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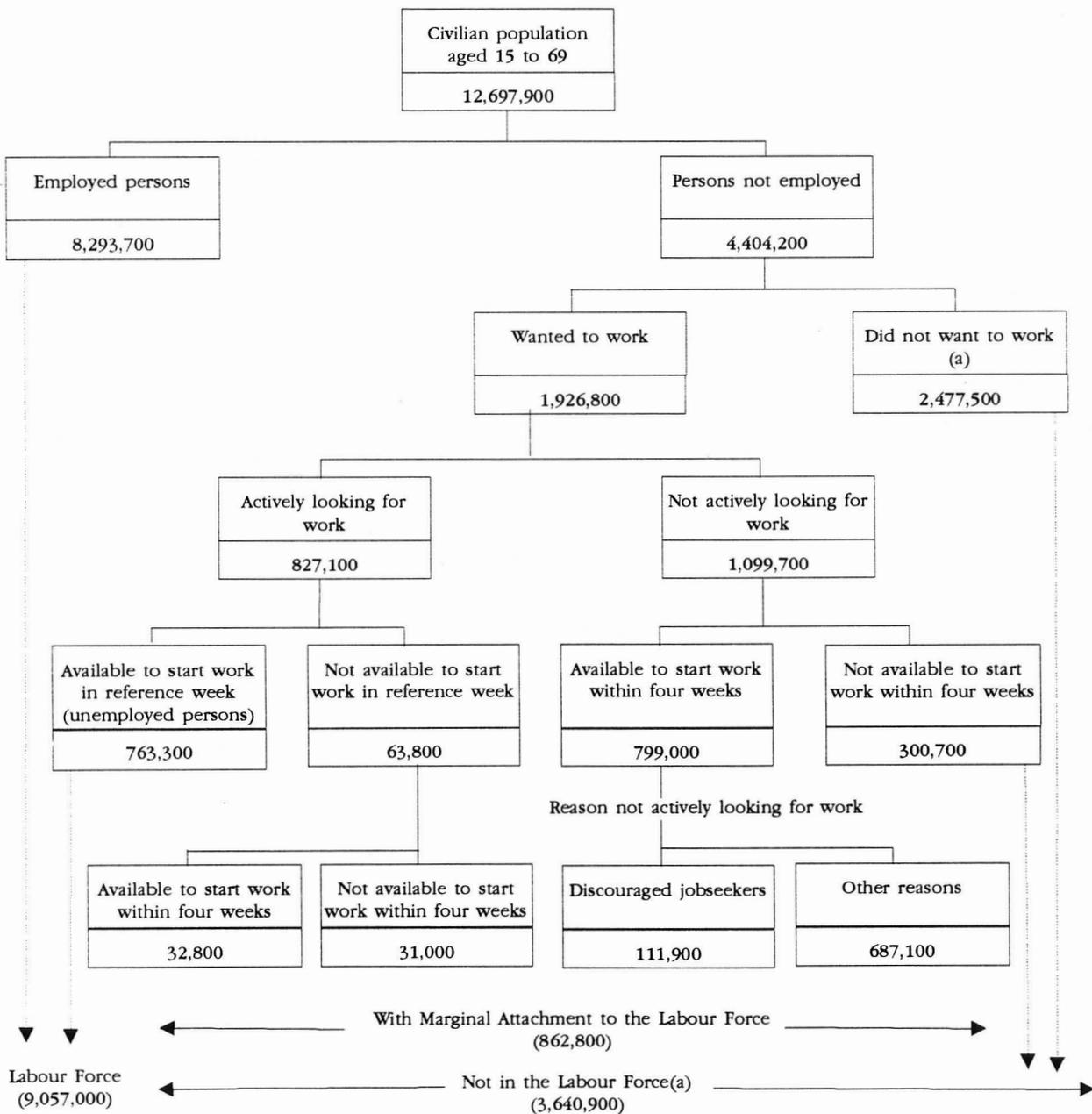


## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

A survey of persons who were not in the labour force was conducted in September 1995 as a supplement to the monthly Labour Force Survey. The survey focussed on the degree of attachment of these people to the labour force. This may range from persons who have retired from work, and who have no further interest in obtaining work, to others who are actively looking for work, but are not yet available to start work.

The scope of the survey was persons aged 15 to 69 years who were neither employed nor unemployed. Excluded were boarding school pupils and persons living in institutions - they are assumed to be not in the labour force, and to have no current attachment to the labour force.

DIAGRAM 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS AND MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE, SEPTEMBER 1995



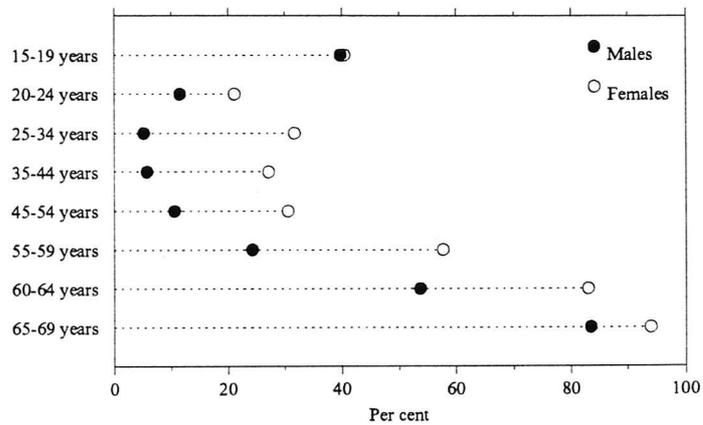
(a) Includes 74,600 institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils and a further 60,800 persons permanently unable to work.  
Source: Table 1

OVERVIEW

In September 1995, the number of persons not in the labour force (excluding institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils) was 3,566,300 persons of whom 2,399,800 (67%) were female and 1,166,600 were male.

Females not in the labour force were distributed more evenly across all age groups when compared with males. Males not in the labour force were concentrated in the younger and older age groups more heavily. As a proportion of the civilian population, there were higher concentrations in the older age groups for both males and females. Some 94 per cent of females and 84 per cent of males aged 65 to 69 years were not in the labour force. For females, the age group with the lowest proportion not in the labour force was 20 to 24 years (21%) while for males, it was 25 to 34 years (5%) and 35 to 44 years (6%) (Table 2, Diagram 2).

DIAGRAM 2. PROPORTION OF PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE BY AGE, SEPTEMBER 1995



Source: Table 2

MAIN ACTIVITY WHEN NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE

For males, the most commonly reported main activities while not in the labour force were 'retired or voluntarily inactive' (37%), 'attending an educational institution' (30%) and 'own illness, injury, disability or handicap' (19%). In comparison, most females reported 'home duties' (65%) as their main activity while not in the labour force, followed by 'attending an educational institution' (14%) and 'retired or voluntarily inactive' (11%) (Table 2).

PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WHO PREVIOUSLY HAD A JOB

Some 2,932,000 (82%) persons who were not in the labour force previously had a job.

Of the 2,027,000 females who previously had a job —

- 41 per cent had their last job within the last 5 years;
- 20 per cent had their last job between 5 and 10 years ago; and
- 39 per cent had their last job 10 years or more ago.

PERSONS NOT IN THE  
LABOUR FORCE WITH  
MARGINAL ATTACHMENT

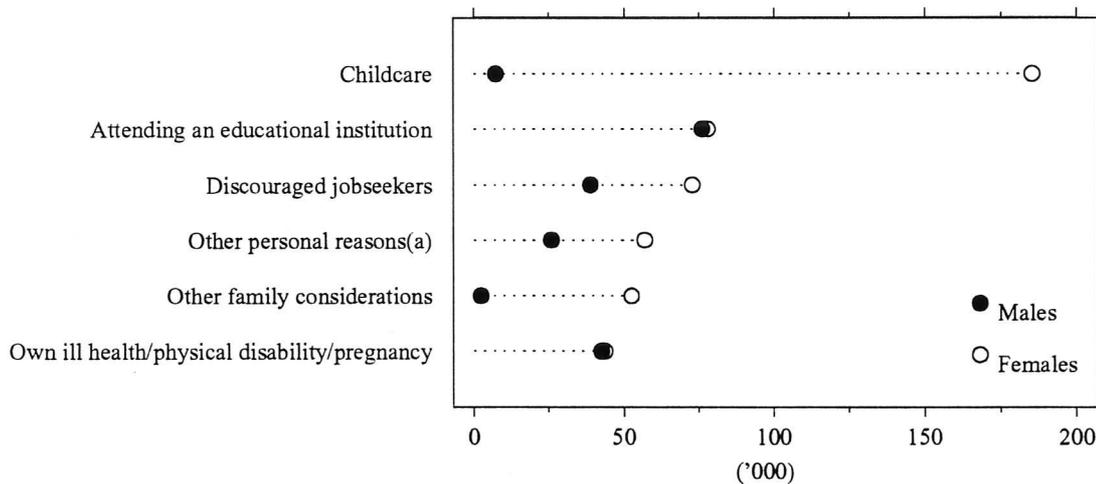
Of the 905,000 males who previously had a job —

- 57 per cent had their last job within the last 5 years;
- 24 per cent had their last job between 5 and 10 years ago; and
- 19 per cent had their last job 10 years or more ago (Table 2).

Persons not in the labour force can be classified as either having or not having marginal attachment to the labour force. A person is marginally attached to the labour force if they are neither employed nor unemployed but nevertheless want to work and are either seeking work or available to start work within four weeks (see the Glossary for further details). Some 24 per cent of all persons not in the labour force were marginally attached to the labour force in September 1995, an increase of 2.5 percentage points from 1994 and similar to the level recorded in September 1993 (Table 1).

Of the 862,800 persons marginally attached to the labour force, 63,800 (7%) were actively looking for work and 799,000 (93%) were not actively looking for work, but were available to start work within four weeks. Of the 230,900 males in this latter group the most commonly reported main reasons for not actively looking for work were 'attending an educational institution' (33%), 'own ill health or physical disability' (18%), labour market related reasons, including discouraged jobseekers (18%) and other personal or family reasons (17%). For the 568,100 females in this group, the most frequently reported reason for not actively looking for work was 'childcare' (33%), followed by labour market reasons (14%), 'attending an educational institution' (14%) and 'own ill health, physical disability or pregnancy' (8%) (Table 4, Diagram 3).

DIAGRAM 3. PERSONS WITH MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE: MAIN REASON FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK, SEPTEMBER 1995



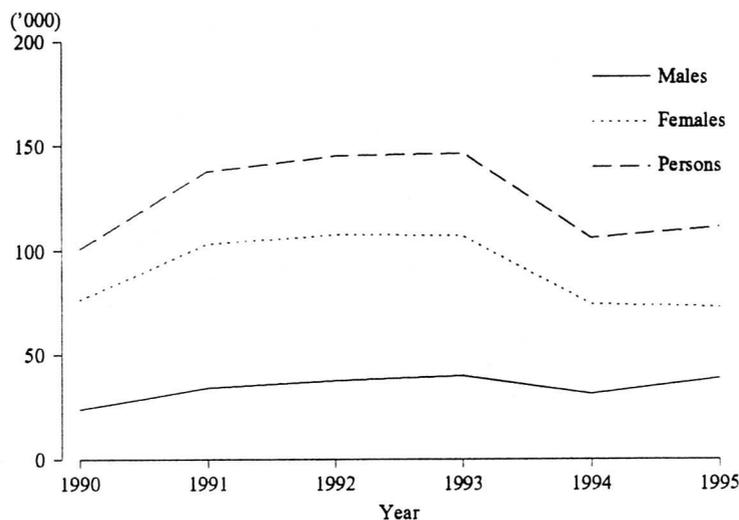
(a) Includes 'Had no need to work', 'Give others a chance', 'Welfare payments/pension may be affected' and 'Moved house/holidays'.

Source: Table 4

## DISCOURAGED JOBSEEKERS

The estimate of discouraged jobseekers at September 1995 was 111,900, a slight increase of 5,400 persons from September 1994. The proportion of discouraged jobseekers as a component of all persons not in the labour force was 3 per cent (Table 1, Diagram 4).

DIAGRAM 4. DISCOURAGED JOBSEEKERS, SEPTEMBER 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 1995



Source: Table 1

Some 65 per cent of discouraged jobseekers were female. Of the 72,900 females who were discouraged jobseekers —

- 3 per cent were aged 15 to 24 years;
- 64 per cent were aged 25 to 54 years; and
- 33 per cent were aged 55 to 69 years.

In comparison, of the 39,000 males who were discouraged jobseekers —

- 13 per cent were aged 15 to 24 years;
- 21 per cent were aged 25 to 54 years; and
- 66 per cent were aged 55 to 69 years.

Some 46 per cent of male discouraged jobseekers had looked for work in the past twelve months and 59 per cent intended to look or might look for work in the next twelve months. For female discouraged jobseekers, 35 per cent had looked for work in the previous twelve months, and 55 per cent intended to look or might look for work in the next twelve months (Table 7).

The ratio of male discouraged jobseekers to total male unemployment ranged from 6.5 per cent (in 1994) to 7.1 per cent (in 1993) between 1990 and 1994, however in 1995 the ratio increased 1.9 percentage points to 8.4 per cent. For females the ratio was steady at 29 or 30 per cent between 1990 and 1993, then dropped to 22 per cent in 1994 before increasing to 24 per cent in 1995 (Table 1).

**TABLE 1. CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 TO 69: LABOUR FORCE STATUS,  
SEPTEMBER 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 1995**  
(\*000)

	Sept. 1990	Sept. 1991	Sept. 1992	Sept. 1993	Sept. 1994(a)	Sept. 1995(a)
<b>MALES</b>						
<i>Civilian population aged 15 to 69</i>	6,070.2	6,158.6	6,230.5	6,287.9	6,292.7	6,371.9
Persons in the labour force	4,971.4	4,986.0	5,007.1	5,049.5	5,057.5	5,164.0
Employed	4,608.3	4,463.1	4,441.2	4,483.7	4,573.3	4,700.3
Unemployed	363.1	522.8	565.9	565.8	484.2	463.7
Persons not in the labour force	1,098.8	1,172.6	1,223.4	1,238.4	1,235.1	1,207.9
With marginal attachment to the labour force	195.4	220.5	246.7	247.1	215.3	261.8
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	26.3	23.6	29.4	28.1	25.1	30.9
Were available to start work within four weeks	12.6	10.7	16.0	16.3	15.1	13.7
Were not available to start work within four weeks	13.7	12.9	13.3	11.8	10.0	17.3
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	169.2	196.9	217.3	219.0	190.2	230.9
Discouraged jobseekers	24.2	34.5	37.8	40.0	31.7	39.0
Other	144.9	162.4	179.5	179.0	158.5	191.9
Without marginal attachment to the labour force	903.4	952.1	976.8	991.3	1,019.8	946.1
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	85.1	77.5	89.0	98.6	100.7	95.0
Did not want to work	743.3	787.4	817.8	813.1	787.6	768.6
Permanently unable to work	34.8	32.5	30.6	35.0	58.2	41.2
Institutionalised persons(b) and boarding school pupils	40.2	54.8	39.3	44.6	73.4	41.3
<b>FEMALES</b>						
<i>Civilian population aged 15 to 69</i>	5,994.1	6,076.8	6,155.2	6,213.1	6,251.6	6,326.0
Persons in the labour force	3,542.8	3,605.6	3,640.5	3,695.1	3,818.0	3,893.0
Employed	3,278.4	3,262.4	3,281.1	3,321.3	3,471.4	3,593.4
Unemployed	264.4	343.2	359.4	373.8	346.5	299.6
Persons not in the labour force	2,451.3	2,471.3	2,514.7	2,518.0	2,433.7	2,433.0
With marginal attachment to the labour force	557.1	598.8	599.7	660.7	558.0	601.0
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	31.3	23.0	29.7	30.2	36.2	32.9
Were available to start work within four weeks	18.9	13.4	17.8	18.5	23.3	19.1
Were not available to start work within four weeks	12.4	9.6	11.9	11.7	13.0	13.7
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	525.8	575.8	570.0	630.4	521.8	568.1
Discouraged jobseekers	76.6	103.7	107.8	107.4	74.8	72.9
Other	449.2	472.1	462.2	523.1	447.0	495.2
Without marginal attachment to the labour force	1,894.2	1,872.5	1,915.0	1,857.4	1,875.6	1,832.0
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	225.4	199.6	166.0	172.4	188.8	205.7
Did not want to work	1,618.3	1,621.6	1,698.3	1,636.6	1,622.3	1,573.5
Permanently unable to work	17.6	15.5	14.2	14.0	32.1	19.6
Institutionalised persons(b) and boarding school pupils	32.9	35.7	36.5	34.3	32.4	33.2
<b>PERSONS</b>						
<i>Civilian population aged 15 to 69</i>	12,064.3	12,235.4	12,385.7	12,501.0	12,544.3	12,697.9
Persons in the labour force	8,514.2	8,591.5	8,647.5	8,744.6	8,875.5	9,057.0
Employed	7,886.8	7,725.5	7,722.2	7,804.9	8,044.7	8,293.7
Unemployed	627.5	866.0	925.3	939.6	830.8	763.3
Persons not in the labour force	3,550.1	3,643.9	3,738.1	3,756.4	3,668.8	3,640.9
With marginal attachment to the labour force	752.5	819.3	846.4	907.8	773.3	862.8
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	57.6	46.7	59.1	58.3	61.4	63.8
Were available to start work within four weeks	31.5	24.1	33.8	34.8	38.4	32.8
Were not available to start work within four weeks	26.1	22.5	25.3	23.5	22.9	31.0
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	694.9	772.7	787.3	849.5	712.0	799.0
Discouraged jobseekers	100.9	138.2	145.6	147.4	106.5	111.9
Other	594.1	634.5	641.7	702.0	605.5	687.1
Without marginal attachment to the labour force	2,797.6	2,824.6	2,891.7	2,848.7	2,895.5	2,778.1
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	310.5	277.1	255.0	271.0	289.6	300.7
Did not want to work	2,361.6	2,409.0	2,516.1	2,449.7	2,409.9	2,342.1
Permanently unable to work	52.4	48.1	44.8	49.1	90.3	60.8
Institutionalised persons(b) and boarding school pupils	73.1	90.5	75.8	78.9	105.8	74.6

(a) The 1994 and 1995 surveys were weighted using population estimates based on the 1991 Census of Population and Housing and results, therefore, may not be comparable with previous years. See Explanatory Notes section for details. (b) Includes some patients in hospitals and sanatoriums and inmates of reformatories, gaols, etc.

TABLE 2. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a): SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, SEPTEMBER 1995  
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	With marginal attachment to the labour force				Without marginal attachment to the labour force			Total not in the labour force	Proportion not in the labour force (per cent)	
	Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	Dis-couraged jobseeker	Other	Total	Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work	Did not want to work	Total(b)			
<b>MALES</b>										
<i>State of usual residence —</i>										
New South Wales	8.8	11.9	53.9	65.9	74.6	29.8	279.9	327.9	402.5	18.9
Victoria	6.9	12.6	55.7	68.3	75.2	24.5	195.3	227.9	303.1	19.1
Queensland	6.9	6.2	38.7	44.9	51.8	16.3	127.0	149.9	201.6	17.4
South Australia	* 2.5	* 3.7	16.4	20.1	22.6	9.1	66.0	76.9	99.5	19.4
Western Australia	* 3.3	* 3.0	14.5	17.5	20.8	8.9	66.2	76.2	97.0	15.8
Tasmania	* 0.8	* 1.4	5.1	6.5	7.3	3.6	21.6	28.5	35.8	22.2
Northern Territory	* 0.7	* 0.0	4.5	4.5	5.2	* 1.3	5.5	7.6	12.8	20.9
Australian Capital Territory	* 1.1	* 0.3	3.0	3.3	4.3	1.5	7.0	9.9	14.3	13.3
<i>Age (years) —</i>										
15-19	8.6	* 3.6	71.6	75.1	83.7	26.9	141.7	169.0	252.7	39.8
20-24	7.4	* 1.3	17.2	18.5	25.9	13.9	41.3	57.7	83.6	11.6
25-34	6.6	* 2.5	19.8	22.4	29.0	10.9	29.8	44.3	73.3	5.2
35-44	* 4.1	* 2.4	23.2	25.6	29.7	13.3	31.4	48.9	78.6	5.1
45-54	* 3.0	* 3.3	22.0	25.3	28.3	12.0	68.7	91.7	120.0	10.6
55-59	* 0.7	* 3.2	14.7	17.8	18.6	8.4	67.5	83.5	102.1	24.3
60-64	* 0.6	12.9	13.1	26.0	26.6	7.1	139.8	154.7	181.3	53.7
65-69	* 0.0	9.7	10.3	20.0	20.0	* 2.4	248.4	255.0	275.0	83.5
<i>Relationship in household —</i>										
Family member	23.4	28.8	152.4	181.2	204.6	73.2	621.9	726.3	930.9	18.3
Husband	7.6	21.7	59.6	81.3	88.9	33.1	424.6	477.8	566.7	15.3
With dependants	* 4.8	5.3	20.7	26.0	30.8	14.7	62.8	82.3	113.1	5.5
Without dependants	* 2.8	16.4	38.9	55.3	58.1	18.5	361.9	395.5	453.6	27.2
Lone parent	* 0.9	* 1.0	7.1	8.1	9.1	* 2.9	11.4	15.3	24.4	27.0
With dependants	* 0.8	* 0.8	6.7	7.5	8.3	* 2.4	6.0	8.9	17.2	25.6
Without dependants	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.4	* 0.6	* 0.8	* 0.5	5.4	6.4	7.2	30.8
Dependent student	8.6	* 1.5	64.9	66.5	75.1	26.5	145.1	171.9	247.1	56.9
Non-dependent child	* 3.8	* 4.1	15.4	19.4	23.2	7.2	26.6	42.2	65.4	8.8
Other family person	* 2.5	* 0.5	5.4	5.9	8.3	* 3.5	14.2	19.0	27.4	21.9
Non-family member	5.6	6.9	27.7	34.6	40.2	16.2	114.9	139.3	179.5	17.9
Lone person	* 2.8	5.8	15.4	21.2	24.0	7.5	81.9	95.9	119.9	23.4
Not living alone	* 2.8	* 1.1	12.3	13.4	16.3	8.7	33.1	43.4	59.7	12.2
Not determined	* 1.9	* 3.3	11.8	15.1	17.0	5.6	31.7	39.1	56.1	24.5
<i>Birthplace —</i>										
Born in Australia	23.9	25.7	141.4	167.1	191.0	65.3	513.3	609.7	800.7	17.2
Born outside Australia	7.0	13.3	50.5	63.8	70.8	29.7	255.3	295.1	365.8	21.7
Born in main English speaking countries	* 1.7	* 4.4	18.2	22.5	24.2	9.4	74.5	86.8	111.0	16.5
Born in other countries	5.4	8.9	32.3	41.2	46.6	20.3	180.8	208.2	254.8	25.2
<i>Time since last job —</i>										
Had had a job	22.5	35.1	135.9	170.9	193.5	68.2	608.7	711.5	905.0	n.a.
Under 12 months	12.3	6.7	57.6	64.4	76.7	26.3	66.3	93.2	169.9	n.a.
1 and under 3 years	6.7	8.9	33.3	42.2	48.9	18.6	121.7	144.6	193.4	n.a.
3 and under 5 years	* 1.5	7.4	17.2	24.6	26.1	9.0	114.4	130.5	156.5	n.a.
5 and under 10 years	* 1.6	7.4	17.6	25.0	26.6	8.8	171.9	189.4	216.0	n.a.
10 and under 20 years	* 0.4	* 2.8	9.2	12.0	12.4	5.3	107.6	123.0	135.4	n.a.
20 years or more	* 0.0	* 1.7	* 1.1	* 2.8	* 2.8	* 0.2	26.8	30.9	33.8	n.a.
Had never had a job	8.4	* 3.9	56.0	59.9	68.3	26.7	159.9	193.3	261.6	n.a.
<i>Main activity when not in the labour force —</i>										
Home duties/childcare	* 1.8	6.9	18.5	25.4	27.2	7.1	35.3	44.0	71.3	n.a.
Attending an educational institution	16.6	* 3.7	84.4	88.1	104.7	44.8	198.4	243.6	348.3	n.a.
Retired/voluntarily inactive	* 0.8	21.9	30.0	51.8	52.6	9.6	363.9	380.5	433.2	n.a.
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap	* 5.0	* 2.4	30.8	33.1	38.1	26.1	126.6	184.3	222.4	n.a.
Looking after ill/disabled person	* 1.2	* 0.0	* 2.5	* 2.5	* 3.7	* 2.2	13.7	15.9	19.6	n.a.
Travel/moving house/holiday	* 2.9	* 0.6	11.2	11.8	14.7	* 2.4	8.9	11.3	26.0	n.a.
Worked in unpaid voluntary job	* 0.6	* 1.1	* 4.1	5.2	5.8	* 0.7	12.4	13.3	19.1	n.a.
Other	* 2.1	* 2.4	10.5	12.9	14.9	* 2.1	9.4	11.8	26.8	n.a.
<b>Total</b>	<b>30.9</b>	<b>39.0</b>	<b>191.9</b>	<b>230.9</b>	<b>261.8</b>	<b>95.0</b>	<b>768.6</b>	<b>904.8</b>	<b>1,166.6</b>	<b>18.4</b>

(a) Excludes students boarding at school, patients in hospitals and sanatoriums and inmates of reformatories, gaols, etc. (b) Includes permanently unable to work.

TABLE 2. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a): SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, SEPTEMBER 1995  
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	With marginal attachment to the labour force				Without marginal attachment to the labour force				Total not in the labour force	Proportion not in the labour force (per cent)
	Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks			Total	Wanted to work but neither looking nor available for work	Did not want to work	Total(b)		
		Dis-couraged jobseeker	Other	Total						
<b>FEMALES</b>										
<i>State of usual residence —</i>										
New South Wales	8.6	29.0	152.6	181.7	190.3	69.3	560.8	638.7	829.0	39.0
Victoria	8.6	19.2	126.8	146.0	154.6	59.0	386.3	449.9	604.5	38.1
Queensland	6.4	9.6	93.1	102.7	109.1	33.7	280.4	316.8	425.9	37.4
South Australia	* 2.8	5.7	44.7	50.4	53.2	16.2	130.3	147.4	200.6	39.3
Western Australia	4.3	5.5	49.0	54.5	58.8	17.5	146.3	164.0	222.8	36.9
Tasmania	* 1.2	2.1	15.3	17.4	18.6	5.2	40.1	46.4	65.0	40.5
Northern Territory	* 0.6	* 0.5	5.2	5.7	6.2	* 2.0	13.0	15.6	21.8	37.2
Australian Capital Territory	* 0.4	1.3	8.5	9.7	10.1	2.8	16.2	19.9	30.1	27.6
<i>Age (years) —</i>										
15-19	8.2	* 1.9	61.3	63.2	71.4	26.6	146.7	173.5	244.9	40.4
20-24	7.3	* 0.4	52.8	53.2	60.5	21.7	65.7	88.0	148.5	21.2
25-34	8.3	11.5	160.7	172.2	180.4	74.7	191.5	268.9	449.4	31.7
35-44	6.1	16.1	124.5	140.6	146.8	45.0	176.2	224.7	371.5	27.1
45-54	* 1.7	19.4	61.3	80.7	82.4	23.1	229.1	255.5	337.9	30.6
55-59	* 0.7	10.7	18.6	29.3	30.1	6.2	190.7	199.2	229.3	57.7
60-64	* 0.1	8.1	10.6	18.7	18.8	* 3.5	265.0	271.3	290.1	83.1
65-69	* 0.4	* 4.8	5.4	10.2	10.6	* 5.0	308.7	317.6	328.2	94.0
<i>Relationship in household —</i>										
Family member	24.0	61.5	452.3	513.8	537.8	182.1	1,312.9	1,509.3	2,047.1	39.0
Wife	11.0	50.6	298.3	348.9	359.9	119.0	1,024.3	1,152.0	1,511.9	40.2
With dependants	7.2	26.4	234.8	261.3	268.5	95.2	357.4	454.7	723.2	36.2
Without dependants	* 3.8	24.1	63.5	87.6	91.4	23.9	666.9	697.3	788.7	44.7
Lone parent	5.3	8.1	90.5	98.6	103.9	29.8	98.5	130.1	234.0	46.0
With dependants	5.1	5.4	87.7	93.1	98.3	25.9	57.1	84.1	182.3	45.8
Without dependants	* 0.2	* 2.7	* 2.8	5.5	5.7	* 3.9	41.4	46.0	51.7	46.8
Dependent student	5.3	* 1.6	51.8	53.4	58.7	21.9	133.8	155.9	214.6	48.8
Non-dependent child	* 1.5	* 0.7	7.8	8.6	10.0	6.3	21.1	30.5	40.5	9.3
Other family person	* 0.9	* 0.5	* 3.9	* 4.4	5.2	* 5.0	35.1	40.7	46.0	41.8
Non-family member	6.1	8.2	25.1	33.3	39.4	16.3	198.5	218.9	258.3	32.2
Lone person	* 1.6	7.8	13.2	21.0	22.6	9.0	162.2	174.6	197.2	43.5
Not living alone	* 4.5	* 0.4	11.9	12.3	16.7	7.3	36.3	44.3	61.0	17.6
Not determined	* 2.9	* 3.2	17.8	21.0	23.9	7.3	62.1	70.5	94.4	39.9
<i>Birthplace —</i>										
Born in Australia	25.7	42.0	373.7	415.6	441.4	136.4	1,065.8	1,216.7	1,658.1	35.6
Born outside Australia	7.1	31.0	121.5	152.5	159.6	69.3	507.7	582.1	741.7	45.4
Born in main English speaking countries	* 2.7	7.9	45.3	53.2	55.9	17.1	149.3	168.6	224.5	36.2
Born in other countries	* 4.4	23.0	76.2	99.3	103.7	52.1	358.4	413.5	517.2	51.1
<i>Time since last job —</i>										
Had had a job	26.4	67.5	431.8	499.3	525.7	169.7	1,317.1	1,501.3	2,027.0	n.a.
Under 12 months	14.1	8.8	97.8	106.5	120.7	50.9	125.0	176.7	297.4	n.a.
1 and under 3 years	6.3	* 4.6	92.0	96.6	102.8	31.9	147.7	179.8	282.7	n.a.
3 and under 5 years	* 3.2	13.7	65.4	79.1	82.3	26.8	137.2	165.3	247.6	n.a.
5 and under 10 years	* 1.5	15.6	91.7	107.2	108.7	28.1	261.8	292.0	400.7	n.a.
10 and under 20 years	* 0.9	15.3	61.5	76.8	77.7	21.5	270.8	296.2	373.9	n.a.
20 years or more	* 0.4	9.7	23.4	33.1	33.5	10.4	374.6	391.2	424.7	n.a.
Had never had a job	6.5	5.4	63.4	68.8	75.3	36.0	256.4	297.4	372.7	n.a.
<i>Main activity when not in the labour force —</i>										
Home duties/childcare	14.6	58.0	357.7	415.7	430.3	129.3	1,007.3	1,139.3	1,569.6	n.a.
Attending an educational institution	13.4	* 3.3	86.7	90.0	103.5	46.8	195.2	242.0	345.5	n.a.
Retired/voluntarily inactive	* 1.1	6.4	10.4	16.8	17.9	* 4.8	231.7	237.2	255.1	n.a.
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap	* 1.3	* 0.0	12.6	12.6	13.9	16.7	59.5	91.9	105.8	n.a.
Looking after ill/disabled person	* 0.1	* 0.3	6.9	7.2	7.3	* 3.4	30.4	34.0	41.3	n.a.
Travel/moving house/holiday	* 0.8	* 0.6	8.7	9.3	10.2	* 1.2	9.3	10.5	20.7	n.a.
Worked in unpaid voluntary job	* 0.0	* 4.3	7.6	11.9	11.9	* 1.8	31.3	33.4	45.2	n.a.
Other	* 1.4	* 0.0	* 4.6	* 4.6	6.0	* 1.7	8.8	10.5	16.5	n.a.
<b>Total</b>	<b>32.9</b>	<b>72.9</b>	<b>495.2</b>	<b>568.1</b>	<b>601.0</b>	<b>205.7</b>	<b>1,573.5</b>	<b>1,798.8</b>	<b>2,399.8</b>	<b>38.1</b>

(a) Excludes students boarding at school, patients in hospitals and sanatoriums and inmates of reformatories, gaols, etc. (b) Includes permanently unable to work.

TABLE 2. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE (a): SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, SEPTEMBER 1995 ('000)

	With marginal attachment to the labour force				Without marginal attachment to the labour force				Proportion Total not in the labour force (per cent)	
	Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks			Total	Wanted to work but neither looking nor available for work	Did not want to work	Total(b)		
		Dis- couraged jobseeker	Other	Total						
<b>PERSONS</b>										
<i>State of usual residence —</i>										
New South Wales	17.3	41.0	206.6	247.6	264.9	99.0	840.7	966.6	1,231.5	28.9
Victoria	15.4	31.8	182.5	214.3	229.8	83.5	581.6	677.8	907.6	28.6
Queensland	13.3	15.7	131.8	147.5	160.9	49.9	407.4	466.7	627.6	27.3
South Australia	5.3	9.4	61.1	70.5	75.8	25.3	196.3	224.2	300.1	29.3
Western Australia	7.6	8.5	63.5	72.0	79.6	26.4	212.6	240.2	319.8	26.3
Tasmania	2.0	3.5	20.4	23.9	25.9	8.8	61.6	74.9	100.8	31.3
Northern Territory	* 1.3	* 0.5	9.7	10.2	11.5	3.4	18.5	23.1	34.6	28.9
Australian Capital Territory	1.5	1.5	11.5	13.0	14.5	4.3	23.3	29.9	44.3	20.5
<i>Age (years) —</i>										
15-19	16.8	5.5	132.8	138.3	155.1	53.5	288.3	342.5	497.6	40.1
20-24	14.7	* 1.7	70.0	71.7	86.4	35.7	107.0	145.7	232.1	16.3
25-34	14.9	14.1	180.5	194.5	209.4	85.5	221.3	313.2	522.7	18.1
35-44	10.3	18.5	147.7	166.3	176.5	58.3	207.6	273.6	450.1	16.1
45-54	* 4.7	22.7	83.3	106.0	110.7	35.1	297.8	347.2	457.9	20.5
55-59	* 1.5	13.9	33.3	47.2	48.7	14.6	258.2	282.7	331.4	40.5
60-64	* 0.7	21.0	23.7	44.8	45.4	10.7	404.8	426.0	471.4	68.7
65-69	* 0.4	14.6	15.7	30.2	30.6	7.3	557.1	572.6	603.2	88.9
<i>Relationship in household —</i>										
Family member	47.4	90.3	604.7	695.0	742.3	255.3	1,934.8	2,235.6	2,978.0	28.8
Husband or wife	18.6	72.3	357.9	430.2	448.8	152.2	1,448.9	1,629.8	2,078.6	27.8
With dependants	12.0	31.8	255.5	287.3	299.3	109.8	420.2	536.9	836.2	20.7
Without dependants	6.6	40.5	102.4	142.9	149.5	42.3	1,028.7	1,092.9	1,242.3	36.2
Lone parent	6.3	9.1	97.6	106.7	113.0	32.8	109.9	145.5	258.4	43.1
With dependants	5.9	6.2	94.4	100.6	106.5	28.3	63.1	93.0	199.5	42.9
Without dependants	* 0.4	* 2.9	* 3.2	6.1	6.4	* 4.5	46.9	52.5	58.9	44.0
Dependent student	14.0	* 3.2	116.7	119.9	133.8	48.4	278.9	327.9	461.7	52.8
Non-dependent child	5.2	* 4.8	23.2	28.0	33.2	13.5	47.7	72.8	105.9	9.0
Other family person	* 3.3	* 1.0	9.3	10.3	13.6	8.5	49.4	59.8	73.3	31.2
Non-family member	11.6	15.1	52.8	67.9	79.6	32.4	313.4	358.2	437.8	24.3
Lone person	* 4.4	13.6	28.6	42.2	46.6	16.4	244.1	270.5	317.1	32.8
Not living alone	7.3	* 1.5	24.2	25.7	33.0	16.0	69.4	87.7	120.7	14.4
Not determined	* 4.8	6.5	29.6	36.1	40.9	12.9	93.8	109.7	150.6	32.3
<i>Birthplace —</i>										
Born in Australia	49.6	67.7	515.1	582.7	632.4	201.7	1,579.1	1,826.4	2,458.8	26.4
Born outside Australia	14.2	44.2	172.0	216.2	230.4	98.9	763.0	877.1	1,107.5	33.4
Born in main English speaking countries	* 4.4	12.3	63.4	75.7	80.1	26.5	223.8	255.4	335.5	25.9
Born in other countries	9.8	31.9	108.6	140.5	150.3	72.5	539.2	621.7	772.0	38.1
<i>Time since last job —</i>										
Had had a job	48.9	102.6	567.6	670.2	719.2	237.9	1,925.7	2,212.8	2,932.0	n.a.
Under 12 months	26.4	15.5	155.4	170.9	197.4	77.2	191.3	269.9	467.3	n.a.
1 and under 3 years	13.0	13.5	125.2	138.8	151.7	50.5	269.4	324.4	476.1	n.a.
3 and under 5 years	* 4.7	21.1	82.6	103.7	108.4	35.8	251.6	295.8	404.1	n.a.
5 and under 10 years	* 3.1	23.0	109.2	132.2	135.3	36.9	433.6	481.4	616.7	n.a.
10 and under 20 years	* 1.4	18.1	70.7	88.7	90.1	26.8	378.4	419.2	509.3	n.a.
20 years or more	* 0.4	11.4	24.5	35.9	36.3	10.6	401.4	422.2	458.5	n.a.
Had never had a job	14.9	9.3	119.4	128.7	143.6	62.8	416.3	490.7	634.3	n.a.
<i>Main activity when not in the labour force —</i>										
Home duties/childcare	16.4	64.9	376.2	441.1	457.5	136.4	1,042.6	1,183.4	1,640.9	n.a.
Attending an educational institution	30.0	7.0	171.1	178.1	208.1	91.7	393.6	485.7	693.8	n.a.
Retired/voluntarily inactive	* 1.9	28.3	40.4	68.6	70.5	14.4	595.6	617.7	688.2	n.a.
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap	6.3	* 2.4	43.4	45.7	52.0	42.7	186.1	276.2	328.2	n.a.
Looking after ill/disabled person	* 1.3	* 0.3	9.4	9.7	11.0	5.6	44.1	49.8	60.9	n.a.
Travel/moving house/holiday	* 3.7	* 1.2	19.9	21.1	24.9	* 3.6	18.2	21.8	46.7	n.a.
Worked in unpaid voluntary job	* 0.6	5.4	11.6	17.1	17.7	* 2.5	43.7	46.7	64.4	n.a.
Other	* 3.5	* 2.4	15.1	17.5	21.0	* 3.8	18.2	22.3	43.2	n.a.
<b>Total</b>	<b>63.8</b>	<b>111.9</b>	<b>687.1</b>	<b>799.0</b>	<b>862.8</b>	<b>300.7</b>	<b>2,342.1</b>	<b>2,703.5</b>	<b>3,566.3</b>	<b>28.3</b>

(a) Excludes students boarding at school, patients in hospitals and sanatoriums and inmates of reformatories, gaols, etc. (b) Includes permanently unable to work.

**TABLE 3. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE(a): MAIN ACTIVITY WHEN NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE AND AGE, SEPTEMBER 1995**  
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Main activity when not in the labour force	Age (years)								Total
	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	
<b>MALES</b>									
Home duties/childcare	* 0.4	* 0.7	11.0	16.4	13.0	8.1	10.7	11.0	71.3
Attending an educational institution	242.9	65.3	22.6	10.4	6.3	* 0.2	* 0.0	* 0.6	348.3
Retired/voluntarily inactive	* 1.0	* 2.6	* 4.0	8.5	26.3	45.2	118.8	226.7	433.2
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap	* 4.5	7.4	21.7	33.5	58.3	37.4	37.6	22.0	222.4
Looking after ill/disabled person	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 2.1	* 2.9	5.2	* 2.5	* 2.6	* 3.9	19.6
Travel/moving house	* 0.3	* 3.7	5.4	* 2.0	* 3.7	* 4.1	* 3.3	* 3.5	26.0
Worked in unpaid voluntary job	* 0.2	* 0.9	* 1.7	* 1.3	* 3.6	* 1.8	* 4.4	5.3	19.1
Other	* 3.0	* 3.1	* 4.9	* 3.8	* 3.6	* 2.6	* 3.8	* 1.9	26.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>252.7</b>	<b>83.6</b>	<b>73.3</b>	<b>78.6</b>	<b>120.0</b>	<b>102.1</b>	<b>181.3</b>	<b>275.0</b>	<b>1,166.6</b>
<b>FEMALES</b>									
Home duties/childcare	17.3	74.8	389.3	314.0	248.7	158.2	179.2	188.2	1,569.6
Attending an educational institution	221.9	61.8	33.7	18.9	6.2	* 0.8	* 1.2	* 1.0	345.5
Retired/voluntarily inactive	* 1.3	* 2.8	* 3.4	* 2.8	21.5	35.1	80.0	108.2	255.1
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap	* 3.5	* 5.0	11.9	20.3	30.3	14.8	10.0	10.1	105.8
Looking after ill/disabled person	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 1.9	6.6	13.8	8.1	5.2	5.3	41.3
Travel/moving house	* 0.1	* 2.1	5.1	* 2.4	* 4.3	* 2.4	* 2.6	* 1.9	20.7
Worked in unpaid voluntary job	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 0.8	* 3.6	9.4	7.8	11.2	12.1	45.2
Other	* 0.9	* 1.2	* 3.3	* 3.0	* 3.8	* 2.0	* 0.8	* 1.5	16.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>244.9</b>	<b>148.5</b>	<b>449.4</b>	<b>371.5</b>	<b>337.9</b>	<b>229.3</b>	<b>290.1</b>	<b>328.2</b>	<b>2,399.8</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>									
Home duties/childcare	17.7	75.4	400.2	330.3	261.7	166.4	189.9	199.3	1,640.9
Attending an educational institution	464.8	127.0	56.3	29.3	12.5	* 1.1	* 1.2	* 1.6	693.8
Retired/voluntarily inactive	* 2.3	5.4	7.4	11.3	47.8	80.3	198.8	335.0	688.2
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap	7.9	12.4	33.6	53.8	88.6	52.3	47.6	32.1	328.2
Looking after ill/disabled person	* 0.4	* 0.4	* 4.0	9.5	19.0	10.6	7.8	9.1	60.9
Travel/moving house	* 0.3	5.8	10.5	* 4.4	8.0	6.5	5.9	5.3	46.7
Worked in unpaid voluntary job	* 0.2	* 1.3	* 2.5	* 4.8	12.9	9.6	15.6	17.4	64.4
Other	* 3.9	* 4.3	8.2	6.8	7.4	* 4.6	* 4.7	* 3.4	43.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>497.6</b>	<b>232.1</b>	<b>522.7</b>	<b>450.1</b>	<b>457.9</b>	<b>331.4</b>	<b>471.4</b>	<b>603.2</b>	<b>3,566.3</b>

(a) Excludes students boarding at school, patients in hospitals and sanatoriums and inmates of reformatories, gaols, etc.

TABLE 4. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WITH MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE:  
MAIN REASON FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK, SEPTEMBER 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 1995  
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	Sept. 1990	Sept. 1991	Sept. 1992	Sept. 1993	Sept. 1994(a)	Sept. 1995(a)
MALES						
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	26.3	23.6	29.4	28.1	25.1	30.9
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	169.2	196.9	217.3	219.0	190.2	230.9
<i>Main reason for not actively looking for work —</i>						
Had a job to go to(b)	7.1	7.3	8.5	8.3	8.6	10.7
Personal reasons	118.8	130.9	146.4	145.3	120.4	144.5
Own ill health/physical disability	35.6	29.4	33.4	36.0	32.8	42.6
Attending an educational institution	62.1	79.8	89.0	88.1	70.3	76.1
Other(c)	21.1	21.7	24.0	21.1	17.3	25.9
Family reasons	5.2	7.3	8.5	7.4	11.8	12.6
Discouraged jobseekers	24.2	34.5	37.8	40.0	31.7	39.0
No jobs in suitable hours	*0.7	*2.6	*2.2	*1.1	*0.2	*2.1
Other reasons(d)	12.0	13.5	13.0	16.1	15.4	21.1
Did not know	*1.2	*0.8	*0.9	*0.9	*2.1	*0.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>195.4</i>	<i>220.5</i>	<i>246.7</i>	<i>247.1</i>	<i>215.3</i>	<i>261.8</i>
FEMALES						
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	31.3	23.0	29.7	30.2	36.2	32.9
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	525.8	575.8	570.0	630.4	521.8	568.1
<i>Main reason for not actively looking for work —</i>						
Had a job to go to(b)	12.7	18.8	16.3	13.5	17.9	22.7
Personal reasons	160.2	165.2	172.5	193.4	161.3	178.8
Own ill health/physical disability/pregnancy	43.3	35.6	38.1	43.4	49.3	43.8
Attending an educational institution	62.0	75.3	79.3	90.8	68.8	78.0
Had no need to work	31.9	30.2	30.7	32.8	20.7	29.7
Give others a chance	*4.3	7.0	6.8	6.6	*4.0	*3.3
Welfare payments or pension may be affected	10.0	8.0	10.0	8.8	9.4	10.9
Moved house or holidays	8.7	9.1	7.6	11.1	9.1	13.1
Family reasons	234.5	247.2	241.0	275.5	237.9	257.4
Ill health of other than self	10.0	12.2	12.1	16.5	16.1	19.3
Childcare	176.3	193.7	200.1	213.9	170.9	185.3
Other family considerations	48.1	41.3	28.8	45.2	51.0	52.7
Discouraged jobseekers	76.6	103.7	107.8	107.4	74.8	72.9
Considered too young or too old by employers	26.0	16.8	25.2	33.7	24.0	29.6
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	11.3	11.6	13.9	18.6	15.8	13.7
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	7.4	5.8	7.6	6.2	7.7	6.9
No jobs in locality or line of work	24.5	38.1	33.3	31.3	18.3	17.8
No jobs at all	7.4	31.4	27.9	17.6	9.0	*5.0
No jobs in suitable hours	10.4	10.8	10.6	6.9	7.4	7.1
Other reasons(d)	25.3	24.5	18.0	26.9	17.1	25.5
Did not know	6.0	5.6	3.9	6.8	5.3	*3.6
<i>Total</i>	<i>557.1</i>	<i>598.8</i>	<i>599.7</i>	<i>660.7</i>	<i>558.0</i>	<i>601.0</i>

**TABLE 4. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WITH MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE:  
MAIN REASON FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK, SEPTEMBER 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 1995  
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	Sept. 1990	Sept. 1991	Sept. 1992	Sept. 1993	Sept. 1994(a)	Sept. 1995(a)
<b>PERSONS</b>						
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	57.6	46.7	59.1	58.3	61.4	63.8
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	694.9	772.7	787.3	849.5	712.0	799.0
<i>Main reason for not actively looking for work —</i>						
Had a job to go to(b)	19.8	26.1	24.9	21.9	26.6	33.4
Personal reasons	279.0	296.1	318.9	338.7	281.7	323.4
Own ill health/physical disability/pregnancy	78.9	65.0	71.5	79.5	82.2	86.3
Attending an educational institution	124.1	155.1	168.3	178.8	139.1	154.0
Had no need to work	42.5	41.5	41.7	42.4	28.3	43.0
Give others a chance	5.1	7.9	7.8	6.9	*4.2	*4.2
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	13.6	11.6	15.5	12.4	12.1	15.8
Moved house/holidays	14.8	14.9	14.0	18.6	15.7	20.0
Family reasons	239.7	254.5	249.5	282.9	249.7	270.0
Ill health of other than self	11.3	14.0	15.0	18.6	19.4	22.3
Childcare	179.0	196.5	203.3	217.2	177.3	192.7
Other family considerations	49.4	44.1	31.2	47.1	53.0	55.1
Discouraged jobseekers	100.9	138.2	145.6	147.4	106.5	111.9
Considered too young or too old by employers	38.6	28.8	38.1	50.8	41.2	50.4
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	14.1	13.3	16.1	20.1	17.9	16.1
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	9.2	7.3	9.1	8.8	8.5	8.2
No jobs in locality or line of work	29.9	48.4	45.1	42.2	25.9	28.3
No jobs at all	9.0	40.3	37.3	25.5	13.0	8.8
No jobs in suitable hours	11.0	13.4	12.8	8.0	7.6	9.3
Other reasons(d)	37.3	38.0	31.0	43.0	32.5	46.6
Did not know	7.2	6.4	4.7	7.7	7.4	*4.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>752.5</b>	<b>819.3</b>	<b>846.4</b>	<b>907.8</b>	<b>773.3</b>	<b>862.8</b>

(a) The 1994 and 1995 surveys were weighted using population estimates based on the 1991 Census of Population and Housing and results, therefore, may not be comparable with previous years. See Explanatory Notes section for details. (b) Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work. (c) Includes 'Had no need to work', 'Give others a chance', 'Welfare payments/pension may be affected' and 'Moved house/holidays'. (d) Includes 'On a job-related training program' in the 1994 and 1995 surveys.

**TABLE 5. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WITH MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE: MAIN REASON FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK, INTENTION TO ENTER THE LABOUR FORCE IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS AND WHETHER WOULD PREFER FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORK, SEPTEMBER 1995**  
(<sup>'000</sup>)

	Intention to enter the labour force in the next twelve months				Whether would prefer full-time or part-time work		Total(a)	Per cent
	Intended to enter	Might enter	Did not intend to enter		Full-time	Part-time		
			Did not know	Did not know				
<b>MALES</b>								
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	30.9	..	..	..	20.2	9.4	30.9	..
Were available to start work within four weeks	13.7	..	..	..	8.1	5.1	13.7	..
Were not available to start work within four weeks	17.3	..	..	..	12.1	* 4.3	17.3	..
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	130.0	35.5	55.6	9.7	88.2	115.5	230.9	100.0
<i>Main reason for not actively looking for work —</i>								
Had a job to go to(b)	10.4	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.0	8.6	* 2.1	10.7	4.6
Personal reasons	80.2	22.6	34.8	7.0	48.5	79.6	144.5	62.6
Own ill health/physical disability	17.4	7.6	13.3	* 4.2	15.9	16.7	42.6	18.4
Attending an educational institution	51.4	11.6	10.6	* 2.4	25.4	46.3	76.1	32.9
Had no need to work	5.6	* 1.9	5.7	* 0.1	* 2.1	10.5	13.3	5.8
Give others a chance	* 0.0	* 0.1	* 0.8	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.6	* 1.0	* 0.4
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	* 1.1	* 0.0	* 3.4	* 0.3	* 0.4	* 3.6	* 4.8	* 2.1
Moved house/holidays	* 4.7	* 1.2	* 1.0	* 0.0	* 4.6	* 1.9	6.8	3.0
Family reasons	7.4	* 2.6	* 2.3	* 0.3	5.4	5.5	12.6	5.3
Ill health of other than self	* 1.6	* 0.5	* 0.8	* 0.0	* 1.3	* 1.2	* 2.9	* 1.3
Childcare	* 3.7	* 2.0	* 1.4	* 0.3	* 2.5	* 3.6	7.3	3.2
Cost/too expensive	* 1.0	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.1	* 1.1	* 1.5	* 0.6
Children too young/too old	* 1.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 0.2	* 1.0	* 0.4
Prefers to look after children	* 1.3	* 0.8	* 0.6	* 0.3	* 1.2	* 1.4	* 3.1	* 1.3
Quality of childcare unsuitable	* 0.3	* 0.7	* 0.3	* 0.0	* 0.9	* 0.4	* 1.3	* 0.6
Other	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 0.4	* 0.2
Other family considerations	* 2.1	* 0.1	* 0.1	* 0.0	* 1.6	* 0.7	* 2.3	* 1.0
On a job related training program	* 3.2	* 0.2	* 0.5	* 0.0	* 3.4	* 0.5	* 3.8	* 1.7
Discouraged jobseekers	14.7	8.2	14.3	* 1.8	13.7	18.5	39.0	16.9
Considered too young or too old by employers	5.4	5.3	10.0	* 0.2	* 4.9	11.5	20.9	9.1
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	* 1.1	* 0.3	* 0.4	* 0.6	* 0.9	* 1.3	* 2.4	* 1.1
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	* 0.8	* 0.1	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 0.9	* 0.4	* 1.3	* 0.5
No jobs in locality or line of work	6.2	* 2.1	* 2.2	* 0.2	5.3	* 3.5	10.6	4.6
No jobs at all	* 1.3	* 0.3	* 1.3	* 0.8	* 1.7	* 1.8	* 3.8	* 1.6
No jobs in suitable hours	* 1.1	* 1.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.6	* 1.5	* 2.1	* 0.9
Other reasons	12.5	* 0.9	* 3.2	* 0.6	7.4	7.5	17.2	7.5
Did not know	* 0.6	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.0	* 0.6	* 0.3	* 0.8	* 0.4
<i>Total</i>	<i>161.0</i>	<i>35.5</i>	<i>55.6</i>	<i>9.7</i>	<i>108.4</i>	<i>124.9</i>	<i>261.8</i>	<i>..</i>

(a) Includes those persons who had 'no preference' to full-time or part-time work. (b) Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.

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	<i>Intention to enter the labour force in the next twelve months</i>				<i>Whether would prefer full-time or part-time work</i>		<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>Per cent</i>
	<i>Intended to enter</i>	<i>Might enter</i>	<i>Did not intend to enter</i>		<i>Full-time</i>	<i>Part-time</i>		
			<i>Did not know</i>	<i>Did not know</i>				
<b>FEMALES</b>								
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	32.9	..	..	..	11.8	18.8	32.9	..
Were available to start work within four weeks	19.1	..	..	..	5.5	12.5	19.1	..
Were not available to start work within four weeks	13.7	..	..	..	6.4	6.3	13.7	..
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	246.5	103.6	187.8	30.3	91.4	426.6	568.1	100.0
<i>Main reason for not actively looking for work —</i>								
Had a job to go to(b)	17.3	* 1.3	* 2.4	* 1.7	6.3	14.2	22.7	4.0
Personal reasons	93.4	29.1	51.1	5.2	37.7	127.0	178.8	31.5
Own ill health/physical disability/pregnancy	17.4	9.5	14.1	* 2.8	10.7	28.9	43.8	7.7
Attending an educational institution	54.8	10.0	11.8	* 1.4	22.1	51.8	78.0	13.7
Had no need to work	6.0	6.7	16.6	* 0.4	* 1.4	26.0	29.7	5.2
Give others a chance	* 0.5	* 0.3	* 2.5	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 3.0	* 3.3	* 0.6
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	* 3.1	* 2.1	5.7	* 0.0	* 1.5	8.4	10.9	1.9
Moved house/holidays	11.7	* 0.5	* 0.4	* 0.6	* 2.0	8.7	13.1	2.3
Family reasons	88.7	56.3	97.0	15.5	30.9	209.1	257.4	45.3
Ill health of other than self	5.1	6.0	7.0	* 1.2	* 2.6	15.5	19.3	3.4
Childcare	64.5	37.9	74.3	8.6	25.2	148.9	185.3	32.6
No childcare in locality	* 2.9	* 1.6	* 3.6	* 0.7	* 1.1	6.4	9.0	1.6
No childcare available at all	* 3.2	* 1.9	* 0.8	* 0.0	* 0.1	5.6	5.9	1.0
Cost/too expensive	19.0	7.7	17.2	* 0.8	6.8	35.3	44.7	7.9
Booked out/no places available	* 2.2	* 1.4	* 1.8	* 0.3	* 1.0	* 4.1	5.6	1.0
Children too young/too old	13.6	* 4.6	10.4	* 1.3	5.3	22.0	30.0	5.3
Prefers to look after children	20.3	20.1	33.9	* 4.7	9.6	65.8	78.9	13.9
Quality of childcare unsuitable	* 1.6	* 0.5	* 2.8	* 0.6	* 1.1	* 4.4	5.5	1.0
Other	* 1.7	* 0.0	* 3.8	* 0.3	* 0.2	5.2	5.7	1.0
Other family considerations	19.0	12.4	15.7	5.6	* 3.0	44.8	52.7	9.3
On a job related training program	* 1.7	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.5	* 0.5	* 1.7	* 0.3
Discouraged jobseekers	30.2	10.3	27.6	* 4.9	11.9	51.4	72.9	12.8
Considered too young or too old by employers	5.7	* 4.0	18.0	* 1.8	* 3.9	23.2	29.6	5.2
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	8.0	* 1.3	* 2.8	* 1.5	* 2.5	9.0	13.7	2.4
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	* 4.1	* 1.2	* 1.6	* 0.1	* 1.6	* 5.0	6.9	1.2
No jobs in locality or line of work	10.6	* 2.8	* 4.4	* 0.0	* 2.7	11.7	17.8	3.1
No jobs at all	* 1.7	* 1.0	* 0.9	* 1.4	* 1.3	* 2.6	* 5.0	* 0.9
No jobs in suitable hours	* 2.7	* 1.1	* 2.3	* 0.9	* 0.6	5.6	7.1	1.3
Other reasons	10.8	* 4.9	6.7	* 1.5	* 3.4	16.4	23.8	4.2
Did not know	* 1.7	* 0.6	* 0.7	* 0.6	* 0.2	* 2.4	* 3.6	* 0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>279.4</b>	<b>103.6</b>	<b>187.8</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>103.3</b>	<b>445.4</b>	<b>601.0</b>	<b>..</b>

(a) Includes those persons who had 'no preference' to full-time or part-time work. (b) Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.

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	Intention to enter the labour force in the next twelve months				Whether would prefer full-time or part-time work		Total(a)	Per cent
	Intended to enter	Might enter	Did not intend to enter		Full-time	Part-time		
			Did not know	Did not know				
<b>PERSONS</b>								
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	63.8	..	..	..	32.0	28.2	63.8	..
Were available to start work within four weeks	32.8	..	..	..	13.6	17.6	32.8	..
Were not available to start work within four weeks	31.0	..	..	..	18.4	10.6	31.0	..
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	376.5	139.1	243.3	40.0	179.6	542.1	799.0	100.0
<i>Main reason for not actively looking for work —</i>								
Had a job to go to(b)	27.7	* 1.3	* 2.7	* 1.7	14.8	16.3	33.4	4.2
Personal reasons	173.6	51.7	85.8	12.3	86.2	206.6	323.4	40.5
Own ill health/physical disability/pregnancy	34.8	17.1	27.4	7.1	26.7	45.7	86.3	10.8
Attending an educational institution	106.2	21.6	22.4	* 3.9	47.5	98.1	154.0	19.3
Had no need to work	11.6	8.7	22.3	* 0.5	* 3.5	36.5	43.0	5.4
Give others a chance	* 0.5	* 0.4	* 3.3	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 3.6	* 4.2	* 0.5
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	* 4.2	* 2.1	9.1	* 0.3	* 1.9	12.0	15.8	2.0
Moved house/holidays	16.3	* 1.7	* 1.3	* 0.6	6.6	10.7	20.0	2.5
Family reasons	96.1	58.9	99.2	15.8	36.3	214.6	270.0	33.8
Ill health of other than self	6.7	6.5	7.8	* 1.2	* 3.9	16.7	22.3	2.8
Childcare	68.2	39.9	75.7	8.9	27.8	152.5	192.7	24.1
No childcare in locality	* 2.9	* 1.6	* 3.6	* 0.7	* 1.1	6.4	9.0	1.1
No childcare available at all	* 3.2	* 1.9	* 0.8	* 0.0	* 0.1	5.6	5.9	0.7
Cost/too expensive	20.0	8.1	17.2	* 0.8	7.0	36.4	46.1	5.8
Booked out/no places available	* 2.2	* 1.4	* 1.8	* 0.3	* 1.0	* 4.1	5.6	0.7
Children too young/too old	14.6	* 4.6	10.4	* 1.3	5.6	22.2	31.0	3.9
Prefers to look after children	21.6	20.9	34.5	* 5.0	10.8	67.2	82.0	10.3
Quality of childcare unsuitable	* 1.9	* 1.2	* 3.1	* 0.6	* 2.0	* 4.9	6.9	0.9
Other	* 1.7	* 0.0	* 4.2	* 0.3	* 0.2	5.6	6.2	0.8
Other family considerations	21.2	12.5	15.8	5.6	* 4.6	45.5	55.1	6.9
On a job related training program	* 4.9	* 0.2	* 0.5	* 0.0	* 3.8	* 1.0	5.6	0.7
Discouraged jobseekers	44.9	18.4	41.9	6.7	25.7	69.9	111.9	14.0
Considered too young or too old by employers	11.1	9.3	28.0	* 2.0	8.8	34.7	50.4	6.3
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	9.1	* 1.6	* 3.2	* 2.1	* 3.3	10.2	16.1	2.0
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	* 4.9	* 1.3	* 2.0	* 0.1	* 2.5	5.4	8.2	1.0
No jobs in locality or line of work	16.8	* 4.8	6.6	* 0.2	8.0	15.2	28.3	3.5
No jobs at all	* 3.0	* 1.3	* 2.2	* 2.3	* 3.0	* 4.3	8.8	1.1
No jobs in suitable hours	* 3.8	* 2.2	* 2.3	* 0.9	* 1.2	7.2	9.3	1.2
Other reasons	23.2	5.8	9.9	* 2.1	10.8	23.9	41.1	5.1
Did not know	* 2.3	* 0.6	* 1.0	* 0.6	* 0.8	* 2.7	* 4.4	* 0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>440.3</b>	<b>139.1</b>	<b>243.3</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>211.6</b>	<b>570.3</b>	<b>862.8</b>	<b>..</b>

(a) Includes those persons who had 'no preference' to full-time or part-time work. (b) Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.

**TABLE 6. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WITH MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE: ALL REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK, INTENTION TO ENTER THE LABOUR FORCE IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS AND WHETHER WOULD PREFER FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORK, SEPTEMBER 1995**  
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	Intention to enter the labour force in the next twelve months				Whether would prefer full-time or part-time work		Total(a)	Per cent
	Intended to enter	Might enter	Did not intend to enter		Full-time	Part-time		
			Did not know	Did not know				
MALES								
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	30.9	..	..	..	20.2	9.4	30.9	..
Were available to start work within four weeks	13.7	..	..	..	8.1	5.1	13.7	..
Were not available to start work within four weeks	17.3	..	..	..	12.1	* 4.3	17.3	..
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	130.0	35.5	55.6	9.7	88.2	115.5	230.9	..
<i>All reasons for not actively looking for work —</i>								
Had a job to go to(b)	10.4	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.0	8.6	* 2.1	10.7	4.6
Personal reasons	85.2	24.4	37.1	7.0	51.1	85.2	153.7	66.6
Own ill health/physical disability	19.9	8.7	15.1	* 4.2	17.4	19.6	48.0	20.8
Attending an educational institution	53.6	12.2	10.6	* 2.4	26.5	47.9	78.8	34.1
Had no need to work	6.1	* 2.5	6.4	* 0.4	* 2.4	12.4	15.5	6.7
Give others a chance	* 0.4	* 0.1	* 0.8	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.8	* 1.4	* 0.6
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	* 1.3	* 1.0	* 4.4	* 0.6	* 0.7	5.5	7.3	3.2
Moved house/holidays	6.1	* 1.2	* 1.0	* 0.0	* 4.8	* 2.9	8.3	3.6
Family reasons	9.2	* 4.0	* 3.3	* 0.4	6.8	8.1	16.9	7.3
Ill health of other than self	* 1.9	* 1.3	* 0.8	* 0.0	* 1.6	* 1.7	* 4.0	* 1.7
Childcare	* 4.2	* 2.0	* 1.7	* 0.3	* 2.8	* 4.1	8.1	3.5
Other family considerations	* 3.6	* 0.7	* 1.2	* 0.1	* 2.6	* 2.9	5.6	2.4
On a job related training program	* 3.7	* 0.2	* 0.5	* 0.0	* 3.7	* 0.6	* 4.3	* 1.9
Discouraged jobseekers	18.4	10.9	16.4	* 2.7	16.9	22.8	48.4	21.0
Considered too young or too old by employers	7.3	6.6	12.4	* 1.1	7.9	14.4	27.4	11.9
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	* 3.3	* 1.4	* 1.2	* 0.6	* 2.3	* 2.8	6.4	2.8
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	* 2.3	* 0.3	* 1.0	* 0.0	* 2.4	* 1.0	* 3.6	* 1.6
No jobs in locality or line of work	7.2	* 3.9	* 3.1	* 1.1	6.8	5.7	15.3	6.6
No jobs at all	* 1.4	* 0.6	* 2.4	* 1.1	* 2.5	* 2.8	5.6	2.4
No jobs in suitable hours	* 1.8	* 1.7	* 0.4	* 0.3	* 0.9	* 3.3	* 4.2	* 1.8
Other reasons	16.5	* 2.8	* 4.5	* 0.6	8.2	13.3	24.4	10.6
Did not know	* 0.6	* 0.0	* 0.3	* 0.0	* 0.6	* 0.3	* 0.8	* 0.4
FEMALES								
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	32.9	..	..	..	11.8	18.8	32.9	..
Were available to start work within four weeks	19.1	..	..	..	5.5	12.5	19.1	..
Were not available to start work within four weeks	13.7	..	..	..	6.4	6.3	13.7	..
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	246.5	103.6	187.8	30.3	91.4	426.6	568.1	..
<i>All reasons for not actively looking for work —</i>								
Had a job to go to(b)	17.3	* 1.3	* 2.4	* 1.7	6.3	14.2	22.7	4.0
Personal reasons	102.4	34.3	63.0	6.9	41.6	149.0	206.6	36.4
Own ill health/physical disability/pregnancy	20.3	9.8	18.1	* 3.9	12.1	35.1	52.1	9.2
Attending an educational institution	60.5	11.1	14.2	* 2.8	23.9	59.6	88.5	15.6
Had no need to work	8.8	9.6	21.0	* 0.8	* 2.3	35.2	40.2	7.1
Give others a chance	* 0.8	* 1.2	* 4.9	* 0.0	* 0.0	6.2	6.9	1.2
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	* 3.6	* 3.9	8.0	* 0.0	* 2.3	11.9	15.5	2.7
Moved house/holidays	12.7	* 0.8	* 0.8	* 0.6	* 2.3	9.9	14.9	2.6
Family reasons	97.0	63.4	110.0	17.5	35.5	232.1	287.8	50.7
Ill health of other than self	7.1	7.5	9.4	* 1.2	* 3.4	20.1	25.2	4.4
Childcare	73.1	43.2	85.0	11.5	28.8	170.9	212.8	37.4
Other family considerations	25.9	18.3	26.0	7.7	6.1	64.5	77.9	13.7
On a job related training program	* 1.7	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.5	* 0.5	* 1.7	* 0.3
Discouraged jobseekers	39.4	17.8	38.1	6.2	14.7	75.4	101.5	17.9
Considered too young or too old by employers	9.2	7.7	23.7	* 3.4	* 4.9	34.3	44.0	7.7
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	15.9	* 4.9	8.8	* 2.3	* 4.7	23.1	31.8	5.6
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	6.5	* 1.3	* 3.2	* 0.4	* 2.5	7.7	11.4	2.0
No jobs in locality or line of work	14.8	6.5	9.0	* 0.2	* 4.9	20.7	30.5	5.4
No jobs at all	* 2.7	* 1.5	* 2.0	* 1.4	* 1.9	* 4.1	7.6	1.3
No jobs in suitable hours	8.1	* 2.6	5.3	* 1.5	* 2.3	13.4	17.5	3.1
Other reasons	15.6	8.2	10.4	* 1.7	* 4.8	24.8	36.0	6.3
Did not know	* 1.7	* 0.6	* 0.7	* 0.6	* 0.2	* 2.4	* 3.6	* 0.6

(a) Includes those persons who had 'no preference' to full-time or part-time work. (b) Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.

**TABLE 6. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WITH MARGINAL ATTACHMENT TO THE LABOUR FORCE: ALL REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK, INTENTION TO ENTER THE LABOUR FORCE IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS AND WHETHER WOULD PREFER FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORK, SEPTEMBER 1995**  
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	<i>Intention to enter the labour force in the next twelve months</i>				<i>Whether would prefer full-time or part-time work</i>		<i>Total(a)</i>	<i>Per cent</i>
	<i>Intended to enter</i>	<i>Might enter</i>	<i>Did not intend to enter</i>	<i>Did not know</i>	<i>Full-time</i>	<i>Part-time</i>		
<b>PERSONS</b>								
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	63.8	..	..	..	32.0	28.2	63.8	..
Were available to start work within four weeks	32.8	..	..	..	13.6	17.6	32.8	..
Were not available to start work within four weeks	31.0	..	..	..	18.4	10.6	31.0	..
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	376.5	139.1	243.3	40.0	179.6	542.1	799.0	..
<i>All reasons for not actively looking for work —</i>								
Had a job to go to(b)	27.7	* 1.3	* 2.7	* 1.7	14.8	16.3	33.4	4.2
Personal reasons	187.7	58.7	100.0	13.9	92.7	234.2	360.3	45.1
Own ill health/physical disability/pregnancy	40.2	18.5	33.3	8.1	29.4	54.7	100.1	12.5
Attending an educational institution	114.1	23.3	24.7	5.2	50.5	107.5	167.3	20.9
Had no need to work	14.9	12.1	27.5	* 1.2	* 4.7	47.6	55.7	7.0
Give others a chance	* 1.2	* 1.3	5.8	* 0.0	* 0.3	7.0	8.3	1.0
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	* 4.9	* 4.9	12.3	* 0.6	* 3.0	17.4	22.8	2.8
Moved house/holidays	18.8	* 2.1	* 1.8	* 0.6	7.1	12.8	23.2	2.9
Family reasons	106.2	67.4	113.3	17.9	42.3	240.3	304.7	38.1
Ill health of other than self	9.0	8.7	10.2	* 1.2	* 5.0	21.8	29.2	3.7
Childcare	77.3	45.2	86.6	11.7	31.6	175.0	220.9	27.6
Other family considerations	29.5	19.1	27.2	7.8	8.7	67.4	83.5	10.5
On a job related training program	5.4	* 0.2	* 0.5	* 0.0	* 4.1	* 1.1	6.0	0.8
Discouraged jobseekers	57.8	28.7	54.5	8.9	31.6	98.2	149.8	18.8
Considered too young or too old by employers	16.5	14.3	36.1	* 4.6	12.8	48.6	71.4	8.9
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	19.2	6.2	10.0	* 2.9	7.0	25.9	38.2	4.8
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	8.8	* 1.6	* 4.2	* 0.4	* 5.0	8.7	15.1	1.9
No jobs in locality or line of work	22.0	10.4	12.1	* 1.3	11.7	26.4	45.7	5.7
No jobs at all	* 4.1	* 2.1	* 4.4	* 2.6	* 4.3	6.9	13.1	1.6
No jobs in suitable hours	9.8	* 4.2	5.8	* 1.8	* 3.2	16.8	21.6	2.7
Other reasons	32.1	11.0	14.9	* 2.4	13.0	38.2	60.4	7.6
Did not know	* 2.3	* 0.6	* 1.0	* 0.6	* 0.8	* 2.7	* 4.4	* 0.6

(a) Includes those persons who had 'no preference' to full-time or part-time work. (b) Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.

TABLE 7. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WHO WERE DISCOURAGED JOBSEEKERS: SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, SEPTEMBER 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 1995 ('000)

	Sept. 1990	Sept. 1991	Sept. 1992	Sept. 1993	Sept. 1994(a)	Sept. 1995(a)
MALES						
<i>Age (years) —</i>						
15-19	*3.0	7.3	*4.2	5.8	*3.0	*3.6
20-24	*1.7	*3.1	*2.0	*3.3	*1.6	*1.3
25-34	*1.7	*2.3	*2.2	*3.6	*1.9	*2.5
35-44	*2.9	*1.4	*4.7	*2.5	*0.9	*2.4
45-54	*1.6	*4.1	5.1	*3.3	*1.1	*3.3
55-59	*0.7	*2.2	*4.0	*4.5	*4.8	*3.2
60-64	5.9	7.0	8.9	10.0	8.8	12.9
65-69	6.7	7.1	6.6	7.1	9.6	9.7
<i>Whether looked for work in the last twelve months —</i>						
Had looked for work	8.2	14.7	19.0	19.8	13.8	18.1
Less than 13 weeks ago	6.9	11.6	13.8	16.6	9.9	13.3
13 to 25 weeks ago	*0.9	*0.8	*1.3	*2.0	*1.4	*1.9
26 to 52 weeks ago	*0.5	*2.3	*4.0	*1.3	*2.5	*2.9
Had not looked for work	16.0	19.8	18.8	20.2	17.9	20.9
<i>Whether intended to look for work in the next twelve months —</i>						
Intended to look for work	15.6	25.3	27.5	29.5	17.8	22.9
Did not intend to look for work	8.6	9.2	10.3	10.6	13.9	16.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>24.2</i>	<i>34.5</i>	<i>37.8</i>	<i>40.0</i>	<i>31.7</i>	<i>39.0</i>
FEMALES						
<i>Age (years) —</i>						
15-19	*3.8	7.3	6.8	*2.4	*3.2	*1.9
20-24	*3.7	*4.0	*4.2	*2.6	*3.3	*0.4
25-34	13.0	17.0	13.4	13.0	7.8	11.5
35-44	16.0	26.6	28.7	29.0	18.1	16.1
45-54	17.6	26.1	27.0	28.0	20.5	19.4
55-59	9.8	11.5	12.4	17.8	8.3	10.7
60-64	7.8	7.8	7.6	8.5	8.0	8.2
65-69	4.8	*3.3	7.7	6.2	5.7	*4.8
<i>Whether looked for work in the last twelve months —</i>						
Had looked for work	24.6	41.9	36.9	32.8	21.0	25.4
Less than 13 weeks ago	18.8	31.1	28.8	25.5	15.2	19.6
13 to 25 weeks ago	*2.1	5.4	*2.6	*2.8	*3.6	*1.0
26 to 52 weeks ago	*3.7	5.4	5.6	*4.5	*2.2	*4.9
Had not looked for work	52.1	61.8	70.9	74.6	53.9	47.5
<i>Whether intended to look for work in the next twelve months —</i>						
Intended to look for work	47.6	69.3	67.2	65.6	43.0	40.4
Did not intend to look for work	29.0	34.4	40.7	41.7	31.8	32.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>76.6</i>	<i>103.7</i>	<i>107.8</i>	<i>107.4</i>	<i>74.8</i>	<i>72.9</i>

**TABLE 7. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WHO WERE DISCOURAGED JOBSEEKERS: SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS, SEPTEMBER 1990 TO SEPTEMBER 1995**  
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	<i>Sept.</i> <i>1990</i>	<i>Sept.</i> <i>1991</i>	<i>Sept.</i> <i>1992</i>	<i>Sept.</i> <i>1993</i>	<i>Sept.</i> <i>1994(a)</i>	<i>Sept.</i> <i>1995(a)</i>
<b>PERSONS</b>						
<i>Age (years) —</i>						
15-19	6.8	14.5	11.1	8.2	6.2	5.5
20-24	5.4	7.2	6.2	5.7	4.9	*1.7
25-34	14.8	19.3	15.6	16.7	9.7	14.1
35-44	18.9	28.0	33.4	31.4	19.0	18.5
45-54	19.2	30.2	32.2	31.3	21.6	22.7
55-59	10.5	13.7	16.4	22.3	13.1	13.9
60-64	13.7	14.8	16.4	18.5	16.8	21.0
65-69	11.6	10.4	14.3	13.2	15.2	14.6
<i>Whether looked for work in the last twelve months —</i>						
Had looked for work	32.8	56.6	56.0	52.6	34.8	43.5
Less than 13 weeks ago	25.6	42.7	42.5	42.0	25.1	32.9
13 to 25 weeks ago	*2.9	6.1	*3.9	*4.8	5.0	*2.9
26 to 52 weeks ago	*4.2	7.8	9.5	5.8	*4.7	7.7
Had not looked for work	68.1	81.6	89.6	94.8	71.8	68.4
<i>Whether intended to look for work in the next twelve months —</i>						
Intended to look for work	63.2	94.6	94.7	95.1	60.8	63.3
Did not intend to look for work	37.6	43.6	51.0	52.3	45.7	48.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.9</b>	<b>138.2</b>	<b>145.6</b>	<b>147.4</b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>111.9</b>

(a) The 1994 and 1995 surveys were weighted using population estimates based on the 1991 Census of Population and Housing and results, therefore, may not be comparable with previous years. See Explanatory Notes section for details.

**TABLE 8. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE FOR CHILDCARE REASONS WHO WANTED TO WORK BUT WERE NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK: AGE, AGE OF YOUNGEST CHILD, RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD AND BIRTHPLACE, SEPTEMBER 1995 ('000)**

	<i>Not actively looking for work for reasons including childcare but available to start within four weeks</i>		<i>Not actively looking for work and not available to start work within four weeks for childcare reasons</i>	
	<i>Childcare main reason for not actively looking for work</i>	<i>Total</i>		<i>Total</i>
<b>FEMALES</b>				
<i>Age (years) —</i>				
15-19	* 4.0	* 4.2	* 0.9	5.1
20-24	24.8	27.2	5.7	32.9
25-34	98.4	112.3	35.9	148.2
35-44	55.6	64.9	15.4	80.3
45-54	* 2.3	* 4.0	* 0.3	* 4.4
55-69	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.3	* 0.5
<i>Age of youngest child —</i>				
0 to 2 years	102.4	114.2	43.7	158.0
3 to 5 years	47.8	55.1	8.2	63.3
6 to 11 years	30.4	37.6	5.8	43.4
12 years and over	* 2.8	* 3.9	* 0.6	* 4.5
Not coded(a)	* 2.0	* 2.0	* 0.4	* 2.3
<i>Relationship in household —</i>				
Family member	179.0	205.5	57.4	263.0
Husband or wife	129.6	148.5	48.8	197.3
With dependants	129.4	148.3	48.8	197.1
Without dependants	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.0	* 0.2
Lone parent	49.5	57.0	8.7	65.7
Non-family member	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0
Not determined	6.3	7.2	* 1.3	8.5
<i>Birthplace —</i>				
Born in Australia	139.6	160.3	39.8	200.0
Born outside Australia	45.7	52.5	18.9	71.4
Born in main English speaking countries	17.1	18.9	5.4	24.3
Born in other countries	28.6	33.6	13.5	47.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>185.3</b>	<b>212.8</b>	<b>58.7</b>	<b>271.4</b>
<b>PERSONS</b>				
<i>Age (years) —</i>				
15-19	* 4.0	* 4.2	* 0.9	5.1
20-24	25.2	27.5	5.7	33.3
25-34	100.1	114.5	36.5	150.9
35-44	59.8	69.1	16.9	86.0
45-54	* 3.2	5.2	* 0.4	5.6
55-69	* 0.4	* 0.4	* 0.5	* 0.9
<i>Age of youngest child —</i>				
0 to 2 years	104.1	116.0	44.6	160.6
3 to 5 years	48.8	56.3	8.6	64.9
6 to 11 years	34.1	41.8	6.8	48.6
12 years and over	* 3.5	* 4.6	* 0.6	5.2
Not coded(a)	* 2.1	* 2.1	* 0.4	* 2.5
<i>Relationship in household —</i>				
Family member	186.2	213.5	59.7	273.2
Husband or wife	131.6	151.0	49.5	200.5
With dependants	131.4	150.9	49.5	200.4
Without dependants	* 0.2	* 0.2	* 0.0	* 0.2
Lone parent	54.6	62.4	10.2	72.6
Non-family member	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.0
Not determined	6.5	7.4	* 1.3	8.6
<i>Birthplace —</i>				
Born in Australia	144.2	165.1	42.0	207.2
Born outside Australia	48.5	55.7	18.9	74.6
Born in main English speaking countries	19.4	21.7	5.4	27.1
Born in other countries	29.1	34.1	13.5	47.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>192.7</b>	<b>220.9</b>	<b>61.0</b>	<b>281.8</b>

(a) Not coded for visitors to a private dwelling.

**TABLE 9. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WHO PREVIOUSLY HAD A JOB: REASON FOR CEASING LAST JOB, OCCUPATION IN LAST JOB, STATUS IN EMPLOYMENT IN LAST JOB AND FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORKER IN LAST JOB, SEPTEMBER 1995 ('000)**

	<i>Last job less than 20 years ago</i>							<i>Last job 20 or more years ago</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Status in employment in last job</i>			<i>Full-time or part-time worker in last job</i>			<i>Total</i>		
	<i>Emp-loyers</i>	<i>Own account workers(a)</i>	<i>Emp-loyees</i>	<i>Full-time</i>	<i>Part-time</i>	<i>Varied/did not know</i>			
<b>MALES</b>									
<i>Reason for ceasing last job —</i>									
Job loser	10.9	36.4	442.2	413.8	68.4	7.3	489.5	26.4	515.9
Retrenched	* 0.8	* 2.8	154.2	131.5	25.2	* 1.1	157.8	* 1.8	159.6
Job was temporary or seasonal and did not leave to return to studies	* 0.0	* 1.5	27.1	10.6	16.7	* 1.2	28.6	* 0.7	29.2
Own ill health or injury	7.4	24.8	255.3	258.4	25.1	* 4.0	287.5	23.6	311.2
Business closed down for economic reasons	* 2.6	7.4	5.6	13.2	* 1.4	* 1.0	15.6	* 0.3	15.9
Job leaver	15.5	34.7	331.5	313.2	65.8	* 2.7	381.7	7.4	389.1
Unsatisfactory work arrangements	* 0.3	* 1.1	27.9	19.2	9.7	* 0.3	29.2	* 0.0	29.2
Job was temporary or seasonal and left to return to studies	* 0.0	* 0.3	27.8	14.6	13.3	* 0.1	28.1	* 0.0	28.1
Retired/did not want to work any longer	8.5	16.6	185.8	195.7	14.6	* 0.5	210.8	* 3.7	214.5
Returned to studies	* 0.0	* 0.9	34.6	19.9	14.7	* 0.9	35.5	* 0.0	35.5
To get married	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 0.4	* 0.0	* 0.0	* 0.4	* 1.1	* 1.6
To look after family, house or someone else	* 0.7	* 2.7	14.6	16.4	* 1.4	* 0.3	18.0	* 0.7	18.7
To have holiday/to move house/spouse transferred	* 0.9	* 2.5	21.0	19.2	5.3	* 0.0	24.5	* 0.7	25.2
Business closed down for other reasons	5.1	8.0	* 4.6	15.6	* 1.5	* 0.6	17.7	* 0.3	18.0
Other	* 0.0	* 2.6	14.8	12.2	5.3	* 0.0	17.4	* 0.6	18.0
<i>Occupation in last job —</i>									
Last job less than 20 years ago	26.4	71.1	773.7	727.0	134.2	10.1	871.2	..	871.2
Managers and administrators	14.2	16.2	54.8	82.6	* 1.9	* 0.8	85.2	..	85.2
Professionals	* 1.4	* 3.8	65.3	59.9	9.7	* 0.9	70.5	..	70.5
Para-professionals	* 0.4	* 1.6	44.4	42.2	* 4.0	* 0.2	46.4	..	46.4
Tradespersons	* 4.9	21.9	154.0	162.3	16.9	* 1.6	180.8	..	180.8
Clerks	* 0.2	* 0.3	59.7	50.1	9.8	* 0.3	60.3	..	60.3
Salespersons and personal service workers	* 1.3	7.4	61.2	49.3	19.7	* 0.9	69.9	..	69.9
Plant and machine operators, and drivers	* 2.1	9.5	107.9	106.9	11.5	* 1.0	119.4	..	119.4
Labourers and related workers	* 1.9	10.4	226.3	173.7	60.6	* 4.3	238.7	..	238.7
Last job 20 or more years ago	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33.8	33.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>26.4</i>	<i>71.1</i>	<i>773.7</i>	<i>727.0</i>	<i>134.2</i>	<i>10.1</i>	<i>871.2</i>	<i>33.8</i>	<i>905.0</i>

(a) Includes persons who were contributing family workers and unpaid voluntary workers.

**TABLE 9. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WHO PREVIOUSLY HAD A JOB: REASON FOR CEASING LAST JOB, OCCUPATION IN LAST JOB, STATUS IN EMPLOYMENT IN LAST JOB AND FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORKER IN LAST JOB, SEPTEMBER 1995 ('000)**

	<i>Last job less than 20 years ago</i>							<i>Last job 20 or more years ago</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Status in employment in last job</i>			<i>Full-time or part-time worker in last job</i>			<i>Total</i>		
	<i>Emp-loyers</i>	<i>Own account workers(a)</i>	<i>Emp-loyees</i>	<i>Full-time</i>	<i>Part-time</i>	<i>Varied/did not know</i>			
<b>FEMALES</b>									
<i>Reason for ceasing last job —</i>									
Job loser	9.1	24.2	490.5	281.1	233.1	9.5	523.8	50.9	574.7
Retrenched	* 1.4	* 4.3	196.9	105.4	93.8	* 3.5	202.7	15.4	218.1
Job was temporary or seasonal and did not leave to return to studies	* 0.0	* 1.4	96.0	31.3	63.0	* 3.2	97.5	* 2.7	100.2
Own ill health or injury	* 2.8	7.6	190.2	127.5	70.8	* 2.4	200.6	31.6	232.2
Business closed down for economic reasons	* 4.9	10.7	7.3	17.0	5.5	* 0.5	23.0	* 1.2	24.2
Job leaver	28.5	50.9	999.2	663.2	401.6	13.8	1,078.5	373.8	1,452.3
Unsatisfactory work arrangements	* 0.4	* 1.4	58.8	22.8	36.9	* 0.9	60.6	* 2.1	62.7
Job was temporary or seasonal and left to return to studies	* 0.0	* 0.0	24.6	8.4	15.9	* 0.3	24.6	* 0.0	24.6
Retired/did not want to work any longer	10.4	14.3	227.1	157.4	90.5	* 3.9	251.8	34.0	285.8
Returned to studies	* 0.2	* 2.4	47.6	20.3	28.8	* 1.0	50.2	* 0.0	50.2
To get married	* 0.0	* 0.6	25.5	21.4	* 4.4	* 0.3	26.1	132.6	158.7
Pregnancy/to have children	* 2.3	7.6	353.9	260.5	100.0	* 3.2	363.7	132.5	496.2
To look after family, house or someone else	* 2.3	5.1	103.9	54.2	54.8	* 2.3	111.3	49.2	160.5
To have holiday/to move house/spouse transferred	* 1.5	5.7	115.8	73.3	48.7	* 1.1	123.0	13.2	136.2
Business closed down for other reasons	9.9	12.4	8.6	24.6	6.1	* 0.2	30.9	* 3.0	33.9
Other	* 1.6	* 1.4	33.5	20.4	15.5	* 0.6	36.5	7.1	43.6
<i>Occupation in last job —</i>									
Last job less than 20 years ago	37.6	75.1	1,489.6	944.3	634.7	23.3	1,602.3	..	1,602.3
Managers and administrators	16.0	16.4	37.0	59.0	9.2	* 1.1	69.3	..	69.3
Professionals	* 1.3	7.7	115.6	79.0	43.9	* 1.7	124.6	..	124.6
Para-professionals	* 0.2	* 0.4	63.9	38.5	25.4	* 0.7	64.5	..	64.5
Tradespersons	* 3.4	* 5.0	67.2	48.2	24.8	* 2.5	75.6	..	75.6
Clerks	* 4.4	7.6	365.3	262.5	110.8	* 4.0	377.3	..	377.3
Salespersons and personal service workers	10.2	25.4	387.6	196.3	221.6	5.3	423.2	..	423.2
Plant and machine operators, and drivers	* 0.5	* 3.4	86.7	70.1	19.9	* 0.6	90.7	..	90.7
Labourers and related workers	* 1.7	9.2	366.2	190.6	179.1	7.4	377.0	..	377.0
Last job 20 or more years ago	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	424.7	424.7
<i>Total</i>	<i>37.6</i>	<i>75.1</i>	<i>1,489.6</i>	<i>944.3</i>	<i>634.7</i>	<i>23.3</i>	<i>1,602.3</i>	<i>424.7</i>	<i>2,027.0</i>

(a) Includes persons who were contributing family workers and unpaid voluntary workers.

**TABLE 9. PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE WHO PREVIOUSLY HAD A JOB: REASON FOR CEASING LAST JOB, OCCUPATION IN LAST JOB, STATUS IN EMPLOYMENT IN LAST JOB AND FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME WORKER IN LAST JOB, SEPTEMBER 1995 ('000)**

	<i>Last job less than 20 years ago</i>							<i>Last job 20 or more years ago</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>Status in employment in last job</i>			<i>Full-time or part-time worker in last job</i>			<i>Total</i>		
	<i>Emp-loyers</i>	<i>Own account workers(a)</i>	<i>Emp-loyees</i>	<i>Full-time</i>	<i>Part-time</i>	<i>Varied/did not know</i>			
PERSONS									
<i>Reason for ceasing last job —</i>									
Job loser	20.0	60.6	932.7	694.9	301.5	16.9	1,013.3	77.3	1,090.6
Retrenched	* 2.3	7.1	351.1	236.9	119.0	* 4.6	360.5	17.2	377.7
Job was temporary or seasonal and did not leave to return to studies	* 0.0	* 2.9	123.1	41.9	79.8	* 4.4	126.0	* 3.3	129.4
Own ill health or injury	10.2	32.4	445.5	385.9	95.9	6.4	488.2	55.2	543.4
Business closed down for economic reasons	7.5	18.1	12.9	30.2	6.9	* 1.5	38.6	* 1.6	40.1
Job leaver	44.0	85.6	1,330.7	976.4	467.4	16.5	1,460.2	381.1	1,841.4
Unsatisfactory work arrangements	* 0.7	* 2.5	86.6	42.0	46.6	* 1.3	89.8	* 2.1	91.9
Job was temporary or seasonal and left to return to studies	* 0.0	* 0.3	52.3	23.0	29.2	* 0.4	52.6	* 0.0	52.6
Retired/did not want to work any longer	18.9	30.8	412.9	353.1	105.1	* 4.4	462.6	37.8	500.4
Returned to studies	* 0.2	* 3.3	82.2	40.2	43.5	* 1.9	85.6	* 0.0	85.6
To get married	* 0.0	* 0.6	25.9	21.8	* 4.4	* 0.3	26.5	133.8	160.3
Pregnancy/to have children	* 2.3	7.6	353.9	260.5	100.0	* 3.2	363.7	132.7	496.4
To look after family, house or someone else	* 3.0	7.8	118.5	70.6	56.2	* 2.6	129.3	49.9	179.2
To have holiday/to move house/spouse transferred	* 2.4	8.2	136.9	92.4	54.0	* 1.1	147.5	13.9	161.4
Business closed down for other reasons	15.0	20.4	13.2	40.2	7.6	* 0.8	48.6	* 3.4	51.9
Other	* 1.6	* 4.0	48.3	32.6	20.7	* 0.6	53.9	7.7	61.6
<i>Occupation in last job —</i>									
Last job less than 20 years ago	64.0	146.2	2,263.3	1,671.3	768.9	33.4	2,473.5	..	2,473.5
Managers and administrators	30.2	32.5	91.8	141.6	11.1	* 1.9	154.5	..	154.5
Professionals	* 2.7	11.5	180.9	138.9	53.6	* 2.6	195.1	..	195.1
Para-professionals	* 0.5	* 2.1	108.4	80.7	29.4	* 0.9	111.0	..	111.0
Tradespersons	8.2	26.9	221.3	210.5	41.8	* 4.1	256.4	..	256.4
Clerks	* 4.6	7.9	425.1	312.6	120.6	* 4.3	437.5	..	437.5
Salespersons and personal service workers	11.5	32.8	448.8	245.7	241.3	6.2	493.1	..	493.1
Plant and machine operators, and drivers	* 2.6	12.9	194.6	177.0	31.4	* 1.7	210.1	..	210.1
Labourers and related workers	* 3.6	19.6	592.5	364.3	239.7	11.7	615.7	..	615.7
Last job 20 or more years ago	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	458.5	458.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>64.0</b>	<b>146.2</b>	<b>2,263.3</b>	<b>1,671.3</b>	<b>768.9</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>2,473.5</b>	<b>458.5</b>	<b>2,932.0</b>

(a) Includes persons who were contributing family workers and unpaid voluntary workers.

TABLE 10. ALL POPULATIONS BY STATE AND TERRITORY OF USUAL RESIDENCE, SEPTEMBER 1995  
(<sup>'000</sup>)

	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Australian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Australia</i>
MALES									
<i>Population 1 :</i> All persons not in the labour force aged 15 to 69(a)	420.9	308.0	205.6	103.6	103.6	38.4	13.0	14.8	1,207.9
<i>Population 2 :</i> Persons not in the labour force	402.5	303.1	201.6	99.5	97.0	35.8	12.8	14.3	1,166.6
<i>Population 3 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work	104.4	99.7	68.0	31.7	29.7	10.8	6.6	5.8	356.8
<i>Population 4 :</i> Persons not in the labour force with marginal attachment to the labour force	74.6	75.2	51.8	22.6	20.8	7.3	5.2	4.3	261.8
<i>Population 5 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	65.9	68.3	44.9	20.1	17.5	6.5	4.5	3.3	230.9
<i>Population 6 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who were discouraged jobseekers	11.9	12.6	6.2	3.7	* 3.0	* 1.4	* 0.0	* 0.3	39.0
<i>Population 7 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	29.8	24.5	16.3	9.1	8.9	3.6	* 1.3	1.5	95.0
<i>Population 8 :</i> Persons not in the labour force for childcare reasons who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work	* 2.8	* 2.6	* 1.9	* 1.3	* 0.8	* 0.3	* 0.5	* 0.1	10.4
<i>Population 9 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who previously had a job	309.9	228.1	159.1	78.6	79.9	28.1	10.7	10.5	905.0

(a) Includes institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils.

TABLE 10. ALL POPULATIONS BY STATE AND TERRITORY OF USUAL RESIDENCE, SEPTEMBER 1995  
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	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
FEMALES									
<i>Population 1 :</i> All persons not in the labour force aged 15 to 69(a)	841.4	610.2	432.8	203.4	225.5	67.2	22.3	30.2	2,433.0
<i>Population 2 :</i> Persons not in the labour force	829.0	604.5	425.9	200.6	222.8	65.0	21.8	30.1	2,399.8
<i>Population 3 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work	259.6	213.6	142.8	69.4	76.3	23.8	8.3	12.9	806.7
<i>Population 4 :</i> Persons not in the labour force with marginal attachment to the labour force	190.3	154.6	109.1	53.2	58.8	18.6	6.2	10.1	601.0
<i>Population 5 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	181.7	146.0	102.7	50.4	54.5	17.4	5.7	9.7	568.1
<i>Population 6 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who were discouraged jobseekers	29.0	19.2	9.6	5.7	5.5	2.1	* 0.5	1.3	72.9
<i>Population 7 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	69.3	59.0	33.7	16.2	17.5	5.2	* 2.0	2.8	205.7
<i>Population 8 :</i> Persons not in the labour force for childcare reasons who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work	96.7	63.4	49.8	23.1	23.8	8.2	* 2.6	3.9	271.4
<i>Population 9 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who previously had a job	677.9	510.9	374.2	173.8	191.0	55.1	19.0	25.1	2,027.0

(a) Includes institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils.

TABLE 10. ALL POPULATIONS BY STATE AND TERRITORY OF USUAL RESIDENCE, SEPTEMBER 1995  
(<sup>'000</sup>)

	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>Queensland</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Australian Capital Territory</i>	<i>Australia</i>
PERSONS									
<i>Population 1 :</i> All persons not in the labour force aged 15 to 69(a)	1,262.4	918.2	638.4	307.1	329.1	105.6	35.3	44.9	3,640.9
<i>Population 2 :</i> Persons not in the labour force	1,231.5	907.6	627.6	300.1	319.8	100.8	34.6	44.3	3,566.3
<i>Population 3 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work	364.0	313.3	210.8	101.1	106.0	34.7	14.8	18.7	1,163.4
<i>Population 4 :</i> Persons not in the labour force with marginal attachment to the labour force	264.9	229.8	160.9	75.8	79.6	25.9	11.5	14.5	862.8
<i>Population 5 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	247.6	214.3	147.5	70.5	72.0	23.9	10.2	13.0	799.0
<i>Population 6 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who were discouraged jobseekers	41.0	31.8	15.7	9.4	8.5	3.5	* 0.5	1.5	111.9
<i>Population 7 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	99.0	83.5	49.9	25.3	26.4	8.8	3.4	4.3	300.7
<i>Population 8 :</i> Persons not in the labour force for childcare reasons who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work	99.4	66.0	51.7	24.4	24.7	8.5	3.0	4.1	281.8
<i>Population 9 :</i> Persons not in the labour force who previously had a job	987.8	739.0	533.3	252.4	270.9	83.2	29.7	35.6	2,932.0

(a) Includes institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

**1** The monthly population survey (which is described in *Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0)) comprises the monthly Labour Force Survey and supplementary topics. These tables contain some results of a supplementary survey run in association with the September 1995 Labour Force Survey conducted throughout Australia.

**2** Those respondents to the Labour Force Survey who fell within the scope of the supplementary survey were asked additional questions about their labour force aspirations and, if appropriate, their reasons for not actively looking for work and their availability for work.

### SCOPE

**3** The scope of this supplementary survey was the same as that used for the Labour Force Survey (described in full in *Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0)) except that it was restricted to persons not in the labour force aged 15 to 69. Institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils have also been excluded except where otherwise indicated.

### COVERAGE

**4** In the population survey, coverage rules are applied which aim to ensure that each person is associated with only one dwelling, and hence has only one chance of selection. See *Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0) for more details.

### DEFINITIONS

**5** Definitions of classifications appearing in these tables are given in the Glossary section.

**6** Unless otherwise stated, all characteristics referenced in these tables relate to the week before the interview (i.e. the reference week).

### RESULTS OF THE SURVEY

**7** Estimates of persons not in the labour force are also published in *Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). However, more detailed information is contained in these tables.

**8** Due to differences in the method of estimation used in this supplementary survey and that used in the Labour Force Survey and the differences in the scope of this survey, there may be small variations between estimates in these tables and those in the corresponding issue of *Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

**9** The estimates in these tables refer to information collected in the survey month and, due to seasonal factors, may not be representative of other months of the year.

**10** Results of similar surveys, the first conducted in November 1975, have been given in previous issues of the discontinued publication *Persons Not in the Labour Force, Australia* (6220.0).

**11** Statistical tables formerly published in these bulletins are now available as a Standard Data Service, available on subscription or on request. Inquiries should be made to the contact in the Inquiries box on the Contents page.

**12** This survey is scheduled to be conducted next in September 1996.

### UNPUBLISHED STATISTICS

**13** As well as the statistics included in these tables and related data services, the ABS may have other relevant unpublished data available. Inquiries should be made to the contact named in the Inquiries box on the Contents page.

ESTIMATION PROCEDURE	<b>14</b> The estimates are derived from the population survey by use of a ratio estimation procedure, which ensures that the estimates conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population for each State by age, sex and labour force status, rather than to the corresponding distribution within the sample itself.
DISCONTINUITIES IN THE SERIES	<b>15</b> The scope of surveys run prior to September 1988 included all persons aged 15 and over. In September 1988, the survey was restricted to exclude all persons aged 70 and over.
SURVEY SAMPLE REDESIGN	<b>16</b> Prior to September 1994 this survey was conducted on all dwellings selected in the Labour Force Survey. Since September 1994 this has been reduced to seven-eighths of the Labour Force Sample, resulting in a slight increase to the standard errors.
BENCHMARK REVISION	<p><b>17</b> From February 1994, the monthly Labour Force Survey and its supplementary surveys are based on population estimates from the 1991 Census of Population and Housing. While historical monthly labour force estimates were revised back to January 1989, results of supplementary surveys conducted before February 1994 were not revised and are based on population estimates from the 1986 Census of Population and Housing.</p> <p><b>18</b> The change to population estimates based on the 1991 Census of Population and Housing resulted in a downward revision to the size of the in-scope civilian population aged 15 and over (the January 1994 estimate of this population was revised from 13,960,400 to 13,860,400, a downward revision of 100,000 or approximately one per cent).</p> <p><b>19</b> This change in the base population estimates should be considered when comparing the results of supplementary surveys conducted before February 1994 with results of those conducted after February 1994.</p>
RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES	<b>20</b> Estimates in these tables are subject to sampling and non-sampling errors. For further information refer to the Technical Notes section.
RELATED SURVEYS	<p><b>21</b> Other supplements to the monthly Labour Force Survey which may be of interest include:</p> <p><i>Labour Force Experience, Australia</i> (6206.0.40.001) — conducted annually</p> <p><i>Underemployed Workers, Australia</i> (6265.0.40.001) — conducted annually</p> <p><i>Job Search Experience of Unemployed Persons, Australia</i> (6222.0.40.001) — conducted annually</p> <p><i>Successful and Unsuccessful Job Search Experience, Australia</i> (6245.0) — conducted biennially</p> <p><i>Persons Who Have Left the Labour Force, Australia</i> (6267.0.40.001) — conducted triennially</p> <p><i>Retirement and Retirement Intentions, Australia</i> (6238.0.40.001) — conducted triennially</p> <p><b>22</b> Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the <i>Catalogue of Publications, Australia</i> (1101.0). <i>Publications to be Released in 1996</i> (1109.0) is also available. On Tuesdays and Fridays, a <i>Publications Advice</i> (1105.0) is issued which lists publications and standard data services to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.</p>

SYMBOLS AND OTHER  
USAGES

- \* subject to sampling error too high for most practical uses. See the Technical Notes section.
- . . not applicable
- n.a. not available

**23** Because estimates have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

## TECHNICAL NOTES

### INTRODUCTION

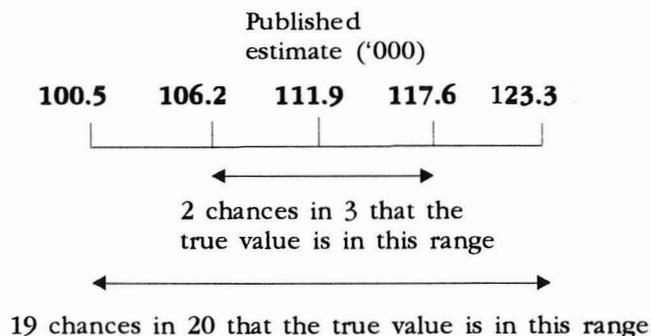
1 Since the estimates in these tables are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they are subject to sampling variability, that is, they may differ from those that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the number that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Another measure of the likely difference is the *relative standard error*, which is obtained by expressing the standard error as a percentage of the estimate.

2 Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in these tables. A table of standard errors for general application is given on page 31. Since they are averages based on calculations for a limited number of past surveys over a wide range of labour force characteristics these numbers will not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate but they will provide an indication of its magnitude.

### CALCULATION OF STANDARD ERROR

3 An example of the calculation and the use of standard errors in relation to estimates of persons is as follows. Table 2 shows the estimated number of persons in Australia who were discouraged jobseekers was 111,900. Since this estimate is between 100,000 and 200,000 the table of standard errors shows the standard error for Australia will be between 5,450 and 7,350 and can be approximated by interpolation as 5,700 (rounded to the nearest 50). Therefore, there are about two chances in three that the value that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will fall in the range 106,200 to 117,600 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the value will fall within the range 100,500 to 123,300. This example is illustrated in the diagram below.

4 As can be seen from the standard error table, *the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error*. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In these tables, only estimates with relative standard errors of 25 per cent or less and percentages based on such estimates are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. However, estimates and percentages with larger relative standard errors have been included and are preceded by an asterisk (e.g. \*3.4) to indicate they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.



## PROPORTIONS AND PERCENTAGES

**5** Proportions and percentages formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling errors. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and the denominator. A formula to approximate the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion is:

$$\text{RSE } (x/y) = \sqrt{[\text{RSE } (x)]^2 + [\text{RSE } (y)]^2}$$

**6** Considering the example from paragraph 3, of the 111,900 persons who were discouraged jobseekers, 39,000 or 34.9 per cent were male. The standard error of 39,000 is approximately 3,600 so the relative standard error is 9.2 per cent. The relative standard error for 111,900 is 5.1 per cent. Applying the above formula, the relative standard error of the proportion is  $\sqrt{(9.2)^2 + (5.1)^2}$  or 7.7 per cent, giving a standard error for the proportion (34.9 per cent) of 2.7 percentage points. Therefore, there are about two chances in three that the proportion of discouraged jobseekers who were males was between 32.2 per cent and 37.6 per cent and nineteen chances in twenty the proportion was within the range 29.5 per cent to 40.3 per cent.

## SAMPLING ERROR

**7** Published estimates may also be used to calculate the difference between two survey estimates (of numbers or percentages). Such an estimate is subject to sampling error. The sampling error of the difference between two estimates depends on their standard errors and the relationship (correlation) between them. An approximate standard error (SE) of the difference between two estimates (x-y) may be calculated by the following formula:

$$\text{SE } (x-y) = \sqrt{[\text{SE } (x)]^2 + [\text{SE } (y)]^2}$$

While this formula will only be exact for differences between separate and uncorrelated characteristics or subpopulations it is expected to provide a good approximation for all differences likely to be of interest in these tables.

## NON-SAMPLING ERROR

**8** 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 interviewers and errors made in coding and processing 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.

## STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

Size of estimate (Persons)	NSW	Vic	Qld	SA	WA	Tas	NT	ACT	Australia	Relative standard error %
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
100	.	.	.	.	.	110	.	100	.	.
200	.	.	240	210	230	160	250	130	230	112.6
300	.	.	300	260	290	200	300	160	290	95.2
400	440	400	350	300	330	230	340	180	340	84.2
500	490	450	390	340	370	260	370	200	380	76.5
600	540	500	420	370	400	290	400	220	420	70.7
700	580	540	460	400	430	310	430	240	460	66.1
800	620	580	490	430	460	330	460	250	500	62.3
900	660	610	520	450	490	350	490	270	530	59.1
1 000	700	650	550	480	510	370	510	280	560	56.4
1 100	730	680	570	500	540	380	530	290	590	54.0
1 200	760	710	600	520	560	400	550	300	620	51.9
1 300	790	740	620	540	580	410	570	310	650	50.0
1 400	820	770	650	560	600	430	590	320	680	48.4
1 500	850	790	670	580	620	440	610	330	700	46.9
1 600	880	820	690	600	640	450	630	340	730	45.5
1 700	910	840	710	610	660	460	650	350	750	44.2
1 800	930	870	730	630	670	480	660	360	780	43.1
1 900	960	890	750	650	690	490	680	370	800	42.0
2 000	980	910	770	660	710	500	700	380	820	41.0
2 100	1 000	940	780	680	720	510	710	390	840	40.1
2 200	1 030	960	800	690	740	520	730	390	860	39.2
2 300	1 050	980	820	710	750	530	740	400	880	38.4
2 400	1 070	1 000	840	720	770	540	760	410	900	37.7
2 500	1 090	1 020	850	730	780	550	770	420	920	36.9
3 000	1 200	1 100	950	800	850	600	850	450	1 000	33.9
3 500	1 300	1 200	1 000	850	900	650	900	500	1 100	31.5
4 000	1 350	1 300	1 050	900	950	650	950	500	1 200	29.5
4 500	1 450	1 350	1 100	950	1 000	700	1 000	550	1 250	27.9
5 000	1 500	1 400	1 200	1 000	1 050	750	1 050	550	1 300	26.5
6 000	1 650	1 550	1 300	1 100	1 150	800	1 150	600	1 450	24.2
8 000	1 900	1 750	1 450	1 250	1 300	850	1 300	650	1 700	21.0
10 000	2 100	1 950	1 600	1 350	1 450	950	1 450	750	1 850	18.7
20 000	2 850	2 650	2 200	1 800	1 950	1 200	2 000	950	2 600	13.1
30 000	3 400	3 150	2 600	2 150	2 300	1 350	2 450	1 150	3 150	10.6
40 000	3 800	3 600	2 950	2 400	2 600	1 500	2 800	1 250	3 650	9.1
50 000	4 200	3 950	3 200	2 650	2 850	1 600	3 100	1 350	4 000	8.0
100 000	5 550	5 250	4 250	3 450	3 700	1 950	4 300	1 750	5 450	5.5
200 000	7 300	6 850	5 600	4 450	4 850	2 300	5 950	2 250	7 350	3.7
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## GLOSSARY

<b>Active steps taken to find find work</b>	<p>They comprise —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ writing, telephoning or applying in person to an employer for work; or</li><li>▪ answering a newspaper advertisement for a job; or</li><li>▪ checking factory or Commonwealth Employment Service notice boards; or</li><li>▪ being registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service; or</li><li>▪ checking or registering with any other employment agency; or</li><li>▪ advertising or tendering for work; or</li><li>▪ contacting friends or relatives.</li></ul>
<b>Actively looking for work</b>	<p>Those persons who were taking active steps to find work.</p>
<b>Available to start work within four weeks</b>	<p>Those persons who were available to start work within four weeks or could start work if childcare was available.</p>
<b>Discouraged jobseekers</b>	<p>Persons with marginal attachment to the labour force who wanted to work and were available to start work within the next four weeks but whose main reason for not taking active steps to find work was that they believed they would not find a job for any of the following reasons —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ considered to be too young or too old by employers; or</li><li>▪ lacked the necessary schooling, training, skills or experience; or</li><li>▪ difficulties with language or ethnic background; or</li><li>▪ no jobs in their locality or line of work; or</li><li>▪ no jobs available at all.</li></ul>
<b>Employed</b>	<p>Persons aged 15 to 69 who, during the reference week —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (comprising employees, employers and own account workers); or</li><li>▪ worked for one hour or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. contributing family workers); or</li><li>▪ 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 reference 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 reference 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</li><li>▪ were employers, own account workers or contributing family workers who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.</li></ul>

<b>Family</b>	Two or more related persons ( <i>relationship</i> includes relationships by blood, marriage or adoption) usually resident in the same household at the time of the survey. A family comprises a married couple or a family head as defined, together with any persons having any of the following relationships to them: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ sons or daughters of any age, if not married and with no children of their own present;</li> <li>▪ other relatives if not accompanied by a spouse, sons or daughters, or parents of their own; or</li> <li>▪ any children under 15 years of age who do not have a parent present.</li> </ul>
<b>Family reasons for not actively looking for work</b>	Includes ill health of other than self, childcare reasons and other family considerations.
<b>Full-time work</b>	Work involving 35 or more hours a week.
<b>Had a job to go to</b>	Includes persons who had a job but, up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.
<b>Institutionalised persons</b>	Includes some patients in hospitals and sanitoriums and inmates of reformatories, goals, etc.
<b>Job</b>	Any employment, full time or part time, lasting two weeks or more.
<b>Job leavers</b>	Persons who voluntarily ceased their last job.
<b>Job losers</b>	Persons who involuntarily ceased their last job.
<b>Labour market reasons for not actively looking for work</b>	Includes discouraged jobseekers and no jobs in suitable hours.
<b>Main English speaking countries</b>	Comprises United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, South Africa, U.S.A. and New Zealand.
<b>Marginal attachment to the labour force</b>	Persons who were not in the labour force in the reference week, wanted to work and — <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ were actively looking for work but did not meet the criteria to be classified as unemployed; or</li> <li>▪ were not actively looking for work but were available to start work within four weeks or could start work within four weeks if childcare was available.</li> </ul> <p>The criteria determining those in the labour force are based on activity (i.e. working or looking for work) during the reference week. The criteria associated with marginal attachment to the labour force, in particular the concepts of wanting to work, reasons for not actively looking for work and availability to start work, are more subjective. Hence, the measurement against these criteria is affected by the respondent's own interpretation of the concepts used. An individual respondent's interpretation is affected by such factors as the respondent's work aspirations, as well as family, economic and other commitments.</p>

<b>Occupation of last job</b>	Classified according to the <i>Australian Standard Classification of Occupations (ASCO) 1986 (1222.0)</i> .
<b>Part-time work</b>	Work involving less than 35 hours a week.
<b>Personal reasons for not actively looking for work</b>	Includes own ill health/physical disability, pregnancy, attending an educational institution, had no need to work, give others a chance, welfare payments/pension may be affected, moved house or on holidays.
<b>Persons in the labour force</b>	Persons aged 15 to 69 who meet the criteria that would enable them to be classified as being in the labour force, that is, either <i>employed</i> or <i>unemployed</i> .
<b>Persons not in the labour force</b>	Persons who do not meet the criteria that would enable them to be classified as being in the labour force. To be classified as being in the labour force, a person must be aged 15 to 69 and be either <i>employed</i> or <i>unemployed</i> . Persons not in the labour force, therefore, include all persons aged 15 to 69 who are not employed, who want to work but do not meet the criteria to be classified as unemployed; who do not want to work; or are permanently unable to work. This group excludes institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils.
<b>Persons not in the labour force for childcare reasons who wanted to work</b>	Persons who wanted to work and — <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ were not actively looking for work due to reasons including childcare but were available to start work within four weeks; or</li> <li>▪ were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks for childcare reasons.</li> </ul>
<b>Relationship in household</b>	See <i>family</i> .
<b>Time since last job</b>	The elapsed time since leaving their last job and the reference period for those who previously had a job.
<b>Unemployed</b>	Persons aged 15 to 69 who were not employed during the reference week and — <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time during the reference week, and — <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i were available for work in the reference week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the reference week); or</li> <li>ii were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the reference week and would have started in the reference week if the job had been available then; or</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ 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 reference week (including the whole of the reference week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.</li> </ul>

**Wanted to work** Persons not in the labour force who —

- in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week had taken *active steps* to find work but did not meet the criteria to be classified as *unemployed*; or
- although claiming to have looked for work (in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week), had not taken active steps to find work; or
- in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week had not looked for work but in the survey answered 'yes' or 'maybe' to the question 'Even though you have not been looking for work would you like a full-time or part-time job?'; or
- in the four weeks up to the end of the reference week, had not looked for work but were responsible for children under twelve years of age and answered 'yes' or 'maybe' to the question 'If you had suitable childcare arrangements for your child(ren) under 12, would you like a job?'; or
- were employees who had a job but had been away from work without pay for four weeks or more.

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### **POPULATIONS**

- POPULATION 1: All persons not in the labour force aged 15 to 69 (including institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils).
- POPULATION 2: Persons not in the labour force (excluding institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils).
- POPULATION 3: Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work.
- POPULATION 4: Persons not in the labour force with marginal attachment to the labour force.
- POPULATION 5: Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks.
- POPULATION 5A: Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work due to childcare reasons, and were available to start work within four weeks.
- POPULATION 6: Persons not in the labour force who were discouraged jobseekers.
- POPULATION 7: Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks.
- POPULATION 7A: Persons not in the labour force who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks due to childcare reasons.
- POPULATION 8: Persons not in the labour force for childcare reasons who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work.
- POPULATION 9: Persons not in the labour force who previously had a job.

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS	DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>1 STATE OF USUAL RESIDENCE</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>7B BIRTHPLACE (1)</b>	<b>2-9</b>
New South Wales		Born in Australia	
Victoria		Born outside Australia	
Queensland		Born in main English speaking countries	
South Australia		Born in other countries	
Western Australia			
Tasmania		<b>7C BIRTHPLACE (2)</b>	<b>2-9</b>
Northern Territory		Born in Australia	
Australian Capital Territory		Born outside Australia	
		Oceania	
<b>2 AREA OF USUAL RESIDENCE</b>	<b>ALL</b>	New Zealand	
Capital City		Europe and the former USSR	
Balance of State/Territory		Germany	
		Greece	
<b>3 REGION OF USUAL RESIDENCE</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Italy	
Standard labour force dissemination regions		Netherlands	
		UK and Ireland	
<b>4 SEX</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Former Yugoslav Republics	
Males		The Middle East and North Africa	
Females		Lebanon	
		Southeast Asia	
<b>5 MARITAL STATUS</b>	<b>ALL</b>	Malaysia	
Married		Philippines	
Not-married		Viet Nam	
		Northeast Asia	
<b>6A RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD (1)</b>	<b>ALL</b>	China	
Family member		The Americas	
Husband or wife		Other	
With dependants		India	
Without dependants			
Lone parent		<b>8 AGE (single years collected)</b>	<b>ALL</b>
With dependants		15 - 19 years	
Without dependants		20 - 24 years	
Dependent student		25 - 34 years	
Non-dependent child		35 - 44 years	
Other family person		45 - 54 years	
Non-family member		55 - 59 years	
Lone person		60 - 64 years	
Not living alone		65 - 69 years	
Not determined			
<b>6B RELATIONSHIP IN HOUSEHOLD (2)</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>9 PERSONS NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE</b>	<b>1-2,9</b>
Family member		<b>SUMMARY VARIABLE</b>	
Husband or wife		Persons not in the labour force	
With children under 15		With marginal attachment to the labour force	
Without children under 15		Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	
Lone parent		Were available to start work within four weeks	
With children under 15		Were not available to start work within four weeks	
With dependent students but without children under 15		Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	
Without dependants		Discouraged jobseekers	
Dependent student		Other	
Non-dependent child		Without marginal attachment to the labour force	
Other family person		Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were not available to start work within four weeks	
Non-family member		Did not want to work	
Lone person		Permanently unable to work	
Not living alone		Institutionalised persons and boarding school pupils	
Not determined			
<b>7A BIRTHPLACE AND PERIOD OF ARRIVAL</b>	<b>2-9</b>		
Born in Australia			
Born outside Australia			
Arrived before 1961			
Arrived 1961-1970			
Arrived 1971-1980			
Arrived 1981-1990			
Arrived 1991 to survey date			

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS	DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>10 WHETHER WANTED TO WORK</b>	<b>2-9</b>	<b>15 OCCUPATION IN LAST JOB</b>	<b>2-9</b>
Wanted to/might want to work		Last job less than 20 years ago	
Wanted to work		Managers and administrators	
Might want to work		Professionals	
Did not want to work/did not know		Para-professionals	
Did not want to work		Tradespersons	
Did not know		Clerks	
<b>11A WHETHER LOOKED FOR WORK IN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS (1)</b>	<b>2-9</b>	Salespersons and personal service workers	
Had looked for work		Plant and machine operators, and drivers	
Had not looked for work		Labourers and related workers	
<b>11B WHETHER LOOKED FOR WORK IN THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS (2)</b>	<b>2-9</b>	Last job 20 or more years ago	
Had looked for work		Had never had a job	
Less than 5 weeks ago		<b>16 STATUS IN EMPLOYMENT IN LAST JOB</b>	<b>2-9</b>
5 and less than 8 weeks ago		Last job less than 20 years ago	
8 and less than 13 weeks ago		Employer	
13 and less than 26 weeks ago		Own account worker	
26 and less than 39 weeks ago		Employee	
39 to 52 weeks ago		Contributing family worker	
Had not looked for work		Unpaid voluntary worker	
<b>12 MAIN ACTIVITY WHEN NOT IN THE LABOUR FORCE</b>	<b>2-9</b>	Last job 20 or more years ago	
Home duties/childcare		Had never had a job	
Attending an educational institution		<b>17 FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME STATUS IN LAST JOB</b>	<b>2-9</b>
Retired/voluntarily inactive		Last job less than 20 years ago	
Own illness/injury/own disability/handicap		Full-time	
Looking after ill/disabled person		Part-time	
Travel/moving house/holiday		Varied/did not know	
Worked in unpaid voluntary job		Last job 20 or more years ago	
Other		Had never had a job	
<b>13 TIME SINCE LAST JOB</b>	<b>2-9</b>	<b>18A INTENTION TO ENTER THE LABOUR FORCE IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS</b>	<b>3-8</b>
Had had a job		Intended to/might enter the labour force in the next twelve months	
Under 12 months		Intended to enter the labour force in the next twelve months	
1 and under 3 years		Might enter the labour force in the next twelve months	
3 and under 5 years		Did not intend to enter the labour force in the next twelve months/did not know	
5 and under 10 years		Did not intend to enter the labour force in the next twelve months	
10 and under 20 years		Did not know	
20 years or more		<b>18B INTENTION TO LOOK FOR WORK IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS</b>	<b>3-8</b>
Had never had a job		Intended to/might look for work in the next twelve months	
<b>14 REASON FOR CEASING LAST JOB</b>	<b>2-9</b>	Intended to look for work in the next twelve months	
Had had a job		Might look for work in the next twelve months	
Job loser		Did not intend to look for work in the next twelve months/did not know	
Retrenched		Did not intend to look for work in the next twelve months	
Job was temporary or seasonal and did not leave to return to studies		Did not know	
Own ill health or injury		<b>19 TYPE OF WORK PREFERRED</b>	<b>3-8</b>
Business closed down for economic reasons		Full-time	
Job leaver		Part-time	
Unsatisfactory work arrangements		No preference	
Job was temporary or seasonal and left to return to studies			
Retired/did not want to work any longer			
Returned to studies			
To get married			
Pregnancy/to have children			
To look after family, house or someone else			
To have holiday/to move house/spouse transferred			
Business closed down for other reasons			
Other			
Had never had a job			

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>20 MAIN REASON FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK</b>	<b>4,5-5A</b>
Wanted to work and were actively looking for work	
Were available to start work within four weeks	
Were not available to start work within four weeks	
Wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	
Had a job to go to(a)	
Personal reasons	
Own ill health/physical disability	
Pregnancy	
Attending an educational institution	
Had no need to work	
Give others a chance	
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	
Moved house/holidays	
Family reasons	
Ill health of other than self	
Childcare	
No childcare in locality	
No childcare available at all	
Cost/too expensive	
Booked out/no places available	
Children too young/too old	
Prefers to look after children	
Quality of childcare unsuitable	
Other	
Other family considerations	
On a job related training program	
Discouraged jobseekers	
Considered too young or too old by employers	
Lacked the necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	
No jobs in locality or line of work	
No jobs at all	
No jobs in suitable hours	
Other reasons	
Did not know	

(a) Includes persons who had a job but up to the end of the reference week, had been away from work without pay for four weeks or longer and had not been actively looking for work.

DATA ITEM	POPULATIONS
<b>21 ALL REASONS FOR NOT ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR WORK</b>	<b>5-5A</b>
Had a job to go to(a)	
Personal reasons	
Own ill health/physical disability	
Pregnancy	
Attending an educational institution	
Had no need to work	
Give others a chance	
Welfare payments/pension may be affected	
Moved house/holidays	
Family reasons	
Ill health of other than self	
Childcare	
Other family considerations	
On a job related training program	
Discouraged jobseekers	
Considered too young or too old by employers	
Lacked necessary schooling, training, skills or experience	
Difficulties with language or ethnic background	
No jobs in locality or line of work	
No jobs at all	
No jobs in suitable hours	
Other reasons	
Did not know	
<b>22 REASON NOT AVAILABLE TO START WORK WITHIN FOUR WEEKS</b>	<b>7-7A</b>
Personal reasons	
Own ill health/physical disability	
Pregnancy	
Studying/returning to studies	
Moved house/holidays	
Family reasons	
Ill health of other than self	
Unable to find suitable childcare	
Children too young/preferred to look after children	
On a job related training program	
Other reasons	
<b>23 MARGINAL ATTACHMENT SUMMARY VARIABLE</b>	<b>4</b>
Persons who wanted to work and were actively looking for work	
Were available to start work within four weeks	
Were not available to start work within four weeks	
Persons who wanted to work but were not actively looking for work and were available to start work within four weeks	
Discouraged jobseekers	
Other	
<b>24 AGE OF YOUNGEST CHILD</b>	<b>5A, 7A, 8</b>
0 to 2 years	
3 to 4 years	
5 years	
6 to 9 years	
10 to 11 years	
12 years and over	
Not coded	

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