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## Introduction

The Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) is a household-based sample survey conducted by Statistics South Africa (Stats SA). It collects data on the labour market activities of individuals aged 15 years and older who live in South Africa. However, this report only covers labour market activities of persons aged 15–64 years.

This report presents the key findings of the QLFS conducted from April to June 2017 (Q2: 2017).

## 2. Highlights of the results

**Table A: Key labour market indicators**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
						Thousand	
						Per cent	
<b>Population aged 15–64 yrs</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour force</b>	<b>21 179</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>1 098</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>5,2</b>
<b>Employed</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	10 917	11 337	11 193	-144	275	-1,3	2,5
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	2 507	2 681	2 761	80	254	3,0	10,1
Agriculture	825	875	835	-40	10	-4,6	1,2
Private households	1 296	1 319	1 311	-8	15	-0,6	1,2
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>9,6</b>
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>15 412</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-471</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
Discouraged work-seekers	2 526	2 277	2 361	83	-165	3,7	-6,5
Other (not economically active)	12 886	12 357	12 580	223	-306	1,8	-2,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>							
Unemployment rate	26,6	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1		
Employment/population ratio (absorption rate)	42,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	57,9	60,5	59,9	-0,6	2,0		

*Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.*

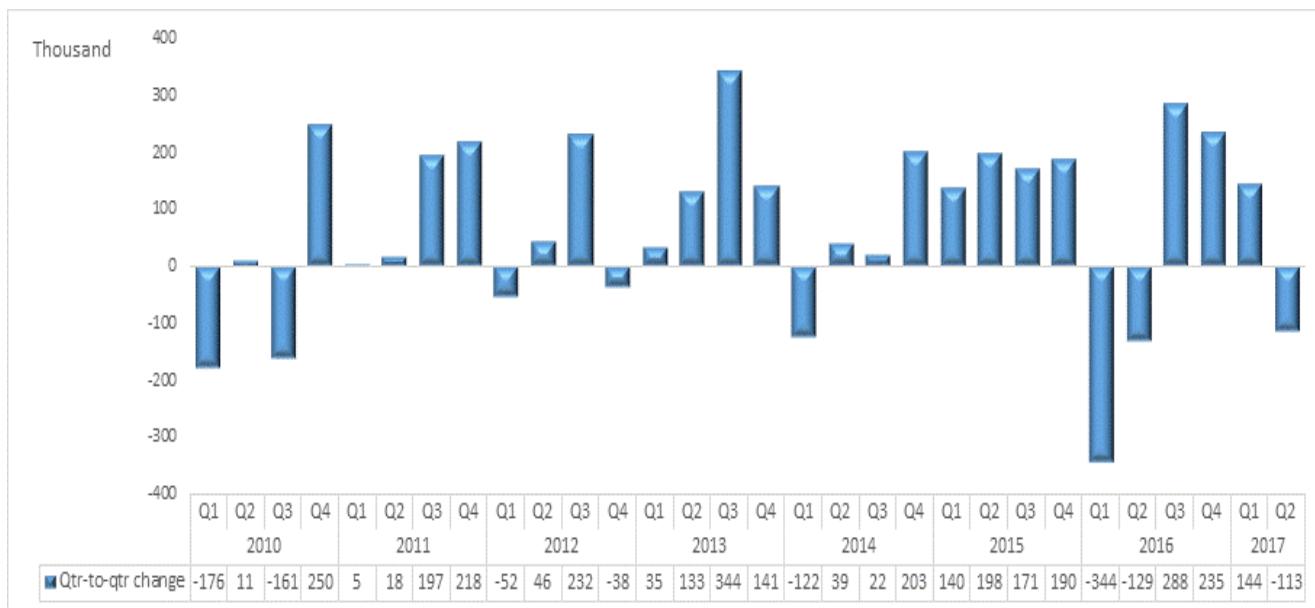
Both employment and unemployment decreased in Q2: 2017; this resulted in the unemployment rate remaining unchanged from the first quarter of 2017. The absorption rate declined to 43,3% (down by 0,4 of a percentage point) and labour force participation declined to 59,9% (down by 0,6 of a percentage point) quarter on quarter. The not economically active population increased by 306 000, of which 83 000 were discouraged work-seekers.

Employment declined in three of the four sectors: formal sector employment decreased by 144 000, Agriculture decreased by 40 000 jobs and Private households shed 8 000 jobs. Employment gains were recorded in the informal sector (80 000).

Compared to the same quarter last year, employment increased by 554 000 or 3,6 per cent while unemployment grew by 543 000 or 9,6 per cent. This led to an increase in the unemployment rate by 1,1 percentage point to 27,7% in Q2: 2017. Between Q2:2016 and Q2:2017 the inactive population declined by 471 000 (or 3,1 per cent) as more people joined the labour force.

### 3. Employment

**Figure 1: Quarter-to-quarter changes in employment, Q1: 2010 to Q2: 2017**



The number of employed persons decreased by 113 000 in Q2: 2017 after three consecutive quarters of growth in employment.

**Table B: Employment by industry**

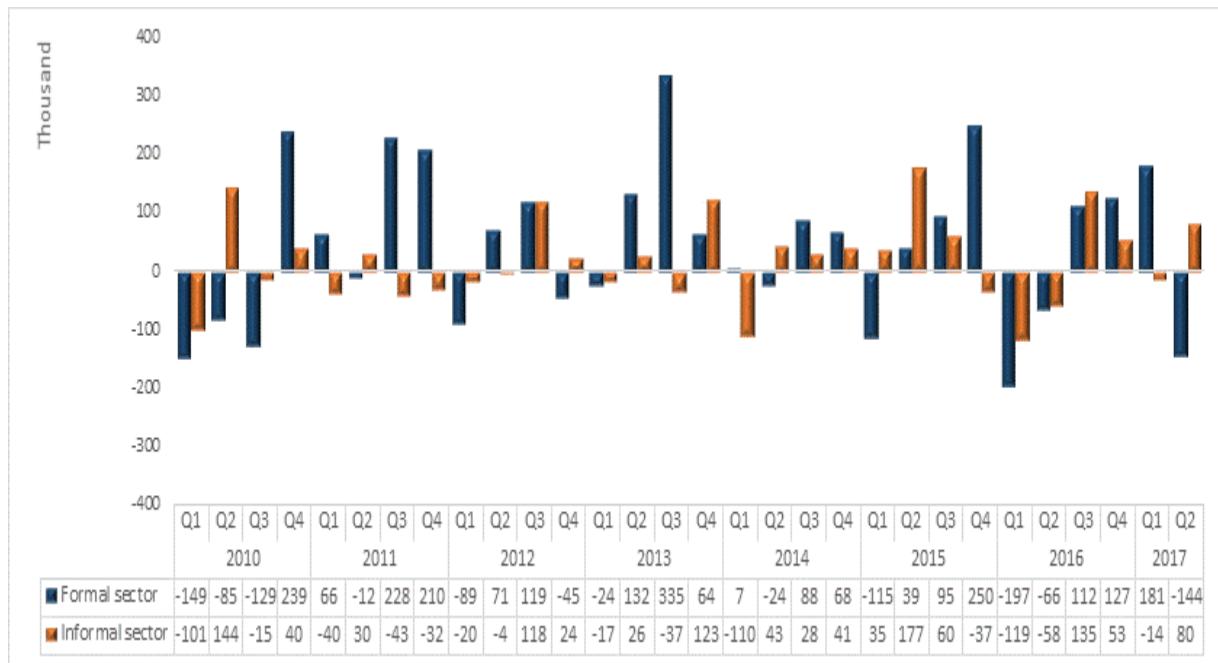
Industry	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year-on- year change
<b>Total*</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Agriculture	825	875	835	-40	10	-4,6	1,2
Mining	447	447	434	-13	-13	-2,9	-3,0
Manufacturing	1 712	1 790	1 799	10	88	0,5	5,1
Utilities	111	145	148	2	37	1,6	32,9
Construction	1 388	1 505	1 395	-110	7	-7,3	0,5
Trade	3 136	3 207	3 265	58	129	1,8	4,1
Transport	862	965	954	-11	92	-1,1	10,7
Finance and other business services	2 220	2 378	2 395	17	175	0,7	7,9
Community and social services	3 544	3 569	3 560	-9	16	-0,3	0,5
Private households	1 296	1 319	1 311	-8	15	-0,6	1,2

\*Note: Total includes 'other' industry.

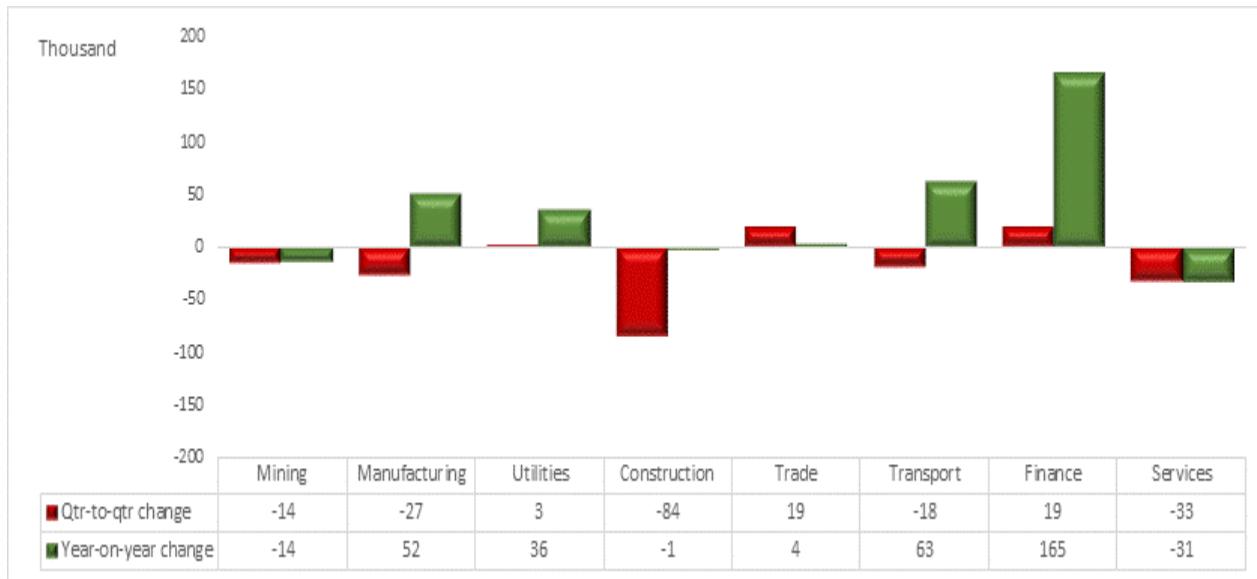
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Table B shows that the quarterly employment net decline of 113 000 in Q2: 2017 was driven by six of the ten industries. The largest decreases were recorded in Construction (110 000) and Agriculture (40 000). However, employment gains were observed in Trade (58 000), Finance (17 000), Manufacturing (10 000) and Utilities (2 000).

The year-on-year net employment gain of 554 000 was largely driven by Finance and other business services (175 000), Trade (129 000), Transport (92 000) and Manufacturing (88 000). Mining was the only industry which shed jobs between Q2:2016 and Q2:2017, (down by 13 000).

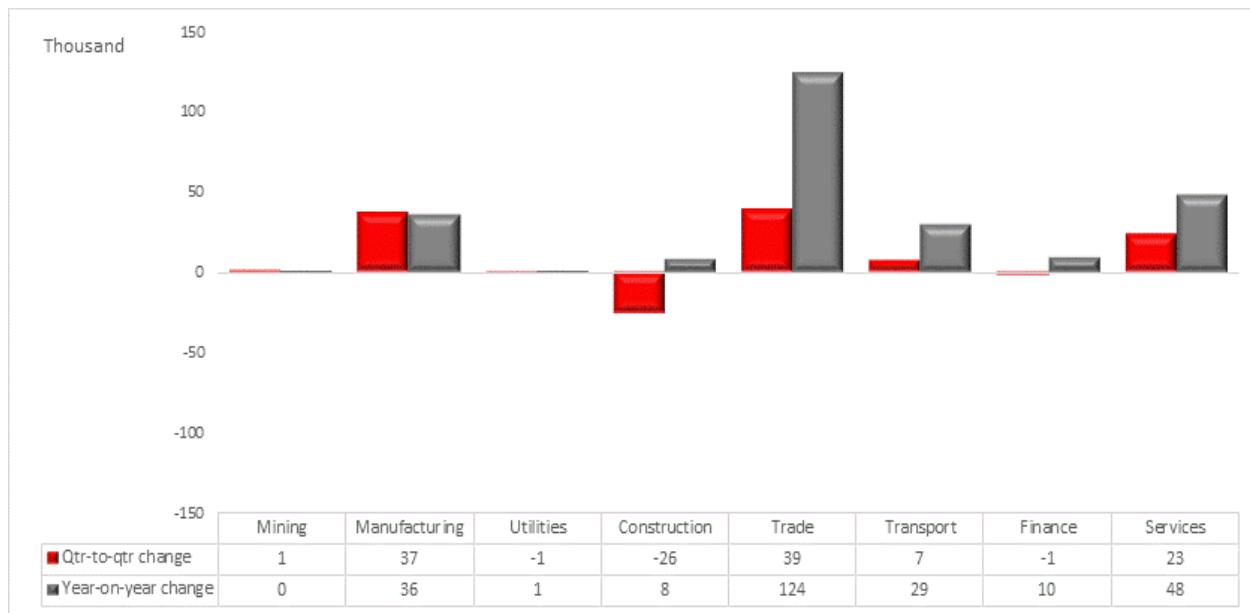
**Figure 2: Quarter-to-quarter changes in employment by sector, Q1: 2010 to Q2: 2017**

Formal sector employment declined by 144 000 in the second quarter of 2017 after three consecutive quarters of employment growth since Q3:2016. The informal sector grew by 80 000 jobs in Q2:2017, this is after it contracted by 14 000 jobs in the previous quarter.

**Figure 3: Quarter-to-quarter and year-on-year changes in the formal sector by industry**

Formal sector employment in Construction, Community and social services and Mining contracted both quarter to quarter and year-on-year; while growth observed in Finance and other business services, Utilities and Trade industries both quarter-to-quarter and year-on-year.

The main contributors to the annual increase in employment were Finance and other business services (165 000), Transport (63 000) and Manufacturing (52 000) industries.

**Figure 4: Quarter-to-quarter and year-on-year changes in the informal sector by industry**

On a quarterly basis, employment in the informal sector increased in five industries. The largest employment gains were recorded in Trade (39 000), Manufacturing (37 000) and Community and social services (23 000). Over the same period, the sector recorded employment losses in the Construction industry (26 000).

Compared to Q2: 2016, employment in the informal sector increased in all industries with the exception of Mining, where it remained unchanged. The largest annual employment gains were observed in the Trade (124 000), Community and social services (48 000) and Manufacturing (36 000) industries during the same period.

**Table C: Employment by occupation**

Occupation	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to- qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand						
<b>Total</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Manager	1 314	1 448	1 469	21	155	1,5	11,8
Professional	857	895	897	2	40	0,2	4,6
Technician	1 495	1 435	1 457	23	-38	1,6	-2,5
Clerk	1 621	1 751	1 746	-5	126	-0,3	7,8
Sales and services	2 437	2 478	2 447	-31	10	-1,2	0,4
Skilled agriculture	66	69	58	-10	-8	-15,0	-11,7
Craft and related trade	1 890	2 018	1 969	-48	79	-2,4	4,2
Plant and machine operator	1 218	1 332	1 283	-50	65	-3,7	5,3
Elementary	3 634	3 778	3 726	-52	92	-1,4	2,5
Domestic worker	1 013	1 007	1 041	34	28	3,4	2,8

*Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.*

Compared to Q1: 2017, employment gains were reflected in four of the ten occupations in Q2: 2017: Domestic worker (34 000), Technician (23 000), Managerial (21 000) and Professional (2 000). The employment net loss of 113 000 was mainly driven by Elementary, Machine operators and Craft and related trade occupations, which lost 52 000, 50 000 and 48 000 jobs, respectively.

Year-on-year changes show that employment gains were recorded in eight of the ten occupations, with the largest increases observed in Managerial, Clerical, Elementary and Craft and related trade occupations (155 000, 126 000, 92 000 and 79 000, respectively). The number of persons employed as Technician and skilled agriculture decreased by 38 000 and 8 000, respectively.

**Table D: Employment by province**

Province	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand				Per cent		
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Western Cape	2 266	2 406	2 403	-4	137	-0,1	6,0
Eastern Cape	1 350	1 442	1 416	-26	66	-1,8	4,9
Northern Cape	303	299	292	-7	-11	-2,4	-3,6
Free State	797	767	777	10	-21	1,3	-2,6
KwaZulu-Natal	2 479	2 555	2 583	29	105	1,1	4,2
North West	915	976	978	2	64	0,2	7,0
Gauteng	4 942	5 193	5 050	-143	109	-2,7	2,2
Mpumalanga	1 171	1 217	1 212	-6	41	-0,5	3,5
Limpopo	1 324	1 358	1 390	32	66	2,3	5,0

*Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.*

The number of employed persons decreased in five of the nine provinces between Q1: 2017 and Q2: 2017. The largest employment losses were recorded in Gauteng (143 000) and Eastern Cape (26 000), while Limpopo (32 000) and KwaZulu-Natal (29 000) recorded the largest employment gains.

Compared to Q2: 2016, employment increased in seven of the nine provinces, with Western Cape (137 000), Gauteng (109 000) and KwaZulu-Natal (105 000) recording the highest employment gains. During the same period, employment losses were recorded in Free State (21 000) and Northern Cape (11 000).

**Table E: Employment by province and municipality**

Province and municipality	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand					Per cent	
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>2 266</b>	<b>2 406</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>6,0</b>
Non-metro	798	895	872	-23	74	-2,6	9,2
City of Cape Town	1 468	1 511	1 531	20	63	1,3	4,3
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1 350</b>	<b>1 442</b>	<b>1 416</b>	<b>-26</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>4,9</b>
Non-metro	794	825	817	-8	23	-0,9	2,9
Buffalo City	230	257	252	-5	22	-2,0	9,7
Nelson Mandela Bay	326	360	346	-13	20	-3,7	6,2
<b>Free State</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>-2,6</b>
Non-metro	547	534	531	-3	-16	-0,6	-3,0
Mangaung	250	232	246	13	-4	5,6	-1,7
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>2 479</b>	<b>2 555</b>	<b>2 583</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>4,2</b>
Non-metro	1 353	1 377	1 399	22	46	1,6	3,4
eThekwini	1 126	1 178	1 184	7	58	0,6	5,2
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>4 942</b>	<b>5 193</b>	<b>5 050</b>	<b>-143</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>-2,7</b>	<b>2,2</b>
Non-metro	587	624	600	-24	14	-3,8	2,3
Ekurhuleni	1 161	1 296	1 259	-37	98	-2,9	8,5
City of Johannesburg	1 963	1 992	1 934	-58	-30	-2,9	-1,5
City of Tshwane	1 231	1 281	1 257	-24	26	-1,8	2,1
<b>Other*</b>	<b>3 712</b>	<b>3 850</b>	<b>3 871</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>4,3</b>

\*Note: 'Other' includes Northern Cape, North West, Mpumalanga and Limpopo. These provinces do not have metropolitan municipalities.

Between Q1: 2017 and Q2: 2017, employment levels decreased in five metropolitan municipalities, with the exception of City of Cape Town, Mangaung and eThekwini, where the number of employed persons increased by 20 000, 13 000 and 7 000, respectively. City of Johannesburg, Ekurhuleni and City of Tshwane recorded the highest employment losses at 58 000, 37 000 and 24 000, respectively.

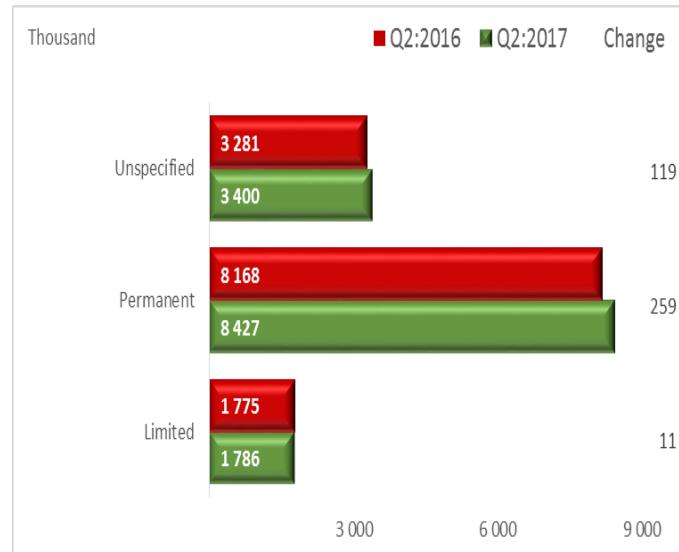
Annual employment gains were observed in six metropolitan municipalities, with the largest increase in Ekurhuleni (98 000), followed by City of Cape Town (63 000) and eThekwini (58 000). Compared to the same period last year, employment decreases were recorded in two metropolitan municipalities, namely City of Johannesburg (30 000) and Mangaung (4 000).

### 3.1 Conditions of employment for employees

**Figure 5: Quarter-to-quarter changes in nature of employment contract**



**Figure 6: Year-on-year changes in nature of employment contract**

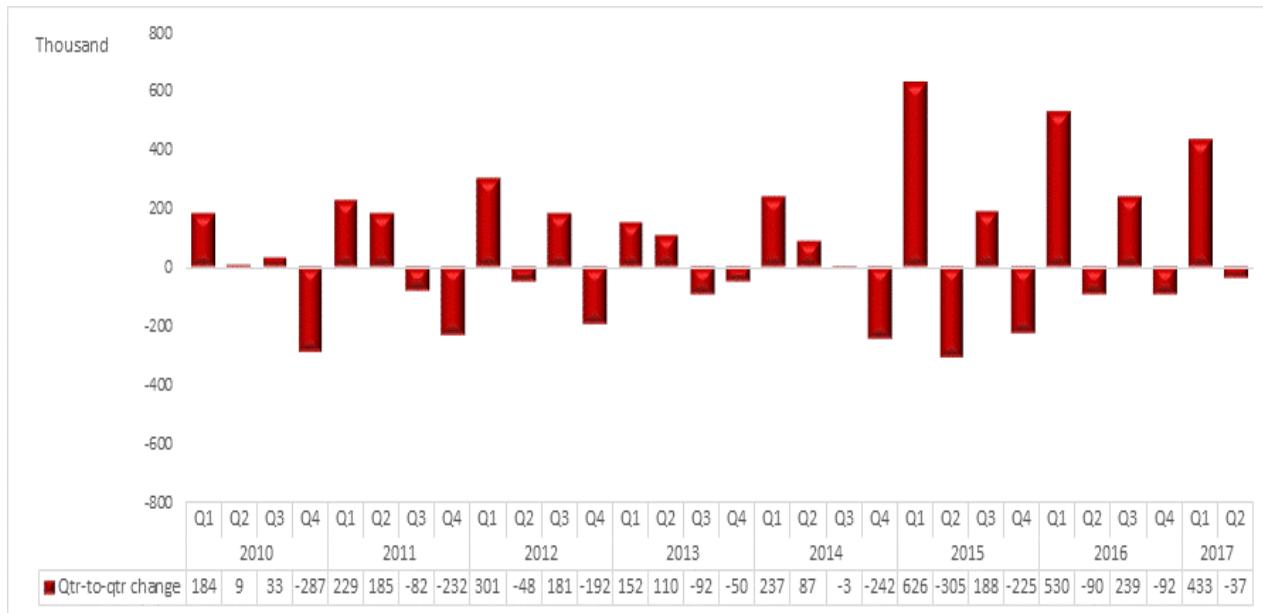


Between Q1:2017 and Q2:2017, employment contraction affected all employees irrespective of the nature of employment contract, with the largest decreases among employees with contracts of a limited duration (71 000).

Compared to the same period last year, the number of employees increased for all types of contract durations. The largest increase of 259 000 was recorded among employees with permanent contracts, followed by those with contracts of unspecified durations (119 000).

## 4. Unemployment

**Figure 7: Quarter-to-quarter changes in unemployment, Q1: 2010 to Q2: 2017**



The number of unemployed persons decreased by 37 000 in the second quarter of 2017. This is after an increase of 433 000 in the previous quarter.

**Table F: Unemployment rate by province**

	Official unemployment rate					Expanded unemployment rate				
	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Apr-Jun 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Per cent		Percentage points		Per cent		Percentage points			
South Africa	26,6	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1	36,4	36,4	36,6	0,2	0,2
Western Cape	22,2	21,5	20,7	-0,8	-1,5	24,6	24,7	24,6	-0,1	0,0
Eastern Cape	28,6	32,2	34,4	2,2	5,8	43,8	43,6	44,5	0,9	0,7
Northern cape	27,4	30,7	30,5	-0,2	3,1	39,8	43,9	45,3	1,4	5,5
Free State	32,2	35,5	34,4	-1,1	2,2	38,1	41,7	40,5	-1,2	2,4
KwaZulu-Natal	22,6	25,8	24,0	-1,8	1,4	39,7	41,0	40,4	-0,6	0,7
North West	27,3	26,5	27,2	0,7	-0,1	42,6	41,7	42,0	0,3	-0,6
Gauteng	29,5	29,2	29,9	0,7	0,4	33,0	32,0	32,9	0,9	-0,1
Mpumalanga	28,8	31,5	32,3	0,8	3,5	41,0	41,2	41,4	0,2	0,4
Limpopo	20,6	21,6	20,8	-0,8	0,2	38,6	38,2	37,1	-1,1	-1,5

On a quarter-to-quarter basis, the official unemployment rate remained unchanged at 27,7%, and increased by 1,1 percentage points year-on-year. On an annual basis, increases in the official unemployment rate were recorded in seven of the nine provinces, with the highest increase recorded in Eastern Cape (5,8 percentage points), Mpumalanga (3,5 percentage points), Northern Cape (3,1 percentage points) and Free State (2,2 percentage points). Western Cape and North West were the only provinces that recorded declines in the unemployment rate.

Compared to Q1: 2017 the expanded unemployment rate increased by 0,2 of a percentage point in Q2: 2017 to 36,6%. Year-on-year, the expanded unemployment rate increased in five of the nine provinces, with Northern Cape (5,5 percentage points) and Free State (2,4 percentage points) recording the largest increases. Limpopo, North West and Gauteng recorded declines in the expanded unemployment rate.

**Table G: Unemployment rate by metropolitan municipality**

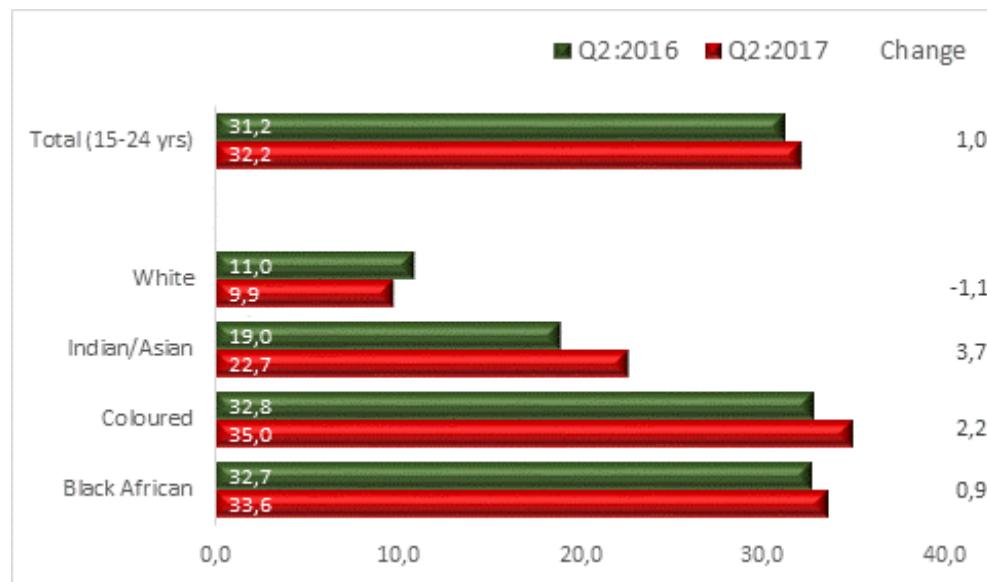
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	Per cent			Percentage points		Per cent			Percentage points	
	26,6	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1	36,4	36,4	36,6	0,2	0,2
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>26,6</b>	<b>27,7</b>	<b>27,7</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>36,4</b>	<b>36,4</b>	<b>36,6</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>0,2</b>
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>22,2</b>	<b>21,5</b>	<b>20,7</b>	<b>-0,8</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>24,6</b>	<b>24,7</b>	<b>24,6</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>0,0</b>
Non-metro	20,7	18,8	17,1	-1,7	-3,6	25,8	24,2	25,3	1,1	-0,5
City of Cape Town	23,0	23,0	22,7	-0,3	-0,3	24,0	25,1	24,2	-0,9	0,2
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>28,6</b>	<b>32,2</b>	<b>34,4</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>5,8</b>	<b>43,8</b>	<b>43,6</b>	<b>44,5</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,7</b>
Non-metro	26,8	33,8	35,9	2,1	9,1	49,6	50,2	50,1	-0,1	0,5
Buffalo City	29,8	29,5	29,1	-0,4	-0,7	32,5	32,4	33,3	0,9	0,8
Nelson Mandela Bay	32,0	30,2	34,5	4,3	2,5	32,9	30,4	35,4	5,0	2,5
<b>Free State</b>	<b>32,2</b>	<b>35,5</b>	<b>34,4</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>38,1</b>	<b>41,7</b>	<b>40,5</b>	<b>-1,2</b>	<b>2,4</b>
Non-metro	33,7	35,9	34,8	-1,1	1,1	39,7	42,2	42,0	-0,2	2,3
Mangaung	28,8	34,4	33,4	-1,0	4,6	34,1	40,7	37,0	-3,7	2,9
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>22,6</b>	<b>25,8</b>	<b>24,0</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>39,7</b>	<b>41,0</b>	<b>40,4</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>0,7</b>
Non-metro	25,0	28,9	25,7	-3,2	0,7	46,9	48,5	47,4	-1,1	0,5
eThekweni	19,7	21,8	21,8	0,0	2,1	28,0	28,7	29,3	0,6	1,3
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>29,5</b>	<b>29,2</b>	<b>29,9</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>33,0</b>	<b>32,0</b>	<b>32,9</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>-0,1</b>
Non-metro	30,8	30,7	31,7	1,0	0,9	39,3	36,6	37,9	1,3	-1,4
Ekurhuleni	34,6	30,8	31,2	0,4	-3,4	38,2	34,0	34,4	0,4	-3,8
City of Johannesburg	28,4	28,3	30,1	1,8	1,7	29,9	30,2	31,8	1,6	1,9
City of Tshwane	25,1	28,3	27,2	-1,1	2,1	28,9	30,1	30,5	0,4	1,6
<b>Other*</b>	<b>25,6</b>	<b>26,9</b>	<b>27,0</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>40,5</b>	<b>40,5</b>	<b>40,4</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,1</b>

Note: South Africa includes all nine provinces

\*'Other' includes Northern Cape, North West, Mpumalanga and Limpopo. These provinces do not have metropolitan municipalities.

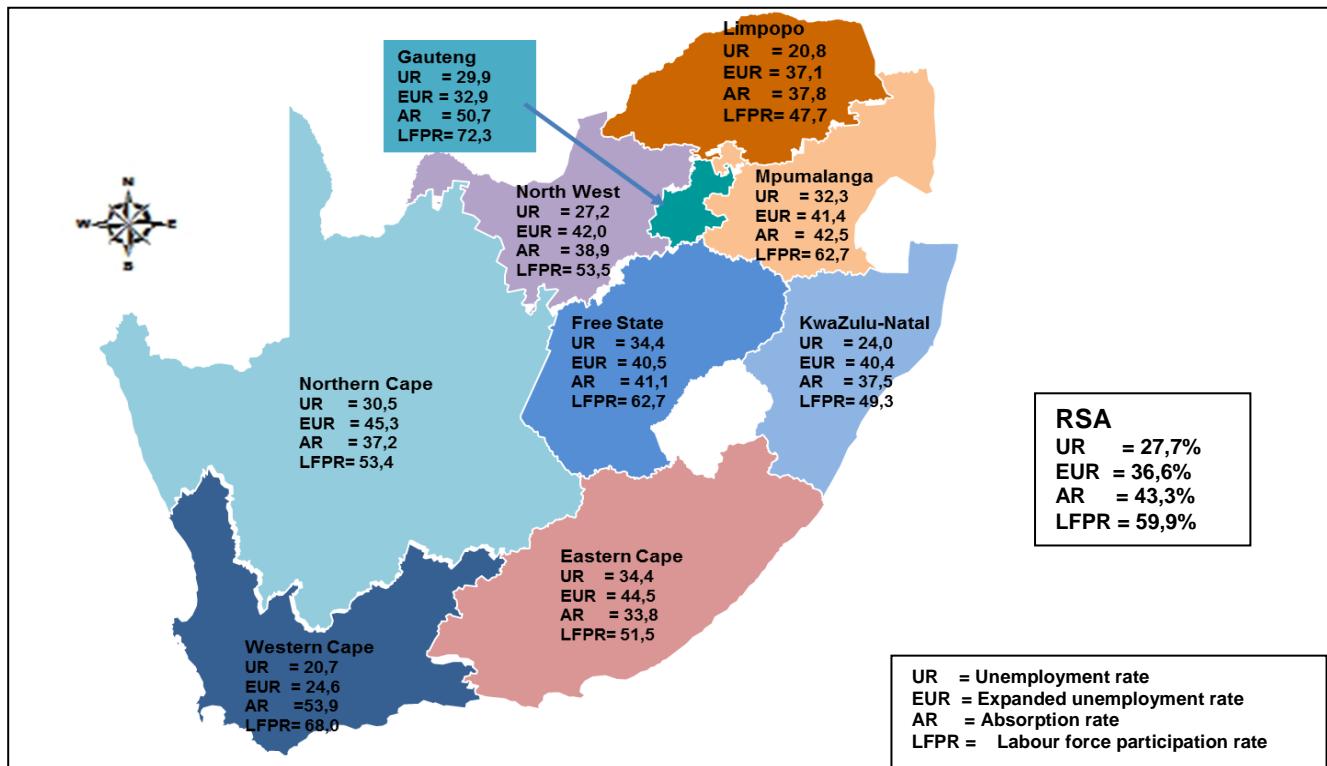
In the second quarter of 2017, quarterly increases in the official unemployment rate were observed in three of the eight metropolitan municipalities, with the highest increase recorded in Nelson Mandela Bay (up by 4,3 percentage points). Compared to Q1: 2017, Mangaung and City of Tshwane recorded the largest decreases in the official unemployment rate at 1,0 and 1,1 percentage point respectively.

Between Q1: 2017 and Q2: 2017, the expanded unemployment rate increased in six metropolitan municipalities, with Nelson Mandela Bay recording the largest quarterly increase of 5,0 percentage points.

**Figure 8: NEET rates for youth aged 15–24 years by population group, Q2: 2016 and Q2: 2017**

In Q2: 2017, 32,2% of youth aged 15–24 years were not in employment, education or training (NEET). Compared to Q2: 2016, the percentage of youth in this age category who were in NEET was 1,0 percentage point higher. The NEET rate increased for all population groups except for the white population group, which declined by 1,1 percentage points in the same period. In Q2: 2017, a third of black African and Coloured youth aged 15–24 years were not in employment, education or training, compared to close to 10 per cent of the white population.

## 5. Summary of labour market measures at a glance, Q2: 2017



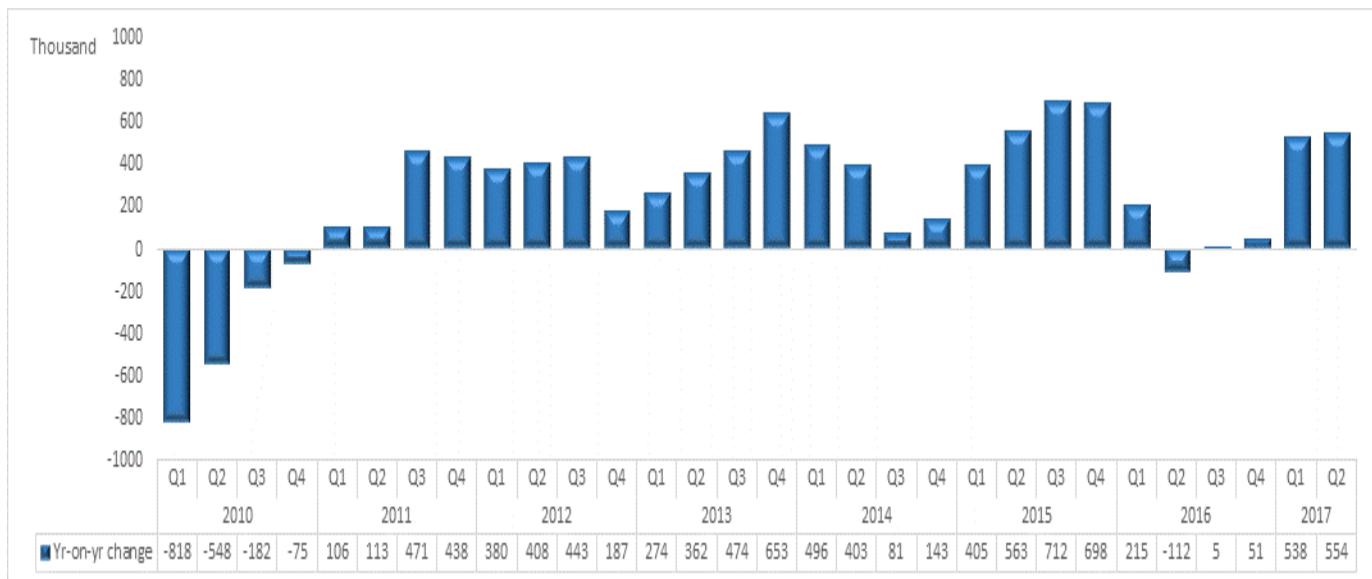

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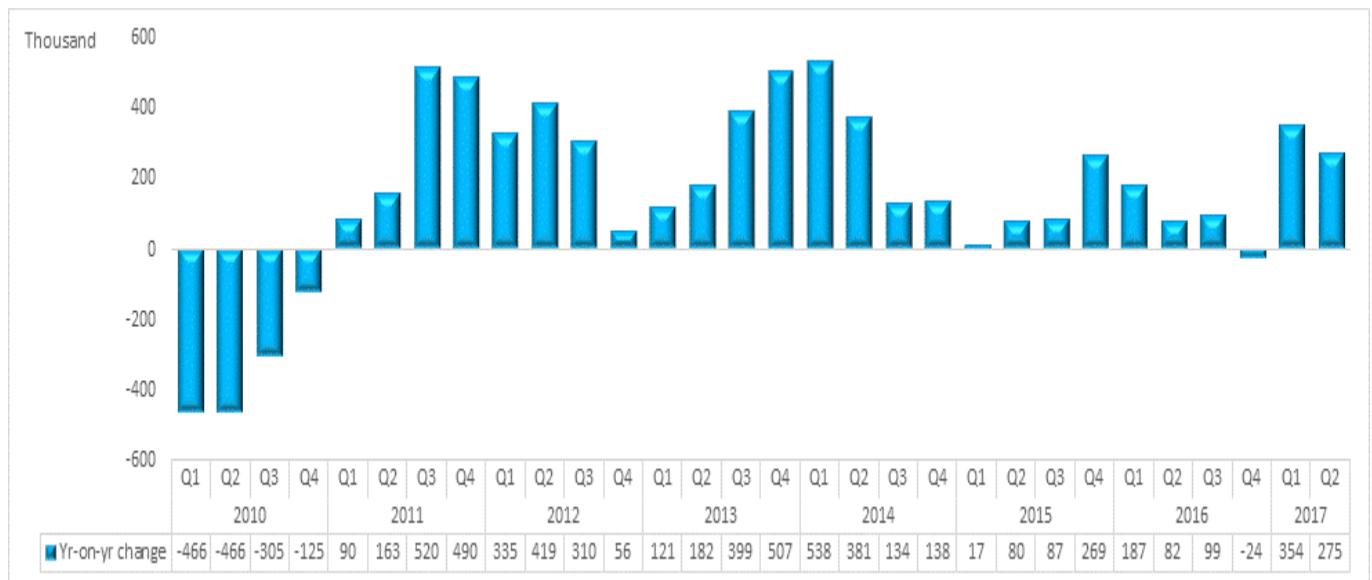
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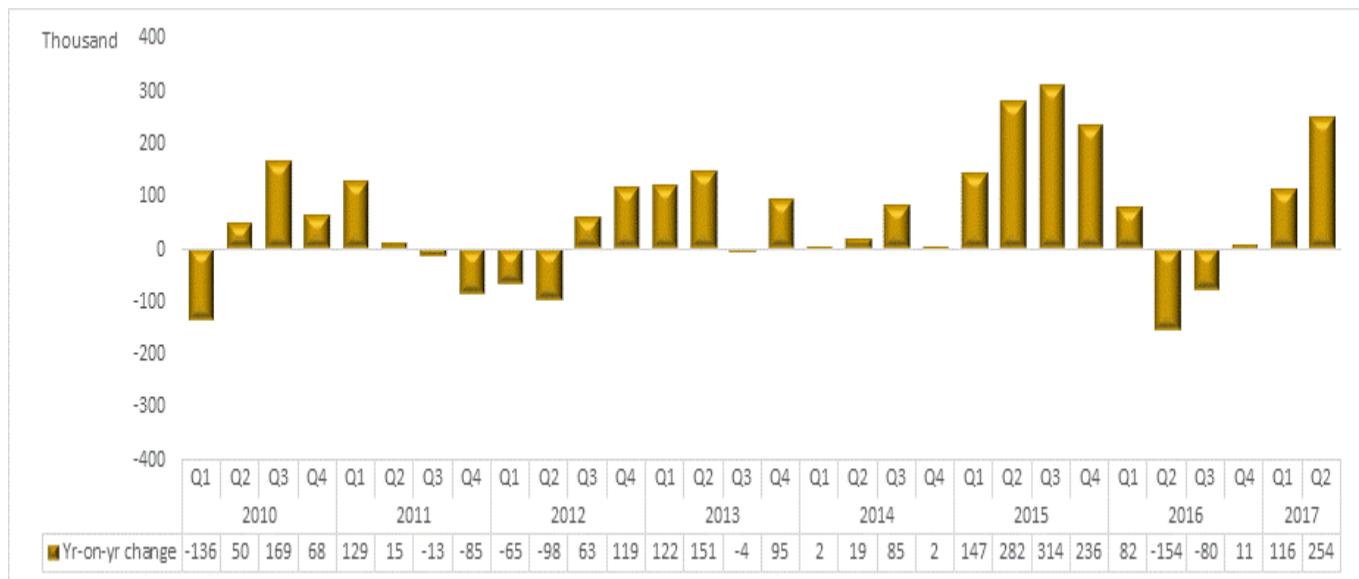
### 6.1 Year-on-year changes

**Figure 9: Year-on-year changes in total employment, Q1: 2010 to Q2: 2017**

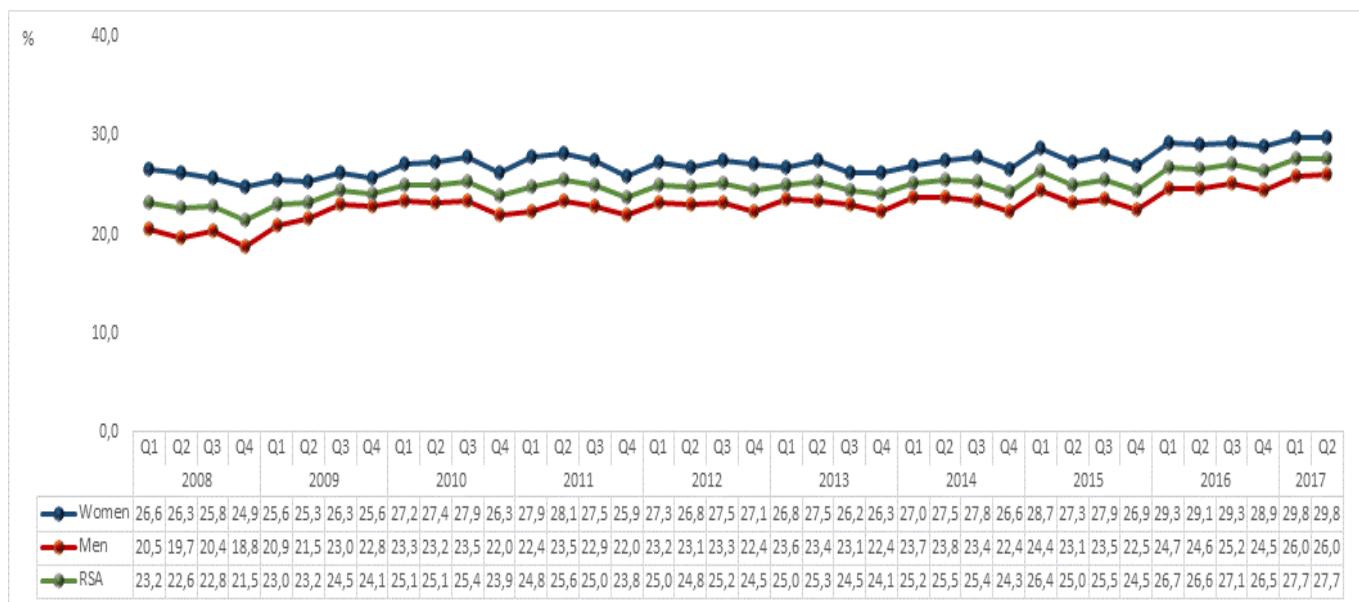


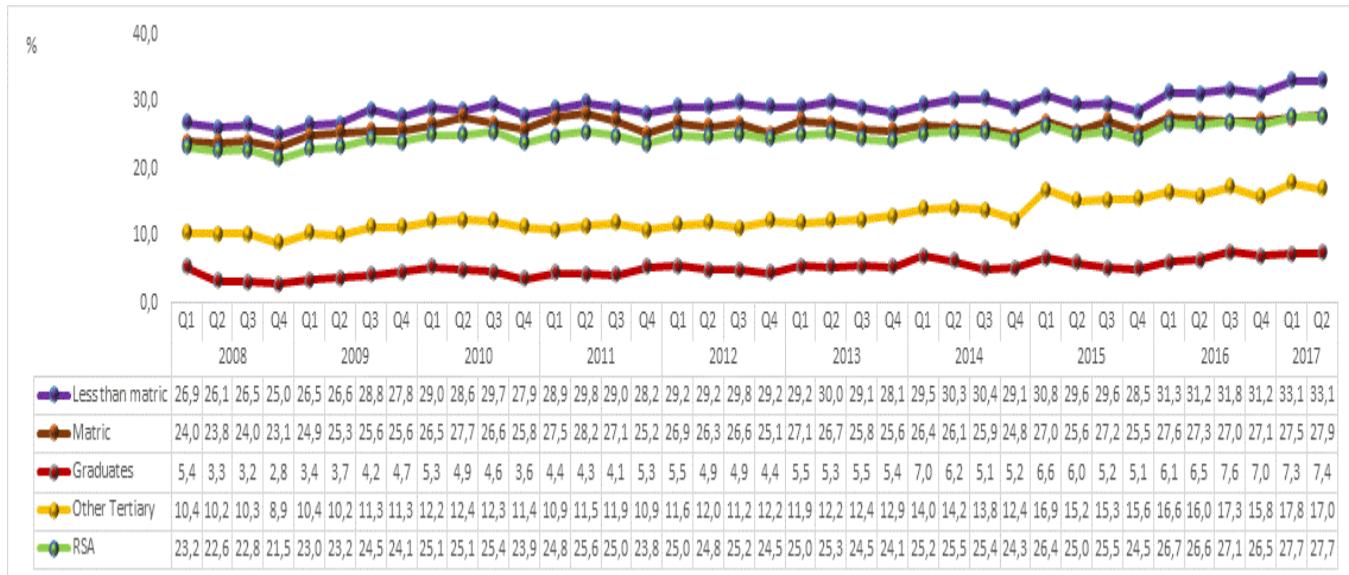
**Figure 10: Year-on-year changes in formal-sector employment, Q1: 2010 to Q2: 2017**



**Figure 11: Year-on-year changes in informal-sector employment, Q1: 2010 to Q2: 2017**

## 6.2 Trends in unemployment rate

**Figure 12: Unemployment rate by sex, Q1: 2008 to Q2: 2017**

**Figure 13: Unemployment rate by education status, Q1: 2008 to Q2: 2017**

## 7. Key differences between the Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) and the Quarterly Employment Survey (QES)

There are two official sources of employment statistics, the QES which is establishment based and the QLFS which is household based. Each survey has its strengths and limitations. For example, the QES cannot provide information on the following;

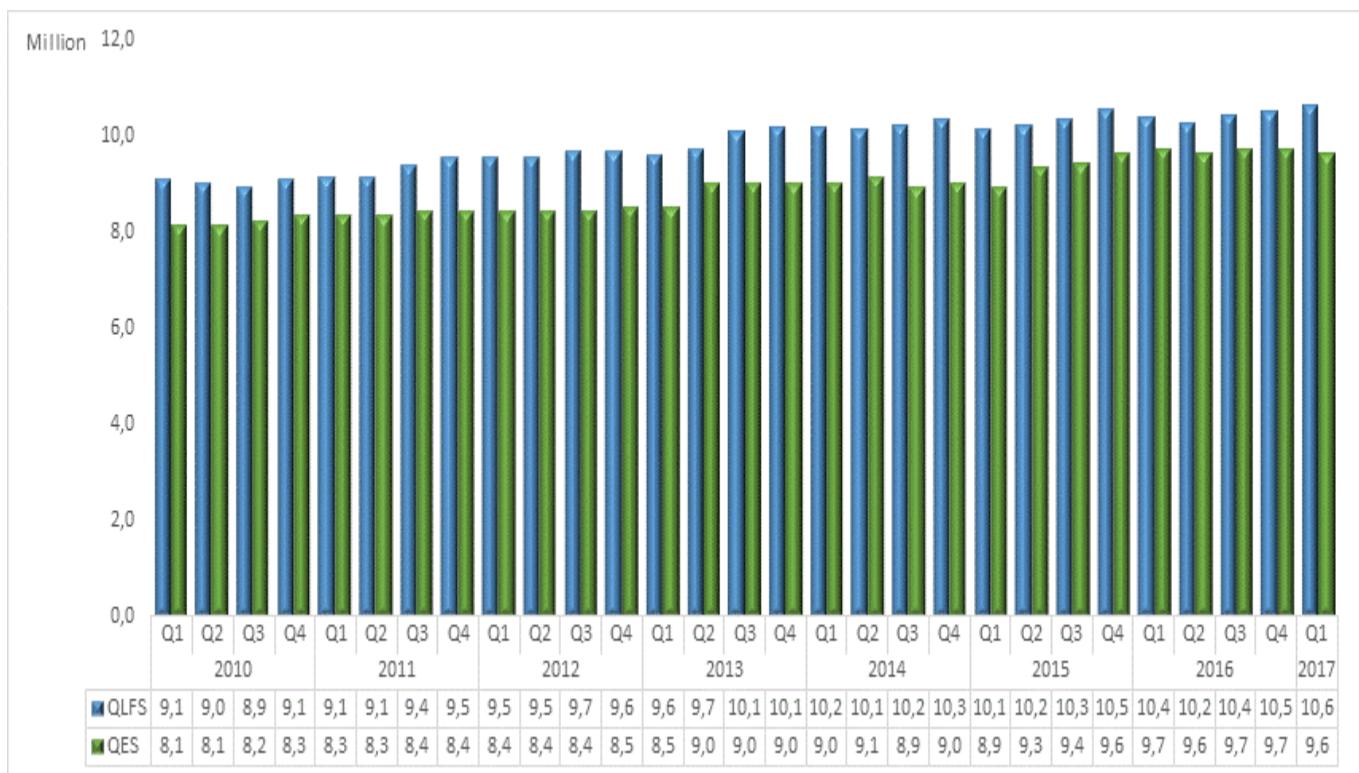
- Description of the employed e.g. their demographic profile, education level, hours of work etc.; and
- Unemployment and descriptors of the unemployed.

The QLFS is a survey of households that collects information from approximately 30 000 dwelling units and collects data on the labour market activities of individuals, whereas the QES is an enterprise-based survey that collects information from non-agricultural businesses and organisations from approximately 20 000 units. The numerous conceptual and methodological differences between the household- and enterprise-based surveys result in important distinctions in the employment estimates derived from the surveys. Among these are:

- The household survey includes agricultural workers, self-employed workers whose businesses are unincorporated, unpaid family workers, and private household workers among the employed. These groups are excluded from the enterprise-based survey.
- The household survey is limited to workers 15 years of age and older. The enterprise-based survey is not limited by age.
- The household survey has no duplication of individuals, because individuals are counted only once, even if they hold more than one job. In the enterprise-based survey, employees working at more than one job and thus appearing on more than one payroll are counted separately for each appearance.
- QLFS includes income tax, VAT and number of employees in determining the formal sector while QES uses only VAT with annual turnover greater than 300 000.
- QLFS allows proxy respondents; this can introduce misclassification of items, e.g. formal/informal classification.

**Table H: Key differences between the QLFS and the QES**

	<b>QLFS</b>	<b>QES</b>
<b>Coverage</b>	Private households and workers' hostels Non-institutional population (15 years and older) Total employment (including informal sector, Private households, Agriculture and small businesses)	Payroll of VAT-registered businesses Employees only Formal sector excluding Agriculture
<b>Sample size</b>	Quarterly sample of approximately 30 000 dwellings in which households reside	Quarterly sample of 20 000 non-agricultural formal- sector businesses
<b>Reference period</b>	One week prior to the interview	Payroll on the last day of the quarter
<b>Standard Industrial Classification (SIC)</b>	All industries	Excluding Agriculture and Private households
<b>Formal sector definition (excluding Agriculture and Private households)</b>	Employers and own-account workers registered for VAT or income tax Employees paying income tax and those not paying tax but working in firms with five or more workers	Employees on payroll of VAT-registered businesses

**Figure 14: Formal sector employment trends in QLFS and QES, Q1: 2010 to Q1: 2017**

## 8. Technical notes

### 8.1 Response details

**Table I: Response rates by province and metropolitan area**

Province / Metropolitan Area	Apr-Jun 2017
National	89,5
Western Cape	90,6
Non metro	93,7
City of Cape Town	89,2
Eastern Cape	93,8
Non metro	94,9
Buffalo City	90,9
Nelson Mandela Bay	92,1
Northern Cape	90,7
Free State	94,3
Non metro	94,9
Mangaung	93,0
KwaZulu-Natal	93,5
Non metro	93,9
eThekweni	92,8
North West	89,8
Gauteng	79,6
Non metro	81,8
Ekurhuleni	79,5
City of Johannesburg	76,3
City of Tshwane	84,4
Mpumalanga	93,5
Limpopo	97,1

### 8.2 Survey requirements and design

The Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QLFS) uses the Master Sample frame that has been developed as a general-purpose household survey frame that can be used by all other Stats SA household-based surveys having design requirements that are reasonably compatible with the QLFS. The 2013 Master Sample is based on information collected during the 2011 Census conducted by Stats SA. In preparation for Census 2011, the country was divided into 103 576 enumeration areas (EAs). The census EAs, together with the auxiliary information for the EAs, were used as the frame units or building blocks for the formation of primary sampling units (PSUs) for the Master Sample, since they covered the entire country and had other information that is crucial for stratification and creation of PSUs. There are 3 324 primary sampling units (PSUs) in the Master Sample with an expected sample of approximately 33 000 dwelling units (DUs). The number of PSUs in the current Master Sample (3 324) reflects an 8,0% increase in the size of the Master Sample compared to the previous (2008) Master Sample (which had 3 080 PSUs). The larger Master Sample of PSUs was selected to improve the precision (smaller coefficients of variation, known as CVs) of the QLFS estimates.

The Master Sample is designed to be representative at provincial level and within provinces at metro/non-metro levels. Within the metros, the sample is further distributed by geographical type. The three geography types are Urban, Tribal and Farms. This implies, for example, that within a metropolitan area the sample is representative of the different geography types that may exist within that metro.

It is divided equally into four sub-groups or panels called rotation groups. The rotation groups are designed in such a way that each of these groups has the same distribution pattern as that which is observed in the whole sample. They are numbered from one (1) to four (4) and these numbers also correspond to the quarters of the year in which the sample will be rotated for the particular group.

The sample for the QLFS is based on a stratified two-stage design with probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling of PSUs in the first stage, and sampling of dwelling units (DUs) with systematic sampling in the second stage.

### **8.3 Sample rotation**

For each quarter of the QLFS, a  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the sampled dwellings are rotated out of the sample. These dwellings are replaced by new dwellings from the same PSU or the next PSU on the list. Thus, sampled dwellings are expected to remain in the sample for four consecutive quarters. It should be noted that the sampling unit is the dwelling, and the unit of observation is the household. Therefore, if a household moves out of a dwelling after being in the sample for two quarters (as an example) and a new household moves in, the new household will be enumerated for the next two quarters. If no household moves into the sampled dwelling, the dwelling will be classified as vacant (or unoccupied).

### **8.4 Weighting**

The sample weights were constructed in order to account for the following: the original selection probabilities (design weights), adjustments for PSUs that were sub-sampled or segmented, excluded population from the sampling frame, non-response, weight trimming, and benchmarking to known population estimates from the Demographic Analysis Division within Stats SA.

### **8.5 Non-response adjustment**

In general, imputation is used for item non-response (i.e. blanks within the questionnaire) and edit failures (i.e. invalid or inconsistent responses). The eligible households in the sampled dwellings can be divided into two response categories: respondents and non-respondents. Weight adjustment is applied to account for the non-respondent households (e.g. refusal, no contact, etc.). The adjustment for total non-response was computed at two levels of non-response: PSU non-response and household non-response.

### **8.6 Final survey weights**

In the final step of constructing the sample weights, all individuals within a household are assigned the same adjusted base weight. The adjusted base weights are calibrated such that the aggregate totals will match with independently derived (by Stats SA Demography Division) population estimates (from the Demographic Analysis Division) for various age, race and gender groups at national level and individual metropolitan and non-metropolitan area levels within the provinces. The calibrated weights are constructed using the constraint that each person within the same household should have the same calibrated weight, with a lower bound on the calibrated weights set at 50.

### **8.7 Estimation**

The final survey weights are used to obtain the estimates for various domains of interest, e.g. number of persons employed in Agriculture in Western Cape, number of females employed in Manufacturing, etc.

## 8.8 Reliability of the survey estimates

Since estimates are based on sample data, they differ from figures that would have been obtained from complete enumeration of the population using the same instrument. Results are subject to both sampling and non-sampling errors. Non-sampling errors include biases from inaccurate reporting, processing, and tabulation, etc., as well as errors from non-responses and incomplete reporting. These types of errors cannot be measured readily. However, to some extent, non-sampling errors can be minimised through the procedures used for data collection, editing, quality control, and non-response adjustment. The variances of the survey estimates are used to measure sampling errors.

### **(i) Variance estimation**

The most commonly used methods for estimating variances of survey estimates from complex surveys such as the QLFS, are the Taylor-series Linearization, Jack-knife Replication, Balanced Repeated Replication (BRR), and Bootstrap methods (Wolter, 2007)<sup>1</sup>. The Fay's BRR method has been used for variance estimation in the QLFS because of its simplicity.

### **(ii) Coefficient of variation**

It is more useful in many situations to assess the size of the standard error relative to the magnitude of the characteristic being measured (the standard error is defined as the square root of the variance). The **coefficient of variation (cv)** provides such a measure. It is the **ratio of the standard error of the survey estimate to the value of the estimate itself expressed as a percentage**. It is very useful in comparing the precision of several different survey estimates, where their sizes or scale differ from one another.

### **(iii) P-value of an estimate of change**

The p-value corresponding to an estimate of change is the probability of observing a value larger than the particular observed value under the hypothesis that there is no real change. If p-value <0,01, the difference is highly significant; if p-value is between 0,01 and 0,05; then the difference is significant; and if p-value >0,05, the difference is not significant.

## 9. Definitions

**Discouraged work-seeker** is a person who was not employed during the reference period, wanted to work, was available to work/start a business but did not take active steps to find work during the last four weeks, provided that the main reason given for not seeking work was any of the following: no jobs available in the area; unable to find work requiring his/her skills; lost hope of finding any kind of work.

**Economic activities** are those that contribute to the production of goods and services in the country. There are two types of economic activities, namely: (1) Market production activities (work done for others and usually associated with pay or profit); and (2) Non-market production activities (work done for the benefit of the household, e.g. subsistence farming).

**Employed** persons are those aged 15–64 years who, during the reference week, did any work for at least one hour, or had a job or business but were not at work (i.e. were temporarily absent).

**Employment-to-population ratio (labour absorption rate)** is the proportion of the working-age population that is employed.

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<sup>1</sup>Wolter, K.M. 2007. *Introduction to Variance Estimation, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition*. New York: Springer-Verlag.

**Informal employment** identifies persons who are in precarious employment situations irrespective of whether or not the entity for which they work is in the formal or informal sector. Persons in informal employment therefore comprise all persons in the informal sector, employees in the formal sector, and persons working in private households who are not entitled to basic benefits such as pension or medical aid contributions from their employer, and who do not have a written contract of employment.

**Informal sector:** The informal sector has the following two components:

- i) Employees working in establishments that employ fewer than five employees, who do not deduct income tax from their salaries/wages; and
- ii) Employers, own-account workers and persons helping unpaid in their household business who are not registered for either income tax or value-added tax.

The **labour force** comprises all persons who are employed plus all persons who are unemployed.

**Labour force participation rate** is the proportion of the working-age population that is either employed or unemployed.

**Long-term unemployment:** Persons in long-term unemployment are those individuals among the unemployed who were without work and trying to find a job or start a business for one year or more.

**Not economically active:** Persons aged 15–64 years who are neither employed nor unemployed in the reference week.

Persons in **underemployment (time-related)** are employed persons who were willing and available to work additional hours, whose total number of hours actually worked during the reference period were below 35 hours per week.

**Underutilised labour** comprises three groups that are defined as follows: persons who are underemployed, persons who are unemployed, and persons who are discouraged.

**Unemployed** persons are those (aged 15–64 years) who:

- a) Were not employed in the reference week; **and**
- b) Actively looked for work or tried to start a business in the four weeks preceding the survey interview; **and**
- c) Were available for work, i.e. would have been able to start work or a business in the reference week; **or**
- d) Had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a job or business to start at a definite date in the future and were available.

**Unemployment rate** is the proportion of the labour force that is unemployed.

The **working-age population** comprises all persons aged 15–64 years.

**Appendix 1****Table 1: Population of working age (15–64 years)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Women	18 530	18 604	18 679	18 753	18 828	75	298	0,4	1,6
Men	18 061	18 145	18 226	18 307	18 389	82	328	0,4	1,8
<b>Population groups</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Black/African	29 187	29 341	29 493	29 645	29 798	153	610	0,5	2,1
Coloured	3 366	3 377	3 386	3 396	3 406	10	39	0,3	1,2
Indian/Asian	985	988	990	992	994	2	8	0,2	0,9
White	3 052	3 044	3 036	3 028	3 020	-8	-32	-0,3	-1,0
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Western Cape	4 365	4 389	4 412	4 436	4 460	24	95	0,5	2,2
Eastern Cape	4 142	4 153	4 166	4 178	4 190	13	48	0,3	1,2
Northern Cape	775	778	780	783	785	2	10	0,3	1,3
Free State	1 882	1 884	1 885	1 887	1 888	1	6	0,1	0,3
KwaZulu-Natal	6 789	6 815	6 841	6 868	6 894	26	105	0,4	1,5
North West	2 468	2 479	2 490	2 501	2 512	11	44	0,4	1,8
Gauteng	9 748	9 802	9 854	9 905	9 957	52	209	0,5	2,1
Mpumalanga	2 802	2 815	2 828	2 841	2 853	13	51	0,4	1,8
Limpopo	3 619	3 634	3 649	3 663	3 678	15	59	0,4	1,6

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

**Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex – All population groups**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>21 179</b>	<b>21 706</b>	<b>21 849</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>1 098</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	10 917	11 029	11 156	11 337	11 193	-144	275	-1,3	2,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 507	2 641	2 695	2 681	2 761	80	254	3,0	10,1
Agriculture	825	881	919	875	835	-40	10	-4,6	1,2
Private households	1 296	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	-8	15	-0,6	1,2
Unemployed	5 634	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	-37	543	-0,6	9,6
Not economically active	15 412	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	306	-471	2,1	-3,1
Discouraged work-seekers	2 526	2 291	2 292	2 277	2 361	83	-165	3,7	-6,5
Other(not economically active)	12 886	12 753	12 763	12 357	12 580	223	-306	1,8	-2,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,6	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	57,9	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	-0,6	2,0		
<b>Women</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>18 530</b>	<b>18 604</b>	<b>18 679</b>	<b>18 753</b>	<b>18 828</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>9 524</b>	<b>9 727</b>	<b>9 883</b>	<b>10 232</b>	<b>10 086</b>	<b>-146</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>-1,4</b>	<b>5,9</b>
Employed	6 754	6 873	7 031	7 182	7 078	-105	324	-1,5	4,8
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4 583	4 652	4 754	4 883	4 770	-113	187	-2,3	4,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	960	970	977	1 021	1 026	5	66	0,5	6,9
Agriculture	235	255	305	278	264	-14	29	-4,9	12,3
Private households	976	996	995	1 001	1 018	17	42	1,7	4,3
Unemployed	2 770	2 854	2 852	3 049	3 008	-42	238	-1,4	8,6
Not economically active	9 006	8 877	8 796	8 522	8 743	221	-263	2,6	-2,9
Discouraged work-seekers	1 369	1 301	1 289	1 233	1 288	55	-81	4,5	-5,9
Other(not economically active)	7 637	7 576	7 506	7 288	7 454	166	-183	2,3	-2,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,1	29,3	28,9	29,8	29,8	0,0	0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,4	36,9	37,6	38,3	37,6	-0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	51,4	52,3	52,9	54,6	53,6	-1,0	2,2		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

Table 2: Labour force characteristics by sex – All population groups (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Men</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>18 061</b>	<b>18 145</b>	<b>18 226</b>	<b>18 307</b>	<b>18 389</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>11 655</b>	<b>11 979</b>	<b>11 966</b>	<b>12 195</b>	<b>12 191</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>4,6</b>
Employed	8 792	8 960	9 037	9 030	9 022	-8	230	-0,1	2,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6 335	6 377	6 402	6 454	6 423	-31	88	-0,5	1,4
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 546	1 672	1 718	1 660	1 734	74	188	4,5	12,1
Agriculture	590	627	614	597	571	-26	-19	-4,4	-3,3
Private households	320	285	304	319	294	-25	-26	-7,9	-8,2
Unemployed	2 864	3 018	2 929	3 165	3 169	4	306	0,1	10,7
Not economically active	6 406	6 166	6 260	6 113	6 198	85	-208	1,4	-3,2
Discouraged work-seekers	1 157	989	1 003	1 044	1 072	28	-85	2,7	-7,3
Other(not economically active)	5 249	5 177	5 257	5 069	5 126	57	-123	1,1	-2,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,6	25,2	24,5	26,0	26,0	0,0	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	48,7	49,4	49,6	49,3	49,1	-0,2	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	64,5	66,0	65,7	66,6	66,3	-0,3	1,8		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.1: Labour force characteristics by population group**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>21 179</b>	<b>21 706</b>	<b>21 849</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>1 098</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Unemployed	5 634	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	-37	543	-0,6	9,6
Not economically active	15 412	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	306	-471	2,1	-3,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,6	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	57,9	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	-0,6	2,0		
<b>Black/African</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>29 187</b>	<b>29 341</b>	<b>29 493</b>	<b>29 645</b>	<b>29 798</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>16 452</b>	<b>16 920</b>	<b>17 043</b>	<b>17 502</b>	<b>17 504</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>6,4</b>
Employed	11 506	11 764	11 939	12 009	12 025	15	519	0,1	4,5
Unemployed	4 946	5 156	5 105	5 493	5 479	-14	533	-0,3	10,8
Not economically active	12 736	12 421	12 450	12 143	12 294	151	-442	1,2	-3,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	30,1	30,5	30,0	31,4	31,3	-0,1	1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,4	40,1	40,5	40,5	40,4	-0,1	1,0		
Labour force participation rate	56,4	57,7	57,8	59,0	58,7	-0,3	2,3		
<b>Coloured</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>3 366</b>	<b>3 377</b>	<b>3 386</b>	<b>3 396</b>	<b>3 406</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 094</b>	<b>2 129</b>	<b>2 159</b>	<b>2 191</b>	<b>2 134</b>	<b>-57</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-2,6</b>	<b>1,9</b>
Employed	1 609	1 642	1 685	1 690	1 631	-59	22	-3,5	1,4
Unemployed	485	488	474	501	503	1	18	0,3	3,7
Not economically active	1 273	1 247	1 227	1 205	1 272	67	0	5,6	0,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	23,2	22,9	22,0	22,9	23,6	0,7	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,8	48,6	49,8	49,8	47,9	-1,9	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	62,2	63,1	63,8	64,5	62,7	-1,8	0,5		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.1: Labour force characteristics by population group (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Indian/Asian</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	985	988	990	992	994	2	8	0,2	0,9
<b>Labour Force</b>	572	601	602	624	606	-18	35	-2,8	6,1
Employed	505	522	535	544	526	-18	21	-3,3	4,1
Unemployed	67	79	67	80	80	0	14	0,0	20,6
Not economically active	414	387	388	368	388	20	-26	5,4	-6,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	11,7	13,2	11,1	12,9	13,3	0,4	1,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,2	52,8	54,1	54,8	52,9	-1,9	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	58,0	60,9	60,8	62,9	61,0	-1,9	3,0		
<b>White</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 052	3 044	3 036	3 028	3 020	-8	-32	-0,3	-1,0
<b>Labour Force</b>	2 062	2 055	2 045	2 109	2 033	-76	-29	-3,6	-1,4
Employed	1 926	1 905	1 910	1 969	1 918	-52	-8	-2,6	-0,4
Unemployed	136	150	135	139	115	-25	-21	-17,6	-15,5
Not economically active	990	989	991	919	987	68	-3	7,4	-0,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	6,6	7,3	6,6	6,6	5,7	-0,9	-0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	63,1	62,6	62,9	65,0	63,5	-1,5	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	67,6	67,5	67,4	69,7	67,3	-2,4	-0,3		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>15-64 years</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>21 179</b>	<b>21 706</b>	<b>21 849</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>1 098</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Unemployed	5 634	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	-37	543	-0,6	9,6
Not economically active	15 412	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	306	-471	2,1	-3,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,6	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	57,9	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	-0,6	2,0		
<b>15-24 years</b>									
<b>Population 15-24 yrs</b>	<b>10 309</b>	<b>10 312</b>	<b>10 313</b>	<b>10 314</b>	<b>10 315</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>0,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 657</b>	<b>2 763</b>	<b>2 715</b>	<b>2 874</b>	<b>2 778</b>	<b>-96</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>-3,3</b>	<b>4,6</b>
Employed	1 229	1 265	1 333	1 315	1 226	-89	-3	-6,8	-0,3
Unemployed	1 428	1 497	1 382	1 559	1 552	-7	125	-0,4	8,7
Not economically active	7 653	7 549	7 598	7 440	7 537	97	-115	1,3	-1,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	53,7	54,2	50,9	54,3	55,9	1,6	2,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	11,9	12,3	12,9	12,7	11,9	-0,8	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	25,8	26,8	26,3	27,9	26,9	-1,0	1,1		
<b>25-34 years</b>									
<b>Population 25-34 yrs</b>	<b>9 627</b>	<b>9 666</b>	<b>9 704</b>	<b>9 742</b>	<b>9 780</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,6</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>7 033</b>	<b>7 215</b>	<b>7 273</b>	<b>7 362</b>	<b>7 307</b>	<b>-55</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Employed	4 824	4 896	4 954	4 966	4 907	-59	83	-1,2	1,7
Unemployed	2 208	2 319	2 319	2 395	2 399	4	191	0,2	8,7
Not economically active	2 594	2 451	2 431	2 380	2 473	93	-121	3,9	-4,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	31,4	32,1	31,9	32,5	32,8	0,3	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,1	50,7	51,1	51,0	50,2	-0,8	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	73,1	74,6	74,9	75,6	74,7	-0,9	1,6		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.2: Labour force characteristics by age group (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>35-44 years</b>									
Population 35-44 yrs	7 778	7 821	7 861	7 902	7 943	41	165	0,5	2,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>6 123</b>	<b>6 271</b>	<b>6 352</b>	<b>6 428</b>	<b>6 490</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>6,0</b>
Employed	4 815	4 923	4 992	5 016	5 040	24	225	0,5	4,7
Unemployed	1 308	1 348	1 360	1 412	1 450	38	141	2,7	10,8
Not economically active	1 654	1 550	1 510	1 474	1 453	-21	-201	-1,4	-12,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,4	21,5	21,4	22,0	22,3	0,3	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	61,9	62,9	63,5	63,5	63,5	0,0	1,6		
Labour force participation rate	78,7	80,2	80,8	81,3	81,7	0,4	3,0		
<b>45-54 years</b>									
Population 45-54 yrs	5 287	5 330	5 375	5 421	5 467	46	180	0,9	3,4
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 820</b>	<b>3 891</b>	<b>3 902</b>	<b>4 063</b>	<b>4 043</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>5,8</b>
Employed	3 279	3 323	3 313	3 393	3 420	27	141	0,8	4,3
Unemployed	541	568	589	670	623	-47	82	-7,0	15,1
Not economically active	1 467	1 439	1 473	1 358	1 424	66	-43	4,8	-2,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	14,2	14,6	15,1	16,5	15,4	-1,1	1,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,0	62,3	61,6	62,6	62,6	0,0	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	72,3	73,0	72,6	74,9	74,0	-0,9	1,7		
<b>55-64 years</b>									
Population 55-64 yrs	3 590	3 621	3 651	3 682	3 712	31	122	0,8	3,4
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 546</b>	<b>1 567</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 701</b>	<b>1 659</b>	<b>-41</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>-2,4</b>	<b>7,3</b>
Employed	1 398	1 426	1 477	1 522	1 506	-16	109	-1,0	7,8
Unemployed	148	141	130	178	153	-25	5	-14,3	3,2
Not economically active	2 044	2 054	2 044	1 981	2 053	72	9	3,6	0,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	9,6	9,0	8,1	10,5	9,2	-1,3	-0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,9	39,4	40,5	41,3	40,6	-0,7	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	43,1	43,3	44,0	46,2	44,7	-1,5	1,6		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
Labour Force	<b>21 179</b>	<b>21 706</b>	<b>21 849</b>	<b>22 426</b>	<b>22 277</b>	<b>-150</b>	<b>1 098</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Unemployed	5 634	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	-37	543	-0,6	9,6
Not economically active	15 412	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	306	-471	2,1	-3,1
Discouraged work-seekers	2 526	2 291	2 292	2 277	2 361	83	-165	3,7	-6,5
Other	12 886	12 753	12 763	12 357	12 580	223	-306	1,8	-2,4
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	26,6	27,1	26,5	27,7	27,7	0,0	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	57,9	59,1	59,2	60,5	59,9	-0,6	2,0		
<b>Western Cape</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>4 365</b>	<b>4 389</b>	<b>4 412</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 460</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,2</b>
Labour Force	<b>2 912</b>	<b>2 958</b>	<b>2 999</b>	<b>3 066</b>	<b>3 031</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>4,1</b>
Employed	2 266	2 315	2 386	2 406	2 403	-4	137	-0,1	6,0
Unemployed	646	643	614	660	628	-32	-18	-4,8	-2,7
Not economically active	1 453	1 431	1 413	1 370	1 428	59	-24	4,3	-1,7
Discouraged work-seekers	51	50	45	47	79	32	29	67,7	56,7
Other	1 402	1 380	1 368	1 322	1 349	27	-53	2,0	-3,8
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	22,2	21,7	20,5	21,5	20,7	-0,8	-1,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,9	52,8	54,1	54,2	53,9	-0,3	2,0		
Labour force participation rate	66,7	67,4	68,0	69,1	68,0	-1,1	1,3		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Western Cape - Non metro</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>1 579</b>	<b>1 589</b>	<b>1 598</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 617</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 007</b>	<b>1 050</b>	<b>1 050</b>	<b>1 103</b>	<b>1 052</b>	<b>-51</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-4,6</b>	<b>4,5</b>
Employed	798	847	903	895	872	-23	74	-2,6	9,2
Unemployed	208	203	147	208	180	-28	-28	-13,3	-13,6
Not economically active	572	539	548	504	565	60	-7	12,0	-1,3
Discouraged work-seekers	43	37	35	36	62	26	19	74,1	45,5
Other	530	502	513	469	503	34	-27	7,3	-5,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	20,7	19,3	14,0	18,8	17,1	-1,7	-3,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,6	53,3	56,5	55,7	53,9	-1,8	3,3		
Labour force participation rate	63,8	66,1	65,7	68,6	65,1	-3,5	1,3		
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>2 786</b>	<b>2 800</b>	<b>2 814</b>	<b>2 828</b>	<b>2 843</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,0</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 905</b>	<b>1 908</b>	<b>1 949</b>	<b>1 963</b>	<b>1 979</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Employed	1 468	1 469	1 482	1 511	1 531	20	63	1,3	4,3
Unemployed	438	440	467	452	448	-4	11	-0,9	2,4
Not economically active	880	892	865	865	864	-2	-17	-0,2	-1,9
Discouraged work-seekers	8	13	11	12	17	6	9	48,4	115,5
Other	872	879	855	853	846	-7	-26	-0,9	-3,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	23,0	23,0	23,9	23,0	22,7	-0,3	-0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,7	52,4	52,7	53,4	53,9	0,5	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	68,4	68,2	69,2	69,4	69,6	0,2	1,2		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>4 142</b>	<b>4 153</b>	<b>4 166</b>	<b>4 178</b>	<b>4 190</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Labour Force	1 892	2 008	2 021	2 126	2 159	33	267	1,5	14,1
Employed	1 350	1 443	1 447	1 442	1 416	-26	66	-1,8	4,9
Unemployed	542	565	574	684	743	59	201	8,6	37,1
Not economically active	2 251	2 145	2 144	2 052	2 032	-20	-219	-1,0	-9,7
Discouraged work-seekers	476	385	403	370	353	-17	-123	-4,7	-25,8
Other	1 775	1 760	1 741	1 682	1 679	-3	-96	-0,2	-5,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,6	28,2	28,4	32,2	34,4	2,2	5,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	32,6	34,7	34,7	34,5	33,8	-0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	45,7	48,4	48,5	50,9	51,5	0,6	5,8		
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>2 850</b>	<b>2 857</b>	<b>2 866</b>	<b>2 874</b>	<b>2 883</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 085</b>	<b>1 176</b>	<b>1 142</b>	<b>1 246</b>	<b>1 275</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>17,5</b>
Employed	794	863	842	825	817	-8	23	-0,9	2,9
Unemployed	291	313	300	421	457	36	167	8,6	57,4
Not economically active	1 765	1 681	1 724	1 628	1 608	-20	-156	-1,2	-8,9
Discouraged work-seekers	465	355	395	365	337	-28	-128	-7,6	-27,5
Other	1 300	1 327	1 329	1 263	1 271	8	-29	0,6	-2,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	26,8	26,7	26,3	33,8	35,9	2,1	9,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	27,9	30,2	29,4	28,7	28,4	-0,3	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	38,1	41,2	39,8	43,4	44,2	0,8	6,1		

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	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	502	503	504	506	507	1	5	0,2	0,9
<b>Labour Force</b>	327	333	358	365	355	-9	28	-2,5	8,6
Employed	230	239	239	257	252	-5	22	-2,0	9,7
Unemployed	98	93	119	107	103	-4	6	-3,8	6,0
Not economically active	175	171	146	141	151	10	-23	7,4	-13,4
Discouraged work-seekers	5	21	5	5	13	8	8	173,6	140,1
Other	170	150	142	136	139	2	-31	1,7	-18,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,8	28,1	33,4	29,5	29,1	-0,4	-0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,7	47,6	47,3	50,8	49,7	-1,1	4,0		
Labour force participation rate	65,2	66,1	71,0	72,1	70,1	-2,0	4,9		
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	791	793	795	798	801	3	10	0,3	1,3
<b>Labour Force</b>	480	500	522	515	529	14	49	2,6	10,2
Employed	326	341	367	360	346	-13	20	-3,7	6,2
Unemployed	154	159	154	155	182	27	29	17,3	18,6
Not economically active	311	293	274	283	272	-11	-39	-3,9	-12,5
Discouraged work-seekers	6	10	3	1	3	2	-2	213,1	-38,5
Other	305	283	271	282	269	-13	-37	-4,7	-12,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,0	31,8	29,6	30,2	34,5	4,3	2,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,2	43,0	46,1	45,1	43,3	-1,8	2,1		
Labour force participation rate	60,7	63,0	65,6	64,5	66,0	1,5	5,3		

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	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Northern cape</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>783</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,3</b>
Labour Force	417	437	438	431	419	-11	3	-2,7	0,7
Employed	303	308	298	299	292	-7	-11	-2,4	-3,6
Unemployed	114	129	140	132	128	-4	14	-3,3	12,2
Not economically active	359	341	342	352	365	14	7	4,0	1,9
Discouraged work-seekers	67	55	56	74	87	13	19	17,3	28,5
Other	291	286	286	278	279	1	-12	0,4	-4,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,4	29,6	32,0	30,7	30,5	-0,2	3,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,0	39,6	38,2	38,2	37,2	-1,0	-1,8		
Labour force participation rate	53,7	56,2	56,2	55,1	53,4	-1,7	-0,3		
<b>Free State</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>1 882</b>	<b>1 884</b>	<b>1 885</b>	<b>1 887</b>	<b>1 888</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,3</b>
Labour Force	1 176	1 186	1 160	1 188	1 184	-5	8	-0,4	0,6
Employed	797	781	757	767	777	10	-21	1,3	-2,6
Unemployed	379	405	403	421	407	-14	28	-3,4	7,4
Not economically active	706	699	726	699	704	6	-2	0,8	-0,2
Discouraged work-seekers	81	85	82	88	84	-4	3	-4,1	4,2
Other	625	614	644	611	620	9	-5	1,5	-0,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,2	34,2	34,7	35,5	34,4	-1,1	2,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,4	41,4	40,2	40,6	41,1	0,5	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	62,5	62,9	61,5	63,0	62,7	-0,3	0,2		

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	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 353	1 354	1 354	1 354	1 354	0	0	0,0	0,0
<b>Labour Force</b>	825	834	803	834	815	-19	-10	-2,2	-1,3
Employed	547	538	523	534	531	-3	-16	-0,6	-3,0
Unemployed	278	296	279	299	284	-15	6	-5,1	2,1
Not economically active	528	519	551	520	539	19	11	3,6	2,0
Discouraged work-seekers	56	58	62	59	69	11	13	18,0	23,8
Other	472	462	489	461	470	8	-3	1,8	-0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	33,7	35,5	34,8	35,9	34,8	-1,1	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,4	39,7	38,7	39,5	39,2	-0,3	-1,2		
Labour force participation rate	61,0	61,6	59,3	61,6	60,2	-1,4	-0,8		
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	529	531	532	533	534	1	6	0,2	1,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	351	351	357	355	369	14	18	4,0	5,1
Employed	250	243	234	232	246	13	-4	5,6	-1,7
Unemployed	101	109	123	122	123	1	22	0,9	22,1
Not economically active	178	179	175	179	166	-13	-12	-7,2	-6,9
Discouraged work-seekers	25	27	20	29	15	-14	-10	-48,6	-39,8
Other	153	152	155	149	151	1	-2	0,8	-1,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,8	30,9	34,5	34,4	33,4	-1,0	4,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,3	45,8	44,0	43,6	46,0	2,4	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	66,3	66,2	67,1	66,5	69,0	2,5	2,7		

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	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>6 789</b>	<b>6 815</b>	<b>6 841</b>	<b>6 868</b>	<b>6 894</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
Labour Force	<b>3 204</b>	<b>3 262</b>	<b>3 340</b>	<b>3 443</b>	<b>3 397</b>	<b>-46</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>-1,3</b>	<b>6,0</b>
Employed	2 479	2 496	2 541	2 555	2 583	29	105	1,1	4,2
Unemployed	726	766	799	889	814	-75	88	-8,4	12,2
Not economically active	3 585	3 553	3 501	3 424	3 497	73	-88	2,1	-2,5
Discouraged work-seekers	639	704	708	655	676	21	37	3,3	5,8
Other	2 946	2 849	2 794	2 769	2 821	51	-125	1,9	-4,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	22,6	23,5	23,9	25,8	24,0	-1,8	1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,5	36,6	37,1	37,2	37,5	0,3	1,0		
Labour force participation rate	47,2	47,9	48,8	50,1	49,3	-0,8	2,1		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>4 417</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 456</b>	<b>4 476</b>	<b>4 496</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
Labour Force	<b>1 803</b>	<b>1 832</b>	<b>1 855</b>	<b>1 937</b>	<b>1 883</b>	<b>-54</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>-2,8</b>	<b>4,5</b>
Employed	1 353	1 355	1 384	1 377	1 399	22	46	1,6	3,4
Unemployed	450	477	471	560	484	-76	34	-13,5	7,6
Not economically active	2 614	2 604	2 601	2 539	2 613	74	-1	2,9	0,0
Discouraged work-seekers	517	584	622	541	561	20	44	3,7	8,5
Other	2 097	2 021	1 979	1 998	2 051	54	-45	2,7	-2,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	25,0	26,1	25,4	28,9	25,7	-3,2	0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,6	30,5	31,1	30,8	31,1	0,3	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	40,8	41,3	41,6	43,3	41,9	-1,4	1,1		

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	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekvinci</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>2 372</b>	<b>2 379</b>	<b>2 385</b>	<b>2 392</b>	<b>2 398</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 401</b>	<b>1 430</b>	<b>1 485</b>	<b>1 506</b>	<b>1 514</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>8,0</b>
Employed	1 126	1 141	1 157	1 178	1 184	7	58	0,6	5,2
Unemployed	276	289	327	329	330	1	54	0,3	19,6
Not economically active	971	948	901	885	884	-1	-87	-0,1	-8,9
Discouraged work-seekers	122	120	86	114	115	1	-7	1,1	-5,7
Other	849	828	815	772	769	-2	-80	-0,3	-9,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	19,7	20,2	22,0	21,8	21,8	0,0	2,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,4	48,0	48,5	49,2	49,4	0,2	2,0		
Labour force participation rate	59,1	60,1	62,2	63,0	63,1	0,1	4,0		
<b>North West</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>2 468</b>	<b>2 479</b>	<b>2 490</b>	<b>2 501</b>	<b>2 512</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 259</b>	<b>1 294</b>	<b>1 304</b>	<b>1 328</b>	<b>1 343</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>6,7</b>
Employed	915	900	959	976	978	2	64	0,2	7,0
Unemployed	344	395	345	353	365	12	21	3,5	6,0
Not economically active	1 209	1 185	1 186	1 173	1 169	-4	-40	-0,3	-3,3
Discouraged work-seekers	259	229	231	254	269	15	9	5,9	3,6
Other	950	956	955	919	900	-19	-49	-2,0	-5,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	27,3	30,5	26,5	26,5	27,2	0,7	-0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,1	36,3	38,5	39,0	38,9	-0,1	1,8		
Labour force participation rate	51,0	52,2	52,4	53,1	53,5	0,4	2,5		

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	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	9 748	9 802	9 854	9 905	9 957	52	209	0,5	2,1
Labour Force	7 008	7 145	7 163	7 336	7 201	-134	194	-1,8	2,8
Employed	4 942	5 068	5 111	5 193	5 050	-143	109	-2,7	2,2
Unemployed	2 066	2 078	2 051	2 143	2 151	8	85	0,4	4,1
Not economically active	2 740	2 657	2 691	2 570	2 756	186	16	7,2	0,6
Discouraged work-seekers	293	268	242	207	252	44	-41	21,4	-14,0
Other	2 448	2 389	2 449	2 362	2 504	142	57	6,0	2,3
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	29,5	29,1	28,6	29,2	29,9	0,7	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,7	51,7	51,9	52,4	50,7	-1,7	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	71,9	72,9	72,7	74,1	72,3	-1,8	0,4		
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 315	1 319	1 323	1 326	1 330	3	14	0,3	1,1
Labour Force	848	884	867	900	879	-21	32	-2,3	3,7
Employed	587	598	583	624	600	-24	14	-3,8	2,3
Unemployed	261	286	284	276	279	3	18	1,1	6,9
Not economically active	468	436	456	426	450	24	-18	5,6	-3,8
Discouraged work-seekers	86	60	47	56	58	2	-27	4,1	-32,0
Other	382	376	409	370	392	22	10	5,9	2,6
Rates (%)									
Unemployment rate	30,8	32,3	32,7	30,7	31,7	1,0	0,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,6	45,3	44,1	47,0	45,1	-1,9	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	64,4	67,0	65,6	67,9	66,1	-1,8	1,7		

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	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 471	2 482	2 493	2 503	2 513	10	42	0,4	1,7
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 775</b>	<b>1 788</b>	<b>1 823</b>	<b>1 873</b>	<b>1 829</b>	<b>-44</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>-2,3</b>	<b>3,0</b>
Employed	1 161	1 222	1 264	1 296	1 259	-37	98	-2,9	8,5
Unemployed	615	566	558	577	570	-7	-45	-1,2	-7,3
Not economically active	696	694	670	630	684	54	-12	8,6	-1,8
Discouraged work-seekers	84	77	77	67	73	6	-11	9,2	-13,4
Other	612	617	593	563	611	48	-1	8,5	-0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	34,6	31,7	30,6	30,8	31,2	0,4	-3,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,0	49,2	50,7	51,8	50,1	-1,7	3,1		
Labour force participation rate	71,8	72,0	73,1	74,8	72,8	-2,0	1,0		
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 580	3 605	3 628	3 652	3 676	24	96	0,7	2,7
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 741</b>	<b>2 753</b>	<b>2 765</b>	<b>2 777</b>	<b>2 765</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>0,9</b>
Employed	1 963	1 978	1 995	1 992	1 934	-58	-30	-2,9	-1,5
Unemployed	777	775	770	785	831	46	54	5,9	6,9
Not economically active	840	852	864	875	911	36	72	4,1	8,5
Discouraged work-seekers	44	76	67	54	63	9	19	16,1	41,9
Other	795	775	797	821	848	27	53	3,3	6,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,4	28,2	27,8	28,3	30,1	1,8	1,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,8	54,9	55,0	54,5	52,6	-1,9	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	76,5	76,4	76,2	76,0	75,2	-0,8	-1,3		

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	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Gauteng – City of Tshwane</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>2 381</b>	<b>2 396</b>	<b>2 410</b>	<b>2 424</b>	<b>2 439</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 644</b>	<b>1 720</b>	<b>1 708</b>	<b>1 786</b>	<b>1 728</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>-3,2</b>	<b>5,1</b>
Employed	1 231	1 270	1 269	1 281	1 257	-24	26	-1,8	2,1
Unemployed	413	450	439	505	471	-34	58	-6,8	14,0
Not economically active	737	676	702	638	711	72	-26	11,3	-3,5
Discouraged work-seekers	78	55	52	31	58	27	-21	89,6	-26,3
Other	658	621	650	608	653	45	-5	7,4	-0,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	25,1	26,2	25,7	28,3	27,2	-1,1	2,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,7	53,0	52,7	52,8	51,6	-1,2	-0,1		
Labour force participation rate	69,1	71,8	70,9	73,7	70,9	-2,8	1,8		
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>2 802</b>	<b>2 815</b>	<b>2 828</b>	<b>2 841</b>	<b>2 853</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 645</b>	<b>1 687</b>	<b>1 673</b>	<b>1 776</b>	<b>1 788</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>8,7</b>
Employed	1 171	1 174	1 155	1 217	1 212	-6	41	-0,5	3,5
Unemployed	474	513	518	559	577	18	103	3,2	21,6
Not economically active	1 157	1 128	1 155	1 064	1 065	0	-92	0,0	-8,0
Discouraged work-seekers	258	211	227	211	216	4	-42	2,0	-16,5
Other	899	917	928	853	849	-4	-50	-0,4	-5,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,8	30,4	31,0	31,5	32,3	0,8	3,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,8	41,7	40,9	42,8	42,5	-0,3	0,7		
Labour force participation rate	58,7	59,9	59,2	62,5	62,7	0,2	4,0		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.3: Labour force characteristics by province and metro (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 619	3 634	3 649	3 663	3 678	15	59	0,4	1,6
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 667	1 728	1 751	1 732	1 754	22	87	1,3	5,2
Employed	1 324	1 349	1 414	1 358	1 390	32	66	2,3	5,0
Unemployed	343	379	337	374	364	-10	21	-2,5	6,2
Not economically active	1 952	1 906	1 898	1 932	1 924	-8	-29	-0,4	-1,5
Discouraged work-seekers	403	304	298	371	345	-26	-57	-6,9	-14,2
Other	1 550	1 602	1 599	1 560	1 579	18	29	1,2	1,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	20,6	21,9	19,3	21,6	20,8	-0,8	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,6	37,1	38,7	37,1	37,8	0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	46,1	47,6	48,0	47,3	47,7	0,4	1,6		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	36 591	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	157	627	0,4	1,7
Labour Force	24 425	24 849	24 969	25 503	25 403	-100	978	-0,4	4,0
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	10 917	11 029	11 156	11 337	11 193	-144	275	-1,3	2,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 507	2 641	2 695	2 681	2 761	80	254	3,0	10,1
Agriculture	825	881	919	875	835	-40	10	-4,6	1,2
Private households	1 296	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	-8	15	-0,6	1,2
Unemployed	8 880	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	13	424	0,1	4,8
Not economically active	12 166	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	257	-352	2,2	-2,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	0,2	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	66,8	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	-0,5	1,5		
<b>Women</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	18 530	18 604	18 679	18 753	18 828	75	298	0,4	1,6
Labour Force	11 328	11 552	11 697	11 971	11 878	-92	550	-0,8	4,9
Employed	6 754	6 873	7 031	7 182	7 078	-105	324	-1,5	4,8
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4 583	4 652	4 754	4 883	4 770	-113	187	-2,3	4,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	960	970	977	1 021	1 026	5	66	0,5	6,9
Agriculture	235	255	305	278	264	-14	29	-4,9	12,3
Private households	976	996	995	1 001	1 018	17	42	1,7	4,3
Unemployed	4 575	4 679	4 665	4 788	4 800	12	226	0,3	4,9
Not economically active	7 201	7 053	6 982	6 783	6 950	167	-251	2,5	-3,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,4	40,5	39,9	40,0	40,4	0,4	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,4	36,9	37,6	38,3	37,6	-0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	61,1	62,1	62,6	63,8	63,1	-0,7	2,0		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.4: Labour force characteristics by sex – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Men</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>18 061</b>	<b>18 145</b>	<b>18 226</b>	<b>18 307</b>	<b>18 389</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>13 097</b>	<b>13 298</b>	<b>13 272</b>	<b>13 533</b>	<b>13 525</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>3,3</b>
Employed	8 792	8 960	9 037	9 030	9 022	-8	230	-0,1	2,6
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6 335	6 377	6 402	6 454	6 423	-31	88	-0,5	1,4
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 546	1 672	1 718	1 660	1 734	74	188	4,5	12,1
Agriculture	590	627	614	597	571	-26	-19	-4,4	-3,3
Private households	320	285	304	319	294	-25	-26	-7,9	-8,2
Unemployed	4 305	4 337	4 235	4 503	4 503	0	198	0,0	4,6
Not economically active	4 964	4 848	4 954	4 775	4 864	89	-100	1,9	-2,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,9	32,6	31,9	33,3	33,3	0,0	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	48,7	49,4	49,6	49,3	49,1	-0,2	0,4		
Labour force participation rate	72,5	73,3	72,8	73,9	73,5	-0,4	1,0		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.5: Labour force characteristics by population group – Expanded definition of unemployment**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>24 425</b>	<b>24 849</b>	<b>24 969</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>4,0</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Unemployed	8 880	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	13	424	0,1	4,8
Not economically active	12 166	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	257	-352	2,2	-2,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	0,2	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	66,8	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	-0,5	1,5		
<b>Black/African</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>29 187</b>	<b>29 341</b>	<b>29 493</b>	<b>29 645</b>	<b>29 798</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>19 477</b>	<b>19 807</b>	<b>19 920</b>	<b>20 330</b>	<b>20 336</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>859</b>	<b>0,0</b>	<b>4,4</b>
Employed	11 506	11 764	11 939	12 009	12 025	15	519	0,1	4,5
Unemployed	7 971	8 043	7 981	8 321	8 311	-9	340	-0,1	4,3
Not economically active	9 710	9 534	9 573	9 315	9 461	147	-249	1,6	-2,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	40,9	40,6	40,1	40,9	40,9	0,0	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,4	40,1	40,5	40,5	40,4	-0,1	1,0		
Labour force participation rate	66,7	67,5	67,5	68,6	68,2	-0,4	1,5		
<b>Coloured</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>3 366</b>	<b>3 377</b>	<b>3 386</b>	<b>3 396</b>	<b>3 406</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 235</b>	<b>2 302</b>	<b>2 319</b>	<b>2 375</b>	<b>2 330</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>-1,9</b>	<b>4,2</b>
Employed	1 609	1 642	1 685	1 690	1 631	-59	22	-3,5	1,4
Unemployed	626	660	634	685	699	14	73	2,0	11,6
Not economically active	1 131	1 075	1 067	1 021	1 076	55	-55	5,4	-4,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,0	28,7	27,3	28,9	30,0	1,1	2,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,8	48,6	49,8	49,8	47,9	-1,9	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	66,4	68,2	68,5	69,9	68,4	-1,5	2,0		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

	Table 2.5: Labour force characteristics by population group – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)									
	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent	
<b>Indian/Asian</b>										
Population 15-64 yrs	985	988	990	992	994	2	8	0,2	0,9	
Labour Force	605	639	628	645	656	10	50	1,6	8,3	
Employed	505	522	535	544	526	-18	21	-3,3	4,1	
Unemployed	100	117	92	102	130	28	29	27,2	29,1	
Not economically active	380	349	362	346	338	-8	-42	-2,3	-11,0	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	16,6	18,3	14,7	15,8	19,8	4,0	3,2			
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,2	52,8	54,1	54,8	52,9	-1,9	1,7			
Labour force participation rate	61,4	64,7	63,4	65,1	66,0	0,9	4,6			
<b>White</b>										
Population 15-64 yrs	3 052	3 044	3 036	3 028	3 020	-8	-32	-0,3	-1,0	
Labour Force	2 107	2 101	2 102	2 152	2 081	-71	-26	-3,3	-1,2	
Employed	1 926	1 905	1 910	1 969	1 918	-52	-8	-2,6	-0,4	
Unemployed	182	196	192	183	164	-19	-18	-10,5	-10,0	
Not economically active	944	942	934	875	938	63	-6	7,2	-0,6	
Rates (%)										
Unemployment rate	8,6	9,3	9,1	8,5	7,9	-0,6	-0,7			
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	63,1	62,6	62,9	65,0	63,5	-1,5	0,4			
Labour force participation rate	69,1	69,0	69,2	71,1	68,9	-2,2	-0,2			

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.6: Labour force characteristics by age group – Expanded definition of unemployment**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>15-64 years</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	36 591	36 750	36 905	37 061	37 217	157	627	0,4	1,7
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>24 425</b>	<b>24 849</b>	<b>24 969</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>4,0</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Unemployed	8 880	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	13	424	0,1	4,8
Not economically active	12 166	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	257	-352	2,2	-2,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	0,2	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	66,8	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	-0,5	1,5		
<b>15-24 years</b>									
Population 15-24 yrs	10 309	10 312	10 313	10 314	10 315	1	6	0,0	0,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 644</b>	<b>3 668</b>	<b>3 684</b>	<b>3 830</b>	<b>3 763</b>	<b>-67</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>3,3</b>
Employed	1 229	1 265	1 333	1 315	1 226	-89	-3	-6,8	-0,3
Unemployed	2 415	2 403	2 351	2 515	2 537	22	122	0,9	5,0
Not economically active	6 665	6 644	6 629	6 484	6 552	68	-113	1,1	-1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	66,3	65,5	63,8	65,7	67,4	1,7	1,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	11,9	12,3	12,9	12,7	11,9	-0,8	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	35,4	35,6	35,7	37,1	36,5	-0,6	1,1		
<b>25-34 years</b>									
Population 25-34 yrs	9 627	9 666	9 704	9 742	9 780	38	153	0,4	1,6
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>8 181</b>	<b>8 307</b>	<b>8 346</b>	<b>8 426</b>	<b>8 389</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>2,5</b>
Employed	4 824	4 896	4 954	4 966	4 907	-59	83	-1,2	1,7
Unemployed	3 357	3 411	3 392	3 459	3 482	22	125	0,6	3,7
Not economically active	1 445	1 359	1 358	1 316	1 391	74	-54	5,7	-3,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,0	41,1	40,6	41,1	41,5	0,4	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,1	50,7	51,1	51,0	50,2	-0,8	0,1		
Labour force participation rate	85,0	85,9	86,0	86,5	85,8	-0,7	0,8		

.Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.6: Labour force characteristics by age group – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>35-44 years</b>									
Population 35-44 yrs	7 778	7 821	7 861	7 902	7 943	41	165	0,5	2,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	6 739	6 867	6 916	6 974	7 040	66	302	0,9	4,5
Employed	4 815	4 923	4 992	5 016	5 040	24	225	0,5	4,7
Unemployed	1 923	1 944	1 924	1 958	2 000	42	77	2,2	4,0
Not economically active	1 039	954	945	928	903	-25	-136	-2,7	-13,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,5	28,3	27,8	28,1	28,4	0,3	-0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	61,9	62,9	63,5	63,5	63,5	0,0	1,6		
Labour force participation rate	86,6	87,8	88,0	88,3	88,6	0,3	2,0		
<b>45-54 years</b>									
Population 45-54 yrs	5 287	5 330	5 375	5 421	5 467	46	180	0,9	3,4
<b>Labour Force</b>	4 181	4 288	4 272	4 424	4 406	-18	225	-0,4	5,4
Employed	3 279	3 323	3 313	3 393	3 420	27	141	0,8	4,3
Unemployed	902	965	960	1 031	986	-45	83	-4,4	9,3
Not economically active	1 106	1 042	1 103	997	1 061	64	-45	6,4	-4,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	21,6	22,5	22,5	23,3	22,4	-0,9	0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	62,0	62,3	61,6	62,6	62,6	0,0	0,6		
Labour force participation rate	79,1	80,5	79,5	81,6	80,6	-1,0	1,5		
<b>55-64 years</b>									
Population 55-64 yrs	3 590	3 621	3 651	3 682	3 712	31	122	0,8	3,4
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 680	1 719	1 750	1 849	1 805	-44	125	-2,4	7,5
Employed	1 398	1 426	1 477	1 522	1 506	-16	109	-1,0	7,8
Unemployed	282	293	273	327	299	-29	17	-8,7	6,0
Not economically active	1 911	1 902	1 901	1 832	1 907	75	-3	4,1	-0,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	16,8	17,0	15,6	17,7	16,5	-1,2	-0,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	38,9	39,4	40,5	41,3	40,6	-0,7	1,7		
Labour force participation rate	46,8	47,5	47,9	50,2	48,6	-1,6	1,8		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>36 591</b>	<b>36 750</b>	<b>36 905</b>	<b>37 061</b>	<b>37 217</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,7</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>24 425</b>	<b>24 849</b>	<b>24 969</b>	<b>25 503</b>	<b>25 403</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>4,0</b>
Employed	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Unemployed	8 880	9 016	8 900	9 291	9 304	13	424	0,1	4,8
Not economically active	12 166	11 900	11 936	11 557	11 814	257	-352	2,2	-2,9
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	36,4	36,3	35,6	36,4	36,6	0,2	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,5	43,1	43,5	43,7	43,3	-0,4	0,8		
Labour force participation rate	66,8	67,6	67,7	68,8	68,3	-0,5	1,5		
<b>Western Cape</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>4 365</b>	<b>4 389</b>	<b>4 412</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 460</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>2,2</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>3 005</b>	<b>3 079</b>	<b>3 124</b>	<b>3 197</b>	<b>3 187</b>	<b>-10</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>6,0</b>
Employed	2 266	2 315	2 386	2 406	2 403	-4	137	-0,1	6,0
Unemployed	739	764	739	790	784	-6	45	-0,8	6,0
Not economically active	1 360	1 310	1 288	1 239	1 273	34	-87	2,7	-6,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,6	24,8	23,6	24,7	24,6	-0,1	0,0		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,9	52,8	54,1	54,2	53,9	-0,3	2,0		
Labour force participation rate	68,9	70,2	70,8	72,1	71,5	-0,6	2,6		
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>									
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>	<b>1 579</b>	<b>1 589</b>	<b>1 598</b>	<b>1 607</b>	<b>1 617</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>2,4</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 075</b>	<b>1 126</b>	<b>1 140</b>	<b>1 181</b>	<b>1 167</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>8,6</b>
Employed	798	847	903	895	872	-23	74	-2,6	9,2
Unemployed	277	279	236	285	296	10	19	3,6	6,8
Not economically active	504	463	458	427	449	22	-54	5,3	-10,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	25,8	24,8	20,7	24,2	25,3	1,1	-0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,6	53,3	56,5	55,7	53,9	-1,8	3,3		
Labour force participation rate	68,1	70,9	71,3	73,4	72,2	-1,2	4,1		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 786	2 800	2 814	2 828	2 843	14	57	0,5	2,0
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 930	1 953	1 984	2 016	2 019	3	89	0,2	4,6
Employed	1 468	1 469	1 482	1 511	1 531	20	63	1,3	4,3
Unemployed	462	485	502	505	488	-17	26	-3,3	5,6
Not economically active	856	847	830	812	824	11	-32	1,4	-3,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	24,0	24,8	25,3	25,1	24,2	-0,9	0,2		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	52,7	52,4	52,7	53,4	53,9	0,5	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	69,3	69,8	70,5	71,3	71,0	-0,3	1,7		
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	4 142	4 153	4 166	4 178	4 190	13	48	0,3	1,2
<b>Labour Force</b>	2 403	2 458	2 465	2 555	2 552	-3	148	-0,1	6,2
Employed	1 350	1 443	1 447	1 442	1 416	-26	66	-1,8	4,9
Unemployed	1 054	1 016	1 018	1 113	1 136	23	82	2,1	7,8
Not economically active	1 739	1 695	1 701	1 623	1 639	16	-100	1,0	-5,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	43,8	41,3	41,3	43,6	44,5	0,9	0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	32,6	34,7	34,7	34,5	33,8	-0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	58,0	59,2	59,2	61,1	60,9	-0,2	2,9		
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 850	2 857	2 866	2 874	2 883	9	34	0,3	1,2
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 577	1 576	1 566	1 657	1 638	-19	60	-1,2	3,8
Employed	794	863	842	825	817	-8	23	-0,9	2,9
Unemployed	783	714	725	832	820	-12	37	-1,4	4,7
Not economically active	1 272	1 281	1 300	1 217	1 245	28	-27	2,3	-2,1
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	49,6	45,3	46,3	50,2	50,1	-0,1	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	27,9	30,2	29,4	28,7	28,4	-0,3	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	55,4	55,2	54,7	57,6	56,8	-0,8	1,4		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	502	503	504	506	507	1	5	0,2	0,9
<b>Labour Force</b>	340	372	373	381	378	-3	38	-0,7	11,1
Employed	230	239	239	257	252	-5	22	-2,0	9,7
Unemployed	110	133	135	123	126	2	15	1,8	13,9
Not economically active	162	131	131	125	129	4	-33	3,3	-20,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,5	35,7	36,1	32,4	33,3	0,9	0,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	45,7	47,6	47,3	50,8	49,7	-1,1	4,0		
Labour force participation rate	67,7	73,9	74,0	75,3	74,5	-0,8	6,8		
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	791	793	795	798	801	3	10	0,3	1,3
<b>Labour Force</b>	486	510	526	517	536	19	50	3,7	10,3
Employed	326	341	367	360	346	-13	20	-3,7	6,2
Unemployed	160	169	159	157	190	32	30	20,6	18,6
Not economically active	305	283	270	281	264	-16	-40	-5,8	-13,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	32,9	33,2	30,2	30,4	35,4	5,0	2,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,2	43,0	46,1	45,1	43,3	-1,8	2,1		
Labour force participation rate	61,5	64,4	66,1	64,8	67,0	2,2	5,5		
<b>Northern Cape</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	775	778	780	783	785	2	10	0,3	1,3
<b>Labour Force</b>	502	529	525	532	533	1	31	0,2	6,2
Employed	303	308	298	299	292	-7	-11	-2,4	-3,6
Unemployed	200	221	227	233	242	8	42	3,6	21,1
Not economically active	273	249	255	250	252	1	-21	0,5	-7,8
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	39,8	41,8	43,3	43,9	45,3	1,4	5,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	39,0	39,6	38,2	38,2	37,2	-1,0	-1,8		
Labour force participation rate	64,8	68,0	67,3	68,0	68,0	0,0	3,2		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province and metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Free State</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 882	1 884	1 885	1 887	1 888	1	6	0,1	0,3
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 287	1 310	1 281	1 316	1 305	-10	18	-0,8	1,4
Employed	797	781	757	767	777	10	-21	1,3	-2,6
Unemployed	490	529	524	549	529	-20	39	-3,6	7,9
Not economically active	595	574	605	571	583	11	-12	2,0	-2,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	38,1	40,4	40,9	41,7	40,5	-1,2	2,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	42,4	41,4	40,2	40,6	41,1	0,5	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	68,4	69,5	67,9	69,7	69,1	-0,6	0,7		
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 353	1 354	1 354	1 354	1 354	0	0	0,0	0,0
<b>Labour Force</b>	908	918	891	924	915	-8	7	-0,9	0,8
Employed	547	538	523	534	531	-3	-16	-0,6	-3,0
Unemployed	361	380	367	389	384	-5	24	-1,3	6,6
Not economically active	445	435	463	430	438	8	-7	1,9	-1,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	39,7	41,4	41,2	42,2	42,0	-0,2	2,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	40,4	39,7	38,7	39,5	39,2	-0,3	-1,2		
Labour force participation rate	67,1	67,8	65,8	68,2	67,6	-0,6	0,5		
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	529	531	532	533	534	1	6	0,2	1,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	379	391	390	392	390	-2	10	-0,5	2,8
Employed	250	243	234	232	246	13	-4	5,6	-1,7
Unemployed	130	149	156	159	144	-15	15	-9,4	11,5
Not economically active	149	139	142	141	144	3	-5	2,3	-3,3
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	34,1	38,0	40,1	40,7	37,0	-3,7	2,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,3	45,8	44,0	43,6	46,0	2,4	-1,3		
Labour force participation rate	71,8	73,8	73,3	73,5	73,0	-0,5	1,2		

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Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>6 789</b>	<b>6 815</b>	<b>6 841</b>	<b>6 868</b>	<b>6 894</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,5</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>4 112</b>	<b>4 188</b>	<b>4 285</b>	<b>4 328</b>	<b>4 334</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>5,4</b>
Employed	2 479	2 496	2 541	2 555	2 583	29	105	1,1	4,2
Unemployed	1 633	1 692	1 744	1 773	1 751	-22	118	-1,2	7,2
Not economically active	2 677	2 627	2 556	2 540	2 560	20	-118	0,8	-4,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	39,7	40,4	40,7	41,0	40,4	-0,6	0,7		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,5	36,6	37,1	37,2	37,5	0,3	1,0		
Labour force participation rate	60,6	61,5	62,6	63,0	62,9	-0,1	2,3		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>4 417</b>	<b>4 436</b>	<b>4 456</b>	<b>4 476</b>	<b>4 496</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0,4</b>	<b>1,8</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 549</b>	<b>2 593</b>	<b>2 677</b>	<b>2 676</b>	<b>2 660</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>4,4</b>
Employed	1 353	1 355	1 384	1 377	1 399	22	46	1,6	3,4
Unemployed	1 196	1 239	1 293	1 298	1 261	-38	65	-2,9	5,4
Not economically active	1 868	1 843	1 779	1 800	1 836	36	-32	2,0	-1,7
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	46,9	47,8	48,3	48,5	47,4	-1,1	0,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	30,6	30,5	31,1	30,8	31,1	0,3	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	57,7	58,5	60,1	59,8	59,2	-0,6	1,5		
<b>KwaZulu-Natal - eThekhwini</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	<b>2 372</b>	<b>2 379</b>	<b>2 385</b>	<b>2 392</b>	<b>2 398</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>1,1</b>
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 563</b>	<b>1 594</b>	<b>1 608</b>	<b>1 652</b>	<b>1 675</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>7,1</b>
Employed	1 126	1 141	1 157	1 178	1 184	7	58	0,6	5,2
Unemployed	437	453	450	474	491	16	53	3,4	12,2
Not economically active	809	784	777	740	723	-16	-86	-2,2	-10,6
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,0	28,4	28,0	28,7	29,3	0,6	1,3		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,4	48,0	48,5	49,2	49,4	0,2	2,0		
Labour force participation rate	65,9	67,0	67,4	69,1	69,8	0,7	3,9		

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**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>North West</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 468	2 479	2 490	2 501	2 512	11	44	0,4	1,8
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 594	1 625	1 624	1 674	1 686	12	92	0,7	5,8
Employed	915	900	959	976	978	2	64	0,2	7,0
Unemployed	680	725	665	698	708	10	28	1,4	4,2
Not economically active	874	854	866	827	826	-1	-47	-0,2	-5,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	42,6	44,6	40,9	41,7	42,0	0,3	-0,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	37,1	36,3	38,5	39,0	38,9	-0,1	1,8		
Labour force participation rate	64,6	65,5	65,2	66,9	67,1	0,2	2,5		
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	9 748	9 802	9 854	9 905	9 957	52	209	0,5	2,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	7 380	7 539	7 523	7 636	7 529	-107	149	-1,4	2,0
Employed	4 942	5 068	5 111	5 193	5 050	-143	109	-2,7	2,2
Unemployed	2 438	2 471	2 411	2 443	2 479	36	40	1,5	1,7
Not economically active	2 368	2 263	2 331	2 270	2 428	159	60	7,0	2,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	33,0	32,8	32,1	32,0	32,9	0,9	-0,1		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	50,7	51,7	51,9	52,4	50,7	-1,7	0,0		
Labour force participation rate	75,7	76,9	76,3	77,1	75,6	-1,5	-0,1		
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	1 315	1 319	1 323	1 326	1 330	3	14	0,3	1,1
<b>Labour Force</b>	967	982	949	984	967	-17	0	-1,8	0,0
Employed	587	598	583	624	600	-24	14	-3,8	2,3
Unemployed	380	385	365	361	367	6	-13	1,8	-3,5
Not economically active	349	337	374	342	362	21	14	6,1	4,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	39,3	39,1	38,5	36,6	37,9	1,3	-1,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	44,6	45,3	44,1	47,0	45,1	-1,9	0,5		
Labour force participation rate	73,5	74,5	71,7	74,2	72,7	-1,5	-0,8		

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**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 471	2 482	2 493	2 503	2 513	10	42	0,4	1,7
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 879</b>	<b>1 895</b>	<b>1 927</b>	<b>1 965</b>	<b>1 918</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>-2,4</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Employed	1 161	1 222	1 264	1 296	1 259	-37	98	-2,9	8,5
Unemployed	718	673	663	669	659	-10	-59	-1,5	-8,2
Not economically active	592	588	565	537	594	57	2	10,6	0,4
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	38,2	35,5	34,4	34,0	34,4	0,4	-3,8		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	47,0	49,2	50,7	51,8	50,1	-1,7	3,1		
Labour force participation rate	76,0	76,3	77,3	78,5	76,3	-2,2	0,3		
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 580	3 605	3 628	3 652	3 676	24	96	0,7	2,7
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>2 802</b>	<b>2 858</b>	<b>2 857</b>	<b>2 853</b>	<b>2 834</b>	<b>-20</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>1,1</b>
Employed	1 963	1 978	1 995	1 992	1 934	-58	-30	-2,9	-1,5
Unemployed	838	881	862	861	900	39	61	4,5	7,3
Not economically active	779	746	772	799	843	44	64	5,5	8,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	29,9	30,8	30,2	30,2	31,8	1,6	1,9		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	54,8	54,9	55,0	54,5	52,6	-1,9	-2,2		
Labour force participation rate	78,3	79,3	78,7	78,1	77,1	-1,0	-1,2		
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 381	2 396	2 410	2 424	2 439	14	58	0,6	2,4
<b>Labour Force</b>	<b>1 732</b>	<b>1 803</b>	<b>1 790</b>	<b>1 833</b>	<b>1 810</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>-1,2</b>	<b>4,5</b>
Employed	1 231	1 270	1 269	1 281	1 257	-24	26	-1,8	2,1
Unemployed	501	533	522	552	553	1	51	0,1	10,3
Not economically active	649	592	619	592	629	37	-20	6,3	-3,0
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	28,9	29,6	29,1	30,1	30,5	0,4	1,6		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	51,7	53,0	52,7	52,8	51,6	-1,2	-0,1		
Labour force participation rate	72,8	75,3	74,3	75,6	74,2	-1,4	1,4		

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**Table 2.7: Labour force characteristics by province metro – Expanded definition of unemployment (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	2 802	2 815	2 828	2 841	2 853	13	51	0,4	1,8
<b>Labour Force</b>	1 983	2 002	1 997	2 071	2 068	-2	85	-0,1	4,3
Employed	1 171	1 174	1 155	1 217	1 212	-6	41	-0,5	3,5
Unemployed	813	828	841	854	857	3	44	0,4	5,4
Not economically active	819	813	831	770	785	15	-34	2,0	-4,2
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	41,0	41,4	42,1	41,2	41,4	0,2	0,4		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	41,8	41,7	40,9	42,8	42,5	-0,3	0,7		
Labour force participation rate	70,8	71,1	70,6	72,9	72,5	-0,4	1,7		
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Population 15-64 yrs	3 619	3 634	3 649	3 663	3 678	15	59	0,4	1,6
<b>Labour Force</b>	2 158	2 119	2 145	2 197	2 209	12	51	0,5	2,4
Employed	1 324	1 349	1 414	1 358	1 390	32	66	2,3	5,0
Unemployed	833	770	731	839	819	-20	-14	-2,4	-1,7
Not economically active	1 462	1 515	1 504	1 466	1 469	3	7	0,2	0,5
<b>Rates (%)</b>									
Unemployment rate	38,6	36,3	34,1	38,2	37,1	-1,1	-1,5		
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	36,6	37,1	38,7	37,1	37,8	0,7	1,2		
Labour force participation rate	59,6	58,3	58,8	60,0	60,1	0,1	0,5		

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

Note: 'Employment' refers to market production activities.

**Table 3.1: Employed by industry and sex – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Agriculture	825	881	919	875	835	-40	10	-4,6	1,2
Mining	447	438	421	447	434	-13	-13	-2,9	-3,0
Manufacturing	1 712	1 683	1 727	1 790	1 799	10	88	0,5	5,1
Utilities	111	118	131	145	148	2	37	1,6	32,9
Construction	1 388	1 491	1 483	1 505	1 395	-110	7	-7,3	0,5
Trade	3 136	3 198	3 222	3 207	3 265	58	129	1,8	4,1
Transport	862	915	961	965	954	-11	92	-1,1	10,7
Finance	2 220	2 323	2 329	2 378	2 395	17	175	0,7	7,9
Community and social services	3 544	3 499	3 571	3 569	3 560	-9	16	-0,3	0,5
Private households	1 296	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	-8	15	-0,6	1,2
Other	4	5	5	11	3	-8	-1	-75,6	-35,6
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 754</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>4,8</b>
Agriculture	235	255	305	278	264	-14	29	-4,9	12,3
Mining	58	54	62	60	61	1	3	0,8	4,6
Manufacturing	580	562	554	627	603	-24	23	-3,8	3,9
Utilities	27	35	37	31	31	0	4	0,7	13,8
Construction	142	164	174	199	174	-25	32	-12,4	22,5
Trade	1 490	1 533	1 555	1 573	1 578	5	88	0,3	5,9
Transport	155	177	189	199	171	-28	15	-14,1	9,9
Finance	919	967	970	1 009	1 003	-6	84	-0,6	9,2
Community and social services	2 167	2 126	2 186	2 199	2 172	-27	5	-1,2	0,2
Private households	976	996	995	1 001	1 018	17	42	1,7	4,3
Other	3	4	5	7	3	-5	0	-63,9	-6,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 792</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>2,6</b>
Agriculture	590	627	614	597	571	-26	-19	-4,4	-3,3
Mining	389	384	359	387	373	-14	-16	-3,5	-4,1
Manufacturing	1 131	1 121	1 173	1 163	1 196	33	65	2,9	5,8
Utilities	84	83	95	114	116	2	33	1,8	39,2
Construction	1 245	1 327	1 309	1 306	1 221	-86	-24	-6,5	-2,0
Trade	1 646	1 664	1 668	1 634	1 686	53	41	3,2	2,5
Transport	707	738	772	766	783	17	77	2,3	10,8
Finance	1 302	1 356	1 359	1 369	1 392	23	91	1,7	7,0
Community and social services	1 376	1 373	1 385	1 370	1 388	18	12	1,3	0,8
Private households	320	285	304	319	294	-25	-26	-7,9	-8,2
Other	1	1	.	4	.	.	.	.	.

**Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>-40</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-4,6</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Western Cape	186	196	250	215	180	-35	-7	-16,3	-3,5
Eastern Cape	99	100	88	87	90	3	-10	3,1	-9,8
Northern Cape	42	56	53	47	36	-11	-6	-23,5	-14,5
Free State	66	60	65	70	80	9	14	13,5	21,1
KwaZulu-Natal	122	141	146	141	123	-18	1	-12,6	0,8
North West	37	48	55	50	54	3	17	6,7	45,4
Gauteng	44	47	36	36	34	-1	-10	-4,1	-22,7
Mpumalanga	106	100	88	89	95	6	-10	6,9	-9,9
Limpopo	123	134	139	140	144	4	21	2,8	17,1
<b>Mining</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-2,9</b>	<b>-3,0</b>
Western Cape	1	3	4	4	3	-1	2	-15,7	211,9
Eastern Cape	2	1	0	0	1	1	-1	114,3	-52,8
Northern Cape	19	14	24	28	33	5	14	17,9	73,1
Free State	35	28	17	17	15	-2	-20	-10,6	-56,8
KwaZulu-Natal	5	5	8	7	9	1	4	19,9	71,8
North West	140	141	128	132	132	0	-8	-0,3	-5,8
Gauteng	113	107	77	92	86	-5	-27	-5,8	-23,8
Mpumalanga	57	59	53	55	54	-1	-3	-2,2	-5,8
Limpopo	75	80	109	112	101	-11	26	-9,7	35,0
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>1 712</b>	<b>1 683</b>	<b>1 727</b>	<b>1 790</b>	<b>1 799</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>0,5</b>	<b>5,1</b>
Western Cape	320	301	317	359	339	-20	19	-5,6	5,9
Eastern Cape	134	142	142	149	129	-21	-6	-14,0	-4,2
Northern Cape	11	15	15	12	7	-5	-4	-42,0	-36,1
Free State	66	60	59	68	69	1	3	1,3	4,1
KwaZulu-Natal	329	317	306	295	295	0	-34	-0,1	-10,5
North West	70	72	66	74	77	3	7	4,3	10,4
Gauteng	624	605	643	646	666	20	42	3,0	6,7
Mpumalanga	90	95	100	104	112	8	22	7,9	24,6
Limpopo	67	76	80	82	106	24	39	29,3	57,7

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**Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Utilities</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>32,9</b>
Western Cape	9	7	6	8	17	8	7	99,8	79,4
Eastern Cape	8	6	8	8	6	-1	-1	-16,2	-18,9
Northern Cape	1	1	1	3	2	0	2	-15,6	293,1
Free State	9	10	10	12	11	-1	3	-7,8	28,9
KwaZulu-Natal	12	2	6	14	10	-4	-2	-28,6	-16,1
North West	4	11	6	1	5	4	1	250,5	18,8
Gauteng	19	33	32	35	40	4	21	12,5	106,9
Mpumalanga	29	32	41	41	42	1	13	2,0	42,5
Limpopo	20	16	21	23	14	-8	-5	-36,2	-27,5
<b>Construction</b>	<b>1 388</b>	<b>1 491</b>	<b>1 483</b>	<b>1 505</b>	<b>1 395</b>	<b>-110</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-7,3</b>	<b>0,5</b>
Western Cape	211	242	237	228	229	1	18	0,4	8,4
Eastern Cape	150	180	185	168	139	-29	-11	-17,0	-7,2
Northern Cape	34	31	22	26	24	-1	-10	-5,4	-28,7
Free State	56	55	54	56	61	6	5	10,0	8,5
KwaZulu-Natal	218	203	228	228	235	8	18	3,3	8,2
North West	77	79	72	87	84	-3	7	-3,5	9,2
Gauteng	383	405	402	452	387	-65	4	-14,3	1,1
Mpumalanga	111	130	113	112	105	-7	-6	-5,9	-5,7
Limpopo	148	167	170	150	131	-20	-17	-13,1	-11,5
<b>Trade</b>	<b>3 136</b>	<b>3 198</b>	<b>3 222</b>	<b>3 207</b>	<b>3 265</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>4,1</b>
Western Cape	433	450	426	432	455	23	22	5,4	5,0
Eastern Cape	265	312	323	324	339	15	75	4,7	28,2
Northern Cape	46	46	44	44	54	10	7	22,7	16,1
Free State	155	176	193	175	165	-10	10	-5,7	6,2
KwaZulu-Natal	526	540	525	518	543	25	16	4,8	3,1
North West	193	147	198	179	197	18	4	10,3	1,9
Gauteng	972	1 017	994	1 008	963	-45	-9	-4,5	-0,9
Mpumalanga	236	230	219	227	255	28	19	12,4	7,9
Limpopo	309	281	299	301	295	-7	-14	-2,3	-4,7

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**Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Transport</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>965</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>10,7</b>
Western Cape	112	120	146	148	137	-11	25	-7,2	22,4
Eastern Cape	68	72	80	76	74	-2	5	-3,0	8,0
Northern Cape	13	15	15	12	11	0	-1	-3,1	-9,4
Free State	36	38	36	43	44	1	8	1,4	20,7
KwaZulu-Natal	164	179	160	155	170	14	6	9,3	3,4
North West	33	27	37	38	31	-7	-2	-17,5	-5,9
Gauteng	332	359	378	384	374	-10	42	-2,5	12,8
Mpumalanga	62	53	58	69	55	-15	-7	-21,1	-11,7
Limpopo	42	52	52	40	59	18	16	45,9	38,5
<b>Finance</b>	<b>2 220</b>	<b>2 323</b>	<b>2 329</b>	<b>2 378</b>	<b>2 395</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>7,9</b>
Western Cape	386	381	366	379	417	38	31	10,0	7,9
Eastern Cape	117	134	149	162	166	5	49	2,9	42,3
Northern Cape	19	18	16	17	18	1	-1	4,8	-3,1
Free State	59	63	53	54	59	6	0	10,4	0,5
KwaZulu-Natal	271	295	303	332	346	14	76	4,2	28,0
North West	83	85	79	87	99	13	17	14,5	20,0
Gauteng	1 057	1 115	1 123	1 094	1 047	-47	-11	-4,3	-1,0
Mpumalanga	129	122	120	145	140	-6	11	-3,8	8,6
Limpopo	100	109	119	109	103	-6	3	-5,1	2,8
<b>Community and social services</b>	<b>3 544</b>	<b>3 499</b>	<b>3 571</b>	<b>3 569</b>	<b>3 560</b>	<b>-9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-0,3</b>	<b>0,5</b>
Western Cape	445	457	469	474	477	2	31	0,5	7,0
Eastern Cape	389	381	364	363	369	5	-21	1,4	-5,3
Northern Cape	84	89	85	86	81	-5	-3	-5,7	-3,7
Free State	214	193	181	190	176	-13	-38	-7,1	-17,6
KwaZulu-Natal	600	579	611	608	620	12	20	1,9	3,4
North West	201	209	233	242	210	-32	9	-13,3	4,6
Gauteng	1 040	1 014	1 069	1 055	1 064	9	24	0,8	2,3
Mpumalanga	244	260	262	265	245	-19	1	-7,3	0,4
Limpopo	326	316	298	285	318	33	-8	11,6	-2,5

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**Table 3.2: Employed by industry and province (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Private households</b>	<b>1 296</b>	<b>1 281</b>	<b>1 299</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Western Cape	161	157	162	159	150	-8	-11	-5,3	-6,6
Eastern Cape	117	113	107	105	103	-2	-14	-1,6	-12,3
Northern Cape	34	26	23	24	25	0	-10	0,6	-28,0
Free State	101	97	89	82	96	14	-5	16,9	-4,7
KwaZulu-Natal	232	236	249	256	233	-23	1	-9,0	0,4
North West	77	80	85	86	89	4	13	4,3	16,3
Gauteng	354	362	356	381	387	5	33	1,4	9,4
Mpumalanga	106	93	101	110	109	-1	3	-1,2	2,5
Limpopo	114	117	126	116	119	3	5	2,9	4,8

For all values of 10 000 or lower, the sample size is too small for reliable estimates.

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

**Table 3.3: Employed by sector and industry – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Total employed</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
<b>Formal and informal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>13 424</b>	<b>13 670</b>	<b>13 851</b>	<b>14 018</b>	<b>13 953</b>	<b>-65</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Mining	447	438	421	447	434	-13	-13	-2,9	-3,0
Manufacturing	1 712	1 683	1 727	1 790	1 799	10	88	0,5	5,1
Utilities	111	118	131	145	148	2	37	1,6	32,9
Construction	1 388	1 491	1 483	1 505	1 395	-110	7	-7,3	0,5
Trade	3 136	3 198	3 222	3 207	3 265	58	129	1,8	4,1
Transport	862	915	961	965	954	-11	92	-1,1	10,7
Finance	2 220	2 323	2 329	2 378	2 395	17	175	0,7	7,9
Community and social services	3 544	3 499	3 571	3 569	3 560	-9	16	-0,3	0,5
Other	4	5	5	11	3	-8	-1	-75,6	-35,6
<b>Formal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>10 917</b>	<b>11 029</b>	<b>11 156</b>	<b>11 337</b>	<b>11 193</b>	<b>-144</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>-1,3</b>	<b>2,5</b>
Mining	440	434	415	441	426	-14	-14	-3,2	-3,1
Manufacturing	1 510	1 497	1 512	1 590	1 562	-27	52	-1,7	3,5
Utilities	106	113	125	139	142	3	36	2,1	33,9
Construction	966	1 016	1 004	1 050	965	-84	-1	-8,0	-0,1
Trade	2 121	2 127	2 131	2 107	2 126	19	4	0,9	0,2
Transport	633	661	708	714	696	-18	63	-2,5	9,9
Finance	2 016	2 099	2 132	2 163	2 182	19	165	0,9	8,2
Community and social services	3 122	3 076	3 124	3 123	3 091	-33	-31	-1,0	-1,0
Other	2	5	5	11	3	-8	0	-75,6	15,3
<b>Informal sector (Non-agricultural)</b>	<b>2 507</b>	<b>2 641</b>	<b>2 695</b>	<b>2 681</b>	<b>2 761</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>10,1</b>
Mining	7	4	6	6	8	1	0	19,2	6,0
Manufacturing	201	186	215	200	237	37	36	18,4	17,7
Utilities	5	5	7	6	6	-1	1	-9,6	13,0
Construction	422	475	479	456	430	-26	8	-5,7	1,9
Trade	1 015	1 070	1 091	1 101	1 139	39	124	3,5	12,2
Transport	229	255	253	251	258	7	29	2,9	12,8
Finance	204	224	196	215	213	-1	10	-0,7	4,7
Community and social services	422	422	447	446	469	23	48	5,2	11,3
Other	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Agriculture</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>881</b>	<b>919</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>-40</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-4,6</b>	<b>1,2</b>
<b>Private households</b>	<b>1 296</b>	<b>1 281</b>	<b>1 299</b>	<b>1 319</b>	<b>1 311</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>1,2</b>

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**Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	10 917	11 029	11 156	11 337	11 193	-144	275	-1,3	2,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2 507	2 641	2 695	2 681	2 761	80	254	3,0	10,1
Agriculture	825	881	919	875	835	-40	10	-4,6	1,2
Private households	1 296	1 281	1 299	1 319	1 311	-8	15	-0,6	1,2
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>2 266</b>	<b>2 315</b>	<b>2 386</b>	<b>2 406</b>	<b>2 403</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>6,0</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 698	1 727	1 729	1 763	1 815	52	117	2,9	6,9
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	221	235	244	270	258	-12	37	-4,4	16,8
Agriculture	186	196	250	215	180	-35	-7	-16,3	-3,5
Private households	161	157	162	159	150	-8	-11	-5,3	-6,6
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>895</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>-2,6</b>	<b>9,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	478	515	522	546	565	19	87	3,5	18,2
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	75	82	79	87	86	-1	12	-0,9	15,5
Agriculture	175	184	239	202	163	-39	-12	-19,2	-6,7
Private households	70	65	63	60	57	-3	-13	-5,0	-18,8
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>1 468</b>	<b>1 469</b>	<b>1 482</b>	<b>1 511</b>	<b>1 531</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>4,3</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1 219	1 212	1 207	1 217	1 249	33	30	2,7	2,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	146	152	165	183	172	-11	25	-6,0	17,4
Agriculture	11	12	11	13	17	4	5	28,7	44,8
Private households	91	92	99	99	93	-5	2	-5,5	2,7
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1 350</b>	<b>1 443</b>	<b>1 447</b>	<b>1 442</b>	<b>1 416</b>	<b>-26</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>4,9</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	856	896	905	923	906	-17	50	-1,8	5,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	277	333	346	327	317	-10	40	-3,1	14,6
Agriculture	99	100	88	87	90	3	-10	3,1	-9,8
Private households	117	113	107	105	103	-2	-14	-1,6	-12,3

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**Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>794</b>	<b>863</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-0,9</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	439	466	454	467	468	1	29	0,1	6,5
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	205	239	245	225	211	-14	6	-6,4	2,8
Agriculture	86	90	79	80	81	1	-5	1,5	-5,9
Private households	64	67	64	53	58	5	-6	9,1	-9,7
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-2,0</b>	<b>9,7</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	177	173	170	179	168	-10	-9	-5,8	-4,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	26	42	47	55	63	8	37	15,3	140,7
Agriculture	8	5	2	3	7	3	-1	109,5	-15,8
Private households	19	19	19	20	14	-6	-5	-32,0	-26,4
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson mandela bay</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-3,7</b>	<b>6,2</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	241	257	281	277	270	-7	30	-2,6	12,3
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	46	52	54	47	43	-4	-3	-8,8	-5,6
Agriculture	6	5	7	4	2	-2	-3	-48,0	-62,0
Private households	34	27	25	31	31	0	-3	0,0	-9,4
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-2,4</b>	<b>-3,6</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	187	189	186	197	192	-5	5	-2,5	2,8
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	39	38	37	30	39	9	-1	29,5	-1,5
Agriculture	42	56	53	47	36	-11	-6	-23,5	-14,5
Private households	34	26	23	24	25	0	-10	0,6	-28,0
<b>Free State</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>757</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>-2,6</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	506	478	460	458	463	5	-43	1,1	-8,6
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	124	146	143	156	138	-18	14	-11,8	10,9
Agriculture	66	60	65	70	80	9	14	13,5	21,1
Private households	101	97	89	82	96	14	-5	16,9	-4,7

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**Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>523</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>531</b>	-3	-16	-0,6	-3,0
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	323	317	301	300	297	-3	-26	-1,0	-8,1
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	85	96	90	108	93	-15	9	-13,9	10,2
Agriculture	65	59	64	69	78	9	13	13,5	20,2
Private households	74	67	69	57	62	6	-12	9,7	-15,8
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>246</b>	13	-4	<b>5,6</b>	<b>-1,7</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	183	161	159	158	166	8	-17	5,0	-9,3
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	40	50	53	48	45	-3	5	-7,1	12,5
Agriculture	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	10,9	106,7
Private households	27	30	20	25	34	8	7	33,1	25,9
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>	<b>2 479</b>	<b>2 496</b>	<b>2 541</b>	<b>2 555</b>	<b>2 583</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>4,2</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 686	1 676	1 703	1 730	1 785	56	99	3,2	5,9
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	438	443	444	428	442	14	4	3,2	0,8
Agriculture	122	141	146	141	123	-18	1	-12,6	0,8
Private households	232	236	249	256	233	-23	1	-9,0	0,4
<b>KwaZulu-Natal – Non-metro</b>	<b>1 353</b>	<b>1 355</b>	<b>1 384</b>	<b>1 377</b>	<b>1 399</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>3,4</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	823	819	841	838	876	38	53	4,5	6,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	288	282	281	271	281	10	-6	3,8	-2,2
Agriculture	119	137	139	136	119	-16	0	-12,1	0,4
Private households	123	117	123	132	122	-10	-1	-7,4	-0,5
<b>KwaZulu-Natal – eThekwini</b>	<b>1 126</b>	<b>1 141</b>	<b>1 157</b>	<b>1 178</b>	<b>1 184</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>5,2</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	863	857	862	891	909	18	46	2,0	5,4
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	151	161	164	157	161	3	10	2,2	6,7
Agriculture	3	4	6	5	4	-1	1	-25,7	15,4
Private households	109	119	126	124	111	-13	2	-10,7	1,5

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**Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>North West</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>7,0</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	671	636	680	696	680	-16	9	-2,3	1,3
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	130	135	139	144	156	12	25	8,1	19,6
Agriculture	37	48	55	50	54	3	17	6,7	45,4
Private households	77	80	85	86	89	4	13	4,3	16,3
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>4 942</b>	<b>5 068</b>	<b>5 111</b>	<b>5 193</b>	<b>5 050</b>	<b>-143</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>-2,7</b>	<b>2,2</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	3 857	3 954	4 008	4 056	3 897	-159	41	-3,9	1,1
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	687	705	712	720	732	12	45	1,7	6,6
Agriculture	44	47	36	36	34	-1	-10	-4,1	-22,7
Private households	354	362	356	381	387	5	33	1,4	9,4
<b>Gauteng – Non-metro</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>598</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-3,8</b>	<b>2,3</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	440	453	435	452	436	-16	-4	-3,6	-0,8
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	84	86	93	103	104	1	20	1,3	24,0
Agriculture	19	18	14	16	12	-3	-7	-20,7	-36,3
Private households	44	41	41	53	48	-6	4	-10,5	9,7
<b>Gauteng – Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>1 161</b>	<b>1 222</b>	<b>1 264</b>	<b>1 296</b>	<b>1 259</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>-2,9</b>	<b>8,5</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	896	958	997	1 005	977	-27	81	-2,7	9,1
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	177	168	179	189	187	-2	10	-1,1	5,8
Agriculture	10	14	8	8	8	0	-2	0,5	-16,0
Private households	78	82	80	94	87	-8	8	-8,0	10,8
<b>Gauteng – City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1 963</b>	<b>1 978</b>	<b>1 995</b>	<b>1 992</b>	<b>1 934</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>-2,9</b>	<b>-1,5</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	1 543	1 528	1 544	1 545	1 485	-61	-58	-3,9	-3,8
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	273	306	311	308	300	-8	27	-2,5	9,7
Agriculture	5	7	5	5	6	1	2	26,5	38,5
Private households	143	137	135	134	143	9	0	6,6	0,1

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**Table 3.4: Employed by province and sector (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Gauteng – City of Tshwane</b>	<b>1 231</b>	<b>1 270</b>	<b>1 269</b>	<b>1 281</b>	<b>1 257</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>-1,8</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	979	1 015	1 032	1 054	1 000	-54	21	-5,1	2,1
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	153	146	128	121	141	20	-12	16,9	-7,8
Agriculture	10	8	8	7	7	0	-3	5,7	-31,4
Private households	89	101	100	100	109	10	20	9,6	22,8
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>1 171</b>	<b>1 174</b>	<b>1 155</b>	<b>1 217</b>	<b>1 212</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>3,5</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	720	734	715	761	714	-47	-7	-6,2	-0,9
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	238	248	251	256	293	37	55	14,5	23,1
Agriculture	106	100	88	89	95	6	-10	6,9	-9,9
Private households	106	93	101	110	109	-1	3	-1,2	2,5
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>1 324</b>	<b>1 349</b>	<b>1 414</b>	<b>1 358</b>	<b>1 390</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>5,0</b>
Formal sector (non-agricultural)	736	740	771	753	741	-12	5	-1,6	0,7
Informal sector (non-agricultural)	352	358	378	349	386	37	34	10,5	9,8
Agriculture	123	134	139	140	144	4	21	2,8	17,1
Private households	114	117	126	116	119	3	5	2,9	4,8

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**Table 3.5: Employed by sex and occupation – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Manager	1 314	1 352	1 420	1 448	1 469	21	155	1,5	11,8
Professional	857	835	892	895	897	2	40	0,2	4,6
Technician	1 495	1 465	1 479	1 435	1 457	23	-38	1,6	-2,5
Clerk	1 621	1 651	1 681	1 751	1 746	-5	126	-0,3	7,8
Sales and services	2 437	2 474	2 484	2 478	2 447	-31	10	-1,2	0,4
Skilled agriculture	66	72	66	69	58	-10	-8	-15,0	-11,7
Craft and related trade	1 890	1 947	1 977	2 018	1 969	-48	79	-2,4	4,2
Plant and machine operator	1 218	1 312	1 319	1 332	1 283	-50	65	-3,7	5,3
Elementary	3 634	3 700	3 758	3 778	3 726	-52	92	-1,4	2,5
Domestic worker	1 013	1 026	993	1 007	1 041	34	28	3,4	2,8
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 754</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>4,8</b>
Manager	406	426	452	497	459	-38	53	-7,7	13,0
Professional	450	440	439	455	446	-9	-3	-1,9	-0,7
Technician	798	815	821	790	784	-5	-14	-0,7	-1,7
Clerk	1 170	1 176	1 195	1 264	1 269	6	99	0,5	8,5
Sales and services	1 175	1 173	1 213	1 232	1 161	-70	-14	-5,7	-1,2
Skilled agriculture	14	15	13	10	11	1	-3	12,2	-19,3
Craft and related trade	203	206	199	202	198	-4	-5	-2,2	-2,6
Plant and machine operator	153	172	159	181	149	-31	-4	-17,3	-2,6
Elementary	1 431	1 480	1 574	1 582	1 603	20	172	1,3	12,0
Domestic worker	953	970	966	969	996	26	42	2,7	4,4
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 792</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>2,6</b>
Manager	908	926	968	951	1 010	59	102	6,3	11,2
Professional	408	394	453	440	451	11	43	2,5	10,6
Technician	697	651	658	645	673	28	-24	4,3	-3,4
Clerk	450	475	486	487	477	-10	27	-2,1	5,9
Sales and services	1 262	1 300	1 271	1 246	1 286	39	24	3,2	1,9
Skilled agriculture	52	57	53	59	47	-12	-5	-19,6	-9,7
Craft and related trade	1 687	1 740	1 778	1 815	1 772	-44	84	-2,4	5,0
Plant and machine operator	1 064	1 140	1 159	1 151	1 133	-18	69	-1,6	6,5
Elementary	2 203	2 221	2 185	2 195	2 123	-73	-80	-3,3	-3,6
Domestic worker	59	56	27	38	45	8	-14	20,4	-23,8

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**Table 3.6: Employed by sex and status in employment – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Employee	13 223	13 512	13 645	13 758	13 613	-145	390	-1,1	2,9
Employer	855	822	861	904	893	-11	38	-1,2	4,4
Own-account worker	1 395	1 431	1 472	1 472	1 506	34	111	2,3	8,0
Unpaid household member	72	68	91	78	87	9	16	11,2	21,9
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 754</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>4,8</b>
Employee	5 935	6 043	6 168	6 276	6 169	-108	234	-1,7	3,9
Employer	186	169	163	198	192	-6	5	-3,2	2,9
Own-account worker	583	615	649	654	664	10	81	1,6	13,8
Unpaid household member	49	46	52	54	53	-1	4	-1,7	8,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 792</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>2,6</b>
Employee	7 288	7 469	7 477	7 481	7 444	-37	156	-0,5	2,1
Employer	669	653	698	706	702	-4	33	-0,6	4,9
Own-account worker	812	816	823	818	842	24	30	2,9	3,7
Unpaid household member	22	22	39	24	34	10	12	40,1	52,6

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**Table 3.7: Employed by sex and usual hours of work – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	334	333	339	359	309	-50	-25	-13,8	-7,4
Working 15-29 hours per week	1 053	1 088	1 073	1 109	1 156	47	103	4,3	9,8
Working 30-39 hours per week	1 089	1 119	1 159	1 120	1 061	-59	-28	-5,3	-2,6
Working 40-45 hours per week	8 319	8 534	8 620	8 863	8 783	-80	464	-0,9	5,6
Working more than 45 hours per week	4 750	4 757	4 878	4 762	4 791	29	40	0,6	0,8
<b>Women</b>	<b>6 754</b>	<b>6 873</b>	<b>7 031</b>	<b>7 182</b>	<b>7 078</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>-1,5</b>	<b>4,8</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	199	192	215	195	179	-15	-20	-8,0	-10,1
Working 15-29 hours per week	699	709	724	730	754	24	55	3,2	7,8
Working 30-39 hours per week	670	690	689	707	641	-67	-29	-9,4	-4,4
Working 40-45 hours per week	3 589	3 700	3 784	3 918	3 879	-38	291	-1,0	8,1
Working more than 45 hours per week	1 597	1 582	1 620	1 633	1 625	-8	28	-0,5	1,8
<b>Men</b>	<b>8 792</b>	<b>8 960</b>	<b>9 037</b>	<b>9 030</b>	<b>9 022</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>2,6</b>
Working less than 15 hours per week	135	141	124	164	130	-34	-5	-20,8	-3,4
Working 15-29 hours per week	354	380	349	379	402	24	48	6,3	13,7
Working 30-39 hours per week	419	429	470	413	420	7	1	1,7	0,3
Working 40-45 hours per week	4 730	4 834	4 836	4 945	4 904	-41	173	-0,8	3,7
Working more than 45 hours per week	3 154	3 175	3 257	3 129	3 166	37	12	1,2	0,4

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**Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Pension/retirement fund contribution</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	6 155	6 316	6 484	6 620	6 567	-53	412	-0,8	6,7
No	6 828	6 953	6 890	6 852	6 760	-92	-67	-1,3	-1,0
Don't know	241	243	270	285	286	1	45	0,2	18,6
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	2 595	2 679	2 793	2 844	2 783	-61	188	-2,2	7,2
No	3 243	3 268	3 274	3 320	3 275	-45	32	-1,4	1,0
Don't know	97	96	101	112	111	-1	14	-1,0	14,3
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	3 560	3 637	3 691	3 776	3 784	8	224	0,2	6,3
No	3 585	3 685	3 617	3 532	3 485	-47	-100	-1,3	-2,8
Don't know	144	147	169	173	175	2	31	0,9	21,6
<b>Entitled to any paid leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	8 683	8 811	8 966	9 186	9 092	-93	409	-1,0	4,7
No	4 394	4 566	4 545	4 392	4 361	-31	-32	-0,7	-0,7
Don't know	147	135	134	179	159	-20	13	-11,1	8,8
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	3 805	3 871	3 939	4 084	3 995	-88	190	-2,2	5,0
No	2 078	2 126	2 177	2 125	2 106	-19	28	-0,9	1,4
Don't know	52	46	52	68	67	0	16	-0,3	30,1
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	4 878	4 940	5 027	5 102	5 097	-5	219	-0,1	4,5
No	2 316	2 439	2 367	2 267	2 255	-12	-61	-0,5	-2,6
Don't know	95	89	82	112	92	-20	-3	-17,7	-2,9

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**Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Entitled to paid sick leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	9 288	9 408	9 573	9 796	9 761	-35	473	-0,4	5,1
No	3 936	4 104	4 071	3 962	3 852	-110	-83	-2,8	-2,1
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	4 100	4 144	4 247	4 391	4 306	-85	206	-1,9	5,0
No	1 835	1 899	1 921	1 886	1 863	-22	28	-1,2	1,5
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	5 188	5 265	5 326	5 405	5 455	50	267	0,9	5,2
No	2 101	2 204	2 151	2 077	1 989	-88	-112	-4,2	-5,3
<b>Entitled to maternity/paternity leave</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	7 409	7 501	7 764	7 995	7 984	-11	575	-0,1	7,8
No	5 814	6 011	5 880	5 763	5 629	-134	-186	-2,3	-3,2
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	3 426	3 456	3 571	3 736	3 654	-82	227	-2,2	6,6
No	2 509	2 587	2 597	2 540	2 515	-25	7	-1,0	0,3
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	3 983	4 045	4 193	4 259	4 330	71	348	1,7	8,7
No	3 306	3 424	3 284	3 222	3 114	-109	-192	-3,4	-5,8

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**Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>UIF contribution</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	8 013	8 203	8 137	8 297	8 241	-56	228	-0,7	2,8
No	4 970	5 072	5 270	5 206	5 093	-114	123	-2,2	2,5
Don't know	240	237	238	254	279	25	39	9,8	16,1
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	3 304	3 423	3 391	3 549	3 447	-102	143	-2,9	4,3
No	2 520	2 514	2 673	2 612	2 587	-25	68	-0,9	2,7
Don't know	111	106	104	115	135	19	24	16,9	21,3
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	4 709	4 780	4 746	4 748	4 794	46	85	1,0	1,8
No	2 450	2 558	2 597	2 594	2 505	-89	55	-3,4	2,3
Don't know	129	131	134	139	144	5	15	4,0	11,6
<b>Medical aid benefits</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	3 941	3 954	4 077	4 149	4 115	-34	174	-0,8	4,4
No	9 136	9 410	9 436	9 465	9 342	-123	206	-1,3	2,3
Don't know	146	148	131	144	155	12	10	8,3	6,6
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	1 744	1 763	1 795	1 827	1 788	-39	44	-2,1	2,5
No	4 141	4 227	4 319	4 392	4 321	-71	180	-1,6	4,3
Don't know	50	52	54	57	60	3	10	4,4	19,8
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	2 197	2 190	2 282	2 322	2 327	5	130	0,2	5,9
No	4 995	5 183	5 117	5 073	5 022	-51	26	-1,0	0,5
Don't know	96	96	77	86	96	9	0	10,8	-0,3

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**Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Income tax (PAYE/SITE) deduction</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	7 153	7 218	7 415	7 557	7 558	1	405	0,0	5,7
No	5 809	6 024	5 989	5 938	5 766	-172	-43	-2,9	-0,7
Don't know	261	270	240	263	289	26	28	9,9	10,7
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	3 048	3 049	3 181	3 248	3 215	-33	167	-1,0	5,5
No	2 789	2 888	2 905	2 922	2 854	-68	64	-2,3	2,3
Don't know	98	105	82	107	100	-6	2	-6,1	2,6
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	4 105	4 169	4 234	4 309	4 343	33	238	0,8	5,8
No	3 020	3 136	3 084	3 015	2 912	-103	-108	-3,4	-3,6
Don't know	164	164	159	157	189	33	25	20,9	15,5
<b>Conditions of employment</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Written contract	10 572	10 807	10 873	11 031	11 001	-30	429	-0,3	4,1
Verbal agreement	2 651	2 705	2 771	2 727	2 611	-115	-40	-4,2	-1,5
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-108</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Written contract	4 719	4 865	4 932	5 060	4 984	-75	265	-1,5	5,6
Verbal agreement	1 216	1 178	1 236	1 217	1 185	-32	-31	-2,6	-2,6
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Written contract	5 853	5 943	5 941	5 971	6 017	46	164	0,8	2,8
Verbal agreement	1 436	1 526	1 536	1 510	1 427	-83	-9	-5,5	-0,6

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**Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Nature of contract/agreement</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Limited duration	1 775	1 928	1 890	1 857	1 786	-71	11	-3,8	0,6
Permanent nature	8 168	8 274	8 359	8 493	8 427	-66	259	-0,8	3,2
Unspecified duration	3 281	3 310	3 396	3 408	3 400	-8	119	-0,2	3,6
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-107</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Limited duration	879	953	993	950	919	-31	40	-3,3	4,6
Permanent nature	3 556	3 628	3 645	3 766	3 673	-93	117	-2,5	3,3
Unspecified duration	1 501	1 462	1 530	1 560	1 577	17	76	1,1	5,1
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Limited duration	896	976	897	906	867	-39	-29	-4,3	-3,2
Permanent nature	4 612	4 646	4 714	4 726	4 754	28	142	0,6	3,1
Unspecified duration	1 780	1 848	1 866	1 849	1 823	-26	43	-1,4	2,4
<b>Trade union membership</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Yes	3 716	3 781	3 849	3 947	3 933	-14	217	-0,4	5,8
No	9 117	9 373	9 437	9 370	9 238	-132	121	-1,4	1,3
Don't know	390	358	359	441	442	1	52	0,2	13,3
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-107</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Yes	1 587	1 617	1 665	1 680	1 646	-34	59	-2,0	3,7
No	4 191	4 289	4 377	4 413	4 351	-62	160	-1,4	3,8
Don't know	158	137	126	183	172	-11	14	-6,0	8,9
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Yes	2 129	2 164	2 184	2 267	2 287	20	158	0,9	7,4
No	4 927	5 084	5 060	4 957	4 887	-70	-40	-1,4	-0,8
Don't know	232	220	234	258	270	12	38	4,7	16,4

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**Table 3.8: Conditions of employment – South Africa (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent	
<b>How annual salary increment is negotiated</b>									
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>13 223</b>	<b>13 512</b>	<b>13 645</b>	<b>13 758</b>	<b>13 613</b>	<b>-145</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>-1,1</b>	<b>2,9</b>
Individual and employer	1 124	1 094	1 036	1 128	1 069	-59	-55	-5,2	-4,9
Union and employer	2 945	2 946	2 969	3 110	3 002	-108	57	-3,5	1,9
Bargaining council	1 054	1 076	1 086	1 028	1 087	59	33	5,7	3,1
Employer only	7 359	7 595	7 676	7 578	7 593	15	234	0,2	3,2
No regular increment	694	736	798	798	748	-50	54	-6,3	7,8
Other	49	64	80	115	113	-2	64	-1,7	130,6
<b>Women</b>	<b>5 935</b>	<b>6 043</b>	<b>6 168</b>	<b>6 276</b>	<b>6 169</b>	<b>-107</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>-1,7</b>	<b>3,9</b>
Individual and employer	506	468	454	490	471	-19	-35	-3,9	-6,9
Union and employer	1 188	1 193	1 238	1 314	1 228	-86	40	-6,5	3,4
Bargaining council	547	538	533	493	528	35	-19	7,1	-3,5
Employer only	3 341	3 450	3 504	3 536	3 565	29	224	0,8	6,7
No regular increment	333	368	403	395	341	-54	8	-13,7	2,4
Other	20	25	36	49	37	-12	17	-24,5	85,0
<b>Men</b>	<b>7 288</b>	<b>7 469</b>	<b>7 477</b>	<b>7 481</b>	<b>7 444</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>2,1</b>
Individual and employer	618	625	582	638	598	-40	-20	-6,3	-3,2
Union and employer	1 757	1 753	1 731	1 796	1 774	-22	17	-1,2	1,0
Bargaining council	507	538	553	535	559	24	52	4,5	10,3
Employer only	4 018	4 146	4 172	4 042	4 029	-13	11	-0,3	0,3
No regular increment	361	368	395	403	408	5	47	1,2	13,0
Other	28	39	44	66	76	10	48	15,2	171,4

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**Table 3.9: Time-related underemployment – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-4,1</b>	<b>-3,7</b>
Women	451	431	432	458	427	-31	-24	-6,8	-5,3
Men	303	318	292	298	299	0	-4	0,1	-1,3
<b>As Per centage of the labour force (both sexes)</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>-0,3</b>		
Women	4,7	4,4	4,4	4,5	4,2	-0,3	-0,5		
Men	2,6	2,7	2,4	2,4	2,4	0,0	-0,2		
<b>As Per centage of total employment (both sexes)</b>	<b>4,8</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>4,7</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>-0,2</b>	<b>-0,3</b>		
Women	6,7	6,3	6,1	6,4	6,0	-0,4	-0,7		
Men	3,4	3,5	3,2	3,3	3,3	0,0	-0,1		
<b>Industry</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-4,1</b>	<b>-3,7</b>
Agriculture	31	34	26	18	25	7	-6	38,7	-19,0
Mining	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	69,3	179,5
Manufacturing	25	35	23	24	27	4	2	16,2	9,6
Utilities	3	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.
Construction	90	79	81	70	64	-6	-26	-8,4	-28,6
Trade	122	126	127	136	113	-24	-9	-17,2	-7,5
Transport	11	21	23	14	13	0	2	-3,1	20,1
Finance	47	48	52	53	42	-11	-5	-20,0	-10,2
Community and social services	170	178	157	168	181	13	11	7,7	6,4
Private households	254	227	232	273	258	-15	4	-5,4	1,6
<b>Occupation</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>-31</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>-4,1</b>	<b>-3,7</b>
Manager	14	11	20	12	16	4	1	30,6	8,8
Professional	3	5	9	10	7	-3	4	-29,7	134,8
Technician	38	30	40	24	33	9	-5	38,1	-13,4
Clerk	26	22	14	13	14	0	-12	2,1	-47,1
Sales and services	80	90	83	72	79	8	-1	10,7	-0,8
Skilled agriculture	4	1	.	1	2	1	-2	94,2	-48,5
Craft and related trade	85	79	64	61	71	10	-14	15,8	-16,4
Plant and machine operator	14	20	22	17	15	-2	2	-11,0	10,9
Elementary	307	321	307	366	310	-56	4	-15,3	1,2
Domestic worker	182	170	166	179	178	-1	-4	-0,8	-2,4

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**Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>9,6</b>
Job losers	1 786	1 857	1 839	2 038	1 953	-85	167	-4,2	9,4
Job leavers	277	315	368	365	346	-19	69	-5,3	24,7
New entrants	2 306	2 331	2 164	2 345	2 407	62	101	2,6	4,4
Re-entrants	304	323	293	300	312	12	8	4,2	2,8
Other	960	1 047	1 118	1 166	1 158	-8	198	-0,7	20,6
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>9,6</b>
Long-term unemployment (1 year and more)	3 768	3 904	3 943	4 088	4 153	65	386	1,6	10,2
Short-term unemployment (less than 1 year)	1 866	1 969	1 838	2 126	2 023	-103	158	-4,8	8,5
<b>Long-term unemployment (%)</b>									
Proportion of the labour force	17,8	18,0	18,0	18,2	18,6	0,4	0,8		
Proportion of the unemployed	66,9	66,5	68,2	65,8	67,2	1,4	0,3		
<b>Those who have worked in the past 5 years</b>									
<b>Previous occupation</b>	<b>2 367</b>	<b>2 495</b>	<b>2 499</b>	<b>2 703</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>-92</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>-3,4</b>	<b>10,3</b>
Manager	39	60	61	61	62	2	24	2,5	62,1
Professional	48	45	41	58	53	-6	4	-9,6	8,7
Technician	123	147	134	155	141	-14	18	-9,2	14,2
Clerk	276	271	297	296	277	-19	2	-6,3	0,6
Sales and services	377	391	378	399	421	21	44	5,4	11,7
Skilled agriculture	4	10	4	7	8	1	4	15,1	84,1
Craft and related trade	394	410	420	441	451	10	57	2,2	14,6
Plant and machine operator	208	202	199	203	184	-18	-24	-9,1	-11,3
Elementary	730	776	767	891	810	-81	79	-9,1	10,9
Domestic worker	168	182	198	191	204	13	36	6,7	21,3

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**Table 4: Characteristics of the unemployed – South Africa (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Previous industry</b>	<b>2 367</b>	<b>2 495</b>	<b>2 499</b>	<b>2 703</b>	<b>2 612</b>	<b>-92</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>-3,4</b>	<b>10,3</b>
Agriculture	143	152	123	178	139	-39	-4	-22,1	-2,9
Mining	55	66	54	56	54	-2	-1	-3,7	-1,8
Manufacturing	304	284	286	307	281	-26	-23	-8,5	-7,6
Utilities	11	9	14	14	14	0	2	-1,5	21,5
Construction	375	410	429	449	444	-5	69	-1,1	18,4
Trade	527	559	522	594	560	-35	33	-5,8	6,2
Transport	116	122	128	149	158	9	42	5,9	36,0
Finance	296	348	346	353	339	-13	43	-3,7	14,5
Community and social services	314	308	348	349	367	19	54	5,4	17,1
Private households	227	238	249	255	257	2	30	0,9	13,4
Other	.	.	0	1	.	.	.	.	.

For all values of 10 000 or lower, the sample size is too small for reliable estimates.

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

**Table 5: Characteristics of the not economically active – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>15 412</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-471</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
Student	6 353	6 278	6 232	6 029	6 140	111	-213	1,8	-3,3
Homemaker	2 781	2 650	2 715	2 517	2 689	172	-92	6,8	-3,3
Illness/disability	1 630	1 647	1 611	1 621	1 572	-49	-59	-3,1	-3,6
Too old/young to work	1 369	1 390	1 412	1 339	1 380	41	12	3,1	0,8
Discouraged work-seekers	2 526	2 291	2 292	2 277	2 361	83	-165	3,7	-6,5
Other	753	788	793	850	799	-51	46	-6,0	6,1
<b>Inactivity rate by age (both sexes)</b>	<b>42,1</b>	<b>40,9</b>	<b>40,8</b>	<b>39,5</b>	<b>40,1</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>-2,0</b>		
15–24 yrs	74,2	73,2	73,7	72,1	73,1	1,0	-1,1		
25–54 yrs	25,2	23,8	23,6	22,6	23,1	0,5	-2,1		
55–64 yrs	56,9	56,7	56,0	53,8	55,3	1,5	-1,6		
<b>Inactivity rate by age (women)</b>	<b>48,6</b>	<b>47,7</b>	<b>47,1</b>	<b>45,4</b>	<b>46,4</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>-2,2</b>		
15–24 yrs	77,1	76,6	76,0	74,3	75,6	1,3	-1,5		
25–54 yrs	33,0	31,7	31,3	29,8	30,5	0,7	-2,5		
55–64 yrs	64,8	65,2	63,5	61,6	63,8	2,2	-1,0		
<b>Inactivity rate by age (men)</b>	<b>35,5</b>	<b>34,0</b>	<b>34,3</b>	<b>33,4</b>	<b>33,7</b>	<b>0,3</b>	<b>-1,8</b>		
15–24 yrs	71,4	69,8	71,3	69,9	70,5	0,6	-0,9		
25–54 yrs	17,2	15,9	15,8	15,3	15,6	0,3	-1,6		
55–64 yrs	47,4	46,4	46,8	44,3	44,9	0,6	-2,5		

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**Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Age group of the employed</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
15–24 yrs	1 229	1 265	1 333	1 315	1 226	-89	-3	-6,8	-0,3
25–34 yrs	4 824	4 896	4 954	4 966	4 907	-59	83	-1,2	1,7
35–44 yrs	4 815	4 923	4 992	5 016	5 040	24	225	0,5	4,7
45–54 yrs	3 279	3 323	3 313	3 393	3 420	27	141	0,8	4,3
55–64 yrs	1 398	1 426	1 477	1 522	1 506	-16	109	-1,0	7,8
<b>Age group of the unemployed</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>9,6</b>
15–24 yrs	1 428	1 497	1 382	1 559	1 552	-7	125	-0,4	8,7
25–34 yrs	2 208	2 319	2 319	2 395	2 399	4	191	0,2	8,7
35–44 yrs	1 308	1 348	1 360	1 412	1 450	38	141	2,7	10,8
45–54 yrs	541	568	589	670	623	-47	82	-7,0	15,1
55–64 yrs	148	141	130	178	153	-25	5	-14,3	3,2
<b>Age group of the not economically active</b>	<b>15 412</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-471</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
15–24 yrs	7 653	7 549	7 598	7 440	7 537	97	-115	1,3	-1,5
25–34 yrs	2 594	2 451	2 431	2 380	2 473	93	-121	3,9	-4,7
35–44 yrs	1 654	1 550	1 510	1 474	1 453	-21	-201	-1,4	-12,1
45–54 yrs	1 467	1 439	1 473	1 358	1 424	66	-43	4,8	-2,9
55–64 yrs	2 044	2 054	2 044	1 981	2 053	72	9	3,6	0,4
<b>Highest level of education of the employed</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
No schooling	337	327	334	334	341	7	4	2,1	1,1
Less than primary completed	1 150	1 136	1 097	1 106	1 063	-44	-87	-3,9	-7,6
Primary completed	655	682	657	605	592	-13	-63	-2,2	-9,6
Secondary not completed	5 161	5 439	5 495	5 458	5 333	-125	172	-2,3	3,3
Secondary completed	4 994	5 047	5 038	5 091	5 200	109	206	2,1	4,1
Tertiary	3 063	3 068	3 266	3 450	3 388	-62	325	-1,8	10,6
Other	186	134	182	168	183	15	-3	9,1	-1,6

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**Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Highest level of education of the unemployed</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>9,6</b>
No schooling	74	82	73	84	72	-12	-1	-14,4	-1,9
Less than primary completed	352	359	346	346	361	14	8	4,2	2,4
Primary completed	213	216	215	260	278	18	65	6,8	30,4
Secondary not completed	2 648	2 849	2 785	3 002	2 901	-100	253	-3,3	9,6
Secondary completed	1 871	1 870	1 875	1 933	2 014	80	143	4,2	7,6
Tertiary	426	467	451	541	513	-29	86	-5,3	20,3
Other	49	31	35	47	39	-9	-11	-18,2	-21,7
<b>Highest level of education of the not economically active</b>	<b>15 412</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-471</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
No schooling	696	666	665	658	639	-19	-57	-2,9	-8,1
Less than primary completed	1 662	1 615	1 582	1 441	1 460	19	-202	1,3	-12,1
Primary completed	950	1 029	1 054	865	978	113	28	13,0	2,9
Secondary not completed	8 230	8 127	8 260	7 829	8 007	179	-223	2,3	-2,7
Secondary completed	3 156	2 896	2 754	3 113	3 124	10	-32	0,3	-1,0
Tertiary	563	544	565	562	582	20	19	3,5	3,3
Other	156	167	176	166	151	-15	-5	-9,0	-3,1
<b>Employed</b>	<b>15 545</b>	<b>15 833</b>	<b>16 069</b>	<b>16 212</b>	<b>16 100</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>-0,7</b>	<b>3,6</b>
Attending educational institution	356	363	390	387	332	-55	-24	-14,2	-6,9
Not attending educational institution	15 189	15 470	15 678	15 825	15 768	-58	579	-0,4	3,8
<b>Unemployed</b>	<b>5 634</b>	<b>5 873</b>	<b>5 781</b>	<b>6 214</b>	<b>6 177</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>-0,6</b>	<b>9,6</b>
Attending educational institution	103	113	117	118	102	-16	-1	-13,6	-0,5
Not attending educational institution	5 531	5 760	5 663	6 096	6 075	-21	544	-0,3	9,8
<b>Not economically active</b>	<b>15 412</b>	<b>15 044</b>	<b>15 055</b>	<b>14 634</b>	<b>14 941</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>-471</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-3,1</b>
Attending educational institution	6 191	6 204	6 175	5 937	6 092	155	-99	2,6	-1,6
Not attending educational institution	9 221	8 839	8 881	8 698	8 849	151	-372	1,7	-4,0

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

**Table 6: Sociodemographic characteristics – South Africa (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Current marital status of the employed</b>									
Married	15 545	15 833	16 069	16 212	16 100	-113	554	-0,7	3,6
Living together like husband and wife	6 111	6 141	6 262	6 326	6 264	-63	153	-1,0	2,5
Widow/widower	1 972	2 032	2 028	1 995	2 005	10	33	0,5	1,7
Divorced or separated	463	474	474	517	501	-15	39	-3,0	8,3
Never married	475	500	481	523	529	5	53	1,0	11,2
	6 524	6 686	6 824	6 850	6 801	-50	276	-0,7	4,2
<b>Current marital status of the unemployed</b>									
Married	5 634	5 873	5 781	6 214	6 177	-37	543	-0,6	9,6
Living together like husband and wife	878	938	943	1 044	988	-57	110	-5,4	12,5
Widow/widower	682	690	655	680	674	-6	-8	-0,8	-1,2
Divorced or separated	85	81	84	71	82	11	-4	15,6	-4,3
Never married	99	102	108	119	95	-24	-4	-20,2	-4,2
	3 889	4 063	3 990	4 301	4 338	38	449	0,9	11,5
<b>Current marital status of the not economically active</b>									
Married	15 412	15 044	15 055	14 634	14 941	306	-471	2,1	-3,1
Living together like husband and wife	2 846	2 808	2 814	2 621	2 754	133	-93	5,1	-3,3
Widow/widower	854	784	778	767	761	-6	-94	-0,8	-11,0
Divorced or separated	599	597	602	600	566	-34	-33	-5,6	-5,5
Never married	279	248	246	217	259	42	-21	19,4	-7,4
	10 833	10 606	10 616	10 430	10 602	172	-231	1,7	-2,1

Due to rounding, numbers do not necessarily add up to totals.

**Table 7: Profile of those not in education and not in employment – South Africa**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>14 752</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Women	8 587	8 549	8 481	8 498	8 631	133	44	1,6	0,5
Men	6 165	6 050	6 063	6 296	6 293	-3	128	0,0	2,1
<b>Age group</b>	<b>14 752</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,2</b>
15–24 yrs	3 217	3 153	3 107	3 340	3 320	-20	103	-0,6	3,2
25–34 yrs	4 427	4 403	4 389	4 445	4 504	59	77	1,3	1,7
35–44 yrs	2 913	2 861	2 829	2 842	2 857	16	-56	0,6	-1,9
45–54 yrs	2 002	1 990	2 048	2 010	2 036	25	34	1,3	1,7
55–64 yrs	2 192	2 192	2 171	2 156	2 206	50	14	2,3	0,6
<b>Population groups</b>	<b>14 752</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Black African	12 379	12 206	12 234	12 501	12 512	11	133	0,1	1,1
Coloured	1 343	1 316	1 283	1 315	1 376	61	34	4,7	2,5
Indian/Asian	344	348	318	319	345	26	1	8,2	0,4
White	686	729	710	659	690	31	4	4,8	0,5
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>14 752</b>	<b>14 599</b>	<b>14 544</b>	<b>14 794</b>	<b>14 924</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,2</b>
Western Cape	1 528	1 476	1 458	1 458	1 496	37	-32	2,6	-2,1
Eastern Cape	1 913	1 824	1 793	1 914	1 960	46	47	2,4	2,5
Northern Cape	361	361	371	379	389	9	28	2,5	7,7
Free State	763	792	791	807	779	-28	16	-3,5	2,1
KwaZulu-Natal	2 900	2 957	3 029	3 054	3 025	-29	126	-0,9	4,3
North West	1 169	1 173	1 138	1 133	1 125	-8	-44	-0,7	-3,8
Gauteng	3 497	3 491	3 435	3 414	3 537	123	40	3,6	1,1
Mpumalanga	1 135	1 119	1 159	1 161	1 167	6	32	0,5	2,8
Limpopo	1 486	1 406	1 368	1 472	1 445	-27	-40	-1,8	-2,7

**Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>South Africa</b>									
Subsistence farming	1 637	1 829	1 885	2 082	1 909	-173	272	-8,3	16,6
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	4 822	4 989	4 787	4 496	4 584	88	-239	2	-4,9
Produce other goods for household use	107	248	144	139	137	-2	30	-1,5	27,9
Construction or major repairs to own or household	485	821	809	686	626	-60	140	-8,7	28,9
Hunting or fishing for household use	40	41	40	43	30	-13	-9	-29,2	-23,5
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>6 057</b>	<b>6 284</b>	<b>6 208</b>	<b>6 137</b>	<b>6 009</b>	<b>-127</b>	<b>-48</b>	<b>-2,1</b>	<b>-0,8</b>
Employed	1 659	1 757	1 777	1 824	1 742	-82	83	-4,5	5
Unemployed	847	912	928	1 096	1 027	-69	180	-6,3	21,2
Not economically active	3 551	3 615	3 502	3 218	3 240	23	-311	0,7	-8,8
<b>Western Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	5	5	4	3	6	3	0	103,3	6,4
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	20	23	48	33	37	4	16	10,9	80,3
Produce other goods for household use	1		1		1		0		-17,7
Construction or major repairs to own or household		1	2		1				
Hunting or fishing for household use			1	1					
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>23,1</b>	<b>65,7</b>
Employed	12	14	20	20	27	7	15	31,8	120,5
Unemployed	7	6	9	7	5	-2	-2	-25	-27,8
Not economically active	7	8	24	9	12	3	5	40	63,2
<b>Eastern Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	363	402	467	553	507	-46	144	-8,3	39,5
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 136	1 139	1 055	935	995	61	-141	6,5	-12,4
Produce other goods for household use	8	6	8	11	9	-2	1	-22,4	9
Construction or major repairs to own or household	89	133	135	120	181	61	92	51	103,8
Hunting or fishing for household use	4	1	3	4	3	0	-1	-11,2	-22,8
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 348</b>	<b>1 354</b>	<b>1 295</b>	<b>1 226</b>	<b>1 240</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-109</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>-8</b>
Employed	298	295	302	301	280	-21	-17	-6,9	-5,8
Unemployed	148	154	159	230	237	7	89	3	60,1
Not economically active	903	905	834	695	723	28	-180,2	4	-20

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**Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Northern Cape</b>									
Subsistence farming	28	18	18	23	22	-1	-6	-4	-20,6
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	112	92	94	86	94	8	-18	8,7	-16,2
Produce other goods for household use	4	0	0	1	1	0	-3	-31,4	-85,5
Construction or major repairs to own or household	3	2	1	0	1	1	-2	353,7	-60,1
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	3	1	3	2	-1	1	-37,3	98,4
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>-18,3</b>
Employed	28	20	20	24	21	-3	-7	-14,5	-25,3
Unemployed	34	27	26	23	23	0	-11	0	-31,5
Not economically active	66	56	57	55	61	6	-6	10,8	-8,5
<b>Free State</b>									
Subsistence farming	137	109	95	97	113	15	-24	15,9	-17,9
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	85	65	44	73	49	-25	-37	-33,9	-43,1
Produce other goods for household use	1		1		3		2		292,2
Construction or major repairs to own or household	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	21,9	5,8
Hunting or fishing for household use	3	6	4	3	4	0	0	15,3	15,3
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-45</b>	<b>-4,7</b>	<b>-22,4</b>
Employed	79	74	53	69	64	-5	-15	-7,5	-19
Unemployed	30	39	44	33	43	10	13	31	43,8
Not economically active	91	54	40	60	48	-12	-43	-20,6	-47
<b>KwaZulu-Natal</b>									
Subsistence farming	738	937	887	880	868	-12	130	-1,4	17,6
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 316	1 388	1 330	1 344	1 282	-62	-35	-4,6	-2,6
Produce other goods for household use	71	215	107	90	100	9	29	10,2	40,3
Construction or major repairs to own or household	80	288	234	115	80	-36	-1	-31	-1,1
Hunting or fishing for household use	18	17	18	20	10	-10	-8	-50	-43,9
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 756</b>	<b>1 815</b>	<b>1 834</b>	<b>1 900</b>	<b>1 843</b>	<b>-56</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>5</b>
Employed	470	448	473	498	472	-25	2	-5,1	0,5
Unemployed	178	191	198	272	233	-39	55	-14,4	30,8
Not economically active	1 108	1 176	1 163	1 130	1 138	8	30	0,7	2,7

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**Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (continued)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on-year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>North West</b>									
Subsistence farming	41	41	61	57	43	-14	1	-24,5	3
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	433	488	483	434	368	-66	-65	-15,1	-14,9
Produce other goods for household use	2	1	2	6	4	-2	1	-30,3	58,5
Construction or major repairs to own or household	17	18	16	23	11	-13	-6	-53,4	-34,5
Hunting or fishing for household use	1	2	2	2	1	-1	0	-69,4	-33,3
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>-78</b>	<b>-88</b>	<b>-16,8</b>	<b>-18,6</b>
Employed	131	146	142	133	108	-25	-23	-18,7	-17,3
Unemployed	59	90	70	67	40	-27	-19	-40,1	-32,4
Not economically active	281	286	300	261	235	-26	-46	-9,9	-16,3
<b>Gauteng</b>									
Subsistence farming	25	39	23	21	14	-6	-11	-30,2	-42,7
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	120	136	133	137	205	68	85	49,4	70,9
Produce other goods for household use	4	1	6	14	12	-2	7	-15,8	170,9
Construction or major repairs to own or household	235	320	359	365	292	-72	57	-19,8	24,4
Hunting or fishing for household use	5	6	2	3	3	-1	-3	-17,6	-50,2
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>465</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>-0,2</b>	<b>41,3</b>
Employed	167	258	270	267	271	4	104	1,5	62,1
Unemployed	141	134	153	155	158	3	17	2	11,8
Not economically active	44	73	64	77	69	-8	25	-10,6	56,4
<b>Mpumalanga</b>									
Subsistence farming	118	128	137	179	159	-20	41	-11	34,7
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	571	536	564	509	549	40	-22	7,9	-3,9
Produce other goods for household use	15	23	17	16	7	-10	-8	-58,9	-55,9
Construction or major repairs to own or household	20	21	23	19	20	1	0	7,4	0,2
Hunting or fishing for household use			3	2	4	2		66,7	
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0,2</b>	<b>0,4</b>
Employed	173	179	192	217	212	-5	39	-2,4	22,4
Unemployed	122	131	137	163	163	-1	41	-0,5	33,4
Not economically active	351	307	323	266	273	8	-77	2,8	-22

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**Table 8: Involvement in non-market activities and labour market status by province (concluded)**

	Apr-Jun 2016	Jul-Sep 2016	Oct-Dec 2016	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change	Qtr-to-qtr change	Year-on- year change
	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Thousand	Percent	Percent
<b>Limpopo</b>									
Subsistence farming	181	150	193	271	178	-93	-3	-34,3	-1,7
Fetching water or collecting wood/dung	1 029	1 123	1 037	945	1 006	61	-23	6,5	-2,2
Produce other goods for household use	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	116	204,8
Construction or major repairs to own or household	40	37	38	43	39	-4	-1	-8,9	-2,8
Hunting or fishing for household use	7	5	7	5	4	0	-3	-9,9	-41
<b>Involvement in at least one activity</b>	<b>1 129</b>	<b>1 212</b>	<b>1 136</b>	<b>1 104</b>	<b>1 093</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-36</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>-3,2</b>
Employed	300	324	307	293	286	-7	-14	-2,5	-4,8
Unemployed	128	140	132	146	125	-20	-3	-14	-2
Not economically active	701	749	697	665	682	17	-19	2,5	-2,7

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## Appendix 2

Table 2A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by sex										
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>Both Sexes</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-150	-342	42	0,13				
Employed	0,7	0,7	-113	-293	68	0,22				
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	0,9	0,9	-144	-308	19	0,08				
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,2	2,1	80	-42	201	0,20				
Agriculture	5,1	4,2	-40	-98	18	0,18				
Private households	2,7	2,7	-8	-69	53	0,80				
Unemployed	1,6	1,6	-37	-198	123	0,65				
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	306	114	499	0,00				
Discouraged work-seekers	4,2	3,9	83	-66	233	0,27				
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	223	35	411	0,02				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,4	0,0	-0,6	0,7	0,95				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,4	-1,0	0,0	0,05				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-0,6	-1,2	-0,1	0,01				
<b>Women</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	0,7	0,8	-146	-270	-22	0,02				
Employed	0,9	1,0	-105	-213	4	0,06				
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,3	1,3	-113	-214	-12	0,03				
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	3,2	3,0	5	-61	72	0,88				
Agriculture	8,2	7,7	-14	-47	20	0,42				
Private households	3,1	2,9	17	-34	68	0,51				
Unemployed	2,0	2,0	-42	-159	75	0,48				
Not economically active	0,9	0,9	221	97	345	0,00				
Discouraged work-seekers	4,6	4,4	55	-38	148	0,25				
Other (not economically active)	0,9	0,9	166	36	297	0,01				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,7	0,0	-1,0	1,0	0,97				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,9	1,0	-0,7	-1,3	-0,1	0,02				
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,8	-1,0	-1,7	-0,3	0,00				

**Table 2A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>Men</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	0,5	0,6	-4	-121	114	0,95				
Employed	0,8	0,8	-8	-134	118	0,90				
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,0	1,1	-31	-148	85	0,60				
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,5	2,5	74	-18	167	0,11				
Agriculture	4,9	4,1	-26	-74	21	0,28				
Private households	5,3	6,3	-25	-61	11	0,17				
Unemployed	1,8	2,0	4	-94	103	0,93				
Not economically active	1,0	1,1	85	-32	203	0,16				
Discouraged work-seekers	5,0	4,5	28	-66	123	0,56				
Other (not economically active)	1,1	1,2	57	-52	166	0,31				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,7	1,9	0,0	-0,7	0,8	0,91				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,2	-1,0	0,4	0,45				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	-0,3	-1,0	0,3	0,33				

	<b>Table 2.1A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group</b>									
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>				
	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>								
<b>South Africa</b>										
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>										
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,5	0,5	-150	-342	42	0,13				
Employed	0,7	0,7	-113	-293	68	0,22				
Unemployed	1,6	1,6	-37	-198	123	0,65				
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	306	114	499	0,00				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,4	0,0	-0,6	0,7	0,95				
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,4	-1,0	0,0	0,05				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-0,6	-1,2	-0,1	0,01				
<b>Black/African</b>										
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>										
<b>Labour Force</b>	0,6	0,6	2	-178	181	0,99				
Employed	0,8	0,8	15	-140	171	0,85				
Unemployed	1,6	1,8	-14	-159	131	0,85				
Not economically active	0,9	0,9	151	-28	330	0,10				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,5	-0,1	-0,8	0,6	0,82				
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	-0,1	-0,7	0,4	0,56				
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	-0,3	-0,9	0,3	0,33				
<b>Coloured</b>										
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>										
<b>Labour Force</b>	1,2	1,5	-57	-103	-12	0,01				
Employed	1,4	1,6	-59	-121	3	0,06				
Unemployed	6,2	5,0	1	-53	56	0,96				
Not economically active	2,3	2,5	67	21	113	0,00				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	5,5	4,3	0,7	-1,8	3,1	0,59				
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,4	1,6	-1,9	-3,7	0,0	0,05				
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,5	-1,8	-3,2	-0,5	0,01				

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>Indian/Asian</b>										
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	2,8	2,6	-18	-43	8	0,17				
Employed	2,7	2,9	-18	-41	6	0,14				
Unemployed	12,7	12,3	0	-17	17	1,00				
Not economically active	4,8	4,1	20	-6	45	0,13				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	11,5	11,6	0,4	-2,2	3,0	0,78				
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,7	2,9	-1,9	-4,2	0,5	0,11				
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,6	-1,9	-4,5	0,6	0,14				
<b>White</b>										
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	1,3	1,5	-76	-117	-36	0,00				
Employed	1,6	1,8	-52	-98	-5	0,03				
Unemployed	11,7	10,4	-25	-56	7	0,12				
Not economically active	3,1	3,2	68	28	109	0,00				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	11,7	10,6	-0,9	-2,4	0,5	0,20				
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,6	1,8	-1,5	-3,1	0,0	0,05				
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,5	-2,4	-3,7	-1,0	0,00				

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	-150	-342	42	0,13
Employed	0,7	0,7	-113	-293	68	0,22
Unemployed	1,6	1,6	-37	-198	123	0,65
Not economically active	0,8	0,8	306	114	499	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	4,2	3,9	83	-66	233	0,27
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	223	35	411	0,02
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,4	1,4	0,0	-0,6	0,7	0,95
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,7	0,7	-0,4	-1,0	0,0	0,05
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	-0,6	-1,2	-0,1	0,01
<b>Western Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,3	1,6	-35	-95	25	0,25
Employed	1,9	2,1	-4	-82	75	0,93
Unemployed	5,5	5,3	-32	-99	36	0,36
Not economically active	3,0	3,3	59	-2	119	0,06
Discouraged work-seekers	22,6	19,0	32	3	61	0,03
Other (not economically active)	3,2	3,1	27	-40	93	0,43
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	5,1	-0,8	-2,9	1,3	0,47
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	2,1	-0,3	-2,1	1,4	0,68
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,6	-1,1	-2,5	0,2	0,09

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>				
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,1	2,8	-51	-84	-18	0,00
Employed	3,0	3,3	-23	-66	20	0,28
Unemployed	8,0	11,3	-28	-61	6	0,11
Not economically active	4,6	5,3	60	27	93	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	28,6	22,5	26	0	52	0,05
Other (not economically active)	5,1	5,1	34	1	67	0,05
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,1	10,5	-1,7	-4,8	1,4	0,28
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	3,3	-1,8	-4,4	0,9	0,19
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,8	-3,5	-5,6	-1,5	0,00
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,8	1,9	16	-38	70	0,56
Employed	2,5	2,6	20	-47	87	0,56
Unemployed	7,1	6,0	-4	-60	52	0,89
Not economically active	4,1	4,4	-2	-55	52	0,95
Discouraged work-seekers	29,1	33,4	6	-7	18	0,37
Other (not economically active)	4,2	4,0	-7	-65	50	0,80
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,6	5,8	-0,3	-3,2	2,4	0,78
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,5	2,6	0,5	-1,9	2,8	0,72
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,9	0,2	-1,7	2,1	0,83

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,7	33	-38	104	0,37
Employed	1,9	2,5	-26	-89	36	0,41
Unemployed	3,9	5,1	59	9	109	0,02
Not economically active	1,6	1,8	-20	-92	51	0,58
Discouraged work-seekers	8,3	10,6	-17	-83	48	0,60
Other (not economically active)	2,2	2,2	-3	-65	59	0,93
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,2	4,4	2,2	0,3	4,2	0,03
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	2,5	-0,7	-2,2	0,8	0,34
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,7	0,6	-1,1	2,3	0,47
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	2,6	28	-32	89	0,35
Employed	2,3	3,3	-8	-51	35	0,72
Unemployed	4,6	6,2	36	-5	78	0,09
Not economically active	1,7	2,1	-20	-80	41	0,52
Discouraged work-seekers	8,4	10,9	-28	-91	36	0,39
Other (not economically active)	2,5	2,5	8	-43	59	0,76
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,3	5,0	2,1	-0,3	4,5	0,09
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,3	3,3	-0,3	-1,9	1,1	0,64
Labour force participation rate	2,2	2,6	0,8	-1,2	3,0	0,42

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	4,2	2,7	-9	-31	12	0,40				
Employed	6,5	4,9	-5	-38	28	0,77				
Unemployed	8,3	12,2	-4	-24	15	0,68				
Not economically active	10,9	6,4	10	-11	32	0,34				
Discouraged work-seekers	33,5	60,1	8	-8	24	0,34				
Other (not economically active)	10,5	7,8	2	-15	20	0,79				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	8,8	11,3	-0,4	-6,7	5,9	0,90				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	6,5	4,9	-1,1	-7,7	5,5	0,74				
Labour force participation rate	4,2	2,7	-2,0	-6,2	2,3	0,36				
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	2,0	2,8	14	-18	45	0,39				
Employed	3,5	5,7	-13	-43	16	0,37				
Unemployed	10,3	11,5	27	7	47	0,01				
Not economically active	3,7	5,5	-11	-42	20	0,49				
Discouraged work-seekers	68,6	54,8	2	-1	6	0,20				
Other (not economically active)	3,7	5,1	-13	-42	15	0,36				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	9,1	10,6	4,3	1,0	7,6	0,01				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,5	5,7	-1,8	-5,5	1,9	0,33				
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,8	1,5	-2,4	5,4	0,45				

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Northern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,9	3,3	-11	-24	1	0,07
Employed	5,6	5,9	-7	-27	13	0,48
Unemployed	6,1	4,6	-4	-20	12	0,59
Not economically active	3,5	3,8	14	2	26	0,03
Discouraged work-seekers	8,9	10,9	13	-7	33	0,21
Other (not economically active)	3,5	3,8	1	-18	20	0,91
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,5	6,8	-0,2	-4,0	3,6	0,92
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	5,6	5,9	-1,0	-3,6	1,5	0,43
Labour force participation rate	2,9	3,3	-1,7	-3,2	-0,1	0,04
<b>Free State</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,4	-5	-30	21	0,73
Employed	3,5	3,3	10	-18	38	0,49
Unemployed	3,9	4,2	-14	-32	4	0,12
Not economically active	2,6	2,4	6	-20	32	0,66
Discouraged work-seekers	6,7	9,8	-4	-21	14	0,68
Other (not economically active)	3,0	3,1	9	-26	45	0,60
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,4	4,6	-1,1	-2,6	0,5	0,17
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,5	3,3	0,5	-1,0	2,0	0,52
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,4	-0,3	-1,7	1,1	0,69

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>				
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	1,9	-19	-38	1	0,06
Employed	2,8	4,0	-3	-23	17	0,74
Unemployed	4,5	5,2	-15	-29	-2	0,03
Not economically active	2,4	2,8	19	-1	38	0,06
Discouraged work-seekers	9,1	10,0	11	-2	23	0,11
Other (not economically active)	2,6	3,8	8	-18	34	0,54
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,2	5,6	-1,1	-2,7	0,6	0,20
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,8	4,0	-0,3	-1,7	1,2	0,74
Labour force participation rate	1,5	1,9	-1,4	-2,8	0,1	0,06
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,0	2,2	14	-4	32	0,12
Employed	9,8	5,6	13	-7	33	0,21
Unemployed	7,4	7,1	1	-10	13	0,86
Not economically active	7,9	4,9	-13	-31	5	0,16
Discouraged work-seekers	8,4	29,4	-14	-26	-2	0,02
Other (not economically active)	9,6	4,4	1	-24	26	0,92
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	11,2	8,2	-1,0	-4,7	2,6	0,58
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	9,8	5,6	2,4	-1,5	6,2	0,23
Labour force participation rate	4,0	2,2	2,5	-0,9	5,9	0,15

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	2,1	-46	-145	52	0,36
Employed	2,0	1,9	29	-47	104	0,46
Unemployed	4,4	5,6	-75	-133	-17	0,01
Not economically active	1,9	2,0	73	-26	171	0,15
Discouraged work-seekers	10,8	8,3	21	-50	93	0,56
Other (not economically active)	2,3	2,0	51	-63	165	0,38
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,5	4,3	-1,8	-3,2	-0,5	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	1,9	0,3	-0,8	1,4	0,63
Labour force participation rate	1,9	2,1	-0,8	-2,3	0,6	0,24
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,1	3,4	-54	-133	26	0,18
Employed	3,4	3,2	22	-42	86	0,50
Unemployed	6,2	8,5	-76	-122	-30	0,00
Not economically active	2,4	2,5	74	-6	153	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	12,9	9,8	20	-50	90	0,57
Other (not economically active)	2,9	2,5	54	-47	154	0,29
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,9	6,5	-3,2	-5,2	-1,2	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,2	0,3	-1,1	1,8	0,63
Labour force participation rate	3,1	3,4	-1,4	-3,2	0,4	0,12

**Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,9	8	-51	67	0,80
Employed	1,7	1,9	7	-34	47	0,75
Unemployed	5,7	5,9	1	-34	36	0,96
Not economically active	2,9	3,2	-1	-60	58	0,97
Discouraged work-seekers	10,1	10,3	1	-16	19	0,89
Other (not economically active)	3,1	3,1	-2	-56	52	0,93
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,8	4,9	0,0	-1,8	1,7	0,96
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	1,9	0,2	-1,5	1,8	0,87
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,9	0,1	-2,3	2,6	0,91
<b>North West</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,5	3,3	15	-63	92	0,71
Employed	3,0	3,4	2	-49	54	0,93
Unemployed	5,9	8,8	12	-50	75	0,70
Not economically active	2,8	3,8	-4	-81	74	0,93
Discouraged work-seekers	10,9	10,3	15	-34	64	0,55
Other (not economically active)	2,9	3,3	-19	-74	37	0,51
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	7,1	0,7	-3,0	4,3	0,74
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	3,4	-0,1	-2,1	2,0	0,94
Labour force participation rate	2,5	3,3	0,4	-2,7	3,4	0,83

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,7	0,7	-134	-230	-39	0,01
Employed	1,1	1,2	-143	-245	-40	0,01
Unemployed	2,8	2,4	8	-82	99	0,86
Not economically active	1,9	1,8	186	91	282	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	10,4	9,7	44	5	84	0,03
Other (not economically active)	1,9	1,9	142	44	240	0,01
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,6	2,3	0,7	-0,5	1,8	0,26
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,1	1,2	-1,7	-2,7	-0,7	0,00
Labour force participation rate	0,7	0,7	-1,8	-2,7	-0,8	0,00
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	2,6	-21	-55	13	0,23
Employed	3,8	3,6	-24	-66	18	0,27
Unemployed	8,0	6,3	3	-25	31	0,83
Not economically active	4,2	5,1	24	-10	58	0,17
Discouraged work-seekers	20,5	9,8	2	-14	19	0,79
Other (not economically active)	3,7	4,7	22	-22	65	0,33
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,6	5,7	1,0	-2,2	4,3	0,51
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,8	3,6	-1,9	-5,1	1,3	0,24
Labour force participation rate	2,0	2,6	-1,8	-4,3	0,8	0,19

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	<b>Coefficient of Variation</b>		<b>Qtr-to-qtr change</b>	<b>Lower 95%</b>	<b>Upper 95%</b>	<b>P-Value</b>
	<b>Jan-Mar 2017</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2017</b>				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,2	1,9	-44	-102	15	0,14
Employed	2,0	3,1	-37	-100	26	0,25
Unemployed	6,0	5,2	-7	-61	47	0,81
Not economically active	3,7	5,1	54	-5	112	0,07
Discouraged work-seekers	13,3	18,3	6	-17	30	0,61
Other (not economically active)	3,1	4,8	48	-10	106	0,11
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,2	5,1	0,4	-2,3	3,1	0,79
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,0	3,1	-1,7	-4,2	0,8	0,19
Labour force participation rate	1,2	1,9	-2,0	-4,4	0,3	0,09
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,0	0,8	-12	-56	32	0,59
Employed	1,9	1,8	-58	-112	-5	0,03
Unemployed	5,2	3,9	46	3	90	0,04
Not economically active	3,1	2,5	36	-8	80	0,11
Discouraged work-seekers	26,0	26,4	9	-14	31	0,45
Other (not economically active)	3,2	2,9	27	-16	70	0,21
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,9	3,8	1,8	0,3	3,3	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,9	1,8	-1,9	-3,4	-0,5	0,01
Labour force participation rate	1,0	0,8	-0,8	-2,0	0,4	0,18

**Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,0	-58	-112	-4	0,04
Employed	2,2	2,1	-24	-61	14	0,22
Unemployed	4,2	4,7	-34	-86	17	0,19
Not economically active	4,8	2,5	72	18	127	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	24,8	18,4	27	10	44	0,00
Other (not economically active)	5,1	3,0	45	-8	98	0,10
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,7	4,6	-1,1	-3,4	1,3	0,39
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,2	2,1	-1,2	-2,8	0,3	0,10
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,0	-2,8	-5,1	-0,6	0,01
<b>Mpumalanga</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,0	1,9	12	-44	69	0,67
Employed	2,6	2,7	-6	-52	41	0,81
Unemployed	4,5	4,5	18	-28	63	0,44
Not economically active	3,3	3,2	0	-56	57	0,99
Discouraged work-seekers	12,5	15,5	4	-40	48	0,85
Other (not economically active)	2,8	3,6	-4	-48	40	0,87
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,9	4,1	0,8	-1,3	2,9	0,47
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,6	2,7	-0,3	-2,0	1,2	0,64
Labour force participation rate	2,0	1,9	0,2	-1,8	2,1	0,88

<b>Table 2.3A: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Limpopo</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	2,5	22	-64	109	0,61
Employed	3,2	2,4	32	-47	110	0,43
Unemployed	7,6	8,2	-10	-52	33	0,66
Not economically active	2,3	2,3	-8	-94	79	0,86
Discouraged work-seekers	9,6	9,3	-26	-101	49	0,50
Other (not economically active)	2,5	2,7	18	-44	80	0,56
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	7,1	6,8	-0,8	-3,0	1,4	0,47
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,2	2,4	0,7	-1,4	2,9	0,51
Labour force participation rate	2,6	2,5	0,4	-1,9	2,8	0,73

**Table 3.1A: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Industry and Sex**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>-293</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0,22</b>
Agriculture	5,1	4,2	-40	-98	18	0,18
Mining	7,5	7,2	-13	-67	41	0,63
Manufacturing	2,7	2,7	10	-70	89	0,81
Utilities	12,5	12,1	2	-24	29	0,86
Construction	3,0	3,0	-110	-194	-27	0,01
Trade	2,1	1,9	58	-66	182	0,36
Transport	3,5	3,2	-11	-67	45	0,71
Finance	2,3	2,6	17	-80	114	0,73
Community and social services	2,1	1,9	-9	-127	109	0,88
Private household	2,7	2,7	-8	-69	53	0,80
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>-213</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0,06</b>
Agriculture	8,2	7,7	-14	-47	20	0,42
Mining	14,1	12,2	1	-14	15	0,95
Manufacturing	4,1	4,3	-24	-69	22	0,31
Utilities	23,4	20,7	0	-11	11	0,97
Construction	7,3	8,1	-25	-51	1	0,06
Trade	2,6	2,3	5	-73	84	0,90
Transport	7,7	8,2	-28	-55	-1	0,04
Finance	3,4	3,8	-6	-62	50	0,84
Community and social services	2,5	2,2	-27	-113	59	0,54
Private household	3,1	2,9	17	-34	68	0,51
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-134</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>0,90</b>
Agriculture	4,9	4,1	-26	-74	21	0,28
Mining	7,5	7,4	-14	-62	35	0,58
Manufacturing	3,1	3,1	33	-35	101	0,34
Utilities	11,9	11,9	2	-20	25	0,85
Construction	3,1	3,1	-86	-164	-7	0,03
Trade	2,8	2,7	53	-28	133	0,20
Transport	3,7	3,6	17	-36	70	0,52
Finance	2,7	3,1	23	-49	95	0,53
Community and social services	2,8	2,8	18	-54	89	0,62
Private household	5,3	6,3	-25	-61	11	0,17

**Table 3.4A: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>-293</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0,22</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	0,9	-144	-308	19	0,08
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,2	2,1	80	-42	201	0,20
Agriculture	5,1	4,2	-40	-98	18	0,18
Private households	2,7	2,7	-8	-69	53	0,80
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-82</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>0,93</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,7	2,6	52	-21	124	0,16
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,5	6,5	-12	-44	21	0,48
Agriculture	9,1	4,3	-35	-70	0	0,05
Private households	10,6	10,5	-8	-31	14	0,46
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>-66</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0,28</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,1	5,5	19	-12	51	0,23
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	14,6	12,1	-1	-28	26	0,95
Agriculture	9,4	3,8	-39	-73	-5	0,03
Private households	11,5	16,5	-3	-23	17	0,77
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>0,56</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	2,9	33	-34	99	0,33
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,2	7,6	-11	-29	7	0,24
Agriculture	40,0	27,1	4	-7	14	0,50
Private households	15,1	13,4	-5	-15	5	0,29
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>-26</b>	<b>-89</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>0,41</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,7	-17	-65	31	0,48
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,6	7,9	-10	-59	38	0,68
Agriculture	15,6	16,9	3	-20	25	0,81
Private households	7,0	8,4	-2	-19	16	0,85
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,3</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-51</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>0,72</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	4,4	1	-33	35	0,97
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,6	8,9	-14	-56	27	0,49
Agriculture	16,4	17,7	1	-21	23	0,91
Private households	10,6	12,4	5	-8	18	0,46

**Table 3.4A: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>6,5</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>-38</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0,77</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,3	2,8	-10	-34	13	0,38
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	20,8	19,5	8	-5	22	0,22
Agriculture	62,0	64,2	3	-2	9	0,19
Private households	18,0	20,5	-6	-16	3	0,20
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>5,7</b>	<b>-13</b>	<b>-43</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0,37</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,5	5,0	-7	-29	15	0,52
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,2	25,7	-4	-24	16	0,68
Agriculture	75,7	100,4	-2	-4	0	0,05
Private households	8,4	11,9	0	-6	6	1,00
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>5,9</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0,48</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,9	9,5	-5	-27	17	0,66
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,6	5,4	9	5	13	0,00
Agriculture	27,5	34,3	-11	-16	-7	0,00
Private households	19,9	14,3	0	-5	5	0,95
<b>Free State</b>	<b>3,5</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-18</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0,49</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,4	4,0	5	-27	37	0,77
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,3	12,0	-18	-53	16	0,30
Agriculture	11,7	14,9	9	-6	25	0,23
Private households	10,2	11,6	14	-2	30	0,09
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0,74</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,9	5,9	-3	-31	25	0,83
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,1	16,5	-15	-43	13	0,29
Agriculture	11,7	15,2	9	-6	25	0,23
Private households	10,1	10,0	6	-7	18	0,40
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>9,8</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0,21</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,9	3,2	8	-8	24	0,32
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	20,4	13,4	-3	-24	18	0,75
Agriculture	94,2	7,0	0	-2	2	0,91
Private households	24,5	27,5	8	-1	18	0,09

**Table 3.4A: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>0,46</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,3	56	-7	118	0,08
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,4	4,9	14	-30	58	0,53
Agriculture	13,1	9,5	-18	-38	2	0,08
Private households	7,2	5,3	-23	-54	8	0,14
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-42</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0,50</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,7	4,1	38	-11	86	0,13
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,8	6,0	10	-29	50	0,61
Agriculture	13,5	9,6	-16	-36	3	0,10
Private households	12,0	8,1	-10	-33	14	0,42
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekweni</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-34</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>0,75</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,1	2,4	18	-21	56	0,37
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,8	8,2	3	-15	22	0,70
Agriculture	38,0	51,0	-1	-6	3	0,54
Private households	7,7	6,6	-13	-33	7	0,19
<b>North West</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-49</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>0,93</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,3	3,4	-16	-59	27	0,46
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	9,6	8,5	12	-15	38	0,39
Agriculture	17,7	14,6	3	-10	17	0,63
Private households	10,7	11,4	4	-19	27	0,75
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>-143</b>	<b>-245</b>	<b>-40</b>	<b>0,01</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,4	1,6	-159	-254	-63	0,00
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,8	4,2	12	-46	69	0,68
Agriculture	21,3	18,2	-1	-11	8	0,77
Private households	4,2	4,7	5	-23	33	0,71
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,8</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>-66</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0,27</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,8	4,2	-16	-57	24	0,43
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,6	12,1	1	-23	26	0,92
Agriculture	32,1	21,2	-3	-9	2	0,26
Private households	13,7	12,5	-6	-19	8	0,43

**Table 3.4A: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>-37</b>	<b>-100</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0,25</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	4,3	-27	-87	33	0,37
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	12,2	-2	-40	36	0,92
Agriculture	49,3	54,5	0	-6	6	0,99
Private households	8,3	10,9	-8	-21	6	0,28
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>-58</b>	<b>-112</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>0,03</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,4	-61	-110	-12	0,02
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	4,7	-8	-38	23	0,62
Agriculture	59,1	36,0	1	-2	5	0,43
Private households	7,6	8,3	9	-7	25	0,28
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>-61</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0,22</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,6	2,5	-54	-85	-23	0,00
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,7	6,2	20	-2	43	0,08
Agriculture	37,4	34,8	0	-4	5	0,86
Private households	7,2	7,9	10	-3	22	0,14
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>-52</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0,81</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,2	3,5	-47	-92	-3	0,04
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	7,0	37	1	73	0,04
Agriculture	18,3	8,2	6	-17	29	0,60
Private households	9,3	10,5	-1	-18	16	0,88
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>-47</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>0,43</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,3	4,4	-12	-77	52	0,71
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,9	4,3	37	-20	93	0,20
Agriculture	15,1	13,0	4	-12	19	0,62
Private households	7,4	5,6	3	-10	16	0,61

**Table 3.5A: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Sex and Occupation**

	Coefficient of Variation		Qtr-to-qtr change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>-113</b>	<b>-293</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>0,22</b>
Manager	3,1	3,2	21	-59	102	0,60
Professional	3,5	3,9	2	-66	70	0,95
Technician	3,0	2,8	23	-60	105	0,59
Clerk	2,5	2,6	-5	-84	75	0,91
Sales and services	2,1	2,0	-31	-125	63	0,52
Skilled agriculture	10,4	12,2	-10	-26	6	0,20
Craft and related trade	2,3	2,4	-48	-140	44	0,30
Plant and machine operator	2,5	2,6	-50	-118	19	0,16
Elementary	1,9	1,7	-52	-170	66	0,39
Domestic worker	3,2	2,8	34	-16	84	0,18
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>-105</b>	<b>-213</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0,06</b>
Manager	4,8	5,2	-38	-85	8	0,11
Professional	4,8	4,8	-9	-46	28	0,64
Technician	4,0	3,8	-5	-72	61	0,87
Clerk	2,8	2,9	6	-60	71	0,86
Sales and services	2,8	2,5	-70	-135	-6	0,03
Skilled agriculture	30,1	23,7	1	-5	8	0,71
Craft and related trade	7,0	7,3	-4	-33	24	0,76
Plant and machine operator	8,0	7,9	-31	-57	-6	0,02
Elementary	2,6	2,4	20	-48	89	0,56
Domestic worker	3,2	2,9	26	-24	77	0,30
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>-134</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>0,90</b>
Manager	3,3	3,5	59	0	118	0,05
Professional	5,2	5,5	11	-34	55	0,63
Technician	3,8	4,2	28	-24	80	0,29
Clerk	4,7	4,7	-10	-59	38	0,67
Sales and services	2,8	3,0	39	-27	106	0,24
Skilled agriculture	11,7	13,8	-12	-26	3	0,12
Craft and related trade	2,4	2,5	-44	-134	46	0,34
Plant and machine operator	2,8	2,7	-18	-83	46	0,58
Elementary	2,3	2,3	-73	-166	21	0,13
Domestic worker	15,2	13,5	8	-5	20	0,24

**Table 2B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>Both Sexes</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	1098	803	1392	0,00				
Employed	0,6	0,7	554	280	828	0,00				
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	0,9	0,9	275	17	534	0,04				
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,3	2,1	254	104	404	0,00				
Agriculture	5,4	4,2	10	-84	103	0,84				
Private households	2,7	2,7	15	-74	104	0,74				
Unemployed	1,7	1,6	543	321	766	0,00				
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-471	-766	-176	0,00				
Discouraged work-seekers	3,4	3,9	-165	-374	44	0,12				
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	-306	-568	-43	0,02				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,5	1,4	1,1	0,2	2,0	0,02				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,0	1,5	0,04				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	2,0	1,2	2,8	0,00				
<b>Women</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	0,8	0,8	562	370	754	0,00				
Employed	0,9	1,0	324	149	499	0,00				
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,4	1,3	187	22	352	0,03				
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	3,7	3,0	66	-27	160	0,16				
Agriculture	7,6	7,7	29	-8	66	0,13				
Private households	2,8	2,9	42	-32	115	0,27				
Unemployed	2,1	2,0	238	89	386	0,00				
Not economically active	0,8	0,9	-263	-455	-72	0,01				
Discouraged work-seekers	3,8	4,4	-81	-208	47	0,22				
Other (not economically active)	1,0	0,9	-183	-371	5	0,06				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	1,8	1,7	0,7	-0,6	2,1	0,27				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,9	1,0	1,2	0,2	2,1	0,02				
Labour force participation rate	0,8	0,8	2,2	1,1	3,2	0,00				

**Table 2B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Sex**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>Men</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	0,5	0,6	536	361	710	0,00				
Employed	0,8	0,8	230	39	421	0,02				
Formal Sector (Non-agriculture)	1,1	1,1	88	-95	271	0,34				
Informal sector (Non-agriculture)	2,7	2,5	188	72	304	0,00				
Agriculture	6,5	4,1	-19	-108	69	0,67				
Private households	6,2	6,3	-26	-78	25	0,31				
Unemployed	2,1	2,0	306	155	456	0,00				
Not economically active	1,0	1,1	-208	-382	-33	0,02				
Discouraged work-seekers	4,1	4,5	-85	-206	36	0,17				
Other (not economically active)	1,0	1,2	-123	-274	28	0,11				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	2,0	1,9	1,4	0,2	2,6	0,02				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,8	0,8	0,4	-0,7	1,4	0,47				
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,6	1,8	0,8	2,7	0,00				

**Table 2.1B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	1098	803	1392	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,7	554	280	828	0,00
Unemployed	1,7	1,6	543	321	766	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-471	-766	-176	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,5	1,4	1,1	0,2	2,0	0,02
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,0	1,5	0,04
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	2,0	1,2	2,8	0,00
<b>Black/African</b>						
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,6	0,6	1052	790	1314	0,00
Employed	0,8	0,8	519	273	766	0,00
Unemployed	1,9	1,8	533	320	746	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,9	-442	-703	-180	0,00
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,6	1,5	1,2	0,1	2,4	0,03
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	0,8	0,8	1,0	0,1	1,8	0,03
Labour force participation rate	0,6	0,6	2,3	1,5	3,3	0,00
<b>Coloured</b>						
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,5	40	-60	140	0,43
Employed	1,9	1,6	22	-62	106	0,61
Unemployed	3,8	5,0	18	-50	85	0,61
Not economically active	2,7	2,5	0	-100	99	0,99
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,4	4,3	0,4	-2,3	3,1	0,77
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,9	1,6	0,1	-2,4	2,6	0,94
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,5	0,5	-2,5	3,4	0,76

**Table 2.1B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Population Group**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Indian/Asian</b>						
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	3,4	2,6	35	-2	72	0,07
Employed	2,5	2,9	21	-13	55	0,23
Unemployed	18,1	12,3	14	-8	35	0,21
Not economically active	4,7	4,1	-26	-63	11	0,16
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	15,6	11,6	1,6	-1,8	5,0	0,36
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	2,5	2,9	1,7	-1,8	5,1	0,34
Labour force participation rate	3,4	2,6	3,0	-0,8	6,7	0,12
<b>White</b>						
<b>Population 15-64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,8	1,5	-29	-114	56	0,50
Employed	1,9	1,8	-8	-90	74	0,85
Unemployed	12,6	10,4	-21	-60	18	0,29
Not economically active	3,7	3,2	-3	-88	83	0,95
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	12,2	10,6	-0,9	-2,8	0,9	0,31
Employed / population ratio (Absorption)	1,9	1,8	0,4	-2,3	3,1	0,77
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,5	-0,3	-3,1	2,6	0,86

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,5	0,5	1098	803	1392	0,00
Employed	0,6	0,7	554	280	828	0,00
Unemployed	1,7	1,6	543	321	766	0,00
Not economically active	0,7	0,8	-471	-766	-176	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	3,4	3,9	-165	-374	44	0,12
Other (not economically active)	0,8	0,8	-306	-568	-43	0,02
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	1,5	1,4	1,1	0,2	2,0	0,02
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	0,6	0,7	0,8	0,0	1,5	0,04
Labour force participation rate	0,5	0,5	2,0	1,2	2,8	0,00
<b>Western Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,3	1,6	119	-13	251	0,08
Employed	1,7	2,1	137	4	270	0,04
Unemployed	3,6	5,3	-18	-97	62	0,66
Not economically active	2,6	3,3	-24	-156	107	0,72
Discouraged work-seekers	21,0	19,0	29	-9	66	0,13
Other (not economically active)	2,6	3,1	-53	-171	65	0,38
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,5	5,1	-1,5	-4,0	1,1	0,27
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	2,1	2,0	-1,0	5,0	0,20
Labour force participation rate	1,3	1,6	1,3	-1,7	4,2	0,41

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	2,8	45	-25	116	0,21
Employed	1,7	3,3	74	12	135	0,02
Unemployed	6,1	11,3	-28	-79	22	0,27
Not economically active	2,6	5,3	-7	-78	63	0,84
Discouraged work-seekers	24,3	22,5	19	-17	55	0,29
Other (not economically active)	1,7	5,1	-27	-81	27	0,33
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,4	10,5	-3,6	-7,9	0,8	0,11
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,7	3,3	3,3	-0,5	7,2	0,08
Labour force participation rate	1,5	2,8	1,3	-3,1	5,7	0,56
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,8	1,9	74	-37	184	0,19
Employed	2,4	2,6	63	-53	179	0,29
Unemployed	4,5	6,0	11	-52	73	0,74
Not economically active	3,9	4,4	-17	-127	94	0,76
Discouraged work-seekers	28,7	33,4	9	-1	20	0,08
Other (not economically active)	4,0	4,0	-26	-130	78	0,62
<b>Rates(%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,5	5,8	-0,3	-3,5	2,9	0,85
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,4	2,6	1,2	-3,0	5,3	0,58
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,9	1,2	-2,7	5,2	0,54

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,7	1,7	267	168	366	0,00
Employed	2,2	2,5	66	-27	158	0,16
Unemployed	3,7	5,1	201	115	287	0,00
Not economically active	1,4	1,8	-219	-318	-119	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	7,1	10,6	-123	-222	-23	0,02
Other (not economically active)	2,1	2,2	-96	-180	-12	0,03
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	3,3	4,4	5,8	2,2	9,3	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,2	2,5	1,2	-1,0	3,4	0,29
Labour force participation rate	1,7	1,7	5,8	3,5	8,2	0,00
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	2,6	190	98	282	0,00
Employed	3,1	3,3	23	-55	101	0,56
Unemployed	5,5	6,2	167	97	236	0,00
Not economically active	1,6	2,1	-156	-248	-65	0,00
Discouraged work-seekers	7,2	10,9	-128	-226	-29	0,01
Other (not economically active)	2,6	2,5	-29	-101	44	0,44
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,8	5,0	9,1	4,3	13,9	0,00
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,1	3,3	0,5	-2,2	3,2	0,73
Labour force participation rate	2,6	2,6	6,1	2,9	9,3	0,00

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,1	2,7	28	4	53	0,03
Employed	3,6	4,9	22	3	41	0,02
Unemployed	10,6	12,2	6	-28	39	0,73
Not economically active	3,9	6,4	-23	-48	1	0,06
Discouraged work-seekers	36,1	60,1	7	-10	25	0,41
Other (not economically active)	4,4	7,8	-31	-63	1	0,06
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	9,5	11,3	-0,7	-8,8	7,3	0,86
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,6	4,9	4,0	0,2	7,8	0,04
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,7	4,9	0,1	9,8	0,05
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,8	2,8	49	18	80	0,00
Employed	4,1	5,7	20	-25	66	0,38
Unemployed	4,2	11,5	29	-10	67	0,15
Not economically active	4,3	5,5	-39	-70	-8	0,02
Discouraged work-seekers	45,2	54,8	-2	-5	0	0,11
Other (not economically active)	4,2	5,1	-37	-68	-6	0,02
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,5	10,6	2,5	-4,8	9,7	0,51
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,1	5,7	2,1	-3,7	7,8	0,49
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,8	5,3	1,4	9,3	0,01

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Northern Cape</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,1	3,3	3	-34	39	0,88
Employed	4,5	5,9	-11	-50	28	0,58
Unemployed	6,9	4,6	14	-10	38	0,26
Not economically active	4,7	3,8	7	-30	43	0,71
Discouraged work-seekers	15,1	10,9	19	6	33	0,01
Other (not economically active)	4,9	3,8	-12	-41	17	0,40
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,5	6,8	3,1	-2,8	9,0	0,30
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,5	5,9	-1,8	-6,9	3,1	0,46
Labour force participation rate	4,1	3,3	-0,3	-5,0	4,4	0,90
<b>Free State</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,2	1,4	8	-51	66	0,80
Employed	3,4	3,3	-21	-92	51	0,57
Unemployed	6,2	4,2	28	-19	75	0,24
Not economically active	3,6	2,4	-2	-60	57	0,96
Discouraged work-seekers	10,6	9,8	3	-23	30	0,80
Other (not economically active)	3,8	3,1	-5	-69	59	0,88
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,8	4,6	2,2	-2,0	6,4	0,31
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,4	3,3	-1,3	-5,0	2,6	0,53
Labour force participation rate	2,2	1,4	0,2	-2,9	3,3	0,90

<b>Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,6	1,9	-10	-52	31	0,63
Employed	3,9	4,0	-16	-72	40	0,57
Unemployed	7,2	5,2	6	-38	50	0,79
Not economically active	4,1	2,8	11	-31	53	0,61
Discouraged work-seekers	9,7	10,0	13	-6	33	0,18
Other (not economically active)	4,7	3,8	-3	-60	55	0,93
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,4	5,6	1,1	-4,2	6,5	0,67
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,9	4,0	-1,2	-5,3	2,9	0,56
Labour force participation rate	2,6	1,9	-0,8	-3,9	2,3	0,62
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	4,0	2,2	18	-24	60	0,40
Employed	7,1	5,6	-4	-50	42	0,85
Unemployed	11,9	7,1	22	5	40	0,01
Not economically active	7,9	4,9	-12	-54	29	0,56
Discouraged work-seekers	26,5	29,4	-10	-28	8	0,27
Other (not economically active)	5,5	4,4	-2	-32	27	0,87
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	12,3	8,2	4,6	-1,5	10,8	0,14
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	7,1	5,6	-1,3	-10,0	7,3	0,77
Labour force participation rate	4,0	2,2	2,7	-5,2	10,5	0,51

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	2,1	193	47	339	0,01
Employed	1,6	1,9	105	-21	231	0,10
Unemployed	5,0	5,6	88	24	153	0,01
Not economically active	1,3	2,0	-88	-234	58	0,24
Discouraged work-seekers	6,7	8,3	37	-63	137	0,47
Other (not economically active)	1,9	2,0	-125	-256	6	0,06
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	4,4	4,3	1,4	-0,4	3,0	0,12
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,6	1,9	1,0	-0,9	2,8	0,30
Labour force participation rate	1,5	2,1	2,1	-0,1	4,2	0,06
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,3	3,4	81	-53	214	0,24
Employed	2,8	3,2	46	-71	163	0,44
Unemployed	6,5	8,5	34	-21	89	0,22
Not economically active	1,6	2,5	-1	-134	132	0,99
Discouraged work-seekers	7,9	9,8	44	-46	134	0,34
Other (not economically active)	2,2	2,5	-45	-163	72	0,45
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,9	6,5	0,7	-1,9	3,4	0,57
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,8	3,2	0,5	-2,1	3,1	0,71
Labour force participation rate	2,3	3,4	1,1	-1,9	4,1	0,48

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value				
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017								
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekwinini</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	1,8	1,9	112	51	174	0,00				
Employed	1,2	1,9	58	9	108	0,02				
Unemployed	8,1	5,9	54	21	87	0,00				
Not economically active	2,6	3,2	-87	-148	-25	0,01				
Discouraged work-seekers	10,6	10,3	-7	-51	38	0,76				
Other (not economically active)	4,0	3,1	-80	-140	-19	0,01				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	6,6	4,9	2,1	0,2	4,0	0,03				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,2	1,9	2,0	-0,1	4,0	0,07				
Labour force participation rate	1,8	1,9	4,0	1,5	6,6	0,00				
<b>North West</b>										
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>										
Labour Force	3,6	3,3	84	-33	201	0,16				
Employed	2,7	3,4	64	-12	139	0,10				
Unemployed	11,8	8,8	21	-62	103	0,62				
Not economically active	3,7	3,8	-40	-157	77	0,50				
Discouraged work-seekers	11,8	10,3	9	-66	85	0,81				
Other (not economically active)	3,7	3,3	-49	-141	43	0,29				
<b>Rates (%)</b>										
Unemployment rate	9,0	7,1	-0,1	-5,0	4,6	0,94				
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	3,4	1,8	-1,2	4,9	0,22				
Labour force participation rate	3,6	3,3	2,5	-2,3	7,2	0,30				

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	0,9	0,7	194	74	313	0,00
Employed	1,3	1,2	109	-30	248	0,13
Unemployed	2,9	2,4	85	-32	202	0,15
Not economically active	2,2	1,8	16	-104	136	0,80
Discouraged work-seekers	10,8	9,7	-41	-99	17	0,17
Other (not economically active)	2,1	1,9	57	-58	171	0,33
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,7	2,3	0,4	-1,2	2,0	0,63
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,3	1,2	0,0	-1,4	1,4	0,97
Labour force participation rate	0,9	0,7	0,4	-0,8	1,7	0,49
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,1	2,6	32	-11	74	0,14
Employed	3,0	3,6	14	-40	67	0,62
Unemployed	9,2	6,3	18	-24	60	0,40
Not economically active	3,8	5,1	-18	-60	25	0,41
Discouraged work-seekers	10,4	9,8	-27	-39	-16	0,00
Other (not economically active)	3,8	4,7	10	-36	56	0,67
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,0	5,7	0,9	-3,9	5,8	0,70
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,0	3,6	0,5	-3,5	4,6	0,79
Labour force participation rate	2,1	2,6	1,7	-1,5	4,9	0,30

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	1,9	54	1	107	0,05
Employed	4,0	3,1	98	20	177	0,02
Unemployed	6,4	5,2	-45	-120	30	0,24
Not economically active	4,9	5,1	-12	-65	41	0,65
Discouraged work-seekers	27,0	18,3	-11	-45	23	0,52
Other (not economically active)	4,5	4,8	-1	-42	40	0,96
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,3	5,1	-3,4	-7,5	0,6	0,09
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	4,0	3,1	3,1	0,0	6,3	0,05
Labour force participation rate	1,9	1,9	1,0	-1,2	3,1	0,38
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,5	0,8	24	-66	114	0,60
Employed	1,5	1,8	-30	-119	60	0,51
Unemployed	3,7	3,9	54	-6	113	0,08
Not economically active	4,9	2,5	72	-18	162	0,12
Discouraged work-seekers	29,8	26,4	19	-8	45	0,17
Other (not economically active)	4,8	2,9	53	-34	141	0,23
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	2,8	3,8	1,7	-0,3	3,7	0,10
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	1,5	1,8	-2,2	-4,7	0,2	0,07
Labour force participation rate	1,5	0,8	-1,3	-3,8	1,2	0,29

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,6	1,0	84	34	133	0,00
Employed	2,7	2,1	26	-29	81	0,35
Unemployed	7,1	4,7	58	1	115	0,05
Not economically active	3,6	2,5	-26	-76	23	0,30
Discouraged work-seekers	19,8	18,4	-21	-58	17	0,28
Other (not economically active)	3,4	3,0	-5	-54	43	0,83
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	6,8	4,6	2,1	-1,0	5,3	0,18
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	2,1	-0,1	-2,5	2,1	0,89
Labour force participation rate	1,6	1,0	1,8	-0,3	3,9	0,09
<b>Mpumalanga</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	1,9	1,9	143	71	216	0,00
Employed	3,3	2,7	41	-33	114	0,28
Unemployed	5,6	4,5	103	57	148	0,00
Not economically active	2,7	3,2	-92	-165	-20	0,01
Discouraged work-seekers	9,1	15,5	-42	-93	8	0,10
Other (not economically active)	3,7	3,6	-50	-133	33	0,24
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	5,6	4,1	3,5	0,8	6,0	0,01
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	3,3	2,7	0,7	-1,9	3,3	0,61
Labour force participation rate	1,9	1,9	4,0	1,4	6,6	0,00

**Table 2.3B: Sampling Variability for Labour Force Characteristics by Province**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Limpopo</b>						
<b>Population 15 - 64 yrs</b>						
Labour Force	2,8	2,5	87	-33	207	0,16
Employed	2,7	2,4	66	-24	155	0,15
Unemployed	10,4	8,2	21	-64	107	0,63
Not economically active	2,4	2,3	-29	-149	92	0,64
Discouraged work-seekers	9,9	9,3	-57	-157	43	0,26
Other (not economically active)	2,7	2,7	29	-71	128	0,57
<b>Rates (%)</b>						
Unemployment rate	8,7	6,8	0,2	-4,0	4,4	0,93
Employed/population ratio (absorption)	2,7	2,4	1,2	-1,3	3,7	0,33
Labour force participation rate	2,8	2,5	1,6	-1,7	4,9	0,33

**Table 3.1B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Industry and Sex**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Agriculture	5,4	4,2	10	-84	103	0,84
Mining	7,1	7,2	-13	-96	70	0,75
Manufacturing	2,9	2,7	88	-32	208	0,15
Utilities	11,8	12,1	37	0	73	0,05
Construction	3,0	3,0	7	-107	122	0,90
Trade	1,9	1,9	129	-37	294	0,13
Transport	4,3	3,2	92	-3	187	0,06
Finance	2,3	2,6	175	14	336	0,03
Community and social services	1,7	1,9	16	-148	181	0,85
Private household	2,7	2,7	15	-74	104	0,74
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Agriculture	7,6	7,7	29	-8	66	0,13
Mining	14,0	12,2	3	-19	24	0,80
Manufacturing	4,5	4,3	23	-39	84	0,47
Utilities	18,2	20,7	4	-10	18	0,60
Construction	8,4	8,1	32	-3	67	0,07
Trade	2,4	2,3	88	-6	182	0,07
Transport	8,0	8,2	15	-21	52	0,41
Finance	3,0	3,8	84	-13	182	0,09
Community and social services	2,0	2,2	5	-119	128	0,94
Private household	2,8	2,9	42	-32	115	0,27
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Agriculture	6,5	4,1	-19	-108	69	0,67
Mining	7,0	7,4	-16	-87	55	0,66
Manufacturing	3,5	3,1	65	-34	165	0,20
Utilities	13,8	11,9	33	1	64	0,04
Construction	3,2	3,1	-24	-131	82	0,65
Trade	2,6	2,7	41	-83	165	0,52
Transport	4,4	3,6	77	-6	159	0,07
Finance	2,9	3,1	91	-16	197	0,10
Community and social services	2,8	2,8	12	-91	114	0,82
Private household	6,2	6,3	-26	-78	25	0,31

**Table 3.4B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	0,9	0,9	275	17	534	0,04
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,1	254	104	404	0,00
Agriculture	5,4	4,2	10	-84	103	0,84
Private households	2,7	2,7	15	-74	104	0,74
<b>Western Cape</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0,04</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,5	2,6	117	-11	244	0,07
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,1	6,5	37	-9	83	0,12
Agriculture	10,5	4,3	-7	-51	38	0,77
Private households	8,8	10,5	-11	-53	32	0,62
<b>Western Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,2	5,5	87	2	172	0,05
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	13,7	12,1	12	-17	40	0,42
Agriculture	11,1	3,8	-12	-56	32	0,60
Private households	12,8	16,5	-13	-36	10	0,26
<b>Western Cape - City of Cape Town</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>-53</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>0,29</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,9	2,9	30	-65	125	0,53
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,4	7,6	25	-10	61	0,16
Agriculture	31,9	27,1	5	-5	15	0,32
Private households	12,6	13,4	2	-35	40	0,90
<b>Eastern Cape</b>	<b>2,2</b>	<b>2,5</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>0,16</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,2	2,7	50	-22	121	0,17
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,4	7,9	40	-11	92	0,13
Agriculture	14,5	16,9	-10	-36	17	0,47
Private households	8,5	8,4	-14	-39	10	0,25
<b>Eastern Cape - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-55</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>0,56</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,6	4,4	29	-33	91	0,36
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	7,4	8,9	6	-37	48	0,79
Agriculture	15,8	17,7	-5	-31	21	0,70
Private households	12,2	12,4	-6	-26	14	0,54

**Table 3.4B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Eastern Cape - Buffalo City</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,0	2,8	-9	-31	14	0,45
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	18,4	19,5	37	16	58	0,00
Agriculture	56,9	64,2	-1	-4	2	0,40
Private households	7,6	20,5	-5	-12	2	0,19
<b>Eastern Cape - Nelson Mandela Bay</b>	<b>4,1</b>	<b>5,7</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>0,38</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,7	5,0	30	3	57	0,03
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	17,0	25,7	-3	-23	18	0,80
Agriculture	36,1	100,4	-3	-4	-2	0,00
Private households	17,3	11,9	-3	-16	9	0,61
<b>Northern Cape</b>	<b>4,5</b>	<b>5,9</b>	<b>-11</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>0,58</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,7	9,5	5	-36	46	0,80
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	17,7	5,4	-1	-16	15	0,94
Agriculture	14,9	34,3	-6	-23	11	0,47
Private households	15,3	14,3	-10	-22	3	0,14
<b>Free State</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>-92</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>0,57</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,1	4,0	-43	-102	15	0,15
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	11,3	12,0	14	-26	53	0,50
Agriculture	19,7	14,9	14	-31	59	0,55
Private households	11,2	11,6	-5	-36	27	0,77
<b>Free State - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,9</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>-16</b>	<b>-72</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0,57</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,5	5,9	-26	-76	23	0,30
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	12,7	16,5	9	-23	40	0,59
Agriculture	19,9	15,2	13	-32	58	0,57
Private households	14,5	10,0	-12	-39	16	0,41
<b>Free State - Mangaung</b>	<b>7,1</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>-4</b>	<b>-50</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>0,85</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,4	3,2	-17	-49	15	0,29
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	23,1	13,4	5	-19	29	0,68
Agriculture	97,3	7,0	1	-1	2	0,25
Private households	12,7	27,5	7	-8	22	0,37

<b>Table 3.4B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector</b>						
	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>KwaZulu Natal</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>-21</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>0,10</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,4	2,3	99	-10	209	0,08
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,3	4,9	4	-62	69	0,91
Agriculture	9,0	9,5	1	-22	24	0,93
Private households	5,6	5,3	1	-32	34	0,95
<b>KwaZulu Natal - Non Metro</b>	<b>2,8</b>	<b>3,2</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>-71</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>0,44</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,1	4,1	53	-45	151	0,29
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,4	6,0	-6	-64	52	0,83
Agriculture	9,2	9,6	0	-22	23	0,97
Private households	8,0	8,1	-1	-26	25	0,96
<b>KwaZulu Natal - eThekwini</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,3	2,4	46	-5	97	0,08
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,6	8,2	10	-19	40	0,50
Agriculture	37,1	51,0	1	-5	6	0,86
Private households	7,7	6,6	2	-18	21	0,87
<b>North West</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>3,4</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>0,10</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	3,3	3,4	9	-56	74	0,79
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	6,9	8,5	25	1	50	0,04
Agriculture	20,0	14,6	17	3	30	0,01
Private households	11,1	11,4	13	-11	36	0,30
<b>Gauteng</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>0,13</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	1,6	1,6	41	-108	189	0,59
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,5	4,2	45	-43	134	0,32
Agriculture	31,1	18,2	-10	-42	22	0,54
Private households	4,7	4,7	33	-9	75	0,12
<b>Gauteng - Non Metro</b>	<b>3,0</b>	<b>3,6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-40</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>0,62</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	4,2	-4	-41	33	0,85
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	17,4	12,1	20	-25	66	0,38
Agriculture	64,1	21,2	-7	-36	22	0,63
Private households	19,0	12,5	4	-19	27	0,72

**Table 3.4B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Province and Sector**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Gauteng - Ekurhuleni</b>	<b>4,0</b>	<b>3,1</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,0	4,3	81	0	163	0,05
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,2	12,2	10	-36	56	0,66
Agriculture	43,8	54,5	-2	-11	8	0,75
Private households	6,9	10,9	8	-10	27	0,36
<b>Gauteng - City of Johannesburg</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>-30</b>	<b>-119</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>0,51</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,4	2,4	-58	-169	53	0,30
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	5,8	4,7	27	-19	72	0,25
Agriculture	58,6	36,0	2	-5	9	0,61
Private households	8,1	8,3	0	-26	27	0,99
<b>Gauteng - City of Tshwane</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>-29</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>0,35</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	2,6	2,5	21	-31	73	0,43
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	10,8	6,2	-12	-53	29	0,57
Agriculture	28,1	34,8	-3	-10	3	0,33
Private households	7,4	7,9	20	5	36	0,01
<b>Mpumalanga</b>	<b>3,3</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-33</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>0,28</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	3,5	-7	-79	66	0,86
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	8,3	7,0	55	14	96	0,01
Agriculture	22,9	8,2	-10	-49	29	0,60
Private households	8,1	10,5	3	-14	19	0,75
<b>Limpopo</b>	<b>2,7</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>-24</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>0,15</b>
Formal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,8	4,4	5	-84	94	0,91
Informal sector (Non-agricultural)	4,5	4,3	34	-7	75	0,10
Agriculture	14,4	13,0	21	-3	45	0,09
Private households	10,1	5,6	5	-23	33	0,70

**Table 3.5B: Sampling Variability for the Employed by Sex and Occupation**

	Coefficient of Variation		Year-on-year change	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	P-Value
	Jan-Mar 2017	Apr-Jun 2017				
<b>Both sexes</b>	<b>0,6</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Manager	3,3	3,2	155	45	265	0,01
Professional	4,0	3,9	40	-53	132	0,40
Technician	3,0	2,8	-38	-155	79	0,52
Clerk	2,7	2,6	126	10	241	0,03
Sales and services	2,3	2,0	10	-132	152	0,89
Skilled agriculture	12,6	12,2	-8	-29	14	0,48
Craft and related trade	2,3	2,4	79	-47	205	0,22
Plant and machine operator	3,1	2,6	65	-36	165	0,20
Elementary	1,8	1,7	92	-66	249	0,25
Domestic worker	2,9	2,8	28	-45	101	0,45
<b>Women</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>0,00</b>
Manager	5,8	5,2	53	-14	120	0,12
Professional	5,4	4,8	-3	-60	53	0,91
Technician	3,6	3,8	-14	-96	68	0,74
Clerk	3,1	2,9	99	1	197	0,05
Sales and services	3,0	2,5	-14	-104	76	0,76
Skilled agriculture	26,9	23,7	-3	-12	7	0,57
Craft and related trade	6,9	7,3	-5	-46	35	0,80
Plant and machine operator	8,5	7,9	-4	-37	29	0,81
Elementary	2,6	2,4	172	77	267	0,00
Domestic worker	2,9	2,9	42	-31	115	0,26
<b>Men</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>0,02</b>
Manager	3,6	3,5	102	19	184	0,02
Professional	5,0	5,5	43	-18	104	0,17
Technician	4,4	4,2	-24	-108	60	0,58
Clerk	4,8	4,7	27	-35	88	0,40
Sales and services	2,9	3,0	24	-81	128	0,65
Skilled agriculture	14,0	13,8	-5	-24	14	0,59
Craft and related trade	2,5	2,5	84	-28	197	0,14
Plant and machine operator	3,3	2,7	69	-23	161	0,14
Elementary	2,4	2,3	-80	-212	52	0,23
Domestic worker	16,2	13,5	-14	-33	5	0,15