## CHAPTER 2

## THE LABOUR FORCE

Fundamental to the measurement of employment and unemployment is the concept of the labour force. The labour force is defined broadly as those persons who during a particular week are either employed or unemployed. The labour force represents the total supply of labour available to the labour market during a given week.

This chapter presents some summary statistics on the civilian labour force. The most important labour force measure is the participation rate, which represents the proportion of the working age population (defined to be those aged 15 and over) who are in the labour force. Analysis of the participation rates provides a basis for monitoring changes in the size and composition of labour supply, particularly in terms of age, sex and marital status. Other characteristics of the labour force such as birthplace, educational attainment and family characteristics are also of interest.

The principal source for statistics on the civilian labour force is the ABS population survey, which consists of the monthly labour force survey and attached supplementary surveys. The labour force survey collects information on the labour force status of individuals (i.e. whether they are employed, unemployed or not in the labour force) together with a range of demographic and other characteristics. It has provided the basis for an analysis of underemployment and labour underutilisation, a topic included in Chapter 3. The supplementary surveys cover a range of topics including the Survey of Labour Force Experience, conducted in February in each year, which examines the movements into and out of the labour force over twelve months.

Members of the permanent Defence Forces are excluded from the labour force survey. Their numbers totalled 64,511 males and 4,780 females at the end of June 1985.

TABLE 2.1. LABOUR FORCE: SOURCES OF GROWTH, AUGUST 1975 TO AUGUST 1985 (per cent)

| Year ending August | Males |  |  | Females |  |  | Persons |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percentage change in labour force | Component of change due to |  | Percentage change in tabour force | Component of change due to |  | Percentage change in labour force | Component of change due to |  |
|  |  | Population growh | Labour force participation |  | Population growth | Labour force participation |  | Population growth | - Labour force participation |
| 1975 | 1.1 | 1.7 | 0.6 | 3.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 1.7 | 0.4 |
| 1976 | 0.8 | 1.6 | -0.8 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 1.2 | 1.7 | -0.5 |
| 1977 | 1.6 | 1.8 | -0.2 | 4.6 | 1.9 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 1.8 | 0.9 |
| 1978 | -0.4 | 2.5 | -2.1 | 1.4 | 3.0 | -1.6 | 0.8 | 2.8 | -2.0 |
| 1979 | 1.1 | 1.6 | -0.5 | 0.3 | 1.8 | -1.4 | 0.8 | 1.7 | -0.4 |
| 1980 | 1.8 | 1.7 | . 0.1 | 6.2 | 1.8 | 4.3 | 3.4 | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| 1981 | 1.6 | 2.0 | -0.4 | 1.3 | 2.1 | -0.8 | 1.5 | 2.1 | -0.6 |
| 1982 | 0.9 | 2.1 | -1.2 | 1.1 | 2.1 | -0.9 | 1.0 | 2.1 | -1.1 |
| 1983 | 0.9 | 1.8 | -0.9 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 1.8 | -0.5 |
| 1984 | 1.4 | 1.6 | -0.2 | 3.0 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 1.6 | -0.4 |
| 1985 | 1.0 | 1.6 | -0.6 | 4.0 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 2.1 | 1.6 | 0.6 |

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## CHART 2.a. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES, AUGUST 1966 TO 1985



Source: The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0).

TABLE 2.2. LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES BY AGE, AUGUST 1975 TO AUGUST 1985 (Per cent)

| August | Age group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-34 | 35.44 | 45.54 | 55.59 | 60-64 | 65 and over |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 60.0 | 90.1 | 96.8 | 96.8 | 93.9 | 87.8 | 68.6 | 16.7 | 80.5 |
| 1976 | 60.2 | 90.8 | 96.9 | 96.8 | 94.0 | 86.9 | 64.0 | 14.3 | 80.0 |
| 1977 | 62.1 | 91.2 | 96.9 | 97.0 | 93.2 | 86.3 | 62.2 | 13.7 | 79.8 |
| 1978 | 61.0 | 89.6 | 95.9 | 95.6 | 91.6 | 81.9 | 59.7 | 12.0 | 78.2 |
| 1979 | 61.4 | 90.2 | 95.8 | 95.6 | 91.2 | 82.0 | 53.5 | 11.5 | 77.8 |
| 1980 | 62.8 | 90.5 | 95.5 | 95.9 | 91.4 | 83.3 | 50.2 | 11.1 | 77.8 |
| 1981 | 61.8 | 91.3 | 95.3 | 95.2 | 91.3 | 81.1 | 51.2 | 10.6 | 77.5 |
| 1982 | 62.4 | 89.3 | 94.9 | 95.1 | 90.0 | 79.1 | 47.7 | 9.2 | 76.6 |
| 1983 | 58.2 | 89.6 | 95.4 | 95.0 | 90.4 | 78.2 | 42.8 | 8.6 | 75.9 |
| 1984 | 59.1 | 89.4 | 95.1 | 94.7 | 90.1 | 76.8 | 43.5 | 9.0 | 75.7 |
| 1985 | 57.8 | 89.7 | 94.5 | 94.8 | 90.0 | 76.4 | 42.7 | 8.9 | 75.2 |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 57.3 | 65.3 | 48.4 | 54.4 | 46.3 | 31.2 | 15.6 | 3.9 | 43.0 |
| 1976 | 54.7 | 66.4 | 48.2 | 54.7 | 48.8 | 31.5 | 15.1 | 3.5 | 43.0 |
| 1977 | 57.6 | 68.7 | 50.4 | 55.9 | 48.3 | 31.6 | 15.2 | 3.5 | 44.2 |
| 1978 | 57.5 | 66.9 | 51.0 | 56.7 | 47.5 | 30.2 | 13.8 | 2.8 | 43.5 |
| 1979 | 55.0 | 69.2 | 50.3 | 57.1 | 46.8 | 26.2 | 13.2 | 2.4 | 42.9 |
| 1980 | 59.2 | 71.1 | 52.8 | 58.7 | 47.6 | 29.1 | 13.5 | 2.9 | 44.7 |
| 1981 | 57.1 | 70.7 | 52.9 | 58.1 | 49.0 | 29.8 | 12.0 | 2.6 | 44.4 |
| 1982 | 56.1 | 70.0 | 53.6 | 58.0 | 49.5 | 26.0 | 9.1 | - 2.5 | 44.0 |
| 1983 | 57.0 | 70.8 | 52.8 | 58.0 | 48.5 | 28.3 | 12.1 | 2.1 | 44.0 |
| 1984 | 55.7 | 71.7 | 54.9 | 58.7 | 50.1 | 27.6 | 11.5 | 2.5 | 44.6 |
| 1985 | 56.1 | 73.6 | 57.7 | 61.4 | 50.2 | 27.2 | 11.2 | 2.0 | 45.7 |
| PERSONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 58.7 | 77.6 | 72.9 | 76.0 | 70.6 | 59.3 | 41.4 | 9.4 | 61.6 |
| 1976 | 57.5 | 78.5 | 72.7 | 76.1 | 71.8 | 59.0 | 38.8 | 8.2 | 61.3 |
| 1977 | 59.9 | 79.8 | 73.7 | 76.8 | 71.2 | 58.8 | 38.0 | 7.9 | 61.8 |
| 1978 | 59.3 | 78.2 | 73.6 | 76.5 | 70.0 | 55.8 | 35.8 | 6.7 | 60.6 |
| 1979 | 58.3 | 79.7 | 73.1 | 76.7 | 69.5 | 53.8 | 32.5 | 6.2 | 60.1 |
| 1980 | 61.1 | 80.8 | 74.2 | 77.6 | 70.0 | 56.0 | 31.0 | 6.4 | 61.0 |
| 1981 | 59.5 | 81.0 | 74.2 | 76.9 | 70.6 | 55.4 | 30.7 | 5.9 | 60.7 |
| 1982 | 59.3 | 79.6 | 74.3 | 76.9 | 70.2 | 52.5 | 27.9 | 5.3 | 60.0 |
| 1983 | 57.6 | 80.2 | 74.1 | 76.8 | 69.9 | 53.4 | 26.9 | 4.8 | 59.7 |
| 1984 | 57.4 | 80.6 | 75.0 | 76.9 | 70.5 | 52.4 | 27.0 | 5.2 | 59.9 |
| 1985 | 56.9 | 81.7 | 76.1 | 78.3 | 70.5 | 52.0 | 26.5 | 4.9 | 60.2 |

Source: The Labour Force, Austratia (6203.0).
CHART 2.b. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: AGE, LABOUR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATES. AUGUST 1985



CHART 2.c. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: AGE GROUPS AND SEX. AUGUST 1975 AND AUGUST 1985

$\triangle \triangle \triangle X Q$ Not in the labour force



TABLE 2.3. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: LABOUR FORCE STATUS, AUGUST 1966 TO AUGUST 1985

| August | Unemployed |  |  |  |  | Labour force | Not in labour force | Civilian population aged 15 and over | Un-  <br> employ- Partici-  <br> ment  <br> rate pation <br> rate  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Employed |  | Looking for full-time work | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Looking } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { part-lime } \\ \text { work } \\ -.000 \end{array}$ | Total |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Full-time workers | Toral |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1966 | 3,240.2 | 3,365.5 | 37.0 | * | 38.9 | 3,404.6 | 650.6 | 4,055.2 | 1.1 | 84.0 |
| 1967 | 3,272.8 | 3,410.0 | 38.2 |  | 42.4 | 3,452.5 | 681.9 | 4,134.4 | 1.2 | 83.5 |
| 1968 | 3,346.2 | 3,478.2 | 30.8 | 4.9 | 35.8 | 3,514.0 | 711.3 | 4,225.3 | 1.0 | 83.2 |
| 1969 | 3,409.2 | 3,546.7 | 30.9 | * | 34.1 | 3,580.8 | 750.4 | 4,331.2 | 1.0 | 82.7 |
| 1970 | 3,533.4 | 3,647.7 | 33.4 | * | 36.7 | 3,684.4 | 749.0 | 4,433.4 | 1.0 | 83.0 |
| 1971 | 3,600.4 | 3,712.7 | 39.9 | * | 43.8 | 3,756.5 | 799.6 | 4,556.1 | 1.2 | 82.5 |
| 1972 | 3,632.3 | 3,757.7 | 67.7 | 7.0 | 74.8 | 3,832.5 | 813.8 | 4,646.2 | 2.0 | 82.5 |
| 1973 | 3,697.5 | 3,839.6 | 38.3 | 13.0 | 51.3 | 3,891.0 | 847.9 | 4,738.8 | 1.3 | 82.1 |
| 1974 | 3,710.9 | 3,847.1 | 60.0 | 7.9 | 67.9 | 3,914.9 | 920.5 | 4,835.4 | 1.7 | 81.0 |
| 1975 | 3,668.4 | 3,820.6 | 122.5 | 16.3 | 138.8 | 3,959.4 | 956.6 | 4,916.0 | 3.5 | 80.5 |
| 1976 | 3,665.6 | 3,836.3 | 142.7 | 13.9 | 156.6 | 3,992.9 | 1,000.1 | 4,993.0 | 3.9 | 80.0 |
| 1977 | 3,682.6 | 3,866.8 | 168.5 | 21.6 | 190.1 | 4,056.9 | 1,024.9 | 5,081.8 | 4.7 | 79.8 |
| 1978 | 3,642.5 | 3,850.9 | 207.9 | 14.3 | 222.2 | 4,073.1 | 1,137.7 | 5,210.8 | 5.5 | 78.2 |
| 1979 | 3,715.9 | 3,921.2 | 184.0 | 13.5 | 197.5 | 4,118.7 | 1,177.6 | 5,296.3 | 4.8 | 77.8 |
| 1980 | 3,773.8 | 3,982.8 | 193.9 | 15.7 | 209.6 | 4,192.4 | 1,193.2 | 5,385.6 | 5.0 | 77.9 |
| 1981 | 3,835,6 | 4,057.9 | 187.8' | 12.7 | 200.5 | 4,258.4 | 1,236.6 | \$,494.9 | 4.7 | 77.5 |
| 1982 | 3,782.5 | 4,024.3 | 250.4 | 21.3 | 271.7 | 4,296.0 | 1,314.6 | 5,610.6 | 6.3 | 76.6 |
| 1983 | 3,663.4 | 3,903.6 | 409.5 | 20.2 | 429.7 | 4,333.3 | 1,379.2 | \$,712.5 | 9.9 | 75.9 |
| 1984 | 3,767.3 | 4,012.4 | 359.0 | 22.5 | 381.5 | 4,393.9 | 1,411.5 | 5,805.4 | 8.7 | 75.7 |
| 1985 | 3,836.0 | 4,089.0 | 324.5 | 23.7 | 348.1 | 4,437.1 | 1,459.7 | 5,896.9 | 7.8 | 75.2 |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1966 | 1,108.6 | 1,458.2 | 28.8 | 10.8 | 39.7 | 1,497.9 | 2,627.2 | 4,125.1 | 2.6 | 36.3 |
| 1967 | 1,150.4 | 1,523.0 | 31.8 | 12.5 | 44.4 | 1,567.3 | 2,646.6 | 4,214.0 | 2.8 | 37.2 |
| 1968 | 1,178.6 | 1,577.5 | 29.9 | 15.4 | 45.3 | 1,622.8 | 2,684.3 | 4,307.1 | 2.8 | 37.7 |
| 1969 | 1,201.1 | 1,636.2 | 27.4 | 17.5 | 44.8 | 1,681.1 | 2,731.1 | 4,412.2 | 2.7 | 38.1 |
| 1970 | 1,292.5 | 1,747.8 | 24.5 | 17.0 | 41.5 | 1,789.3 | 2,728.1 | 4,517.5 | 2.3 | 39.6 |
| 1971 | 1,339.2 | 1,803.0 | 30.2 | 18.7 | 48.9 | 1,851.9 | 2,783.1 | 4,635.0 | 2.6 | 40.0 |
| 1972 | 1,356.1 | 1,852.1 | 43.4 | 25.9 | 69.3 | 1,921.4 | 2,811,6 | 4,733.0 | 3.6 | 40.6 |
| 1973 | 1,395.4 | 1,943.3 | 28.8 | 25.6 | 54.5 | 1,997.8 | 2,826.8 | 4,824.6 | 2.7 | 41.4 |
| 1974 | 1,416.9 | 2,008.1 | 45.8 | 27.2 | 73.1 | 2,081.2 | 2,851.8 | 4,933.0 | 3.5 | 42.2 |
| 1975 | 1,378.5 | 2,020.8 | 93.0 | 46.6 | 139.7 | 2,160.3 | 2,859.6 | 5,019.9 | 6.5 | 43.0 |
| 1976 | 1,371.3 | 2,061.5 | 94.1 | 42.0 | 136.1 | 2,197.6 | 2,909.8 | 5,107.4 | 6.2 | 43.0 |
| 1977 | 1,411.9 | 2,128.6 | 114.8 | 54.4 | 169.2 | 2,297.8 | 2,904.3 | 5,202.1 | 7.4 | 44.2 |
| 1978 | 1,402.9 | 2,154,4 | 126.5 | 49.6 | 176.1 | 2,330.5 | 3,029.1 | 5,359.7 | 7.6 | 43.5 |
| 1979 | 1,397.2 | 2,157.4 | 131.8 | 48.1 | 179.9 | 2,337.4 | 3,117.0 | 5,454.4 | 7.7 | 42.9 |
| 1980 | 1,477.3 | 2,298.5 | 140.7 | 44.2 | 184.9 | 2,483.4 | 3,071.7 | 5,555.1 | 7.4 | 44.7 |
| 1981 | 1,501.5 | 2,335.8 | 135.9 | 44.2 | 180.1 | 2,515.9 | 3,154.6 | 5,670.5 | 7.2 | 44.4 |
| 1982 | 1,503.4 | 2,355.0 | 137.2 | 52.5 | 189.7 | 2,544.7 | 3,242.8 | 5,787.5 | 7.5 | 44.0 |
| 1983 | 1,486.9 | 2,337.4 | 197.9 | 59.3 | 257.1 | 2,594.6 | 3,299.1 | 5,893.7 | 9.9 | 44.0 |
| 1984 | 1,547.5 | 2,449.9 | 165.1 | 57.9 | 223.1 | 2,673.0 | 3,315.5 | 5,988.5 | 8.3 | 44.6 |
| J985 | 1,603.2 | 2,557.1 | 162.4 | 60.7 | 223.0 | 2,780.1 | 3,302.7 | 6,082.8 | 8.0 | 45.7 |
| PERSONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1966 | 4,348.8 | 4,823.9 | 65.9 | 12.7 | 78.6 | 4,902.5 | 3,277.9 | 8,180.3 | 1.6 | 59.9 |
| 1967 | 4,423.2 | 4,933.0 | 70.1 | 16.7 | 86.8 | 5,019.8 | 3,328.6 | 8,348.4 | 1.7 | 60.1 |
| 1968 | 4,524.8 | 5.055 .6 | -60.7 | 20.4 | 81.1 | 5,136.8 | 3,395.5 | 8,532.3 | 1.6 | 60.2 |
| 1969 | 4,610.3 | 5,183.0 | 58.3 | 20.6 | 78.9 | '5,261.9 | 3,481.5 | 8,743.3 | 1.5 | 60.2 |
| 1970 | 4,825.9 | 5,395.6 | 57.9 | 20.3 | 78.2 | 5,473.8 | 3,477,1 | 8,950.9 | 1.4 | 61.2 |
| 1971 | 4,939.6 | 5,515.7 | 70.1 | 22.6 | 92.7 | 5,608.4 | 3,582.7 | 9,191.1 | 1.7 | 61.0 |
| 1972 | 4,988.4 | 5,609.9 | 111.1 | 32.9 | 144.0 | 5,753.9 | 3,625.3 | 9,379.2 | 2.5 | 61.3 |
| 1973 | 5,092.9 | 5,783.0 | 67.2 | 38.6 | 105.8 | 5,888.7 | 3,674.7 | 9,563.4 | 1.8 | 61.6 |
| 1974 | \$,127.8 | 5,855.2 | 105.8 | 35.1 | 140.9 | 5,996.1 | 3,772.3 | $9,768.4$ | 2.4 | 61.4 |
| 1975 | 5,046.8 | 5,841.3 | 215.5 | 62.9 | 278.4 | 6,119.7 | 3,816.2 | 9,935.9 | 4.6 | 61.6 |
| 1976 | 5,036.9 | 5,897.8 | 236.8 | 55.9 | 292.7 | 6,190.5 | 3,909.8 | 10,100.4 | 4.7 | 61.3 |
| 1977 | S,049.6 | 5,995.4 | 283.3 | 76.0 | 359.3 | 6,354.7 | 3,929.2 | 10,283.9 | 5.7 | 61.8 |
| 1978 | \$,045.3 | 6,005,4 | 334.4 | 63.9 | 398.3 | 6,403.7 | 4,166.8 | 10,570.5 | 6.2 | 60.6 |
| 1979 | 5,113.1 | 6,078.5 | 315.8 | 61.7 | 377.5 | 6,456.0 | 4,294.6 | 10,750.7 | 5.9 | 60.1 |
| 1980 | 5,251.1 | 6,281.4 | 334.6 | 59.9 | 394.5 | 6,675.9 | 4,264.9 | 10,940.7 | 5.9 | 61.0 |
| 1981 | 5,337.1 | 6,393.7 | 323.7 | 56.9 | 380.6 | 6,774.3 | 4,391.2 | 11,165.5 | 5.6 | 60.7 |
| 1982 | 5,285.9 | 6,379.3 | 387.6 | 73.8 | 461.4 | 6,840.7 | 4,557.4 | 11,398.1 | 6.7 | 60.0 |
| 1983 | 5,150.3 | 6,241.1 | 607.4 | 79.5 | 686.8 | 6,927.9 | 4,678.3 | 11,606.2 | 9.9 | 59.7 |
| 1984 | 5,314.8 | 6,462.3 | 524.2 | 80.5 | 604.6 | $7,066.9$ | 4,727.0 | 11,793.9 | 8.6 | 59.9 |
| 1985 | 5,439.2 | 6,646.1 | 486.8 | 84.3 | 571.2 | 7,217.2 | 4,762.5 | 1 1,979.7 | 7.9 | 60.2 |

[^1]TABLE 2.4. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 15-19, AUGUST 1975 TO AUGUST 1985 ('000)

| August | Employed |  | Unemployed |  | Not in the labour force |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Full-time workers | Part-itime workers | full-time work | part-time work |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 281.2 | 43.2 | 32.4 | 7.1 | 242.2 |
| 1976 | 285.2 | 41.0 | 39.3 | 8.2 | 247.1 |
| 1977 | 282.0 | 50.1 | 51.0 | 11.3 | 240.4 |
| 1978 | 277.1 | 58.5 | 57.6 | 8.1 | 256.2 |
| 1979 | 288.5 | 57.6 | 52.6 | 6.6 | 254.6 |
| 1980 | 288.6 | 62.9 | 52.0 | 8.5 | 243.6 |
| 1981 | 292.1 | 64.6 | 40.4 | 4.5 | 248.0 |
| 1982 | 269.7 | 69.3 | 54.3 | 11.7 | 243.6 |
| 1983 | 224.3 | 66.8 | 75.8 | 10.9 | 271.0 |
| 1984 | 234.8 | 66.7 | 72.6 | 12.8 | 268.2 |
| 1985 | 235.5 | 74.6 | 61.2 | 12.8 | 280.8 |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 240.0 | 51.2 | 40.8 | 10.9 | 255.1 |
| 1976 | 226.3 | 54.6 | 43.9 | 9.0 | 276.0 |
| 1977 | 220.9 | 65.5 | 58.2 | 14.9 | 264.5 |
| 1978 | 231.7 | 71.6 | 50.3 | 12.9 | 270.8 |
| 1979 | 209.0 | 71.4 | 61.3 | 10.6 | 288.0 |
| 1980 | 224.3 | 82.8 | 59.7 | 11.2 | 260.1 |
| 1981 | ${ }^{\circ} 218.5$ | 82.5 | 51.4 | 10.4 | 272.6 |
| 1982 | 203.8 | 89.9 | 49.9 | 10.4 | 276.8 |
| 1983 | 186.6 | 92.4 | 64.6 | 15.1 | 270.2 |
| 1984 | 183.3 | 99.4 | 56.8 | 12.7 | 280.5 |
| . 1985 | 188.4 | 109.7 | 46.7 | 15.0 | 281.9 |
| PERSONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 521.3 | 94.4 | 73.2 | 17.9 | 497.3 |
| 1976 | St 1.5 | 95.6 | 83.2 | 17.2 | 523.1 |
| 1977 | 502.8 | 115.6 | 109.2 | 26.1 | 504.9 |
| 1978 | 508.8 | 130.1 | 107.9 | 21.0 | 527.0 |
| 1979 | 497.5 | 128.9 | 113.8 | 17.2 | 542.5 |
| 1980 | 512.9 | 145.7 | 111.7 | 19.7 | 503.7 |
| 1981 | 510.6 | 147.1 | 91.7 | 14.8 | 520.7 |
| 1982 | 473.5 | 159.2 | 104.2 | 22.0 | 520.4 |
| 1983 | 410.9 | 159.2 | 140.4 | 26.0 | - 541.2 |
| 1984 | 418.1 | 166.1 | 129.4 | 25.5 | 548.7 |
| 1985 | 423.9 | 184.3 | 107.9 | 27.8 | 562.7 |

[^2]CHART 2.d. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 15 TO 19, AUGUST 1975 TO AUGUST 1985

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Source: The Labour force, Australia (6203,0).

TABLE 2.5. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: LABOUR FORCE STATUS, STATES AND TERRITORIES, AUGUST 1985

| State or Territory | Unemployed |  |  |  |  | Labour force | Not in labour force | Civilian population aged IS and over | Un-  <br> employ-  <br> ment Partici- <br> rate pation <br> rate  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Employed |  | Looking for full-time work | Looking for part-lime work | Total |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Full-time workers | Toral |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | -'000- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 1,313.3 | 1,397.7 | 130.5 | 7.2 | 137.7 | 1,535.4 | 516.8 | 2,052.2 | 9.0 | 74.8 |
| Victoria | 1,027.8 | 1,094.8 | 60.1 | 5.9 | 66.0 | 1,160.7 | 387.6 | 1,548.3 | 5.7 | 75.0 |
| Queensland | 605.5 | 650.4 | 58.3 | 4.3 | 62.6 | 712.9 | 231.6 | 944.5 | 8.8 | 75.5 |
| South Australia | +324.1 | 345.7 | 31.4 | 1.9 | 33.4 | 379.0 | 138.9 | $517.9^{+}$ | 8.8 | 73.2 |
| Western Australia | 358.1 | 381.3 | 29.9 | 2.7 | 32.5 | 413.8 | 117.7 | 531.5 | 7.9 | 77.9 |
| Tasmania | 106.7 | 112.3 | 10.5 | $*$ | 11.0 | 123.3 | 40.9 | 164.3 | 8.9 | 75.1 |
| Northern Territory | 39.2 | 40.6 | 1.8 | * | 2.0 | 42.6 | 8.9 | 51.5 | 4.7 | 82.8 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 61.3 | 66.3 | 2.1 | * | 3.1 | 69.3 | 17.5 | 86.8 | 4.4 | 79.8 |
| Australia | 3.836 .0 | 4,089.0 | 324.5 | 23.7 | 348.1 | 4,437.1 | 1.459.7 | 5,896.9 | 7.8 | 75.2 |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 570.4 | 869.8 | 59.9 | 20.5 | 80.4 | 950.2 | 1,175.7 | 2,125.9 | 8.5 | 44.7 |
| Victoria | 440.0 | 690.9 | 35.0 | 16.2 | 51.2 | 742.2 | 871.1 | 1,613.3 | 6.9 | 46.0 |
| Queensland | 237.6 | 395.1 | 29.6 | 10.8 | 40.5 | 435.5 | 527.6 | 963.2 | 9.3. | 45.2 |
| South Australia | 128.0 | 222.8 | 15.9 | 4.7 | 20.6 | 243.4 | 298.1 | 541.5 | 8.5 | 45.0 |
| Western Australia | 135.2 | 236.0 | 14.9 | 5.3 | 20.2 | 256.2 | 274.1 | 530.4 | 7.9 | 48.3 |
| Tasmania | 39.2 | 64.9 | 4.1 | 1.7 | 5.8 | 70.7 | 98.9 | 169.6 | 8.1 | 41.7 |
| Northern Territory | 17.6 | 23.8 | 1.9 | * | 2.5 | 26.3 | 20.0 | 46.2 | 9.6 | 56.8 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 35.2 | 53.7 | * | * | 1.9 | ' 55.6 | 37.3 | 92.9 | 3.4 | 59.8 |
| Australia | 1,603.2 | 2,557.1 | 162.4 | 60.7 | 223.0 | 2,780.1 | 3,302.7 | 6,082.8 | 8.0 | 45.7 |
| PERSONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| New South Wales | 1,883.7 | 2,267.6 | 190.3 | 27.7 | 218.0 | 2,485.6 | 1,692.4 | 4,178.0 | 8.8 | 59.5 |
| Victoria | 1,467.8 | 1,785.7 | 95.1 | 22.1 | 117.2 | 1,902.9 | 1,258.7 | 3,161.6 | 6.2 | 60.2 |
| Queensland | 843.2 | 1,045.4 | 87.9 | 15.1 | 103.0 | 1,148.4 | 759.2 | 1,907.6 | 9.0 | 60.2 |
| South Australia | 452.1 | 568.4 | 47.3 | 6.7 | 54.0 | 622.4 | 436.9 | 1,059.3 | 8.7 | 58.8 |
| Western Australia | 493.3 | 617.3 | 44.8 | 7.9 | 52.8 | 670.0 | . 391.8 | 1,061.9 | 7.9 | 63.1 |
| Tasmania | 145.9 | 177.3 | 14.6 | 2.2 | 16.7 | 194.0 | 139.8 | 333.9 | 8.6 | 58.1 |
| Northern Territory | 56.7 | 64.4 | 3.7 | , | 4.5 | 68.9 | 28.8 | 97.7 | 6.6 | 70.5 |
| Australian Capital Territory | 96.5 | 120.0 | 3.2 | 1.8 | 4.9 | 124.9 | 54.8 | 179.7 | 3.9 | 69.5 |
| Australia | 5,439.2 | 6,646.1 | 486.8 | 84.3 | 571.2 | 7,217.2 | 4,762.5 | 11,979.7 | 7.9 | 60.2 |

Source: The Labour Force, Ausiralia, August 1985 (6203.0).

TABLE 2.6. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE STATUS; BIRTHPLACE, AUGUST 1985

| Birshplace | Employed |  | Unemployed |  | Labour force | Unemployment rate | Participation rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Full-time workers | Total | Looking for full-time work | Total |  |  |  |
|  |  | - ${ }^{\text {2 }} 000$ - |  |  |  | - per cens - |  |
| Born in Australia | 4,005.0 | 4,946.8 | 344.4 | 408.1 | 5,354.8 | 7.6 | 60.9 |
| Born outside Australia | 1,434.1 | 1,699.3 | 142.4 | 163.1 | t,862.4 | 8.8 | 61.9 |
| Africa | 48.4 | 57.5 | * | 4.0 | 61.5 | 6.5 | 65.4 |
| America | 45.2 | 55.5 | 4.7 | 6.5 | 62.0 | 10.4 | 62.9 |
| Asia | 200.2 | 233.4 | 36.2 | 39.7 | 273.1 | 14.5 | 62.5 |
| Lebanon | 16.7 | 19.0 | 7.8 | 7.9 | 26.9 | 29.5 | 56.0 |
| Vietnam | 33.7 | 35.7 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 46.6 | 23.4 | 69.3 |
| Europe ${ }^{\text {- }}$ | 1,030.1 | 1,223.1 | 81.9 | 94.8 | 1,317.9 | 7.2 | 60.7 |
| Germany | 54.1 | 66.6 | 5.1 | 6.1 | 72.7 | 8.3 | 63.9 |
| Greece | 70.5 | 81.1 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 89.1 | 9.0 | 58.6 |
| Italy | 134.7 | 153.4 | 6.6 | 7.8 | 161.2 | 4.8 | 60.1 |
| Malta | 28.2 | 33.6 | * | * | 36.1 | * | 60.3 |
| Netherlands | 44.9 | 54.7 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 59.0 | 7.2 | 62.5 |
| Poland | 22.6 | 26.1 | * | * | 29.2 | * | 46.6 |
| U.K. and Ireland | 504.9 | 615.3 | 38.6 | 45.8 | 661.1 | 6.9 | 61.6 |
| Yugoslavia | 76.7 | 83.8 | 6.6 | 7.6 | 91.4 | 8.3 | 62.7 |
| Oceania | 110.2 | 129.8 | 16.7 | 18.1 | 147.9 | 12.2 | 72.4 |
| New Zealand | 95.1 | 111.7 | 15.0 | 16.2 | 128.0 | 12.7. | 74.4 |

[^3]TABLE 2.7. CIVILIAN POPULATION(a), LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE: PARTICIPATION AT SOME TIME DURING THE REFERENCE PERIODS BY AGE, FEBRUARY 1975 TO FEBRUARY 1985
(per cent)

| Survey conducted in February- | Age group at the time of the survey |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-19 | 20-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-54 | 55.59 | 60-64 | 65 and over |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 67.1 | 95.5 | 98.4 | 98.0 | 96.0 | 90.7 | 77.3 | 26.2 | 84.8 |
| 1977 | 65.0 | 95.1 | 98.5 | 98.1 | 96.5 | 90.0 | 74.1 | 22.5 | 84.2 |
| 1979 | 67.2 | 95.2 | 98.6 | 97.4 | 94.5 | 88.1 | 68.4 | 17.0 | 82.7 |
| 1981 | 78.4 | 97.2 | 98.4 | 97.3 | 93.3 | 85.6 | 59.8 | 15.7 | 83.2 |
| 1983 | 75.8 | 97.6 | 98.4 | 97.1 | 94.0 | 84.1 | 59.4 | 12.9 | 82.4 |
| 1985 | -72.3 | 95.9 | 97.6 | 96.9 | 92.7 | 82.1 | 53.4 | 12.3 | 80.8 |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 66.2 | 76.7 | 58.0 | 60.0 | 51.9 | 36.1 | 19.9 | 4.6 | 49.7 |
| 1977 | 61.6 | 77.6 | 58.0 | 61.0 | 55.7 | 36.0 | 17.9 | 4.9 | 50.3 |
| 1979 | 65.8 | 79.2 | 59.7 | 62.8 | 52.0 | 36.4 | 16.4 | 3.5 | 50.5 |
| 1981 | 73.5 | 81.8 | 65.9 | 65.8 | 54.0 | 34.0 | 17.7 | 3.8 | 53.6 |
| 1983 | 72.4 | 81.7 | 66.8 | 67.7 | 54.7 | 36.0 | 16.7 | 3.8 | 54.3 |
| 1985 | 72.0 | 82.4 | 68.4 | 69.3 | 57.9 | 33.6 | 15.6 | 2.8 | 54.5 |
| PERSONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1975 | 66.7 | 86.2 | 78.5 | 79.4 | 74.3 | 63.0 | 47.7 | 13.6 | 67.1 |
| 1977 | 63.3 | 86.4 | 78.5 | 79.9 | 76.4 | 62.6 | 45.0 | 12.4 | 67.1 |
| 1979 | 66.5 | 87.2 | 79.2 | 80.5 | 73.7 | 62.1 | 41.3 | 9.3 | 66.4 |
| 1981 | 76.0 | 89.6 | 82.1 | 81.9 | 74.1 | 59.7 | 38.1 | 9.0 | 68.2 |
| 1983 | 74.1 | 89.7 | 82.5 | 82.7 | 74.9 | 59.9 | 37.2 | 7.8 | 68.2 |
| 1985 | 72.1 | 89.2 | 83.0 | 83.3 | 75.6 | 58.0 | 34.0 | 6.9 | 67.5 |

(a) Excludes persons in institutions and boording school pupils. Details of labour force experience during the period were nol obtained for these persons.

Source: Labour Force Expersence. Australia (6206.0)

TABLE 2.8. CIVILIAN POPULATION, FEBRUARY 1985: LABOUR FORCE EXPERIENCE DURING THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 1985
('004)


[^4]TABLE 2.9. LEAVERS (a) AGED 15 TO 64: LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE, MAY 1985

|  | 15 to 19 years |  |  | 20 to 24 years |  |  | Total(b) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
|  | - '000 - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In the labour force | 124.5 | 104.9 | 229.3 | 34.3 | 25.8 | 60.1 | 180.4 | 146.3 | 326.7 |
| Employed | 99.4 | 84.5 | 184.0 | 25.8 | 21.2 | 46.9 | 144.8 | 119.3 | 264.1 |
| Full-time | 89.0 | 70.4 | 159.4 | 23.3 | 18.1 | 41.3 | 129.6 | 98.5 | 228.1 |
| Part-time | 10.5 | 14.1 | 24.6 | * | * | 5.6 | 15.2 | 20.8 | 36.0 |
| Unemployed | 25.0 | 20.3 | 45.4 | 8.6 | 4.6 | 13.2 | 35.6 | 27.0 | 62.6 |
| Not in the labour force | 5.0 | 5.7 | 10.7 | * | * | 3.9 | 7.7 | 10.9 | 18.6 |
| Total | 129.4 | 110.6 | 240.0 | 36.0 | 28.0 | 64.0 | 188.2 | 157.1 | 345.3 |
|  | - per cent - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Unemployment rate | 20.1 | 19.4 | 19.8 | 25.0 | 17.9 | 21.9 | 19.7 | 18.5 | 19.2 |
| Participation rate | 9.2 | 94.9 | 95.6 | 95.5 | 91.9 | 93.9 | 95.9 | 93.1 | 94.6 |

(a) Leavers from educational institutions are persons who were full-time students at some time in the previous year but are not currently foll-time students. Some patients in hospitals and sanatoria and inmates of gaols, reformatories etc, are excluded. (b) Includes leavers aged 25 to 64.
Source: Transitton from Education to Work. Ausiralia, May 1985 (6227.0).

TABLE 2.10. PERSONS AGED 15 TO 17: WHETHER ATTENDING SCHOOL, TYPE OF ATTENDANCE AND LABOUR FORCESTATUS, MAY 1983 TO MAY 1985

|  | 1983 |  |  | 1984 |  |  | 1985 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
|  | $\cdot \quad-{ }^{\prime} 000-$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Attending school | 236.4 | 225.4 | 461.8 | 250.9 | 243.2 | 494.1 | 266.4 | 260.8 | 527.2 |
| Full-time | 236.1 | 224.6 | 460.6 | 250.0 | 242.6 | 492.6 | 265.9 | 259.7 | 525.6 |
| Par-time | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Not attending school | 148.3 | 137.7 | 286.1 | 150.9 | 132.2 | 283.0 | 148.9 | 129.6 | 278.5 |
| In the labour force | 133.2 | 115.2 | 248.4 | 134.6 | 106.8 | 241.4 | 133.8 | 111.3 | 245.2 |
| Employed | 99.0 | 85.4 | 184.5 | 103.4 | 80.1 | 183.5 | 104.6 | 88.5 | 193.1 |
| Unemployed | 34.2 | 29.8 | 64.0 | 31.2 | 26.7 | 57.9 | 29.2 | 22.9 | 52.1 |
| Not in the labour force | 15.1 | 22.5 | 37.6 | 16.2 | 25.3 | 41.6 | 15.0 | 18.3 | 33.3 |
| Total | 384.8 | 363.1 | 747.9 | 401.8 | 375.4 | 777.2 | 415.3 | 390.4 | 805.7 |
|  | -per cent- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Proportion attending school | 61.4 | 62.1 | - 61.7 | 62.4 | 64.8 | 63.6 | 64.1 | 66.8 | 65.4 |

Source: Transition from Education to Work, Australia, May 1985 (6227.0)

CHART 2.e. PEASONS AGED 15 TO 64 WHO ATTENDED AN EOUCATIONAL INSTITUTION IN 1984 AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS AT MAY 1985

(a) Estimate subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses.

Source: Transition from Education to Mork, Austraila, May 1985 (6227.0).

TABLE 2.11. LEAVERS AGED 15 TO 64: TYPE OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION ATTENDED FULL-TIME IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS, MAY 1980 TO MAY 1985
(000)

|  | 1980(a) | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Attended school full-time | 193.1 | 185.9 | 187.2 | 174.4 | 188.1 | 199.1 |
| Labour force status- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In the labour force | 185.6 | 176.3 | 174.7 | 162.1 | 176.7 | 190.2 |
| Employed | 143.8 | 144.9 | 140.0 | 116.5 | 133.3 | 152.2 |
| Unemployed | 41.8 | 31.4 | 34.7 | 45.5 | 43.4 | 38.0 |
| Not in the labour force | 7.5 | 9.6 | 12.5 | 12.4 | 11.4 | 8.9 |
| Attended tertiary full-time | 102.7 | 131.8 | 140.2 | 133.9 | 140.0 | 146.1 |
| Labour force status- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| In the labour force | 96.7 | 124.1 | 128.0 | 122.5 | 128.3 | 136.5 |
| Employed | 83.4 | 11.7 | 107.3 | 96.8 | 103.9 | 111.9 |
| Unemployed | 13.3 | 12.4 | $20.6{ }^{\circ}$ | 25.7 | 24.4 | 24.5 |
| Not in the labour force | 6.0 | 7.6 | 12.2 | 11.4 | 11.7 | 9.7 |
| Total | 295.8 | 317.7 | 327.3 | 308.3 | 328.1 | 345.3 |

(a) Estimates for 1980 are for persons aged 15 to 25 only.

Source: Transition from Educarion to Work, Australia, May 1985 (6227.0).

TABLE 2.12 PERSONS AGED 15 TO 24 WHO ATTENDED SCHOOL IN 1984 BUT WERE NOT ATTENDING SCHOOL AT MAY 1985: TYPE OF SCHOOL LAST ATTENDED, WHETHER ATTENDING A TERTIARY INSTITUTION, TYPE OF ATTENDANCE AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS, MAY 1985.

| Type of school lass astended | Employed |  |  | Unemployed | In the labour force | Not in the labour force | Total | Unemployment rate | Participation rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Full-time | Parr-sime | Tosal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | -'000- |  |  |  |  | cent- |
|  | ATTENDING TERTIARY FULL TIME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Males- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | * | 4.9 | 7.0 | * | 8.1 | 11.3 | 19.4 | * | 41.7 |
| Non-government Total | * | 7.0 | 9.4 | * | 11.4 | 7.0 18.3 | 10.3 29.7 | * | 38.3 |
| Fernales- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | * | 5.3 | 5.6 | * | 8.0 | 17.9 | 25.9 | * | 31.0 |
| Non-government | * | 5.7 | 5.7 | 6 | 6.9 | 7.7 | 14.5 | * | 47.1 |
| Total | * | 11.0 | 11.3 | 3.6 | . 14.9 | 25.6 | 40.5 | 24.2 | 36.8 |
| Persons- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | * | 10.2 | 12.6 | 3.5 | 16.1 | 29.2 | 45.4 | 21.7 | 35.6 |
| Non-government | * | 7.8 | 8.1 | 5.6 | 10.1 | 14.7 | 24.8 |  | 40.9 |
| Total | * | 18.0 | 20.7 | 5.6 | 26.3 | 43.9 | 70.2 | 21.2 | 37.4 |
| ATTENDING TERTIARY PART-TIME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Males- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Governmeni/State | 20.0 | * | 21.0 | * | 22.8 | * | 23.0 | * | 99.4 |
| Non-government | 5.0 | * | ${ }_{27} 6.6$ | * | 6.9 | * | 7.0 | * | 98.6 |
| Total | 25.0 | * | 27.6 | * | 29.8 | * | 30.0 | * | 99.2 |
| Females- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | 8.1 | * | 9.1 | * | 10.3 | * | 10.9 | - | 95.0 |
| Non-government | 10.7 | * | 123 | * | 13.7 | * | 14.2 | : | 96. |
| Persons- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | 28.1 | * | 30.1 | * | 33.1 | * | 33.8 | * | 98.0 |
| Non-government | 7.7 | * | 9.8 | * | 10.3 | * | 10.4 | - | 99.0 |
| Total | 35.8 | 4.1 | 39.9 | 3.5 | 43.4 | * | 44.2 | 8.1 | 98.2 |
| NOT ATTENDING TERTIARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Males- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | 43.5 | 5.3 | 48.8 | 16.5 | 65.3 | 4.3 | 69.7 | 25.3 | 93.8 |
| Non-government | 7.3 | 6. | 8.4 | $19 *$ | 11.5 | * | 11.9 | 25* | 96.6 |
| Total | 50.8 | 6.4 | 57.2 | 19.6 | 76.8 | 4.7 | 81.5 | 25.5 | 94.2 |
| Females- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | 37.7 | 9.1 | 46.8 | 14.3 | 61.1 | 3.5 | 64.6 | 23.4 | 94.6 |
| Non-government | 8.1 |  | 10.7 |  | 11.8 | * | 12.5 |  | 94.2 |
| Total | 45.8 | 11.7 | 57.5 | 15.4 | 72.9 | 4.2 | 77.2 | 21.1 | 94.5 |
| Persons- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/Siate | 81.2 | 14.4 | 95.6 | 30.9 | 126.4 | 7.9 | 134.3 | 24.4 | 94.2 |
| Non-government | 15.4 | 18.8 | 19.1 | 4.1 | 23.2 | * | 24.4 | 17.6 | 95.4 |
| Total | 96.6 | 18.1 | 114.7 | 35.0 | 149.7 | 9.0 | 158.7 | 23.4 | 94.3 |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Males- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Governmènt/State | 65.7 | 11.2 | 76.9 | 19.4 | 96.2 | 15.8 | 112.1 | 20.1 | 85.9 |
| Non-government | 12.6 | 4.8 | 17.4 | 4.3 | 21.7 | 7.5 | 29.2 | 19.7 | 74.4 |
| Total | 78.2 | 16.0 | 94.3 | 23.7 | 117.9 | 23.3 | 141.2 | 20.1 | 83.5 |
| Females- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | 46.1 | 15.4 | 61.5 | 18.0 | 79.5 | 22.0 | 101.4 | 22.7 | 78.4 |
| Non-government | 10.7 | 8.9 | 19.6 |  | 22.0 | 8.4 | 30.4 | * | 72.3 |
| Total | 56.8 | 24.2 | 81.1 | 20.4 | 101.5 | 30.4 | 131.8 | 20.1 | 77.0 |
| Persons- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government/State | 111.8 | 26.6 | 138.3 | 37.4 | 175.7 | 37.8 | 213.5 | 21.3 | 82.3 |
| Non-government | 23.3 | 13.7 | 37.0 | 6.7 | 43.7 | 15.9 | 59.6 | 15.2 | 73.3 |
| Total | 135.1 | 40.3 | 175.3 | 44.1 | 219.4 | 53.7 | 273.0 | 20.1 | 80.4 |

Source: Transition from Etucation to Work. Acstratia, May 1985 (6227.0).

TABLE 2.13. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS,
FEBRUARY 1985

(a) Because it is not practicable to ascertain details of educational attainment for persons in institutions and boarding school pupils, participation rates have been calculated
by using population estimates which exclude those in institutions and boarding sehool pupils. Participation rates and estimates of persons not in the labour force therefore differ from those given in other tables and charts. (b) Aged 15 to 20 years only.

Source: Labour Force Starus ond Educational Atnainment, Australia, February I985 (6235.0).

# CHART 2.f. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT (a), FEBRUARY 1985 

-With post-school qualifications-

-Without post-school qualifications-



$x \times x$
Not in the labour force
(a) Excludes persons in institutions and boarding school pupils from whom details of educational attainamt were not obtained and persons aged 15 to 20 years still at school.


## CHART 2.g. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND. WIFE OR FAMILY HEAD JULY 1985

(a) MARAIED-COUPLE FAMILIES


TABLE 2.14. FAMILY STATUS AND LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER( $\boldsymbol{m}$ ), JULY 1985

|  | Unemployed |  |  |  |  | Labour force | Not in the labour force | Toral | Unemp- Particiloyment pation rate rate -per cent- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Employed |  |  | Looking for full. time work | Total |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Fulltime workers | Part. time workers | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | - 0000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member of a family | 3,191.4 | 197.0 | 3.388 .4 | 245.7 | 260.6 | 3,649.0 | 1,087.4 | 4,736.3 | 7.1 | 77.0 |
| Husband | 2,530.3 | 96.1 | 2,626.4 | 124.4 | 127.9 | 2,754.2 | 726.3 | 3,480.6 | 4.6 | 79.1 |
| With dependent children present | 1,664.9 | 43.7 | 1,708.7 | 79.9 | 80.7 | 1,789.4 | 95.1 | 1,884.4 | 4.5 | 95.0 |
| Without dependent children present | 865.3 | S2.4 | 917.7 | 44.5 | 47.2 | 964.9 | 631.3 | 1,596.2 | 4.9 | 60.5 |
| Not-married family head | 57.2 | 3.5 | 60.7 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 65.5 | 31.2 | 96.6 | 7.2 | 67.7 |
| With dependent children present | 25.8 | * | 27.8 | * | * | 29.5 | 7.8 | 37.4 | * | 79.0 |
| Without dependent children present | 31.4 | * | 32.9 | * | * | 35.9 | 23.3 | 59.2 | * | 60.6 |
| Full-time student aged 15-20 | 10.5 | 61.8 | 72.3 | 6.0 | 15.4 | 87.6 | 238.3 | 326.0 | 17.6 | 26.9 |
| Other child(b) of family head | 547.3 | 34.4 | 581.7 | 98.1 | 99.6 | 681.3 | 62.5 | 743.8 | 14.6 | 91.6 |
| Other relative | 46.1 | * | 47.3 | 12.8 | 13.0 | 60.3 | 29.1 | 89.4 | 21.5 | 67.5 |
| Not a member of a family | 490.9 | 41.9 | 532.9 | 54.2 | 56.7 | 589.6 | 182.4 | 772.0 | 9.6 | 76.4 |
| Living alone Not living alone | 233.6 257.3 | 16.8 | 250.4 | 21.6 32.6 | 22.5 34.2 | 272.9 316.7 | 137.5 44.9 | 410.4 361.6 | 8.2 10.8 | 66.5 87.6 |
| Total | 3,682.3 | 239.0 | 3,921.3 | 299.9 | 317.3 | 4,238.6 | 1.269 .7 | 5,508.3 | 7.5 | 76.9 |
| FEMALES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member of a family | 1,220.2 | 858.1 | 2,078.3 | 113.8 | 174.2 | 2,252.5 | 2.531 .2 | 4,783.7 | 7.7 | 47.1 |
| Wife | 767.2 | 683.8 | 1,451.0 | 46.3 | 83.8 | 1,534.9 | 1,883.4 | 3,418,3 | 5.5 | 44.9 |
| With dependent children present | 370.5 | 493.5 | 864.0 | 30.8 | 62.4 | 926.4 | 907.5 | 1,833.9 | 6.7 | 50.5 |
| Without dependent children present | 396.8 | 190.3 | 587.0 | 15.5 | 21.5 | 608.5 | 975.8 | 1,584.3 | 3.5 | 38.4 |
| Not-married family head | 97.0 | 52.3 | 149.3 | 12.4 | 19.7 | 169.0 | 286.9 | 455.9 | 11.6 | 37.1 |
| With dependent children present | 58.6 | 40.1 | 98.7 | 8.7 | 15.2 | 113.9 | 165.1 | 279.0 | 13.3 | 40.8 |
| Without dependent children present | 38.4 | 12.2 | 50.6 | 3.7 | 4.5 | 55.0 | 121.8 | 176.8 | 8.1 | 31.1 |
| Full-time student aged $\mathbf{1 5 - 2 0}$ | 4.2 | 78.1 | 82.2 | 6.3 | 19.5 | 101.7 | 223.1 | 324.8 | 19.1 | 31.3 |
| Other child(b) of family head | 330.5 | 40.0 | 370.5 | 46.2 | 48.4 | 418.9 | 48.8 | 467.7 | 11.6 | 89.6 |
| Other relative | 21.2 | 4.0 | 25.2 | * | * | 28.0 | 89.0 | 117.1 | * | 23.9 |
| Not a member of a family | 305.0 | 55.0 | 360.0 | 27.8 | 33.1 | 393.1 | 446.8 | 839.8 | 8.4 | 46.8 |
| Living alone Not living alone | 132.1 173.0 | 25.7 29.2 | 157.8 202.2 | 6.2 21.6 | 8.3 24.8 | 166.1 227.0 | 398.8 48.0 | 564.9 274.9 | 5.0 10.9 | 29.4 82.6 |
| Toial | 1.525.2 | 913.1 | 2,438.3 | 141.6 | 207.3 | 2.645 .6 | 2,978.0 | 5,623.5 | 7.8 | 47.0 |
| PERSONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member of a family | 4.411 .5 | 1,055.2 | 5.466 .7 | 359.5 | 434.8 | 5.901 .5 | 3.618 .6 | 9,520.1 | 7.4 | 62.0 |
| Husband or wife | 3,297.5 | 779.9 | 4,077.4 | 170.7 | 211.7 | 4,289.1 | 2,609.7 | 6,898.8 | 4.9 | 62.2 |
| With dependent children present | 2,035.4 | 537.2 | 2,572.7 | - 110.7 | 143.1 | 2,715.7 | 1,002.6 | 3,718.3 | 5.3 | 73.0 |
| Without dependent children present | 1,262.1 | 242.6 | 1,504.8 | 60.0 | 68.6 | 1,573.4 | 1,607.1 | 3,180.5 | 4.3 | 49.5 |
| Not-married family head | - 154.2 | 55.8 | 210.0 | 16.9 | 24.4 | 234.4 | 318.0 | 552.5 | 10.4 | 42.4 |
| With dependent children present | 84.4 | 42.1 | 126.6 | 10.3 | 16.9 | 143.5 | 172.9 | 316.4 | 11.8 | 45.3 |
| Without dependent children present | 69.8 | 13.7 | 83.5 | 6.6 | 7.5 | 90.9 | 145.1 | 236.1 | 8.2 | 38.5 |
| Fulh-time student aged 15-20 | 14.7 | 139.8 | 154.5 | 12.3 | 34.8 | 189.3 | 461.5 | 650.8 | 18.4 | 29.1 |
| Other child(b) of family head | 877.8 | 74.4 | 952.2 | 144.3 | 148.0 | 1,100.2 | 111.2 | 1,211.5 | 13.5 | 90.8 |
| Other relative | 67.3 | 5.2 | 72.6 | 15.4 | 15.8 | 88.4 | 118.1 | 206.4 | 17.9 | 42.8 |
| Not a member of a family | 796.0 | 96.9 | 892.9 | 82.0 | 89.8 | 982.7 | 629.1 | 1,611.8 | 9.1 | 61.0 |
| Living alone | 365.7 | 42.5 | 408.2 | . 27.8 | 30.8 | 439.0 | 536.3 | 975.3 | 7.0 | 45.0 |
| Not living alone | 430.3 | 54.4 | 484.7 | - 54.2 | 59.0 | 543.7 | 92.8 | 636.5 | 10.9 | 85.4 |
| Total | 5,207.5 | 1,152.1 | 6,359.6 | 441.5 | 524.6 | 6,884.2 | 4,247.7 | 11,131.9 | 7.6 | 61.8 |

[^5]Source: Labour Force Starus and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, July I985 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.15 FAMILY STATUS: LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND AGE OF PERSONS AGED 15 AND OVER, JULY 1985 (000)

|  | Age groups |  |  |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-24 | 25-34 | 34-44 | 45-54 | 55-64 | 65 and over |  |
| Member of a family | 2072.1 | 2058.5 | 1924.8 | 1330.9 | 1162.9 | 971.0 | 9520.1 |
| Husband or wife with dependent children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 175.8 | 1,348.5 | 1,513.6 | 558.5 | 110.5 | 11.5 | 3,718.3 |
| Employed | 73.7 | 869.3 | 1,145.0 | 414.2 | - 68.1 | * | 2,572.7 |
| Unemployed | 12.7 | 60.5 | 49.8 | 16.3 | 3.9 | * | 143.1 |
| Not in the labour force | 89.4 | 418.8 | 318.8 | 128.0 | 38.4 | 9.2 | 1,002.6 |
| Husband or wife without dependent children |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| present | 210.4 | 372.2 | 221.9 | 650.6 | 942.3 | 783.1 | 3,180.5 |
| Employed | 170.7 | 334.1 | 167.1 | 420.0 | 357.7 | 55.2 | 1,504.8 |
| Unemployed | 12.1 | 10.5 | 6.2 | 17.8 | 21.7 | * | 68.6 |
| Not in the labour force | 27.7 | 27.6 | 48.6 | 212.8 | 562.9 | 727.5 | 1,607.1 |
| Not-married family head with dependent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employed | 8.5 | 37.5 | 57.5 | 19.8 | * | * | 126.6 |
| Unemployed | * | 6.6 | 5.9 | * | * | * | 16.9 |
| Not in the labour force | 30.0 | 62.0 | 47.8 | 22.5 | 8.3 | - | 172.9 |
| Not-married family head without dependent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employed | 8.7 | 15.2 | 15.7 | 25.5 | 15.6 | * | 83.5 |
| Unemployed |  | 4.7 | - | * | * | * | 7.5 |
| Not in the labour force |  | 4.5 |  | 17.6 | 41.5 | 81.6 | 145.1 |
| Full-time student aged 15-20 | 650.8 | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | . | . | . | 650.8 |
| Employed | 154.5 | . | $\cdots$ | . | * | . | 154.5 |
| Unemployed | 34.8 | . | . | . | $\cdots$ |  | 34.8 |
| Not in the labour force | 461.5 |  |  | - | . | . | 461.5 |
| Other child of family head | 935.4 | 190.9 | 48.4 | 20.9 | 12.8 | * | 1,211.5 |
| Employed | 751.9 | 151.7 | 31.3 | 12.0 | 5.2 | * | 952.2 |
| Unemployed | 123.9 | 19.5 |  | 4.6 | * | * | 148.0 |
| Not in the labour force | 59.7 | 19.7 | 13.7 | 7.8 | 7.4 | - | 111.2 |
| Other relative | 47.3 | 23.6 | 8.7 | 12.2 | 28.0 | 86.6 | 206.4 |
| Employed | 33.2 | 18.1 | 6.0 | 6.6 | 6.3 | * | 72.6 |
| Unemployed | 9.2 |  |  | * | * | * | 15.8 |
| Not in the labour force | 4.9 |  |  | 4.6 | 20.5 | 84.2 | 118.1 |
| Nor a member of a family | 346.4 | 350.0 | 160.5 | 125.4 | 196.9 | 432.5 | 1,611.8 |
| Living alone | 62.4 | 134.5 | 104.3 | 98.3 | 170.2 | 405.5 | 975.3 |
| Employed | 54.3 | 121.7 | 91.6 | 68.5 | 57.6 | 14.6 | 408.2 |
| Unemployed | 5.0 | 7.8 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 4.6 | * | 30.8 |
| Not in the labour force | * | 5.1 | 5.9 | 23.3 | 108.0 | 390.9 | 536.3 |
| Not living alone | - 284.0 | 215.5 | 56.2 | 27.1 | 26.7 | 27.0 | 636.5 |
| Employed | 222.2 | 184.9 | 47.0 | 19.3 | 9.5 | * | 484.7 |
| Unemployed | 35.2 | 17.0 |  | 4.7 | * | * | 59.0 |
| Not in the labour force | 26.6 | 13.5 | 5.9 | 6.3 | 15.2 | 25.3 | 92.8 |
| Total | 2,418.5 | 2,408.5 | 2,035.3 | 1,456.2 | 1,359.8 | 1,403.5 | 11,131.9 |

[^6]TABLE 2.16. ALL FAMILIES : TYPE OF FAMILY, NUMBER OF DEPENDENT CHILDREN PRESENT, AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS(a) OF FAMILY MEMBERS, JULY 1984 AND JULY 1985 ( 000 families)

| Number of dependent children present | None employed |  | One employed |  | Two or more employed |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July 1984 | July 1985 | Juty 1984 | July 1985 | July 1984 | July 1985 | July 1984 | July 1985 |
| MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 517.4 | 556.0 | 361.9 | 358.9 | 678.8 | 681.3 | 1,558.1 | 1,596.2 |
| One or more | 121.8 | 120.2 | 814.5 | 768.9 | 945.8 | 995.3 | J,882.I | 1.884.4 |
| One | 43.1 | 42.7 | 227.5 | 208.6 | 330.1 | 344.7 | 600.7 | 596.1 |
| Two | 43.7 | 41.3 | 347.7 | 334.7 | 400.6 | 407.8 | 792.0 | 783.8 |
| Three | 21.5 | 22.3 | 179.7 | 167.1 | 160.7 | 184.6 | 361.9 | 374.1 |
| Four or more | 13.6 | 13.8 | 59.6 | 58.5 | 54.4 | 58.2 | 127.5 | 130.5 |
| Total | 639.3 | 676.2 | 1,176.4 | 1,127.8 | 1,624.5 | 1,676.6 | 3.440 .2 | 3.480.6 |

OTHER FAMILIES WITH MALE HEAD

| None | 11.5 | 11.3 | 19.1 | 20.1 | 26.8 | 27.8 | 57.4 | 59.2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| One or more | 10.6 | 7.9 | 23.4 | 23.1 | 5.5 | 6.4 | 39.5 | 37.4 |
| One | 5.2 | 4.9 | 12.6 | 13.5 | * | 5.0 | 22.0 | 23.5 |
| Two | * | * | 8.2 | 6.4 | * | * | 12.4 | 9.3 |
| Three | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | 3.7 |
| Four or more | * | * | * | * | * | * | * |  |
| Total | 22.1 | 19.2 | 42.6 | 43.2 | 32.3 | 34.2 | 96.9 | 96.6 |


|  |  | 48.0 | 50.1 | 72.6 | 71.7 | 51.4 | 55.1 | 171.9 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| None | 157.9 | 153.9 | 88.7 | 100.1 | 27.6 | 25.1 | 274.3 | 279.8 |
| One or more | 76.3 | 76.4 | 51.0 | 54.2 | 16.4 | 12.9 | 143.7 | 143.5 |
| One | 55.0 | 49.3 | 26.1 | 32.5 | 6.8 | 9.4 | 87.9 | 91.2 |
| Two | 19.2 | 19.9 | 9.2 | 10.3 | $*$ | $*$ | 31.7 | 32.6 |
| Three | 7.4 | 8.3 | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | 10.9 | 11.7 |
| Four or more | 205.9 | 204.0 | 161.3 | 171.7 | 79.0 | 80.1 | 446.2 | 455.9 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| None | 1 59.4 | 61.4 | 91.7 | 91.8 | 78.2 | 82.8 | 229.3 | 236.1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| One or more | 168.5 | 161.8 | 112.2 | 123.2 | 33.1 | 31.5 | 313.8 | 316.4 |
| One | 81.5 | 81.3 | 63.6 | 67.7 | 20.6 | 18.0 | 165.7 | 167.0 |
| Two | 58.5 | 51.0 | 34.3 | 38.9 | 7.5 | 10.6 | 100.3 | 100.5 |
| Three | 20.5 | 20.6 | 11.4 | 13.1 | * | * | 35.7 | 36.2 |
| Four or more | 8.0 | 8.9 | * | * | * | * | 12.1 | 12.6 |
| Toral | 227.9 | 223.2 | 203.8 | 215.0 | 111.3 | 114.3 | 543.1 | 552.5 |
| All FAMILIES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 576.9 | 617.4 | 453.6 | 450.7 | 757.0 | 764.1 | 1,787.4 | 1,832.2 |
| One or more | 290.4 | 282.0 | 926.7 | 892.1 | 978.9 | 1,026.8 | 2,195.9 | 2,200.9 |
| One | 124.6 | 124.1 | 291.2 | 276.4 | 350.7 | 362.6 | 766.4 | 763.1 |
| Two | 102.2 | 92.3 | 382.0 | 373.6 | 408.1 | 418.4 | 892.3 | 884.3 |
| Three | 42.0 | 42.9 | 191.1 | 180.3 | 164.4 | 187.2 | 397.5 | 410.3 |
| Four or more | 21.5 | 22.7 | 62.5 | 61.8 | 55.6 | 58.6 | 139.6 | 143.2 |
| Total | 867.2 | 899.4 | 1,380.3 | 1,342.8 | 1,735.9 | 1,790.9 | 3,983.3 | 4,033.1 |

[^7]Source: Labour Force Storus and Other Characteristics of Families, Australia, July I985 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.17. MARRIED-COUPLE FAMILIES : LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF HUSBAND AND WIFE, AND AGE OF YOUNGEST DEPENDENT CHILD PRESENT, JULY 1985 (' $\mathbf{O 0 0}$ famities)

|  | Wife employed |  |  | Wife unemployed | Wife in the labour force | Wife not in the <br> - labour force | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Full-time | Part-time | Total |  |  |  |  |
| HUSBAND EMPLOYED FULL-TIME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Families whth dependent children present | 354.5 | 481.2 | 835.6 | 48.4 | 884.0 | 780.9 | 1,664.9 |
| Age of youngest dependent child- | 86.7 | 169.2 | 255.9 | 17.4 | 273.4 | 438.5 | 711.8 |
| S. 9 | 95.9 | 138.6 | 234.4 | 18.6 | 253.1 | 153.8 | 406.9 |
| 10-14 | 114.8 | 125.2 | 240.0 | 10.1 | 250.1 | 127.8 | 377.9 |
| 15-20 | 57.1 | 48.2 | 105.3 | * | 107.5 | 60.8 | 168.3 |
| Families without dependent children present | 364.2 | 162.5 | 526.7 | 14.8 | 541.5 | 323.8 | 865.3 |
| Total | 718.7 | 643.6 | J,362.3 | 63.2 | 1.425.5 | 1,104.8 | 2,530.3 |
| HUSBAND EMPLOYED : TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Families with dependent children present Age of youngest dependent child- | 362.5 | 494.0 | 856.5 | 50.8 | 907.3 | 801.4 | 1,708.7 |
| 0 0.4 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 90.1 | 173.6 | 263.7 | 18.7 | 282.3 | 447.7 | 730.0 |
| 5-9 | 97.7 | 142.5 | 240.2 | 19.1 | 259.3 | 158.6 | 417.8 |
| 10-14 | 117.0 | 129.2 | 246.2 | 10.4 | 256.5 | 131.9 | 388.4 |
| 15-20 | 57.7 | 48.8 | 106.5 | - | 109.2 | 63.2 | 172.4 |
| Fomilies wishout dependent children present | 974.3 | 174.3 | 548.5 | 15.4 | 563.9 | 353.8 | 917.7 |
| Total | 736.8 | - 668.3 | 1,405.I | 66.1 | 1,471.2 | J.IS5.2 | 2,626.4 |
| HUSBAND IN THE LABOUR FORCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Famites with dependent children present Age of youngest dependent child- | 368.2 | 497.9 | 866.1 | 61.6 | 927.7 | 861.6 | 1,789.4 |
| 0 0-4 | 91.2 | 174.2 | 265.4 | 23.3 | 288.7 | 485.0 | 773.7 |
| 5. 9 | 99.0 | 143.3 | 242.3 | 21.4 | 263.7 | 168.5 | 432.1 |
| 10-14 | 118.9 | 131.1 | 250.0 | 13.5 | 263.5 | 141.0 | 404.5 |
| 15-20 | 59.1 | 49.3 | 108.4 | 3.5 | 111.9 | 67.1 | 179.0 |
| Families without dependent children present | 379.9 | J78.6 | 558.5 | 21.1 | 579.6 | 385.3 | 964.9 |
| Toral | 748.1 | 676.5 | 1,424.6 | 82.8 | 1,507.3 | 1.246.9 | 2.754 .2 |
| TOTAL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Families with dependent children present Age of youngest dependent child- | 379.5 | 507.9 | 887.4 | 64.5 | 951.9 | 932.5 | 1,884.4 |
| 0.4 | 96.3 | 175.1 | 271.3 | 24.2 | 295.5 | 503.0 | 798.5 |
| $5-9$ | 101.1 | 146.4 | 247.5 | 21.9 | 269.5 | 181.7 | 451.1 |
| 10-14 | 121.1 | 134.9 | 256.0 | 14.7 | 270.8 | 165.2 | 435.9 |
| $\xrightarrow{15-20}$ Families without dependent children | 61.0 | 51.6 | 112.5 | 3.6 | 116.2 | 82.7 | 198.8 |
| present | 404.7 | 192.5 | 597.2 | 22.0 | 619.2 | 977.0 | 1,596.2 |
| Total | 784.2 | 700.4 | 1,484.6 | 86.4 | 1,571.1 | 1,909.5 | 3,400.6 |

Source: Labour Force Status and Oiher Characteristics of Famthes, Australia, Juty I985 (6224.0).

TABLE 2.18. OTHER FAMILIES : LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF FAMILY HEAD AND AGE OF YOUNGEST DEPENDENT CHILD PRESENT, JULY 1985
('000 famillies)

|  | Family head employed |  |  | Familyheadunemployed |  | Family head not in the labour force | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Full-time | Part-itime | Total |  |  |  |  |
| Families with dependent children present | 84.4 | 42.1 | 126.6 | 16.9 | 143.5 | 172.9 | 316.4 |
| Age of youngest dependent child0. 4 | 13.7 | 8.5 | 22.1 | 5.4 | 27.6 | 60.6 | 88.2 |
| 5.9 | 18.4 | 13.0 | 31.4 | 4.5 | 36.0 | 45.8 | 81.8 |
| 10-14 | 32.9 | 13.9 | 46.8 | 5.5 | 52.3 | 45.8 | 98.1 |
| 15-20 | 19.5 | 6.7 | 26.2 | . | 27.7 | 20.7 | 48.4 |
| Families without dependent children present | 69.8 | 13.7 | 83.5 | 7.5 | 90.9 | 145.1 | 236.1 |
| Total | 154.2 | 55.8 | 210.0 | 24.4 | 234.4 | 318.4 | 552.5 |

[^8]TABLE 2.19. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: WHETHER IN THE LABOUR FORCE AND WHETHER HAD RE-ENTERED THE LABOUR FORCE, MAY 1985
( 000 )

| Whether in the labour force and whether had re- |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| entered the labour force | Males | Females | Persons |
| Persons aged IS and over | $5,871.3$ | 6.056 .1 | $11,927.4$ |
| Out of the labour force | $1,402.2$ | $3,205.6$ | $4,607.8$ |
| In the labour force | $4,469.1$ | $2,850.5$ | $7,319.5$ |
| Persons who had re-entered the labour force | 20.3 | 136.5 | 156.8 |
| Working | 14.6 | 97.3 | 111.8 |
| Looking for work | 5.7 | 39.3 | 45.0 |
| Other | $4,448.7$ | $2,714.0$ | $7,162.7$ |

Source: Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force, Australia, May 1985 (6264.0).

> TABLE 2.20. PERSONS WHO HAD RE-ENTERED THE LABOUR FORCE: SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS AND WHETHER WORKING OR LOOKING FOR WORK, MAY 1985
> $(000)$

|  | Working |  |  | Looking for Work |  |  | Total |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mates | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| Age group (years)- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-24 | * | 7.1 | 9.6 | * | 4.1 | 4.6 | * | 11.2 | 14.2 |
| 25-34 | 5.5 | 51.6 | 57.1 | ) 3.5 | 21.4 | 23.5 | 7.6 | 73.0 | 80.6 |
| 35-44 | ) 4.0 | 29.8 | 32.1 |  | 10.4 | 11.8 | 3.7 | 40.2 | 43.9 |
| 45-54 | ) 4.0 | 7.2 | 8.8 | * | , | \} 5.1 \{ | * | 9.7 | 12.2 |
| SS and over | * | * | 4.2 | * | * | \} 5.1 \{ | 3.6 | * | 6.0 |
| Family status- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member of a family | 9.7 | 90.0 | 99.7 | 3.7 | 35.6 | 39.3 | 13.4 | 125.7 | 139.1 |
| Husband or wife | 7.2 | 80.6 | 87.8 | * | 29.0 | 32.0 | 10.2 | 109.6 | 119.8 |
| With children aged 0-14 present | * | 70.2 | 73.3 | * | 26.8 | 28.3 | 4.5 | 97.1 | 101.6 |
| Without children aged |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $0-14$ present | 4.2 | 10.3 | 14.5 | * | * | 3.7 | 5.7 | 12.5 | 18.2 |
| Not married family head | * | 7.4 | 7.8 | * | 6.0 | 6.4 | * | 13.4 | 14.2 |
| Child of family head | * | * | 3.7 | * | * | * | * | * | 4.3 |
| Other relative of family head | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | ${ }^{*}$ |
| Not a member of a family | 4.5 | * | 7.6 | * | * | - | 5.9 | 4.4 | 10.2 |
| Not family coded | * | 4.2 | 4.5 | * | * | * | * | 6.5 | 7.5 |
| Birthplace and year of arrival- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Born in Australia | 10.9 | 73.1 | 84.0 | * | 29.1 | 32.1 | 13.8 | 102.2 | 116.0 |
| Born ourside Australia | 3.7 | 24.1 | 27.9 | * | 10.2 | 12.9 | 6.5 | 34.3 | 40.8 |
| Arrived before 1971 | * | 14.5 | 16.6 | * | 6.2 | 8.2 | 4.1 | 20.7 | 24.8 |
| Arrived 1971-1985 | * | 9.7 | 11.3 | * | 3.9 | 4.7 | * | 13.6 | 16.0 |
| Born in Main English speaking countries(a) | * | 14.4 | 16.3 | * | 5.7 | 7.5 | 3.6 | 20.1 | 23.8 |
| Born in other countries | * | 9.7 | 11.6 | * | 4.5 | 5.5 | * | 14.2 | 17.0 |
| Total | 14.6 | 97.3 | 111.8 | 5.7 | 39.3 | 45.0 | 20.3 | 136.5 | 156.8 |

[^9]Source: Persons Who Had Re-entered the Labour Force. Austratia, May 1985 (6264.0).

TABLE 2.21. PERSONS WHO HAD RE-ENTERED THE LABOUR FORCE: DETAILS OF PREVIOUS JOB AND WHETHER WORKING OR LOOKING FOR WORK, MAY 1985
(000)

|  | Working |  |  | Looking for Work |  |  | Total |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Moles | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| Occupation in previous jobPrevious job less than 20 years ago- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Professional, technical, etc. | * | 22.1 | 24.3 | * | 5.4 | 6.2 | * | 27.6 | 30.5 |
| Clerical | * | 35.7 | 39.0 | * | 14.8 | 15.3 | 3.8 | 50.5 | 54.3 |
| Sales | * | 11.5 | 12.7 | * | 4.4 | 4.9 | * | 15.9 | 17.6 |
| Trades and production-process workers and labourers, n.e.c., and miners and quarryworkers | 4.6 | 8.5 | 13.2 | * | 5.2 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 13.7 | 21.0 |
| Service, sport and recreation | , | 10.8 | 11.5 | . * | 5.8 | 6.1 | * | 16.6 | 17.6 |
| Other(a) | * | 4.3 | 6.9 | 7 | * | * | 3.7 | 6.4 | 10.0 |
| Total | 14.6 | 92.8 | 107.4 | 5.7 | 37.8 | 43.5 | 20.3 | 130.6 | 150.9 |
| Previous job 20 or more years ago | * | 4.4 | 4.4 | * | * | * | * | 5.9 | 5.9 |

Full-time or part-time status in
previous job-
Previous job less than 20 years ago--

Reason left previous job--
Retrenched/made redundant/
lost job
Returned to studies
Retired/did not want to
work any longer
Unsatisfactory work
arrangements
Own ill health or injury
To get married
Pregnancy/to have children
To look after family, house or
someone etse
Moved house/spouse transferred
Travel
Other

Educational attainment when left previous job-

With post-school
qualifications
Degree
Trade, technical or other certificate
Without post-school
qualifications(c)
Attended highest level
of secondary school available
Did not attend highest
level of secondary
school available
Left at age-
16 or over
15 or under
Never attended school
Still at school


Total

(a) Comprises administrative, executive and managerial; farmers, fisherpersons and timbergetters; and transport and communication. (b) Includes varied/did not know, (c) Includes other.

Source: Persons Who Hod Re-entered the Labour Force, Austratia, May 1985 (6264.0).

TABLE 2.22. PERSONS WHO HAVE LEFT THE LABOUR FORCE WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS: DURATION OF CONTINOUS PERIOD IN THE LABOUR FORCE BEFORE LEAVING, WHETHER INTENDED TO RETURN TO THE LABOUR FORCE AND AGE, NOVEMBER 1985
( ${ }^{\prime} 000$ )

|  | Age group |  |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 15-24 | 25-44 | 45-59 | $\begin{gathered} 60 \text { and } \\ \text { over } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| MALES |  |  |  |  |  |
| Continuous period of at least twelve months in the labour force before leaving | 11.7 | 18.1 | 17.1 | 31.1 | 78.0 |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 10.6 | 12.4 | 5.9 | * | 31.1 |
| Did not intend to retum to the labour force | * | * | 6.9 | 25.3 | 34.7 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force |  |  | 4.3 | * | 12.2 |
| Continuous period of less than twelve months in the labour force before leaving | 35.9 | 12.8 | 4.8 | 6.3 | 59.9 |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 32.2 | 9.2 | * | * | 45.3 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | * | * | * | 4.1 | 8.7 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | * | * | - * | * | 5.8 |
| Total | 47.6 | 31.0 | 21.9 | 37.4 | 137.9 |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 42.8 | 21.6 | 8.6 | * | 76.4 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force |  |  | 8.0 | 29.4 | 43.5 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | * | 5.8 | 5.3 | 4.4 | 18.0 |

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| Continuous period of at least twelve months in the labour force before leaving | 30.5 | 82.3 | 27.7 | 12.6 | 153.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 17.1 | 43.9 | 6.1 | * | 67.8 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | 8.1 | 20.8 | 17.6 | 11.0 | 57.5 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | 5.3 | 17.5 | 4.0 | * | 27.8 |
| Continuous period of less than twelve months in the labour force before leaving | 53.4 | 95.0 | 18.5 | - | 170.3 |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 41.0 | 48.3 | 9.0 | * | 99.1 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | 8.2 | 24.7 | 7.2 | * | 41.8 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | 4.3 | 21.9 | * | * | 29.5 |
| Total | 83.9 | 177.3 | 46.2 | 16.0 | 323.4 |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 58.0 | 92.3 | 15.1 | * | 166.8 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | 16.3 | 45.5 | 24.8 . | 12.7 | 99.2 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | 9.6 | 39.5 | 6.3 | * | 57.3 |

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| Continuous period of at least twelve months in the labour force before leaving | 42.2 | 100.4 | 44.8 | 43.7 | 231.1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Intended to return to the tabour force | 27.6 | 56.3 | 12.0 | * | 98.9 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | 8.6 | 22.8 | 24.5 | 36.3 | 92.2 |
| Undecided about whether would relurn to the labour force | 5.9 | 21.3 | 8.3 | 4.4 | 40.0 |
| Continuous period of less than twelve months in the labour force before leaving | 89.4 | 107.8 | 23.3 | 9.7 | 230.2 |
| intended to return to the labour force | 73.2 | 57.6 | 11.7 | * | 144.4 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | 10.0 | 26.3 | 8.3 | 5.8 | 50.5 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | 6.1 | 23.9 | 5.2 |  | 35.3 |
| Total | 131.5 | 208.2 | 68.2 | 53.4 | 461.3 |
| Intended to return to the labour force | 100.8 | 113.9 | 23.7 | 4.9 | 243.3 |
| Did not intend to return to the labour force | 18.6 | 49.1 | 32.9 | 42.1 | 142.7 |
| Undecided about whether would return to the labour force | 12.1 | 45.3 | 11.6 | 6.4 | 75.3 |

Source: Persons Who have Left the Labour Force. Australia, November 1985 (6267.0).

TABLE 2.23. PERSONS WHO HAVE LEFT THE LABOUR FORCE WITHIN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS: WHETHER INTENDED TO RETURN TO THE LABOUR FORCE AND SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS, NOVEMBER 1985 ('000)

|  | Whether intended to return to the labour force |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Intended to return |  |  | Did not intend to return |  |  | Undecided |  |  |
|  | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons | Males | Females | Persons |
| Age group (years)- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15-19. |  | 27.1 | 49.5 |  | 5.1 | 6.5 |  | * | 3.7 |
| 20-24 | 20.4 | 30.9 | 51.3 | \} 4.3 | 11.2 | 12.1 | ¢ 5.8 | 7.0 | 8.3 |
| 25-34 | 14.4 | 65.2 | 79.6 |  | 30.0 | 32.0 |  | 24.6 | 27.9 |
| 35-44 | 7.2 | 27.0 | 34.2 | ) 5.0 | 15.7 | 17.7 |  | 14.7 | 16.8 |
| 45-54 | 7.0 | 12.2 | 19.2 | 5.0 | 13.9 | 16.9 | \} 5.2 | 4.7 | 7.8 |
| 55.59 |  |  | 4.5 | 5.7 | 10.9 | 16.6 |  | . |  |
| 60-64 | $\}^{4.7}$ | 4.1 | 4.3 | 17.1 | 9.6 | 26.7 | \} 3.6 | - | 6.5 |
| 65 and over | * | - | * | 12.9 | * | 16.0 | * | * | * |
| Marital status- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 22.5 | 105.0 | 127.5 | 33.9 | 81.9 | 115.9 | 8.1 | 46.1 | 54.3 |
| Not married | 53.9 | 61.8 | 115.7 | 11.2 | 17.5 | 28.7 | 8.2 | 11.0 | 19.2 |
| Family status- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Member of a family | 58.9 | 141.2 | 200.1 | 35.9 | 88.9 | 124.9 | 11.7 | 50.8 | 62.6 |
| Husband or wife | 20.0 | 97.6 | 117.6 | 32.4 | 77.8 | 110.2 | 7.8 | 43.4 | 51.2 |
| With children aged $0-14$ present | 9.7 | 74.0 | 83.7 | * | 43.2 | 46.5 | 3.5 | 31.0 | 34.4 |
| Without children aged $0-14$ present | 10.3 | 23.5 | 33.8 | 29.1 | 34.6 | 63.7 | 4.3 | 12.4 | 16.7 |
| Not married family head | * | 17.2 | 19.3 | * | 6.3 | 7.2 | * | 5.8 | 6.5 |
| With children aged $0-14$ present | * | 14.4 | 15.7 | * | 4.2 | 4.4 | * | 4.6 | 5.0 |
| Without children aged $0-14$ present | * | * | 3.6 | * | * | * | * | 。 | - |
| Child of family head | 35.0 | 25.2 | 60.2 | * | 4.1 | 6.1 | * | * | 4.1 |
| Other relative of family head | * | * | - | * | * | * | * | * | - |
| Not a member of a family | 11.3 | 11.1 | 22.4 | 6.8 | 5.7 | 12.5 | 4.1 | * | 7.0 |
| Living alone | 4.1 | * | 6.8 | 4.8 | 3.8 | 8.6 | * | * | 4.8 |
| Not living alone | 7.1 | 8.4 | 15.6 | * | * | 3.9 | * | * |  |
| Not family coded | 6.3 | 14.5 | 20.8 | * | 4.8 | 7.1 | *. | * | 3.9 |
| Main source of income- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Investments/Savings etc. | 15.9 | 9.8 | 25.6 | 8.2 | 6.3 | 14.5 | * | * | 5.0 |
| Superannuation | * | , | . | 8.6 | * | 10.7 | * | * | * |
| TEAS(b) | 9.6 | 6.2 | 15.8 | * | * | * | * | * | * |
| Unemployment benefit/ Sickness benefit | 13.0 | 8.7 | 21.7 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 7.3 | 3.6 | * | 4.9 |
| Invalid/Age/Supporting Parents/Widows pension | * | 16.5 | 18.8 | 12.5 | 14.2 | 26.7 | * | 7.2 | 9.9 |
| War disability/Repatriation/ Service/War Widows pension | * | * | * | 5.1 | - | 7.1 | * | * | * |
| Someone else's income | 28.0 | 120.0 | 148.0 | * | 68.1 | 70.4 | * | 41.3 | 43.6 |
| Other | 5.9 | 4.6 | 10.6 | * | * | 5.4 | 3.7 | * | 7.1 |
| Total | 76.4 | 166.8 | 243.3 | 45.1 | 99.5 | (a)144.5 | 16.4 | 57.1 | 73.5 |

(a) Includes 1,800 people permanently unable to work who were not asked about their 'main soucce of income'. (b) Tertiary Education Assistance Scheme.

Source: Persons Who have Left the Labour Force. Australia, November 1985 (6267.0).

CHART 2.h. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER : WHETHER INTENDED TO RETIRE FROM FULL-TIME WORK AND AGE INTENDED TO RETIRE, SEPTEMBER 1984


Source: Persons Who Intended to Retire from Full-tine Work. Australia, September 1984 (6258.01.

CHART 2.i. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER WHO INTENDED TO fetire from full-time work: Whether intendied to retire EARLY, LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND STATUS OF WORKER, SEPTEMBER 1984

Intended to retire early


Did not intend to retire early


Employer employed
(3x)
(8x)

Oid not know

(a) Includes saall number of unpaid family helpers.

Source: Persons Who Intended to Retire from Full-time Work. Australie, September 198d (6250.0).

TABLE 2.24. PERSONS AGED 45 AND OVER WHO INTENDED TO RETIRE FROM FULL-TIME WORK : SUMMARY OF CHARACTERISTICS AND AGE INTENDED TO RETIRE, SEPTEMBER 1984

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[^0]:    Source: The Labour Force, Austraho (6203.0).

[^1]:    Source: The Labour Force, Ausiralia (6203.0).

[^2]:    Source: The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0).

[^3]:    Source: The Labour Force. Australia, August 1985 (6203.0).

[^4]:    Source: Labour Force Experience, Australia, February 1985 (6206.0).

[^5]:    (a) Excludes 829,100 persons for whom family status was not determined. (b) Aged 15 and over.

[^6]:    Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families, Austratia, July 1985 (6224.0)

[^7]:    (a) Employment status refers to persons aged 15 and over only.

[^8]:    Source: Labour Force Status and Other Characterisitics of Families, Australia, July 1985 (6224.0).

[^9]:    (a) Comprises UK, Ireland, Canada, South Africa, USA and New Zealand.

[^10]:    their mann souree of income would be.
    Source: Persons Who intended to Retive from Fudlime Work, Australia, September 1984 (6258.0).

