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#### MAIN FEATURES

Care should be taken in the interpretation of month-to-month movements in these estimates. Survey estimates are subject to sampling and non-sampling variability as explained in paragraphs 14 to 18. Attention is directed to paragraph 20 concerning interpretation of seasonally adjusted estimates.

Between June and July 1984 the seasonally adjusted number of unemployed fell by 36,400, offsetting the increase in unemployment between May and June 1984 (+29,400). The fall in seasonally adjusted unemployment was mostly due to a decrease in the number of males, both those looking for full-time work and those looking for part-time work. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell from 9.3 per cent to 8.8 per cent and, with little change in the seasonally adjusted level of employment, the participation rate fell from 61.0 per cent to 60.7 per cent.

In original terms, employment rose by 27,400, unemployment fell by 38,800 and the unemployment rate fell by 0.5 percentage points. Almost all of the change in the level of employment and of unemployment was due to higher employment and lower unemployment in New South Wales and Victoria.

Since July 1983, employment has risen by 231,100 (155,200 full-time and 75,900 parttime) and the number of persons unemployed has fallen by 91,900. The unemployment rate has fallen by 1.4 percentage points over the last twelve months.

### EXPLANATORY NOTES

#### INTRODUCTION

This publication contains preliminary estimates of the civilian labour force derived from the labour force survey part of the monthly population survey. Estimates for the current month are preliminary and subject to revision. Revised figures for the current month and more detailed estimates will be published in "The Labour Force, Australia" (6203.0)

## THE POPULATION SURVEY

2. The population survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 33,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information is obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers. The interviews are generally conducted during the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. Because of operational problems arising from the Christmas and New Year holidays, interviews for the December 1983 survey commenced on Monday 5 December. The information obtained relates to the week before the interview (i.e. the survey week).

## SCOPE

3. The labour force survey includes all persons aged 15 and over except: members of the permanent defence forces; certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations; overseas residents in Australia; and members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependents) stationed in Australia.

#### DEFINITIONS

4. The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on his actual activity (i.e. whether working, looking for work, etc.) during the survey week. The following definitions, which conform closely to the international standard definitions specified by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), relate only to those persons within the scope of the survey.

5. Employed persons comprise all those aged 15 and over who, during the survey week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helpers); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work and were: on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or
- (d) were employers or self-employed persons who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

6. Unemployed persons are those aged 15 and over who were not employed during the survey week, and:

- (a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and:
  - (i) were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week);or
  - (ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then;
- or (b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from

which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

7. Unemployed persons looking for first job are those who had never worked full time for two weeks or more.

8. The unemployment rate for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force in the same group.

9. The labour force comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined above.

10. The labour force participation rate for any group is the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 and over in the same group.

11. Full-time workers are those who usually worked 35 hours or more a week and others who, although usually parttime workers, worked 35 hours or more during the survey week. Part-time workers are those who usually worked less than 35 hours a week and who did so during the survey week. When recording hours of work fractions of an hour are disregarded.

12. Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the survey week, were not in the categories "employed" or "unemployed".

## REVISION OF SERIES

13. Following the change in official population estimates to a place of usual residence basis after the 1981 Census of Population and Housing, the population benchmarks used in the estimation of labour force survey data are compiled according to place of usual residence. The February 1984 issue of "The Labour Force, Australia" (6203.0) contained labour force estimates from February 1978 to February 1984, compiled on the new usual residence basis along with an explanation of the change to the population estimates and its consequent effect on labour force survey estimates.

#### RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

14. Since the survey estimates are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings they, and the movements derived from them, are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ by chance from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

15. Standard errors of estimates for the latest month and of estimates of movements since the previous month are shown in the tables. Standard errors of other estimates and other movements may be determined by using information in the Technical note in "The Labour Force, Australia" (6203.0).

16. Very small estimates are not published but are indicated with a '\*' because they are subject to high relative standard errors. Although figures for these small components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

17. Examples of the calculation and use of standard errors are given below:

- (a) The estimate of 339,300 unemployed males looking for full-time work in July 1984 has a standard error of about 6,200. Therefore there are about two chances in three that the number that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will be within the range 333,100 to 345,500 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the number will be within the range 326,900 to 351,700.
- (b) The estimate of movement in the number of unemployed males looking for full-time work from June to July 1984 is a decrease of 10,400. The standard error of this monthly movement is about 5,100. Therefore there are about two chances in three that if all dwellings had been included in the surveys the movement would have been within the range -15,500 to -5,300 and about nineteen chances in twenty that it would have been within the range -20,600 to -200.

18. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by respondents, errors made in collection such as in recording and coding of data, and errors made in processing the data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the non-sampling error, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

#### SEASONAL ADJUSTMENT

Seasonally adjusted 19. series are published in Tables 2 and 5. The figures in these tables were revised in the February 1984 issue of this publication. As happens with all seasonally adjusted series, the seasonal factors are reviewed annually to take account of each additional year's original data, the latest review being in February 1984 which revised the monthly series back to February 1978. Information about the method of adjustment and seasonally adjusted figures for all months since February 1978 were published in an appendix to "The Labour Force, Australia, February 1984" (6203.0).

20. The large increase in unemployment in 1982 and 1983 may have been accompanied by a change in the seasonal pattern. It would not be possible to quantify any such change adequately until some additional years' data are available. Particular care should therefore be exercised in interpreting current movements in these seasonally adjusted estimates.

## RELATED PUBLICATIONS

21. Users may also wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

The Labour Force, Australia (6203.0) - issued monthly Job Vacancies, Australia (6231.0) - issued quarterly Overtime, Australia (6330.0) - issued quarterly Labour Statistics, Australia, 1982 (6101.0)

22. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the "Catalogue of Publications, Australia" (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a "Publication Advice" (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publication Advice are available from any ABS office.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

 \* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses (see paragraph 16)
 .. not applicable

23. Figures have been rounded and discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

R.J. CAMERON Australian Statistician TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER

		Unemployed								
		Looking for full-time w								
		Aged		Looking				Civilian		
Empl oy 		15-19 looking		for part- time		Labour	Not in labour	popula- tion aged 15	Unemp- loyment	Partici- pation
Full-t Month work		for first job	Total	work	Total	force	force	and over	rate	rate
			-	-000 -					- pe	r cent -
				MALES						
1983 - June 3,68	4.3 3,924.5	24.3	407.9	16.5	424.5	4,349.0	1,346.6	5,695.6	9.8	76.4
July 3,69 August 3,66	3.4 3,903.6	27.8 26.6 30.5	407.0 409.5 410.3	22.0 20.2 24.7	429.0 429.7 435.0	4,362.1 4,333.3 4,406.7	1,341.8 1,379.2 1,314.5	5,704.0 5,712.5 5,721.2	9.8 9.9 9.9	76.5 75.9 77.0
September 3,74 October 3,71 November 3,71	4.2 3,958.5	32.9	384.5	16.3	400.8	4,359.3	1,369.5	5,728.9	9.2 8.9	76.1 75.9
December 3,78		57.4	391.3	28.4	419.8	4,448.0	1,295.6	5,743.6	9.4	77.4
1984 - January 3,71 February 3,76		53.0 48.5	424.0	28.5	452.5 435.8	4,402.1 4,436.2	1,350.0 1,324.1	5,752.1 5,760.2	10.3	76.5 77.0
March 3,80 April 3,78	9.0 4,052.3	36.8 33.4	380.0 364.3	24.7 21.3	404.7 385.6	4,457.1 4,422.2	1,311.3 1,353.8	5,768.4 5,776.0	9.1 8.7	77.3
May 3,79 June 3,79	1.4 4,039.3 7.7 4,042.1	30.3 29.1	356.5	25.7	382.2	4,421.5 4,417.2 4,422.5	1,362.2 1,374.1 1,375.7	5,783.7 5,791.3 5,798.2	8.6 8.5 8.1	76.4 76.3 76.3
July 3,80 Standard error of -	8.5 4,065.2	27.0	339.3	17.9	357.2	4,422.5	1,575.7	5,75012	511	,
July 1984 estimates 1	3.7 14.0	2.3	6.2	1.9	6.4	14.3	10.1	••	0.1	0.2
June 84 to July 84 movements	9.6 9.8	2.3	5.1	2.1	5.2	10.0	7.5	•••	0.1	0.2
				FEMALES						
1983 - June 1,48	9.0 2,342.0	30.4	205.8	62.9	268.7	2,610.7	3,266.4	5,877.1	10.3	44.4
July 1,51 August 1,48	6.9 2,361.8	27.0 28.6	192.3 197.9	65.9 59.3	258.2 257.1	2,620.1 2,594.6	3,265.3 3,299.1	5,885.4 5,893.7	9.9	44.5
September 1,54 October 1,52	6.3 2,377.6	33.6	208.8	77.2 69.3 62.2	285.9 252.3 238.9	2,672.4 2,630.0 2,649.7	3,229.6 3,279.5 3,267.3	5,902.0 5,909.4 5,917.0	10.7 9.6 9.0	45.3 44.5 44.8
November 1,53 December 1,56		27.2 52.4	176.7 210.1	60.2	270.2	2,698.4	3,226.1	5,924.5	10.0	45.6
1984 - January 1,53		48.2	212.9	54.0	266.9	2,569.9	3,363.2	5,933.1	10.4	43.3 44.9
February 1,52 March 1,54	6.3 2,451.9	51.7 37.5 32.1	228.6 212.1 207.7	73.7 84.2 83.5	302.3 296.3 291.2	2,668.0 2,748.2 2,733.5	3,273.6 3,201.9 3,224.5	5,941.6 5,950.1 5,958.1	11.3 10.8 10.7	44.9 46.2 45.9
April 1,53 May 1,54 June 1,54	1.8 2,451.2	29.4	192.7	62.1	254.8	2,706.1 2,715.7	3,260.1 3,258.4	5,966.1 5,974.1	9.4 9.5	45.4 45.5
July 1,56		28.1	175.5	62.6	238.0	2,698.9	3,282.5	5,981.3	8.8	45.1
Standard error of - July 1984 estimates 1	0.5 12.1	2.3	4.9	3.2	5.5	12.4	13.1		0.2	0.2
June 84 to July 84	7.7 8.7	2.3	4.2	3.1	4.7	8.9	9.3		0.2	0.1
				PERSONS	3					
1983 -		54.7	613.7	79.4	693.2	6,959.7	4,613.0	11,572.6	10.0	60.1
June 5,17 July 5,21 August 5,15	4.6 6,295.0	54.8	599.3 607.4	87.9	687.2	6,982.2 6,927.9	4,607.2	11,589.4	9.8	60.3 59.7
September 5,28 October 5,24	5.9 6,358.2	64.1	619.0 567.5	101.9 85.6	720.9 653.1	7,079.1 6,989.3	4,544.1 4,649.0	11,623.2	10.2	60.9 60.1
November 5,25 December 5,34			542.1 601.4	82.6 88.6	624.7 690.0	7,002.3 7,146.4	4,650.9 4,521.7	11,653.2 11,668.1	8.9 9.7	60.1 61.3
1984 - January 5,24	9.4 6,252.6		636.9	82.5	719.4	6,972.0	4,713.2	11,685.2	10.3	59.7
February 5,29 March 5,35	5.3 6,504.2	74.3	641.8 592.2	96.4 108.9	738.2	7,104.27,205.3	4,597.6 4,513.2	11,701.8	10.4 9.7 9.5	60.7 61.5 61.0
April 5,31 May 5,33	3.2 6,490.5	59.7	572.0 549.2 539.2	104.8 87.8 94.9	676.7 637.0 634.1	7,155.8 7,127.5 7,132.8	4,578.4 4,622.3 4,632.5	11,734.1 11,749.8 11,765.4	8.9	60.7 60.6
June 5,34 July 5,36			514.8	80.5	595.3	7,121.4	4,658.1	11,779.5	8.4	60.5
Standard error of - July 1984		- 10-			7 (	16.0	14 5		0.1	0.1
estimates June 84 to July 84	.5.1 15.9		7.2	3.6 3.4	7.6 6.0	16.3 11.1	14.5		0.1	0.1
movements	.0.4 10.9	2.9	5.8	3.4	0.0	11.1	10.1		0.1	5.1

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TABLE 2. CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

			Unemp1 oye d						
			Looking for full-time work						
	Employed		Aged 15-19		Looking				
	Full-time		looking for		for part-time		Labour	Unemp- loyment	Partici- pation
Month	workers	Total	first job	Total	work	Total	force	rate	rate
				-	-000 -			- per	cent -
				MALES					
1983 -		2 0 2 0 0	36.3	430.2	19.6	449.8	4,379.7	10.3	76.9
June July	3,692.9 3,692.5	3,929.9 3,932.3	39.7	423.3	22.6	445.9	4,378.2	10.2	76.8
August	3,690.9	3,925.6	37.3	422.0	22.0	444.0	4,369.6	10.2	76.5
September	3,720.0	3,950.0	36.3	413.8	24.6 17.5	438.4	4,388.4 4,379.8	10.0 9.7	76.7 76.5
October	3,717.2 3,732.8	3,954.4 3,974.6	37.0	389.8	24.3	414.1	4,388.7	9.4	76.5
November December	3,749.2	3,995.5	33.7	381.9	21.9	403.8	4,399.3	9.2	76.6
1984 -		2 2 2 2 1	32.5	379.5	27.3	406.8	4,386.9	9.3	76.3
January February	3,729.2 3,753.1	3,980.1 4,003.8	34.6	375.0	22.6	397.6	4,401.4	9.0	76.4
March	3,800.3	4,039.3	36.2	369.1	22.6	391.7	4,431.0	8.8	76.8
April	3,788.2	4,038.6	42.5	373.0	21.7	394.7 384.0	4,433.3 4,426.8	8.9 8.7	76.8 76.5
May	3,800.2	4,042.8 4,047.9	38.1 43.6	360.1 370.0	23.8 30.3	400.3	4,448.2	9.0	76.8
June July	3,806.9 3,803.1	4,047.9	38.5	352.9	18.4	371.3	4,435.8	8.4	76.5
				FEMALES					
1983 -					( <b>)</b> (	07/ 1	2 (25 (	10.4	44.7
June	1,498.5	2,351.5	36.4	210.5	63.6 70.1	274.1 278.4	2,625.6 2,632.1	10.4	44.7
July	1,517.8	2,353.7 2,346.3	37.0	207.9	67.0	274.9	2,621.2	10.5	44.5
August September	1,528.3	2,358.6	42.6	218.2	73.6	291.8	2,650.4	11.0	44.9
October	1,528.9	2,363.0	37.4	206.6	65.0	271.6 265.3	2,634.6 2,647.9	10.3	44.6
November December	1,536.8 1,534.6	2,382.6 2,395.4	36.5 35.5	196.9 196.5	68.4 63.4	259.9	2,655.3	9.8	44.8
1984 -				10/ 0	(5.0	260.0	2,656.5	9.8	44.8
January	1,534.0	2,396.5 2,393.9	31.8 38.8	194.2	65.8 65.0	263.2	2.657.1	9.9	44.7
February March	1,532.8 1,547.4	2,427.6	34.1	197.6	72.8	270.4	2,697.9	10.0	45.3
April	1,537.8	2,443.7	33.0	205.4	78.4	283.9	2,727.5	10.4	45.8
May	1,540.3	2,448.2	31.4 36.4	191.3	59.8 70.4	251.1 264.1	2,699.3 2,731.0	9.7	45.7
June July	1,555.3 1,561.9	2,466.8 2,452.3	35.8	190.2	66.5	256.7	2,709.1	9.5	45.3
				PERSONS					
1983 -						700 0	7 665 3	10.3	60.5
June	5,191.4	6,281.4	72.7	640.7 631.6	83.2	723.9	7,005.3	10.3	60.5
July	5,210.3	6,286.0 6,271.9	74.1 74.3	629.9	89.0	718.9	6,990.8	10.3	60.2
August September	5,248.3	6,308.6	78.9	632.0	98.2	730.2	7,038.8	10.4	60.6
October	5,246.1	6,317.4	74.4	614.5	82.5	697.0	7,014.4 7,036.6	9.9 9.7	60.3 60.4
November December	5,269.6 5,283.8	6,357.2 6,390.9	72.2 69.2	586.7 578.4	92.7 85.3	679.4 663.7	7,054.6	9.4	60.5
1984 -						((( )	7,043.4	9.5	60.3
January	5,263.2	6,376.6	64.3 73.4	573.7 573.2	93.1 87.6	666.8 660.8	7,058.5	9.4	60.3
February	5,285.9 5,347.7	6,397.7 6,466.9	70.2	566.7	95.3	662.1	7,128.9	9.3	60.8
March April	5,326.0	6,482.3	75.6	578.5	100.1	678.6	7,160.9	9.5	61.0
May	5,340.5	6,491.1	69.5	551.4	83.6	635.0 664.4	7,126.1 7,179.2	8.9 9.3	60.6
June	5,362.2	6,514.7	80.0 74.3	563.7 543.2	84.9	628.0	7,144.8	8.8	60.7
July	5,365.0	0,510.8	/4.5	54542			an 📼 a Mandar Ayan, 1907		

# TABLE 3. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER, STATES AND TERRITORIES, JULY 1984

			Unemployed					Civilian		
	Employed						N-2-1-	popula-		Dentelad
State or Territory	Full-time workers	Total	Looking for full- time work	Looking for part- time work	Total	Labour force	Not in labour force	tion aged 15 and over	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
,										
				000	-				- pe	r cent -
				MAI	LES					
New Couth Halos	1,318.8	1,405.8	124.8	5.4	130.2	1,536.0	488.4	2,024.4	8.5	75.9
New South Wales Victoria	1,008.5	1,081.9	64.0	5.4	69.4	1,151.2	369.0	1,520.2	6.0	75.7
Queensland	612.9	653.9	62.8	*	66.0	719.8	209.1	928.9	9.2	77.5
South Australia	325.4	347.8	32.4	*	34.1	381.9	128.5	510.4	8.9	74.8
Western Australia	346.6	368.8	37.5	*	38.6	407.4	113.8	521.2	9.5	78.2
Tasmania	102.6	107.7	13.4	*	13.7	121.3	40.1	161.4	11.3	75.2
Northern Territor	y 32.8	34.2	1.9	*	2.2	36.4	13.4	49.8	6.1	73.1
Australian Capita Territory	1 60.9	65.3	2.5	*	3.1	68.4	13.4	81.8	4.5	83.6
Australia	3,808.5	4,065.2	339.3	17.9	357.2	4,422.5	1,375.7	5,798.2	8.1	76.3
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				FEM.	ALES					
New South Wales	569.2	858.9	60.3	17.2	77.5	936.4	1,160.9	2,097.3	8.3	44.6
Victoria	419.9	662.8	43.8	19.7	63.5	726.4	859.0	1,585.4	8.7	45.8
Queensland	234.1	371.3	27.9	10.5	38.3	409.6	536.3	945.9	9.4	43.3
South Australia	122.0	213.1	17.7	4.8	22.5	235.5	298.1	533.6	9.5	44.1
Western Australia		224.2	16.3	7.3	23.6	247.8	272.0	519.8	9.5	47.7
Tasmania	34.8	61.1	5.0	2.1	7.2	68.3	98.3	166.6	10.5	41.0
Northern Territor	y 13.1	19.7	2.1	*	2.3	21.9	22.6	44.5	10.4	49.2
Australian Capita Territory		49.8	2.3	*	3.1	52.9	35.3	88.2	5.9	60.0
	1,561.2	2,460.9	175.5	62.6	238.0	2,698.9	3,282.5	5,981.3	8.8	45.1
Australia	1,501.2	2,400.9	175.5	02.0	25010	2,00010	5,20215	.,		
				PER	SONS					
New South Wales	1,888.0	2,264.7	185.2	22.6	207.7	2,472.4	1,649.3	4,121.7	8.4	60.0
Victoria	1,428.4	1,744.7	107.8	25.1	132.9	1,877.6	1,228.0	3,105.6	7.1	60.5
Oueensland	846.9	1,025.2	90.7	13.6	104.3	1,129.5	745.4	1,874.9	9.2	60.2
South Australia	447.5	560.9	50.1	6.5	56.6	617.5	426.5	1,044.0	9.2	59.1
Western Australia		592.9	53.8	8.5	62.2	655.2	385.8	1,041.0	9.5	62.9
Tasmania	137.4	168.8	18.4	2.4	20.8	189.6	138.4	328.1	11.0	57.8
Northern Territor		53.8	4.1	*	4.5	58.3	36.0	94.3	7.7	61.8
Australian Capita	1			*	6.2	121.3	48.7	170.0	5.1	71.4
Territory	93.2	115.1	4.8							60.5
Australia	5,369.8	6,526.1	514.8	80.5	595.3	7,121.4	4,658.1	11,779.5	8.4	00.5

## TABLE 4. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS, AUSTRALIA

	Number looki			Unemployment rate							
	Aged 15-19 Looking				Number looking for part-					Looking for part-	
Month	first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total	time work	Total		Aged 20 and over	Total	time work	Total
Nonen	j		- 100					-	per cent	-	
					MALES						
1983 -									10.0	<i></i>	
June July	24.3 27.8	75.2	332.7	407.9	16.5	424.5 429.0 429.7	24.2 26.8 25.3	8.8 8.6 8.8	10.0 9.9 10.1	6.4 8.5 7.8	9.8 9.8 9.9
August September	26.6	75.8	333.7 330.9	409.5	20.2	429.7 435.0 400.8	25.7	8.6	9.9	9.6	9.9
October November	32.9	75.3	309.3	384.5	16.3	385.9	24.5	7.7	9.0	7.6	8.9
December	57.4	101.8	289.6	391.3	28.4	419.8	29.3	7.6	9.4	10.4	9.4
1984 - January	53.0	104.5	319.5	424.0	28.5	452.5	30.5	8.4	10.2	10.9	10.3
February March	48.5	90.8	322.4 298.7	413.2	24.7	404.7	24.9	7.7	9.1 8.8	9.2	9.1
April May	33.4 30.3	74.7	289.6 284.9	364.3	21.3	382.2	22.2	7.4	8.6	9.4	8.6
June July	29.1 27.0	69.4 67.8	280.4 271.5	349.7 339.3	25.3 17.9	375.0 357.2	22.0 21.7	7.1	8.4 8.2	6.5	8.1
Standard error of - July 1984											
estimates June 84 to July 84	2.3	3.3	5.7	6.2	1.9	6.4	1.1	0.2	0.2	0.7	0.1
movements	2.3	3.1	4.8	5.1	2.1	5.2	1.0	0.1	0.1	0.8	0.1
					FEMALES						
1983 - June	30.4	65.9	139.9	205.8	62.9	268.7	26.1	9.7	12.1	6.9	10.3
July August	27.028.6	63.1	129.2	192.3	65.9	258.2 257.1	24.8 25.7	8.9 9.3	11.3 11.7	7.2 6.5	9.9 9.9
September October	33.6	68.7 61.4	140.1	208.8	77.2	285.9	26.3 24.5	9.4 8.3	11.9	8.4 7.5	10.7 9.6
November December	27.2	57.5 84.0	119.1 126.1	176.7 210.1	62.2 60.2	238.9 270.2	23.4 29.7	8.1 8.5	10.3	6.6 6.5	9.0 10.0
1984 -		0.2 0	120 1	212.9	54.0	266.9	29.6	8.8	12.2	6.6	10.4
January February	48.2	83.8	129.1	228.6	73.7	302.3	31.9	9.5	13.0	8.1	11.3
March April	37.5	70.1	142.0	207.7	83.5	291.2	25.5	9.6	11.9	8.4	10.7
May June	29.4 30.3	59.7 61.2	133.0	192.7	62.1	254.8	24.7	8.6 7.9	10.9	7.1	9.5
July	28.1	57.7	117.8	175.5	62.6	238.0	23.6	7.9	10.1	0.0	0.0
Standard error of - July 1984 estimates	2.3	3.1	4.2	4.9	3.2	5.5	1.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2
June 84 to July 84 movements	2.3	2.9	3.7	4.2	3.1	4.7	1.2	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
. we in weir commence					PERSONS						
1983 -											
June July	54.7 54.8	141.2 144.9	472.6	613.7 599.3	79.4	693.2 687.2	25.1 25.9	9.1 8.7	10.6	6.8 7.5	10.0 9.8
August September	55.2	140.4	467.0	607.4	79.5 101.9	686.8 720.9	25.5	9.0 8.8	10.6	6.8 8.7	9.9 10.2
October November	60.7	136.7	430.8	567.5	85.6	653.1 624.7	24.8 24.0	8.2 7.8	9.8 9.4	· 7.3 6.9	9.3 8.9
December	109.8	185.8	415.6	601.4	88.6	690.0	29.5	7.8	10.1	7.4	9.7
1984 - January	101.2	188.3	448.6	636.9	82.5	719.4	30.1	8.5	10.8	7.6	10.3
February March	100.1 74.3	178.0	463.8	641.8592.2	96.4 108.9	738.2 701.0	29.3 25.8	8.7 8.2	10.8	8.3 8.7	10.4 9.7
April May	65.5	139.9	432.1	572.0	104.8 87.8	676.7 637.0	24.2	8.1 7.9	9.7 9.3	8.3 7.1	9.5 8.9
June July	59.5	130.5	408.7 389.3	539.2 514.8	94.9 80.5	634.1 595.3	23.2 22.5	7.7 7.3	9.2 8.7	7.6	8.9 8.4
Standard error of -											
July 1984 estimates	3.1	4.3	6.6	7.2	3.6	7.6	0.8	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1
June 84 to July 84 movements	2.9	3.8	5.3	5.8	3.4	6.0	0.7	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1

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## TABLE 5. UNEMPLOYED PERSONS: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES

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		Number looki			Unemployment rate							
		Aged 15-19				Number looking for		Looking for full-time work			Looking for	
Month		Looking for first job	Total	Aged 20 and over	Total	part- time work	Total	Aged A 15-19 an	ged 20	Total	part- time work	Total
				0	00 -				-	per cent	-	
						MALES						
1983 - June		36.3	86.4	343.8	430.2	19.6	449.8	26.7	9.0	10.4	7.6	10.3
July		39.7	91.1	332.2	423.3	22.6	445.9	28.8	8.7 8.8	10.3	8.6	10.2
August September		37.3	87.3	334.7 327.1	422.0	22.0 24.6	438.4	27.1	8.6	10.0	9.7	10.0
October		37.0	84.1	323.8	407.9	17.5	425.4	26.2	8.5	9.9 9.5	6.9 9.1	9.7
November December		35.7 33.7	80.4 77.7	309.4 304.2	389.8 381.9	24.3 21.9	414.1 403.8	25.1 24.7	8.1	9.2	8.2	9.2
1984 - January		32.5	77.8	301.7	379.5	27.3	406.8	25.1	7.9 7.9	9.2 9.1	9.8 8.3	9.3 9.0
February March		34.6 36.2	75.1 84.5	299.9 284.7	375.0369.1	22.6	391.7	26.3	7.4	8.9	8.6	8.8
April		42.5	85.5	287.5	373.0	21.7	394.7	26.1 23.7	7.5	9.0 8.7	8.0 8.9	8.9
May June		38.1 43.6	75.8 79.7	284.3 290.3	360.1 370.0	23.8 30.3	384.0	24.3	7.5	8.9	11.2	9.0
July		38.5	75.3	277.6	352.9	18.4	371.3	23.4	7.2	8.5	6.6	8.4
						FEMALES						
1983 -									9.6	12.3	6.9	10.4
June		36.4	70.7	139.8	210.5 208.3	63.6 70.1	274.1 278.4	27.3	9.6	12.3	7.7	10.4
July August		37.0	70.4	137.5	207.9	67.0	274.9	26.8	9.4	12.1	7.4	10.5
September		42.6	77.2	141.0	218.2 206.6	73.6	291.8 271.6	28.0 26.9	9.6 9.2	12.5	7.2	10.3
October November		36.5	69.5	127.4	196.9	68.4	265.3	26.4	8.7	11.4	7.5	10.0
December		35.5	68.7	127.8	196.5	63.4	259.9	26.3	8.7	11.4	6.9	9.8
1984 - January		31.8	66.3	127.9	194.2	65.8	260.0	25.7	8.7	11.2	7.1	9.8
February		38.8	73.8	124.5	198.3	65.0	263.2 270.4	28.8	8.4 8.8	11.5	7.0	9.9 10.0
March April		34.1 33.0	66.8	130.7 140.3	197.6 205.4	78.4	283.9	25.7	9.4	11.8	8.0	10.4
Мау		31.4	60.9	130.4	191.3	59.8	251.1 264.1	24.3	8.8	11.0	6.2 7.2	9.3
June July		36.4 35.8	65.7 65.0	128.0	193.7 190.2	70.4 66.5	256.7	25.8	8.3	10.9	6.9	9.5
						PERSONS						
1983 -												
June		72.7	157.1	483.6	640.7	83.2	723.9 724.3	27.0 28.0	9.2 8.9	11.0	7.1 7.9	10.3
July		74.1 74.3	162.2	469.4	631.6 629.9	92.7 89.0	718.9	26.9	9.0	10.8	7.7	10.3
August September		78.9	163.9	468.1	632.0	98.2	730.2	27.5	8.9	10.7	8.5 7.2	10.4
October		74.4	156.3	458.2	614.5 586.7	82.5 92.7	697.0 679.4	25.7	8.3	10.0	7.9	9.7
November December		69.2	145.4	432.0	578.4	85.3	663.7	25.5	8.2	9.9	7.2	9.4
1984 -		64.3	144.1	429.6	573.7	93.1	666.8	25.4	8.2	9.8	7.7	9.5
January February		73.4	144.1	424.4	573.2	87.6	660.8	26.3	8.0	9.8	7.3	9.4
March		70.2	151.3		566.7 578.5	95.3 100.1	662.1 678.6	26.4	7.8	9.6	7.8 8.0	9.3 9.5
April May		75.6	150.7	427.8 414.7	578.5	83.6	635.0	23.9	7.8	9.4	6.8	8.9
June		80.0	145.3	418.3	563.7 543.2	100.8	664.4 628.0	25.0	7.8	9.5	8.0 6.9	9.3 8.8
July		74.3	140.3	402.9	545.2	04.9	020.0					5

	Number look:			Unemployment rate							
	Aged 15-19				Number looking		Lookin	g for		Looking	
State or Territory	Looking for first job		Aged 20 and over	Total	for part- time work	Total	Aged	ime work Aged 20 and over	Total	for part- time work	Total
			-	- 000				-	per cent	-	
NEW SOUTH WALES -											
1983 - July 1984 - June July	20.3 19.3 16.6	52.3 46.5 39.7	170.4 158.1 145.5	222.7 204.6 185.2	30.0 31.1 22.6	252.7 235.7 207.7	29.1 24.8 21.5	9.2 8.4 7.7	10.9 9.9 8.9	7.7 7.5 5.7	10.4 9.5 8.4
Standard error of - July 1984 estimates	1.9	2.7	4.5	4.9	2.1	5.1	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2
June 1984 to July 1984 movements	1.8	2.5	3.6	3.9	2.1	4.1	1.3	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2
VICTORIA -											
1983 - July 1984 - June July	13.7 16.7 15.5	36.3 30.2 30.3	101.0 85.7 77.5	137.3 115.9 107.8	25.7 26.9 25.1	163.0 142.9 132.9	25.9 22.6 22.7	7.3 6.1 5.5	9.0 7.5 7.0	8.2 8.1 7.4	8.8 7.6 7.1
Standard error of - July 1984 estimates	1.7	2.2	3.2	3.6	2.1	3.8	1.7	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
June 1984 to July 1984 movements	1.6	2.0	2.7	2.9	1.9	3.1	1.5	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
QUEENSLAND -											
1983 - July 1984 - June	5.3 7.8	19.8	79.5	99.4 88.5	12.8	112.2	19.5	9.7 8.3	10.8	7.3	10.2
July Standard error of -	8.7	22.2	68.5	90.7	13.6	104.3	21.3	8.2	9.7	7.1	9.2
July 1984 estimates June 1984 to July 1984 movements	1.1	1.6	2.5	2.7	1.3	2.9 2.1	1.5	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.3
SOUTH AUSTRALIA -											
1983 - July 1984 - June July	6.7 7.7 7.3	15.3 14.6 14.0	41.8 34.1 36.1	57.1 48.7 50.1	7.6 7.4 6.5	64.6 56.1 56.6	30.5 27.2 26.8	9.5 7.7 8.1	11.7 9.8 10.1	6.8 6.1 5.4	10.7 9.1 9.2
Standard error of - July 1984 estimates	0.8	1.0	1.4	1.6	0.8	1.7	2.0	0.3	0.3	0.6	0.3
June 1984 to July 1984 movements	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.2	0.7	1.2	1.6	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.2
WESTERN AUSTRALIA -											
1983 - July 1984 - June	4.5	13.4	41.6 44.7	55.0 56.6	8.4 8.2	63.4 64.8	23.6	8.9 9.3	10.5	7.1	9.9 9.8
July Standard error of -	3.8	12.2	41.5	53.8	8.5	62.2	22.3	8.6	10.0	7.1	9.5
July 1984 estimates June 1984 to July 1984 movements	0.6	1.0	1.6 1.3	1.8	0.9	1.9	1.9	0.3	0.3 0.3	0.8	0.3
TASMANIA -											
1983 - July 1984 - June	2.8	5.7 5.4	11.0	16.7 17.4	1.5	18.2	28.9 30.9	8.2 8.7	10.8	4.9 6.7	9.8 10.4
July Standard error of -	2.6	5.1	13.3	18.4	2.4	20.8	28.5	9.7	11.8	7.1	11.0
July 1984 estimates June 1984 to	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.4	0.8	2.8	0.5	0.5	1.1	0.4
July 1984 movements	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.6	2.2	0.4	0.3	0.9	0.3
NORTHERN TERRITORY -											
1983 - July 1984 - June July	* * *	* * *	4.4 2.8 3.3	5.3 3.7 4.1	* * *	5.9 4.7 4.5	* * *	7.9 5.8 7.3	8.6 7.0 8.2	* * *	8.5 8.0 7.7
Standard error of - July 1984 estimates	0.2	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.7	7.8	1.3	1.3	2.7	1.1
June 1984 to July 1984 movements	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.6	5.9	1.1	1.0	4.5	0.9
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRIT	DRY -										
1983 - July 1984 - June	* *	* * *	4.8	6.0 3.7	2.3	7.3	* *	5.5	6.4 3.8	* 10.2	6.4 5.0
July Standard error of - July 1984 continents	*		3.5	4.8	*	6.2	*	3.8	4.9	*	5.1
July 1984 estimates June 1984 to	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.7	6.0	0.6	0.6	1.7	0.5
July 1984 movements	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	5.2	0.5	0.5	1.7	0.4

