Labour Market Brief
Tasmania

Summary

The ABS Labour Force Survey data for Tasmania released in October for September showed that in seasonally adjusted terms:

- Total employment increased by 1,792 (0.6%) to 291,184 people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Tasmania has increased by 5,364 (1.8%).
- Total unemployment decreased by 615 (-4.8%) to 12,706 people, and the unemployment rate decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 4.2%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Tasmania has increased by 162 (1.3%), and the unemployment rate has remained steady at 4.2%.
- Total underutilisation has decreased by 2,364 (-7.6%) to 31,260 people, and the underutilisation rate decreased by 0.8 percentage points to 10.3%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has decreased by 1,336 (-4.3%) and the underutilisation rate has decreased by 0.6 percentage points.

Nationally in September:

- Total employment increased by 6,660 (0.0%) to 14.11 million people.
  - Over the past year, employment in Australia has increased by 394,339 (2.8%).
- Total unemployment decreased by 19,771 (-3.8%) to 520,485 people and the unemployment rate decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.6%.
  - Over the past year, unemployment in Australia has increased by 11,033 (2.1%) and the unemployment rate has remained steady at 3.6%.
- Total underutilisation decreased by 44,038 (-3.0%) to 1.45 million people, and the underutilisation rate decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 9.9%.
  - Over the past year, total underutilisation has increased by 87,080 (6.0%) and the underutilisation rate has increased by 0.3 percentage points.
Employment

- In September, seasonally adjusted employment in Tasmania increased by 1,792 (0.6%) to 291,184 people.
- Compared with September last year, total employment in Tasmania has increased by 5,364 (1.8%).
- Nationally, employment in increased by 6,660 (0.0%) to 14.11 million people.

Full and Part Time Employment

- Full-time employment in Tasmania increased by 2,427 (1.3%) to 187,799 in September, and has increased by 3,567 (1.9%) over the year.
- Part-time employment in Tasmania, in original terms decreased by 1,450 (-1.4%) to 102,896 in September. Part-time employment has increased by 1,776 (1.7%) over the last year.
### Unemployment

- In September, the total number of unemployed people in Tasmania decreased by 615 (-4.8%) to 12,706.
- Compared with September last year, unemployment in Tasmania has increased by 162 (1.3%) people.
- Nationally, total unemployment in September decreased by 19,771 (-3.8%) to 520,485 people.

![Graph of Unemployed Total: Tasmania & Australia](Image)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)

### Unemployment Rate

- In September, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in Tasmania decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 4.2%.
- Compared with September last year, the unemployment rate in Tasmania has remained steady at 4.2%.
- Nationally, unemployment decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 3.6%.

![Graph of Unemployment Rate: Tasmania & Australia](Image)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)
Male and Female Unemployment Rates

- In September, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for males in Tasmania increased by 0.1 percentage points to 4.8%.
- Compared with September last year male unemployment in Tasmania has increased by 0.7 percentage points.
- In the same period, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for females in remained steady at 4.0%.
- Compared with September last year female unemployment in Tasmania has increased by 0.2 percentage points.

Source: 6202.0 – Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)
Participation Rate

- The participation rate increased by 0.2 percentage points to 63.0%.
- Over the past year, the participation rate has increased by 0.5 percentage points.
- Nationally, the participation rate in September decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 66.7%.

Participation Rate: Tasmania & Australia

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)
Underemployment

- The underemployment rate decreased by 0.6 percentage points to 6.1%. The total number of people underemployed has decreased by 1,750 (-9.4%) to 18,553 people.
- Over the past year, total underemployment has decreased by 1,499 (-8.1%).
- Nationally, the underemployment rate in September decreased by 0.1 percentage points to 6.4% and the total number of people underemployed decreased by 24,267 (-2.6%) to 931,291.

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 12, Seasonally Adjusted)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 23, Seasonally Adjusted)
Underutilisation

- The underutilisation rate decreased by 0.8 percentage points to 10.3%. Over the past month, the number of underutilised people has decreased by 2,364 (-7.6%) to 31,260.
- Over the past year, underutilisation in Tasmania has decreased by 1,336 (-4.3%).
- Nationally the underutilisation rate in September decreased by 0.3 percentage points to 9.9%, and the total number of underutilised people decreased by 44,038 (-3.0%) to 1.45 million.

![Underutilisation Rate: Tasmania & Australia](chart1)

**Source:** ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 23, Seasonally Adjusted)

![Underutilised Total: Tasmania & Australia](chart2)

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**Source:** ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 23, Seasonally Adjusted)
Hours Worked

- The total number of hours worked in all jobs increased by 378,545 (1.0%) to 38.64 million.
- Over the past year, the number of hours worked in Tasmania has increased by 1.09 million (2.8%).
- Nationally, the total number of hours worked in September decreased by 8.45 million (-0.4%) to 1,930 million.

![Monthly Hours Worked In All Jobs: Tasmania & Australia](image_url)

Source: ABS Labour Force, Australia, September 2023 (Table 19, Seasonally Adjusted)