5                         | 51.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 - January                              | 1,868.3           | 2,969.5 | 33.6                             | 181.1 | 77.4                       | 258.6 | 3,228.1      | 3,320.0             | 6,548.1                              | 8.0                         | 49.3               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| February                                    | 1,872.4           | 3,056.4 | 32.7                             | 184.7 | 86.9                       | 271.5 | 3,327.9      | 3,211.8             | 6,559.7                              | 8.2                         | 50.7               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| March                                       | 1,885.0           | 3,107.6 | 19.8                             | 159.2 | 93.2                       | 252.4 | 3,360.0      | 3,211.3             | 6,571.3                              | 7.5                         | 51.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| April                                       | 1,890.8           | 3,119.6 | 18.4                             | 153.4 | 89.0                       | 242.4 | 3,362.0      | 3,220.4             | 6,582.4                              | 7.2                         | 51.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| May                                         | 1,897.5           | 3,158.0 | 16.7                             | 160.0 | 80.1                       | 240.0 | 3,398.1      | 3,195.4             | 6,593.5                              | 7.1                         | 51.5               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| June                                        | 1,902.9           | 3,149.9 | 17.1                             | 147.5 | 69.4                       | 216.9 | 3,366.7      | 3,217.9             | 6,604.6                              | 6.4                         | 51.0               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| July                                        | 1,922.8           | 3,156.9 | 15.2                             | 149.5 | 69.1                       | 218.6 | 3,375.5      | 3,238.4             | 6,613.9                              | 6.5                         | 51.0               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| August                                      | 1,901.5           | 3,155.7 | 14.8                             | 139.4 | 69.3                       | 208.7 | 3,364.4      | 3,258.7             | 6,623.1                              | 6.2                         | 50.8               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| September                                   | 1,930.8           | 3,226.0 | 14.1                             | 144.2 | 82.3                       | 226.6 | 3,452.6      | 3,179.9             | 6,632.5                              | 6.6                         | 52.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| October                                     | 1,930.2           | 3,189.5 | 14.7                             | 136.7 | 77.4                       | 214.1 | 3,403.7      | 3,237.5             | 6,641.1                              | 6.3                         | 51.3               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| November                                    | 1,951.4           | 3,233.0 | 12.7                             | 136.3 | 69.7                       | 206.0 | 3,439.1      | 3,210.7             | 6,649.7                              | 6.0                         | 51.7               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| December                                    | 1,996.5           | 3,268.9 | 26.4                             | 153.0 | 71.0                       | 224.0 | 3,492.9      | 3,165.4             | 6,658.4                              | 6.4                         | 52.5               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990 - January                              | 1,955.9           | 3,126.5 | 28.4                             | 173.1 | 66.2                       | 239.3 | 3,365.8      | 3,301.1             | 6,666.9                              | 7.1                         | 50.5               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| February                                    | 1,955.4           | 3,199.5 | 22.6                             | 186.0 | 95.9                       | 282.0 | 3,481.5      | 3,193.8             | 6,675.3                              | 8.1                         | 52.2               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard error of - February 1990 estimates | 14.2              | 16.9    | 2.2                              | 5.6   | 4.2                        | 6.7   | 17.4         | 16.9                | ..                                   | 0.2                         | 0.3                |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements                  | 10.6              | 12.8    | 2.2                              | 4.4   | 3.4                        | 5.1   | 13.2         | 12.9                | ..                                   | 0.1                         | 0.2                |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| PERSONS                                     |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1988 - December                             | 6,103.3           | 7,622.9 | 65.6                             | 442.4 | 120.9                      | 563.3 | 8,186.2      | 4,715.4             | 12,901.7                             | 6.9                         | 63.5               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1989 - January                              | 6,015.3           | 7,424.9 | 70.0                             | 477.2 | 115.2                      | 592.4 | 8,017.3      | 4,907.1             | 12,924.4                             | 7.4                         | 62.0               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| February                                    | 6,076.8           | 7,569.7 | 61.2                             | 471.6 | 126.5                      | 598.1 | 8,167.8      | 4,793.3             | 12,971.1                             | 7.3                         | 63.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| March                                       | 6,081.4           | 7,638.3 | 34.9                             | 416.6 | 129.6                      | 546.3 | 8,184.5      | 4,785.4             | 12,969.9                             | 6.7                         | 63.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| April                                       | 6,113.5           | 7,683.2 | 33.1                             | 389.8 | 126.4                      | 516.1 | 8,199.4      | 4,792.4             | 12,991.8                             | 6.3                         | 63.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| May                                         | 6,122.5           | 7,729.3 | 31.0                             | 402.8 | 115.7                      | 518.5 | 8,247.8      | 4,765.9             | 13,013.6                             | 6.3                         | 63.4               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| June                                        | 6,125.3           | 7,720.5 | 29.1                             | 378.2 | 99.2                       | 477.4 | 8,197.9      | 4,837.7             | 13,035.5                             | 5.8                         | 62.9               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| July                                        | 6,172.2           | 7,751.8 | 27.8                             | 380.6 | 102.7                      | 483.4 | 8,235.1      | 4,820.4             | 13,055.5                             | 5.9                         | 63.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| August                                      | 6,108.9           | 7,727.6 | 28.3                             | 370.1 | 99.3                       | 469.4 | 8,197.0      | 4,878.5             | 13,075.4                             | 5.7                         | 62.7               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| September                                   | 6,181.1           | 7,854.4 | 27.8                             | 382.5 | 118.8                      | 501.3 | 8,355.7      | 4,739.8             | 13,095.5                             | 6.0                         | 63.8               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| October                                     | 6,194.4           | 7,817.8 | 29.7                             | 347.7 | 109.6                      | 457.4 | 8,275.1      | 4,837.2             | 13,112.4                             | 5.8                         | 63.1               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| November                                    | 6,214.4           | 7,870.7 | 25.6                             | 350.3 | 96.4                       | 446.7 | 8,317.5      | 4,811.8             | 13,129.3                             | 5.4                         | 63.4               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| December                                    | 6,295.9           | 7,941.6 | 49.9                             | 399.1 | 102.8                      | 501.9 | 8,443.5      | 4,702.7             | 13,146.1                             | 5.9                         | 64.2               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1990 - January                              | 6,193.3           | 7,712.6 | 58.8                             | 447.0 | 103.4                      | 550.4 | 8,263.0      | 4,900.0             | 13,163.1                             | 6.7                         | 62.8               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| February                                    | 6,215.1           | 7,809.1 | 43.2                             | 460.2 | 133.6                      | 593.7 | 8,402.8      | 4,777.1             | 13,179.9                             | 7.1                         | 63.8               |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Standard error of - February 1990 estimates | 21.2              | 22.9    | 3.0                              | 8.2   | 4.9                        | 9.0   | 23.5         | 19.4                | ..                                   | 0.1                         | 0.2                |         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements                  | 16.4              | 17.8    | 2.9                              | 6.2   | 3.9                        | 6.8   | 18.3         | 15.0                | ..                                   | 0.1                         | 0.1                |         |  |  |  |  |  |



TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES - revised

| TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES - TOTALS |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                             |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| Month                                                               | Employed          |         | Looking for full-time work       |       | Looking for part-time work |       | Labour force | Unemployment rate per cent. | Participation rate |
|                                                                     | Full-time workers | Total   | Aged 15-19 looking for first job | Total | Total                      | Total |              |                             |                    |
|                                                                     |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                             |                    |
|                                                                     |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                             |                    |
| MALES                                                               |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                             |                    |
| 1988 - December                                                     | 4,165.0           | 4,486.3 | 23.5                             | 269.1 | 32.5                       | 301.6 | 4,787.8      | 6.3                         | 75.2               |
| 1989 - January                                                      | 4,171.7           | 4,499.0 | 22.8                             | 266.9 | 33.6                       | 300.5 | 4,799.5      | 6.3                         | 75.3               |
| February                                                            | 4,188.9           | 4,520.4 | 21.3                             | 265.1 | 36.1                       | 301.2 | 4,821.6      | 6.2                         | 75.5               |
| March                                                               | 4,182.1           | 4,505.6 | 15.5                             | 252.2 | 31.1                       | 283.3 | 4,789.0      | 5.9                         | 74.8               |
| April                                                               | 4,222.4           | 4,551.7 | 16.9                             | 243.5 | 35.1                       | 278.6 | 4,830.3      | 5.8                         | 75.4               |
| May                                                                 | 4,235.1           | 4,575.8 | 16.1                             | 242.8 | 35.4                       | 278.3 | 4,854.1      | 5.7                         | 75.6               |
| June                                                                | 4,228.8           | 4,570.8 | 16.2                             | 235.8 | 34.2                       | 270.0 | 4,840.8      | 5.6                         | 75.3               |
| July                                                                | 4,237.6           | 4,591.1 | 15.2                             | 235.4 | 37.8                       | 273.2 | 4,864.2      | 5.6                         | 75.5               |
| August                                                              | 4,255.7           | 4,614.6 | 16.8                             | 234.9 | 34.1                       | 268.9 | 4,883.5      | 5.5                         | 75.7               |
| September                                                           | 4,247.7           | 4,615.2 | 16.0                             | 238.3 | 37.3                       | 275.6 | 4,890.8      | 5.6                         | 75.7               |
| October                                                             | 4,260.8           | 4,629.5 | 18.8                             | 223.9 | 35.0                       | 258.9 | 4,888.5      | 5.3                         | 75.5               |
| November                                                            | 4,273.6           | 4,638.5 | 16.1                             | 232.3 | 33.2                       | 265.4 | 4,903.9      | 5.4                         | 75.7               |
| December                                                            | 4,257.3           | 4,625.4 | 15.7                             | 243.4 | 26.8                       | 270.2 | 4,895.6      | 5.5                         | 75.5               |
| 1990 - January                                                      | 4,263.8           | 4,632.8 | 18.9                             | 246.6 | 33.2                       | 279.8 | 4,912.6      | 5.7                         | 75.6               |
| February                                                            | 4,244.8           | 4,620.2 | 15.3                             | 253.9 | 33.9                       | 287.8 | 4,908.1      | 5.9                         | 75.5               |
| FEMALES                                                             |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                             |                    |
| 1988 - December                                                     | 1,861.8           | 3,049.0 | 21.1                             | 165.0 | 87.8                       | 252.7 | 3,301.8      | 7.7                         | 50.5               |
| 1989 - January                                                      | 1,862.7           | 3,068.8 | 21.5                             | 162.1 | 94.0                       | 256.1 | 3,324.9      | 7.7                         | 50.8               |
| February                                                            | 1,870.2           | 3,089.8 | 24.7                             | 164.4 | 79.2                       | 243.6 | 3,333.4      | 7.3                         | 50.8               |
| March                                                               | 1,873.6           | 3,074.5 | 18.4                             | 149.3 | 74.6                       | 223.9 | 3,298.4      | 6.8                         | 50.2               |
| April                                                               | 1,889.2           | 3,101.8 | 19.8                             | 147.3 | 74.7                       | 221.9 | 3,328.8      | 6.7                         | 50.5               |
| May                                                                 | 1,904.3           | 3,141.6 | 19.5                             | 158.2 | 77.4                       | 235.5 | 3,377.2      | 7.0                         | 51.2               |
| June                                                                | 1,923.4           | 3,148.1 | 19.7                             | 152.0 | 73.4                       | 225.4 | 3,373.4      | 6.7                         | 51.1               |
| July                                                                | 1,925.5           | 3,163.1 | 19.3                             | 156.6 | 73.8                       | 230.4 | 3,393.5      | 6.8                         | 51.3               |
| August                                                              | 1,925.9           | 3,181.8 | 18.2                             | 149.1 | 78.2                       | 227.3 | 3,409.2      | 6.7                         | 51.5               |
| September                                                           | 1,928.2           | 3,194.4 | 17.6                             | 152.7 | 77.8                       | 230.5 | 3,424.9      | 6.7                         | 51.6               |
| October                                                             | 1,927.3           | 3,187.7 | 18.7                             | 150.8 | 81.5                       | 232.3 | 3,420.0      | 6.8                         | 51.5               |
| November                                                            | 1,949.3           | 3,211.3 | 17.2                             | 151.5 | 78.6                       | 230.1 | 3,441.4      | 6.7                         | 51.8               |
| December                                                            | 1,958.9           | 3,225.0 | 18.2                             | 148.6 | 75.7                       | 224.3 | 3,449.3      | 6.5                         | 51.8               |
| 1990 - January                                                      | 1,950.5           | 3,229.8 | 18.2                             | 154.6 | 79.9                       | 234.6 | 3,464.4      | 6.8                         | 52.0               |
| February                                                            | 1,953.5           | 3,235.0 | 17.1                             | 166.8 | 87.4                       | 254.2 | 3,489.2      | 7.3                         | 52.3               |
| PERSONS                                                             |                   |         |                                  |       |                            |       |              |                             |                    |
| 1988 - December                                                     | 6,026.7           | 7,535.3 | 44.6                             | 434.1 | 120.3                      | 554.3 | 8,089.6      | 6.9                         | 62.7               |
| 1989 - January                                                      | 6,034.5           | 7,567.8 | 44.3                             | 428.9 | 127.6                      | 556.6 | 8,124.4      | 6.9                         | 62.9               |
| February                                                            | 6,059.2           | 7,610.2 | 46.0                             | 429.5 | 115.3                      | 544.8 | 8,155.0      | 6.7                         | 63.0               |
| March                                                               | 6,055.8           | 7,580.1 | 33.9                             | 401.6 | 105.7                      | 507.3 | 8,087.4      | 6.3                         | 62.4               |
| April                                                               | 6,111.6           | 7,653.5 | 36.7                             | 390.8 | 109.8                      | 500.5 | 8,154.0      | 6.2                         | 62.8               |
| May                                                                 | 6,139.4           | 7,717.4 | 35.6                             | 401.0 | 112.8                      | 513.8 | 8,231.2      | 6.2                         | 63.3               |
| June                                                                | 6,152.3           | 7,718.9 | 35.9                             | 387.8 | 107.6                      | 495.3 | 8,214.2      | 6.0                         | 63.0               |
| July                                                                | 6,163.1           | 7,754.2 | 34.4                             | 392.0 | 111.6                      | 503.6 | 8,257.7      | 6.1                         | 63.3               |
| August                                                              | 6,181.6           | 7,796.4 | 35.0                             | 384.0 | 112.3                      | 496.3 | 8,292.7      | 6.0                         | 63.4               |
| September                                                           | 6,175.8           | 7,790.6 | 33.6                             | 390.9 | 115.1                      | 506.0 | 8,315.6      | 6.1                         | 63.5               |
| October                                                             | 6,188.1           | 7,817.2 | 37.5                             | 374.8 | 116.5                      | 491.3 | 8,308.5      | 5.9                         | 63.4               |
| November                                                            | 6,222.9           | 7,849.8 | 33.2                             | 383.7 | 111.8                      | 495.5 | 8,345.3      | 5.9                         | 63.6               |
| December                                                            | 6,216.2           | 7,850.4 | 33.8                             | 392.0 | 102.5                      | 494.5 | 8,344.9      | 5.9                         | 63.5               |
| 1990 - January                                                      | 6,214.4           | 7,862.6 | 37.1                             | 401.2 | 113.1                      | 514.4 | 8,376.9      | 6.1                         | 63.6               |
| February                                                            | 6,198.4           | 7,855.3 | 32.5                             | 420.7 | 121.3                      | 542.0 | 8,397.3      | 6.5                         | 63.7               |

TABLE 3. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: TREND SERIES - revised

| Month           | TABLE 3. CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, FRED SERIES - FEMES |         |                                  |       |                            |       |             |                               |      |                | Participation rate<br>per cent |
|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------------------------|------|----------------|--------------------------------|
|                 | Employed                                           |         | Unemployed                       |       |                            |       | Labor force | Unemployment rate<br>per cent |      |                |                                |
|                 |                                                    |         | Looking for full-time work       |       | Looking for part-time work |       |             |                               |      |                |                                |
|                 |                                                    |         | Aged 15-19 looking for first job | Total | Total                      | Total |             |                               |      |                |                                |
|                 |                                                    |         | Full-time workers                | Total | first job                  | Total |             |                               |      | part-time work |                                |
| MALES           |                                                    |         |                                  |       |                            |       |             |                               |      |                |                                |
| 1988 - December | 4,161.8                                            | 4,484.5 | 23.4                             | 267.6 | 33.3                       | 300.9 | 4,785.4     | 6.3                           | 75.2 |                |                                |
| 1989 - January  | 4,173.5                                            | 4,498.5 | 21.8                             | 263.9 | 33.7                       | 297.6 | 4,796.1     | 6.2                           | 75.2 |                |                                |
| February        | 4,185.9                                            | 4,512.8 | 20.0                             | 259.3 | 33.9                       | 293.1 | 4,805.9     | 6.1                           | 75.2 |                |                                |
| March           | 4,199.1                                            | 4,528.3 | 18.3                             | 253.6 | 34.1                       | 287.7 | 4,815.9     | 6.0                           | 75.3 |                |                                |
| April           | 4,212.3                                            | 4,545.0 | 16.9                             | 247.7 | 34.4                       | 282.1 | 4,827.2     | 5.8                           | 75.3 |                |                                |
| May             | 4,224.1                                            | 4,562.2 | 16.0                             | 242.3 | 34.9                       | 277.2 | 4,839.4     | 5.7                           | 75.4 |                |                                |
| June            | 4,234.3                                            | 4,579.2 | 15.8                             | 237.9 | 35.6                       | 273.5 | 4,852.6     | 5.6                           | 75.5 |                |                                |
| July            | 4,242.8                                            | 4,595.0 | 15.9                             | 234.8 | 36.0                       | 270.7 | 4,865.7     | 5.6                           | 75.5 |                |                                |
| August          | 4,250.0                                            | 4,608.7 | 16.3                             | 232.8 | 35.8                       | 268.6 | 4,877.3     | 5.5                           | 75.6 |                |                                |
| September       | 4,255.5                                            | 4,618.7 | 16.6                             | 232.4 | 35.0                       | 267.5 | 4,886.2     | 5.5                           | 75.6 |                |                                |
| October         | 4,259.2                                            | 4,625.2 | 16.8                             | 233.7 | 34.0                       | 267.6 | 4,892.9     | 5.5                           | 75.6 |                |                                |
| November        | 4,261.2                                            | 4,629.2 | 16.9                             | 236.5 | 32.9                       | 269.4 | 4,898.6     | 5.5                           | 75.6 |                |                                |
| December        | 4,261.2                                            | 4,630.7 | 16.9                             | 240.3 | 32.2                       | 272.4 | 4,903.1     | 5.6                           | 75.6 |                |                                |
| 1990 - January  | 4,259.7                                            | 4,630.6 | 16.8                             | 244.4 | 31.7                       | 276.1 | 4,906.7     | 5.6                           | 75.5 |                |                                |
| February        | 4,257.0                                            | 4,629.0 | 16.6                             | 248.5 | 31.6                       | 280.1 | 4,909.1     | 5.7                           | 75.5 |                |                                |
| FEMALES         |                                                    |         |                                  |       |                            |       |             |                               |      |                |                                |
| 1988 - December | 1,861.4                                            | 3,046.6 | 21.0                             | 163.6 | 84.1                       | 247.6 | 3,294.2     | 7.5                           | 50.4 |                |                                |
| 1989 - January  | 1,865.1                                            | 3,060.9 | 21.2                             | 160.8 | 83.9                       | 244.7 | 3,305.7     | 7.4                           | 50.5 |                |                                |
| February        | 1,870.9                                            | 3,076.5 | 21.1                             | 158.0 | 82.0                       | 240.0 | 3,316.4     | 7.2                           | 50.6 |                |                                |
| March           | 1,880.0                                            | 3,093.3 | 20.8                             | 155.6 | 79.3                       | 235.0 | 3,328.3     | 7.1                           | 50.6 |                |                                |
| April           | 1,891.7                                            | 3,111.2 | 20.3                             | 153.8 | 76.6                       | 230.4 | 3,341.6     | 6.9                           | 50.8 |                |                                |
| May             | 1,903.6                                            | 3,129.3 | 19.7                             | 152.8 | 74.7                       | 227.5 | 3,356.9     | 6.8                           | 50.9 |                |                                |
| June            | 1,913.6                                            | 3,147.2 | 19.1                             | 152.6 | 74.6                       | 227.1 | 3,374.3     | 6.7                           | 51.1 |                |                                |
| July            | 1,921.5                                            | 3,163.8 | 18.8                             | 152.6 | 75.6                       | 228.2 | 3,392.0     | 6.7                           | 51.3 |                |                                |
| August          | 1,927.6                                            | 3,178.1 | 18.5                             | 152.1 | 76.8                       | 228.9 | 3,407.0     | 6.7                           | 51.4 |                |                                |
| September       | 1,932.6                                            | 3,189.7 | 18.3                             | 151.3 | 77.6                       | 228.9 | 3,418.6     | 6.7                           | 51.5 |                |                                |
| October         | 1,937.6                                            | 3,199.7 | 18.0                             | 151.0 | 78.3                       | 229.3 | 3,429.0     | 6.7                           | 51.6 |                |                                |
| November        | 1,943.2                                            | 3,209.9 | 17.9                             | 151.8 | 79.2                       | 231.0 | 3,440.9     | 6.7                           | 51.7 |                |                                |
| December        | 1,948.7                                            | 3,219.6 | 17.8                             | 153.6 | 80.1                       | 233.7 | 3,453.2     | 6.8                           | 51.9 |                |                                |
| 1990 - January  | 1,953.4                                            | 3,228.1 | 17.7                             | 155.8 | 81.2                       | 236.9 | 3,465.0     | 6.8                           | 52.0 |                |                                |
| February        | 1,957.0                                            | 3,234.6 | 17.6                             | 158.5 | 82.2                       | 240.7 | 3,475.2     | 6.9                           | 52.1 |                |                                |
| PERSONS         |                                                    |         |                                  |       |                            |       |             |                               |      |                |                                |
| 1988 - December | 6,023.2                                            | 7,531.2 | 44.3                             | 431.2 | 117.3                      | 548.5 | 8,079.7     | 6.8                           | 62.6 |                |                                |
| 1989 - January  | 6,038.6                                            | 7,559.4 | 43.0                             | 424.8 | 117.6                      | 542.4 | 8,101.8     | 6.7                           | 62.7 |                |                                |
| February        | 6,056.8                                            | 7,589.2 | 41.1                             | 417.2 | 115.9                      | 533.1 | 8,122.3     | 6.6                           | 62.7 |                |                                |
| March           | 6,079.1                                            | 7,621.6 | 39.1                             | 409.2 | 113.4                      | 522.6 | 8,144.2     | 6.4                           | 62.8 |                |                                |
| April           | 6,104.0                                            | 7,656.2 | 37.2                             | 401.5 | 111.0                      | 512.5 | 8,168.7     | 6.3                           | 62.9 |                |                                |
| May             | 6,127.7                                            | 7,691.5 | 35.7                             | 395.1 | 109.7                      | 504.7 | 8,196.3     | 6.2                           | 63.0 |                |                                |
| June            | 6,147.9                                            | 7,726.3 | 34.9                             | 390.5 | 110.1                      | 500.6 | 8,227.0     | 6.1                           | 63.0 |                |                                |
| July            | 6,164.3                                            | 7,758.8 | 34.7                             | 387.4 | 111.6                      | 499.0 | 8,257.8     | 6.0                           | 63.3 |                |                                |
| August          | 6,177.6                                            | 7,786.8 | 34.8                             | 384.9 | 112.6                      | 496.4 | 8,304.8     | 6.0                           | 63.4 |                |                                |
| September       | 6,188.1                                            | 7,808.4 | 34.9                             | 384.7 | 112.3                      | 497.0 | 8,321.9     | 6.0                           | 63.5 |                |                                |
| October         | 6,196.8                                            | 7,824.9 | 34.9                             | 384.7 | 112.3                      | 497.0 | 8,321.9     | 6.0                           | 63.5 |                |                                |
| November        | 6,204.4                                            | 7,839.0 | 34.8                             | 388.3 | 112.1                      | 500.4 | 8,339.5     | 6.0                           | 63.5 |                |                                |
| December        | 6,209.9                                            | 7,850.2 | 34.7                             | 393.9 | 112.2                      | 506.1 | 8,356.3     | 6.1                           | 63.6 |                |                                |
| 1990 - January  | 6,213.1                                            | 7,858.7 | 34.5                             | 400.2 | 112.9                      | 513.1 | 8,371.7     | 6.1                           | 63.6 |                |                                |
| February        | 6,214.0                                            | 7,863.6 | 34.3                             | 406.9 | 113.8                      | 520.8 | 8,384.4     | 6.2                           | 63.6 |                |                                |

TABLE 4. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: AUSTRALIA

| Month                                       | Number looking for full-time work |       |                  |       | Number looking for part-time work | Unemployment rate          |                  |       |                            |              | Total |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------|----------------------------|--------------|-------|
|                                             | Aged 15-19                        |       |                  | Total |                                   | Looking for full-time work |                  |       | Looking for part-time work |              |       |
|                                             | Looking for first job             | Total | Aged 20 and over |       |                                   | Aged 15-19                 | Aged 20 and over | Total |                            |              |       |
|                                             |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            | - per cent - |       |
| MALES                                       |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |              |       |
| 1988 - December                             | 35.2                              | 59.8  | 213.1            | 272.8 | 38.5                              | 311.3                      | 18.0             | 5.1   | 6.1                        | 10.6         | 6.4   |
| 1989 - January                              | 36.4                              | 63.6  | 232.5            | 296.1 | 37.8                              | 333.8                      | 18.6             | 5.7   | 6.7                        | 10.9         | 7.0   |
| February                                    | 28.5                              | 54.9  | 232.1            | 286.9 | 39.6                              | 326.6                      | 16.4             | 5.6   | 6.4                        | 11.4         | 6.1   |
| March                                       | 15.2                              | 39.5  | 217.9            | 257.4 | 36.5                              | 293.9                      | 12.7             | 5.3   | 5.8                        | 9.8          | 6.1   |
| April                                       | 14.7                              | 35.0  | 201.4            | 236.4 | 37.3                              | 273.7                      | 11.6             | 4.8   | 5.3                        | 9.9          | 5.7   |
| May                                         | 14.3                              | 34.1  | 208.8            | 242.9 | 35.6                              | 278.5                      | 11.3             | 5.0   | 5.4                        | 9.3          | 5.7   |
| June                                        | 12.0                              | 34.9  | 195.8            | 230.7 | 29.9                              | 260.5                      | 11.5             | 4.7   | 5.2                        | 7.9          | 5.4   |
| July                                        | 12.6                              | 35.2  | 196.0            | 231.1 | 33.6                              | 264.8                      | 11.4             | 4.7   | 5.2                        | 8.9          | 5.4   |
| August                                      | 13.5                              | 37.5  | 193.2            | 230.7 | 30.0                              | 260.7                      | 12.8             | 4.6   | 5.2                        | 7.8          | 5.4   |
| September                                   | 13.7                              | 40.4  | 197.8            | 238.2 | 36.5                              | 274.7                      | 13.7             | 4.7   | 5.3                        | 8.8          | 5.6   |
| October                                     | 15.0                              | 35.7  | 175.3            | 211.0 | 32.2                              | 243.2                      | 12.2             | 4.2   | 4.7                        | 8.1          | 5.0   |
| November                                    | 12.9                              | 33.9  | 180.0            | 214.0 | 26.7                              | 240.7                      | 12.1             | 4.3   | 4.8                        | 6.7          | 4.9   |
| December                                    | 23.5                              | 49.4  | 196.8            | 246.1 | 31.8                              | 277.9                      | 15.6             | 4.7   | 5.4                        | 7.8          | 5.6   |
| 1990 - January                              | 30.4                              | 57.7  | 216.2            | 274.0 | 37.1                              | 311.1                      | 17.4             | 5.2   | 6.1                        | 9.6          | 6.4   |
| February                                    | 20.5                              | 47.2  | 226.9            | 274.1 | 37.6                              | 311.8                      | 15.1             | 5.4   | 6.0                        | 9.7          | 6.3   |
| Standard error of - February 1990 estimates | 2.1                               | 3.1   | 6.1              | 6.6   | 2.8                               | 7.0                        | 1.0              | 0.1   | 0.1                        | 0.7          | 0.1   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements                  | 2.2                               | 2.8   | 4.7              | 5.1   | 2.4                               | 5.3                        | 0.9              | 0.1   | 0.1                        | 0.6          | 0.1   |
| FEMALES                                     |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |              |       |
| 1988 - December                             | 30.4                              | 51.7  | 117.9            | 169.6 | 82.4                              | 252.0                      | 21.4             | 6.5   | 8.2                        | 6.5          | 7.5   |
| 1989 - January                              | 33.6                              | 53.8  | 127.3            | 181.1 | 77.4                              | 258.6                      | 21.3             | 7.1   | 8.8                        | 6.6          | 8.0   |
| February                                    | 32.7                              | 56.8  | 127.9            | 184.7 | 86.9                              | 271.5                      | 23.2             | 7.1   | 9.0                        | 6.8          | 8.2   |
| March                                       | 19.8                              | 40.8  | 118.4            | 159.2 | 93.2                              | 252.4                      | 18.1             | 6.5   | 7.8                        | 6.1          | 7.5   |
| April                                       | 18.4                              | 40.2  | 113.2            | 153.4 | 89.0                              | 242.4                      | 18.0             | 6.2   | 7.5                        | 6.8          | 7.2   |
| May                                         | 16.7                              | 40.6  | 119.3            | 160.0 | 80.1                              | 240.0                      | 18.0             | 6.5   | 7.8                        | 6.0          | 7.1   |
| June                                        | 17.1                              | 37.5  | 110.1            | 147.5 | 69.4                              | 216.9                      | 16.8             | 6.0   | 7.2                        | 5.3          | 6.4   |
| July                                        | 15.2                              | 36.3  | 113.1            | 149.5 | 69.1                              | 218.6                      | 15.9             | 6.1   | 7.2                        | 5.3          | 6.4   |
| August                                      | 14.8                              | 34.4  | 105.0            | 139.4 | 69.3                              | 208.7                      | 16.4             | 5.8   | 6.9                        | 5.2          | 6.2   |
| September                                   | 14.1                              | 36.8  | 107.4            | 144.2 | 82.3                              | 226.6                      | 17.5             | 5.8   | 7.0                        | 6.0          | 6.6   |
| October                                     | 14.7                              | 33.5  | 103.2            | 136.7 | 77.4                              | 214.1                      | 16.0             | 5.6   | 6.6                        | 5.8          | 6.3   |
| November                                    | 12.7                              | 29.6  | 106.7            | 136.3 | 69.7                              | 206.0                      | 14.5             | 5.7   | 6.5                        | 5.2          | 6.0   |
| December                                    | 26.4                              | 47.2  | 105.8            | 153.0 | 71.0                              | 224.0                      | 19.3             | 5.6   | 7.1                        | 5.3          | 6.4   |
| 1990 - January                              | 28.4                              | 49.3  | 123.8            | 173.1 | 66.2                              | 239.3                      | 20.0             | 6.6   | 8.1                        | 5.4          | 7.1   |
| February                                    | 22.6                              | 47.5  | 138.5            | 186.0 | 95.9                              | 282.0                      | 20.7             | 7.2   | 8.7                        | 7.2          | 8.1   |
| Standard error of - February 1990 estimates | 2.2                               | 3.1   | 5.0              | 5.6   | 4.2                               | 6.7                        | 1.4              | 0.3   | 0.3                        | 0.3          | 0.2   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements                  | 2.2                               | 2.7   | 3.9              | 4.4   | 3.4                               | 5.1                        | 1.1              | 0.2   | 0.2                        | 0.3          | 0.1   |
| PERSONS                                     |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |              |       |
| 1988 - December                             | 65.6                              | 111.5 | 330.9            | 442.4 | 120.9                             | 563.3                      | 19.4             | 5.5   | 6.8                        | 7.4          | 6.9   |
| 1989 - January                              | 70.0                              | 117.4 | 359.8            | 477.2 | 115.2                             | 592.4                      | 19.8             | 6.1   | 7.3                        | 7.6          | 7.4   |
| February                                    | 61.2                              | 111.6 | 359.9            | 471.6 | 126.5                             | 598.1                      | 19.3             | 6.0   | 7.2                        | 7.8          | 7.3   |
| March                                       | 34.9                              | 80.4  | 336.3            | 416.6 | 129.6                             | 546.3                      | 15.0             | 5.6   | 6.4                        | 7.7          | 6.7   |
| April                                       | 33.1                              | 75.1  | 314.6            | 389.8 | 128.4                             | 516.1                      | 14.3             | 5.3   | 6.0                        | 7.5          | 6.3   |
| May                                         | 31.0                              | 74.7  | 328.1            | 402.8 | 115.7                             | 518.5                      | 14.2             | 5.5   | 6.2                        | 6.7          | 6.7   |
| June                                        | 29.1                              | 72.3  | 305.9            | 378.2 | 99.2                              | 477.4                      | 13.7             | 5.1   | 5.8                        | 5.9          | 5.9   |
| July                                        | 27.8                              | 71.5  | 309.1            | 380.6 | 102.7                             | 483.4                      | 13.3             | 5.1   | 5.8                        | 6.1          | 5.9   |
| August                                      | 28.3                              | 71.9  | 298.2            | 370.1 | 99.3                              | 469.4                      | 14.3             | 5.0   | 5.7                        | 5.8          | 5.7   |
| September                                   | 27.8                              | 77.2  | 305.2            | 382.5 | 118.8                             | 501.3                      | 15.3             | 5.0   | 5.8                        | 6.6          | 6.0   |
| October                                     | 29.7                              | 69.3  | 278.5            | 347.7 | 109.6                             | 457.4                      | 13.8             | 4.6   | 5.3                        | 6.5          | 5.5   |
| November                                    | 25.6                              | 63.6  | 286.7            | 350.3 | 96.4                              | 446.7                      | 13.1             | 4.7   | 5.3                        | 5.5          | 5.4   |
| December                                    | 49.9                              | 96.6  | 302.6            | 399.1 | 102.8                             | 501.9                      | 17.2             | 4.9   | 6.0                        | 5.9          | 5.9   |
| 1990 - January                              | 58.8                              | 107.0 | 340.0            | 447.0 | 103.4                             | 550.4                      | 18.5             | 5.6   | 6.7                        | 6.4          | 6.7   |
| February                                    | 43.2                              | 94.7  | 365.4            | 460.2 | 133.6                             | 593.7                      | 17.5             | 6.0   | 6.9                        | 7.7          | 7.1   |
| Standard error of - February 1990 estimates | 3.0                               | 4.2   | 7.4              | 8.2   | 4.9                               | 9.0                        | 0.8              | 0.1   | 0.1                        | 0.3          | 0.1   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements                  | 2.9                               | 3.6   | 5.7              | 6.2   | 3.9                               | 6.8                        | 0.6              | 0.1   | 0.1                        | 0.2          | 0.1   |

TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES - revised

| Month           | Number looking for full-time work |            |                  |            | Number looking for part-time work | Unemployment rate          |                  |           |       |                            | Total |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-----------|-------|----------------------------|-------|
|                 | Looking for first job             | Aged 15-19 |                  |            |                                   | Looking for full-time work |                  |           | Total | Looking for part-time work |       |
|                 |                                   | Total      | Aged 20 and over | Total '000 |                                   | Aged 15-19                 | Aged 20 and over | per cent. |       |                            |       |
|                 |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| MALES           |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| 1988 - December | 23.5                              | 49.1       | 220.0            | 269.1      | 32.5                              | 301.6                      | 15.9             | 5.3       | 6.1   | 9.2                        | 63.3  |
| 1989 -          |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| January         | 22.8                              | 46.8       | 220.1            | 266.9      | 33.6                              | 300.5                      | 15.1             | 5.3       | 6.0   | 9.3                        | 63.3  |
| February        | 21.3                              | 45.1       | 220.0            | 265.1      | 36.1                              | 301.2                      | 14.5             | 5.3       | 6.0   | 9.8                        | 62.2  |
| March           | 15.5                              | 40.2       | 212.0            | 252.2      | 31.1                              | 283.3                      | 13.1             | 5.1       | 5.7   | 8.8                        | 59.9  |
| April           | 16.9                              | 36.8       | 206.7            | 243.5      | 35.1                              | 278.6                      | 12.2             | 5.0       | 5.5   | 9.6                        | 58.8  |
| May             | 16.1                              | 36.8       | 206.0            | 242.8      | 35.4                              | 278.3                      | 12.0             | 4.9       | 5.4   | 9.4                        | 57.7  |
| June            | 16.2                              | 39.3       | 196.5            | 235.8      | 34.2                              | 270.0                      | 12.6             | 4.7       | 5.3   | 9.1                        | 56.6  |
| July            | 15.2                              | 38.1       | 197.2            | 235.4      | 37.8                              | 273.2                      | 12.4             | 4.7       | 5.3   | 9.7                        | 56.6  |
| August          | 16.8                              | 41.3       | 193.6            | 234.9      | 34.1                              | 268.9                      | 13.4             | 4.6       | 5.2   | 8.7                        | 55.5  |
| September       | 16.0                              | 44.1       | 194.2            | 238.3      | 37.3                              | 275.6                      | 14.4             | 4.6       | 5.3   | 9.2                        | 56.6  |
| October         | 18.8                              | 41.2       | 182.7            | 223.9      | 35.0                              | 258.9                      | 13.4             | 4.4       | 5.0   | 8.7                        | 53.3  |
| November        | 16.1                              | 40.3       | 192.0            | 232.3      | 33.2                              | 265.4                      | 13.2             | 4.6       | 5.2   | 8.3                        | 54.5  |
| December        | 15.7                              | 40.4       | 202.9            | 243.4      | 26.8                              | 270.2                      | 13.7             | 4.8       | 5.4   | 6.8                        | 55.4  |
| 1990 -          |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| January         | 18.9                              | 42.4       | 204.2            | 246.6      | 33.2                              | 279.8                      | 14.0             | 4.9       | 5.5   | 8.3                        | 57.7  |
| February        | 15.3                              | 38.8       | 215.1            | 253.9      | 33.9                              | 287.8                      | 13.3             | 5.1       | 5.6   | 8.3                        | 59.9  |
| FEMALES         |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| 1988 - December | 21.1                              | 42.2       | 122.8            | 165.0      | 87.8                              | 252.7                      | 18.8             | 6.8       | 8.1   | 6.9                        | 77.7  |
| 1989 -          |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| January         | 21.5                              | 41.8       | 120.3            | 162.1      | 94.0                              | 256.1                      | 18.3             | 6.7       | 8.0   | 7.2                        | 77.7  |
| February        | 24.7                              | 47.2       | 117.2            | 164.4      | 79.2                              | 243.6                      | 20.4             | 6.5       | 8.1   | 6.1                        | 73.3  |
| March           | 18.4                              | 38.6       | 110.7            | 149.3      | 74.6                              | 223.9                      | 17.5             | 6.1       | 7.4   | 5.8                        | 68.8  |
| April           | 19.8                              | 41.2       | 106.1            | 147.3      | 74.7                              | 221.9                      | 18.6             | 5.8       | 7.2   | 5.8                        | 67.3  |
| May             | 19.5                              | 42.2       | 116.0            | 158.2      | 77.4                              | 235.5                      | 18.7             | 6.3       | 7.7   | 5.9                        | 70.0  |
| June            | 19.7                              | 39.9       | 112.0            | 152.0      | 73.4                              | 225.4                      | 17.5             | 6.1       | 7.3   | 5.7                        | 67.7  |
| July            | 19.3                              | 40.2       | 116.4            | 156.6      | 73.8                              | 230.4                      | 17.2             | 6.3       | 7.5   | 5.6                        | 68.8  |
| August          | 18.2                              | 39.6       | 109.5            | 149.1      | 78.2                              | 227.3                      | 17.8             | 5.9       | 7.2   | 5.9                        | 67.7  |
| September       | 17.6                              | 40.3       | 112.3            | 152.7      | 77.8                              | 230.5                      | 18.7             | 6.0       | 7.3   | 6.1                        | 68.8  |
| October         | 18.7                              | 39.0       | 111.8            | 150.8      | 81.5                              | 232.3                      | 17.5             | 6.0       | 7.3   | 6.1                        | 67.7  |
| November        | 17.2                              | 37.0       | 114.5            | 151.5      | 78.6                              | 230.1                      | 16.9             | 6.1       | 7.2   | 5.9                        | 68.8  |
| December        | 18.2                              | 38.3       | 110.3            | 148.6      | 75.7                              | 224.3                      | 16.9             | 5.9       | 7.1   | 5.6                        | 65.5  |
| 1990 -          |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| January         | 18.2                              | 38.2       | 116.4            | 154.6      | 79.9                              | 234.6                      | 17.2             | 6.2       | 7.3   | 5.9                        | 68.8  |
| February        | 17.1                              | 39.5       | 127.3            | 166.8      | 87.4                              | 254.2                      | 18.1             | 6.7       | 7.9   | 6.4                        | 73.3  |
| PERSONS         |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| 1988 - December | 44.6                              | 91.3       | 342.8            | 434.1      | 120.3                             | 554.3                      | 17.1             | 5.8       | 6.7   | 7.4                        | 69.9  |
| 1989 -          |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| January         | 44.3                              | 88.6       | 340.4            | 428.9      | 127.6                             | 556.6                      | 16.5             | 5.7       | 6.6   | 7.7                        | 69.9  |
| February        | 46.0                              | 92.3       | 337.2            | 429.5      | 115.3                             | 544.8                      | 17.0             | 5.7       | 6.6   | 6.9                        | 67.7  |
| March           | 33.9                              | 78.8       | 322.7            | 401.6      | 105.7                             | 507.3                      | 14.9             | 5.4       | 6.2   | 6.5                        | 63.3  |
| April           | 36.7                              | 78.0       | 312.8            | 390.8      | 109.8                             | 500.5                      | 14.9             | 5.2       | 6.0   | 6.2                        | 61.6  |
| May             | 35.6                              | 79.0       | 322.0            | 401.0      | 112.8                             | 513.8                      | 14.8             | 5.4       | 6.1   | 6.7                        | 62.2  |
| June            | 35.9                              | 79.2       | 308.5            | 387.8      | 107.6                             | 495.3                      | 14.6             | 5.1       | 5.9   | 6.4                        | 60.1  |
| July            | 34.4                              | 78.3       | 313.7            | 392.0      | 111.6                             | 503.6                      | 14.4             | 5.2       | 6.0   | 6.6                        | 61.1  |
| August          | 35.0                              | 80.9       | 303.1            | 384.0      | 112.3                             | 496.3                      | 15.3             | 5.0       | 5.8   | 6.5                        | 60.9  |
| September       | 33.6                              | 84.4       | 306.5            | 390.9      | 115.1                             | 506.0                      | 16.2             | 5.1       | 6.0   | 6.6                        | 61.1  |
| October         | 37.5                              | 80.2       | 294.5            | 374.8      | 116.5                             | 491.3                      | 15.1             | 4.9       | 5.7   | 6.7                        | 59.9  |
| November        | 33.2                              | 77.3       | 306.4            | 383.7      | 111.8                             | 495.5                      | 14.8             | 5.0       | 5.8   | 6.4                        | 59.9  |
| December        | 33.8                              | 78.8       | 313.2            | 392.0      | 102.5                             | 494.5                      | 15.1             | 5.1       | 5.9   | 5.9                        | 59.9  |
| 1990 -          |                                   |            |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |           |       |                            |       |
| January         | 37.1                              | 80.6       | 320.6            | 401.2      | 113.1                             | 514.4                      | 15.4             | 5.3       | 6.1   | 6.4                        | 61.1  |
| February        | 32.5                              | 78.3       | 342.4            | 420.7      | 121.3                             | 542.0                      | 15.4             | 5.6       | 6.4   | 6.8                        | 63.3  |

TABLE 6. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: TREND SERIES - revised

| Month           | Number looking for full-time work |           |                  |            | Number looking for part-time work | Unemployment rate          |                  |       |     | Looking for part-time work | Total |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------|-----|----------------------------|-------|
|                 | Aged 15-19                        |           | Aged 20 and over | Total '000 |                                   | Looking for full-time work |                  | Total |     |                            |       |
|                 | Looking for first job             | Total     |                  |            |                                   | Aged 15-19                 | Aged 20 and over |       |     |                            |       |
|                 | per cent.                         | per cent. |                  |            |                                   | per cent.                  | per cent.        |       |     |                            |       |
| MALES           |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| 1988 - December | 23.4                              | 48.3      | 219.3            | 267.6      | 33.3                              | 300.9                      | 15.7             | 5.3   | 6.0 | 9.3                        | 6.3   |
| 1989 -          |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| January         | 21.8                              | 46.1      | 217.9            | 263.9      | 33.7                              | 297.6                      | 15.0             | 5.3   | 5.9 | 9.4                        | 6.2   |
| February        | 20.0                              | 43.5      | 215.8            | 259.3      | 33.9                              | 293.1                      | 14.1             | 5.2   | 5.8 | 9.4                        | 6.1   |
| March           | 18.3                              | 40.9      | 212.7            | 253.6      | 34.1                              | 287.7                      | 13.3             | 5.1   | 5.7 | 9.4                        | 6.0   |
| April           | 16.9                              | 38.9      | 208.7            | 247.7      | 34.4                              | 282.1                      | 12.7             | 5.0   | 5.6 | 9.4                        | 5.8   |
| May             | 16.0                              | 38.1      | 204.2            | 242.3      | 34.9                              | 277.2                      | 12.4             | 4.9   | 5.4 | 9.4                        | 5.7   |
| June            | 15.8                              | 38.4      | 199.5            | 237.9      | 35.6                              | 273.5                      | 12.4             | 4.8   | 5.3 | 9.3                        | 5.6   |
| July            | 15.9                              | 39.3      | 195.4            | 234.8      | 36.0                              | 270.7                      | 12.8             | 4.7   | 5.2 | 9.3                        | 5.6   |
| August          | 16.3                              | 40.5      | 192.3            | 232.8      | 35.8                              | 268.6                      | 13.1             | 4.6   | 5.2 | 9.1                        | 5.5   |
| September       | 16.6                              | 41.4      | 191.1            | 232.4      | 35.0                              | 267.5                      | 13.5             | 4.6   | 5.2 | 8.8                        | 5.5   |
| October         | 16.8                              | 41.6      | 192.1            | 233.7      | 34.0                              | 267.6                      | 13.6             | 4.6   | 5.2 | 8.5                        | 5.5   |
| November        | 16.9                              | 41.4      | 195.1            | 236.5      | 32.9                              | 269.4                      | 13.7             | 4.7   | 5.3 | 8.2                        | 5.5   |
| December        | 16.9                              | 41.0      | 199.2            | 240.3      | 32.2                              | 272.4                      | 13.7             | 4.7   | 5.3 | 8.0                        | 5.6   |
| 1990 -          |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| January         | 16.8                              | 40.7      | 203.8            | 244.4      | 31.7                              | 276.1                      | 13.6             | 4.8   | 5.4 | 7.9                        | 5.6   |
| February        | 16.6                              | 40.1      | 208.3            | 248.5      | 31.6                              | 280.1                      | 13.6             | 4.9   | 5.5 | 7.8                        | 5.7   |
| FEMALES         |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| 1988 - December | 21.0                              | 42.4      | 121.2            | 163.6      | 84.1                              | 247.6                      | 18.7             | 6.7   | 8.1 | 6.6                        | 7.5   |
| 1989 -          |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| January         | 21.2                              | 42.5      | 118.3            | 160.8      | 83.9                              | 244.7                      | 18.8             | 6.6   | 7.9 | 6.6                        | 7.4   |
| February        | 21.1                              | 42.4      | 115.6            | 158.0      | 82.0                              | 240.0                      | 18.8             | 6.4   | 7.8 | 6.4                        | 7.2   |
| March           | 20.8                              | 42.1      | 113.5            | 155.6      | 79.3                              | 235.0                      | 18.7             | 6.3   | 7.6 | 6.1                        | 7.1   |
| April           | 20.3                              | 41.6      | 112.2            | 153.8      | 76.6                              | 230.4                      | 18.4             | 6.2   | 7.5 | 5.9                        | 6.9   |
| May             | 19.7                              | 41.0      | 111.8            | 152.8      | 74.7                              | 227.5                      | 18.1             | 6.1   | 7.4 | 5.7                        | 6.8   |
| June            | 19.1                              | 40.6      | 112.0            | 152.6      | 74.6                              | 227.1                      | 17.9             | 6.1   | 7.4 | 5.7                        | 6.7   |
| July            | 18.8                              | 40.2      | 112.4            | 152.6      | 75.6                              | 228.2                      | 17.8             | 6.1   | 7.4 | 5.7                        | 6.7   |
| August          | 18.5                              | 39.8      | 112.3            | 152.1      | 76.8                              | 228.9                      | 17.7             | 6.1   | 7.3 | 5.8                        | 6.7   |
| September       | 18.3                              | 39.3      | 112.1            | 151.3      | 77.6                              | 228.9                      | 17.6             | 6.0   | 7.3 | 5.8                        | 6.7   |
| October         | 18.0                              | 38.8      | 112.2            | 151.0      | 78.3                              | 229.3                      | 17.5             | 6.0   | 7.2 | 5.8                        | 6.7   |
| November        | 17.9                              | 38.5      | 113.3            | 151.8      | 79.2                              | 231.0                      | 17.4             | 6.0   | 7.2 | 5.9                        | 6.7   |
| December        | 17.8                              | 38.4      | 115.2            | 153.6      | 80.1                              | 233.7                      | 17.3             | 6.1   | 7.3 | 5.9                        | 6.8   |
| 1990 -          |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| January         | 17.7                              | 38.3      | 117.4            | 155.8      | 81.2                              | 236.9                      | 17.3             | 6.2   | 7.4 | 6.0                        | 6.8   |
| February        | 17.6                              | 38.4      | 120.1            | 158.5      | 82.2                              | 240.7                      | 17.3             | 6.3   | 7.5 | 6.0                        | 6.9   |
| PERSONS         |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| 1988 - December | 44.3                              | 90.7      | 340.5            | 431.2      | 117.3                             | 548.5                      | 17.0             | 5.8   | 6.7 | 7.2                        | 6.8   |
| 1989 -          |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| January         | 43.0                              | 88.6      | 336.2            | 424.8      | 117.6                             | 542.4                      | 16.6             | 5.7   | 6.6 | 7.2                        | 6.7   |
| February        | 41.1                              | 85.9      | 331.4            | 417.2      | 115.9                             | 533.1                      | 16.1             | 5.6   | 6.4 | 7.0                        | 6.6   |
| March           | 39.1                              | 83.0      | 326.2            | 409.2      | 113.4                             | 522.6                      | 15.6             | 5.5   | 6.3 | 6.8                        | 6.4   |
| April           | 37.2                              | 80.5      | 320.9            | 401.5      | 111.0                             | 512.5                      | 15.1             | 5.4   | 6.2 | 6.7                        | 6.3   |
| May             | 35.7                              | 79.1      | 316.0            | 395.1      | 109.7                             | 504.7                      | 14.8             | 5.3   | 6.1 | 6.6                        | 6.2   |
| June            | 34.9                              | 78.9      | 311.6            | 390.5      | 110.1                             | 500.6                      | 14.8             | 5.2   | 6.0 | 6.5                        | 6.1   |
| July            | 34.7                              | 79.5      | 307.9            | 387.4      | 111.6                             | 499.0                      | 14.9             | 5.1   | 5.9 | 6.5                        | 6.0   |
| August          | 34.8                              | 80.3      | 304.6            | 384.9      | 112.6                             | 497.5                      | 15.1             | 5.1   | 5.9 | 6.5                        | 6.0   |
| September       | 34.9                              | 80.6      | 302.1            | 383.8      | 112.6                             | 496.4                      | 15.2             | 5.0   | 5.8 | 6.5                        | 6.0   |
| October         | 34.9                              | 80.4      | 304.3            | 384.7      | 112.3                             | 497.0                      | 15.3             | 5.0   | 5.8 | 6.5                        | 6.0   |
| November        | 34.8                              | 79.9      | 308.4            | 388.3      | 112.1                             | 500.4                      | 15.2             | 5.1   | 5.9 | 6.4                        | 6.0   |
| December        | 34.7                              | 79.4      | 314.5            | 393.9      | 112.2                             | 506.1                      | 15.2             | 5.2   | 6.0 | 6.4                        | 6.1   |
| 1990 -          |                                   |           |                  |            |                                   |                            |                  |       |     |                            |       |
| January         | 34.5                              | 79.0      | 321.2            | 400.2      | 112.9                             | 513.1                      | 15.2             | 5.3   | 6.1 | 6.4                        | 6.1   |
| February        | 34.3                              | 78.6      | 328.4            | 406.9      | 113.8                             | 520.8                      | 15.2             | 5.4   | 6.1 | 6.5                        | 6.2   |

TABLE 7. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 TO 19: FULL-TIME ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL OR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, FEBRUARY 1990

| TABLE 11<br>AT SCHOOL OR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION, FEBRUARY 1990 |                   |       |                            |                                   |       |              |                     |                                |                               |                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
|                                                                            | Employed          |       | Unemployed                 |                                   | Total | Labour force | Not in labour force | Civilian population aged 15-19 | Unemployment rate - per cent. | Participation rate |
|                                                                            | Full-time workers | Total | Looking for full-time work | Looking for part-time work - '000 |       |              |                     |                                |                               |                    |
| ATTENDING NEITHER SCHOOL NOR A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL TIME  |                   |       |                            |                                   |       |              |                     |                                |                               |                    |
| Males                                                                      | 251.4             | 276.3 | 42.4                       | * 1.5                             | 43.9  | 320.3        | 21.1                | 341.4                          | 13.7                          | 93.8               |
| Females                                                                    | 175.6             | 216.7 | 42.2                       | * 3.0                             | 45.2  | 261.9        | 42.3                | 304.2                          | 17.3                          | 86.1               |
| Persons                                                                    | 427.0             | 493.0 | 84.7                       | 4.5                               | 89.2  | 582.2        | 63.4                | 645.5                          | 15.3                          | 90.2               |
| ATTENDING A TERTIARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FULL TIME                     |                   |       |                            |                                   |       |              |                     |                                |                               |                    |
| Males                                                                      | 12.9              | 42.1  | * 2.7                      | 5.9                               | 8.6   | 50.7         | 36.8                | 87.5                           | 17.0                          | 58.0               |
| Females                                                                    | 6.2               | 43.7  | 3.6                        | 8.4                               | 12.0  | 55.7         | 45.4                | 101.1                          | 21.6                          | 55.1               |
| Persons                                                                    | 19.1              | 85.8  | 6.3                        | 14.3                              | 20.6  | 106.4        | 82.1                | 188.6                          | 19.4                          | 56.4               |
| ATTENDING SCHOOL                                                           |                   |       |                            |                                   |       |              |                     |                                |                               |                    |
| Males                                                                      | * 1.4             | 62.6  | * 2.1                      | 14.4                              | 16.5  | 79.0         | 205.4               | 284.5                          | 20.8                          | 27.8               |
| Females                                                                    | * 0.3             | 81.6  | * 1.7                      | 18.2                              | 19.9  | 101.6        | 179.0               | 280.6                          | 19.6                          | 36.2               |
| Persons                                                                    | * 1.8             | 144.2 | 3.8                        | 32.6                              | 36.4  | 180.6        | 384.5               | 565.1                          | 20.2                          | 32.0               |
| TOTAL                                                                      |                   |       |                            |                                   |       |              |                     |                                |                               |                    |
| Males                                                                      | 265.8             | 381.0 | 47.2                       | 21.8                              | 69.0  | 450.1        | 263.3               | 713.3                          | 15.3                          | 63.1               |
| Females                                                                    | 182.1             | 342.0 | 47.5                       | 29.6                              | 77.2  | 419.1        | 266.7               | 685.8                          | 18.4                          | 61.1               |
| Persons                                                                    | 447.9             | 723.0 | 94.7                       | 51.5                              | 146.2 | 869.2        | 530.0               | 1,399.2                        | 16.8                          | 62.1               |

TABLE 8. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, STATES AND TERRITORIES, FEBRUARY 1990

| STATES AND TERRITORIES, FEBRUARY 1990 |                   |         |                            |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| State or Territory                    | Employed          |         | Unemployed                 |                            | Total | Labour force | Not in labour force | Civilian population aged 15 and over | Unemployment rate per cent. | Participation rate |
|                                       | Full-time workers | Total   | Looking for full-time work | Looking for part-time work |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |
|                                       | '000              |         |                            |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |
| MALES                                 |                   |         |                            |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |
| New South Wales                       | 1,425.8           | 1,540.2 | 96.3                       | 12.1                       | 108.4 | 1,648.6      | 569.6               | 2,218.2                              | 6.6                         | 74.3               |
| Victoria                              | 1,117.7           | 1,215.3 | 53.3                       | 6.4                        | 59.6  | 1,274.9      | 398.3               | 1,673.3                              | 4.7                         | 76.2               |
| Queensland                            | 721.7             | 782.1   | 47.2                       | 9.1                        | 56.3  | 838.4        | 261.8               | 1,100.3                              | 6.7                         | 74.8               |
| South Australia                       | 355.8             | 385.7   | 29.5                       | 2.6                        | 32.2  | 417.9        | 140.5               | 558.4                                | 7.4                         | 77.7               |
| Western Australia                     | 415.3             | 445.9   | 31.0                       | 4.5                        | 35.5  | 481.5        | 141.6               | 623.1                                | 7.7                         | 75.3               |
| Tasmania                              | 110.0             | 118.1   | 10.1                       | * 0.9                      | 11.0  | 129.1        | 42.4                | 171.5                                | 8.5                         | 80.9               |
| Northern Territory                    | 40.5              | 42.4    | 3.1                        | * 0.7                      | 3.9   | 46.3         | 10.9                | 57.2                                 | 8.4                         | 80.9               |
| Australian Capital Territory          | 73.0              | 79.8    | 3.5                        | * 1.3                      | 4.8   | 84.6         | 18.0                | 102.6                                | 5.7                         | 82.4               |
| Australia                             | 4,259.6           | 4,609.6 | 274.1                      | 37.6                       | 311.8 | 4,921.3      | 1,583.3             | 6,504.6                              | 6.3                         | 75.7               |
| FEMALES                               |                   |         |                            |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |
| New South Wales                       | 657.5             | 1,045.6 | 63.9                       | 26.2                       | 90.1  | 1,135.7      | 1,154.0             | 2,289.7                              | 7.9                         | 49.6               |
| Victoria                              | 539.4             | 865.8   | 41.6                       | 23.6                       | 65.2  | 931.0        | 802.8               | 1,733.8                              | 7.0                         | 53.7               |
| Queensland                            | 314.5             | 527.6   | 34.1                       | 22.8                       | 56.9  | 584.5        | 535.0               | 1,119.5                              | 9.7                         | 52.2               |
| South Australia                       | 151.4             | 270.6   | 18.7                       | 7.7                        | 26.4  | 297.0        | 278.0               | 575.0                                | 8.9                         | 51.7               |
| Western Australia                     | 151.4             | 270.6   | 18.7                       | 7.7                        | 27.9  | 341.3        | 279.4               | 620.7                                | 8.2                         | 55.0               |
| Tasmania                              | 180.8             | 313.5   | 18.3                       | 9.5                        | 27.9  | 341.3        | 279.4               | 620.7                                | 8.2                         | 55.0               |
| Northern Territory                    | 43.6              | 77.7    | 5.1                        | 3.0                        | 8.0   | 85.7         | 91.6                | 177.4                                | 48.3                        | 0.3                |
| Australian Capital Territory          | 22.6              | 32.1    | 2.3                        | * 0.6                      | 2.8   | 34.9         | 18.0                | 52.9                                 | 8.1                         | 65.9               |
| Australia                             | 1,955.4           | 3,199.5 | 186.0                      | 95.9                       | 282.0 | 3,481.5      | 3,193.8             | 6,675.3                              | 8.1                         | 52.2               |
| PERSONS                               |                   |         |                            |                            |       |              |                     |                                      |                             |                    |
| New South Wales                       | 2,083.3           | 2,585.8 | 160.2                      | 38.3                       | 198.5 | 2,784.2      | 1,723.7             | 4,507.9                              | 7.1                         | 61.8               |
| Victoria                              | 1,657.1           | 2,081.1 | 94.9                       | 30.0                       | 124.9 | 2,205.9      | 1,201.2             | 3,407.1                              | 5.7                         | 64.7               |
| Queensland                            | 1,036.2           | 1,399.7 | 81.3                       | 31.9                       | 113.2 | 1,423.0      | 796.8               | 2,219.8                              | 8.0                         | 64.1               |
| South Australia                       | 507.2             | 656.3   | 48.2                       | 10.4                       | 58.6  | 714.9        | 418.5               | 1,133.4                              | 8.2                         | 63.1               |
| Western Australia                     | 596.0             | 759.4   | 49.3                       | 14.1                       | 63.4  | 822.8        | 421.0               | 1,243.8                              | 7.7                         | 66.2               |
| Tasmania                              | 153.5             | 195.9   | 15.2                       | 3.8                        | 19.0  | 214.9        | 134.0               | 348.9                                | 8.8                         | 61.6               |
| Northern Territory                    | 63.0              | 74.5    | 5.4                        | * 1.3                      | 6.7   | 81.2         | 29.0                | 110.2                                | 8.3                         | 73.7               |
| Australian Capital Territory          | 118.7             | 146.5   | 5.6                        | 3.8                        | 9.4   | 155.9        | 53.0                | 208.9                                | 6.1                         | 74.6               |
| Australia                             | 6,215.1           | 7,809.1 | 460.2                      | 133.6                      | 593.7 | 8,402.8      | 4,777.1             | 13,179.9                             | 7.1                         | 63.8               |

TABLE 9. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, STATES AND TERRITORIES

| Month                        | Number looking for full-time work |       |                  |       | Number looking for part-time work | Unemployment rate          |                  |       |                            |       |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|
|                              | Aged 15-19                        |       | Aged 20 and over | Total |                                   | Looking for full-time work |                  |       | Looking for part-time work | Total |
|                              | Looking for first job             | Total |                  |       |                                   | Aged 15-19                 | Aged 20 and over | Total |                            |       |
|                              |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| NEW SOUTH WALES              |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | 18.1                              | 34.4  | 124.5            | 158.9 | 39.1                              | 198.0                      | 18.1             | 6.1   | 7.1                        | 7.2   |
| 1990 - January               | 22.1                              | 37.8  | 118.7            | 156.4 | 29.1                              | 185.5                      | 20.6             | 5.8   | 7.0                        | 6.8   |
| February                     | 15.0                              | 32.6  | 127.6            | 160.2 | 38.3                              | 198.5                      | 19.1             | 6.2   | 7.1                        | 7.1   |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 1.9                               | 2.7   | 4.8              | 5.2   | 2.9                               | 5.6                        | 1.6              | 0.2   | 0.2                        | 0.5   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 1.9                               | 2.4   | 3.7              | 4.0   | 2.4                               | 4.3                        | 1.3              | 0.2   | 0.2                        | 0.2   |
| VICTORIA                     |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | 18.4                              | 27.7  | 73.8             | 101.5 | 34.3                              | 135.8                      | 19.8             | 4.7   | 5.9                        | 6.3   |
| 1990 - January               | 10.9                              | 16.8  | 62.7             | 79.5  | 26.7                              | 106.2                      | 12.7             | 3.9   | 4.6                        | 4.9   |
| February                     | 8.8                               | 18.6  | 76.2             | 94.9  | 30.0                              | 124.9                      | 14.3             | 4.7   | 5.4                        | 5.7   |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 1.5                               | 2.1   | 3.8              | 4.2   | 2.6                               | 4.7                        | 1.6              | 0.2   | 0.2                        | 0.6   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 1.4                               | 1.7   | 2.8              | 3.1   | 2.0                               | 3.4                        | 1.3              | 0.2   | 0.2                        | 0.2   |
| QUEENSLAND                   |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | 9.5                               | 21.4  | 68.3             | 89.6  | 24.6                              | 114.3                      | 20.2             | 7.0   | 8.3                        | 8.4   |
| 1990 - January               | 9.7                               | 22.4  | 62.7             | 85.1  | 19.0                              | 104.1                      | 19.6             | 6.3   | 7.7                        | 7.5   |
| February                     | 6.4                               | 16.3  | 65.1             | 81.3  | 31.9                              | 113.2                      | 15.9             | 6.4   | 7.3                        | 8.0   |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 1.1                               | 1.6   | 2.9              | 3.1   | 2.1                               | 3.6                        | 1.6              | 0.3   | 0.3                        | 0.7   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 1.1                               | 1.5   | 2.2              | 2.4   | 1.7                               | 2.6                        | 1.3              | 0.2   | 0.2                        | 0.2   |
| SOUTH AUSTRALIA              |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | 6.4                               | 10.0  | 39.3             | 49.3  | 11.0                              | 60.2                       | 19.9             | 8.0   | 9.1                        | 8.6   |
| 1990 - January               | 4.2                               | 7.7   | 34.9             | 42.5  | 10.4                              | 52.9                       | 16.2             | 7.0   | 7.8                        | 7.5   |
| February                     | 4.3                               | 9.6   | 38.6             | 48.2  | 10.4                              | 58.6                       | 21.5             | 7.6   | 8.7                        | 8.2   |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 0.7                               | 1.0   | 1.8              | 2.0   | 1.1                               | 2.2                        | 2.3              | 0.4   | 0.4                        | 0.7   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 0.6                               | 0.8   | 1.3              | 1.4   | 0.8                               | 1.5                        | 1.7              | 0.3   | 0.2                        | 0.5   |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA            |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | 4.3                               | 9.6   | 30.7             | 40.3  | 10.6                              | 51.0                       | 15.8             | 5.4   | 6.5                        | 6.4   |
| 1990 - January               | 5.5                               | 11.9  | 39.4             | 51.3  | 11.4                              | 62.7                       | 17.9             | 6.8   | 8.0                        | 6.9   |
| February                     | 5.3                               | 11.5  | 37.9             | 49.3  | 14.1                              | 63.4                       | 18.3             | 6.5   | 7.6                        | 7.7   |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 0.8                               | 1.2   | 1.9              | 2.1   | 1.3                               | 2.4                        | 1.9              | 0.3   | 0.3                        | 0.7   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 0.7                               | 1.0   | 1.5              | 1.7   | 1.0                               | 1.8                        | 1.5              | 0.3   | 0.3                        | 0.6   |
| TASMANIA                     |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | 3.7                               | 6.2   | 14.7             | 20.9  | 2.9                               | 23.8                       | 33.4             | 10.1  | 12.7                       | 6.8   |
| 1990 - January               | 3.8                               | 5.8   | 12.3             | 18.1  | 3.4                               | 21.5                       | 30.0             | 8.2   | 10.7                       | 7.1   |
| February                     | 2.1                               | 3.7   | 11.5             | 15.2  | 3.8                               | 19.0                       | 20.4             | 7.6   | 9.0                        | 8.3   |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 0.4                               | 0.5   | 0.8              | 0.8   | 0.5                               | 0.9                        | 2.7              | 0.5   | 0.5                        | 1.1   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 0.4                               | 0.5   | 0.6              | 0.7   | 0.4                               | 0.7                        | 2.3              | 0.4   | 0.4                        | 0.8   |
| NORTHERN TERRITORY           |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | *0.3                              | *1.3  | 4.6              | 5.9   | *0.5                              | 6.4                        | *20.9            | 7.1   | 8.3                        | *4.3  |
| 1990 - January               | *1.1                              | 2.1   | 4.0              | 6.1   | *0.8                              | 6.9                        | 32.2             | 6.3   | 8.7                        | *6.3  |
| February                     | *0.5                              | *1.3  | 4.1              | 5.4   | *1.3                              | 6.7                        | *23.1            | 6.6   | 7.9                        | *10.1 |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 0.2                               | 0.3   | 0.5              | 0.6   | 0.3                               | 0.6                        | 5.7              | 0.8   | 0.8                        | 2.5   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 0.3                               | 0.4   | 0.5              | 0.6   | 0.3                               | 0.6                        | 5.4              | 0.8   | 0.8                        | 2.2   |
| AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| 1989 - February              | *0.5                              | *1.0  | 4.1              | 5.1   | 3.4                               | 8.6                        | *14.9            | 3.8   | 4.4                        | 11.1  |
| 1990 - January               | 1.6                               | 2.5   | 5.4              | 7.9   | 2.8                               | 10.6                       | 26.9             | 4.6   | 6.2                        | 10.6  |
| February                     | *0.8                              | *1.2  | 4.4              | 5.6   | 3.8                               | 9.4                        | *13.7            | 3.8   | 4.5                        | 12.1  |
| Standard error of -          |                                   |       |                  |       |                                   |                            |                  |       |                            |       |
| Feb 90 estimates             | 0.3                               | 0.3   | 0.6              | 0.6   | 0.5                               | 0.8                        | 3.7              | 0.5   | 0.5                        | 1.7   |
| Jan 90 to Feb 90 movements   | 0.3                               | 0.4   | 0.5              | 0.6   | 0.4                               | 0.6                        | 4.1              | 0.4   | 0.4                        | 1.4   |

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES - revised

| Month              | Males    |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Females  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Persons  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
|--------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                    | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - |
| NEW SOUTH WALES    |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -<br>December | 1,507.4  | 109.2                       | 1,616.6         | 6.8                                          | 73.9                                          | 1,015.0  | 83.1                        | 1,098.1         | 7.6                                          | 48.6                                          | 2,522.4  | 192.3                       | 2,714.7         | 7.1                                          | 61.0                                          |
| 1989 -             |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January            | 1,509.0  | 110.9                       | 1,619.9         | 6.8                                          | 73.9                                          | 1,029.6  | 80.8                        | 1,110.5         | 7.3                                          | 49.1                                          | 2,538.7  | 191.7                       | 2,730.4         | 7.0                                          | 61.3                                          |
| February           | 1,516.2  | 106.3                       | 1,622.4         | 6.5                                          | 73.9                                          | 1,031.1  | 77.1                        | 1,108.2         | 7.0                                          | 48.9                                          | 2,547.3  | 183.3                       | 2,730.6         | 6.7                                          | 61.2                                          |
| March              | 1,505.7  | 102.3                       | 1,608.0         | 6.4                                          | 73.2                                          | 1,023.0  | 78.1                        | 1,101.1         | 7.1                                          | 48.5                                          | 2,528.7  | 180.4                       | 2,709.0         | 6.7                                          | 60.7                                          |
| April              | 1,526.0  | 97.6                        | 1,623.5         | 6.0                                          | 73.8                                          | 1,032.0  | 78.0                        | 1,110.0         | 7.0                                          | 48.9                                          | 2,558.0  | 175.6                       | 2,733.5         | 6.4                                          | 61.1                                          |
| May                | 1,536.5  | 101.3                       | 1,637.7         | 6.2                                          | 74.4                                          | 1,047.9  | 82.2                        | 1,130.2         | 7.3                                          | 49.7                                          | 2,584.4  | 183.5                       | 2,767.9         | 6.6                                          | 61.8                                          |
| June               | 1,538.6  | 97.1                        | 1,635.6         | 5.9                                          | 74.2                                          | 1,044.0  | 77.7                        | 1,121.7         | 6.9                                          | 49.3                                          | 2,582.6  | 174.7                       | 2,757.3         | 6.3                                          | 61.5                                          |
| July               | 1,552.0  | 97.1                        | 1,649.2         | 5.9                                          | 74.7                                          | 1,048.2  | 81.0                        | 1,129.2         | 7.2                                          | 49.5                                          | 2,600.2  | 178.1                       | 2,778.3         | 6.4                                          | 61.9                                          |
| August             | 1,561.4  | 92.1                        | 1,653.5         | 5.6                                          | 74.8                                          | 1,050.6  | 77.4                        | 1,128.0         | 6.9                                          | 49.5                                          | 2,612.0  | 169.5                       | 2,781.5         | 6.1                                          | 61.9                                          |
| September          | 1,555.9  | 100.9                       | 1,656.8         | 6.1                                          | 74.9                                          | 1,059.0  | 73.2                        | 1,132.1         | 6.5                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,614.9  | 174.1                       | 2,789.0         | 6.2                                          | 62.1                                          |
| October            | 1,558.0  | 92.8                        | 1,650.7         | 5.6                                          | 74.6                                          | 1,056.5  | 70.2                        | 1,126.7         | 6.2                                          | 49.3                                          | 2,614.5  | 162.9                       | 2,777.4         | 5.9                                          | 61.8                                          |
| November           | 1,560.9  | 85.7                        | 1,646.6         | 5.2                                          | 74.4                                          | 1,066.9  | 71.0                        | 1,137.9         | 6.2                                          | 49.8                                          | 2,627.8  | 156.7                       | 2,784.5         | 5.6                                          | 61.9                                          |
| December           | 1,558.8  | 94.4                        | 1,653.2         | 5.7                                          | 74.6                                          | 1,067.8  | 69.0                        | 1,136.9         | 6.1                                          | 49.7                                          | 2,626.6  | 163.5                       | 2,790.0         | 5.9                                          | 62.0                                          |
| 1990 -             |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January            | 1,556.2  | 97.5                        | 1,653.7         | 5.9                                          | 74.6                                          | 1,053.8  | 74.2                        | 1,128.0         | 6.6                                          | 49.3                                          | 2,609.9  | 171.7                       | 2,781.7         | 6.2                                          | 61.8                                          |
| February           | 1,541.4  | 100.2                       | 1,641.7         | 6.1                                          | 74.0                                          | 1,052.2  | 83.7                        | 1,136.0         | 7.4                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,593.7  | 184.0                       | 2,777.7         | 6.6                                          | 61.6                                          |
| VICTORIA           |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -<br>December | 1,175.6  | 58.4                        | 1,234.0         | 4.7                                          | 75.0                                          | 826.4    | 56.9                        | 883.3           | 6.4                                          | 51.8                                          | 2,002.0  | 115.3                       | 2,117.3         | 5.4                                          | 63.2                                          |
| 1989 -             |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January            | 1,170.8  | 58.6                        | 1,229.3         | 4.8                                          | 74.7                                          | 820.5    | 57.8                        | 878.3           | 6.6                                          | 51.5                                          | 1,991.3  | 116.3                       | 2,107.6         | 5.5                                          | 62.9                                          |
| February           | 1,185.7  | 61.8                        | 1,247.6         | 5.0                                          | 75.7                                          | 831.4    | 58.8                        | 890.2           | 5.5                                          | 52.1                                          | 2,017.1  | 120.7                       | 2,137.8         | 5.6                                          | 63.7                                          |
| March              | 1,183.7  | 57.2                        | 1,240.9         | 4.6                                          | 75.1                                          | 827.8    | 51.1                        | 878.9           | 5.8                                          | 51.4                                          | 2,011.5  | 108.4                       | 2,119.8         | 5.1                                          | 63.0                                          |
| April              | 1,204.4  | 54.7                        | 1,259.1         | 4.3                                          | 76.1                                          | 830.3    | 52.4                        | 882.7           | 5.9                                          | 51.5                                          | 2,034.7  | 107.0                       | 2,141.7         | 5.0                                          | 63.6                                          |
| May                | 1,206.0  | 51.6                        | 1,257.6         | 4.1                                          | 76.0                                          | 844.0    | 56.3                        | 900.3           | 6.2                                          | 52.5                                          | 2,050.0  | 107.9                       | 2,157.9         | 5.0                                          | 64.0                                          |
| June               | 1,203.7  | 45.3                        | 1,249.0         | 3.6                                          | 75.3                                          | 847.3    | 53.8                        | 901.2           | 6.0                                          | 52.4                                          | 2,051.0  | 99.2                        | 2,150.2         | 4.6                                          | 63.7                                          |
| July               | 1,204.7  | 52.2                        | 1,256.9         | 4.2                                          | 75.7                                          | 849.0    | 51.0                        | 900.0           | 5.7                                          | 52.3                                          | 2,053.6  | 103.2                       | 2,156.9         | 4.8                                          | 63.8                                          |
| August             | 1,202.9  | 52.0                        | 1,255.0         | 4.1                                          | 75.5                                          | 857.8    | 48.8                        | 906.6           | 5.4                                          | 52.6                                          | 2,060.7  | 105.6                       | 2,166.3         | 4.9                                          | 64.2                                          |
| September          | 1,206.2  | 55.3                        | 1,261.5         | 4.4                                          | 75.8                                          | 864.9    | 50.3                        | 915.1           | 5.5                                          | 53.1                                          | 2,071.1  | 108.8                       | 2,179.9         | 4.6                                          | 64.1                                          |
| October            | 1,215.9  | 48.5                        | 1,264.4         | 3.8                                          | 75.9                                          | 858.9    | 52.3                        | 911.3           | 5.7                                          | 52.8                                          | 2,074.8  | 109.3                       | 2,184.1         | 5.0                                          | 64.4                                          |
| November           | 1,218.4  | 50.5                        | 1,269.0         | 4.0                                          | 76.1                                          | 859.0    | 58.8                        | 917.8           | 6.4                                          | 53.1                                          | 2,077.4  | 109.3                       | 2,186.8         | 4.5                                          | 63.7                                          |
| December           | 1,208.0  | 50.5                        | 1,258.5         | 4.0                                          | 75.4                                          | 859.6    | 46.6                        | 906.2           | 5.1                                          | 52.4                                          | 2,067.6  | 97.1                        | 2,164.8         | 4.5                                          | 63.7                                          |
| 1990 -             |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January            | 1,215.1  | 49.4                        | 1,264.5         | 3.9                                          | 75.7                                          | 880.3    | 51.2                        | 931.5           | 5.5                                          | 53.8                                          | 2,095.4  | 100.7                       | 2,196.0         | 4.6                                          | 64.5                                          |
| February           | 1,215.7  | 54.5                        | 1,270.2         | 4.3                                          | 75.9                                          | 879.4    | 56.2                        | 935.7           | 6.0                                          | 54.0                                          | 2,095.2  | 110.7                       | 2,205.9         | 5.0                                          | 64.7                                          |



TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES —continued

| Month           | Males    |                             |                 |                                           |                                            | Females  |                             |                 |                                           |                                            | Persons  |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                 | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per cent - |
| QUEENSLAND      |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| 1988 -          |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| December        | 749.6    | 55.4                        | 805.0           | 6.9                                       | 76.3                                       | 489.6    | 45.8                        | 535.4           | 8.6                                       | 49.8                                       | 1,239.2  | 101.2                       | 1,340.4         | 7.6                                       | 62.9                                       |
| 1989 -          |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| January         | 754.6    | 54.8                        | 809.4           | 6.8                                       | 76.5                                       | 501.1    | 49.6                        | 550.7           | 9.0                                       | 51.1                                       | 1,255.6  | 104.5                       | 1,360.1         | 7.7                                       | 63.6                                       |
| February        | 754.9    | 56.8                        | 811.6           | 7.0                                       | 76.5                                       | 498.6    | 44.2                        | 542.8           | 8.1                                       | 50.2                                       | 1,253.5  | 100.9                       | 1,354.5         | 7.5                                       | 63.2                                       |
| March           | 753.3    | 51.1                        | 804.3           | 6.4                                       | 75.6                                       | 499.8    | 39.3                        | 539.1           | 7.3                                       | 49.7                                       | 1,253.1  | 90.4                        | 1,343.5         | 6.7                                       | 62.5                                       |
| April           | 755.2    | 52.1                        | 807.3           | 6.5                                       | 75.6                                       | 503.9    | 43.3                        | 547.2           | 7.9                                       | 50.3                                       | 1,259.1  | 95.4                        | 1,354.5         | 7.0                                       | 62.8                                       |
| May             | 761.7    | 50.4                        | 812.0           | 6.2                                       | 75.8                                       | 512.1    | 43.9                        | 555.9           | 7.9                                       | 50.9                                       | 1,273.7  | 94.2                        | 1,368.0         | 6.9                                       | 63.2                                       |
| June            | 763.5    | 51.4                        | 814.9           | 6.3                                       | 75.8                                       | 517.2    | 42.0                        | 559.2           | 7.5                                       | 51.1                                       | 1,280.8  | 93.3                        | 1,374.1         | 6.8                                       | 63.3                                       |
| July            | 764.6    | 50.9                        | 815.6           | 6.2                                       | 75.6                                       | 517.7    | 43.4                        | 561.1           | 7.7                                       | 51.1                                       | 1,282.3  | 94.4                        | 1,376.7         | 6.9                                       | 63.2                                       |
| August          | 769.6    | 50.9                        | 820.5           | 6.2                                       | 75.9                                       | 519.5    | 45.3                        | 564.9           | 8.0                                       | 51.3                                       | 1,289.1  | 96.3                        | 1,385.4         | 7.0                                       | 63.5                                       |
| September       | 775.4    | 49.9                        | 825.3           | 6.0                                       | 76.1                                       | 516.5    | 46.7                        | 563.3           | 8.3                                       | 51.0                                       | 1,292.0  | 96.6                        | 1,388.6         | 7.0                                       | 63.4                                       |
| October         | 782.1    | 48.9                        | 831.1           | 5.9                                       | 76.4                                       | 522.8    | 51.3                        | 574.1           | 8.9                                       | 51.8                                       | 1,305.0  | 100.2                       | 1,405.2         | 7.1                                       | 64.0                                       |
| November        | 784.1    | 49.6                        | 833.7           | 5.9                                       | 76.4                                       | 530.6    | 46.1                        | 576.7           | 8.0                                       | 51.9                                       | 1,314.7  | 95.7                        | 1,410.4         | 6.8                                       | 64.0                                       |
| December        | 783.2    | 49.3                        | 832.5           | 5.9                                       | 76.0                                       | 539.1    | 44.6                        | 583.7           | 7.6                                       | 52.4                                       | 1,322.4  | 93.9                        | 1,416.2         | 6.6                                       | 64.1                                       |
| 1990 -          |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| January         | 783.5    | 53.6                        | 837.1           | 6.4                                       | 76.3                                       | 541.1    | 44.1                        | 585.2           | 7.5                                       | 52.4                                       | 1,324.6  | 97.7                        | 1,422.2         | 6.9                                       | 64.2                                       |
| February        | 787.7    | 50.8                        | 838.5           | 6.1                                       | 76.2                                       | 533.9    | 49.1                        | 583.0           | 8.4                                       | 52.1                                       | 1,321.6  | 99.9                        | 1,421.5         | 7.0                                       | 64.0                                       |
| SOUTH AUSTRALIA |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| 1988 -          |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| December        | 375.7    | 32.2                        | 408.0           | 7.9                                       | 74.3                                       | 260.6    | 22.5                        | 283.1           | 7.9                                       | 49.9                                       | 636.3    | 54.7                        | 691.0           | 7.9                                       | 61.9                                       |
| 1989 -          |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| January         | 377.4    | 33.1                        | 410.5           | 8.1                                       | 74.6                                       | 262.7    | 23.5                        | 286.2           | 8.2                                       | 50.4                                       | 640.1    | 56.6                        | 696.7           | 8.1                                       | 62.3                                       |
| February        | 379.0    | 32.0                        | 411.0           | 7.8                                       | 74.6                                       | 263.8    | 23.8                        | 287.6           | 8.3                                       | 50.6                                       | 642.8    | 55.8                        | 698.5           | 8.0                                       | 62.4                                       |
| March           | 379.5    | 31.0                        | 410.4           | 7.5                                       | 74.4                                       | 266.6    | 18.5                        | 285.1           | 6.5                                       | 50.1                                       | 646.1    | 49.4                        | 695.5           | 7.1                                       | 62.1                                       |
| April           | 381.5    | 31.7                        | 413.2           | 7.7                                       | 74.8                                       | 265.6    | 20.5                        | 286.1           | 7.2                                       | 50.2                                       | 647.1    | 52.2                        | 699.3           | 7.5                                       | 62.3                                       |
| May             | 381.2    | 34.5                        | 415.6           | 8.3                                       | 75.1                                       | 266.0    | 22.1                        | 288.1           | 7.7                                       | 50.5                                       | 647.2    | 56.5                        | 703.7           | 8.0                                       | 62.6                                       |
| June            | 382.8    | 30.0                        | 412.8           | 7.3                                       | 74.5                                       | 265.3    | 21.6                        | 286.8           | 7.5                                       | 50.2                                       | 648.1    | 51.6                        | 699.6           | 7.4                                       | 62.2                                       |
| July            | 383.9    | 32.2                        | 416.2           | 7.7                                       | 75.0                                       | 267.8    | 21.2                        | 289.0           | 7.3                                       | 50.6                                       | 651.7    | 53.5                        | 705.2           | 7.6                                       | 62.6                                       |
| August          | 389.1    | 28.0                        | 417.2           | 6.7                                       | 75.1                                       | 275.4    | 19.3                        | 294.6           | 6.5                                       | 51.6                                       | 664.5    | 47.3                        | 711.8           | 6.6                                       | 63.2                                       |
| September       | 389.0    | 25.1                        | 414.1           | 6.1                                       | 74.5                                       | 272.4    | 20.0                        | 292.4           | 6.8                                       | 51.2                                       | 661.4    | 45.1                        | 706.5           | 6.4                                       | 62.7                                       |
| October         | 385.8    | 28.0                        | 413.8           | 6.8                                       | 74.4                                       | 269.0    | 21.5                        | 290.5           | 7.4                                       | 50.8                                       | 654.8    | 49.5                        | 704.3           | 7.0                                       | 62.4                                       |
| November        | 388.6    | 30.7                        | 419.3           | 7.3                                       | 75.3                                       | 266.8    | 22.1                        | 288.9           | 7.7                                       | 50.4                                       | 655.4    | 52.8                        | 708.2           | 7.5                                       | 62.7                                       |
| December        | 387.1    | 26.9                        | 414.1           | 6.5                                       | 74.3                                       | 264.5    | 20.9                        | 285.5           | 7.3                                       | 49.7                                       | 651.7    | 47.9                        | 699.5           | 6.8                                       | 61.8                                       |
| 1990 -          |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |          |                             |                 |                                           |                                            |
| January         | 389.7    | 27.0                        | 416.7           | 6.5                                       | 74.7                                       | 270.1    | 22.0                        | 292.1           | 7.5                                       | 50.8                                       | 659.8    | 49.0                        | 708.8           | 6.9                                       | 62.6                                       |
| February        | 384.2    | 30.6                        | 414.7           | 7.4                                       | 74.3                                       | 271.7    | 23.6                        | 295.3           | 8.0                                       | 51.4                                       | 655.9    | 54.2                        | 710.1           | 7.6                                       | 62.6                                       |

TABLE 10. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES —continued

| Month             | Males    |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Females  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Persons  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
|-------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                   | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December          | 444.1    | 27.9                        | 472.0           | 5.9                                          | 78.4                                          | 289.6    | 24.3                        | 313.9           | 7.7                                          | 52.4                                          | 733.7    | 52.2                        | 785.9           | 6.6                                          | 65.4                                          |
| 1989 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 446.4    | 26.7                        | 473.2           | 5.7                                          | 78.4                                          | 298.7    | 22.1                        | 320.9           | 6.9                                          | 53.4                                          | 745.2    | 48.9                        | 794.0           | 6.2                                          | 65.9                                          |
| February          | 447.6    | 25.6                        | 473.3           | 5.4                                          | 78.2                                          | 299.8    | 20.8                        | 320.7           | 6.5                                          | 53.2                                          | 747.4    | 46.5                        | 793.9           | 5.9                                          | 65.7                                          |
| March             | 446.8    | 25.0                        | 471.9           | 5.3                                          | 77.8                                          | 292.8    | 20.6                        | 313.4           | 6.6                                          | 51.8                                          | 739.6    | 45.6                        | 785.3           | 5.8                                          | 64.8                                          |
| April             | 448.4    | 23.2                        | 471.7           | 4.9                                          | 77.5                                          | 300.8    | 19.9                        | 320.7           | 6.2                                          | 52.9                                          | 749.2    | 43.1                        | 792.4           | 5.4                                          | 65.2                                          |
| May               | 448.6    | 23.4                        | 472.0           | 5.0                                          | 77.4                                          | 300.4    | 19.7                        | 320.0           | 6.1                                          | 52.7                                          | 749.0    | 43.1                        | 792.1           | 5.4                                          | 65.1                                          |
| June              | 441.7    | 25.6                        | 467.3           | 5.5                                          | 76.4                                          | 300.3    | 19.8                        | 320.1           | 6.2                                          | 52.5                                          | 742.0    | 45.5                        | 787.4           | 5.8                                          | 64.5                                          |
| July              | 449.1    | 24.2                        | 473.2           | 5.1                                          | 77.2                                          | 300.5    | 20.2                        | 320.8           | 6.3                                          | 52.5                                          | 749.6    | 44.4                        | 794.0           | 5.6                                          | 64.9                                          |
| August            | 449.8    | 25.8                        | 475.6           | 5.4                                          | 77.4                                          | 306.4    | 21.3                        | 327.7           | 6.5                                          | 53.5                                          | 756.2    | 47.1                        | 803.2           | 5.9                                          | 65.4                                          |
| September         | 450.0    | 28.2                        | 478.2           | 5.9                                          | 77.6                                          | 303.9    | 24.9                        | 328.8           | 7.6                                          | 53.5                                          | 753.8    | 53.1                        | 807.0           | 6.6                                          | 65.6                                          |
| October           | 450.7    | 26.7                        | 477.4           | 5.6                                          | 77.3                                          | 306.9    | 22.8                        | 329.6           | 6.9                                          | 53.6                                          | 757.6    | 49.4                        | 807.0           | 6.1                                          | 65.4                                          |
| November          | 452.1    | 25.4                        | 477.5           | 5.3                                          | 77.1                                          | 307.2    | 18.8                        | 326.0           | 5.8                                          | 52.8                                          | 759.2    | 44.3                        | 803.5           | 5.5                                          | 65.0                                          |
| December          | 449.8    | 28.8                        | 478.6           | 6.0                                          | 77.1                                          | 309.9    | 24.1                        | 334.0           | 7.2                                          | 54.0                                          | 759.8    | 52.9                        | 812.6           | 6.5                                          | 65.6                                          |
| 1990 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 442.4    | 33.2                        | 475.7           | 7.0                                          | 76.5                                          | 311.5    | 26.0                        | 337.5           | 7.7                                          | 54.5                                          | 754.0    | 59.2                        | 813.2           | 7.3                                          | 65.5                                          |
| February          | 446.7    | 33.0                        | 479.6           | 6.9                                          | 77.0                                          | 317.0    | 24.9                        | 341.9           | 7.3                                          | 55.1                                          | 763.7    | 57.9                        | 821.6           | 7.0                                          | 66.1                                          |
| TASMANIA          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December          | 115.3    | 11.5                        | 126.7           | 9.1                                          | 74.9                                          | 71.5     | 8.6                         | 80.1            | 10.8                                         | 45.7                                          | 186.7    | 20.1                        | 206.8           | 9.7                                          | 60.0                                          |
| 1989 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 113.3    | 10.6                        | 123.9           | 8.5                                          | 73.1                                          | 70.4     | 11.1                        | 81.5            | 13.7                                         | 46.5                                          | 183.7    | 21.7                        | 205.4           | 10.6                                         | 59.6                                          |
| February          | 113.9    | 11.8                        | 125.7           | 9.4                                          | 74.1                                          | 70.8     | 10.0                        | 80.8            | 12.4                                         | 46.1                                          | 184.7    | 21.8                        | 206.5           | 10.6                                         | 59.9                                          |
| March             | 114.2    | 11.0                        | 125.2           | 8.8                                          | 73.8                                          | 68.8     | 8.4                         | 77.2            | 10.9                                         | 44.0                                          | 183.0    | 19.4                        | 202.4           | 9.6                                          | 58.7                                          |
| April             | 114.6    | 11.0                        | 125.6           | 8.8                                          | 74.0                                          | 72.0     | 8.0                         | 80.0            | 10.0                                         | 45.6                                          | 186.6    | 19.0                        | 205.6           | 9.3                                          | 59.5                                          |
| May               | 115.0    | 11.2                        | 126.1           | 8.9                                          | 74.3                                          | 74.7     | 7.6                         | 82.4            | 9.3                                          | 46.9                                          | 189.7    | 18.8                        | 208.5           | 9.0                                          | 60.3                                          |
| June              | 114.2    | 11.7                        | 125.9           | 9.3                                          | 74.1                                          | 75.6     | 8.0                         | 83.6            | 9.6                                          | 47.6                                          | 189.8    | 19.7                        | 209.5           | 9.4                                          | 61.0                                          |
| July              | 115.5    | 10.7                        | 126.1           | 8.5                                          | 74.1                                          | 76.5     | 8.5                         | 85.1            | 10.0                                         | 48.3                                          | 192.0    | 19.2                        | 211.2           | 9.1                                          | 61.0                                          |
| August            | 116.8    | 11.0                        | 127.8           | 8.6                                          | 75.0                                          | 78.1     | 7.8                         | 85.9            | 9.1                                          | 48.8                                          | 194.9    | 18.8                        | 213.7           | 8.8                                          | 61.7                                          |
| September         | 117.6    | 10.8                        | 128.4           | 8.4                                          | 75.3                                          | 79.0     | 8.8                         | 87.9            | 10.1                                         | 49.8                                          | 196.7    | 19.7                        | 216.3           | 9.1                                          | 62.4                                          |
| October           | 119.2    | 9.0                         | 128.2           | 7.0                                          | 75.1                                          | 79.5     | 8.4                         | 87.8            | 9.5                                          | 49.8                                          | 198.7    | 17.4                        | 216.1           | 8.0                                          | 62.2                                          |
| November          | 119.1    | 10.1                        | 129.1           | 7.8                                          | 75.5                                          | 80.0     | 9.1                         | 89.1            | 10.2                                         | 50.4                                          | 199.1    | 19.1                        | 218.2           | 8.8                                          | 62.8                                          |
| December          | 119.1    | 10.6                        | 129.7           | 8.2                                          | 75.8                                          | 79.8     | 8.9                         | 88.6            | 10.0                                         | 50.1                                          | 198.9    | 19.5                        | 218.4           | 8.9                                          | 62.7                                          |
| 1990 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 118.7    | 10.4                        | 129.1           | 8.1                                          | 75.4                                          | 79.1     | 9.1                         | 88.2            | 10.3                                         | 49.8                                          | 197.9    | 19.5                        | 217.3           | 9.0                                          | 62.4                                          |
| February          | 117.9    | 10.2                        | 128.2           | 8.0                                          | 74.7                                          | 79.7     | 7.2                         | 86.9            | 8.3                                          | 49.0                                          | 197.6    | 17.4                        | 215.1           | 8.1                                          | 61.6                                          |

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES - revised

| Month           | Males    |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Females  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Persons  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                 | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - |
| NEW SOUTH WALES |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December        | 1,507.8  | 108.1                       | 1,616.0         | 6.7                                          | 73.8                                          | 1,021.3  | 80.8                        | 1,102.1         | 7.3                                          | 48.8                                          | 2,529.2  | 188.9                       | 2,718.1         | 7.0                                          | 61.1                                          |
| 1989 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 1,509.5  | 106.8                       | 1,616.2         | 6.6                                          | 73.8                                          | 1,023.1  | 80.2                        | 1,103.4         | 7.3                                          | 48.8                                          | 2,532.6  | 187.0                       | 2,719.6         | 6.9                                          | 61.1                                          |
| February        | 1,512.2  | 105.2                       | 1,617.4         | 6.5                                          | 73.7                                          | 1,026.4  | 79.5                        | 1,105.9         | 7.2                                          | 48.8                                          | 2,538.6  | 184.7                       | 2,723.3         | 6.8                                          | 61.1                                          |
| March           | 1,517.0  | 103.2                       | 1,620.3         | 6.4                                          | 73.7                                          | 1,030.8  | 79.2                        | 1,109.9         | 7.1                                          | 48.9                                          | 2,547.8  | 182.4                       | 2,730.2         | 6.7                                          | 61.1                                          |
| April           | 1,524.2  | 101.0                       | 1,625.3         | 6.2                                          | 73.9                                          | 1,035.5  | 79.2                        | 1,114.7         | 7.1                                          | 49.1                                          | 2,559.7  | 180.3                       | 2,740.0         | 6.6                                          | 61.3                                          |
| May             | 1,533.0  | 99.1                        | 1,632.1         | 6.1                                          | 74.1                                          | 1,040.1  | 79.4                        | 1,119.5         | 7.1                                          | 49.2                                          | 2,573.1  | 178.5                       | 2,751.6         | 6.5                                          | 61.5                                          |
| June            | 1,541.9  | 97.7                        | 1,639.6         | 6.0                                          | 74.4                                          | 1,044.4  | 79.2                        | 1,123.7         | 7.1                                          | 49.3                                          | 2,586.3  | 176.9                       | 2,763.2         | 6.4                                          | 61.7                                          |
| July            | 1,549.7  | 96.5                        | 1,646.2         | 5.9                                          | 74.6                                          | 1,049.0  | 78.2                        | 1,127.2         | 6.9                                          | 49.5                                          | 2,598.7  | 174.7                       | 2,773.4         | 6.3                                          | 61.8                                          |
| August          | 1,555.7  | 95.2                        | 1,650.9         | 5.8                                          | 74.7                                          | 1,053.7  | 76.1                        | 1,129.8         | 6.7                                          | 49.5                                          | 2,609.3  | 171.3                       | 2,780.6         | 6.2                                          | 61.9                                          |
| September       | 1,558.8  | 94.0                        | 1,652.8         | 5.7                                          | 74.7                                          | 1,057.3  | 73.8                        | 1,131.1         | 6.5                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,616.1  | 167.8                       | 2,783.8         | 6.0                                          | 61.9                                          |
| October         | 1,559.3  | 93.3                        | 1,652.6         | 5.6                                          | 74.7                                          | 1,059.6  | 72.2                        | 1,131.9         | 6.4                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,618.9  | 165.6                       | 2,784.5         | 5.9                                          | 61.9                                          |
| November        | 1,558.3  | 93.4                        | 1,651.7         | 5.7                                          | 74.6                                          | 1,060.9  | 72.0                        | 1,132.9         | 6.4                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,619.2  | 165.4                       | 2,784.6         | 5.9                                          | 61.9                                          |
| December        | 1,556.3  | 94.2                        | 1,650.4         | 5.7                                          | 74.5                                          | 1,060.8  | 72.8                        | 1,133.6         | 6.4                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,617.1  | 166.9                       | 2,784.1         | 6.0                                          | 61.9                                          |
| 1990 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 1,553.7  | 95.3                        | 1,648.9         | 5.8                                          | 74.4                                          | 1,059.8  | 74.3                        | 1,134.1         | 6.5                                          | 49.6                                          | 2,613.5  | 169.6                       | 2,783.0         | 6.1                                          | 61.8                                          |
| February        | 1,550.7  | 96.7                        | 1,647.5         | 5.9                                          | 74.3                                          | 1,058.2  | 76.3                        | 1,134.5         | 6.7                                          | 49.5                                          | 2,608.9  | 173.0                       | 2,781.9         | 6.2                                          | 61.7                                          |
| VICTORIA        |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December        | 1,172.2  | 58.9                        | 1,231.1         | 4.8                                          | 74.9                                          | 819.3    | 56.3                        | 875.6           | 6.4                                          | 51.4                                          | 1,991.5  | 115.2                       | 2,106.7         | 5.5                                          | 62.9                                          |
| 1989 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 1,177.4  | 58.9                        | 1,236.3         | 4.8                                          | 75.1                                          | 823.9    | 55.8                        | 879.7           | 6.3                                          | 51.6                                          | 2,001.3  | 114.8                       | 2,116.0         | 5.4                                          | 63.1                                          |
| February        | 1,183.8  | 58.1                        | 1,241.9         | 4.7                                          | 75.3                                          | 827.7    | 55.5                        | 883.1           | 6.3                                          | 51.7                                          | 2,011.5  | 113.6                       | 2,125.1         | 5.3                                          | 63.3                                          |
| March           | 1,190.7  | 56.4                        | 1,247.1         | 4.5                                          | 75.5                                          | 831.3    | 55.1                        | 886.4           | 6.2                                          | 51.8                                          | 2,022.0  | 111.5                       | 2,133.5         | 5.2                                          | 63.4                                          |
| April           | 1,196.7  | 54.3                        | 1,251.0         | 4.3                                          | 75.7                                          | 835.4    | 54.3                        | 889.8           | 6.1                                          | 51.9                                          | 2,032.2  | 108.6                       | 2,140.8         | 5.1                                          | 63.6                                          |
| May             | 1,201.2  | 52.4                        | 1,253.6         | 4.2                                          | 75.7                                          | 840.5    | 53.2                        | 893.7           | 5.9                                          | 52.1                                          | 2,041.7  | 105.6                       | 2,147.3         | 4.9                                          | 63.7                                          |
| June            | 1,204.2  | 51.1                        | 1,255.3         | 4.1                                          | 75.7                                          | 846.4    | 52.2                        | 898.7           | 5.8                                          | 52.3                                          | 2,050.7  | 103.3                       | 2,154.0         | 4.8                                          | 63.8                                          |
| July            | 1,206.1  | 50.7                        | 1,256.8         | 4.0                                          | 75.7                                          | 851.7    | 51.8                        | 903.4           | 5.7                                          | 52.5                                          | 2,057.8  | 102.5                       | 2,160.3         | 4.7                                          | 63.9                                          |
| August          | 1,207.5  | 50.8                        | 1,258.4         | 4.0                                          | 75.7                                          | 855.5    | 51.5                        | 909.8           | 5.7                                          | 52.7                                          | 2,063.0  | 102.4                       | 2,165.4         | 4.7                                          | 64.0                                          |
| September       | 1,209.1  | 51.1                        | 1,260.2         | 4.1                                          | 75.7                                          | 858.3    | 51.5                        | 909.8           | 5.7                                          | 52.7                                          | 2,067.4  | 102.6                       | 2,170.0         | 4.7                                          | 64.0                                          |
| October         | 1,210.9  | 51.2                        | 1,262.1         | 4.1                                          | 75.8                                          | 860.8    | 51.7                        | 912.5           | 5.7                                          | 52.9                                          | 2,071.7  | 102.8                       | 2,174.6         | 4.7                                          | 64.1                                          |
| November        | 1,212.8  | 51.0                        | 1,263.8         | 4.0                                          | 75.8                                          | 863.9    | 52.1                        | 916.0           | 5.7                                          | 53.0                                          | 2,076.7  | 103.1                       | 2,179.8         | 4.7                                          | 64.2                                          |
| December        | 1,214.1  | 50.9                        | 1,265.1         | 4.0                                          | 75.8                                          | 867.6    | 52.5                        | 920.1           | 5.7                                          | 53.2                                          | 2,081.7  | 103.5                       | 2,185.2         | 4.7                                          | 64.3                                          |
| 1990 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 1,215.0  | 51.0                        | 1,266.0         | 4.0                                          | 75.8                                          | 871.6    | 53.0                        | 924.5           | 5.7                                          | 53.4                                          | 2,086.6  | 104.0                       | 2,190.6         | 4.7                                          | 64.4                                          |
| February        | 1,215.7  | 51.4                        | 1,267.1         | 4.1                                          | 75.7                                          | 875.0    | 53.4                        | 928.4           | 5.8                                          | 53.5                                          | 2,090.7  | 104.8                       | 2,195.5         | 4.8                                          | 64.4                                          |

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| Month           | Males    |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Females  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Persons  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                 | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - |
| QUEENSLAND      |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December        | 749.8    | 55.4                        | 805.1           | 6.9                                          | 76.3                                          | 488.6    | 46.2                        | 534.7           | 8.6                                          | 49.7                                          | 1,238.3  | 101.5                       | 1,339.9         | 7.6                                          | 62.9                                          |
| 1989 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 752.2    | 54.7                        | 806.8           | 6.8                                          | 76.2                                          | 493.3    | 45.5                        | 538.8           | 8.4                                          | 50.0                                          | 1,245.5  | 100.2                       | 1,345.7         | 7.4                                          | 63.0                                          |
| February        | 754.0    | 53.8                        | 807.8           | 6.7                                          | 76.1                                          | 498.2    | 44.4                        | 542.6           | 8.2                                          | 50.2                                          | 1,252.2  | 98.3                        | 1,350.5         | 7.3                                          | 63.0                                          |
| March           | 755.6    | 53.0                        | 808.6           | 6.6                                          | 76.0                                          | 503.0    | 43.4                        | 546.3           | 7.9                                          | 50.4                                          | 1,258.5  | 96.4                        | 1,354.9         | 7.1                                          | 63.0                                          |
| April           | 757.3    | 52.2                        | 809.5           | 6.4                                          | 75.8                                          | 507.3    | 42.6                        | 549.8           | 7.7                                          | 50.5                                          | 1,264.6  | 94.8                        | 1,359.3         | 7.0                                          | 63.0                                          |
| May             | 759.6    | 51.4                        | 811.0           | 6.3                                          | 75.7                                          | 510.8    | 42.4                        | 553.2           | 7.7                                          | 50.7                                          | 1,270.3  | 93.8                        | 1,364.1         | 6.9                                          | 63.1                                          |
| June            | 762.7    | 50.9                        | 813.6           | 6.3                                          | 75.7                                          | 513.6    | 43.1                        | 556.7           | 7.7                                          | 50.8                                          | 1,276.3  | 94.0                        | 1,370.3         | 6.9                                          | 63.1                                          |
| July            | 766.7    | 50.5                        | 817.2           | 6.2                                          | 75.8                                          | 516.2    | 44.4                        | 560.6           | 7.9                                          | 51.1                                          | 1,282.9  | 94.9                        | 1,377.8         | 6.9                                          | 63.3                                          |
| August          | 771.2    | 50.2                        | 821.3           | 6.1                                          | 75.9                                          | 519.0    | 45.7                        | 564.7           | 8.1                                          | 51.3                                          | 1,290.1  | 95.9                        | 1,386.0         | 6.9                                          | 63.5                                          |
| September       | 775.4    | 50.0                        | 825.3           | 6.1                                          | 76.1                                          | 522.0    | 46.5                        | 568.5           | 8.2                                          | 51.5                                          | 1,297.4  | 96.5                        | 1,393.8         | 6.9                                          | 63.7                                          |
| October         | 778.9    | 49.9                        | 828.8           | 6.0                                          | 76.2                                          | 525.7    | 46.9                        | 572.5           | 8.2                                          | 51.7                                          | 1,304.6  | 96.8                        | 1,401.4         | 6.9                                          | 63.8                                          |
| November        | 781.9    | 50.1                        | 832.0           | 6.0                                          | 76.2                                          | 529.8    | 46.9                        | 576.7           | 8.1                                          | 51.9                                          | 1,311.7  | 96.9                        | 1,408.7         | 6.9                                          | 63.9                                          |
| December        | 784.2    | 50.4                        | 834.6           | 6.0                                          | 76.2                                          | 533.8    | 46.7                        | 580.5           | 8.0                                          | 52.1                                          | 1,318.0  | 97.1                        | 1,415.1         | 6.9                                          | 64.0                                          |
| 1990 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 785.9    | 50.9                        | 836.8           | 6.1                                          | 76.2                                          | 537.1    | 46.5                        | 583.6           | 8.0                                          | 52.3                                          | 1,323.0  | 97.4                        | 1,420.4         | 6.9                                          | 64.1                                          |
| February        | 787.0    | 51.3                        | 838.3           | 6.1                                          | 76.2                                          | 539.5    | 46.3                        | 585.9           | 7.9                                          | 52.3                                          | 1,326.5  | 97.6                        | 1,424.2         | 6.9                                          | 64.2                                          |
| SOUTH AUSTRALIA |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December        | 377.4    | 31.7                        | 409.1           | 7.7                                          | 74.5                                          | 261.2    | 22.8                        | 284.0           | 8.0                                          | 50.1                                          | 638.7    | 54.5                        | 693.2           | 7.9                                          | 62.1                                          |
| 1989 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 378.2    | 31.8                        | 410.1           | 7.8                                          | 74.5                                          | 262.7    | 22.3                        | 285.0           | 7.8                                          | 50.2                                          | 641.0    | 54.1                        | 695.0           | 7.8                                          | 62.2                                          |
| February        | 378.9    | 32.1                        | 410.9           | 7.8                                          | 74.6                                          | 263.8    | 21.8                        | 285.7           | 7.6                                          | 50.3                                          | 642.7    | 53.9                        | 696.6           | 7.7                                          | 62.2                                          |
| March           | 379.5    | 32.3                        | 411.8           | 7.8                                          | 74.6                                          | 264.7    | 21.5                        | 286.2           | 7.5                                          | 50.3                                          | 644.2    | 53.8                        | 698.0           | 7.7                                          | 62.3                                          |
| April           | 380.6    | 32.3                        | 412.9           | 7.8                                          | 74.7                                          | 265.6    | 21.2                        | 286.8           | 7.4                                          | 50.4                                          | 646.1    | 53.5                        | 699.7           | 7.7                                          | 62.4                                          |
| May             | 382.0    | 31.9                        | 413.9           | 7.7                                          | 74.8                                          | 266.8    | 20.9                        | 287.7           | 7.3                                          | 50.4                                          | 648.8    | 52.8                        | 701.6           | 7.5                                          | 62.4                                          |
| June            | 383.7    | 31.1                        | 414.7           | 7.5                                          | 74.9                                          | 268.2    | 20.7                        | 288.9           | 7.2                                          | 50.6                                          | 651.8    | 51.8                        | 703.6           | 7.4                                          | 62.6                                          |
| July            | 385.2    | 30.1                        | 415.2           | 7.2                                          | 74.9                                          | 269.5    | 20.7                        | 290.1           | 7.1                                          | 50.8                                          | 654.6    | 50.7                        | 705.4           | 7.2                                          | 62.7                                          |
| August          | 386.5    | 29.0                        | 415.6           | 7.0                                          | 74.9                                          | 270.2    | 20.7                        | 290.8           | 7.1                                          | 50.9                                          | 656.7    | 49.7                        | 706.4           | 7.0                                          | 62.7                                          |
| September       | 387.5    | 28.2                        | 415.7           | 6.8                                          | 74.8                                          | 270.2    | 20.7                        | 290.9           | 7.1                                          | 50.9                                          | 657.7    | 48.9                        | 706.6           | 6.9                                          | 62.7                                          |
| October         | 388.0    | 27.8                        | 415.8           | 6.7                                          | 74.7                                          | 269.6    | 20.9                        | 290.5           | 7.2                                          | 50.7                                          | 657.6    | 48.7                        | 706.3           | 6.9                                          | 62.6                                          |
| November        | 387.9    | 27.9                        | 415.8           | 6.7                                          | 74.7                                          | 268.9    | 21.3                        | 290.2           | 7.3                                          | 50.6                                          | 656.8    | 49.2                        | 706.0           | 7.0                                          | 62.5                                          |
| December        | 387.7    | 28.2                        | 415.8           | 6.8                                          | 74.6                                          | 268.4    | 21.8                        | 290.2           | 7.5                                          | 50.6                                          | 656.1    | 50.0                        | 706.0           | 7.1                                          | 62.4                                          |
| 1990 -          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January         | 387.3    | 28.4                        | 415.7           | 6.8                                          | 74.5                                          | 268.4    | 22.3                        | 290.7           | 7.7                                          | 50.6                                          | 655.6    | 50.7                        | 706.4           | 7.2                                          | 62.4                                          |
| February        | 386.7    | 28.9                        | 415.6           | 7.0                                          | 74.4                                          | 268.4    | 22.8                        | 291.2           | 7.8                                          | 50.6                                          | 655.1    | 51.7                        | 706.8           | 7.3                                          | 62.4                                          |

TABLE 11. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, STATES: TREND SERIES —continued

| Month             | Males    |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Females  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               | Persons  |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
|-------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
|                   | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Employed | Unemp-<br>loyed<br>- '000 - | Labour<br>force | Unemp-<br>loyment<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - | Partic-<br>ipation<br>rate<br>- per<br>cent - |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December          | 444.0    | 27.7                        | 471.6           | 5.9                                          | 78.4                                          | 292.8    | 23.3                        | 316.0           | 7.4                                          | 52.7                                          | 736.7    | 50.9                        | 787.7           | 6.5                                          | 65.6                                          |
| 1989 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 445.8    | 26.7                        | 472.5           | 5.7                                          | 78.3                                          | 294.8    | 22.5                        | 317.4           | 7.1                                          | 52.8                                          | 740.6    | 49.2                        | 789.8           | 6.2                                          | 65.6                                          |
| February          | 446.9    | 25.6                        | 472.5           | 5.4                                          | 78.1                                          | 296.5    | 21.6                        | 318.1           | 6.8                                          | 52.8                                          | 743.4    | 47.2                        | 790.6           | 6.0                                          | 65.4                                          |
| March             | 447.3    | 24.7                        | 472.0           | 5.2                                          | 77.8                                          | 297.9    | 20.6                        | 318.5           | 6.5                                          | 52.7                                          | 745.2    | 45.3                        | 790.5           | 5.7                                          | 65.2                                          |
| April             | 447.2    | 24.2                        | 471.4           | 5.1                                          | 77.5                                          | 299.0    | 19.9                        | 318.9           | 6.2                                          | 52.6                                          | 746.2    | 44.1                        | 790.3           | 5.6                                          | 65.1                                          |
| May               | 447.0    | 24.2                        | 471.2           | 5.1                                          | 77.3                                          | 299.9    | 19.8                        | 319.8           | 6.2                                          | 52.6                                          | 747.0    | 44.0                        | 791.0           | 5.6                                          | 65.0                                          |
| June              | 447.2    | 24.5                        | 471.7           | 5.2                                          | 77.2                                          | 301.0    | 20.3                        | 321.2           | 6.3                                          | 52.7                                          | 748.1    | 44.8                        | 792.9           | 5.7                                          | 65.0                                          |
| July              | 448.0    | 25.0                        | 473.0           | 5.3                                          | 77.2                                          | 302.2    | 20.8                        | 323.1           | 6.5                                          | 52.9                                          | 750.2    | 45.9                        | 796.1           | 5.8                                          | 65.0                                          |
| August            | 449.1    | 25.6                        | 474.6           | 5.4                                          | 77.2                                          | 303.6    | 21.4                        | 325.0           | 6.6                                          | 53.1                                          | 752.7    | 47.0                        | 799.6           | 5.9                                          | 65.1                                          |
| September         | 449.9    | 26.2                        | 476.2           | 5.5                                          | 77.2                                          | 304.9    | 21.9                        | 326.9           | 6.7                                          | 53.2                                          | 754.9    | 48.2                        | 803.0           | 6.0                                          | 65.2                                          |
| October           | 450.2    | 27.1                        | 477.2           | 5.7                                          | 77.2                                          | 306.5    | 22.4                        | 328.9           | 6.8                                          | 53.4                                          | 756.6    | 49.5                        | 806.1           | 6.1                                          | 65.4                                          |
| November          | 449.6    | 28.1                        | 477.8           | 5.9                                          | 77.1                                          | 308.3    | 22.9                        | 331.2           | 6.9                                          | 53.7                                          | 757.9    | 51.1                        | 809.0           | 6.3                                          | 65.4                                          |
| December          | 448.5    | 29.4                        | 478.0           | 6.2                                          | 77.0                                          | 310.2    | 23.5                        | 333.7           | 7.0                                          | 54.0                                          | 758.8    | 52.9                        | 811.7           | 6.5                                          | 65.5                                          |
| 1990 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 447.3    | 30.8                        | 478.1           | 6.4                                          | 76.9                                          | 312.2    | 24.1                        | 336.3           | 7.2                                          | 54.3                                          | 759.5    | 54.9                        | 814.4           | 6.7                                          | 65.6                                          |
| February          | 446.2    | 32.0                        | 478.1           | 6.7                                          | 76.7                                          | 313.8    | 24.7                        | 338.5           | 7.3                                          | 54.5                                          | 759.9    | 56.7                        | 816.6           | 6.9                                          | 65.7                                          |
| TASMANIA          |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| 1988 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| December          | 115.2    | 11.5                        | 126.7           | 9.1                                          | 74.9                                          | 70.9     | 9.4                         | 80.3            | 11.7                                         | 45.8                                          | 186.1    | 20.9                        | 207.0           | 10.1                                         | 60.1                                          |
| 1989 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 114.8    | 11.4                        | 126.2           | 9.0                                          | 74.5                                          | 70.4     | 9.5                         | 79.9            | 11.9                                         | 45.6                                          | 185.2    | 20.8                        | 206.1           | 10.1                                         | 59.8                                          |
| February          | 114.5    | 11.2                        | 125.7           | 8.9                                          | 74.0                                          | 70.4     | 9.3                         | 79.7            | 11.7                                         | 45.5                                          | 184.9    | 20.6                        | 205.5           | 10.0                                         | 59.6                                          |
| March             | 114.3    | 11.2                        | 125.5           | 8.9                                          | 74.0                                          | 71.0     | 8.9                         | 79.9            | 11.2                                         | 45.5                                          | 185.3    | 20.1                        | 205.4           | 9.8                                          | 59.5                                          |
| April             | 114.3    | 11.2                        | 125.5           | 8.9                                          | 73.9                                          | 72.1     | 8.5                         | 80.6            | 10.5                                         | 45.9                                          | 186.4    | 19.7                        | 206.1           | 9.6                                          | 59.7                                          |
| May               | 114.5    | 11.2                        | 125.7           | 8.9                                          | 74.0                                          | 73.6     | 8.1                         | 81.7            | 9.9                                          | 46.5                                          | 188.1    | 19.4                        | 207.5           | 9.3                                          | 60.0                                          |
| June              | 115.0    | 11.2                        | 126.2           | 8.8                                          | 74.2                                          | 75.3     | 7.9                         | 83.2            | 9.6                                          | 47.3                                          | 190.3    | 19.1                        | 209.4           | 9.1                                          | 60.5                                          |
| July              | 115.8    | 10.9                        | 126.7           | 8.6                                          | 74.5                                          | 76.8     | 8.0                         | 84.8            | 9.5                                          | 48.2                                          | 192.6    | 19.0                        | 211.6           | 9.0                                          | 61.1                                          |
| August            | 116.8    | 10.7                        | 127.4           | 8.4                                          | 74.8                                          | 78.0     | 8.3                         | 86.3            | 9.6                                          | 49.0                                          | 194.8    | 18.9                        | 213.7           | 8.9                                          | 61.7                                          |
| September         | 117.7    | 10.4                        | 128.1           | 8.1                                          | 75.1                                          | 78.8     | 8.5                         | 87.4            | 9.8                                          | 49.6                                          | 196.5    | 18.9                        | 215.4           | 8.8                                          | 62.1                                          |
| October           | 118.4    | 10.2                        | 128.6           | 7.9                                          | 75.3                                          | 79.3     | 8.7                         | 88.0            | 9.9                                          | 49.8                                          | 197.7    | 18.9                        | 216.5           | 8.7                                          | 62.4                                          |
| November          | 118.8    | 10.1                        | 128.9           | 7.9                                          | 75.4                                          | 79.6     | 8.7                         | 88.3            | 9.9                                          | 49.9                                          | 198.4    | 18.8                        | 217.2           | 8.7                                          | 62.5                                          |
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| 1990 -            |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |          |                             |                 |                                              |                                               |
| January           | 118.9    | 10.2                        | 129.1           | 7.9                                          | 75.4                                          | 79.8     | 8.5                         | 88.3            | 9.6                                          | 49.8                                          | 198.7    | 18.7                        | 217.4           | 8.6                                          | 62.4                                          |
| February          | 118.8    | 10.2                        | 129.0           | 7.9                                          | 75.2                                          | 79.7     | 8.4                         | 88.1            | 9.5                                          | 49.7                                          | 198.5    | 18.6                        | 217.1           | 8.6                                          | 62.2                                          |

## GLOSSARY

**Attending school:** Persons aged 15 to 19 who, during the reference week, were enrolled full time at secondary or high schools.

**Attending tertiary educational institution full time:** Persons aged 15 to 24 who, during the reference week, were enrolled full time at universities, colleges of advanced education, technical colleges, colleges of technical and further education and theological colleges.

**Employed:** Persons aged 15 and over who, during the reference week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers, self-employed persons or unpaid family helpers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

**Full-time workers:** Employed persons who usually worked 35 hours or more a week (in all jobs) and others who, although usually working less than 35 hours a week, worked 35 hours or more during the reference week.

**Labour force:** For any group, persons who were employed or unemployed, as defined.

**Labour force status:** A classification of the civilian population aged 15 and over into employed, unemployed or not in the labour force, as defined. The definitions conform closely to the international standard definitions adopted by the International Conferences of Labour Statisticians.

**Not in the labour force:** Persons who were not in the categories employed or unemployed as defined.

**Participation rate:** For any group, the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

**Part-time workers:** Employed persons who usually worked less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the reference week.

**Seasonally adjusted series:** A time series of estimates with the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation removed. See paragraphs 13 and 14 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail.

**Trend series:** A smoothed seasonally adjusted series of estimates. See paragraphs 15 to 17 of the Explanatory Notes for more detail.

**Unemployed:** Persons aged 15 and over who were not employed during the reference week, and:

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week and:
  - (i) were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week); or
  - (ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or
- (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

**Unemployed looking for first full-time job:** Unemployed persons looking for full-time work (as defined) who had never worked full time for two weeks or more.

**Unemployed looking for full-time work:** Unemployed persons who actively looked for full-time work or were to resume a full-time job, from which they had been stood down.

**Unemployed looking for part-time work:** Unemployed persons who had actively looked for part-time work only, or were to resume a part-time job, from which they had been stood down.

**Unemployment rate:** For any group, the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### Introduction

1. This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey part of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised estimates for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

### The population survey

2. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 31,000 houses, flats, etc.) and a list sample of non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.), and covers about three-fifths of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. To avoid a clash with the Christmas period, the December 1989 survey interviews commenced on Monday 4th December 1989. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).

### Scope

3. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas residents in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependents) stationed in Australia.

### Coverage

4. In the labour force survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. The coverage rules are, necessarily, a balance between theoretical and operational considerations. Nevertheless, the chance of a person being enumerated at two separate dwellings in the survey is considered to be negligible.

### Population benchmarks

5. New benchmarks based on the results of the 1986 Census of Population and Housing were introduced in the February 1989 issue of this publication. Labour force estimates were revised for the period January 1984 to January 1989. All estimates produced after January 1989 are based on the new benchmarks.

### Revision of series

6. From April 1986, the definition of employed persons was changed to include persons who worked without pay between 1 and 14 hours per week in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers). For further information, see paragraphs 36 and 37 of the Explanatory

Notes to the February 1987 issue of *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

### Survey sample redesign

7. The LFS sample was redesigned and reselected using information collected in the 1986 Census of Population and Housing. The new sample was phased in over the period September 1987 to December 1987. For details, see *Information Paper - Labour Force Survey - Sample Design* (6269.0).

### Reliability of the estimates

8. Two types of error are possible in an estimate based on a sample survey: sampling error and non-sampling error. The *sampling error* is a measure of the variability that occurs by chance because a sample, rather than the entire population, is surveyed. One measure of the likely difference resulting from not including all dwellings in the survey is given by the *standard error*. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

9. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown in the tables. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical Note in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

10. The smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In the tables in this publication, only estimates with relative standard errors of 25 per cent or less, and percentages based on such estimates, are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. However, estimates and percentages with larger relative standard errors have been included and are preceded by an asterisk (eg. \* 3.4) to indicate they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.

11. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

- (a) An estimate of 300,000 unemployed males looking for full-time work has a standard error of about 6,900. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will be within the range 293,100 to 306,900 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the number will be within the range 286,200 to 313,800.
- (b) On an estimate of movement of +28,300 in the number of unemployed males looking for full-time

work from one month to the next (with the highest of the two monthly level estimates being 300,000) the standard error is about 5,300. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been within the range +23,000 to +33,600, and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range +17,700 to +38,900.

12. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

#### Seasonal adjustment and trend estimation

13. Seasonally adjusted series are published in Tables 2, 5 and 10. As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's original data. The results of the latest review were used to compile the revised seasonally adjusted and trend estimates contained in this bulletin. Information about the method of adjustment, and revised seasonally adjusted and trend estimates for all months from January 1984 will be published in an appendix to "The Labour Force, Australia, February 1990" (6203.0).

14. Seasonal adjustment is a means of removing the estimated effects of normal seasonal variation from the series so that the effects of other influences on the series can be more clearly recognised. Seasonal adjustment does not aim to remove the irregular or non-seasonal influences which may be present in any particular month. Influences that are volatile can still make it difficult to interpret the movement of the series even after adjustment for seasonal variation.

15. It is possible that the seasonality of employment, unemployment and labour force participation has been affected by the changed pattern of school holidays in some States. The impact of these changes on seasonally adjusted estimates of labour force characteristics cannot be assessed at this stage. Trend estimates are expected to be relatively unaffected by these changes.

16. Smoothing seasonally adjusted series produces a measure of trend by reducing the impact of the irregular component of the series. The trend estimates have been derived by applying a 13-term Henderson-weighted moving average to the series. Trend series are used to analyse the underlying behaviour of the series over time. These are published in Tables 3, 6 and 11.

17. While this smoothing technique enables estimates to be produced for the latest month, it does result in

revisions to the most recent months as additional observations become available. Generally, subsequent revisions become smaller, and after three months have a negligible impact on the series. There will also be revisions as a result of the annual review of seasonal factors.

18. Users may wish to refer to the ABS Information Papers *A Guide to Smoothing Time Series - Estimates of 'Trend'* (1316.0), and *Time Series Decomposition - an Overview* (1317.0) for more detailed information on smoothing of seasonally adjusted time series data.

#### Semi-logarithmic graphs

19. Graphs on page 2 have been drawn using a logarithmic vertical scale to facilitate comparisons of rates of growth in series of differing magnitude. Equal distances on the vertical scale (over equal time periods) indicate equal rates of growth for graphs on the same page.

#### Related publications

20. Users may also wish to refer to *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). This publication contains a detailed list of related publications which are available on request.

21. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

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22. As well as the statistics included in this and related publications, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquiries should be made to Don Clark on Canberra (062) 52 6525 or any ABS State Office.

#### Symbols and other usages

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23. Estimates have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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