Summary

The ABS Labour Force Survey data for New South Wales released in September for August showed that in seasonally adjusted terms:

- Total employment increased by 4,091 (0.1%) to 4.28 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in New South Wales has increased by 324,207 (7.6%).
- Total unemployment increased by 8,472 (5.5%) to 152,783 people, and the unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.4%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in New South Wales has decreased by 43,918 (-28.7%), and the unemployment rate has decreased by 1.3 percentage points.
- Total underutilisation has decreased by 2,299 (-0.6%) to 402,524 people, and the underutilisation rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 9.1%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 237,147 (-58.9%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 6.3 percentage points.

Nationally in August:

- Total employment increased by 33,481 (0.2%) to 13.59 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australia has increased by 570,298 (4.2%).
- Total unemployment increased by 14,047 (2.9%) to 487,682 people and the unemployment rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.5%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australia has decreased by 132,543 (-27.2%) and the unemployment rate has decreased by 1.0 percentage points.
- Total underutilisation increased by 6,802 (0.5%) to 1.32 million people, and the underutilisation rate remained steady at 9.4%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 564,784 (-42.8%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 4.4 percentage points.
**Employment**

- In August, seasonally adjusted employment in New South Wales increased by 4,091 (0.1%) to 4.28 million people.
- Compared with August last year, total employment in New South Wales has increased by 324,207 (7.6%).
- Nationally, employment in increased by 33,481 (0.2%) to 13.59 million people.

**Employed Total: New South Wales and Australia**

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

![Graph showing employment trends]

*Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)*

**Full and Part Time Employment**

- Full-time employment in New South Wales increased by 73,889 (2.4%) to 3.06 million in August, and has increased by 229,736 (7.5%) over the year.
- Part-time employment in New South Wales, in original terms decreased by 37,773 (-3.1%) to 1.24 million in August. Part-time employment has increased by 96,935 (7.8%) over the last year.

**FULL AND PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT: NSW**

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

![Graph showing full and part-time employment trends]

*Source: 6202.0 - Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 12, Derived)*
Unemployment

- In August, the total number of unemployed people in New South Wales increased by 8,472 (5.5%) to 152,783.
- Compared with August last year, unemployment in New South Wales has decreased by 43,918 (-28.7%) people.
- Nationally, total unemployment in August increased by 14,047 (2.9%) to 487,682 people.

Unemployed Total: New South Wales and Australia
Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)

Unemployment Rate

- In August, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in New South Wales increased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.4%.
- Compared with August last year, the unemployment rate in New South Wales has decreased by 1.3 percentage points.
- Nationally, unemployment increased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.5%

Unemployment Rate: New South Wales and Australia

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)
Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- In August, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for males in New South Wales increased by 0.2 percentage points to 3.3%.
- Compared with August last year male unemployment in New South Wales has decreased by 1.9 percentage points.
- In the same period, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for females increased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.6%.
- Compared with August last year female unemployment in New South Wales has decreased by 0.6 percentage points.

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES: MALE AND FEMALE: NSW**

*Source: 6202.0 - Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)*
Participation Rate

- The participation rate increased by 0.2 percentage points to 66.0%.
- Over the past year, the participation rate has increased by 3.6 percentage points.
- Nationally, the participation rate in August increased by 0.2 percentage points to 66.6%.

**Participation Rate: New South Wales and Australia**

![Graph showing participation rate from 2017 to 2022]

*Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)*
Underemployment

- The underemployment rate decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 5.6%. The total number of people underemployed has decreased by 10,771 (-4.3%) to 249,742 people.
- Over the past year, total underemployment has decreased by 193,229 (-77.4%).
- Nationally, the underemployment rate in August decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 5.9% and the total number of people underemployed decreased by 7,245 (-0.9%) to 832,727.

Underemployment Rate (Proportion Of Labour Force): New South Wales and Australia

Underemployed Total: New South Wales and Australia

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)
Underutilisation

- The underutilisation rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 9.1%. Over the past month, the number of underutilised people has decreased by 2,299 (-0.6%) to 402,524.
- Over the past year, underutilisation in New South Wales has decreased by 237,147 (-58.9%).
- Nationally the underutilisation rate in August remained steady at 9.4%, and the total number of underutilised people increased by 6,802 (0.5%) to 1.32 million.

**Underutilisation Rate: New South Wales and Australia**

![Graph showing underutilisation rate]

(Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 23, Seasonally Adjusted))

**Underutilised Total: New South Wales and Australia**

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

![Graph showing underutilised total]

(Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 23, Seasonally Adjusted))
Hours Worked

- The total number of hours worked in all jobs increased by 6.25 million (1.1%) to 590.15 million.
- Over the past year, the number of hours worked in New South Wales has increased by 85.95 million (14.6%).
- Nationally, the total number of hours worked in August increased by 14.50 million (0.8%) to 1,854 million.

**Monthly Hours Worked in All Jobs: New South Wales and Australia**

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, August 2022 (Table 19, Seasonally Adjusted)