Summary
The ABS Labour Force Survey data for Australian Capital Territory released in June for May showed that in trend terms:

- Total employment increased by 1,097 (0.4%) to 266,808 people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 12,517 (4.7%).
- Total unemployment increased by 16 (0.2%) to 7,942 people, and the unemployment rate remained steady at 2.9%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 547 (-6.9%), and the unemployment rate has decreased by 0.3 percentage points.
- Total underutilisation has increased by 103 (0.5%) to 22,182 people, and the underutilisation rate remained steady at 8.1%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has increased by 1,901 (8.6%) and the underutilisation rate has increased by 0.4 percentage points.

Nationally in May:

- Total employment increased by 39,779 (0.3%) to 14.00 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australia has increased by 426,578 (3.0%).
- Total unemployment increased by 1,117 (0.2%) to 512,780 people and the unemployment rate remained steady at 3.5%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australia has decreased by 14,514 (-2.8%) and the unemployment rate has decreased by 0.2 percentage points.
- Total underutilisation increased by 8,134 (0.6%) to 1.42 million people, and the underutilisation rate remained steady at 9.8%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has increased by 31,067 (2.2%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 0.1 percentage points.
**Employment**

- In May, trend employment in Australian Capital Territory increased by 1,097 (0.4%) to 266,808 people.
- Compared with May last year, total employment in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 12,517 (4.7%).
- Nationally, employment in increased by 39,779 (0.3%) to 14.00 million people.

![Employed Total: Australian Capital Territory & Australia](image)

**Full and Part Time Employment**

- Full-time employment in Australian Capital Territory increased by 1,167 (0.6%) to 203,839 in May, and has increased by 14,455 (7.1%) over the year.
- Part-time employment in Australian Capital Territory, in original terms increased by 6,943 (10.6%) to 65,297 in May. Part-time employment has increased by 1,539 (2.4%) over the last year.

![FULL AND PART–TIME EMPLOYMENT: ACT](image)
Unemployment

- In May, the total number of unemployed people in Australian Capital Territory increased by 16 (0.2%) to 7,942.
- Compared with May last year, unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 547 (-6.9%) people.
- Nationally, total unemployment in May increased by 1,117 (0.2%) to 512,780 people.

Unemployment Rate

- In May, the trend unemployment rate in Australian Capital Territory remained steady at 2.9%.
- Compared with May last year, the unemployment rate in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 0.3 percentage points.
- Nationally, unemployment remained steady at 3.5%
Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- In May, the trend unemployment rate for males in Australian Capital Territory increased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.5%.
- Compared with May last year male unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has remained steady at 3.5%.
- In the same period, the trend unemployment rate for females in remained steady at 2.3%.
- Compared with May last year female unemployment in Australian Capital Territory has decreased by 0.6 percentage points.

![UNEMPLOYMENT RATES: MALE AND FEMALE: ACT](source)

Source: 6202.0 – Labour Force, Australia, May 2023 (Table 12, Trend)
Participation Rate

- The participation rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 73.1%.
- Over the past year, the participation rate has increased by 1.6 percentage points.
- Nationally, the participation rate in May remained steady at 66.8%.

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, May 2023 (Table 12, Trend)
Underemployment

- The underemployment rate remained steady at 5.2%. The total number of people underemployed has increased by 87 (0.6%) to 14,240 people.
- Over the past year, total underemployment has increased by 2,448 (17.2%).
- Nationally, the underemployment rate in May increased by 0.1 percentage points to 6.3% and the total number of people underemployed increased by 7,017 (0.8%) to 907,542.

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, May 2023 (Table 12, Trend)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, May 2023 (Table 23, Trend)
Underutilisation

- The underutilisation rate remained steady at 8.1%. Over the past month, the number of underutilised people has increased by 103 (0.5%) to 22,182.
- Over the past year, underutilisation in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 1,901 (8.6%).
- Nationally the underutilisation rate in May remained steady at 9.8%, and the total number of underutilised people increased by 8,134 (0.6%) to 1.42 million.

![Underutilisation Rate: Australian Capital Territory & Australia](chart1)

![Underutilised Total: Australian Capital Territory & Australia](chart2)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, May 2023 (Table 23, Trend)
**Hours Worked**

- The total number of hours worked in all jobs increased by 95,699 (0.3%) to 36.30 million.
- Over the past year, the number of hours worked in Australian Capital Territory has increased by 2.04 million (5.6%).
- Nationally, the total number of hours worked in May increased by 7.22 million (0.4%) to 1,944 million.

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**Monthly Hours Worked In All Jobs: Australian Capital Territory & Australia**

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, May 2023 (Table 19, Trend)