Labour Market Brief
South Australia

Summary

The ABS Labour Force Survey data for South Australia released in November for October showed that in trend terms:

- Total employment increased by 2,735 (0.3%) to 895,575 people.
  - Over the past year, employment in South Australia has increased by 18,802 (2.1%).
- Total unemployment decreased by 507 (-1.3%) to 37,701 people, and the unemployment rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 4.0%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in South Australia has decreased by 7,712 (-20.5%), and the unemployment rate has decreased by 0.9 percentage points.
- Total underutilisation has decreased by 483 (-0.5%) to 98,847 people, and the underutilisation rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 10.6%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 23,098 (-23.4%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 2.6 percentage points.

Nationally in October:

- Total employment increased by 16,847 (0.1%) to 13.62 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australia has increased by 466,797 (3.4%).
- Total unemployment decreased by 2,566 (-0.5%) to 483,829 people and the unemployment rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.4%
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australia has decreased by 153,075 (-31.6%) and the unemployment rate has decreased by 1.2 percentage points.
- Total underutilisation decreased by 3,146 (-0.2%) to 1.32 million people, and the underutilisation rate remained steady at 9.4%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 586,890 (-44.3%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 4.5 percentage points.
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**Employment**

- In October, trend employment in South Australia increased by 2,735 (0.3%) to 895,575 people.
- Compared with October last year, total employment in South Australia has increased by 18,802 (2.1%).
- Nationally, employment increased by 16,847 (0.1%) to 13.62 million people.

Employed Total: South Australia and Australia  
Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

![Graph showing employment trends]

*Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 12, Trend)*

**Full and Part Time Employment**

- Full-time employment in South Australia increased by 1,313 (0.2%) to 592,052 in October, and has increased by 23,461 (4.0%) over the year.
- Part-time employment in South Australia, in original terms, decreased by 2,094 (-0.7%) to 303,055 in October. Part-time employment has decreased by 3,869 (-1.3%) over the last year.

FULL AND PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT: SA  
Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

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

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

- In October, the total number of unemployed people in South Australia decreased by 507 (-1.3%) to 37,701.
- Compared with October last year, unemployment in South Australia has decreased by 7,712 (-20.5%) people.
- Nationally, total unemployment in October decreased by 2,566 (-0.5%) to 483,829 people.

Unemployed Total: **South Australia and Australia**

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Unemployment Rate

- In October, the trend unemployment rate in South Australia decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 4.0%.
- Compared with October last year, the unemployment rate in South Australia has decreased by 0.9 percentage points.
- Nationally, unemployment decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.4%

Unemployment Rate: **South Australia and Australia**

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 12, Trend)
Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- In October, the trend unemployment rate for males in South Australia decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 4.3%.
- Compared with October last year male unemployment in South Australia has decreased by 1.0 percentage points.
- In the same period, the trend unemployment rate for females in remained steady at 3.7%.
- Compared with October last year female unemployment in South Australia has decreased by 0.8 percentage points.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES: MALE AND FEMALE: SA

Source: 6202.0 - Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 12, Trend)
Participation Rate

- The participation rate increased by 0.1 percentage points to 63.3%.
- Over the past year, the participation rate has increased by 0.2 percentage points.
- Nationally, the participation rate in October remained steady at 66.6%.

**Participation Rate: South Australia and Australia**

*Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 12, Trend)*
Underemployment

- The underemployment rate remained steady at 6.6%. The total number of people underemployed has increased by 24 (0.0%) to 61,146 people.
- Over the past year, total underemployment has decreased by 15,386 (-25.2%).
- Nationally, the underemployment rate in October remained steady at 6.0% and the total number of people underemployed decreased by 579 (-0.1%) to 839,934.

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

Underemployed Total: South Australia and Australia
Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 12, Trend)
Underutilisation

- The underutilisation rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 10.6%. Over the past month, the number of underutilised people has decreased by 483 (-0.5%) to 98,847.
- Over the past year, underutilisation in South Australia has decreased by 23,098 (-23.4%).
- Nationally the underutilisation rate in October remained steady at 9.4%, and the total number of underutilised people decreased by 3,146 (-0.2%) to 1.32 million.

Underutilisation Rate: South Australia and Australia

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 23, Trend)

Underutilised Total: South Australia and Australia

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 23, Trend)
Hours Worked

- The total number of hours worked in all jobs increased by 584,669 (0.5%) to 120.01 million.
- Over the past year, the number of hours worked in South Australia has increased by 1.63 million (1.4%).
- Nationally, the total number of hours worked in October increased by 2.66 million (0.1%) to 1,864 million.

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

Index (Base: January 2017 = 100)

*Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, October 2022 (Table 19, Trend)*