

**Summary** (trend)

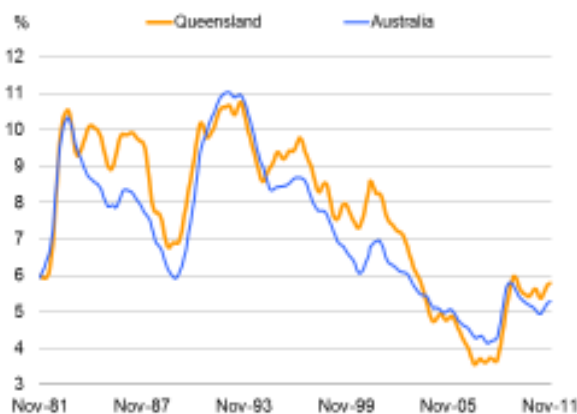
<b>Employment:</b>	Queensland,	↑	3,600	(0.2%)
(persons, growth)	Australia,	↑	4,200	(0.0%)
<b>Unemployment:</b>	Queensland,	↑	500	(5.8%)
(persons, rate)	Australia,	↑	2,500	(5.3%)
<b>Labour Force:</b>	Queensland,	↑	4,100	(0.2%)
(persons, growth)	Australia,	↑	6,700	(0.1%)

- Trend employment in Queensland rose 3,600 persons (0.2%) in November 2011, to be 20,500 persons (0.9%) higher over the year. This result followed six straight monthly trend employment growth rates of 0.1%.
- With labour force growth (4,100 persons) similar to employment growth, Queensland's trend unemployment rate remained at 5.8%, the highest of any state.
- Seasonally adjusted (sa) employment fell 11,500 persons in November 2011, likely reflecting a normalisation in the figures following the strong growth of 18,500 persons in the previous month. The sa labour force fell 10,400 persons, as the sa participation rate fell 0.4 percentage point to 67.5%. With the labour force falling slightly less than employment, the sa unemployment rate nudged up 0.1 percentage point to 5.8%.
- National trend employment rose 4,200 persons (0.0%) in November, with the unemployment rate flat at 5.3%.
- National sa employment fell 6,300 persons in November, notably weaker than market expectations of a 10,000 person increase. The sa unemployment rate rose 0.1 percentage point to 5.3%, compared with expectations of being unchanged at 5.2%.

**Analysis**

- While international concerns have weighed on hiring intentions, a sustained improvement in employment growth is expected to occur during 2012, with resource sector activity to remain strong and a recovery in the household and non-engineering construction sectors to gather pace.

**Chart 1: Unemployment rate, trend**

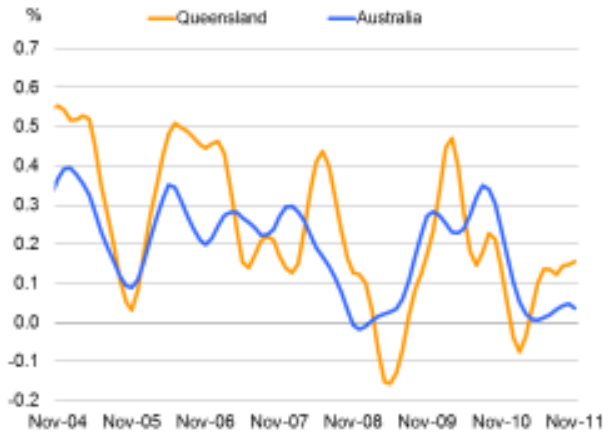


Note: Charts may not be consistent with tables due to rounding.

**Table 1: Monthly labour force outcomes, November 2011**

	Level (000s)		Difference (000s)				% Change				
	QLD	Aust	Month		Year		Month		Year		
			QLD	Aust	QLD	Aust	QLD	Aust	QLD	Aust	
<b>Trend</b>											
Employment	2,351.0	11,456.5	3.6	4.2	20.5	62.8	0.2	0.0	0.9	0.6	
Full-time	1,681.8	8,042.2	2.5	-0.9	24.5	23.4	0.1	0.0	1.5	0.3	
Part-time	669.2	3,414.3	1.1	5.2	-4.0	39.4	0.2	0.2	-0.6	1.2	
Unemployed	144.1	638.7	0.5	2.5	5.9	23.8	0.3	0.4	4.3	3.9	
Labour Force	2,495.1	12,095.2	4.1	6.7	26.4	86.6	0.2	0.1	1.1	0.7	
<b>Seas. Adjusted</b>											
Employment	2,348.2	11,457.1	-11.5	-6.3	9.2	40.4	-0.5	-0.1	0.4	0.4	
Full-time	1,677.2	8,026.3	-9.0	-39.9	7.6	-14.9	-0.5	-0.5	0.5	-0.2	
Part-time	671.0	3,430.8	-2.5	33.6	1.6	55.3	-0.4	1.0	0.2	1.6	
Unemployed	143.3	635.8	1.1	9.3	6.9	14.9	0.8	1.5	5.1	2.4	
Labour Force	2,491.5	12,092.9	-10.4	3.0	16.1	55.3	-0.4	0.0	0.7	0.5	
<b>Unemploy. Rate</b>											
Trend	5.8	5.3	5.8	5.3	5.6	5.1					
Seas. Adjusted	5.8	5.3	5.7	5.2	5.5	5.2					
<b>Participation Rate</b>											
Trend	67.6	65.6	67.6	65.6	67.8	65.9					
Seas. Adjusted	67.5	65.5	67.9	65.6	68.0	66.0					

**Chart 2: Monthly employment growth, trend**



**Table 2: Interstate comparison, November 2011**

Monthly Trend Data	QLD	NSW	VIC	SA	WA	Tas	Aust
<b>Employment</b>							
% change on a month ago	0.2	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Change on a month ago (No.)	3,600	1,100	-2,700	-300	0	300	4,200
% change on a year ago	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.8	1.2	0.0	0.6
Change on a year ago (No.)	20,500	6,100	13,500	6,500	14,600	-100	62,800
<b>Labour Force</b>							
% change on a month ago	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.1
Change on a month ago (No.)	4,100	1,000	-700	-200	200	500	6,700
% change on a year ago	1.1	0.5	0.7	0.5	1.0	-0.2	0.7
Change on a year ago (No.)	26,400	19,600	21,500	4,600	12,900	-500	86,600
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>							
November-11	5.8	5.3	5.4	5.3	4.3	5.3	5.3
October-11	5.8	5.3	5.4	5.3	4.3	5.3	5.3
November-10	5.6	5.0	5.2	5.6	4.5	5.5	5.1
Monthly Difference	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Annual Difference	0.2	0.3	0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	0.2
<b>Participation Rate</b>							
November-11	67.6	63.7	65.7	63.4	68.0	60.5	65.6
October-11	67.6	63.8	65.7	63.4	68.1	60.4	65.6
November-10	67.8	64.0	66.0	63.5	68.4	61.1	65.9
Monthly Difference	0.0	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.1	0.0
Annual Difference	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-0.4	-0.6	-0.3